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Photo by Warren Riley

Thirteen-year-old Glenn Bagg was the youngest competitor at the Todds Independent Bonspiel on March 9. See story on page 12.

## New county tourism site goes live

By Matthew Desrosiers

Haliburton County's new tourism website is up and running, and the feedback is good so far.

"It's official," said Carol Moffatt, Haliburton County Warden. "It's been live for a little over a week. The feedback to date has been extremely positive and we're pleased with that."

Moffatt said she's happy with how the site turned out. "The whole idea behind this website was lifestyle and experience," she said. "It's new, it's updated, it's fresh.

It accurately reflects what we know and love about the Highlands."

The old site was wordy and static, she said.

"This one is moving and active and interactive."

The county has placed social media buttons on the site to encourage people to get involved.

"[We want them] to share their own stories about the Highlands so that contributes to the lure for other people," Moffatt said. "Be active participants in the site. If you snap a good picture, upload your pictures. It's in everyone's best interest if people contribute."

The site should feature real people doing real things in the Highlands, she said, and that's her favourite thing about it.

"It's image heavy, and that's what I like about it," Moffatt said. "We went very heavy on imagery and that was the whole purpose behind the photo contest. It's clean and gives you a visual sense of what the Highlands are all about."

Businesses will be able to upload their information to a directory similar to the old site, however this feature is currently in development as the county determines how best to manage the database.

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## MNR's Stanhope relocation process grinds on

By Lisa Harrison

Relocation of the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) northeast region fire management headquarters to Haliburton-Stanhope Municipal Airport is still on track.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt confirmed the news to councillors at their March 7 meeting.

Moffatt, Deputy Reeve Liz Danielsen and Ward 3 Councillor Marlene Kyle met with MNR representatives during the February 2013 combined conference of the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and Ontario Good Roads Association.

The township has yet to receive the ministry's letter of intent (LOI) due to various delays. Councillors wanted to ensure the project is still planned for this year and clarify construction won't begin immediately because the township will need additional time to prepare.

They received confirmation that the project is before the treasury board. The board's report is expected this month and the project remains in the MNR's 2013 construction budget, Moffatt reported to council.

"We did clarify that even if the LOI arrived today we're probably too short to mobilize any works on the ground, but we did reinforce the message that if we got the LOI soon, then we would be able to use summer months to work on the scope of change and all the things we need to do," said Moffatt.

Receipt of the LOI will trigger several activities, according to a recent township news release.

These include a formal project approval vote that could rescind an existing resolution to build a 4,000-foot runway, and a scope change application



Photo by Lisa Harrison

Ministry of Natural Resources fire services helicopter at Haliburton-Stanhope Municipal Airport.

to the Build Canada Fund, which approved funding of \$2 million for that runway project. The scope change process is expected to take two to four months.

The township reports it originally committed to a 1/3 cost of \$1.2 million for the runway project and spent a portion of those funds in 2010 in the existing runway rehabilitation. The release notes "the remaining funds required by the township have already been successfully allocated during the current council term."

To accommodate the MNR's space requirements the township must clear about six hectares of forest. At an earlier council meeting, councillors agreed to wait until the LOI has been received, and environmental requirements for nesting birds will prevent clearing between April 15 and July 15. Other activities include finalizing decisions about a new road, building new hangars to accommodate the existing waiting list, and finalizing required earthworks.

The MNR's requirements include a proposed 20,000-square-foot building, an apron to accommodate two helicopters and two Twin Otter aircraft, and parking for staff and MNR fleet vehicles. Year-round staffing will be six to eight people with 54 seasonal jobs for firefighting crews.

Meanwhile, the township's new land use and development plan for a potential business park continues. Partially funded by the Haliburton County Development Corporation, the plan was commissioned last year to identify opportunities to further develop the site for aviation and non-aviation businesses.

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## Site is fresh: Moffatt

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Organizations and event organizers can post their events to the website by using a tool found on the main page of the site, however the county is not responsible for that information.

"We're trying to make the website as self-serve as possible for

people so they can be an active participant in

The county is asking people to let them know if they find any glitches or dead links on the site.

"Things are active, live, easy to find and organized," Moffatt said. "It remains a work in progress, though."

Visit Haliburton County's new tourism website at www. experiencehaliburton.com.



# Highlander news



Photo by Lisa Harrison

Former councillor Diane Griffin is congratulated by Reeve Carol Moffatt for developing historic Algonquin Highlands council plaques.

## Historic Algonquin Highlands council plaques unveiled

Three large plaques detailing councillors from every township now amalgamated as Algonquin Highlands have been installed in the township's council chambers. The plaques honour councillors from 1866 to the present covering the former Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence, Nightingale and Stanhope townships. Former councillor Diane Griffin unveiled them at council's March 7 meeting, saying she decided to carry on from a first plaque done in 1968 as a labour of love. "This is a real treasure for the whole township and the entire community and I can't articulate my thanks because I know how hard you worked on it," said Reeve Carol Moffatt.



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# Editorial opinion

## **Excited about ice**

Haliburton's got ice, and I'm not talking about the slush pool that is Head Lake.

The ice is back at the newly-named A.J. LaRue Arena after renovations and repairs shut the building for hockey season.

A discovered brine leak last summer under the ice pad was the final straw for Dysart et al councillors, who agreed it was time to fix up the 50-year old arena once and for all.

The leak was a potential environmental hazard, but more than that, the building was old. And while some people said it was time to rip the building down and build a new arena, council stuck to their guns and decided to take the more practical and affordable route: renovation.

Maybe they had the foresight to recognize the drastic economic impact of having no ice would have on the town. No one needs to be told how slow this winter has been, without hockey tournaments bringing business into Haliburton. Imagine if the old arena had been torn down and a new one erected, rendering the village ice-less for at least two seasons?

No thanks.

Now that work is done (mostly) and the arena is open, it's clear Dysart council made the right decision.

Business owners' eyes are wide in anticipation of Haliburton's first hockey tournament of the season later this month. It's like a pack of wolves salivating over fresh meat. Everyone wants that first, big

Ray Miscio, Dysart's parks and recreation manager, makes it clear there were people waiting in the wings for the arena to open

He said the two hockey schools, Haliburton Hockey Haven and the All Canadian Hockey School, have already booked for the summer, and reservations are coming in fast for summer ice from the public.

According to Miscio, some hockey coaches from the city who have cottages here are looking to bring their teams up for some ice time in the summer, too.



But there's more to this than just

the economic hit we took this winter. The community impact of not having an arena has been apparent, too.

Families have been travelling to Wilberforce and Minden day after day for practices, games and tournaments. It's been a long hockey season with more travel than normal. No ice meant another family activity postponed.

Take this weekend for example. Families were out on the new rink, taking advantage of free ice and hot chocolate for the grand re-opening. There's already not a whole lot to do around town in the winter, so having the ability to strap on some skates with the kids and take a spin on the ice is a big deal around here.

I had the opportunity to be out on the ice with some of those families, and it reaffirmed how important the arena is for our community.

