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OPP community services officer Paul Potter conducts a line-up of suspicious characters at OEYC.

Minden Hills plays the waiting game

By Adam Kingsmith
 Contributing writer

Now that the flooding has finally subsided, the waiting begins.

That was the general sentiment at the second official weekly meeting of the Minden Hills Disaster Relief Committee (DRC), which took place in the common room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on June 3.

The DRC – consisting of seven community members including Jack Brezina, Larry Griggs, Bill Obee, Shelley Houser, Max Ward, Andrew Hodgson, and chaired by Jeanne Anthon – has been mandated by the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MAH) and the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP) to pursue two major directives.

First, the DRC will be the major coordinating body for all fundraising efforts in the surrounding communities.

The provincial government has pledged to contribute up to two dollars for every one dollar raised by the committee. At present, the community has raised approximately \$262,000.

In order to grow that number to a level where it will be able to keep up with incoming claims, the DRC is in the early stages of weighing multiple fundraising options. Some of the avenues proposed so far include tax return inserts, digital crowdsourcing, a text-to-donate program,

an online calendar that lists upcoming fundraising events, and a storefront presence on Main Street in the Township of Minden Hills that would feature flood information, photos, and a donation box.

The DRC's second directive is to be the body in charge of reviewing all applications for financial assistance and compensation. Residents making damage claims will need to front the cost for any necessary repairs and then present documentation in the form

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Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, left, receives a \$1,900 cheque for the township's flood relief fund from Subway store owners Peter and Dipa Shah.

Subway sale raises \$1,900 for flood relief

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Peter and Dipa Shah weren't directly affected by the Minden flood, but they've stepped up to help residents who were.

The Minden residents who own the Minden and Haliburton Subway stores hosted a buy one, get one free sale on May 22 in support of Minden's Flood Relief Fund. Between the two stores, the one-day event raised \$1,900 (25 per cent of all sales).

"We don't want a flood again," said Peter, moments before

presenting the cheque to Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid at his Minden location on May 28.

The Shahs opened their first of nine Subway stores in Minden in 2004.

They've hosted similar sales in the past with donations going to the Haliburton and Minden hospitals.

As of the date of the cheque presentation, Reid said the township had raised around \$200,000 in the flood relief fund. The money will be matched up to two-to-one by the province through the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP).

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Editorial opinion

No strategy here

Following provincial requirements, the county hired a consultant last year to review the housing situation in the Highlands. The result is an 18-page strategy paper that council approved last month.

The consultants wrote a report and built a strategy the county can follow to solve some of our nagging housing issues, such as lack of affordable housing and housing for seniors.

Except that it doesn't.

A strategy should lay out a clear path to achieve a goal. In this case, the goal is to bridge the gaps in our housing market. What this report does is use seven-year-old census data, interviews from 38 "key informants", and the results of an online survey (24 per cent response rate, 447 responses) to analyze issues most people, certainly council and staff, already knew existed.

Take, for example, the key informants – a group of county residents who, in some way, are involved in housing. These folks are already in communication with the county. I would question whether or not they provided anything new to this report that hadn't already been discussed at great length with a staffer, councillor, or reeve.

And the census data? It was taken from 2006, and is available to anyone who wants to look.

The first half of the housing strategy rehashes all of this already-known information into individual reports on each municipality, and talks to the challenges they face. That makes the housing strategy really a nine-page document.

Looking at the goals they set out, it's kind of like driving directions saying it's only an hour *that* way as the crow flies. There are no clear directions, timeframes or hard goals laid out, at all.

The consultants say it's to maintain flexibility in the plan, because setting hard targets over a 10-year period, for example, often doesn't work. But how is setting no clear targets better?

The plan addresses eight separate goals through 30 action items. Of those action

items, 13 call for more reports or studies. From those studies, we could find that all, or none of, the goals set out in this plan are even feasible for the area.

Those action items that *are* specific are, for the most part, flawed. One calls for the county to offer tax credits and waive fees as incentives for affordable housing developments.

