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Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Algonquin Highlands firefighters responded to an accident on Highway 118 on May 8 involving a tractor trailer. See story on page 25.

Fundraisers in the works for Minden Hills

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

Benefit concerts, dances, golf tournaments and online campaigns.

A number of ideas came out at a May 6 meeting to brainstorm ways to support Minden flood victims.

"Tonight's meeting has been formed by an informal group of Minden residents," emcee Jack Brezina told those who filled the Minden Legion.

Brezina, along with Jean Anthon, Lynda Litwin and Shawn Chamberlin, organized the event to coordinate various fundraising

initiatives in the community that will benefit residents who have experienced property loss due to the flood.

Brezina said that although many residents would like to know why the flooding occurred, this meeting wasn't about answering those questions.

"It's about how we as individuals, organizations and the community can help those who have been impacted [by the flood]," he said.

Before opening up the floor to the public, those in attendance heard from Lorrie Blanchard, treasurer for the Township of Minden Hills. Blanchard provided an

overview of the donation process and explained how the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP) works.

"We have established a trust account at the township office, and all funds will be going into that trust account and that account will only be used for funds in the private component [of the disaster]," said Blanchard.

The public side of the ODRAP program addresses the needs of homeowners, small business people, farmers and non-profit organizations. For every dollar that the community raises, the province will contribute \$2.

The public side – which won't receive

funds from the trust account – is in place to assist the township with costs that have been incurred as a result of the disaster, such as staff overtime hours and repairs to infrastructure.

"It [the trust account] will not be used, in any way, shape or form, for roads or to repair any of our infrastructure," she said.

In addition to cash and cheque donations, Blanchard said the township is accepting PayPal and credit card. Donations can also be made at any CIBC branch across the country. Tax receipts will be issued to those who contribute to the fund.

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Wilberforce library underway

Work on the new Wilberforce sustainable library began on May 3 as construction materials and equipment were moved onto the site in Highlands East. Fleming College students will construct the sustainable building. "This library will be a wonderful enhancement to the community of Wilberforce," said deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge, a member of the Haliburton County Public Library Board. "It will be inviting and bright with a great area dedicated for children and only a short walk from the school. The municipality expects that there will be savings with utilities and maintenance as it will be built using highly efficient techniques and materials." Pictured above: Instructor Chris Lalonde (white hard hat) with his students. Front row from left to right: Bonnie Frank, Rebecca Stanton, Crystal Foster, Yasaman Shakibanejad, Katherine Morrow, Chris Slivocka, Tim Van Bodegom, Flann Bolger, Ghassan El Efrangy. Back row from left to right: Cameron Laidlaw, Marc Davis, Simon Khodker, Alex Nicolaou.



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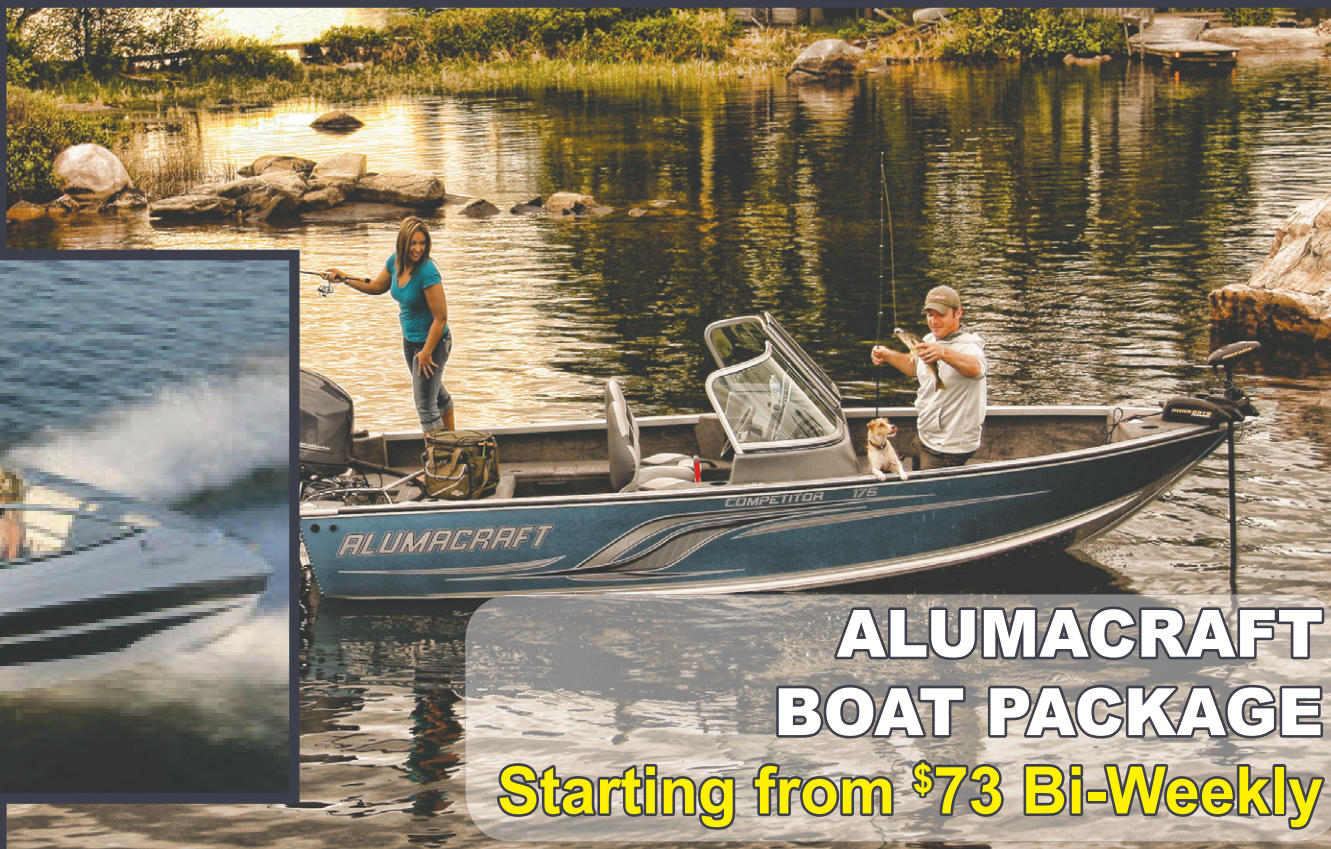


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Editorial opinion

Flood donations

What do golf tournaments and poetry recitals have in common? Over 150 flood victims. At a meeting in Minden on May 7, community members came together to discuss ways to raise money for the flood relief trust fund. Ranging from the aforementioned tournaments and poetry recital to t-shirt sales and a mile-long line of toonies, the ideas were as diverse as the people who presented them. It was made clear at the beginning of the proceedings that this was not a forum to complain about flood relief efforts and to everyone's credit, they remained on point throughout the evening. But there are serious questions that need to be asked about why, after three weeks, some people still can't get into their homes. Was this disaster the result of poor luck and bad weather, or was there mismanagement of the Trent? What about access to resources? Has every effort been made, every avenue explored, to battle the flood? There will be answers to these questions – and accountability – but there will be time for that later. Right now the best thing people can do is focus on how they can help, and that means coordination, which was the point of the meeting. The best way to support victims of the flood financially is to contribute to the trust fund. For every dollar donated, the province will contribute two dollars. That means every dollar donated to

the trust fund essentially triples. Ten dollars becomes \$30, and so on. For anyone who wants to host a fundraiser to support the victims, or who wants to donate privately, bypassing the trust fund would be a mistake. The Township of Minden Hills is going to establish a committee whose job it will be to manage the fund, and when the time is right, distribute the money. According to the township's treasurer, the money will only be used for private relief and will not be touched by the township.

By Matthew Desrosiers



The problem here is the timeframe. It could take years for the money to make its way to flood victims. That means hard times ahead for the people whose homes and properties were damaged. And while it may be tempting to set up something more immediate for them, financial donations anywhere other than the trust fund are an inefficient use of your dollars. There is definitely frustration in Minden right now, but we need to remain focused on what we, as members of the community, can do to help. If you have any questions about the trust fund or how to best help by raising money or in other ways, visit www.mindenhills.ca or call the township at 705-286-1260.

We're the ones

Maybe the recently departed Margaret Thatcher was right after all when she said there was no such thing as society. Looking at the water that still covers Anson Street in Minden, two weeks after the Gull flooded, one has to wonder.

I wondered it myself when I was there shortly after it happened. Where were the emergency crews digging trenches to divert water away from homes? Or the makeshift bridge our armed forces surely have on hand for the next amphibious conflict? Where were the trailers sent by the federal government to provide temporary housing for those displaced?

I must have been confused with another country. To quote another giant disappointment: we are the ones we've been waiting for.

In Canada, in Ontario, we don't seem to have much in the way of emergency response. It has been left to us, and we trusty Highlanders have stepped up to the plate to help with the cleanup. We've been housing, clothing and feeding those displaced by the disaster, and will soon be fundraising to defray reconstruction costs. We do it out of a sense of camaraderie, duty and pride, and it seems most of us do it cheerily, knowing we're making a difference to many in their time of need.

The question is, where's that sense of duty from the province, and the nation?

It will be nigh impossible for us to rebuild a town on our own. With an estimated 100 homes affected in Minden, at \$50,000 thousand per home for repairs, that's \$5 million in damage — not including businesses, not including the 75 cottages on Horseshoe Lake and more elsewhere, not including homes in Gooderham and other places which were not deluged sufficiently to warrant disaster declarations.

