



Tuesday, April 14:

Riverside Consolidated School Public Meeting

7pm. Public Meeting with District Education Council (DEC) at the Riverside Rec. Centre.

Come and show support for Riverside Consolidated School and hear presentations from parents and other community members about the DEC's sustainability study. The closure of the school can affect not just the students sitting in a bus for up to 3 hours a day, but also local businesses, services and all residents of rural Albert County.



Parents and students lined the route to show their support. Photos by Janet Wallace

On April 2nd, members of the District Education Council (above) took the 1.5-hour bus ride that some elementary students will be expected to make twice a day if the school in Riverside-Albert is closed.

Upcoming Events

Event information was submitted by community groups. To post an event on [our calendar](#) or submit information for our next e-bulletin, please visit www.ConnectingAlbertCounty.org

Saturday, April 11: **22nd Annual Alma Rink Gala Evening & Dance**

The Alma Rink Gala is a yearly event that makes our local rink possible! Dinner and Draw are sold out; tickets for the dance are available but must be purchased in advance (contact Kelly Edgett/381-0153, Amanda Rossiter/860-0204). Dance starts at 9pm. Thanks for supporting this event!

Saturday, April 11: **Country Show**

7pm. Country show featuring Carolyn and the Uptown Ramblers plus special guests. Admission:\$7.00. Hillsborough Kiwanis Centre.

Sunday, April 12: **Pasta Party**

5-7pm. Spaghetti, bread, dessert, tea & coffee for \$5.00. Curryville Community Outreach Center.

Tuesday, April 14: **Riverside Consolidated School Public Meeting**

7pm. Public Meeting #2 with the District Education Council (DEC) for Riverside Consolidated School at the Riverside Rec. Centre. Parents and stakeholders who have registered will present reasons to keep the school open. Everyone in rural Albert County is encouraged to attend.

Thursday, April 16: **Job Fair**

4-8pm. Job Fair for adults who want to work (part- or full-time), connecting them with Albert County employers who are looking for skilled mature people with a sense of responsibility.

Saturday, April 18: **Gospel Music Concert**

7pm. Judy Ayles, Salisbury & Mac Wilmot, Lower Coverdale Nightwatch, Moncton (2015 Reunion), Daybreak, Chipman. Hillsborough Kiwanis Centre. Admission: \$7.00

Saturday, April 18: **Curryville Music Night**

7pm. Music Night - The Rocky Cape Band. \$5.00 Admission. Canteen Available. Curryville Community Outreach Center

Wednesday, April 22: **A Fresh Look at Arthritis**
Speakers are Nadine Chiasson-Peters, Physiotherapist, and Megan Shannahan, Dietitian.

From 2-3pm in [Albert County Health & Wellness Centre](#) Community Room. Register at 882-3100.

Saturday, April 25: **Tele-drive Variety Show**

7pm-8:30pm. Fundraiser for [Tele-Drive Albert County](#). Entertaining evening with skits, music and more! Donations at the door. Canteen services on site. Harvey Hall, Mary's Point Road.

Sunday, April 26: **An Active Hope: A Future for Rural Communities**

7-9pm. Speaker Gregory Heming believes when a community has heart, it has hope. Join us for this talk and open community conversation on issues facing our rural communities, coupled with practical solutions for revitalizing local prosperity. If you have a heart for Albert County, this talk will inspire hope. At Riverside-Albert Rec. Centre. Read more on page 4.

Tuesday, April 28: **Public School Meeting**

7pm. Public Meeting #3: This is the scheduled Public Meeting where the District Education Council (DEC) will bring the sustainability studies to a conclusion through final discussions, a motion and a vote. See details at [Current News](#) and [Culture & Heritage](#).

Saturday, May 2: **Workshop: Introduction to Bee-keeping**

Workshop hosted by [Foods of the Fundy Valley](#) at the Hopewell Cape Community Hall. We will be learning the basics of bee-keeping with Fletcher Colpitts throughout the day. Cost is \$30/ participant, including snacks and lunch. Space is limited so please sign up early. Send a message by Facebook, our website, call Janine (882-2728) or jaunderh@gmail.com.

Wednesday, May 6. **Shepody Food Bank Annual General Meeting**

7pm. Albert County Health and Wellness Centre Education Room (1st floor), 8 Forest Dale Rd., Riverside-Albert.

Wednesday, May 6. **Get Loud for Mental Health!**

6pm. Join the staff of the Albert County Health & Wellness Centre to 'Walk the Block' in support of Mental Health Week (May 4-10). Meet at Riverside Consolidated School at 6pm. All are welcome! Dress for the weather! Traffic safety provided by Riverside-Albert Firefighters. For details, contact Cynthia Stevens at 882-3100.

Thursday, May 7: **Bookmobile**

10:30-11:30 Alma Activity Centre/Town Office;
12:30-1:00 Riverside-Albert - Crooked Creek Convenience - 5964 King St.;
1:30- 2:00 Hopewell Cape at the Albert County Museum

Fri., May 8: **Foods of the Fundy Valley AGM**
[Foods of the Fundy Valley](#)'s AGM at Hopewell Cape Community Hall. There will be a presentation of our year's activities with an informative talk on Soil preparation and Growing longer in our shorter seasons. Begins at 5pm with our well-known soup bar. We hope you will join us for an enjoyable evening. Stay posted through monthly bulletin and Facebook.

Saturday-Sunday, May 16-17: **Albert Early Spring Horse Show**

Horse show for all ages starting at 9am. 80+ classes. All are welcome to watch. Canteen facilities on site. Albert Fairgrounds.