We aren't like other cities where tax breaks are feasible. There's no money to support this kind of incentive program, and yet it's on there. When we asked why, the answer received was that it's something to keep in consideration in the event our situation changes.

Like we couldn't have figured that out ourselves.

So the question is, where's the value in this report? It didn't tell us anything we didn't already know; it doesn't give us a clear path out of the woods, and its action items are calling for us to spend more money – cash we don't have, by the way – on reports and strategic plans.

Oh yes, and let's not forget the implementation plan staff now needs to create to put this "strategy" into action.

Maybe this is the way things are done. It is government after all, and everything moves in slow, redundant stages. But what this report could have been – a single document that pulls together all the other reports and provides a true set of strategic guidelines – is far from what it is.

A single, comprehensive document – and yes, this would have taken more time, but so what? – would be better than several, likely-to-be contradictory documents.

The consultants say their goal was to create a vision and "framing" for the county moving forward, because up until now it hasn't had any sort of strategy at all.

It still doesn't.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Get serious

Res ipsa loquitur is an old legal maxim meaning "the thing speaks for itself". It's a shortcut to proving your case, essentially the argument that if it looks and walks like a duck, it's a duck.

The phrase came to mind this week during a discussion about tourism and why it has to take a back seat on the economic development train. No doubt, tourism is important despite its tendency towards low wages and over-dependence on the weather. But there is something more fundamental that needs to be addressed in our tourism industry — the reason it can't pull us up on its own: we just don't have the product.

Take the Wigamog Inn, an establishment recently (and many would say deservedly) deceased and therefore not likely to be easily offended. Yes, the food was inedible and the service indifferent, as anyone who has been there knows. Walking around the grounds one evening when there with friends, I thought to myself, if I were a tourist who had booked a few days of precious vacation, spent hard-earned money and driven my family three hours to stay in one of the cinder-block hovels they called cabins, I would have cried.

I would have also wanted to scream at the tourist office, accusing them of fraud. But I would have just cried.

Indeed the most popular review of the Wigamog on Trip Advisor, a ratings website checked by millions of travellers, offers a blunt but probably very helpful suggestion to "STAY AWAY".

Unfortunately, the Wigamog is (was) not the only example. Truth is, looking at the facts on the ground, there are ducks everywhere. You'd have to conclude that as a community we're just not serious about tourism.

If we were, it's likely our restaurants would avoid throwing customers out at 8 p.m. On a Friday. They probably wouldn't heat up a frozen vegetable calzone, pour pasta sauce over it and call it a casserole, and they wouldn't serve the same desserts as every other restaurant because that's what came on the bleepin' truck this week. We all know that frozen and packaged food saves on waste; it means not having to hire a trained chef at higher cost. But no chef and no cooking isn't exactly a restaurant, is it?

Towns that are serious about tourism designate shopping areas where stores are required to be open at certain hours so visitors can be sure of something to do. They ensure development proceeds according to tourist-friendly principles. Serious stores in those serious towns hire serious staff and avoid exposing customers to teenagers who

endlessly complain about having to work and serve the likes of you. I know summer staff are hard to come by, but training is generally not.

So clearly, we are not serious about tourism.

That's fine, because we could do well enough without it if we grew other areas of the economy. I suspect however that tourism operators would prefer we kept up the effort, in which case they need to get serious about getting serious before they can expect us to take them seriously.

We're not catering to the Griswalds anymore; people are more sophisticated than they were in 1983 and, thanks to television, travel and magazines, know what good food and hotels look like. They expect fresh Ontario lamb on the menu and quality sheets on the bed, not frozen meat from New Zealand and frayed towels; they want a step up in their lifestyle for their short time away.

Too many establishments want to be all things to all people, a recipe for being nothing to everyone. This strategy persists, even when everyone can see that the most successful places — like Suwan's Thai in Minden — do one, authentic thing and do it well. They don't serve hamburgers at Suwan's — but for some reason a lot of burger joints insist on serving pad Thai.

Oh, and by the way, Suwan's has a four-and-a-half star rating on Trip Advisor.

