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# The Highlander

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## Health care talks begin

### Meeting sets the stage for LHIN integration

By **Matthew Desrosiers**

The integration meetings between the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), Haliburton County health service providers and City of Kawartha Lakes providers are underway.

Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS), Community Care Haliburton County and SIRCH met with LHIN representatives and City of Kawartha Lakes organizations on Jan. 11 to get the ball rolling on a new integration process announced in November last year.

Gena Robertson, executive director for SIRCH, said the first meeting was about providing information to the service partners.

"It was very much an informational meeting," she said. "Some was a repeat for us, information we had received at the beginning of the last process."

Prior to the LHIN's announcement, Haliburton health care providers were in the process of identifying integration opportunities within the county in an attempt to improve front-line services for residents. They were told by the LHIN to stop their meetings in light of the decision to integrate the two communities instead.

"The principles upon which they are undertaking these initiatives, number one is value evaluation for clients," Robertson said.

The second principle is return on investment, while the third is how to leverage local community services.

"That's exactly what we were doing was creating a local, made in Haliburton solution," she said. "Now, we've gone to a regional solution, so it probably matters how you define local. My definition would be county-based. That's local to me."

Robertson said SIRCH was concerned that so much time, effort and money went into the first process which then got derailed, but she hopes this new initiative will be successful.

See **"Structure"** on page 13



Photo by David Wilfong

Winter has settled in on 12-Mile Lake. The forecast looks great for the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships starting next weekend in Haliburton Village. See story on page 18.

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# Highlander news

## Highlands East stands up for oaks

By Matthew Desrosiers

The Municipality of Highlands East will oppose logging plans on a piece of crown land located near Wilberforce.

Mark Bramham, owner of Greenmantle Farms, presented to council on Jan. 15 and requested they help him protect an area of land which contains Red Oak trees.

"Apparently there are no Red Oak forests left in southern Ontario," he told council. "The lot I'm talking about is rather rare. The oldest Red Oak tree that's left in Ontario is 280 years old, but it's dead."

Concession 13, lot 24, crown land adjacent to Bramham's property, has been identified by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) for logging to commence in 2016.

Bramham said many of the species of trees that wildlife depend on in this area are no longer around, like Elm trees. Red Oaks are one of the few remaining.

"Our forests are under attack."

One of the reasons the Red Oak is rare is due to its difficulties regenerating.

"Red Oak depends on forest fires to clear the land so competing species are destroyed so that it can regenerate," Bramham said. "We don't allow forest fires, so we have to understand the Red Oaks have a hard time regenerating."

Bramham provided the example to council that if this lot contains 400 Red Oak trees which produce 100 pounds of acorns each, or 40,000 pounds, each year, the animals would consume those within two to three weeks of them falling to the ground.

"By preserving this forest it will help to spread Red Oak

to forests that are around it which have been logged," he said.

The MNR told Bramham to wait until two years prior to logging before having the discussion about it, however he told council he didn't want to wait. He has started a Facebook page and held four guided tours of the forest last year.

"Everybody needs to feel responsible for protecting our forests," he said. "We live in a special place in the world. If we don't take an active role in protecting it, it won't stay the way it is."

Steven Kauffeldt, Ward 1 councillor, agreed. "I think it's important to consider the fact that the MNR is going after a 100-acre lot that is landlocked," he said. "There's plenty of crown land here and there's plenty of other places they could log."

Kauffeldt said he's not against logging.

"This isn't about logging. This is about hand-selecting a very unique piece of property."

The property has tourism value, Bramham said.

"It's a very rare piece because Red Oaks like the ones that are in this forest, if they were on private land or easily accessible land, would be gone," he said. "This is an unlogged, untouched, and there are no signs of logging in this area. When was the last time you walked on an untouched forest?"

"This is a very rare ecosystem. This is an attraction for Highlands East. We don't have to do anything or build something to get an attraction. It's already here."

Council passed a unanimous resolution to request the MNR not proceed with their logging schedule on this lot.

## Council Briefs

### Curling club granted loan

The Wilberforce Curling Club is in need of financial assistance after startup costs this season soared well above expectations.

The club already owed the Municipality of Highlands East \$9,000 on an \$18,000 loan. They requested the municipality pay their bill of \$3,955.34 and add that to the loan, bringing the new balance to \$12,955.34. Council agreed to the request.

### Council authorizes plow tender

The Municipality of Highlands East passed a resolution to authorize a tender for a new snow plow at their meeting on Jan. 15.

Council heard the new plow would replace a 2003 model currently used by the municipality. They will also look at the possibility of a joint tender with another municipality to increase buying power, but that will only work if the specifications of all the plows in the deal are the same.

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# Highlander news

## Two still loose after Granite's death

By Matthew Desrosiers

Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve Wolf Centre staff have announced that Granite, the pack's alpha female and one of the released wolves, died of her wounds overnight on Jan. 11.

Granite was found alive by Forest staff on Jan. 10 with two gunshot wounds to her legs.

Veterinarian Dr. Laurie Brown was immediately dispatched to a cottage road in the area where Granite was discovered, bloody and wounded, on the ground according to the Forest's Facebook update.

She was tranquilized and brought back to the centre where Dr. Brown conducted an emergency surgery. Despite her wounds, Granite survived the surgery and the first night.

She was recovering in a separate enclosure at the Wolf Centre, reunited with her pack on Jan. 11.

"She's doing ok," Peter Schleifenbaum, manager and owner of the Forest, said at the time. "She's in with the pack in a small separate enclosure. If she's seen to be weak, the others might take a stab at her."

Schleifenbaum said the wolves are social yet very competitive animals within the pack, and Granite would not have been safe in her condition. She was expected to recover, however an autopsy was not completed to determine the exact cause of death.

Although there are no updates on the status of the investigation, Schleifenbaum said it is likely Granite was shot at the same time as another escaped wolf, originally believed to be the pack leader, Haida.

"We know there were a number of shots fired," he said. "We imagine two of those were destined for her [Granite]."

However now Forest staff are unsure which wolf was actually killed: Haida, the pack leader, or Logan, who looks very similar to the alpha. Both wolves are black.

A few days after the wolves were released from the centre, evidence of a killed wolf was found near a road. There were shells, blood and black fur next to drag marks. The initial thought was that Haida had been killed by a passerby. But they could have been wrong.

"One staff has seen a wolf now and we also [saw] a picture that's good enough to indicate that it is Haida that is still



Photo submitted by Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve

Granite shown above tranquilized prior to undergoing surgery on Jan. 10. She had two gunshot wounds to her legs.

alive," Schleifenbaum said. "We still need to confirm it."

He said they won't know for sure which wolf is still alive, Haida or Logan, until it is reunited with the pack at the Wolf Centre.

"If we could get them back and it's the alpha male, that would probably be better for the pack structure."

The two remaining wolves are still outside the enclosure. Staff are keeping them near the Wolf Centre with beaver carcasses left between the inner and outer fences. They hope to close the fence behind them if they can catch them

feeding.

"They want to get in [the enclosure] and we're working on it diligently to build more infrastructure in order to accommodate them," he said. "We're very hopeful we will get them."

The four wolves were released from the centre on Dec. 31 when an unknown culprit cut both outer and inner fences of the Wolf Centre's enclosure. The OPP are continuing to investigate, and the Forest is offering a \$3,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in the case.



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# Editorial opinion

## On the hunt

The drama continues at the Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve's Wolf Centre.

A frantic update on Facebook last week heralded the return of Granite, the pack's alpha female. She was found shot and bleeding on the side of a cottage road. The vet attended to her, performed emergency surgery, and she survived that first, critical night.

Hopes were high for recovery, but they were dashed just as quickly. Granite died the following night.

That brings the death count to two. Two wolves that, were it not for someone's ignorance, would be alive and well with their pack.

People who think freeing animals from captivity is the right and humane thing to do don't understand nature and how cruel it can be. Were these wolves raised in the wild, living off their instincts, perhaps these actions would be liberating. The problem is these wolves were raised within an enclosure and fed carcasses. They never learned to hunt.

For them, cutting the fence was damnation.

They don't know how to survive in the wild. The Forest continues to leave carcasses around for them so they can eat, otherwise they would struggle to sustain themselves and eventually starve to death.

Whether you agree with the Forest having these animals or not, the people who followed their hearts without thinking their actions through have led to disastrous results. Not only are they facing possible criminal charges, but now they have the blood of these animals on their hands.

That's assuming whoever released the wolves is an animal rights 'activist' and even cares.

Since Granite was found with bullet wounds, talk in the community has turned to another, more despicable thought.

Could it be that whoever released the wolves did so with rifle in hand, intent on shooting the animals? Would someone be that cruel?

It's all speculation at this point.

What isn't speculation is that when the culprits are found, this community will turn into a 1700s mob, pitchforks and torches in hand.

What these vandals didn't take into account was how strongly Highlanders identify with the Forest and its wolves. The reaction has been one of shock and anger. People want to know who did it, and they want to know how they will be made to pay.

It's inevitable that every visitor to the Highlands will be referred to the Wolf Centre at some point.

"You've got to go see the wolves," someone will say.

We're proud of them. We know them all by name, and some of us can identify them on sight. Photographers travel to the Highlands just to take their picture, artists to draw them, scientists to study them.

The overwhelming support the Haliburton Forest staff and management has received is proof that those wolves mean something to Haliburton County. They're our wolves, too.

Whoever cut them loose or shot them up likely didn't realize just how big the pack really was. The hunt is on, but this time it's for the perpetrators.



By Matthew Desrosiers

## The agony of defeat

"Storm crushed by Otters," screamed last week's headline in the printout we use to edit the paper before sending it to press. It had not been a good game for them: 13-0.

As far as headlines go, it was rather unremarkable and would normally not invite a re-write. We try to cover local sports professionally and honestly — our teams are just as important as those in the NHL, in the Highlands at least — and generally we don't pull any punches. We'll win some, we'll lose some, and — just as in life — we'll try to get better while focusing on enjoying the teamwork and challenge.

Except the Storm players in this case were a bit young to be on the receiving end of such cold reality. Just four of them have reached the age of eight, making "crushed" look a bit harsh, even heartless. How battle-hardened, we wondered, could these little guys be?

I remember being eight. I played second base for Romain's Esso Service, second base being the position least likely to see any action according to my well-researched calculations. We had exactly one player over five-feet tall, a kid named Hayden who could swing like an aluminium bat out of hell. When we lost 61-3 against Kenwood Refrigeration, the '3' was thanks to Hayden's three home runs. Nobody else could even get on base.

Despite the humiliation, it was my dad I felt really sorry for. He had put himself through school coaching amateur baseball and our team's refusal to improve, despite our many drills and practices, must have been a sore spot for him.

"Don't worry, we'll get them next time," he'd always say.