So let's call it \$10 million.

If our fundraising efforts meet our most optimistic expectations, perhaps we can raise half a million dollars. With the province and federal governments providing the maximum in matching funds, we'd have a total of \$1.5 million. To repair over six times that much in damage.

When the financial crisis hit in 2008 and our banks needed more liquidity, the federal government stepped in immediately, buying 60 billion — that's billion — dollars in dodgy mortgages to get them off the banks' books. There were no forms to fill out or claims to prove.

When the people of Oakville demanded the relocation of an under-construction

power plant, the province managed to find \$500 million to pay off the contractor and its offshore lenders. Again, it was done with the stroke of a pen.

But when it comes to rural communities like ours, our higher tiers of government expect the victims themselves to raise money. As if they have nothing better to do, like rebuild their homes and their lives. Then, they must humiliatingly prove their losses and wait an indeterminable length of time for some kind of reimbursement. You lost a billion dollars betting on exchange rates? Let me write you a cheque. But if you've lost your home you'd better have the receipt for that basement carpet in a dry place.

In a letter last week to the provincial minister of municipal affairs and housing, Linda Jeffrey, MPP Laurie Scott points out the outrageous inadequacy of the province's disaster assistance program and asks for a review. "Many people are in extremely dire financial straits and are not in a position to wait months for fundraising efforts and the ensuing funds from the province."

You can say that again.

Floods are particularly difficult for the average family. Insurance is nearly impossible to obtain (though the province could mandate that companies provide it, just as they mandate aspects of auto insurance), meaning there's little help for the cost of repairs. When the damage is limited, communities can usually bridge the gap; but when the community itself is underwater, the fastest route to recovery is help from the outside.

Fastest, and also just. We pay taxes to the provincial and federal governments, which they spend as they please on other types of emergencies with little more than a moment's thought and a hasty signature. But when we need a hand up we're told to fill out a few forms and wait — perhaps months, perhaps years — for some kind of assistance.

That, my friends, is not a society. Ours here, in the Highlands, may be strong and growing stronger, but we can forget about reciprocity from the overlords in Toronto and Ottawa. Those who are talking about a class action lawsuit, as I've been saying for several years now, have the right idea: it's the only language they'll understand.



By Bram Lebo

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Letters to the editor

The Great Flood of 2013 – a continuing saga...

Dear editor,

We ought to compel our political leaders to do our bidding. After all we pay taxes and should expect a return on our investment. What we need is action, not words, fancy dress and dancing.

Instead, we get doctrinal party-approved prose, a little side-step here and there, a lot of pirouetting around a cloak of invisibility. In other words: a lot fancy foot-work to lend plausibility to actually doing nothing concrete to help those who need help.

Why do we have a Federal Tory MP who can't do anything because his excuse is he's a back-bencher? This gives him a pass? A plausible excuse why he hasn't the sand to face up to his bosses, slam his fist down on an appropriate desk and ask a few pertinent – or, indeed impertinent – questions?

Questions? No! Demands, that something very concrete be done to help those in Minden who have been wading in water for the better part of a month! If this fails to catch his overlord's eye then for heaven's sake resign! Or change sides to the other party – any party. At least this would be doing something. This sort of demonstrative thing happened regularly in the old days when we had politicians with a little backbone.

And our provincial member of parliament? What the devil has she been doing? Could her plausible excuse for not doing much of anything because she's in 'opposition' to the ruling Liberals? This gives her a pass on her

responsibilities to her electorate? She can help but do less because her party is not in power? Again, are we really getting our money's worth?

If what we need can't be had and is not forthcoming, our municipality ought to be thinking of taking both levels government to court and sue them for \$5 million to start. Primarily with our flood-control system there's been a need for a single authority; not this bickering, this finger-pointing, this confused jurisdictional mess, matters which should have been determined a long long time ago.

Donations are a great idea but it isn't the solution! We need something around \$5 million to set things right, but we number only five thousand people in the municipality. How indeed can the second poorest region of the province be called upon to 'donate' when many are barely getting by with low paying jobs and meager pensions? And we've got a population of seniors in this county – on a per capita basis, Haliburton County is second only to Victoria BC in the number – how can they be expected to help themselves with the need to move their belongings, fill sand bags and such in an emergency? Come on! Five million dollars is not even a spit in the bucket if one considers the waste of hundreds of millions by our present federal government alone!

Eddie Burke
Minden

Photo of the week



Photo by Walt Griffin

Shawn Chamberlin making the best of a bad situation.

— (not so) Young at heart

Do you remember when your Dad said: "I don't bother with birthdays anymore."

I bet you do. It was probably when you were a kid and you'd been getting excited about the upcoming celebration of his big day for a couple of weeks already. Dad's birthday was going to be a big affair with loads of friends and relatives, a big party, cake, lots of cake and games and, and... but he just didn't seem to be rising to the occasion like you were.

And then came that bombshell: he wasn't bothered about them anymore! You just couldn't believe your ears, I bet.

Who could possibly not be bothered with birthdays? Why would anyone want to forget about the best day of the year? The day when it was all about them. The day when they got presents, and no one else did.

You probably stood mystified for a few seconds before launching into a tirade of questions, prodding, poking, persevering for an answer as to the reason for this ridiculous statement, this remarkable lack

of good judgement. And I can safely bet that the stock answer received in just about 99 per cent of all cases was: "I'm getting too old; they just don't count anymore," or something to that effect.

Stupid, eh?

Or not, as I am coming to realize.

Some of you may have noticed an ad in the classified section of the Highlander recently, in which the picture of a handsome fellow was accompanied by the words 'Happy Birthday Will Jones, 44 Years Young'. Yes, that was me (thanks team!) and unbelievable as it may seem I am in fact 44 years old. And there's the crunch, or one of them anyway. The staff at the newspaper thought it best to write 44 years YOUNG, meaning they must consider me of an age where I no longer wish to be associated with the word OLD because I'm obviously over the hill. I'm on the downward slide towards a meeting with my maker and I don't want to be reminded about it.

However, no matter that they called me

YOUNG because they think I'm decrepit, nor that there was no consideration for my abject horror at having my age divulged in the most widely read newspaper in my house and a few others too ("Sure, print his age. He's a guy, he won't care, it won't matter." God forbid we do that to a female member of staff! Oh but they are all about 25. Dammit!). The real upsetting part about my whole birthday was the fact that I now realize why my Dad came to the conclusion that he was too old.

You see, we all continue to think that we are teenagers long past the fateful day when we turn 20. I know I consider myself (let's make that considered myself) young in the real sense of the word. That is until the morning after my recent birthday party.

I had felt particularly young all night during the festivities. There was a bonfire, wonderful food made by my lovely wife and even a rousing bagpipe serenade, which echoed around our valley and probably scared moose for miles around. I had made merry with guests. I

had imbibed the odd alcoholic beverage or two (and some of them were decidedly odd) and I had partied well into the night and a little into the early morning, too.

Then I awoke on the morning after. My head hurt. It hurt like never before. My back ached. My stomach turned. The inside of my mouth tasted like the baggy old sheep's stomach that had been played so tunelessly the night before. As I got out of bed Little Z ran in, leapt and hit me in the midriff. I doubled up, dry retched and failed to feign any morsel of fatherly composure, instead wincing and moaning, as he said: "Daddy, Daddy can we do your party again today?"

I looked at my son, the first bead of a cold hangover sweat that would last for the rest of the day forming on my brow, and I stammered. "Daddy's not bothering with birthdays anymore, he's getting too YOUNG."

The Outsider



By Will Jones

Highlander opinions

Eye on the street: *How do you plan to help the flood victims?*



Lorna Votkos

Haliburton

I have donated and some of my family members bagged sand in Minden. Everyone seems to be doing something. With everyone doing something it will certainly help Minden.

Marilyn Frost

Haliburton

I think that we are all doing something and working together for a good cause. It seems everyone is doing something.



Mike Anderson

Haliburton

Donate to the fundraisers as long as it is organized and done properly through local groups. Also I plan to give my time too if it is needed.

Rosemarie Jung

Haliburton

I have already been and will continue to help through cash donations and increased donations of food items and other household goods to the food bank.



Sean Pennylegion

Haliburton

In addition to doing something privately I am involved in a couple of organizations that are doing things collectively as a group. It is just being keenly aware of the difficult situation for the people of Minden.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

THE PHONEBOOK PROJECT: ROBERTS

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The life story of Howard Roberts is one of service.

From a teenager eager to join the military to the 87-year-old man he is today, Roberts said he's always been on the go.

"I'm so busy all of the time," he said. "I've never had a bored day in my life. I've been retired for 24 years and there hasn't been a day in that that I've been bored."

When he was 18, Roberts joined the military eager to fight in the Second World War.

"I was only a kid, but I was over there," he said.

By the time he enlisted, the Canadians were already fighting overseas. He could only join the reinforcements. Roberts was trained and sent overseas, where he opted to join the Stormont, Dundas and Glengary Highlanders fighting in Holland.

The year was 1945, and Germany surrendered before he saw action.

"While we were in Holland, although the war was over in Germany, we were still at war with Japan," he said.

The call went out for volunteers to fight in the Pacific. Anyone who volunteered would be given 30 days leave and receive additional training before being sent over.