The best small inns and restaurants in the world often offer very little choice. Instead, local design, ingredients and charm add up to an experience, what tourists are really after and what makes a place unique.

While there are definitely some gems to be found, having a few disappointments can reflect on the whole area. Even some of the websites are half-baked, lacking the most basic of information like a phone number or hours.

Papering it over with marketing-speak just sets up tourists for disappointment and risks having them never return. OHTO — the province's tourism organization representing our region, refers to Haliburton Village as a "cultural Mecca", laughable were it not so indicative of the disconnect between what we are and what we would like to be.

Irony, unfortunately, is not a big tourist draw.

We can, and need to up our game. If our tourism industry is serious about tourism, it needs to get serious.



By Bram Lebo

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Letters to the editor

Sharing memories of the Highlands

Dear editor,

Here's my thought inspired by Bram Lebo's column (See Lambs and Meatballs, The Highlander issue 85, pg. 4): what if Haliburton County hosted a yearly event featuring a different lodge as well as a camp from days gone by, changing it up from year to year? It could mimic a reunion-type atmosphere. Showcasing these events, it could generate some enthusiastic participants from previous years. It could also give them a chance to share past memories with the next generation.

Organizers could involve local businesses as well as museums, the chamber, Made in Haliburton, B.I.A, the list goes on. Local businesses could share some sort of cost-saving incentive programs such as coupons or vouchers to inspire visitors from out of town.

Haliburton County was and is such a huge part of many people's lives, it would be fantastic if the memories could be shared and passed along.

Paul Cowen
Haliburton

Grannies say thanks

Dear editor,

The Haliburton Highlands Grannies would like to thank everyone who came out to celebrate spring at our 5th Annual Granny Tea on June 2. We had a very successful afternoon and raised over \$3,000 supporting both the Stephen Lewis Foundation and the Minden Flood Relief Fund. A huge thank you goes to the Zion United Church for hosting our event and the UCW ladies, especially Elinor Hamilton, who provided wonderful guidance to our kitchen staff and servers. Our Granny helpers are too numerous to name but integral to the success of the event – each played a large part in ensuring that the afternoon ran smoothly.

Our entertainment, organized by Jessie Pflug, was wonderful. Bazza Hayward, Joe Truss and Eric Lilius from the Abbey North Drummers provided the perfect entrance music and also accompanied the melodic Tri-Vocals, consisting of Jessie, Chris Archer, and Elly Malcomson. The wonderful singer/songwriter Trina West entertained us as well and we also had the adorable Evin Armstrong and Lucas Chen playing the "Star Wars Theme" on piano and violin. Other musical contributions came from Barbara Allman and Lois Raw. Thank you to all our talented and

enthusiastic entertainers.

Of course, our auctions are the highlight of our event and raise the most money. Gail Holness once again was our auctioneer extraordinaire – her enthusiasm was infectious. Many of our Granny members donated terrific items and several members of the community – Micheline Brown, Toos and Ron Reid, Lorraine Tabbemor, Pat Woodcroft and Nel van der Grient also donated items for our loonie auction. A special thanks goes to Terry Adair of Twisted Pine Studio who donated a beautiful wooden sculpture which we auctioned off in a special toonie auction for Minden floor relief.

Lastly, our Granny members all stepped up and contributed in many ways, volunteering at the event, donating items, making and serving tea/coffee and goodies, and also making the many wonderful items we were able to sell in the Granny Marketplace to raise funds for the Stephen Lewis Foundation. We are so lucky to live in such a caring community and wanted to extend our help to those at home who need our assistance as well. Thanks to our very generous community for their support.

Peggy Cassils, Spokesperson
Haliburton Highlands Grannies

Photo of the week



Photo by Walt Griffin

A family of mallards on the Gull River along Minden's Riverwalk.

Don't knock dollar stores

Dear editor,

How disrespectful of the two parties who piled criticism on the present shops! Do you, who hugely criticize, realize that the thrift shop you refer to helps our local charity needs? The dollar shops are very welcome to seniors and those of us who are on limited incomes.