Taking the long view, he was right. By the luck of the draw, two years later I was playing for Kenwood Refrigeration myself, all the way to winning the Willowdale Boys' Club league championships. It certainly wasn't because of any contribution I made — most of my time was spent daydreaming beside my gratefully under-visited second base — but it was vindication of a sort.

Later on, my relationship with defeat blossomed. At four-foot-six and eighty pounds for most of my junior high school years, the only position I was really qualified to play in any team sport was that of mascot. Unfortunately, the gym teacher wasn't having any of it and so I was tossed like a hackey-sack into scrums of giant rugby players, no doubt to his great amusement.



By Bram Lebo

Basketball, soccer, football and track all failed to provide salvation, as did wrestling, where Jeff Cuthbert (the only other kid in the under-85lb category) and I carefully planned who would win each match in order to pass. Were it not for health class and fitness, I would have failed gym entirely — and I only passed fitness because my slightness of weight and stubbornness of will kept me hanging onto that chin bar longer than anyone else in the school. Ever.

No wonder my favourite sports now are sailing, fishing and sometimes skiing — the activities in which you're least likely to be pounced upon by 250lb guy in smelly gym clothes.

So I sympathize with the Storm. We all do. We felt so bad, we changed the headline to "Storm blown away," a slightly less-crushing pronouncement than "crushed." It was a tough call. A moment of weakness.

Because that modest downgrade in describing the torrential storm the Storm endured is all they're going to get. Sugar-coating defeat is not only dishonest, it suggests that losing is too awful for kids to endure. It's not. Losing is an important source of learning, whether in hockey or life. Another word for it is experience, and with the support of friends, family and coaches, the Storm will soon be roaring back to victory.

Don't worry, we'll get them next time.

*In a recent column [Full Tilt – November 30, 2012] I wrote that the Putting Students First Act, also known as Bill 115, could not be repealed without recalling the legislature. Apparently, the provincial government believes otherwise and has said repeal is imminent.*

*I checked again with our University of Toronto constitutional law professor. He agreed with me that the legislation does not authorize cabinet or the lieutenant governor to repeal the Act. And, even if it did, such language would be vulnerable to a court challenge like much of the Act itself. Generally, the legislature must vote to both enact laws and repeal them; that's a fundamental feature of democracy.*

*So, it appears we have yet another example of government making up its own rules and counting on we the people not to object.*

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# Highlander news

## Photo of the week



Photo by Tammy Nash

This bird was caught lounging in the backyard.

## We need to evolve

Dear editor,

Last week's article about the NRA came as a shock to me.

It made me think of Arnold Schwarzenegger who developed every muscle in his body to the extreme except the one between his ears; a man who has made millions from gun-powered violent movies.

It also reminds me of the time Steve Harper criticized Jean Chretien and the UN for not backing George Bush by sending our troops into Iraq to destroy weapons of mass destruction. This resulted in thousands of military and civilian deaths. When we found there were no weapons he said sorry, "I was given wrong advice."

Our aim should be to evolve into a more civilized world, not to go back to swinging from trees.

Money, muscle and munitions equals madness.

Common sense, common decency, common goal equals progress for all.

George Bush is gone but the mentality lingers on.

Fred Phipps

Haliburton

## High praise

Dear editor,

Two months ago I had a medical emergency at my home.

My wife called 9-1-1 and shortly after the Kinmount Fire Department showed up followed by EMS. They took care of me and transported me to hospital for further care. I am fine now.

My thanks to the Fire Department and EMS people, family, friends and neighbours. It is a comfort to know we live in such a caring community.

George and Barb Berry

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# More guns not necessarily the right answer

Dear editor,

Interesting letter by Keith Cunningham of the MilCun Traning Centre. Lot of things I agree with. If there are guns in schools on actual trained police that is one thing but if they are on minimum-wage security guards, definitely not. Teaching classes on civic duty, stopping bullying in the halls, keeping out drug dealers, and training staff on safety procedures are all good ideas.

My problem with the NRA is that it is a wall to any kind of ban on assault weapons or magazine clips holding more than ten bullets. Although the police friend of Mr. Cunningham offered the above suggestions, I have yet to see one NRA member mention these things. All they say is "Under the 2nd amendment, I have the right to bear arms", mainly to protect them from a tyrannical government that turns against the people. Nonsense. No free government, now in existence, would allow anybody to take control. The NRA has been accused of supporting the gun

manufacturers, which I believe to be true, because they get outrageous contributions from these companies so they have good reason to put more guns out there.

I have a different take on this situation and, Mr. Cunningham, people do not have to be an SME, Subject Matter Expert, to have a good idea.

In this country, as in the USA, there is gang warfare. The Cartels are actually moving into major parts of the US, if not in Canada also. These gangs are sometimes better equipped with fire power than the police. Chicago has the most murders in the US and they have a gun ban. Where do the guns come from? Of course the manufacturers, the sellers in the US and Mexico, and the smugglers at both borders. Seems to me, and I am not an SME, that concentration should be put on controlling the manufacturers's end wholesalers, retailers, and end buyers, beefing up security checks at borders, complete with powder residue sniffing dogs, and stiff penalties like jail time for people smuggling or carrying without a

permit. Of course you don't get into Canada, even having a permit, with your gun.

Mental instability will always be there and people will get shot by those people, but putting more guns into inexperienced hands, even if they do pass the sanity and clean record test, is not the answer. To carry a hand gun, someone should be trained to shoot, proper handling, and how not to shoot the guy beside you, also with his gun out in self protection or rescue. The guy who took down Gabby Gifford's shooter was almost shot by another citizen.

I agree with you Mr. Cunningham, the NRA did not go far enough. Let's hope the American people will. I would love to hear your take on the idiot here in Haliburton who shot the wolf out on the road from his vehicle. Guess we too need some stricter regulations.

Ted Cumber

Gooderham

# The Outsider — Memories of an icy Canadian welcome

Memories are wonderful things, aren't they? A memory is beautiful in its own right but more than that, memories can spark a train of thought that sets you trundling every which way in happy reminiscence or startling realization.

And so it was when I stood in the middle of Barnham Lake the other evening, shifting from one foot to the other and staring down a hole through the ice. I was ice fishing you see, a sport for the most part sedate in nature and as such perfect for allowing one's mind to wander further than the obvious question of, "why am I not catching any fish, again?"

I thought back to my previous, mostly unsuccessful, ice fishing trips on various local lakes, groaning at reminders of missed bites and grinning at the time when a motorized ice auger got the better of me. And then it dawned upon me. Ice fishing is the reason I am here in Haliburton County.

With this bombshell came the concurrent realization that, while the four or five of you who read this column tell me that you enjoy it and are sort of mildly interested in an outsider's take on local life, I have never actually explained just how, or why, I ended up being an outsider, The Outsider no less, here of all places.

Back to standing on Barnham Lake.

"Ice fishing brought me to Haliburton," I said out loud, chuckling and clapping my hands to restart the circulation in my fingers. I remembered the fateful day when I met Robbie (normally I'd change names to protect the innocent but he's really not very innocent and so Robbie it is). It was our second visit to Canada and we fancied coming in winter. We

trawled the internet, searching 'winterized-cottages-ontario' and by chance, my lovely wife and I happened upon a cozy cottage just off Harburn Road. The trip was booked, the flight uneventful. The drive to the cottage, on the other hand, was five hours of nighttime, white-out blizzard hell. I was left mentally and physically bruised, my eyeballs aching after so long straining, wide-eyed with terror, to see through the winter maelstrom.

The next morning, however, we awoke to a pristine, glistening wonderland, the previous night's drive all but forgotten. Soon we were dog-sledding and soon after that our sled guide found out I fished.

"You should go ice fishing," he said, followed quickly by, "ROBBIE! THERE'S A GUY HERE WANTS TO GO ICE FISHING. YOU'RE GOING TOMORROW CAN YOU TAKE HIM?"

A far off shout answered: "YEH, TELL HIM 8 A.M. IN REXALL CARPARK!"

It seemed I was going ice fishing, whether I wanted to or not.

The next morning I was met in the car park by a gruff Canadian in a beaten up old car.

"Get in, we're going to put down some set lines on Kash," he mumbled between sips of coffee. I did as I was told, his words meaning absolutely nothing to me. Ten minutes later we walked across the frozen lake — a nerve-racking experience for a fellow from Blighty — to a ramshackle little hut that looked like a homemade porta-potty. Inside, however,

were all the necessities for a day's ice fishing: tackle, minnows, propane heater, radio, even a couple of sneaky beers!

I spent four hours sat in that tiny hut with Robbie. I tell you, it's one hell of a way to get to know someone. As the hut warmed so did the conversation and I began to peel off layer after layer of clothing. So much for being cold out on the ice: I actually worried that the heat would melt the floor and we'd end up bobbing about in the lake in our makeshift porta-potty.

Needless to say we caught nothing, not even a cold. We decamped to McKecks and took stock of the morning. Then, we took stock again and again and again, until I couldn't speak properly or walk straight.

So, you see, ice fishing brought me to Haliburton. Not the promise of more fishless days in a porta-potty that's for sure. But, getting to know Robbie meant that when our immigration papers came through I had a friend in Canada: a good friend who found us a place to live in Haliburton. Hence we came here.

Memories, eh. As I stand on Barnham Lake, I think back to that first ice fishing adventure, the drunken aftermath (my lovely wife had to drive Robbie's beat up old car home) and how thankful I am for the string of events that led me to make my home here.

Cheers, Robbie.



By Will Jones



# Highlander opinions

## Eye on the street: How is the Pond Hockey Championship going to impact Haliburton County?



**Andy Hughes**

*Gelert*

It will affect Haliburton County like the Ice Racing Series only much bigger. It brings in revenue for everyone. This will bring in millions of badly needed dollars to the county and support lots of jobs for all of us.

**Derek Bascombe**

*Minden*

Anything that we can do to get more people to Haliburton County is a great thing. It will bring more traffic, more people means more sales and lots more dollars and that brings with it more jobs.



**Julie Mitton**

*Haliburton*

It will bring tons of much needed business to the area at a very slow time of year. Everybody wins with an event like this. Lots of people and lots of dollars for everyone to share.

**Patti Pagniello**

*Minden*

It will bring a lot of people to this area. Good for businesses, hotels and restaurants, and retailers will be able to capitalize on the influx of several thousand new people that will come and explore the county.



**Rosemarie Jung**

*Haliburton*

It's absolutely incredible that this national event is coming to the Haliburton Highlands – drawing well over a thousand people here to play our game. The impact? Huge.

## THE PHONEBOOK PROJECT: JUDGE

By **Matthew Desrosiers**

There are strong bonds between a father and his daughter, strong enough to call her home when Dad needs a helping hand.