"I signed up for that," he said. "While I was on my 30 days leave, they dropped the two bombs and ended the whole damn thing."

Although he never experienced battle first hand, Roberts said he's not disappointed.

"I enjoyed the army, but there was nobody shooting at me."

Back in Canada, Roberts returned home to Haliburton after his discharge. A third generation Haliburtonian, he married his wife of 57 years, Gladys, who was also a

local. Together the pair built their home and raised their three sons.

But working a regular job and raising a family wasn't enough for Roberts.

In 1965, then an employee on the Dysart et al roads department, he was recruited as a volunteer firefighter. By 1972, he was named the department's fire chief.

"It was a pretty good experience," he said. "I enjoyed it most of the time. We didn't have a very good communication system in those days. We had our two-way radios and all that stuff, but there seemed to be malfunctions. We got by with it and seemed to do pretty well."

Roberts managed 26 firefighters in his department. At the same time, he was also the roads superintendent for Dysart et al. Together, the two positions kept him very busy.

He managed 150 miles of roads and over \$500,000 worth of equipment.

During that time, many road department employees were on the fire department, making it a challenge to manage the requirement of the department and those of the fire hall.

"You just had to go, that's all, and figure it out later."

As time wore on, however, the pressure of both positions started to take its toll.

"You couldn't really plan very much around the house, because you never knew how long you were going to be at home," he said. "It wears you down after a while."

In 1986, Roberts stepped down from the fire department.

The one thing he does miss is the camaraderie around the fire hall.

"We had meetings every Monday night," he said. "That was probably the best part of it. They were training sessions, and once a month we had a meal after those training sessions were over."



Photo submitted by Howard Roberts

Howard Roberts (left) helped A.J. LaRue (right) coach the Haliburton Huskies. In this photo are Roberts' son, Ed (the alternate captain in the back row), and team captain Bernie Nicholls (front row).

To this day, the Dysart et al fire department invites Roberts to some of their gatherings.

During his professional career, Roberts offered his time to various organizations throughout the county, including the Scouting Movement of Haliburton County, where he served as secretary and assistant to the Cubs Master for 18 years, and the Haliburton Huskies hockey organization.

For six years, Roberts coached hockey with A.J. LaRue. Haliburton's arena was recently named after him for his contributions to hockey and the community.

Together, the pair coached National Hockey League champion Bernie Nicholls in peewee.

"[We] didn't have to influence Bernie very much because he always had it in him."

Roberts recalled a game in particular

against the Minden team. At that time, Haliburton had artificial ice and had an earlier start to their season. They had been practicing together for a while before Minden's team had access to ice. When the ice finally came, Minden challenged Haliburton to a game.

"We beat Minden that night 26-1," Roberts laughed. "Bernie got 25 of the goals. If he had stayed home it would have been a tie."

With three sons in hockey, he was involved in the sport for 20 years.

"It was a lot of fun, we travelled all over."

Although he was always busy, Roberts said he did it all because he enjoyed it.

In recognition of his community service, Roberts received a Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Medal for her 25th anniversary on the throne.

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Highlander news

Car vs. Moose on 28

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

When a car collides with a moose, you expect there to be severe damage. What you don't expect is an inferno.

Gerard Dombroskie had just picked up his kids on May 3 and was driving home down Highway 28 in Highlands East when the family got a shock of a lifetime.

At around 9:30 p.m., a moose calf ran out from the ditch and collided with the family's car.

Michael, 10, and Hope, 9, were in the car with their father.

"I got frightened when the car bumped," Michael said. "When the car got hit, I

dropped my iPod because Dad said there was a fire."

As Gerard pulled off the road after the collision, he noticed flames coming from his Toyota Tercel. A passerby called 9-1-1 as the family evacuated the vehicle and waited for the fire department on the side of the road.

The Highlands East Fire Department responded to the call and was able to put out the fire, but not until the car was completely destroyed. Smoke could still be seen coming from beneath the hood of the car an hour after the collision.

The Dombroskie family was not harmed in the collision or fire, however the calf was killed on impact.

Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

A Highlands East firefighter inspects a vehicle after it caught fire from a collision with a moose calf on May 3.



Mud hole victim overwhelmed by national coverage

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The story of a local woman who found herself stuck in a mud hole for 12 hours has garnered national media attention.

On April 30, 64-year-old Sandra Van Alstyne was out for a walk with her

dog on Kashagawigamog Lake Road in Haliburton when she found herself in a sticky situation. Officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment, the canine unit and a police helicopter searched for Alstyne for three-and-a-half hours before locating her shortly after 11 p.m. Police say the woman was last seen walking her dog, Monte, at 10:30 a.m.

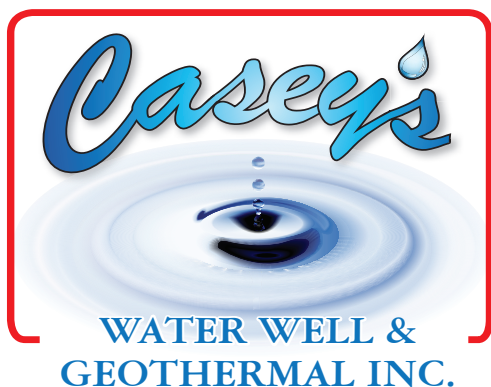
Since the story broke, Alstyne's ordeal has been covered by The Toronto Star, The National Post, CityNews and several other media outlets.

According to OPP Const. Paul Potter of the Haliburton Highlands detachment, all the attention she's received has been a bit overwhelming.

"When I talked to her yesterday [May 1]

she said, 'I've kind of had enough,'" said Potter. "Everybody's been up there to talk to her."

After being removed from the mud, Van Alstyne was taken to hospital for precautionary measures. Her dog stayed by her side throughout the ordeal.



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FLOOD UPDATE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

Donations

As of Thursday April 25, 2013, the Township of Minden Hills established a trust fund to help facilitate the generous community support for the flood victims and their recovery. Monetary donations only, can be made online, dropped off in person or mailed to: The Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, PO Box 359, Minden, Ontario, K0M 2K0, 705-286-1260 ext. 200

Donation details can be found on www.mindenhills.ca. Cheques are to be made payable to "The Township of Minden Hills." Please ensure correct mailing address is also included as a tax receipt will be issued. The Township Office is the only location community donations will be received. Please note that this is the official trust fund for flood victims and that the Township will ensure that these funds will reach those most affected. The Township is unable to accept non-monetary donations, so please do not drop off used items of any kind at any of the Township facilities. The Township would like to recognize and thank the community for their overwhelming response to support these residents.

Recovery Coordinator

The Township of Minden Hills has established a Recovery Coordinator to assist and support residents, both permanent and seasonal, through the flood recovery stages over the coming weeks. The primary role of the Recovery Coordinator is to act as a single point of contact for members of the public and to help coordinate municipal services in the different departments for services such as Water and Sewer Connections, Property Clean Up, Clean Up Kits, Building Services and Landfill services.

You can reach Paula Stamp, the Township's Recovery Coordinator at (705) 286-1260 ext 211.

Please visit www.mindenhills.ca for more flood related information for residents re-entering their homes and cottages.

Clean Up Kits

Will be available for residents directly affected by the flood at the Township Roads Shed, 1987 Fleming Road on Saturday May 11, 2013 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm.

The Township recognizes and appreciates the significant impact this flood emergency has had on residents in the affected areas. The Township understands that many residents, both permanent and seasonal are anxious to return to their homes. Please be alert for safety hazards that may exist. Please be advised that water levels remain unstable. The Township continues to encourage residents to exercise care and caution.

Meetings and Events

May 9

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

10:00 am, Public meeting for a proposed zoning bylaw amendment & proposed amendment to the Official Plan, Minden Council Chambers

May 14

7:00 pm, Canada Day Planning meeting, Community Centre Room #3

May 18

8:30 – 11:30 am, Household Hazardous Waste Day, Scotchline Landfill

May 27

9:30 am, Committee of Adjustment meeting, Minden Council Chambers

May 30

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

Notice of Special Council Meeting

Following the Committee of the Whole on May 9th, 2013, Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden to discuss the following resolutions:

- Disaster Relief Committee
- Resolution for Request for Declaration of a Disaster Area

Notice of Fire Hydrant Flushing

Mandatory Hydrant Flushing is scheduled to be performed throughout the Minden Water Distribution System from May 13 to May 24.

During this period, please allow water to run for 2-5 minutes to clear any discoloured water which may occur.

For further information, please contact Ivan Ingram, Environmental & Property Operations Manager at 705-286-1260 ext. 216 or iingram@mindenhills.ca

Medical Clinic Information

The Haliburton Family Medical Team is providing primary coverage at the Minden Hills Medical Clinic. Please contact the clinic at 705-286-2500 for additional information.

Cultural Centre

Is currently open regular business hours. Visit www.mindenculturalcentre.com for programming updates

Upcoming Community Fundraising Events

On Saturday April 20, 2013, the Township of Minden Hills declared a State of Emergency due to flooding.

May 22

11:00 am to 8:00 pm, Subway - Minden and Haliburton, BUY ONE GET ONE FREE - Proceeds will go to the Minden Disaster Relief Fund visit www.mindenhills.ca for more details

The Township appreciates the support of the many community partners and organizations who continue to play a role in the flood emergency and recovery.

See page 9 for additional ad

Highlander news

AH fares better than neighbours during flooding

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writers

Algonquin Highlands councillors discussed April flood water issues recently and agreed that although flooding caused significant damage, the township has been lucky to experience only “pockets” of flooding.