Thanks to the renovations, the A.J. LaRue Arena is truly a place we can be proud of. It's better than ever.

Renovations include two new dressing rooms and a new restroom, more storage area, new player and penalty boxes, and new stands.

The arena's accessibility has been improved, too. The municipality has installed a wheel chair lift for the arena, and has made both the snack bar and #1 dressing room wheelchair accessible.

So whether you're a business owner looking for that boost you've been missing all winter, a parent tired of driving across the county for ice times, or you're just looking for something to do with friends or family on the weekends, the arena's re-opening is definitely worth being excited

## Sound and fury

My colleagues at The Highlander have been harassing me for some time to get a new computer. Mine is so old that I'm sure it's worth more as a museum piece than a vital work tool. The S-key broke a long time ago, so when I don't have my plug-in keyboard I have to go searching for an S I can cut and paste into the appropriate spaces. Observers find this very amusing.

The M, E and W don't work so well either, and every once in a while the machine decides by itself to change the desktop and sound schemes. Other times it can take a few tries to boot up; the battery life is down to about two minutes.

It's not that I love my computer; I'm just used to it. The thought of something new - having to move all of my files, re-install software from long-ago-lost disks and evaporated passwords - is an unwanted source of anxiety. So I keep a current backup and wait for the coming crash.

Avoidance and dislike of change is very common. We're creatures of habit, and when habits are ended, voluntarily or otherwise, emotions fill the void. Stress, anger and anxiety are common.

So the current gnashing of teeth and wails of despair emanating from the municipal offices in Minden Hills should not be surprising. After decades of doing things a certain way, painting the walls a new colour would have elicited an outcry. Yet the current discontent – ratcheted up another notch or ten by the recent firing of Laura Cunliffe – is of an entirely different scale and nature than disagreements over taste in office decor.

From even before the election of the Vision Team in 2010, there was a strong current of resentment among some segments of the local community against what was thought of as a group of outsiders attempting to usurp power from a stable, well-run municipal government. That resentment only grew following the election which unmistakeably and radically altered the local power dynamic.

But it must be said: that's exactly what the voters wanted. We can complain that a lot of those voters were cottagers, but they have as much a right to vote as we do, their taxes going to fund the same government as the rest of us. We could debate whether they should have the vote at all. Some other time.

In 2010, the voters wanted change. The Vision Team promised change, and that's what the voters got.

Now the questions are whether that change

has been positive or negative, and if the changes have been implemented respectfully, inclusively and responsibly. The



answers to those questions invariably involve one's assessment of Reeve Barb Reid. A gulf wider than the Gull River separates each camp of opinion, begging the question: is Reid an irresponsible dictator who doesn't understand the community or respect municipal employees? Or is she an agent of change, bravely rooting out incompetence and decades of bureaucratic sclerosis, making tough decisions for the benefit of Minden most politicians would dare not risk? Is she both?

We don't know. But there are still serious questions about what exactly is going on in Minden Hills. True, many senior staff have left. Also true, the majority of them quit. Several went to higher-paying jobs. Others moved on, it's reported, because they didn't like the new shire reeve in town, a not uncommon occurrence when leadership changes. And is it not possible that a few employees were long overdue for an accelerated departure, that the municipality was due for some housecleaning?

We did not report on Laura Cunliffe's departure because on a factual basis, there's no story other than the termination itself. Of course her friends and friendly colleagues were crying foul. They may be right. Or they may not. The termination may have been without cause, but that doesn't mean without reason. It could be that Ms Cunliffe was great at her job, just not the person the CAO wanted as her deputy going forward; ever since the Farmer in the Dell, new leaders have tended to pick their own deputies.

What we do know is that there is no Vision Team anymore – Councillors have not been voting in a 4-3 split for some time. We also know that Minden is undergoing change and there is some strong resistance to many new measures.

In the next few weeks, we'll be examining Minden's transformation: the objective measures like tax rates and revenue, spending and growth; and the effects on Minden's people, including municipal employees, business owners, retirees and yes, cottagers.

The truth is out there. It just may take a while to find it.

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# Letters to the editor

#### **HATVA repairs South Lake Trail**

Dear editor,

The Victoria – Haliburton Rail Trail, one of Ontario's longest ATV trail arteries, leads riders through the interior of some of the provinces most scenic areas. Stretching 90 kilometers from Lindsay to Haliburton, the trail connects to numerous off-road side trails, the real gems in the Kawartha Haliburton ATV trail systems.

The Haliburton ATV Association (HATVA) identified the need for riders to be able to reach the community of Minden at the midpoint of the rail trail, a picturesque, ATV-friendly community with numerous restaurants, accommodations, and further trail systems on the north side of town.

Until this year the connecting trail T3.4, also known as the South Lake Trail near the Southwind Motel, was very challenging, often impassable for the meek rider, and winching was a regular part of the journey.

After two years of negotiations with the Ministry of Natural Resources the club was given the green light to upgrade the trail to a safe level so all types of riders had access to food and fuel in Minden.

They were hoping to do the work in August of 2012 to take advantage of the unusually dry summer since many of the mud holes had dried up. Unfortunately the MNR identified the area as habitat for the Blandings turtle, a species at risk, and therefore would not allow the work to start until Oct. 15. The unseasonably wet fall added to the drenching from the tail end of Hurricane Sandy saturated the area and replenished the mudholes prior to commencement of the work.

Unfortunately the work was not fully completed last fall and HATVA hopes to be able to finish repairing the trail in 2014.

Thomas Contracting in Carnarvon delivered two-inch minus crushed stone from their quarry to the head of the trail. They then used a tandem axle hydraulic dump trailer to haul the stone along the trail, delivering about three tonnes per trip. Three tracked skid steers also delivered stone and a tracked excavator prepared sections prior to filling.

More than 1,000 tonnes of aggregate was placed along the badly braided trail. The \$50,000 project was funded by HATVA membership dues. The township of Minden Hills donated \$9,000 for the work, recognizing the tourism benefits. Thomas Contracting also donated 50 tonnes of aggregate and countless hours of volunteer time.

HATVA is very proud of the results: a sustainable, safe trail leading ATV riders to and from the town of Minden, connecting them with the thousands of trails the area has to offer.

Eric Christensen HATVA

# Photo of the week

Photo by Tammy Nash

## Places for People raised \$2,400 at bowl-a-thon

Dear editor,

Places for People held their annual Bowl-a-thon at the The Fast Lane in Minden on January 26, 2013. Nearly 40 people came out and helped to raise over \$2,400. Not only was this a wonderful achievement for Places for People, but it also helped Val Lennox of The Fast Lane to meet the \$100,000 mark for monies raised as a result of fundraising events organized and held at her establishment.

A woodpecker caught mid-peck during a walk through the woods

Places for People is a not-for-profit housing organization that buys and renovates buildings in order to provide secure, affordable rental units for Haliburton County residents. The Bowl-a-thon is one of the charity's main fundraisers as they rely on it to help provide a roof over the heads of deserving

families. Last Spring the organization completed a second project in Carnarvon and set a fundraising goal of \$55,000. They are now more than half-way to meeting their target.