Thursday, May 21. **'From Flappers to Flowers to Frills' Vintage Clothing Fashion Show**

7-9pm. Show will be presented by Linda Fullerton at Forest Dale Home (FDH). Tickets \$15 may be purchased from FDH Office, Gary Steeves Insurance (Hillsborough), Bettyanne Rossiter (Alma). Please support this Forest Dale Home Foundation fundraiser for projects to benefit residents. For details, call FDH Office 882-3015 X2.

Saturday, May 23: **5th Annual James Terris Memorial Hillbilly Run**

Run starts at 10am from the Hillsborough Golf Club. Arrive early to register! For details, see <https://www.facebook.com/events/1417935235171187/>

Saturday, June 27: **First Annual Golf Tournament**

The Bennett and Albert County Health Care Foundation will be holding their 1st Annual Golf Tournament at the Hillsborough Golf Club. Contact Danny Jonah, Golf Tournament Chair, for details at 734-2526.

Weekly events

Tuesdays. *Zumba® class.* Tuesday 7-8pm at Riverside Consolidated School. Contact 882-2831. Evelyn Wachs, certified ZUMBA Instructor.

Wednesdays. *Parent-Child Mother Goose Program.* Parents....come cuddle, talk and have fun with your child or children. Join the magic of learning and sharing rhymes, songs and stories! Adults and Children (Birth - 3 years) at Riverside Consolidated School Weds. 1:30-2:30pm, April 15-May 20. This is a free program. Register by emailing cynthia.macisaac-rollin@nbed.nb.ca

Wednesdays. *Kiwanis Bingo.* Doors open at 5:30, games begin at 6:30.

Wednesdays. *Pilates.* 5:30-6:30, Riverside Consolidated School. 872-0403 Sasha Rooney, certified Pilates instructor.

Wednesdays. *Zumba® STEP class* 7-8pm at Rec. Centre Riverside-Albert. Contact Evelyn Wachs, certified Zumba Instructor, 882-2831 or www.evelynwachs.zumba.com.

Thursdays. *Knitting.* 9:30-11:30am, drop in to Turtlepurl studio with your knitting project. While it's not a formal class, there is usually someone around who can offer support. 4891 Salem Rd (bottom level), Hillsborough.

Thursdays. *Zumba® class* 7-8pm at Riverside-Albert Rec Centre. Contact 882-2831 Evelyn Wachs, ZUMBA Instructor. Last Thurs. of month, location is Riverside Consolidated School.

Looking for work in Albert County? Or looking for workers?

Connecting Albert County is pleased to post [job listings](#) for private businesses and organizations in rural Albert County. Please email connectingalbertcounty@gmail.com with details about part-time work, full-time jobs and contract positions.

Job Fair for Adults—For adults who want to work (part- or full-time), connecting them with Albert County employers who are looking for skilled mature people with a sense of responsibility. April 16, Riverside-Albert Rec. Centre. Many employers will be present, including Hopewell Rocks, Cape Enrage, Forest Dale Nursing Home, Fundy National Park, Ponderosa Pines Campground, Broadleaf Ranch, Hillsborough Railway, An Artist's Garden B&B, Bayview Motel, Jeff Cooke and Jason Downey (Brunswick Stone).

If you are an employer and are looking for an employee to work (either full-time, part-time or by the activity), you are invited to attend. If you are seeking employment, you will have the opportunity to talk with several potential employers and explain what you have to offer. If you do not have a resumé, you will be able to obtain assistance at the Job Fair in completing one.

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An Active Hope: A Future for Rural Communities

Gregory Heming believes that rural communities in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are perfectly positioned to cultivate a new economy, one that thrives by creating local business to meet local need. And he should know . . . he has been helping rural communities grow their local prosperity for forty years.

On Sunday, April 26th, he'll be in Riverside-Albert to start a community conversation on the issues facing Albert County, coupled with practical ways we can help revitalize our local prosperity. Join us at 7pm at the Riverside-Albert Recreation Centre.

Read more at www.connectingalbertcounty.org/economic-development/meet-gregory-heming-cultivating-hope-for-albert-county

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Connecting Albert County is pleased to post [job listings](#) for private businesses and organizations in rural Albert County. Please [email us](#) with details about part-time work, full-time jobs, contract positions and other employment opportunities. On our [job opportunities page](#), we currently have postings for jobs at Fundy National Park, Hopewell Rocks and Forest Dale. Read about the upcoming job fair on April 16th on page 3 at on the website on our [community economic development page](#).

Albert County Health & Wellness Centre

See www.ConnectingAlbertCounty.org for a description of the [services provided by our community health centre](#), along with the hours of operation. The centre's family physicians and nurse practitioner are currently accepting new patients. If you live in rural Albert County and do not have a primary care provider, or would like to make an appointment, please call 882-3100. The physicians also offer a satellite office in Alma.

Connecting Albert County

Our mission is to celebrate the culture, natural beauty, and sense of community shared and valued by the people of rural Albert County. We aim to nurture a growing attitude of hope and pride among community members, and to contribute to the economic prosperity of our region.

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Connecting Albert County reflects the passion and hard work of many individuals in rural Albert County, including Joanne Butland, Deborah Carr, Joseph Gallant, Barb Gebuhr, Lynne Greenblatt, Mindy Holmstrom, Susan Quinn, Phyllis Sutherland, Janine Underhill and Janet Wallace (Coordinator).

We thank the [Albert County Health & Wellness Centre](#) and our regional community partners, Micha Fardy (United Way Greater Moncton SENB) and Joanna Brown (Westmorland-Albert Community Inclusion Network) for their support.