Nevertheless, they joined those calling for more discussions about water flow governance by the Trent-Severn Waterway (TSW).

Councillors spoke about the flooding in their wards during their regular meeting May 2. Issues for

residences and businesses ran the gamut from soaked carpeting to washed-out culverts, collapsing boathouses and ruined boats. In addition, groups such as the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association will be affected by trail deterioration, requiring additional trail maintenance funds and volunteer hours.

According to one resort owner, while businesses are open, many are avoiding the area because they assume it's flooded and unusable, deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen reported. She suggested the county be involved in promoting the fact businesses are open as the township lacks the resources to do so.

Reeve Carol Moffatt said the issue was scheduled for the May 8 county tourism committee meeting.

“At what point do the cumulative pockets of damage allow us to say we are in a state of emergency?” asked Danielsen.

“My understanding is an emergency is

gauged... if the situation outweighs the municipality's resources,” said Moffatt. She added this did not happen in Algonquin Highlands and called the situation in Minden Hills “catastrophic.”

Moffatt said nevertheless, the province may yet decide Minden Hills doesn't qualify for disaster funding, and so while she's been asked why Algonquin Highlands didn't declare an emergency, it never crossed her mind to declare or ask council whether they felt it was necessary.

She reported total flood-related expenditures to date for the township were \$53,000.

“I was expecting \$153,000... I will happily take \$53,000 compared to what's ahead for certainly Minden Hills, Bracebridge, Bancroft and other communities.”

Councillors discussed concerns raised by residents about this year's governing of the Trent-Severn Waterway and a

possible link to the flooding, suggesting further discussions with the TSW are necessary.

“Speaking as the Warden there is some agreement to have some discussions,” said Moffatt. “I have concurrence from fellow Reeves in the community as well as Barry (Devolin, MP) and Laurie (Scott, MPP) to have some conversations” with TSW at a later date.

“I think what we have is a mature community and changing climate and a 100-year-old system that isn't working so well.”

The township continues to report flood-related road conditions on its website.

I think what we have is a mature community and changing climate and a 100-year-old system that isn't working so well.

Carol Moffatt

Reeve, Algonquin Highlands

Toxic fire in Monmouth landfill

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

A fire at Monmouth Landfill in Highlands East left the site closed for several hours on May 5.

The Highlands East Fire Department responded to the fire, which lasted four hours during the afternoon.

According to Bill Wingrove, Highlands East

fire chief, it took eight firefighters on scene with one pumper truck and two tankers to put out the fire.

“The wind combined with the toxic smoke was [our] main concern,” Wingrove said. “The landfill had to be closed until the fire had been extinguished and the air quality was within safe limits.”

“[There is] no determination of the cause at this time.”

Fireworks bylaw fizzles

Algonquin Highlands has dropped a draft fireworks bylaw and instead implemented a revised noise bylaw to address complaints.

Council approved the revised bylaw at its May 2 meeting despite deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen's concern the restrictions are less severe.

The township has been working on a resolution for months while considering the higher cost to enforce a

full fireworks bylaw.

Fireworks are now banned between midnight and 7 a.m. and a \$300 fine is in effect. Exempt are midways and circuses authorized by the township and races, parades and similar events authorized by police.

Reeve Carol Moffatt said the revisions are not a panacea and their effects will be monitored.

THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS IN SEASON, EVERY SEASON

NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (By-law – 13-28) (Application RZ 13-01, Part of Lot 2, Concession 2, geographic Township of Anson)

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills passed By-law No. 13-28 on the 25th day of April, 2013 under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

AND TAKE NOTICE any person or agency may appeal a by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills not later than the 29th day of May, 2013, a Notice of Appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by a fee of \$125.00, made payable to the Minister of Finance, as prescribed under the Ontario Municipal Board Act.

An explanation of the purpose and effect of the by-law, describing the lands to which the by-law applies, and a key map showing the location of the lands to which the by-law applies, are attached. The complete by-law is available for inspection in my office during regular office hours.

DATED at the Township of Minden this 9th day of May, 2013.

Adam King, M.R.M.
Planning Administrator

NOTE: Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a Zoning By-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Minden Hills before the by-law is passed:

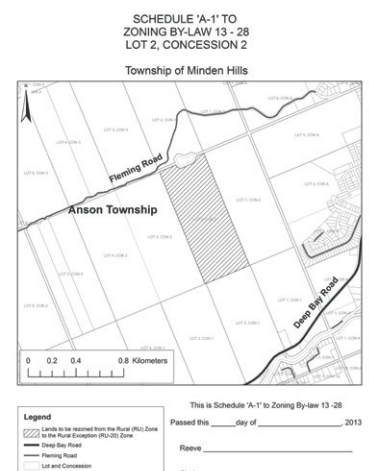
- the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Township of Minden Hills Council to the Ontario Municipal Board; and
- the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

EXPLANATORY NOTE THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS BY-LAW NO. 13-28

Being a By-law under the provisions of Section 34(1) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, to amend the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, with respect to a parcel of land at Part of Lot 2, Concession 2, in the geographic Township of Anson.

By-law No. 13-28 amends Schedule “10” of Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, as it pertains to those lands described above, by rezoning the lands from the Rural (RU) Zone to the Rural Exception Twenty (RU-20) Zone as described in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the By-law.

This By-law will be in conformance with the Official Plan of the Township of Minden Hills.



LOCATION...

Highlander news

Kawagama gets new telecom tower

Disguised as a pine tree, station will expand service

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

Residents and cottagers in the Kawagama Lake area could have a new telecommunications tower by June 15.

Bell Mobility is installing the tower on part of Lot 21, Concession 11, off Kawagama Lake Rd.

Algonquin Highlands council approved the tower installation at its May 2 meeting.

Due to lack of a township telecommunications policy, both the township and Bell Mobility followed Industry Canada's default public consultation process.

Respondents included the Kawagama Lake Cottagers' Association (KCLA), which argued for the unlit monopine design used in Algonquin Park over the

originally planned 40-metre, tri-pole tower that would require lighting for air traffic reasons. The 29.9-metre monopine design features a single pole disguised as a pine tree.

KCLA maintained this tower would be visible from Kawagama and Bear lakes and would set a precedent for subsequent tower development in the area.

Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen noted the numerous calls and e-mails councillors received with concerns about the tower and added, "the most recent e-mail that I got was like, 'I don't give a damn what you do, just get 'er done... I want service.'"

Bell Mobility returned to council with the monopine design that will provide a "significant improvement" to area service, according to Omar Lababidi of Standard Land Company, Bell's project representative.

"Approximately 75 per cent of the tower will be screened from view," Lababidi reported. "There are many mature trees that are greater than 20 metres in height on site which will reduce the visibility from Kawagama Lake Rd. Transport

Canada does not require the tower to be painted and no lighting is required on this structure."

Installation could begin as soon as roads

were accessible to full loads following local flooding, and Bell's goal for full operation is between June 15 and July 1, according to Bell representative John Woods.

Danielsen asked about issues surrounding larger, lit towers such as those at Hall's Lake and Miners Bay in Minden Hills.

"We don't choose what goes on the tower, Transport Canada does," replied

Bell representative Mike Fowler, who is working on the Minden Hills issues.

"We're discussing doing some trials with that on technology that's currently available and working in Germany, but neither Transport Canada nor the FCC (U.S. Federal Communications Commission) has allowed that technology to come into play."

Fowler said Bell is working on a design to block the view of the light systems.

"It is a concern for us – I mean, do we want the lights on the towers? No we don't. We want to provide service and we want to be as discreet as possible. Unfortunately the aviation rules kind of trump us on that."

Later in the meeting councillors discussed and passed a township telecommunications bylaw to deal with subsequent tower installation requests.

The bylaw includes a requirement for site signage, a 500-metre radius for consultation, a pre-consultation process with the clerk, site selection and design details with a preference for monopine towers, directions regarding tower installation in residential and waterfront areas, and a \$500 processing fee.

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Highlander business



Photos by Mark Arike and Keith Stata

Left: Keith Stata prepares a film for viewing at Highlands Cinemas. Right: The new digital projector system recently installed at Highlands Cinemas.

Highlands Cinemas goes digital

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The theatre that was on the verge of closing its doors has once again opened up for another summer season.

Located in Kinmount, the historic Highlands Cinemas started screening the latest releases this past weekend. Last fall, the theatre's owner, Keith Stata, was unsure if he was going to keep the business going due to the costs of converting from film to digital technology.

"We have currently invested in excess

of \$250,000, which is a lot of money considering the location, shortness of season, the extent of other operating costs, amount we turn back to the film companies, and the unknown productive life of the new technology," said Stata.

When residents and visitors to the area heard the theatre was in jeopardy, donations began pouring in.

"I was not in favour of soliciting donations for what basically is a privately-owned business, however, some people thought we should, so we accepted what people wanted to give," said Stata.

A total of \$2,300 came in from the public

and Stata managed to obtain a \$50,000 federal grant for the upgrades.

"I did not expect this to happen in Kinmount," said Stata, adding how grateful he is for the community's support. "People seemed genuinely concerned that we stay in business, and on the first night a lot of people came up to say they were glad to see us back."

The best way people can support the theatre is by attending, he said.

Over the winter months, Stata and his team made renovations to the booths, improved the sound systems and converted all five theatres to digital. The museum's memory

lane was transformed to feature a Christmas theme. The horror hall will also receive some additions in the near future.