The Places for People Board of Directors would like to once again thank all of the volunteers and donors who so generously assisted them in raising the funds. They would also like to thank Val for all of her work in helping to organize the event and for assisting the organization for another year. To learn more about Places for People, or to make a donation, you can visit their website at: www.placesforpeople.ca.

Lisa Tolentino Director, Places for People

## Fish stew, wild boars and 'DINOSAURS!' -

This column often waxes lyrical about the wild and beautiful place in which we live. It serenades the forests and lakes, speaks lovingly of the wonderful Highland people and trumpets out clarion call to those who might miss the gloriousness laid out before them.

But, as the sayings goes, 'you always want what you haven't got' and it was with this feeling in my gut (quite literally, as you'll soon see) that I planned a trip to Toronto because, for the first time since I moved here some three years ago, I was missing the city, or one particular aspect of it.

You see, one of my favourite pastimes, other than fishing of course, is eating. And, while I often avail myself of the wingshaped delights in McKecks, Gramma's ironically, to me at any rate, 'English' fish and chips, plus the odd donut or five, the fine dining of my London past does come back to haunt my belly from time to time.

It was with a rumbling in my timmy (hahaha, 'timmy' was an honest slip of the typing finger but perhaps an unconscious yearning, also), rather, my *tummy* that I packed my lovely wife and Little Z into the car and we sped towards civilization, gastronomic delicacies and the odd libation.

First off was lunch in Jules' Bistro.

The noise, hustle and bustle of this French eatery was second only to the clinking of glasses, smacking of lips and a mouth watering bouillabaisse; that wonderfully fishy soupstew that hails from Marseille. Us grown-ups groaned our

appreciation while Little Z added a culinary twist by dipping his french fries in it.

Next up, something rather more substantial: dinosaur bones. Not to eat, I assure you! As any parent will know, a three-year-old kid can be most divisive, especially when they know that you want something badly, and so we had to give a little to get something back. Now, Little Z has a fascination with large extinct critters and so the promise of going to see dinosaurs was more than enough to placate his misgivings about a long car ride and some big boy food in the city. What the promise of dinosaurs didn't do was tone down the 'are-we-there-yet-are-we-there-yet?' that began just after we passed through Norland. It was worth it though.

"DINOSAURS!!!"

His whole body shook with excitement as he spotted his first skeleton. Only a swift grab and hard grip on the back of his jacket prevented him from sprinting past the crowd waiting to enter the exhibition for a better look. The next two hours were spent chasing Little Z from exhibit to exhibit, as he insisted we read the descriptions before moving off at break-neck speed to the next "DINOSAUR!"

Little Z cried when we left. He wanted to go around again, not content that we'd done the permanent dino exhibition, the 'Giants from Gondwana' special exhibition, and all of the natural history exhibits, too. He finally calmed down when I promised him one more animal extravaganza.

## The Outsider

By the time we got to Tutti Matti Little Z was relaxed again and hungry, which was good because this Tuscan-inspired restaurant – its emblem a proud wild boar – was the main event of our trip.

its emblem a proud wild boar – was the main event of our trip.
A cocktail, first. A bottle of suitably robust red wine and platter of gooey soft

cheeses, succulent cured meats and olives... oh, those sweet little olives. Then real handmade pasta: my lovely wife's, maccheroni con agnello (pasta tubes, greens cipollini onions and braised lamb meatballs); mine, the quirkily named pasta bastarda (papardelle covered with wild boar stew); Little Z's, hmm, well he just ate all of the best meaty bits of each dish set before us, from the prosciutto, pancetta and bresaola to the meatballs and my divine wild boar, he ate the lot.

We had dessert too but by this time my brain had shut down in order that my stomach could concentrate on all of the unbelievably good stuff I was piling into it.

A last swig of wine and out into the night; the cold fresh air blasting me from my food induced reverie. "That was absolutely delicious," I said to my lovely wife.

"Yes, definitely, it's great to treat ourselves once in a while," she agreed with a satiated smile.

"ROWR!!!!," growled Little Z, rather tiredly. "Can we go back and see the dinosaurs?"



By Will Jones

# Highlander opinions

## Eye on the street: Are you happy that the A.J. LaRue Arena is now open?



Clay Glecoff

**Haliburton** 

Absolutely. I was there yesterday with my kids for the public skating. I don't think that council had any idea of the economic benefit the community centre and the arena have on the village.

#### **Jason Glecoff**

Haliburton

Right on! I would like to know what is scheduled for the next few months. Hopefully business will pick up with some tournaments scheduled but right now I do not know what to expect.





#### Jennifer Briggs

Haliburton

Yes I am happy because there will be more sports such as hockey, figure skating and public skating. It's a better place for the young people to be rather than hanging out on the street.

#### Johanna Hayward

West Guilford

Yes I am very happy. The arena is one of our main economies with hockey tournaments and skating. It brought people and their dollars to Haliburton.





**Larry Strong** 

Tory Hill

Yes for sure. I have grandkids that we have had to run all over the county for their hockey. No doubt for the gas companies it was extra revenue for all the travel that we did and a loss for the local business people.

Have a question we should ask? Send it to matthew@haliburtonhighlander.ca. Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin.

#### THE PHONEBOOK PROJECT:

NEWMAN

The times, they are a changin'.

Some people change with them, while others refuse to forget the lessons and values learned in their past.

The Newmans are those kinds of people. Ron and Shirley Newman have been married for 44 years. Both come from humble beginnings where money was scarce and hard work was a way of life.

"I was brought up, if you couldn't afford it, you didn't have it," Ron said. "That's the way it was. I couldn't go to my father. He would get you a job, but there was no money available."

The couple's first home was a \$3,000 house outside of Norland they purchased in 1971. They had no septic or running water until Ron installed them. But that house prepared them for what was to come.

Fast forward to 1998 and a piece of property nestled between Gelert and Minden on County Road 121. The Newmans, then in their fifties, purchased the 50-acre lot for \$20,000.

"I wanted acreage," Ron said. "I wanted my fuel wood."

But there was more to it than that, Shirley said.

"He had a dream. He woke up one day and said, 'I want to build a log house."

The heavily-wooded lot would prove a challenge to build on, and when friends heard what the Newmans had in mind, some of them thought they were too old be taking on such a big project.

But Ron and Shirley would not be dissuaded.

Working in Norland throughout the week, the couple travelled to the Highlands on the weekends to start clearing the lot and harvesting the necessary logs for the house.

"The logs came from right here," Ron said, pointing to his front yard.

Although not a carpenter, Ron read a few books and relied on his experience working

in the bush to get him through.

"I was a jack of all trades, but master of none," he said. "It was a lot of nights I went in at nine or 10 at night, I can tell you that. Just whenever I could go down for a free day, weekend or whatever."

As Ron brought down the trees and cut them into logs, Shirley would peel them. Together they gathered the materials they would need for the house.