Laurie Judge received that call last spring when her father, Ken Blower, was trying to recover from a broken neck. He had fallen down the stairs.

"He was alone, but all the neighbours helped him," Judge said. "It's a good community down there in Highland Grove, truly and honestly every neighbour that's close to him helped him."

"The community was great to him."

With their help he was able to survive on his own for a little while.

"He shuffled for a while and wasn't too bad," she said. "He kept saying he didn't need help. Early this spring he said he could use some help for this winter."

Judge decided not to wait that long. Her and her youngest daughter left their jobs in Calgary, packed the truck and started the long, cross-country drive to Highland Grove.

She wasn't ready for what she would find when she got there.

"When I had spoken to my Dad on the phone, he was still able to sit up on his own and they could get him out of the bed and put him in a wheelchair."

With two days left on the trip, she received a call. Her daughter had been driving for about a half-hour, she recalled.

Her Dad was in the hospital on life support.

"When we got here, Dad was in the hospital," she said.

"He took a big turn for the worse, had a stroke and then a heart attack and was bed-ridden."

Staff wouldn't release him unless she committed to 24-hour care for him.

Before moving to Highland Grove, Judge had found a job in Mississauga. While she was at work five days a week, her daughter would take care of Blower at his home. On the weekends she would take over and give her daughter some time to rest.

Judge was working 10-12 hours each day so she could get out early on Fridays.

"I was exhausted," she said. "I did that for two months and I was just really tired."

Eventually it became too much for the pair to continue on.

"We found that too hard to do," Judge said. "I sent [my

daughter] back to work in Calgary, because they wanted her back, and I came up and stayed with him."

She lived with her cell phone at her side, alarm set for specific time intervals when she would make sure to check on him.

"He couldn't stay in one spot, he had to be shifted every two to three hours, so he'd [call me] and say he was uncomfortable and I'd get up."

But Judge also remembered how some needs weren't quite as critical as others.

"Sometimes he'd [call me] to change a channel on the TV. I wasn't too impressed with that, but he figured out to say he needed to be moved first, then ask me to change the channel afterwards," she said with a smile.

One of the things Blower wanted was a riding lawnmower, so Judge took to the internet, using sites like Kijiji to locate and purchase a new machine for her father.

"Dad was very adamant about having a riding lawnmower," she said. "I got the best deal. He loved that I had this. He was very happy."

He would look outside and notice the grass was getting a bit long.

"To me it was more important to be there [with him], but if that's what he wanted I was here for him, so I would go and start on the lawn."

When October rolled around, she noticed signs that things weren't going well for her father.

"For a couple of weeks I could tell that he wasn't well," she said.

He started asking questions about the balance in the bank account and whether or not she could manage the mortgage on the house.

"I think maybe he was done. I'm not sure exactly if he knew he wasn't doing well or if he knew he was done."



Photo by **Matthew Desrosiers**

Laurie Judge moved to the Highlands from Calgary to care for her ailing father.

Her father was put on medication to treat pneumonia after a visit from the nurse, but it didn't work. He suffered another heart attack.

He was released from hospital, but a day-and-a-half later Judge noticed he was struggling to breathe while sleeping.

"We woke him up to talk to him and see how he was doing. It was like he struggled to breathe and we knew it probably had to do with pneumonia."

He was rushed to the hospital again where Judge was faced with a tough choice. Her father would either have to go on life support, which could damage his heart, or try to make it on his own.

"He was on life support for three days, and his heart was so damaged that he wasn't pumping enough blood to his brain."

He passed away in October.

"It's still fresh," she said. "He was a really good man. I have fond memories of him."

Judge replays the events back in her mind, starting from her father's first heart

attack. He was asked then whether he wanted to go on life support.

"He kept saying, 'Yeah, my daughter is on the way [and] I think it would really disappoint her if I wasn't here,'" Judge said. "Sometimes I feel a little guilty for that, because his quality of life wasn't great for the last few months. But at least we got to spend some time together."

Keeping busy got her through the hard times caring for her dad, and she continues to work away on the home in Highland Grove. The single mother of three, who left her children and grandchildren in Calgary to take care of her father when he called, said this experience has changed her.

"For years, working and having the money come in was the main priority for me so I could provide for my family,"

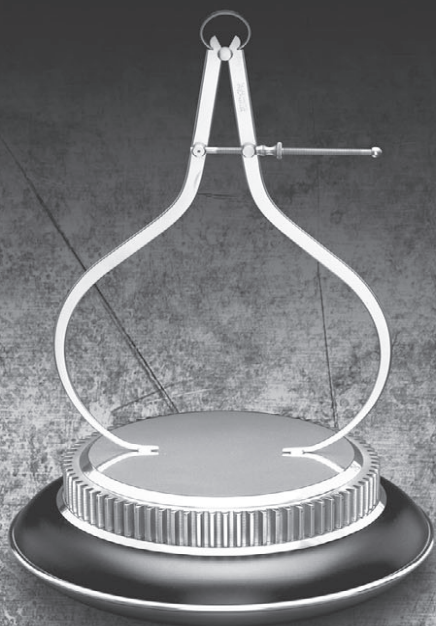
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## Fire Calendar Winners

**Week of January 1-** Ann Walker  
**News Year Day Draw** - John & June Smith  
**Week of January 7 -**  
Pat Haseman and Lori Roberts

## Public Skating

At the S.G. Nesbitt  
Memorial Arena  
**Wednesdays and Sundays**  
**12:00 noon – 2:00 pm**  
**January 2013**  
**Schedule & Sponsors**  
**January 20** - 1 Hour ONLY (1-2 pm) - Minor  
Hockey (Novice) Tournament  
**January 27** - NO Public Skating - Haliburton  
County Home Builders Charity Hockey Tournament

## Committee Opportunity

We are currently seeking expressions of interest from members of the public for the Property Standards Committee, for the remaining term of the current Council. We would ask that you provide the undersigned with a Letter of Interest on or before January 29, 2013.  
Please contact Colin McKnight at cmcknight@minden hills.ca, or 705-286-1260 Ext. 210 or at our office at #7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.  
Colin McKnight, Interim CBO/MLEO/Planning Supervisor.

## Minden Hills Museum

**Exhibition: The Eaton's Catalogue:  
The Rural Department Store  
January 12 – April 06, 2013**

In 1884 Timothy Eaton released the first Eaton's catalogue. By 1896 the corporation's mail-order department was dispensing over 200,000 orders a year. Particular attention was placed on those Canadians who lived in the more rural areas of the country, not unlike Minden. This exhibition runs in conjunction to the January exhibition at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery that looks at the art of the Eaton's Catalogue. The Museums will be showcasing artifacts from the Eaton's Catalogue and also compares similar artifacts to those pictured in the book.

**Lecture: Timothy Eaton: The Canadian Napoleon  
Thursday, January 24, 2013 at 7:00 pm (in the MHCC  
Common Room)**

The T. Eaton Company stands as one of Canada's most legendary institutions. It was not the country's first department store, nor the first to offer a catalogue. For 130 years its methods were eagerly adopted by retailers throughout Canada as well as the rest of the world. Museum Curator, Darren R. Levstek will be discussing the history of Timothy Eaton and his legendary store and the legacy that was left behind.

**R.D. Lawrence Place  
Exhibition: The Coyote  
January 14 – April 06, 2013**

Sightings of coyotes have been an increasing concern in populated areas. This exhibition looks at some of the key issues of living with coyotes and how many of these conflicts can possibly be avoided. Exhibits will focus on coyote identification, skull formations and the recent research that suggests the hunting and trapping of coyotes is not the solution to this growing problem. A lecture on this exhibit will be announced.



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## ?4U <Question for You>

**Gr. 12 Art Exhibition**  
**Saturday January 12, 2013**  
1 pm Curatorial Talk and reception  
Agnes Jamieson Gallery

This exhibition is work from the Grade 12 art class at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Facilitated by the Agnes Jamieson Gallery and instructed by artist Rose Pearson and art teacher Paul Marshall, this project experiments with a variety of art methods using new media.

## André Lapine - Illustrator of Eaton's Catalogue January 8 to February 23, 2013

(Opening reception and curatorial talk January 12 at 1 pm) The exhibition looks at the career of an illustrator working for Brigden's Ltd (Toronto Engraving Company). This was the beginning of commercial art and graphic design. It was a way for visual artists to make ends meet while they pursued their passion as visual artists. Andre Lapine was a recognized Canadian artist but was also known for being able to render lace and fur exquisitely. Learn how the commercial role of artists affected the Canadian art.

The exhibition includes enlarged pages individually displayed from a 1917 Eaton's catalogue, images from Archives of Ontario showing employees working on the catalogue at the Brigden Ltd. studio as well as images of Andre Lapine from the Agnes Jamieson Gallery collection. Thank you to Sears Canada for allowing the use of the Eaton's catalogue and to the Arts Alive Minden / Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation for funding towards this exhibition.

## ART'n AROUND

After school program every Tuesday from 3:30 pm to 5 pm - Intended for students who are wanting to improve their art skill and knowledge recommended for 8+. Instructed by Sarah Jowett. (Students from A.S.E.S. meet in the school foyer to be walked over by instructor. Parent note required)

If you are interested please fill in the entry form and contact the Agnes Jamieson Gallery curator Laurie Carmount  
705-286-3763

## Quilting Workshop

**Saturday February 9, 2013 1 pm to 4 pm**  
in the Common Room

Instructed by Barbara Lichty

This workshop is a fun afternoon of creating two table toppers, learning how to work with striped material and borders. Participants must bring: 1.5 metres of striped cotton material, sewing machine, cutting mat and rotary cutter and sewing supplies. Template supplied. Barb is a member of the Elmira Needle Sisters' Quilt Guild. She will be showing examples of her work and sharing her wealth of sewing knowledge. This is meant for sewers who have some experience. Cost \$15pp.

## Meetings and Events

### January 17

**9:00 am**, Committee of the Whole meeting, Minden Council Chambers  
(public session at 10:00 am)

**7:00 pm**, Lochlin Community Centre Advisory Committee meeting, Lochlin Community Centre

**4:30 pm**, Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting, Minden Council Chambers

### January 18

**10:00 am**, Finance Advisory Committee meeting, Municipal Boardroom

### January 24

**7:00 pm**, Irondale Community Centre Advisory Committee meeting, Irondale Community Centre

### January 31

**9:00 am**, Regular Council meeting, Minden Council Chambers  
(public session at 10:00 am)

## Notice

Minden Hills Fire Department does not solicit donations over the phone. Please do not respond to any telephone requests for monetary donations on behalf of the Fire Department.