"There are plans for more attractions, however there is only so much we can get done in a season so the work will be ongoing."

In an effort to pay for all of the upgrades, Stata is currently selling the theatre's large poster collection. Proceeds from T-shirt sales will also go to help cover costs.

On the Highlands Cinemas website, Stata confirmed that as time goes on he will have to raise prices to maintain the new equipment.

George's Auto under new ownership

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

As of May 15, George's Auto in Haliburton will have a new owner.

Chris Coumbs has been working with cars for over 20 years. For the past six months to a year, he said, he's been looking for a new venture.

"It's a lot of money initially, but it's a long-term plan for myself and my family, Natasha and I and our three kids," he said.

George's Auto will be renamed Haliburton Automotive. And while Coumbs does have some changes planned for the business, he hopes to maintain the company's good reputation.

"George [Gibb] is a good guy, he's got a good business, and he's well-established," Coumbs said. "George and Mary have been in that building for nine to 10 years, and obviously offered excellent customer service. We'd just like to continue where they left off, and hopefully do as well as they have in the past."

Coumbs said his business will offer new services. On top of automotive and truck

repair, the business will sell new automotive parts, light truck accessories and installation, and window tinting. He is also partnering with Louie's Car Care, who will do auto and marine detailing.

"Everybody recognizes Louie's Car Care, and he's very good at what he does."

Future plans for the business include a coin car wash, something Coumbs believes is sorely needed in Haliburton.

"I would love to do it tomorrow, but it's something in the near future if all goes well," he said. "We would like to put a coin car wash. It's the ideal spot in Haliburton for it."

The used car portion of the business will not carry forward under the new ownership.

Gibb will stay on for a while to help with the transition. Although Coumbs is comfortable in the business, he's been spending time at the store over the last few weeks learning the system.

"I've been in and out of there spending a few days just learning the ropes."

As Coumbs gets ready to take over next week, he admitted he's feeling the pressure.

"I'm nervous as heck," he said. "It's just the unknown, but there is a bit of confidence and



Photo by Walt Griffin

Chris Coumbs (left) shakes hands with George Gibb after announcing he will purchase the company. Ted Parish (right) will stay on as a mechanic.

Ed Sciki are also staying on under the new ownership. Coumbs said he was very thankful for the help of his business partner, Rick Bain. "He and I are pretty close," he said. "This wouldn't be possible without Rick. He's been a great help, and he's a very smart man."

Derek Feir, Steve Hutchings, Ted Parish and

Highlander business

A new home for Chestnut Park

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A former Re/Max office is now the home base for three local Chestnut Park realtors.

Rob Serediuk and Greg McInnis took possession of the property, which is located at 4490 Kennisis Lake Road, on April 1. Longtime local agent Shirley Rule joined their team this past January.

"We were too busy to continue [working] out of our house," said McInnis, who along with Serediuk has been serving the area for the past two years.

Prior to relocating, Serediuk and McInnis worked out of their Kennisis Lake home. They abandoned city life for a slower pace in the Highlands after leaving their corporate jobs in Toronto.

"I worked for Rogers Communications and Greg worked for Corus Entertainment," said Serediuk.

"We had a cottage on Salerno Lake for a number of years," added McInnis. "We liked the area – and were looking to get out of the rat race."

Although neither had previous

experience in the real estate industry, both had sales and marketing knowledge. They also saw an opportunity in the area.

"We brought Chestnut Park to the area," said Serediuk. "We felt there was a gap we could fill."

Prior to joining the Chestnut Park team, Rule was a Re/Max agent. She got involved in real estate in 2005, two years after moving to the area.

"My husband couldn't wait to move up here, but I couldn't be seen twiddling my thumbs," she said. "I wanted to do something and I always had an interest in real estate."

"We are very excited to have Shirley join our team, as her years of experience in the real estate industry and vast knowledge of the area will serve us very well," said McInnis.

Rule is equally as excited to be part of the team.

"I think it was a good move," she said. "There's never a dull moment."

Sue Drew, a former employee of the old Re/Max office, has also joined the team in an administrative position.

"We look forward to growing the Chestnut Park brand in the coming months and years," said McInnis.



Photo by Mark Arike

On April 1, local Chestnut Park realtors Rob Serediuk (left) and Greg McInnis (right) opened up a new office on Kennisis Lake Road with Shirley Rule (centre).



Photo submitted by Trophy Property

Haliburton's Peter Brady wins real estate award

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Highlander technology

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For a long time, at least since Windows XP and probably before, Windows has included the ability to create a password reset disk that you can use in cases where you've forgotten your Windows login password. You must create a password reset disk *before* you need it.

A password reset disk can only reset the password of the account for which it was created.

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So if you think that the password reset

disk is some magical skeleton key that'll let you reset the password to just any account at any time, then you're wrong.

If you've ever experienced a lost password, or if you use a particularly complex and secure (i.e. hard to remember) password, you may want to create the disk before it's too late.

We start in Control Panel. Navigate to User Accounts. There, you'll find a 'create a password reset disk' link.

You do need to have a floppy disk (who has those anymore?) or a USB drive inserted and ready. After you attach a USB drive you'll get the Forgotten Password Wizard.

Click Next and you'll have the option to select which connected USB drive to use.

Click Next again and you'll need to confirm your current password for security.

This is done simply to prevent someone

from being able to walk up to your logged in machine and create a password reset disk for your account. Click Next and the disk is created.

One final Next for the last page of the wizard.

The final screen of the wizard contains a very simple, understated instruction:

Label this disk "Password Reset" and keep it in a safe place.

Do more than keep it in a safe place; keep it in a secure place, a place that people who shouldn't have access won't have access, accidentally or otherwise.

So you wake up one morning and for whatever reason, you simply cannot remember your Windows login password. But you do remember your password reset disk.

After a failed login attempt, Windows will show you your password hint (if you created one) and a link to "Reset

password..." if you've created a password reset disk.

Make sure that your password reset disk is inserted

and click Reset password. Windows will once again ask you to select the drive containing the password reset disk.

You can now enter a new password which will replace whatever that forgotten password may have been.

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



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Minden Flood 2013



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Tammy Rea talks about an upcoming benefit event being hosted by Those Other Movies. Right: Local residents applaud after being told the meeting is about considering ways to help flood victims.

Informal gathering generates big and small ideas

Continued from page 1

The ODRAP committee, which will be formed by the township, will be responsible for administering the fund.

"They will have two jobs," she said. "One will be the fundraising component and the second will be to receive and process the claims. That committee will be very independent from the township."

Blanchard advised flood victims keep receipts and other supporting documents if they aren't covered by insurance.

"It's going to be really important you keep this whole process well-documented in terms of quotes or estimates that you receive from anybody."

An audience member asked Blanchard if a deadline had been set for fundraising.

"At this point, no, there's no deadline," she said, explaining that the committee will likely establish a fundraising goal before setting a fundraising deadline.

A man asked if an ODRAP committee in Peterborough was in existence for four years.

"That's true," answered Blanchard. "It was a four-year process in Peterborough... You certainly have to keep in mind that this isn't something that's going to happen overnight."

Another man advised residents closely check their policy because water damage might be covered.

"In this particular instance, flood water came up through the sump pump or the drain in the floor, because the sump pumps were turned off," he said. "That caused the damage and that was covered."



Photo by Mark Arike

Emcee Jack Brezina explains why it is important to have coordinated fundraising efforts in the community.

Homeowners who are concerned about the structural integrity of their home should contact Paula Stamp at the township office, said Blanchard.

"We don't have the capacity to determine how unfit a structure is, and at the end of the day you may have to seek the services of an engineer... but by all means contact the municipal office and see if there are any services that can help you out."

Another audience member asked Blanchard whether or not Linda Jeffrey, minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, has the

power to veto fundraising efforts.

"Personally, I'm not aware of that comment," said Blanchard.

Someone asked if funds in the trust could be spent before the set deadline. Blanchard said that wouldn't be a possibility.

"The reason for that is because you want to start setting deadlines around fundraising and then the deadlines for claims. You want to ensure everybody has an equitable chance at the money you manage to raise and whatever money the province makes available."

Local business owner Sue Yallop said it

was time to stop discussing the rules and start focusing on helping residents.

"I don't mean to be blunt, but there are rules in place," she said. "Isn't it time to just accept them? We can't change them."

Brezina said the informal committee was aware of many events already scheduled to take place in the community.

"Our committee has considered creating a signature event that would be a specific effort for the flood fundraising effort," he said. "We thought about taking existing events and changing them somehow."

These events could include the Canada Day celebration, fall fair and the Bluegrass Festival, said Brezina.

Several members of the community announced their plans for fundraising events, as well as other ways they'd like to contribute. Although it's only been three weeks since the town declared a state of emergency, the town has received an outpouring of support.

The Minden food bank, which is currently being called an emergency centre, has seen donations come in from near and far.

"We have received food from Toronto, Orillia, Pickering..." said Walford-Davis. "You're getting help."

The food bank has been open six days a week since the flooding began.

Anyone planning a fundraising event for flood victims is encouraged to submit it to www.experiencehaliburton.com.

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Minden Flood 2013

Lions Clubs come to the rescue

Local district receives \$10,000 grant from international foundation

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

After learning about the recent flooding disaster in Minden Hills and surrounding areas, the Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) has awarded District A-16 a \$10,000 emergency grant.