According to Ron, approximately 80 per cent of all materials needed to build the house were harvested directly from the property.

The Newmans' home outside of Norland had been up for sale, and finally sold in 2000. It was a bit soon for their liking and they faced the prospect of winter without a completed house to live in. The lot was still being cleared, but Ron had built a cabin on the property to warm up during the cold months while he was working on site. This became their home for that first winter.

By September 2001, the basement was dug and work had begun on the main floor of the house.

"I was just coming out of the cabin we were staying in, and just as I was coming out of the door, the first plane had hit the [World Trade Center]," Ron recalled. "I came over to tell my wife about the plane, and we went back [to the cabin] when the second plane hit the tower."

The house was five logs high on that day. "I'll never forget it."

When the cold hit, the basement was completed but although the logs upstairs were in place, the filling between the logs hadn't been installed. They lived in the basement during that second winter.

"The law says you're not supposed to, but what other choice have you got when you don't have the money to squander on rent?"

The upstairs was completed in 2002, but if you ask Ron, he says the house is still a





**Photo by Matthew Desrosiers** 

Ron and Shirley Newman have been building their log house for 12 years.

work in progress 12 years since the project started.

Last March he finished laying the living room floor. He used birch and white ash, harvested from his property. Naturally, he used a homemade wood mill to cut the lumber.

"I tell ya, I wore out a pair of pants on that one," he said.

But there's still more to do.

"The mind says one thing, but the body says 'to hell with you, I'm not going to go today," he said. "We got to that stage now where you just don't do as much. That's why it's taking longer."

Despite what the average person today might consider insurmountable obstacles and unfavourable living conditions, the Newmans said the last 12 years have not been challenging on them or their relationship.

"There was really no challenge because we were brought up that way," Ron said. "We knew what we were facing. When we got married, we didn't even have a bed. The mattress was laying on the floor."

"We started from the bottom and worked our way up," Shirley said.

Parents of two and grandparents, the Newmans said their family and friends were very supportive throughout the entire process.

"We did it," Shirley said. "We're pretty proud."

Keeping with the lessons from his father, Ron can now sleep well at night knowing he's worked hard for the house he lives in, and he owns every square foot of it.

"I can go to bed at night and not have to worry about anything," he said. "Let's just say, I'm free and clear."

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#### **2013 Interim Tax Bills**

The 2013 Interim tax bills were mailed on February 28th, 2013. The due dates are March 22nd and May 17th. If you have not received your bill(s) by the March due date, please contact our office.

Property owners are responsible to provide to the Municipal Office written notification of any address change. Failure to receive your tax bill does not exempt penalty charges from being applied to a tax account.

#### **Meetings and Events**

#### March 14

9:00 am, Committee of the Whole meeting, Minden Council Chambers (public session 10:00 am) March 24

**2:00 pm**, Irondale Community Centre Advisory meeting, Irondale Community Centre

#### March 25

**9:30 am**, Committee of Adjustment Public Hearing, Minden Council Chambers

#### March 28

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

#### **Committee Opportunity**

#### **Committee of Adjustment**

We are seeking members from the public to sit on the Committee of Adjustment for the remaining term of Council to November 30th, 2014. The Committee of Adjustment meets monthly to review Minor Variance applications, and determine if they align with the intent of the Township of Minden Hills Official Plan and Zoning By-law.

Please submit your letter of interest to the following:
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#### **Spring Load Restrictions**

Please note that the 2013 Spring Load Restrictions are in effect as of March 1, 2013 until further notice.



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Visit www.mindenculturalcentre.ca to check out the following exhibits and other workshops:

The Eaton's Catalogue January 12 – April 6, 2013

Who We Seem To Be by Tanya Lyons February 26 – March 30, 2013

Between the Lines by Janette Charron February 26 – March 30, 2013

#### R.D. Lawrence Place

#### MNR Presentation: The Coyote Saturday, March 16 at 1:00 pm in the Common Room

Wildlife Research Biologist Ashley McLaren will be at the Cultural Centre to discuss the recent research by the Ministry of Natural Resources on coyotes, as well as some of the commonly misunderstood facts about these intriguing mammals. This event is free and will be of interest to people of all ages.

Bring the family and make a day of it at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

#### The Coyote January 14 – April 6, 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.



#### **Employment Opportunity**

The Administration Department is currently seeking a Deputy Clerk.

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a letter of application, along with a detailed resume of education and experience by 4:00 pm Friday, March 22, 2013 to:

Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor 7 Milne Street, PO Box 359 Minden, ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Nancy Wright-Laking,
Chief Administrative Officer
Please visit www.mindenhills.ca for more information.

Public Hearing Notice on page 14.

# Highlander business



Photo by Mark Arike

As of March 1, Gord and Sheila Pitcher took over The Fast Lane bowling alley in Minden.

## New owners, same fun at Minden bowling alley

By Mark Arike

Sheila and Gord Pitcher are already loving life in The Fast Lane.

And no, we're not referring to the kind of existence that includes fancy cars, excessive spending or swimsuit models.

As of March 1, the Pitchers became the proud new owners of The Fast Lane bowling alley in Minden.

"What we'd like to do is turn this into a place where anyone can come have fun," said

The couple, who took the business over from Valerie and Andy Lennox, left Ajax and moved to the Highlands in November of last year. They became familiar with the area while on their road trips to visit Sheila's sister Loretta who lives in Minden.

"We heard through the grapevine that this was up for sale," said Sheila.

"It looked like we could have a lot of fun doing this," said Gord, adding that the purchase would be a good way to connect with the community.

Before moving to the Highlands, Gord worked for Ontario Power Generation (OPG) for 22 years while Sheila was an office manager for a side business the two ran together.

When asked if they've been avid bowlers, the Pitchers joke about years gone by. Gord still owns a pair of bowling shoes he purchased 23 years ago.

Since taking ownership, they've given the walls a new coat of paint, installed two flat screen televisions and inspected the pins and lanes. In the future they plan to convert what was an office into a children's play area.

"I think we want to put a chalkboard in there, and either a Wii or Xbox," said Gord.

Wi-Fi internet will be available to anyone who wants to come use it (non-bowlers included). The Pitchers intend to set up a website, which may include a page for a

calendar of upcoming events.

Another change that has already been implemented is a new set of hours.

"We're open all year round," said Sheila. The alley is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. between Sunday and Thursday and 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Like the former owners who helped raise over \$100,000 through a host of bowl-athons, the Pitchers also want to give back to the community.

"We might have more bowl-a-thons," said Sheila. "I'd like to have one in support of breast cancer [research], the Heart & Stroke Foundation... those kinds of charities."

In the past two weeks the Pitchers have gotten a taste of what running a bowling alley is like. They've met bowlers from various leagues and introduced themselves to the local Special Olympics team.

"The people have been very awesome," said

The pair have been together since 1999 and married since 2003. It's obvious that the relationship they share is a strong one based on trust, teamwork – and of course, good

"He just shuts up and does what I say," joked Sheila when asked what their key to success will be.