Thank you,  
Doug Schell, Fire Chief

## Notice of Special Council Meeting

**Thursday, January 17, 2013**

Notice is hereby given that a Special Council meeting is called for Thursday, January 17, 2013 immediately following the regular Committee of the Whole/General Committee Meeting for Council to pass a resolution for each of:

- Solar Application – Renewable Environmental Energy Sources Inc. - #2867 County Road 21, Geographic Township of Minden
- Solar Application – Zonda Energy Inc. – Conc. 13, Part Lot 1, Geographical Township of Lutterworth
- DWQMS Reporting
- Expression of Interest (EOI) for the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MII) Asset Management Program

Nancy Wright-Laking, B.A., CMO, CMMIII  
CAO/Clerk/EDO

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# Highlander news

## Township welcomes community services director

By Mark Arike

Janette Loveys has only been in her new position with the Township of Minden Hills since Jan. 7, but she's already managed to get comfortable with her surroundings.

"It's been great," said Loveys, who was hired on as the new director of community services. "A lot of it has been just getting to know people, being introduced to staff. There were some elected officials who dropped in to say hello, which was great as well."

In her first two weeks, Loveys made an appearance at an opening at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, attended two council meetings and learned about the annual budget. She has also met with many members of the community and learned about local events.

"There's been a wide variety of people coming in and talking about things – everything from the Riverwalk to Winterfest to something going on at the fairgrounds..." she said.

Prior to her arrival, Rick Cox held the director position for five years. Cox resigned in August for a job opportunity as the director of parks and recreation for Tillsonburg. John Rogers was the interim director before Loveys was hired.

Loveys came to Minden Hills from Victoria, B.C., where

she was the manager of park operations at the Capital Regional District for five years.

"It was great," she said. "I got to experience another part of Canada; I really enjoyed it."

Loveys hails from New Dundee, a small community south-west of Kitchener. She has a master's degree from the University of Toronto and an undergraduate degree from the University of Waterloo.

She has also taken other courses since obtaining those degrees.

Loveys said she believes that her work in the area of community development will be of benefit to the township.

"When I was at [the City of] Guelph I was the manager of community development, and I really started creating that division," she explained. "It was really about creating some policies in how the municipality works with the community, and really strengthening those relationships."

Loveys said she applied for

the position in Minden because she was looking to make a career change and be closer to family in Ontario.

"We have family in Ottawa, and family in the Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo area," she said, adding that her and her husband had been through the area a number of times.

She also had a desire to connect with the community on a

more personal level.

"While working on a regional level, I didn't feel like I had enough of a connection to the community because we were one step removed from working directly with them. It kind of has a grassroots feel to it."

Being new to the community also comes with its advantages, said Loveys.

"I am fresh to the township and I have a variety of experiences in government. I think I can bring some of those ideas to staff, the CAO and also to council."

Although it's too soon to have a definitive list of priorities, Loveys has a good sense of what needs to be done.

"Priorities will change with council direction, but one of the things is putting a bit of a framework around that community work," she explained. "It's not absolutely clear where we're doing things and where we're not."

Other items on her to-do list include planning work for the township's parks, attending meetings for the 2015 Pan Am Games, and working closely with council and staff on various projects.

Although she brings a wealth of experience to the table, Loveys is looking forward to learning more about Minden Hills.

"Every community is different," she said. "Every community has ownership and a vision. The cornerstones of those things are similar when you go from one municipality to the next. So far, there haven't been a whole lot of surprises."

Loveys said that with her arrival, the position of director of community services has somewhat evolved.

"In the past there were a lot of hands-on types of things that staff had gotten into. I think the work is now being looked at in a bigger, broader level."

Loveys's office is located in the township's administrative building. She can be reached by email at [jloveys@mindenhills.ca](mailto:jloveys@mindenhills.ca) or phone at 705-286-1260 ext. 213.



Photo by Mark Arike

Janette Loveys started her new role with the township on Jan. 7.

## Councillors address budget shortfall

By Mark Arike

Minden Hills councillors are looking at how to address a \$201,000 shortfall in the 2013 budget without burdening taxpayers.

"I think it's important we continue to be prudent with taxpayers' dollars," said Ken Redpath, councillor and chair of the township's finance committee, during a special committee-of-the-whole meeting on Jan. 15.

"The needs are pretty much the same as they've been over the last couple of years," said Redpath, adding that "our economy is still recovering."

The shortfall represents a 3.56 per cent increase over last year's tax levy.

"I feel that is too high," said Redpath. "I'd feel a lot more comfortable if we could keep this at the same level as last year with a three per cent increase, which is funded partly through growth and properties."

Redpath said a three per cent increase would mean that the township would have to find \$32,000 – either in increased revenue or decreased spending, or a combination of the two.

"I believe that should be our objective here today," he said.

Treasurer Lorrie Blanchard said Redpath's suggestion of three per cent is "completely doable."

Policing costs for 2013 are budgeted at nearly \$1,167,000, while wages and benefits are \$3,377,000.

"Policing costs, wages and benefits represent a very high percentage of our budget," said Redpath, explaining that these costs account for 46 per cent of the township's total projected expenditures.

"On top of that we have to maintain our facilities, we have to pay for our utilities, pay for repair and maintenance of our roads... So at the end of the day this truly means there are only pennies on the dollar for discretionary spending."

Despite the fact that policing has seen an increase of nearly \$17,000 from 2012 or 1.43 per cent, Reeve Barb Reid said it's the lowest increase she has seen.

"That's the lowest year-on-year increase that I can remember seeing – and this is my seventh budget," she said.

"That is the most," said Blanchard.

Other significant changes include a decrease in provincial funding (OMPF) by \$31,300 or 2.91 per cent; a decrease in provincial funding for the Blue Box program by \$7,500 or 5.75 per cent; an increase to the community services budget by 11.76 per cent; an increase to property and landfills by 18.49 per cent; and an increase in wages and benefits by \$58,970 or 1.78 per cent.

The budget is not yet finalized and will be brought back to the table next month.

Pick up a copy of next week's Highlander to learn more about each department's draft budgets.



## Notices

### Request for Proposal

#### Invitation to Proponents for Municipal Planning Services

The Township of Minden Hills is soliciting proposals from qualified Municipal Planning firms or professional individuals to represent the

Township of Minden Hills in various practice areas on an as-needed basis. The Request for Proposal document is available on the Township website at:

[www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca).

#### Submission requirements:

- Four (4) complete submission packages must be received no later than 12:00 noon on January 23, 2013.
- All packages are to be submitted in a sealed package marked:

#### RFP - Municipal Planning Services

Attention: Colin McKnight, CBO/MLEO

By mail or hand delivered to:

Clerk's Office: Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359, Minden ON K0M 2K0

All inquiries regarding this Request for Proposal are to be

directed to: Colin McKnight, CBO/MLEO

E-mail: [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca)

### Rental Opportunity – 2 Prince Street

Small one bedroom home, 725 square feet approximately, in Minden Village, very clean, fenced yard with 10x10 storage shed, electric heat, kitchen and 4 pc bath, laundry hook-up, no basement, single driveway, close to all amenities, \$600.00 per month, plus hydro. Content insurance tenant's responsibility, first and last required (the lease will be on a month-to-month basis). Non-smokers only and no pets. References required. Rental may commence on March 1, 2013.

All interested parties are asked to submit their completed application (available at the Township office or at [www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca) under the Notices section) in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "2 Prince Street Rental Application" no later than Friday, February 22, 2013 by 12:00 noon to:

Clerk's Office: Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, PO Box 359, Minden ON K0M 2K0



# Highlander business

## Young business owner enjoys small-town feel

By Mark Arike

Running a business in a rural community can be quite different from running a business in a large urban centre like Toronto. You can't hop on the TTC to meet a client, true high-speed internet isn't around every corner, and not everyone knows how to run a mobile device better than his or her home appliances.

But as time progresses and more people bring themselves up to speed on what's out there, rural areas like the Highlands are starting to catch up.

Two years ago, Haliburton business owner Adam Perecko decided to abandon the city for life in the country. After graduating from Ryerson University, Perecko successfully launched his own small computer business before jumping at the chance to return to his hometown with his wife Kait.

"One of my clients ran a charity out of Toronto," explained Perecko, who took over Michael Computer Solutions in 2011 and developed it into SolidState. "They also live in the area and were a client of Michael Kursbatt's."

That client introduced Perecko to Kursbatt, the founder of the business, and it quickly became obvious that both shared similar expectations when it came to satisfying client's needs.

"With Michael it wasn't so much about whether or not the computer worked well enough for the client; it was a question of did it work well enough for him," said Perecko. "His standards would pretty much cover every aspect that they could ever expect to use. So there was a certain level of craftsman-like detail that Michael brought to his work that was really refreshing."

Perecko and Kursbatt worked together for a year between 2010 and 2011. In a letter on the company's website, Kursbatt speaks to the importance of retaining young people like Perecko in the community.

"So many young college and university graduates from this community do not return after graduation, which is our loss of bright, intelligent future leaders," he states. "I feel wonderful when I see Adam, a graduate of Ryerson University, return home to Haliburton with his wife, and effectively run a company that will serve the community for years to come."

So why did Perecko decide to return to Haliburton? The change of pace was a big part of it.

"I love Toronto but the pace of spending upwards of 45 minutes to an hour-and-a-half every day on a subway, bus or some other form of public transit didn't seem like a great use of my time," he said. "I started to look at it as becoming a reverse cottager. If I can work Monday to Friday in the place that everyone else is trying to get to come the weekend, then I think that's the way to approach it."

Perecko considers himself fortunate to be able to build on Kursbatt's legacy and his client base. Since starting SolidState, Perecko and his team have focused on being responsive to small business clients.

"With small business, there's an expectation that you're able to respond quickly. I think a lot of the time businesses have had to look outside of the county to get the support they need



Photo by Mark Arike

The SolidState staff (left to right): Adam Perecko, president; James Keller, head technician and web designer; technician Kyle Bradley and co-op student Natasha Bradley. Absent: Chris McGuire, vice-president.

to make sure their systems are up and working."

Since the Highlands is so spread out and covers a large geographical area, technology is this business's best friend.

"One of the ways that we help address the challenge is using technologies like remote access for being able to troubleshoot people's problems without them having to take their computer in to us or us having to send someone physically to them."

One of the other significant differences between serving clients in the Highlands and the city is the personal connection that is often formed.

"In the city, the relationship you have with your client is a very thin line. If they don't like exactly how you approach something, they'll just go to someone else because there is someone else."

Chris McGuire, SolidState's vice-president, also enjoys catering to clients in a smaller community.

"Up here you actually get to know the person," said McGuire. "You're able to identify that individual's needs."

The business isn't located on main street, but somewhat tucked away inconspicuously off Maple Avenue. That, however, doesn't impact their ability to offer more services than just computer repairs.

"You want to make sure that you're able to meet your

client's needs," explained Perecko. "One way you do that is that you don't overextend yourself. Being kind of hidden takes care of that. It's not that we turn anyone away; it's just that we haven't been out there pushing ourselves in a big way."