The money was quickly awarded to the Lions Club district after the club's governor, Tom Gordon, made the LCIF aware of the situation.

"On April 26, he learned of it and contacted the LCIF regarding applying for an emergency grant," said Betty Mills, who serves as the district's treasurer.

Wing-Kun Tam, LCIF chairperson and past international president, approved the emergency grant.

The LCIF is the official charitable organization of Lions Club International, a leading humanitarian organization. It provides Lions clubs grant funding for their local and

global humanitarian efforts.

"Emergency grants are \$10,000 and the only ones who can apply [for them] are the government and the district," said Betty.

According to their website, the LCIF helped 33,000 people through 165 emergency grants between 2011 and 2012.

In order for the district to be eligible for the grant, at least 100 homes must have been evacuated in the wake of the disaster. According to information Betty obtained from Warden Carol Moffatt and Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, approximately 130 homes were part of the disaster zone.

The funds must be used to provide basic necessities such as food, clothing, blankets, bottled water and medical supplies. They may not be used to rebuild damaged structures or provide housing for disaster victims.

Betty and her husband David, who serves as the district's secretary, met with representatives of the Minden Lions Club and food bank chair Barbara Walford-Davis to determine the community's needs.

"We had a meeting about how some of the

initial money was going to be spent," she said.

The first order of items, which Betty estimated would ring in at \$3,000, was placed with Easton's Valu-Mart. The next shipment will come from Dollo's Foodland.

Kawartha Dairy will be supplying eggs and milk, while produce will come from the Minden Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Market.

This past Wednesday, local Lions Club members volunteered their time to pack 200 toiletry kits at the Minden Lions Hall. The items in the kit, which are being supplied by Pharmasave, were also purchased with

the grant money.

"We received guidance from the food bank as to the basic necessities," said Betty, adding that this disaster is bringing the three local clubs together.

"We don't have many opportunities for the [local] Lions clubs to work together. Kinmount, Minden and Haliburton usually operate independently for their own communities."

The grant must be used within 30 days that

it is received and the District must provide a detailed report on how the funds were used, along with receipts and supporting documentation.

The LCIF also requires photos of the Lions volunteering to aid emergency relief efforts. Betty said these images will likely be seen by many eyes.

"These [photos] are all put in the newsletters and bulletins from the international office."

In their many years as Lions, Betty and David said they don't recall the district ever receiving emergency grant money.

"We haven't had a disaster of this magnitude that would qualify for international assistance. We've had tornadoes... but people have to be displaced for us to qualify for disaster relief."

In addition to providing basic necessities, the local clubs have put out an appeal to the 52 clubs in the District to help with financial donations.

"That money will be amassed and will be part of the two-to-one [provincial funding]. We don't have any restrictions on that money."

She said a committee has been formed to decide where that money will go.

"Some of it may go to Minden Hills and some of it may go elsewhere. If there's a need that's not being met in a catchment area, we can direct our funds there."

We received guidance from the food bank as to the basic necessities.

Betty Mills
District treasurer



Photos by Mark Arike

Minden Flood

The bridge in Minden was re-opened on May 8 after three weeks. The flood waters had been touching the bottom of the bridge. Although waters have been slowly receding, residents continue to sandbag their properties as community members look towards relief efforts.

Minden Flood 2013



Sue and Ed Yallop of That Place in Carnarvon stand with Simone (middle), the inspiration for their fundraising t-shirt.

That Place, that t-shirt

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

They're calling the photo iconic.

It's a picture taken by Brad Brown of a Minden resident named Simone, standing on the flooded sidewalk in town looking for someone to help.

"I think it says everything about the flood in one picture," said Sue Yallop, co-owner of That Place in Carnarvon with her husband, Ed. "It tells me that everyone tried to help."

When Yallop looks at the photo, she sees the futility of Minden's current situation.

"No matter what we were doing, it

didn't matter. Everybody helped in their own way, but that water was coming up no matter what we did."

Yallop wasn't the only one inspired by the photo. Her chef said he wanted it on a t-shirt, and that sparked the idea.

"I asked [Brad Brown] for permission to use it [the photo] on a t-shirt for fundraising," Yallop said.

She and her husband funded the first order that arrived on May 2. At \$20 per shirt, the order sold out by the following afternoon and all proceeds were directed to the trust fund established in Minden.

The second order has also sold out. It was funded by Cathy and Mike Stephens of Systems Software.

"I have to place another order because I have orders outstanding," Yallop said. "We're hoping we can find someone to pick up the cost of the third order."

The t-shirts were made by Autumn Robinson of Autumn Marketing, who secured a good deal for the fundraisers and took no profit either.

On May 6, Yallop delivered \$1,320 to the flood relief. She expects to donate around \$2,700 when all is said and done.

For those interested in placing an order for a t-shirt, they can contact Yallop at That Place in Carnarvon at 705-489-4449.

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Top: From left, Maggie Scheffee, Shelby Elstone, Bailey Walker, Jaimie Dack, Shay Hutchings and Kayla Gardiner performed a dance entitled *Britney* in the senior jazz group. They won high gold. Left: Wyatt Hutchings and Skye Lamshead won high gold for their performance, *Tutti Frutti*, a jazz duet. Middle: Shay Hutchings, Jamie Dack, Emma Scheffee, Maggie Scheffee, and Dawson Hutchings performed *Wanted*.



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Michael Burgess, right, joins David Warrack for his performance.

A dazzling 'Dream Concert'

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Many audiences have seen them unleash their vocal talents in musicals such as *Les Misérables*, *Man of La Mancha* and *Phantom of the Opera*.

On May 4, Michael Burgess and Rebecca Caine joined forces for "The Dream Concert" at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

The sold-out concert saw Burgess and Caine sing a number of classic and contemporary

Broadway tunes, through solo and duo performances.

During her time in Toronto, Caine joined the original cast of Toronto's *Phantom of the Opera*. Burgess is best-known for his over 1,000 performances in the role of Jean Valjean in *Les Misérables*. Both have been in a number of productions.

The show opened up this year's sold-out Haliburton Concert Series. The next concert will take place on Sept. 14 and will feature Winston Choi and Minghuan Xu.

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. *Taking Eve* by Iris Johansen
2. *Beach Strip* by John Lawrence Reynolds
3. *Private Berlin* by James Patterson
4. *The Storyteller* by Jodi Picoult
5. *Whiskey Beach* by Nora Roberts

HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *My Way* by Paul Anka
2. *Eating Dirt* by Charlotte Gill
3. *Wheat Belly* by William Davis
4. *Intolerable: A Memoir of Extremes* by Kamal Al-Solaylee
5. *The Wealthy Barber Returns* by David Chilton

Nora Roberts is back (already!) with a new popular title – and this time it's a standalone. *Whiskey Beach* follows Eli Landon, a man who has had a rough year. In the midst of a divorce, he has just found out that his wife has been having an affair for a large part of their marriage. When he discovers his wife's dead body the very same day things don't look good for our pal Eli. No evidence is found against him but he is still living under a cloud of suspicion and, as a result, he loses his job as a criminal defense attorney.

In desperate need of a reprieve, he escapes to Bluff House, the family home in Whiskey Beach. Meanwhile, a woman named Abra Walsh comes into the picture – and she has been through some pretty hard times herself. When one of her yoga students is injured and forced to go live with family until she recovers, Abra is asked to help look after Bluff House where she meets Eli. Can she heal our wounded hero? Find out by reserving *Whiskey Beach* in regular print or large print at your Library.

Library News

May is looking friendly! The Friends of Haliburton County Public Library will be holding a giant book sale at the Minden Hills Branch on Saturday, May 18 and regular Minden Branch "Book Nook" book sales each Thursday until September. Their AGM and special author presentation (with Gerda Neubacher) will take place on Wednesday, May 22 at 1 p.m. Tickets are free to members, \$5 for the general public. See you there!

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When I was young I remember constructing a tree house. The pleasure was in finding the ideal tree, designing the structure, finding the materials, and finally building it. When it was built I didn't really spend too much time in my hidden fortress, and it wasn't until years later that I understood why.

I came to realize that it was the process of creating a project that produced the strongest feelings of elation and well-being. It didn't ultimately matter what the project was; it could be painting a room or creating a piece of art. There was a joy involved in the process that was good for the soul.

These days experts are exploring the links between the creative process and physical well-being. Physical, psychological and spiritual well-being play increasingly important roles in our lives as we get older, but over time we tend to forget how much pleasure the creative process can bring to us. Due to the pressures of everyday life we can also become creatively blocked at any age, so sometimes we need others to show us how creativity can enhance our well-being and improve the quality of life.

Fay Wilkinson is a registered consultant, educator and practitioner who, through her organization the Creative Cocoon, offers therapeutic programs to groups and individuals who feel creatively blocked, and who might also be feeling the physical consequences of that blockage.

Wilkinson is a certified member of the International Expressive Arts Therapy Association (IEATA). Their aim, among others, is to 'increase recognition and the use of expressive arts as a powerful tool for psychological, physical and spiritual wellness.'

On a personal level, what IEATA and Wilkinson do is to offer ways for people who have 'lost that lovin' feeling' to find that soulful joy again.

"Making art or being creative is very good for us," Wilkinson says. "It doesn't matter whether it's gardening or cooking, it engages our creative process and the creative process is as important as the end product."