The Lennoxes are grateful for all the memories they made at The Fast Lane and are confident in the business's new management.

"We would like to thank everyone who supported The Fast Lane over the past five seasons," they said. "We had a lot of fun in The Fast Lane and met some really great people. Gord and Sheila have some great ideas going forward and we wish them every

For more information about The Fast Lane e-mail fastlanebowling@gmail.com or call 705-286-3900.

The Computer Guy **Classic Shell** 

Windows 8 doesn't have a Start button.

If you don't think that's something that needs fixing, you're probably in the minority, at least for now. Maybe in time, Windows 8's modern-style Start Screen will grow on users and it'll turn out Microsoft was right all along. Until that happens, there's a growing group of aftermarket utilities that bring the Start button (and menu) back to Windows 8, from excellent ones like Stardock's Start8, to ones that add value like Pokki.

But you don't need to pay to get a Start button: There's one tool that's free, opensource, and very customizable. Meet Classic

Unlike most Start menu replacements, Classic Shell has been around for a while. Its first version came out in November 2009, long before Windows 8 was even close to public. At the time, it was meant to fix interface annovances in Windows Vista. That was version 0.9 (the first publicly available version), and today, more than three years later, it's at version 3.6.5. Classic Shell grew over time and now consists of three separate parts: Classic Explorer, Classic Start Menu, and Classic IE9.

It doesn't try to invent anything new. In the project's own words, Classic Shell is "a collection of features that were available in older versions of Windows but were later removed."

Classic Shell's most newsworthy component is Classic Start Menu.

Hit the Windows key on your keyboard, and up pops a Start menu, just like you remember it from Windows 7 (or Windows Vista, or Windows XP – you can choose what you

want it to look like). Start typing to search for programs, hit Enter to launch. Search is blazing By David Spaxman fast. You can pin items to

the Start menu and customize every aspect of it. Never use the Printers item? No problem, you can easily make it go away. In other words, Classic Start Menu is just like the Start Menu you know and love, only more customizable.

If you use Internet Explorer 9 or 10, Classic IE9 improves its interface by including the current website's title in the window title bar, showing the current security zone and loading progress in the status bar.

Classic Explorer fixes Windows Explorer annoyances by adding a toolbar with common operations (copy/paste, go to parent folder, etc.), showing the free disk space and the total size of the selected files in the status bar, disabling breadcrumbs on the address bar, and more. Much like Classic Start Menu, it is very customizable, so you don't have to use all of its features.

Before you spend any money on a Start Menu replacement for Windows 8, you absolutely must check out Classic Shell. Its lean and customizable menu gets the job done with no fuss, and gives you the exact Start Menu you've always wanted, no matter which version of Windows it comes from.

You can download it from here: http://www. classicshell.net/

For questions or comments, e-mail me at computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca. Happy and safe computing!

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# Highlander sports





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Photo by Warren Riley

Damon Harriss shows the skills that helped him through a Stormy hockey season.

# Harriss excels as Storm goalie

**By Warren** Rileu

He is short, robust and very determined. The equipment he wears is equal to his

own weight which in itself is a feat. As a first year goalie for the Storm Novice B hockey team, Damon Harriss is only seven years old.

Damon attends Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden and is a Grade 2 student. His athletic activities include baseball, golf and soccer, but playing goalie is dear to his heart and he intends to stay as a goalie throughout his hockey career.

What stands out about Harriss is his unique ability to do the job the first time. His dexterity and agility beguiles his opponents. He 'stood on his head', as the saying goes, for his team and refuses to give up a goal no matter what the circumstances.

One of the most outstanding performances by Harriss was a game his team played against the Huntsville Otters. With little support from his teammates, Harriss deflected 19 shots on goal during the first period of the game allowing but two pucks to get by him. The game got away from the Storm, they lost 13-0, but Harriss refused to give up on the game and played hard until the last whistle.

He reflected on that game when asked how he felt about going down to defeat.

"I felt sad," he said. "We lost by a lot and I was working hard in the net. I was just doing my job."

Harriss enjoyed his first year as goalie for the Storm. Asked if he wanted to stay as defense or in the net, Harriss chose goalie.

"I like being goalie," he said. "I like it a lot. Last year I was playing defense out at the red-line."

"My Dad takes me to the games when they are out of town. He gives me a lot of support when I'm playing. My Mom doesn't travel with me much as she is usually working. But they always give me support."

The sky is the limit for this young hockey star. If he keeps up this attitude, his future looks bright.



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Photo by Warren Riley

Curlers at the Todds Independent bonspiel bring a stone into the house.

## Bonspiel raises \$4,203 for HHHSF

By Warren Riley

The fifth annual Todds Independent bonspiel was an enormous success and raised thousands of dollars for the HHHSF (Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation).

Curlers of all ages attended the event with the youngest being 13 years old.

The event was held on March 9 and according to Dale Walker, HHHSF executive director, those that contributed their time went the extra mile.

"The bonspiel and the effort by volunteers was unparalleled which resulted in one of the most successful bonspiels to date." she said. "The event was a very successful fundraising event. With two draws and 64 curlers the bonspiel raised \$4,203. Special thanks (goes) to our main sponsor Todds Independent of Haliburton."

The main purpose of the yearly bonspiel is to raise funds for needed equipment at both the Minden and Haliburton hospitals.

"The money will assist the HHHSF in funding priority equipment, such as vital signs monitors, pediatric probes, patient lifts and bath lifts," Walker said.

In addition to Todds Independent, prizes

were also donated by Curry Motors Limited and Wayne Hussey.

"I want to thank Bob and Anne MacNaull, Tom and Kim Merriman and all the volunteers for their hard work," Walker added. "Not to be left out, many thanks go to the Haliburton Curling Club and their members for the great facilities."

"Thanks to all the curlers for a great day," she said. "The Foundation would especially like to thank Steve and Michelle Todd for their dedication and support. We are truly fortunate to have them in our community."

Joanne Sharpley of Sharpley Sports curled for the first time and was excited to be involved with the event.

"I've never curled before," she said. "I don't even know how to score. I leave that up to those that know how. I'm having a lot of fun and it's for a very worthy and much needed cause. I'm glad to support the bonspiel and being a first time participant."

In the first draw the team of Doug Wagg came in first, Bob Cole's team was second and Bob MacNaull's team finished third. Bob Johnston's team won first place in the second draw, while John Smillie and Debbie Walker's teams came in second and third respectively.

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# Highlander arts



#### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING DATE: March 25, 2013 TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE AND ADDRESS: Municipal Council Chambers

7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10 as amended.

File No. MV A25/2012, Part Lot 28, Concession 7, Township of Minden,

Applicant: Renown Drive

Purpose: The applicants are proposing to demolish an existing legal non-complying dwelling unit in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone and replace it with one that is larger and higher. The following variances are required:

1.From Section 4.7.4 iii) to increase the height by 6 feet (1.82 metres) more than permitted.

2. From Section 4.7.4 v) to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying building by 17.1% more than permitted.