There are five staff, including Perecko, McGuire, technicians and a co-op student.

In the future Perecko would like to see SolidState shift from being a problem-based business to a preventative and education-based business.

"We want it so that companies are no longer having to pick up the phone and say, 'I can't access my information.' They're picking up the phone and saying, 'Everything is great. I want to be able to do this and that.'"

Perecko is happy with his surroundings and plans on being in the Highlands for the long term.

"We're not going anywhere," he said. "I really enjoy the city... it exposed me to a level of professionalism and an expectation on delivering a product. It also gave me a huge amount of exposure to different people's businesses. I find that here there's the same cross section."

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# Highlander arts

## What's up with the Arts Art in Haliburton County could be healthier

People say we have a very healthy arts scene in Haliburton County. We have some lovely galleries, a school of the arts and many fine artists who reside and/or work here. So what else could our small communities need in the way of maintaining a healthy arts scene?

Perhaps the key word in answering that question is 'healthy.' It's true that we do have studio tours, indoor and outdoor exhibitions, and a sculpture park. But can we really say we have a healthy arts scene when so many people in the county couldn't give a hoot about art?

In Europe, where art has been imbedded in the DNA of the population for centuries, things are different. Much of what is done in Europe is done with a creative sense; whether it's making a point or making a meal. The feeling is if it's worth doing then it's worth doing with passion. Of course passion is the very soul of art.

Unfortunately in the Highlands there remains an 'us' and 'them' mentality as far as the arts are concerned, and it's not really a very healthy situation. If we had more of our population included it would be so much easier to move forward with such important projects as the maintenance of municipally-run galleries and the continuation of programs like 'Art in the Schools.'

Participation from the traditional non-arts sector would eventually instil a more creative sensibility in the trades and other professions. So how do we get rid of the 'us and them' sensibility and show that a heightened appreciation of art might further enrich people's lives?

It's not going to happen overnight, but one seemingly simple step would be to give people who normally wouldn't step into a gallery a good reason to do so.

Some years ago at the Agnes Jamieson gallery in Minden there was an exhibition of folk art from across Canada. It

was a very successful show and it attracted people of all ages and from all walks of life. The attraction was that the folk art showed people doing everyday things like fishing, farm chores, and flying a kite. The art was colourful, whimsical, and humorous. There were gargoyles, gizmos and gadgets, and the exhibition featured many pieces produced by people who had no formal art training. One woman was overheard to say to her husband "Those funny fishing lures are just like the ones you make for the kids." The husband was elated because he saw that something similar to what he had made was on display in an art gallery. At that moment the 'us and them' boundary was breached, if only for a short time.

So the idea of 'art by the people, for the people,' may not be such a bad idea on occasion. While it's a long way from that situation to appreciating a Picasso, the folk exhibition was one inclusive option that might be worth repeating.

Speaking of Picasso, very many of his works show people doing quite ordinary things, often within their communities. That is the power of his work and a major reason it resonates with the public. Much of the art we see in the Highlands today, with some notable exceptions, is totally devoid of people. This is true to such an extent that someone in the future looking at our art as a way of understanding how we lived and what we looked like would be hard-pressed to find answers. Surely that's not healthy.

In future instalments of this column we'll be looking into why the art being produced here has so little social content. We'll explore additional innovative ways to include more of our population in the arts. We'll look at all kinds of different disciplines, from sculpting to architecture and pottery, folk art to the culinary arts, abstract art, digital art,

photography, dance, music and maybe even the art of stacking wood. We'll look at the organizations that keep the arts breathing, and we'll talk to some well-known and not so well-known artists about their views on the health of the arts in Haliburton County. Stay tuned.



By George Farrell

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# Highlander arts

## Exhibit examines history of the Eaton's catalogue

By Mark Arike

In the Eaton's catalogue shoppers could get their hands on just about anything – including the kitchen sink.

Many editions of this retail catalogue were put together by a team of illustrators who spent countless hours on the fine details that can now be done in minutes or less. One of those illustrators was André Lapine, a Latvian-born artist whose work can be found at all times of the year in Minden's Agnes Jamieson Gallery.

On Jan. 12, visitors to the gallery learned about the history of the retail catalogue as well as its role in the development of Canadian art. They also got a close look at the blown up pages of a catalogue from 1917.

"The Eaton's catalogue was really critical to the creation of Canadian art because this was the only way they [illustrators] could make money," explained gallery curator Laurie Carmount. "They took their skill as illustrators to get a paycheque because there really wasn't a venue for their art at that time."

Each catalogue took a tremendous amount of work and patience to produce, said Carmount.

"Every illustration that was done had to be made to plate. So the engravers had the most intense part of the work. These gentlemen sat in hard wooden chairs, all day long with one light bulb."

The illustrators who worked for Brigden's Ltd. – the company that produced the catalogue – started out as apprentices regardless of their previous art experience or training.

Illustrators were told to create models that were slim and tall. "You were taught that you had to lengthen the bodies that were shown by a one to eight ratio," said Carmount, adding that "even today photographers for fashion magazines do the exact same thing."

All of the artists needed to have a solid knowledge of the human anatomy and be able to quickly reproduce a person in full movement. They would often hit the streets for quick sketches in order to get people in different poses. This added life to the catalogues, said Carmount.

The senior artists drew the silhouette while the junior artists filled in the details. The illustrations had to be detailed enough that the seamstresses could develop a pattern off them. The artistic director decided on the theme and layout.

Once the illustrations were decided on, they were sent to the etchers. Carmount said that photography eventually eliminated a lot of the work that the etchers were doing.

"This process allowed them to get much faster in production."

Carmount revealed a slide of an image with a digital press to show visitors how these types of projects are handled today.

"This is what we have and it's done instantaneously with the push of a button," she said.

The purpose of the exhibition, said Carmount, is to show the breakdown of what has happened over a couple hundred years.

The changes in technology also impacted the way that artists were categorized.

"We more or less had fine artists defined – siloed specifically – and designers, graphic designers and photographers in another section, more or less. Sometimes the lines crossed."

There is a second part to the exhibit titled a "Question for You?" Teachers and students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School worked on the project.

"This was an idea I came up with to make the youth consider where technology is with them," said Carmount, who thanked teachers Paul Marshall and Rose Pearson for working with the students to create the art.

"I think it's a neat comparison between the Eaton's catalogue and its purpose and where its role was, and what's happening now in our age with fine art."

Anyone with memories of the Eaton's catalogue is encouraged to e-mail the gallery at [gallery@mindenhill.ca](mailto:gallery@mindenhill.ca). They will be posted periodically on the gallery's website.

Both the Eaton's catalogue exhibit and the work of the students will be on display until Feb. 23.

## Stage right for fun and friendship

By Lisa Harrison

Auditions for this year's Highlands Summer Festival (HSF) season are upon us, and artistic producer Scot Denton is hoping for a big turnout.

He's sourced five highly entertaining shows, three to be produced locally – Dan Goggin's musical comedy Nonsense, Neil Simon's comedic drama Sunshine Boys, and Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer-Prize-winning drama Our Town, now in its 75th year.

The shows will run from July 1 to Aug. 9 at Haliburton's Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, alternating with Tom Allen's cabaret Bohemians in Brooklyn and another Wingfield saga instalment, Wingfield's Inferno.

An actor, singer and musical theatre acting teacher at Sheridan College, Denton has worked as a director with HSF for eight of its 14 seasons. He added artistic production (choosing shows) in 2008.

Denton says finding enough local actors can be challenging because many people aren't sure they'll have the right stuff – for example, Dave Hawley.

A retired Haliburton math teacher and current supply teacher, Hawley is also an amateur musician and long-time member of several choirs. However, he says he had "absolutely no acting experience" and hesitated when fellow chorister David Mills suggested he join The Fantasticks in 2007. But he decided to take the plunge.

"I had an absolute blast," recalls Hawley. "As I said to David afterwards, 'Gosh, that was permission to be silly'. I think especially as you get older you don't realize how important that is, to kind of keep a bit of a childlike approach to everything you do."

Hawley hasn't looked back, also appearing in Annie, Anne of Green Gables and last year's musical Colours in the Storm.

Bobcaygeon resident Marsha Sweet now has two HSF seasons under her belt but she says starting out was tough. A long-time musician, Sweet also runs a personal and professional growth company with her husband. She says auditioning for her first musical made her practice what she preaches.

"One of the things that always terrified me was theatre."

But Sweet auditioned anyway and landed the role of teacher Miss Stacy in Anne of Green Gables, then went on to the more challenging Colours in the Storm.

"It was a really amazing experience. It was a huge step out of my comfort zone but it was worth it."

Denton encourages people to audition even if they have limited or no stage experience, noting the directors are usually teachers and are happy to help new actors learn.

Age guidelines for the shows range from 11 to 80 years old. Rehearsals will begin in late April/early May.

Those not interested in performing can still join in the fun through set construction, in costuming, as crew members, or by sourcing props, particularly important this year.

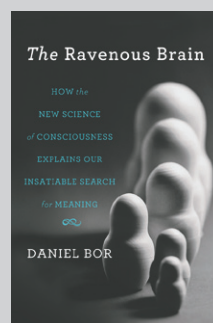
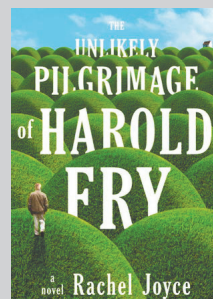
Auditions are scheduled for Jan. 26 and 27 at the Pavilion at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Audition times must be booked in advance. For complete information, download the audition package from [www.highlandsummerfestival.on.ca](http://www.highlandsummerfestival.on.ca).

"You never know until you try," says Sweet. "My recommendation is to go for it. You are among friends."

## Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are the top five fiction and non-fiction titles as requested this week at the Haliburton County Public Library.



### HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *The Forgotten* by David Baldacci
2. *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce
3. *Winter of the World* by Ken Follett
4. *The Black Box* by Michael Connelly
5. *Trust Your Eyes* by Linwood Barclay 🇨🇦

### HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *Wheat Belly: Lose the Wheat, Lose the Weight, and Find Your Path Back to Health* by William Davis
2. *The Ravenous Brain: How the New Science of Consciousness Explains Our Insatiable Search for Meaning* by Daniel Bor
3. *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Won't Stop Talking* by Susan Cain
4. *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed
5. *The Wealthy Barber Returns* by David Chilton 🇨🇦

According to our circulation and request records, David Baldacci is among the top five most popular authors at the Haliburton County Public Library. *The Forgotten*, his latest novel, is creating enormous buzz among fans as per usual.