You might be wondering what happens in one of Wilkinson's sessions? "We might start with some movement, and then move to painting, which might then lead to a poem. There is no pressure

of interpretation or evaluation of any project," she says. "It's all about the process, the doing, and you don't have to be an artist to participate."

Wilkinson, who is an artist and creates wonderfully exotic masks, uses the process of mask making in her sessions. She also works with clay, wax, music fibre and fabric, movement and storytelling. Wilkinson works with different local groups and organizations, one of them being the Haliburton Highlands Health Services' Long Term Care facilities, where she takes seniors who are suffering from depression through different forms of art making.

You might be thinking that all this is a little 'pie in the sky' for you and that you are not yet in need of help as far as creative blockages are concerned. OK, but are you still finding joy or exhilaration in what you've always thought of as your creative areas?

If not and you prefer a different option to the Creative Cocoon, the Haliburton School of the Arts has an eight week intensive program on Expressive Arts. It's where Wilkinson got her certificate, and where she also currently teaches.

Wilkinson, who works predominantly with women aged 20 to 95, realizes that one of her biggest challenges is in getting men to attend her sessions and classes. It's a hard sell because many men still have difficulty expressing and talking about their creative side and are more inclined to internalize and try to find ways and means to get things done themselves.

While Wilkinson realizes that, she also knows that some men also have creative blockages that impact on their physical well-being. For them, and for women who may also want to rediscover that creative elation without assistance, Wilkinson has some advice. "You're never too old to engage in the creative process, so get some tools and just do it."

If you want to find out more about the Creative Cocoon or the expressive arts you can get in touch with Fay Wilkinson at the creativecocoon.com or by calling (705) 754-4004.



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Snowmobile permits down by 16 per cent from 2010

Ontario clubs counting on decline to stabilize

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Although permit sales continue to decline, the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) is hopeful that things will start to level off or head in an upward direction.

"It's almost like a wash," said HCSA president Joachim Matysek at the organization's annual general meeting held on May 4 at Sandy Lane Resort. "We're holding our own. We're down a little bit, but overall, province-wide, we're in pretty good shape."

The total permit sales decreased by 52 in 2012-13 over the previous year, which is equal to a 3.1 per cent decrease. In the 2011-12 season, permit sales dropped by 13.2 per cent.

Matysek said the snowmobile season is heavily dependent on weather conditions.

"You just never know how your sales are going to go because the weather plays such an important part [in it]," he said. "We should be pleased that we held our own."

He pointed out that last year's snowmobile

season was shortened by five weeks due to poor conditions. This past season, however, "hung on well into March."

"I think we've hit the bottom," said Matysek. "So now it should just be going up or just remaining stable."

However, should permit sales continue to drop it could lead to the demise of the trails. "If it keeps going down, you know where that ends up – no trails. But I think we're a long way from that," he added.

Past president Scott Doan said permit sales are down across the province.

"I believe it's down about 12 per cent, so we kind of followed in that..." said Doan, explaining that the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) is looking at restructuring permit sales.

"They're on a big campaign to change the permit structure to make it feasible for people to ride or buy a permit," he said. "We will see something come out this fall – a change of some kind."

The HCSA is a member of the OFSC, which is a not-for-profit association that "acts as the coordinating body for organized snowmobiling in Ontario."

This past Family Day weekend, the OFSC allowed sledders to ride the trails at no cost. It was through that initiative that Doan says they realized it was time to structure things

differently.

"There were over 15,000 people who signed up for a free ride. The OFSC has seen that there are at least 15,000 people out there who have sleds, can ride and are insured, but are not buying permits."

Doan said the HCSA is considering a "regional style" permit, which is something that was done 30 years ago.

"Basically, we're opposing the idea of regional permits because how do you police them? If you ride from here to Dorset, Dorset's in a new region. Who's going to stop you? Who's going to enforce that?"

Doan said the OFSC has lots of brainstorming to do, most of which is "done at the corporate level."

"They have no idea of how that impacts us out here."

He pointed out there will be a change in licensing fees, which could benefit the local club.

"The previous Liberal government committed to giving part of that increase back to the OFSC to disperse... as we moan, complain and cry to them."

Doan said he was unsure if this would continue under the leadership of Liberal leader Kathleen Wynne.

Proceeds from permit sales help the HCSA cover operational expenses. These include

trail maintenance and equipment repairs, among other things.

Trails were discussed at the meeting, including one in particular the club believes will be a boon to local tourism.

"I went for a ride on the old number two trail that goes to Orillia, through the Queen Elizabeth Park area," explained Matysek. "We went with some chaps from the Mid Ontario Snowmobile Association... they really want to have the trail reopened to Minden again."

Matysek said the reopening of the trail would allow sledders to get to Orillia in a shorter time than it takes for motorists to travel there.

"You just cut right across. That's provided they groom the trail on their end. There's some work to be done there, but it could happen sooner than later."

At the meeting, three individuals received plaques for their contributions to the HCSA. Volunteers recognized included Doan, Gwen Bryant and Liz Jesseman.

The meeting concluded with the election of the 2013-14 board of directors. The following individuals filled seven of the nine available positions: Sandor Toth, Jesseman, Tom Nicolson, Robert Bryant, Matysek, Elaine Dittick and Brian Goddard.

Highlander life



Photo by Nikole Wingrove

The Highlands East fire department spent April 28 at a property on Loop Road where they burned a house as part of a training session. Several fire halls were on scene to participate in the controlled burn of the house, which was donated by a community member.

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Highlander life

SIRCH offers to lend a hand to flood victims

By Mark Arike
Staff reporter

Due to the flood crisis in Minden, SIRCH Community Services has jump-started their efforts to launch a new program.

"We want to support people affected by the flood, as well as others who have no family support nearby and may need a variety of small supports to make their lives easier," said Gena Robertson, executive director of SIRCH.

The program, which is titled "Need a Hand", was originally expected to launch in late June. Through it, SIRCH will "match people who need things with volunteers who will do them."

"We're committed to helping, and doing what we can," said Robertson.

Volunteers will be able to indicate areas in which they'd like to help out. Examples could include home repairs, clean up, or

looking after an elderly parent or child.

"We have a skills inventory that volunteers will fill out, which means they can volunteer for what they want to do and what they're good at," she said.

The goal is to get volunteers who are interested in donating a minimum of two hours per month.

The program hasn't received government funding, however, Robertson is waiting to hear back about a grant application to the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC).

"There's no government funding, that I'm aware of, that would support this program," she said.

Part of the funds would be used to cover the salary of a coordinator – a 10-month contract position that Robertson intends to fill by June. Until then, SIRCH volunteers will run the program.

"We already have five volunteers signed up

and requests are coming in."

Although it might take some time, the organization is hoping to subsidize flood victims and others who can't afford to pay for assistance.

"It's a new program and we're working out the bugs. People also have to understand that it's a fee for service... everyone who purchases a service, a portion of their fee goes over to help folks who can't afford to pay."

Robertson said the program isn't just for Minden flood victims, but is rather a county-wide initiative.

"We don't want people to donate to us in

lieu of donating to the Minden disaster relief effort. But if you have an extra \$5 or \$10 and can pass it on to SIRCH, it will help us help residents right across the county."

According to a press release, Need a Hand will not be competing with established businesses, as "most of the services offered are typically too small for a construction/trades business or do not fall under the funded mandates of community service agencies."

Anyone interested in becoming a part of the program is encouraged to contact SIRCH at 705-457-1742 or e-mail info@sirch.on.ca.

We're committed to helping and doing what we can.

Gena Robertson
SIRCH executive director



Photo by Walt Griffin

CIBC donates \$5,000 to SIRCH

SIRCH Community Services has received a \$5,000 boost from CIBC. The annual donation was presented to SIRCH staff member Nancy Brownsberger on May 1 at the Haliburton CIBC branch. The funds will be used to support all of the organization's programs. Pictured above, from left, are Nancy Brownsberger, manager of communications and partnerships for SIRCH; Jane Davies, CIBC financial service associate; Elaine Sidsworth, branch manager; and Patrick Davis, commercial banking manager.



Photo by Walt Griffin

Youth organization hosts information breakfast

Youth Unlimited hosted a breakfast during the morning of May 5 at McKecks in Haliburton. Jamie McMahon and Nick Adams held an information session to talk about the organization's past work and its future plans, including relocation to a new office at 50 York Street, unit two.

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Transport truck flips, loses load on Highway 118

Two people were transported to hospital with minor injuries after they lost control of their transport truck and crashed into the ditch on Highway 118 between West Guilford and Carnarvon on May 8. Algonquin Highlands firefighters on the scene could not confirm the cause of the accident, however they did say it occurred around 7:20 p.m. Debris from the truck, mostly compressed wood boards, was strewn across the highway and into the ditch. No fuel leaked from the vehicle. According to Ontario Provincial Police officers on the scene, the two individuals, a man and a woman, removed themselves from the vehicle after the crash.

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Hatchery enlists NERDs to help move fish

Students from Bancroft's Hastings High School were on hand at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association's (HHOA) fish hatchery on April 30 to help relocate rainbow trout. The students are part of the school's Northern Environmental Research and Development (NERD) course.

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Junior Highlanders

HHSS student elected as board trustee

By Warren Riley
Contributing writer

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) Grade 11 student Jillian Hawley has been elected as the Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) student trustee for 2013-14.

Hawley was elected by incoming and outgoing G7 representatives as the new G7 Student Senate trustee on April 26 at the Kinark Outdoor Education Centre G7 Student Senate Leadership Conference.