File No. MV A01/2013, Part Lot 12, Concession 3, Township of Anson,

Applicant: Claude Brown Road

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to demolish an existing legal non-complying dwelling unit in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone and replace it with one that is larger, higher and closer to the high water mark. The following variances are required:

- From Section 4.7.4 ii) to reduce the front yard setback from 68 (20.7 metres) feet to 50 (15 metres) feet.
- From Section 4.7.4 iii) to increase the height of the building by 7" (0.2 metres) more than allowed.
- 3. From Section 4.7.4 v) to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying building by 19.3% more than allowed.

File No. MV A02/2013, Lot 20, Concession 12, Township of Lutterworth,

Applicant: Deep Bay Road

Purpose: A Minor Variance is required to legalize the location of two buildings on the subject property to fulfill a condition imposed under an approved Application for Consent. The following variances are required:

1.From Section 4.30 to reduce the setback from a watercourse from 50 feet (15 metres) to 16 feet (5 metres) for the main dwelling, and 8.8 feet (2.7 metres) for the accessory structure.

File No. MV A03/2013, Part Lot 20, Concession 11, Township of Lutterworth

Applicant: Deep Bay Road

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to construct an addition to an existing legal non-complying dwelling unit in the Rural (RU)

Zone. The following variances are required:

1.From Section 5.2 Table 4 (Rural Zone side yard setback) to reduce the side yard setback to 8 feet (2.4 metres).

File No. MV A04/2013, Part Lot 31, Concession 9, Township of Minden,

Applicant: Echo Lane

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to extend an existing legal non-complying deck in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone.

The following variance is required:

1.From Section 4.7.4 ii) to reduce the front yard setback from 47 feet (14 metres) to 38 feet (11.6 metres).

File No. MV A05/2013, Part Lot 8, Concession 13, Township of Minden

Applicant: Crooked House Road

Purpose:The applicant is proposing to construct an addition to a legal non-complying dwelling unit in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone. The following variances are required:

1.From Section 4.7.4 ii) and Section 5.2 Table 2 (Shoreline Residential Zone side yard setback) to reduce the southwest side yard setback from 27'8" (8.5 metres) to approximately 12' (3.7 metres).

2.From Section 4.7.4 ii) and Section 5.2 Table 2 (Shoreline Residential Zone front yard setback) to reduce the front yard setback from 60' (18.3 metres) to approximately 50' (15 metres).

3.From Section 4.7.4 v) to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying structure by 76% (668 square feet) more than permitted.

File No. MV A06/2013, Part Lot 20, Concession 10, Township of Lutterworth

Applicant: Cam-Walt Trail

Purpose:The applicant is proposing to demolish an existing sleep cabin, and construct a new sleep cabin in a different location on their property in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone. The following variances are required:

1.From Section 4.1.13 to construct a sleep cabin that is 8 square feet (0.74 square metres) larger than the permitted 376 square feet (35 square metres).

2. From Section 4.7.4 ii) to reconstruct the sleep cabin within 50 feet (15 metres) of the high water mark.

3.From Section 4.7.4 ii) and Section 5.2 Table 2 (Shoreline Residential Zone side yard setback) to reduce the side yard setback from 14'9" (4.5 metres) to 6'6" (2 metres).

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed with the secretary-treasurer, a written request for notice of the decision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection until 9:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills, during normal office hours.

Dated this 14th day of March, 2013

Adam King, M.R.M Planning Administrator Township of Minden Hills

## **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 Storyteller by Jodi Picoult
- 2. Beach Strip by John Lawrence Reynolds
- 3. *The Forgotten* by David Baldacci
- 4. *Notorious Nineteen* by Janet Evanovich
- 5. The Painted Girls by Cathy Marie Buchanan



#### **HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION**

- 1. Eating Dirt by Charlotte Gill
- 2. Wheat Belly: Lose the Wheat, Lose the Weight, and Find Your Path Back to Health by William Davis
- 3. *Intolerable: A Memoir of Extremes* by Kamal Al-Solaylee
- 4. The Wealthy Barber Returns by David Chilton
- 5. Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Won't Stop Talking by

New to the shelves of the library and straight to the top of our popular fiction list is *The Storyteller* by perennial women's fiction favourite, Jodi Picoult.

In this novel we follow Sage Singer, a woman who works at a bakery, as she befriends an old man who's particularly beloved in the community. Josef Weber is everyone's favourite retired teacher and Little League coach – by all accounts, a lovely man.

After getting to know Sage, Josef decides to ask her for a surprising favour: to kill him. Obviously quite shocked and appalled by the request, Sage refuses and Josef, in turn, is forced to confess to her his darkest secret: he was a Nazi SS guard. He wants to atone and believes that he deserves to die. The fact that Sage's own grandmother is a Holocaust survivor complicates her feeling about this revelation and she must tackle some tough questions: Can someone who's committed a truly heinous act ever atone for it with subsequent good behaviour? Should you offer forgiveness to someone if you aren't the party who was wronged? And most of all – if Sage even considers his request – is it murder, or justice?

Be sure to reserve your copy of The Storyteller from the Haliburton County Public Library.



#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### NOTICE

The seventeenth Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation (HHHS) will be held on Thursday, June 27, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the HHHS Minden Hospital & Hyland Crest.

2013-14 Membership in the HHHS Corporation is available to any individual who is a resident\* of, or who is employed or operates a business in, the County of Haliburton or in the Townships formerly known as Laxton, Digby and Longford, or Bexley or Somerville of Victoria county, or Cavendish and Galway of Peterborough County for a period of at least 12 months immediately prior to the payment of an annual membership fee of ten dollars (\$10).

Membership in the Corporation entitles an individual to vote at any general meeting of the Corporation. New members must register at least 60 days prior to the date of the meeting. Therefore, to be eligible to vote at the June 27, 2013 AGM, new memberships must be obtained by April 1, 2013. Members of the Corporation are also entitled to nominate Directors for election to the Board.

The fee may be paid and proof of membership obtained at HHHS, Haliburton or Minden Business Offices, during regular business hours, or by contacting:

Marlene Vieira

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\* this includes seasonal residents, i.e., summer cottagers / landowners

# Highlander arts

## What's **Up**

## Living here

It's a moody bruised kind of day in March with the maples sweetening and the temperature just above freezing... a good day for a walk. It's not a particularly long walk, perhaps three kilometers of little-use road, down which Weasel, our Jack Russell Terrier. and I like to ramble. The road is flanked on both sides by forests. Old cottages, built in the 1930's, nestle gently in the occasional clearing and humanize the landscape to a

I've done this walk perhaps a hundred times but there's always something different to see. Today leafless black branches contrast starkly with a sunless grey-blue sky. A raven glides over my head and alights in a nearby tree, raucously announcing displeasure at our

As always Weasel bounds on ahead, and crashes up and over the embankments. She disappears, her white coat blending with the white of the new-fallen snow.

For me there are several types of walks; walks of sheer exercise, photography walks and walks where I concentrate on the written word. Today the walk is of the latter variety because I need some inspiration for a story I'm working on.