It is the second book in a series following army special agent John Puller, a combat veteran who now investigates some of America's toughest crimes. In *The Forgotten*, the crime in question hits too close to home for Puller – he must travel to Florida to investigate the murder of his Aunt.

Like John Grisham, Baldacci was once a lawyer, giving him special insight into the United States justice system. If you enjoyed reading *Zero Day*, the first book in the Puller series, then mark *The Forgotten* as a must-read on your list. You can reserve it in regular print, large print and talking book formats from the Haliburton County Public Library.

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# Highlander health

## New CEO tackles budget and LHIN

By Matthew Desrosiers

He's only been on the job for 10 days, but already Varouj Eskedjian, Haliburton Highlands Health Services' (HHHS) new president and CEO, is up to his neck in paperwork.

"It's been a whirlwind trying to get up to speed on all of the files," he said. "That's one of the reasons my desk is full right now, going through meeting minutes... just trying to get up to speed with what's been going on."

While he sorts through the documents piled up in his office, he is also trying to meet his staff and take stock of the situation at HHHS.

"That's part of my orientation, but it takes time to sit down and talk to people," he said. "When I approach people I like to say 'This is who I am, but give me a sense of who you are, your experience, your role in the organization and some of your aspirations.' I like to get a sense of [them] as individuals and as professionals. I have to assess the strengths of the people I [am working] with."

Eskedjian has already identified his top priorities and has talked to his staff about their role in these processes.

"The first is the integration planning we're about to embark on, with not just the Haliburton County partners but increasing that to include Kawartha Lakes health service partners as well," he said. "The planning table has expanded. That's a major priority because out of those discussions could [come] huge long-term impacts on the way services are delivered in this county, [and] the way the organization is structured. It could impact how and what services we are responsible for."

In November, the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) announced Haliburton County service

providers would be asked to begin service integration with the City of Kawartha Lakes service providers. While the discussions are just getting started, those integration opportunities could include changes to service responsibilities as well as back-office efficiencies and organization structure, he said.

"It's my responsibility to be mindful of what those organizational changes [are] and try to influence that as much as possible both to the benefit of this organization and this community because, at the end of the day, my role going in is to represent not only HHHS but Haliburton County and its residents."

"I want to enhance the services that are delivered in this area."

His schedule over the next two months is full of meetings with community leaders, politicians and partners to learn more about the county and what its unique needs are.

Eskedjian said his second priority is budget.

HHHS is coming to the end of the first of three years of a budget freeze. He explained that, with a zero per cent increase in budget, HHHS is actually falling behind two to three per cent, per year.

He said the shortfall comes by virtue of inflation on supplies, medication cost escalation and wage increases.

"I've got up to a three per cent budget shortfall," Eskedjian said. "We've been able to match it, fortunately. I thanked the managers and Paul Rosebush before me, for putting the organization in good standing through the first year of the three year budget freeze, but it becomes more difficult every year."

Although the current expense structure is good in that HHHS is spending less than its revenues, they will need to find further savings in the budget in order to stay in



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

HHHS president and CEO Varouj Eskedjian starts his new position with a full desk.

the black. Over the three years, Eskedjian said they will need to find 9 per cent savings in the budget.

"That's a significant challenge for any organization, let alone one with limited flexibility because the budget isn't that large. For us, if we're an \$8 million budget organization, I still have to take out \$800,000. That's a significant amount of money for an organization this size."

The answer, he said, could lie in finding partnerships.

In the summer of 2012, Rosebush negotiated a partnership with Ross Memorial Hospital to help with equipment sterilization. The one-person sterilization department at HHHS was struggling to meet standards, while Ross Memorial had just upgraded their sterilization department and had capacity to take on more volume.

"We were able to have them provide

that service for us at a lesser cost than we were doing it ourselves," Eskedjian said. "The real gain was that they met the gold standard for sterilization... which impacts on patient safety and quality of care. That was a win, win, win in my opinion. A win from a cost saving perspective, but certainly a win from the perspective of enhancement of quality. That's always a top priority for me, is quality of care and patient safety."

Ross Memorial also provides IT support, diagnostic imaging transcription support, and HHHS is exploring the option of getting lab support from them as well.

Eskedjian said the number one job of everybody at HHHS is to ensure that anyone who enters their door receives the best quality of care they can deliver.

"Regardless of what the budgetary pressures are, we can never minimize that role."

## Structure of health care providers could change

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"We're restarting a process to look at integration in the broader context," she said. "The LHIN is saying that it's not a pre-determined outcome... We are moving forward with the hope that this time there will be a collaborative model developed."

Sherry Mulholland, financial administrator and privacy officer for Community Care Haliburton County, said she feels better about the change after the first meeting.

"I went in with an open mind," she said. "From what they [LHIN] are saying, I'm more positive about the process than I was previously. They did give us a reason why the previous integration talks were basically halted and it's because money came from the province."

The Small Rural Northern Hospital Transformation Fund was announced, which will allocate \$20 million, through the LHINs, to help with integration processes.

"I have a vision of how things could

probably go, utilize the funds and still keep our community," Mulholland said. "I think it could happen in a very positive way for Haliburton County. We have to make sure our voices are known. The clients, volunteers, [and] community need to make sure they are heard as well."

"Bottom line, it's always been about this county and retaining the services," said Maureen Trimble, Community Care's executive director. "It's not about decreasing service for clients, it's all about maintaining and upgrading."

When the LHIN first made the announcement, service providers in the county were concerned they would be forced to move front-line services to the more highly-populated City of Kawartha Lakes, but Trimble said that's not necessarily the case.

She said the LHIN has no pre-conceived plan in place, and that it will be up to the communities and their representatives at the discussion table to come up with an

integration plan that works for everyone.

"There has been a longstanding relationship between service providers in this county," Trimble said. "We work well together. We want to continue that. We want to maintain that solid relationship."

Although Haliburton County is the smaller of the two regions, she said we still have a loud voice at the table, with three of the five members being from the county.

HHHS new president and CEO Varouj Eskedjian is the third voice at the table for Haliburton County.

He said while the new integration plan may cause a re-alignment or change in the organizations and could result in some job loss, front-line services won't be affected.

"We're not going to be impacted in our front-line services we deliver," he said. "The LHIN said whatever savings arise from some of these integrations should be plowed back into front-line services because part of what they anticipate is an ever-increasing demand from the senior population."

While we need to be mindful of the economics of maintaining jobs in the county, Eskedjian said the community should have no qualms if those jobs are moved from the back office to front-line.

"Frankly, county and community members should not be upset at that because if we can actually enhance services, even though the organization that's delivering them may look different, people shouldn't care how those services are delivered."

Eskedjian said at the end of the day he is representing three things.

The first is HHHS, the second is community services.

"I'm taking HHHS interests to the table," he said. "I'm carrying the community's interests to that table. We're not just trying to maintain what we have within this organization. We want to enhance services."

The third is working together with SIRCH and Community Care.

"We need to come to the table as one voice as service providers for this county."



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## The Computer Guy If you must use free e-mail



By David Spaxman

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I know of no way around this. It's a fundamental risk of a system that has little or no customer service because it's free.

For questions or comments, e-mail me at [computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca](mailto:computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca). Happy and safe computing!

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- Responsible for ensuring fair play
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# Highlander sports

## Tournament expects to break \$100,000

By Matthew Desrosiers

After four years, Scotty Morrison's Charity Hockey Tournament is on the cusp of a milestone.

"The last four years, we have been extremely pleased that we have almost netted \$100,000 for Community Care [Haliburton County]," Morrison said. "The entire net proceeds go to Community Care."

Morrison said this year, the fifth annual tournament, he expects to surpass \$100,000 raised.

"The sponsorship from the business community has been unbelievable," he said. "The sponsorships, total commitment and the individual donations have just been fantastic because they know the entire proceeds are staying here."

The tournament is being held on the weekend of Feb. 1-3.

"On the Friday night, Feb. 1, we'll have a real nice cocktail party down at the Nesbitt Arena in Minden," he said. "We're going to have Bill Hay, who played with the Chicago Blackhawks years ago."

The party is catered by Rhubarb. Admission is \$25 per person.

Hay won the Calder Trophy as the outstanding rookie of the year in 1960 and took the Blackhawks to the Stanley Cup in 1961/62. He took Morrison's place as chairman and CEO of

the Hockey Hall of Fame.

"People are invited to have their picture taken with the Stanley Cup and mingle and talk to Bill [Hay] after about his career with the Blackhawks."

To add to the festivities, Morrison is planning a Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) alumni game.

"I wanted to do something way back for the high school hockey team," he said. "What came out of that is we're going to have an alumni hockey game. It turned out to be so popular, they had so many players wanting to play, they had to do a draft."

After the draft, four alumni teams were created to play in two games on Feb. 2. He said they kept the younger alumni players with each other, and the older guys who haven't seen each other in a long time, playing against each other.

"[It] gives them a chance to mingle over the weekend and then play against each other on the Saturday night, so that should be a really fun night."

The regular tournament, split into age groups, brings in teams from all over, he said.

Organizers are still looking for volunteers to help with the tournament. Admission is by donation.

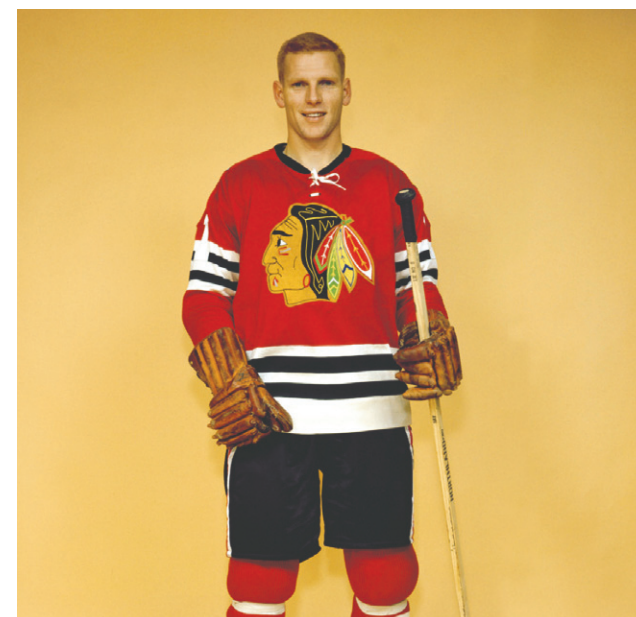


Photo submitted by Community Care  
Bill 'Red' Hay will be a guest at the Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament.