"I am pleased to welcome Jillian as our new student trustee," said Karen Round, TLDSB chair. "The G7 Student Senate is such a wonderful opportunity for our students to get involved in their education by engaging their peers to share ideas about their school culture."

"I was asked to come to a meeting where the G7 members were holding a session," Hawley said. "I was asked to apply to become a student representative (for HHSS) and I won by election. There was also the option of becoming a student trustee and being the leader of the G7 which sits on the board of trustees and represent the student's to the school board. I was again elected as the student trustee at the Leadership Conference."

Hawley is taking her new-found

responsibilities seriously.

"I will be organizing the meetings for the G7 in my school board and I will also be going to meetings with the members of the board of trustees. I'll help with decision making and basically be the voice for the student body of our board and bring up their point of view on issues when they [the board of trustees] make those decisions."

She said she's excited to tackle issues that are important to her peers.

"I'm really looking forward to being involved with student's issues," Hawley said. "When there is an issue or concern, I can actually do something about it. I can expect issues and problems from everyone's point of view. Like bullying for example and I can be the voice for them. I would know the best course of action. That would be a big issue for me to address."

Being named the student trustee is going to help Hawley with her future plans and goals.

"I'm hoping it will look good on my university application and also that it will lead to other things," she said. "It will give me skills for additional job opportunities. I will probably want to take world issues or global development and I know it's a fancy of mine but I really want to work with the Red Cross and help refugees."



Photo by Warren Riley

Jillian Hawley, a Grade 11 student at Haliburton Highlands High School, was recently elected as the 2013-14 TLDSB student trustee.



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Students buy-in for flood victims

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

J.D. Hodgson Elementary School students were rewarded for their fundraising efforts to support Minden flood victims.

For the past week, students in Grades 4 to 8 were encouraged to participate in "buy-in" day, which took place on May 8.

"We asked for any type of donation," said principal Elaine Fournier, explaining that all denominations were accepted. "The teachers collected money from every class to buy-in to an activity."

Those who made a donation were able to play baseball, scoop ball, frisbee or use electronics during fifth period.

The event was organized by approximately a dozen Grades 7 and 8 students who are part of the school's SPEAK Up team (Students Promoting Environmental Issues, Activism and Kindness). For the past couple of years, students belonging to the group have been fundraising to help build a school in Ecuador.

Fournier said that to date, students have raised over \$6,000 of the \$8,000 needed to construct the school.

As of press time, it was unknown how much the initiative had raised.

Photos by Mark Arike

Top: Grade 8 student Gage Roylance takes a swing but misses. Middle: Two students throw a frisbee on the school's field. Above left: Grade 5 student Isaac Little celebrates after scoring on the opposing team in a game of scoop ball. Above right: Grade 8 student Ethan Keefer prepares to pitch the ball.

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"Everyone is Welcome" to a Gathering to Celebrate Bill's Life that will be held at the Robert McCausland Memorial Community Centre, 1043 Community Centre Road, Gooderham, Ontario on Saturday, May 11, 2013 from 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm.. Cremation has taken place.

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Highlander events



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Stuart Baker Elementary students play games and interact with seniors as part of the Senior Olympic event held at the school.

Junior SBES olympians delight seniors

By Warren Riley
Contributing writer

Excitement permeated the classroom at the yearly Senior Olympic games at Haliburton's Stuart Baker Elementary School.

For 13 years this event has become a staple for the Grade 2 and 3 students who showed their game skills to some of the local Extencicare residents.

Mary Turner is one of the volunteer coordinators for the yearly event and described the synergy between the young students and retirees shown on May 8.

"The kids come away with this interaction with seniors and it's such a wonderful thing for them and the seniors," she said. "The school teacher was so touched by the whole thing (past Olympics) that she said 'I want to do this. Let's do it again.'"

Those in attendance shared in the games while others watched.

"We played tic-tac-toe," Turner continued. "There was golf, which by the way some of the seniors got a hole-in-one, balloon badminton, seniors bowling and we had fishing. The seniors loved it and the children loved it too."

The Extencicare facilities were gracious in providing a luncheon for the seniors.

"They prepared lunch for us and brought it over to the school. The kids then took individual meal orders, had it prepared and returned taking the meal order over to them. It was a surprise to us this year that Extencicare included the volunteers in the lunch."

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	Rummage sale – Maple Lake United Church. Contact Margaret Hewings at 705-754-3073 for more details. The Hand of the Maker – The Art Hive, 11-1 p.m. Show runs until June 13 Pie Sale – Ingoldsby United Church, 9 a.m.	Bake sale for Minden Relief Fund – Riverview Furniture, 9 a.m.	Contract Bridge - (every Monday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941
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<p>Haliburton Branch (705-457-2571) Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo, Wednesday, 7 p.m. General Meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30 p.m. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m.</p> <p>Minden Branch (705-286-4541) Lunch menu, every Monday to Friday from noon – 2 p.m. Cribbage, Saturday, 1-3 p.m. Bid Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m.</p>	<p>Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime Ladies Darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Radio Club, Friday, 10 a.m. Fish & Chips, Friday from 5-7 p.m. Darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Open Saturday & Sunday from 12-5 p.m.</p> <p>Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221) Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Ham and scalloped dinner, 5-7 p.m.</p>	<p>Jam session, Friday, 7 p.m. Lou Moody Memorial Rainbow Trout Fishing Derby, Saturday. Weigh in from 3-6 p.m. Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. General meeting (Elections), Tuesday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.</p>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Carol & Michael Browne & Vicky & Larry Miscio are pleased to announce the marriage of their children **Victoria (Tori) & Jeremy**

The wedding took place at Bark Lake Leadership Centre on October 6, 2012.

The happy couple are residing in Haliburton.



Oh-Oh-Oh Tim & Kelly are turning the big 40

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Leroy's family wishes to invite you to a Musical Celebration of Life on May 11 at the Minden Community Centre from 1:00 - 5:00 pm. This will be an open mic musical jamboree.

We look forward to you joining us.



Date: Saturday, June 29, 2013
Where: HALIBURTON FISH HATCHERY - 6712 Gelert Road
Time: 7 am - 3 pm

The yard sale is hosted by the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association but we would like to make this a fun, community event!

\$20 to rent a space (15'x15')

\$5 to rent a table (Max. 2 tables per rental or you may bring your own. Limited availability on tables)

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The Hike Haliburton Festival is seeking to engage the local community in the organization and presentation of the 2013 Hike Haliburton Festival scheduled for September 19 - 22.

Local businesses are invited to indicate their interest in providing the any of the following services - catering for barbeque, sound technical services, transportation services, and sign age production.

Local community groups and service clubs looking for fundraising opportunities are invited to indicate their interest in including their event in the festival, hosting a festival event or running a concession.

Please send expression of interest, business/organization name and contact **on or before May, 31 2013** to:

Laura Janke, CMO
Treasurer, County of Haliburton
11 Newcastle St
Minden, ON K0M 2K0
705-286-1333 ext 224 Fax 705-286-4829
ljanke@county.haliburton.on.ca



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT WANTED TO JOIN OUR TEAM

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QUALIFICATIONS

- Completion of College diploma and relevant courses in office services
- Minimum 2 years of significant position related experience
- Excellent professional telephone and customer service skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office software (Word, Excel, Outlook)
- Excellent written and oral communication with a keen eye for detail
- Flexibility to "pitch in" and work closely within a team environment

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The Co-operators
Frank Santana,
Associate District Manager

email: frank_santana@cooperators.ca



THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST Is Currently Seeking A YOUTH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRAILS INTERN

The Municipality of Highlands East in conjunction with funding from the Haliburton County Development Corporation is seeking an individual to work as a Youth Economic Development and Trails Intern.

JOB SUMMARY

The successful candidate will continue in the development of the local initiatives in the economic development and trails sectors of Highlands East. The focus will be on defining best practices, along with implementing a sustainable and integrated approach to what is defined. The intern will be involved with the maintenance and development of trails, creating and maintaining sustainable databases, and liaising with related agencies and the public.

The successful candidate will possess skills in public relations, trail management, and be proficient in using computer based programs and social media outlets. **The applicant MUST be 29 years old or younger.**

Tentative start date: June 17, 2013

Hours of work: 35 hours/week- 30 WEEK CONTRACT POSITION

Days of work: Monday-Friday

Rate of pay: \$15.00 per hour

Interested applicants to submit their resume, stating qualifications to:

Sharon Stoughton-Craig, CAO/Treasurer
Municipality of Highlands East
P.O. Box 295
Wilberforce, ON K0L 3C0
Phone: 705-448-2981 ext 227
Email: sstocraig@highlandseast.ca

Deadline for submissions: May 24, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

If you are contacted by the Municipality of Highlands East regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially. Persons with a disability preventing them from applying on-line should contact the undersigned to discuss alternative solutions. We thank all applicants for their interest but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used for candidate selection purposes only.

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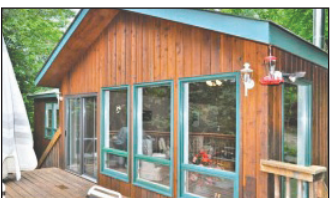
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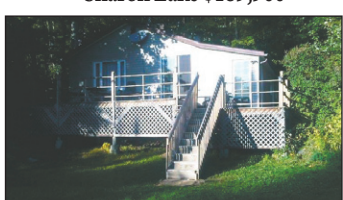
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