On my imaginary iPod Eric Satie is playing a gymnopedie on solitary piano, and I walk on. Fox, shrew, turkey, and deer tracks crisscross in the snow like an alien roadmap. A few steps on and squirrel tracks end abruptly in the middle of the road... a single downy feather the only testament to a death by owl.

The split rail fences which line each side of the road and hold back the forest seem to follow me on my journey, uphill and down, sometimes hidden behind a bank, then appearing again, dark against the snow.

As if in direct response to the visuals a single useful thought separates itself from the mind-full myriad. It needs to be saved before I forget. Using my ancient cell I call my landline, leave the thought as a message to myself, and then walk on.

Towards the end of the road there's a barn,

high up on a rise. I know that there's an old car in the barn and I trudge up the hill to take a peek. The snow is up to my fetlocks, but

Weasel runs over the surface unhindered. The artist Andrew Wyeth comes to mind because I feel like I'm in one of his winter scenes. Satie is still playing and I 'introduce' Wyeth to him. They seem to get along, so I let them art-direct and construct the score.

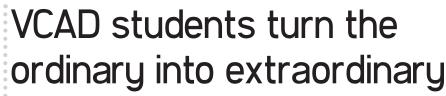
Having climbed the hill I put my eye to a hole in the barn door and see that the turquoise Pontiac make-out machine is still there, dying the slow death of the unattended. The barn smells of horse, hay and oil.

Suddenly the sun breaks through a rip in the clouds and lights up the outside of the barn and surrounding fields like a movie set. The barn now reflects light and glares too brightly against that dark bruising sky. Satie doesn't like the change and stops playing. Wyeth

The clouds obscure the sun once more which is a cue for me to retrace my footsteps back to the road, where Wyeth says goodbye. I break out a tangerine for myself and give the dog a small cookie, treats that I've saved for the half-way point of our walk.

On the way back Weasel likes to play the leash game. I dangle the leather leash just beyond her nose and she growls, jumps up and grabs it in her powerful little jaws. I pivot and twirl like an Olympic hammer thrower with Weasel hanging on to the leash for dear life. She's perpendicular to the ground and a metre above it, still growling with pleasure. Around and around we go in a bizarre ballet for man and mutt.

The way back always seems shorter, and before too long it's over. It's just been another road ramble, but a pleasantly productive one. I've maybe advanced my story by a paragraph or two and I give silent thanks for these inspirational walks that confirm my reasons for living here.



By George Farrell

Visitors to the Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre probably wouldn't expect to see art pieces made out of playing cards, paint chips and aluminum foil.

But that's exactly what they'll discover at "2 Squared", an exhibition featuring the work of 22 Fleming College students in the Visual and Creative Arts Diploma (VCAD)

"At the very beginning of the semester, we were given very arbitrary-seeming materials," said VCAD student Gray Pearson during the show opening on March 7.

"They were seemingly inconsequential things that we were told to make art out of. We were kind of like, 'what is this for? Do I stick it? Do I rip it up? Do I throw it at a wall? Do I punch my next-door neighbour with it?' It opened up an interesting avenue for us to really push the boundaries of what we were given as artists."

The students, who hail from Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes, utilized a variety of media to highlight their journey that started with an assignment based on twoinch black squares. Students used the design theories they learned in the classroom to turn those squares into something more with their chosen materials.

As principal of the Haliburton School of the Arts campus, Sandra Dupret often saw the students working on their creations in the halls and classrooms.

"It always amazes me to see how it's transformed from that studio space you're working in... and then when you bring it in here it has an entirely different level of meaning, yet it still has the original intent," she said. "I really want to congratulate you on the job that you did of assimilating all of the material that you were given, to bring this together in a few short weeks."

The annual exhibit is part of a mandatory



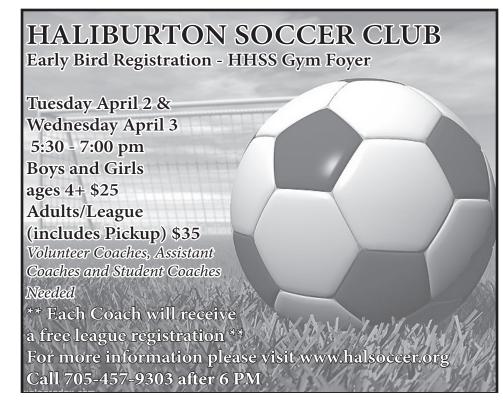


Photos by Mark Arike

Top: "Untitled" by Jess Wooley. Above: "Head Games" by Bonnie Thompson

project in the concept development class. In order to graduate, VCAD students study 12 foundation courses and two electives.

2 Squared runs until March 23 at the gallery.





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#### **OBITUARIES**



In Loving Memory of Don Sharp

(Member of Architectural Specification Writers Association for many years.)

Passed away peacefully at Extendicare, Haliburton, with his loving family by his side, on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, after 18 years with Parkinson's, in his 78th year.

Beloved husband of Peggy for 50 years. Loving father to Lori (Al), Sue (Scott) all of Haliburton, and Heather (Gethrin) of Beaverton. Loving grandpa to Kirsi, Matt, John, Paige and Holly. Dear brother of Gord (Ann) and Ken (Marlene). Son of the late Roy and Margaret Sharp of Toronto. Fondly remembered by his extended family and friends in Ottawa, Toronto and Newfoundland.

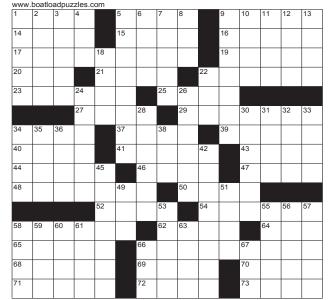
A Private Visitation and Funeral Service will be held at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden on Saturday, March 9, 2013. Cremation will follow.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) or to the Extendicare Proud Pioneers would be appreciated by the family.



# Highlander events

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#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Assigned job
- 5. Throat-clearing sound
- 9. Chicago's airport
- 14. Leer
- 15. Skin opening
- 16. Kind of infection
- 17. Carry
- 19. Makes level
- 20. Still, poetically
- 21. Despise 22. Make
- 23. Shooting star
- 25. Distribute cards
- 27. Regard 29. Began
- 34. Surrealism's Salvador \_
- 37. Niche
- 39. "War and \_
- 40. Great deal (2 wds.)
- 41. Roman gown
- 43. Land measure
- 44. Thorny blooms
- 46. Half (prefix)
- 47. Serve tea
- 48. Knitting rods 50. One time only
- 52. A Baldwin brother
- 54. Martial artist Chuck
- 58. In danger (2 wds.)
- 62. Urgent acronym
- 64. Compass dir.
- \_ setter 65.
- 66. Square dance figure
- 68. Syrup tree
- 69. Too
- 70. Citric
- 71. Drive too fast
- 72. Lunchtime
- 73. School groups (abbr.)