### 5th Annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament

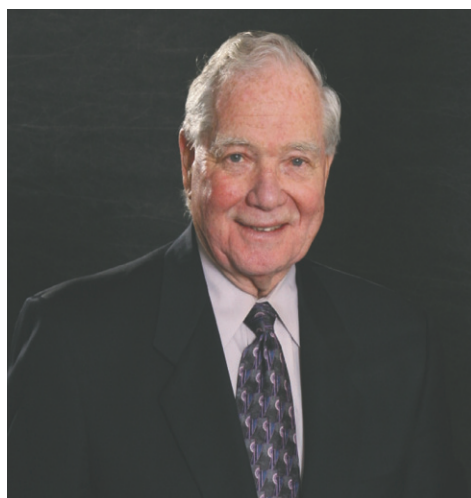
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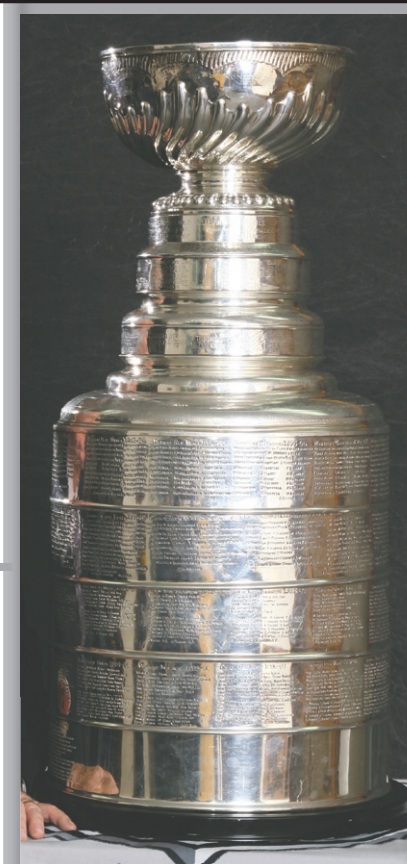
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# Highlander sports



## Midgets stand atop their division

Submitted by Wendy Sisson

The Complete Roofing/Tim-Br Mart major midget Highland Storm team put the finishing touches on a successful regular season this past weekend. The team finished on top of their division with a 13-4-1 record in the Muskoka Parry Sound (MPS) loop. They entered two tournaments where they also claimed the championships: our home Cody Hodgson Fall Classic and the Brian English Memorial in Elmvale. Thanks to the coaching staff of John, Rod, Jeff and Ed for their leadership and patience. This weekend they will be headed for a year-end round robin tourney with the MPS loop and then on to the OMHA playdowns. Our first home game will be against Parry Sound on Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. in Minden.

## Storm rages until the final whistle

Submitted by Jon Petrie

It was an exciting night of hockey in Minden on Jan. 12.

On the surface it was a meaningless game. It was the final game of the season that had no bearing on the upcoming play-downs or even the newly structured Muskoka Parry Sound (MPS) finals that are now a reformatted tournament to be held in Huntsville next weekend. Winning or losing had no bearing on anything to come but try telling that to Smolen Dentistry's Peewee A's and the Huntsville Otters.

The game opened with a fast and furious pace that didn't let up until the final seconds had slowly ticked away. Both goalies had unbelievable games. Josh Bellefleur was remarkable, making difficult saves from all angles that was matched only by the goaltending at the other end. The first period ended without a goal but plenty of action.

In the second period the game opened up and Huntsville was able to capitalize on the opportunities awarded them through the power play. Owen Smith quickly evened the score

with a shot from the slot that rolled over the shoulder of the unsuspecting goalie. Another power play let Huntsville invade the blue line and score on a screened shot through the pads of Bellefleur but with less than a minute to go, Alex Petrie tied it up again by banging in a nice feed from Josh Boice after a flurry of action around the Huntsville net.

In the third period, Boice made a nice rush that ended with the puck just barely squeaking through the pads of the outstretched Huntsville goalie. The remainder of the game was an end to end battle and our entire team stood up to the onslaught of pressure that confronted them. With the Huntsville goalie pulled to add an extra player, the final minute ended with a pile of bodies in front of our net, but the puck mercifully remained outside.

From top to bottom, it was one of our best games of the season and a great example of how well our team can, and will need to play, from here on out. Only this time, from here on out, the games will actually mean something.

## Girls reclassified for provincial playdowns

Submitted by Dan Marsden

The Minden Car Quest/Canadian Tire midget BB girls hockey team received some good news this week. Their application for reclassification to Midget B was approved for provincial play-downs. The Storm girls play their last league game on the road Jan. 20 against Leaside. The last meeting was a close contest with the Storm squad squeaking out a 1-0 win with just seconds left in the game. Be sure to keep the focus ladies as we prepare for provincial play-downs that will be held championship weekend with the Women's Hockey World Championship.

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# Highlander sports

## County laces up for pond hockey

By Warren Riley

With anticipation of the Pond Hockey Championships starting next week, excitement for this tournament is growing at a feverish pace.

Once announced, the community came forth with an overwhelming desire to assist. Rink perimeters have been set out at the Pinestone Resort and Head Lake, volunteers are graciously giving of their time to make ice surfaces smooth and local businesses are gearing up for the surge of over 1,300 visitors and players.

Behind the scenes is a myriad of professionals who are dedicating their talent and expertise to make this event successful. Two such individuals are John Teljeur of Delta Hotels and Resorts and Neil Lumsden of J-Core Marketing.

Teljeur and Lumsden have been involved from the beginning taking advantage of the opportunity in moving the Pond Hockey event to Haliburton County from Muskoka. The results of their efforts were shown in the outstanding demand for a place on the games roster. The games were sold out in two hours after the event went public and there is a list of players waiting for any cancellations.

"Most of the teams that are coming have been coming for years," said Teljeur. "It's one of those repeat things that are the reason the venue was sold out so quick. There were a couple of teams that dropped out due to logistics and moving from one region to another but with the waiting list, those spots were grabbed up quickly."

*We'll have some very interesting teams returning for the tournament.*

**Neil Lumsden**  
J-Core Marketing

For Teljeur, there is a huge benefit to the county created by the influx of people for the tournament.

"The flip side is that everyone that is going to be coming here is going to be staying here overnight or for two or three nights. So tourism-wise, that's a boom. We have 1,300 players registered for the first week and the second weekend will be more of an older crowd ages of 35 plus and into the 50s. These fellows will be bringing their wives and families. So, you will have your player, family, friends and those that come just to follow the tournament. We have 600 games the first weekend of the event and 700 the second weekend."

The pond in front of the Pinestone Resort will have approximately 10 to 11 rinks while Head Lake in the village of Haliburton will accommodate 21 rinks.

"We are looking pretty good at the maintenance side and the ice creation side of it but we can always use more people with ATVs with plows and or snowblowers. It's going to be the days of the event that we are going to need people on the ice especially for scorekeeping.

Some of the teams that are returning this year are old favourites.

"We'll have some very interesting teams returning for the tournament," said Lumsden. "The 'Wrinkles' will be returning and I don't think any imagination is required to envision this team. Then there will be the 'Office Track Vandals' returning. But one of the most interesting

teams that surely will draw attention is the 'James Pond Girls'. This group is composed of 20 year old girls who wear sweaters that, from afar, look as if they are wearing nothing but bikinis."

As necessity is the mother of invention, the venue needed something to help clean and create new ice surfaces. One local business took up the challenge and is building a custom-designed Zamboni. This is just one example of the community spirit that is alive and well in Haliburton.

Teljeur described a few of the details that went on behind the scenes to put the hockey tournament together.

"The phone calls, the meetings that have to happen and all the backroom stuff that happens would blow people away," he said. "Sometimes it's just frustrating when you as a community just aren't set up for an event such as this. I'm sure that any organizer of any event would tell you the same thing. And every time, we seem to have to reinvent the wheel and wipe the slate clean. There are no building blocks to start from and you have to start from scratch. You shouldn't have to. It becomes a frustrating exercise."

Many local businesses have stepped up big time in supporting the event according to Teljeur.

"CRS, Harper Marine and RPM of Haliburton have given big time and there is very little we can do to reward them. But [the question is] how do we make short term gain into long term gain?"

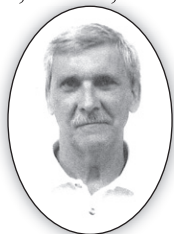
With Teljeur and Lumsden as the major driving forces, the Pond Hockey Tournament will become a success and a yearly event for Haliburton County. An added bonus to the tournament is the recruitment of retired NHL player Walt McKechnie who graciously accepted the position of chairman for the event.

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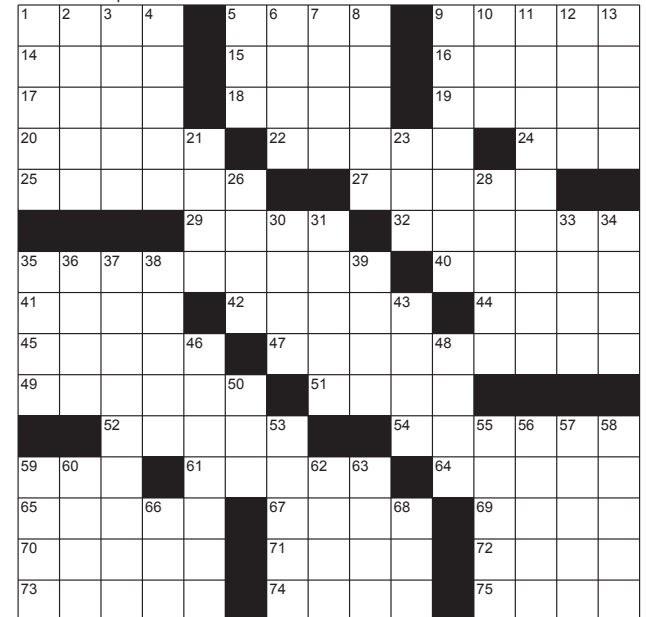
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#### ACROSS

- Sunbathe
- 43,560 square feet
- Stop
- Choir voice
- Leg front
- Blacksmith's block
- Perjurer
- Pocket bread
- Biblical poem
- Cavalry sword
- Prickly plants
- That thing's
- Assault
- Entire
- Sing alone
- Tile picture
- Wobbling
- Zodiac sign
- Additional
- Some curves
- Woeful cry
- Communion table
- Relevant
- Salary boosts
- Steeped drinks
- Honeydew, e.g.
- Fight back
- Neighbor of Mex.
- Keyboard wood
- Supernatural
- Glossy fabric
- Inferior grades
- Valley
- Put up
- Notable periods
- Minute particle
- Goes by taxi
- Achy
- Monster's loch

#### DOWN

- Hobby wood
- Assumed name
- Pierces
- Seoul's country
- Cleopatra's snake
- Fashionable
- Pinup \_\_\_\_ Hayworth
- Legislate
- \_\_\_\_ Hill (Congress locale)
- Navy officer (abbr.)
- Ready for use
- River deposit
- Shade providers
- Get up
- Male cat
- Traditional knowledge
- Thai, e.g.
- Speech problem
- Start
- Tehran's land
- Playbill listing
- Small rip
- She, in Barcelona
- Approximated
- Tantalize
- Richard \_\_\_\_ of "Pretty Woman"
- "A \_\_\_\_ Is Born"
- Eases up
- Words of understanding (2 wds.)
- Cry
- Lymph \_\_\_\_
- Car style
- Wrathful
- Farm buildings
- Swarms
- \_\_\_\_-friendly
- Hindu garb
- Notorious emperor
- Twelve months
- Rink surface
- Compass direction (abbr.)