#### **DOWN**

- 1. Carved pole
- 2. Consent
- 3. Bias
- 4 Barbie's beau
- 5. Obvious
- 6. Owl's cry
- 7. Miscalculated
- 8. Convened
- 9. Partly cover 10. Bee's home
- 11. Realm
- 12. Speak wildly
- 13. Ultimatum word
- 18. Oxford, e.g.
- 22. Tabby, e.g.
- 24. Revised
- 26. Igloo dweller
- 28. Styling foam
- 30. The Grim 31. Mexican snack
- 32. Unbleached color
- 33. Antlered animal
- 34. Mild oath
- 35. Soothing plant
- 36. Misplace
- 38. First number
- 42. Reddish spice
- 45. Cut
- 49. BPOE member
- 51. Manage
- 53. Monte
- 55. Respond (to)
- 56. Gandhi's nation
- 57. Future flowers
- 58. Intentions
- 59. Capture
- 60. Ready to pick
- 61. Capri or Wight 63. Average (hyph.)
- 66. Pot's partner
- 67. Short sleep

#### **MARCH 2013 EVENTS CALENDAR**

#### **FRIDAY**

#### St. Patrick's Beef Stew &

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**Maple Syrup Festival** - Haliburton Highlands

Museum, 11-3 p.m.

#### Mini-Buck Euchre -Bobcaygeon Senior Citizens Centre, 7 p.m.

**Maple Syrup Festival** - Haliburton Highlands Museum, 11-3 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day Buffet **Dinner** – Kinmount Legion, 4-7 p.m. \$10 adults, \$5

**SUNDAY** 



Contract Bridge - Minden United Church, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Contact 705-286-1305.

**Volunteer Income Tax** Program - Haliburton Legion, 9:30-2 p.m.

**TUESDAY** 

**Community Drum Circle -**(every Wednesday) - Rails End Gallery @ 6:30 p.m., 705-457-2330

**WEDNESDAY** 

**Volunteer Income Tax Program** – Wilberforce Legion, 2-3:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY Canadian Federation** 

of University Women-**Haliburton Highlands** meeting - Fleming College, 7 p.m.

**MONDAY** 

#### **SATURDAY**

#### **SATURDAY Karaoke with DJ Paul Wilson** – Kinmount Legion, 8 p.m. U-Links Annual Celebration of Research – Fleming College

(Haliburton), 1-4 p.m. Highlands East Skating Club presents their Annual Skating Carnival "Canadian, EH!" - Keith Tallman Arena,

Wilberforce. 6:30 p.m., admission by donation. Ham dinner - Maple Lake United Church, two sittings at 5 p.m and 6:30 p.m. Tickets available at the door, \$12. Reservations recommended, Call 705-754-2258 or 705-286-2130.

Minden United Church Service - Minden United

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Bingo, every Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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from noon - 2 p.m. Cribbage, every Saturday, 1-3 p.m. Bid Euchre, every Tuesday, 1 p.m. Meat Draw, every Wednesday,

lunchtime

Euchre, every Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Radio Club, every Friday, 10 a.m. Fish & Chips, every Friday from 5-7

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Darts, every Friday, 7:30 p.m. Open every Saturday & Sunday from 12-5 p.m.

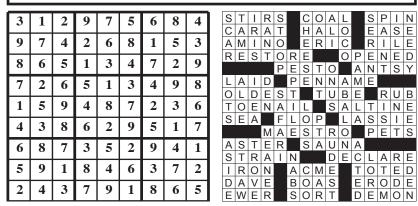
Spaghetti Dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Jam session, every Friday, 7 p.m. Meat draw, every Saturday, 2 p.m. Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. St. Patrick's Day Dance, March 16th from 9 p.m. to close. Featuring DJ Jeremy Huffman, no cover.

Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221) Pool, every Friday, 1:30 p.m.

Send your community event to ashley@haliburtonhighlander.ca

#### Last week's puzzle solutions

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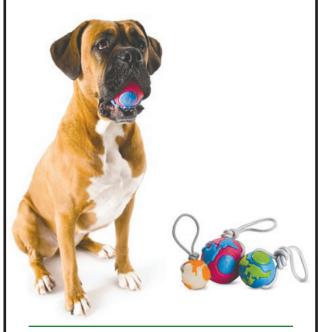


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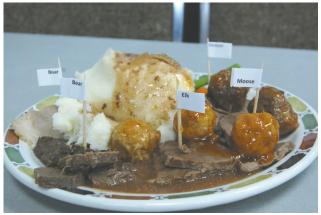


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# Highlander events







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#### Dinner gone wild

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association hosted their annual Wild Game dinner on March 9. Offerings included bear, moose, elk, venison, wild boar, arctic char and salmon dishes. Those who weren't used to eating wild game were pleasantly surprised by the variety and quality of the dishes. The association also hosted a silent auction.

Left: A guest is served bear stew at the HHOA Wild Game Dinner on March 9.



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## Celebration of Research

Saturday, March 23rd, 2013 Fleming College, Haliburton Campus

1 to 4pm: Research Poster Displays

**1pm:** Guest Speaker ~ Dr. Edward T. Jackson Associate Professor, Carleton University

All the Tools, All the Time How community-campus partnerships can help renew local economies

3pm: Discussion on Car Sharing & Ride Sharing in Haliburton County

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- Double det garage & large drive-in shed



- Private, well treed 2.8 acres
- Storage shed on lot Hvdro at road
- Year round municipal access Build your home or getaway!
- 705-286-1234



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- ed in area of fine homes & large lots
- End of quiet cul de sac in town
- Surrounded by tranquil woodland
- Driveway & lot clearing done Ideal lot for new home



- Very private cleared setting
- Mix of hard & softwood
- Several great locations for building Hydro & phone service at road
- Rough in driveway installed



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- Haliburton Lake luxury waterfront 4,000 sq. ft.
- Cathedral ceilings, 5 bedrooms, master w/ensuite Built-in appliances, granite countertops in kitchen



- · Full finished basement w/ family room
- Double car garage, 4 bathrooms
- · 220 feet of pristine wade-in shoreline



- 4 bedroom, 2.5 washrooms
- 2600 sq ft of luxury living
- 118 ft of clean gradual shoreline
- lakeside boathouse/cabin with sauna Close to Minden, easy 2 hrs to GTA



- 330 ft waterfront abutting crown land 4 bedrm 1.5 bath, 880 sq ft
- Lakeside boathouse with rooftop deck
- 600 sq ft lakeside cabin Turn key set up







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



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



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#### <u>Neat as a Pin! - \$179,900</u>

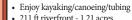


- Treed, level, clean shoreline
- · 3 bedrm, 1 bath, 880 sq ft
- 80 ft deep spring fed lake Single car garage, lakeside decking Great swimming and fishing
- Executive Waterfront Cottage
- 880 ft of waterfront + 2.7 acres
- Year round location as a home or cottage
- 4 bedrms, 3 baths, 4 car garage Point lot with deep water off docks end Good swimming, boating & lots of privacy



- · 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





Snowmobile trails nearby

- 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