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for 3 years  
without eating.



# Highlander events



## Furs on display in Minden

By Matthew Desrosiers

If you've ever wondered how the furs that keep you warm in the winter are harvested, you had the chance to find out this past weekend.

The Minden District Fur Harvesters held their annual workshop on Jan. 13 where visitors could witness the process first hand.

Harvesters were on site with recent catches to show how they skin, flesh and prepare the furs for sale. Beaver pelts were stretched while onlookers asked questions. The harvesters, ranging from children to seniors, were eager to answer.

Austin Ireland, 13, is a young harvester who lives near Buckhorn. He was stretching a beaver pelt at the workshop. "I enjoy it," he said. "It keeps me occupied."

Ireland trapped the beaver himself and prepared it. He's been harvesting for three years. His favourite animal to trap? Otter.

"They're cool animals," he said. "It's tricky to catch them."

Paul Arkwright, president of the Minden District Fur Harvesters, said it's important to teach the younger generation how to trap and harvest fur.

"We're not getting any younger," he said. "The more the young guys [get into it]... these kids can take over for us some day."

Some of the top-selling furs in the area include the marten, otter and beaver, he said. They can fetch over \$100 per pelt, depending on the quality.

While some people say that harvesting furs from animals is cruel or unnecessary, the fur harvesters are fighting those ideas with transparency, Arkwright said. That's why the workshop is such an important event and is open to the public.

"You bring the public in and you show them," he said.

"We're not out to kill every animal there is, and we need to get the public to know that."

Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Top left: Visitors inspect prepared furs. Top right: Ryan Tamlin skins a weasel. Above: Austin Ireland stretches a beaver pelt

## Cottagers give back for county children

By Lisa Harrison

It's not enough for Bryan Baker and Andrea Matheson to give back to their community at home. They have to do it at the cottage, too.

The couple's annual "Bakers Bash" on Davis Lake near Kinmount in Minden Hills raises funds for Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents (PinT), which provides family services that include after school programs, camps and crisis support.

Baker has been visiting the lake for close to 50 years and has owned property there for 20. He says he and Andrea have had a focus on children and community for a number of years. Baker is a board director for the foundation of the Hincks-Dellcrest Centre, a children's mental health treatment, research and teaching centre. Andrea serves with the foundation for the Jean Tweed Centre for Women dealing with substance and gambling abuse problems.

As first vice-president, portfolio manager and branch manager at CIBC Wood Gundy, Baker also participates in CIBC Miracle Day. Investment advisors, wholesale banking sales and trading staff donate their fees and commissions on the first Wednesday in December with funds going to more than 400 Canadian children's charities.

"We do cottage in Haliburton, we can't think of any place we'd rather be on a daily basis, but we have day

jobs," Baker says with a chuckle. "Somewhere along the way we learned that there's a tremendous issue with children and poverty in the area, and so we thought while we're there enjoying ourselves, we thought we have a responsibility to the area.

"We've got a wonderful group of people on the lake in the Davis Lake Cottage Association. Everybody is really caring and community-minded. So we thought we'd start to organize an event every summer where we could raise some money for local children."

The Bakers began hosting an annual cottage association concert in 2010, bringing in a band and covering the event costs. Attendees volunteer donations and many who can't attend also submit funds.

In 2010 the association presented PinT with a cheque for almost \$4,000. The following year PinT received more than \$4,000 plus additional funds from the CIBC Wood Gundy children's foundation. Last summer rain dampened the party somewhat, but the association still raised about \$3,000 and the children's foundation submitted a cheque for \$10,000.

Canadian "fiddle rock" band Fiddlestix rocked the cottage in 2012 and were such a hit the couple is hoping to bring them back this year, says Baker.

"One of my goals is to try to get other lake associations involved if they're not already... the idea is to try to get some momentum going if we can this year, get some other groups happening, and dial it up."

The couple is also gathering old bicycles in the city that have been gathering dust in order to bring them here for children who have transportation issues and may never be able to afford a bike. Baker hopes to expand that as well.

"I think we all of us as residents here [Highlands], sometimes part-time and sometimes full-time, we all owe something to this planet. We owe something to each of our communities and we owe certainly something to all the children out there, especially if they're having a difficult time to help break away from that circle that they're stuck in... help them to see that there is hope and that there is opportunity out there for them."

"If we can do anything to put a smile on a kid's face and lift them up one step, we've accomplished something."

"The funds being provided by CIBC Children's Miracle Day and Davis Lake Cottage Association have had a huge impact on the level of supports and services that Point in Time has been able to provide," says Marg Cox, PinT executive director. "It is wonderful to see seasonal residents committed to support local residents. With a high rate of child poverty, it is funding and donations from those who can support children and youth in Haliburton that makes a huge difference in the lives of local families. This has helped [us] support summer adventure day camp programs and after school recreation and sponsor children and youth to attend camps."



# Highlander community



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## Tartan celebrates 50<sup>th</sup>

By Mark Arike

When Minden resident Sharon Luke discovered that few people knew about the Highlands of Haliburton tartan, she decided to reintroduce it to the county. Since 2009, the colourful design has been included in a variety of articles of clothing and souvenirs, and has made the rounds at events throughout the area.

This year marks the tartan's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and to commemorate this milestone Luke has come up with a new design for the fabric.

"I thought it would be a very nice way to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary by creating a dress tartan for Haliburton that people in the Highlands Games could utilize at some point," said Luke.

"If they choose to have another kilt made, this is now an option for them."

What differentiates the new dress tartan from the original is that it contains large white blocks amidst red, gold, blue and green blocks of colour.

"The blue remains, maybe just a bit narrower, but the green is replaced with white," said Luke, pointing out that she came up with a dozen different renditions of the design before making the final decision.

"I would play around with it for a while and then I would leave it for a week or two, and then go back and open them up with fresh eyes."

Once she had the design ready, Luke had to register the tartan with the Scottish Tartans Authority.

"The Scottish Tartans Authority is the main record-keeping source for all tartans that exist. So it's almost like a registration and reference library."

There are other sites one can search to find a tartan, said Luke, however the tartan won't show up in those places if it hasn't been registered with the Scottish Tartans Authority. It also can't be called a tartan; instead it's simply a plaid.

Luke said the registration process was fairly straightforward.

"I had to prove and state that I had the authority or freedom to create a dress tartan based on this tartan, and that this tartan was no longer restricted."

Luke first became interested in learning more about the original tartan as a member of the Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers and Spinners Guild.

"It was my involvement with that group –

and wanting to weave the tartan – that got me interested in investigating it."

The tartan is what got her business, Highland Treasures, off the ground.

"With the help of the Haliburton County Development Corporation, I got a loan to bring in a bolt of fabric in the fall of 2009. Then Highlands Treasures was born."

According to her website, the original Highlands of Haliburton tartan was commissioned by the Haliburton County Chamber of Commerce. It was designed by Patricia Jenkins of The Loomcrafters Weavers located in Gagetown, New Brunswick.

The colours of the tartan were chosen to represent the green of the forests; blue of the lakes; white for both the snow and the provincial flower, the Trillium; the red and

gold for the splendour of the fall colours; brown for both the Earth and the fur bearing animals, and the work of the early pioneers.

The tartan was woven in Scotland and ordered regularly every few years until the mid-1980s.

"The last bolt of fabric that had been brought in was in 1988 or '89 with the help of Carol Simmons" said Luke. "With Carol's

help I was able to find archived information through the [tourism] information centre."

Luke admits to having received positive feedback from visitors and residents since launching her venture. However, she believes that the full potential of the tartan has not yet been realized.

"I wish that businesses or the county in general used the image of the tartan more. To me it's a marketing advantage that they're missing."

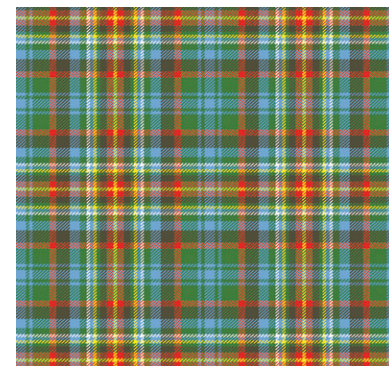
The fabric for the anniversary tartan will be coming to the Highlands from a mill in Scotland. So far Luke has obtained sample swatches of their fibres and has picked out the ones most appropriate to match the original colours from 1963.

"Now that I have those, I have all of the information available for anybody wanting fabric woven in the new design."

Luke is asking people to get into the tartan spirit by wearing the design for National Tartan Day (April 6).

"If anybody wants to show off what they've got in their closet, April 6 is a good opportunity for them to do that."

To learn more about the anniversary tartan or to request its image, contact Sharon Luke at 705-286-2098 or e-mail [highlandtreasures@interhop.net](mailto:highlandtreasures@interhop.net).



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- Floor to ceiling windows, 22 ft cathedral ceilings
- Offers 3,500 sq ft of luxury living space
- Private, mature treed 3.64 acres on river
- Lg studio/workshop w/ drive through to garage



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### Loop Road \$125,000



- 3 bedroom in town home
- walkout basement
- large back yard
- upgraded high efficiency oil furnace
- view of Dark Lake

### Gooderham/ Pine Lake



- privacy, clean shoreline & sunset exposure
- open concept cottage, bed in the loft
- 2 bdrm sleeping ctg
- backing onto crown land
- sandy shoreline & deep diving
- cottage furnished & ready to enjoy!



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### Convenient Cottage



- 2 bedroom open concept cottage
- Charming view of lake
- 5 lake chain access
- Affordable cottage
- Sold "AS IS", immediate occupancy

### New In-Town Home



- 1632 sq ft luxury home w full w/o basement
- 2.68 ac lot within walking distance to town
- Oak hardwood & ceramic floors
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths
- Taron warranty & 6 new appliances

### Modern Log Home/Cottage



- 1.59 acre with 405 ft frontage
- Private lot on quiet lake
- Upgraded dock system
- Master bedroom loft with balcony
- Private setting with yr round access

### Kennis River - \$89,900



- Enjoy kayaking/canoeing/tubing
- 211 ft riverfront - 1.21 acres
- Level, partly cleared, treed at river
- Driveway in, hydro at lot line, year round access
- Near Big Hawk Lake & Halls Lake
- Snowmobile trails nearby



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