Keep your attitude to yourself – or accept all Haliburton Village has to offer. Do not dictate to us what your elite class would prefer. Every town and village in Canada needs these places to help society.

B.J. Lennox
Minden

Let artists use empty shops for free

Dear editor,

A few years ago, 60 Minutes did a piece regarding a small town in New England whose situation was similar to Haliburton. The town council convinced the local store owners to allow local artisans to use their empty stores rent free. The only stipulation was that the artisans had to set up their studios in the empty store and they had to

be open to the public. It was an immediate success. The presence of so many artisans in one place drew hordes of tourists to the town. Within five years, most of the artisans were able to pay rent on the stores and their studios were successful businesses.

Food for thought.

Janet Bradley
Haliburton

— Contemplation from on high —

*"When this old world starts getting me down, And people are just too much for me to face,
I climb way up to the top of the stairs,
And all my cares just drift right into space.
On the roof it's peaceful as can be,
And there the world below can't bother me..."*

Recognize the song? Yes, it's the Drifters' Up on The Roof.

While I can't imagine the 1960s songsters doing a spot of shingling, I can appreciate their sentiment when it comes to being 'up on the roof'. You see, while I was toiling on that roof in Kirkland Lake I had plenty of time to think and that's a good thing (hopefully) for a fellow that makes his living pounding out nonsense for others to read.

I thought about many things.

There were the big questions: when will America get involved in the Syrian crisis? How come the Senate gets to investigate itself for corruption?

The personal: why do people here keep saying I sound Australian and I wonder how much it would hurt if I fell off this roof?

Some thoughts were childish: how far

across the road can I spit from up here? Others mundane: do the people who dress Don Cherry laugh when they see him on TV?

As I pontificated, I came to realize that the very work that I was doing was a metaphor for my Canadian life.

As I shoved and scraped at the thick layers of shingles I imagined them as layers of my past that I had stripped away, revealing or ridding myself of, as I began life in Canada. There were good layers, those cherished memories of boyhood summers building dens with my school chums, riding bikes all day, throwing stones at passing trains (oops, did I say that out loud!). These were the large strips of shingles peeling back in big easy sections.

Then there were the bad layers, the small, hard-stuck chunks of tar-covered asphalt: the emotional break up with a girlfriend or the time I puked on my Dad after sneaking out to a party only to get stupidly drunk and him having to come and find me. Sorry again, Dad.

Then, with shingles removed, there was the roof laid bare. It was naked, virginal, totally

defenseless against the elements. Now, I wasn't literally naked, defenseless, nor a virgin on my entry into Canada but you could say that I was all three. My family and I were embarking on a new start and as prepared as we were with documentation, we were unprepared for many aspects of life that this glorious country would throw at us: from the vagaries of its tax system to the viciousness of the bugs, the initially almost intimidating friendliness of you folks to finding out that Santa's Village is just down the road and only open in the summer. If I had been a virgin, that's when I would have first felt properly shafted!

Redressing the roof, first with tar paper and then with shingles, represented the laying down of new beginnings for me, my lovely wife and Little Z. With each carefully nailed row of shingles adding a new and interesting layer in our Canadian dream: this one, the forging of friendships; that one, the making a home for ourselves. There were lumps and bumps of course – protruding nails and uneven roof boards – but even the first cold winter or meeting the son of a... who talked me into helping out on this roof

job haven't dimmed my enchantment with Canada.

Even after the roof was complete, after the old shingles were cleared away, still my aches and pains, my scraped knuckles and sun-burnt nose give cause for thought. As I stretch a weary limb I remember the long days of waiting for my immigration papers to be granted. As I pick at a chunky scab on my elbow (sorry mum but I never could resist) I smile at my time spent in Kirkland Lake, another Canadian place until recently unknown to me and one I have heard called the arsehole of the world but which is now a happy memory, for the people I have met there and time well-spent. So, sing along with me now:

*"So if this world starts getting you down,
There's room enough for two, Up on the roooooof."*

Ps: just in case you were wondering about the answer to my childish question it's just past the middle of the street.



By Will Jones

The Outsider

Highlander opinions

Eye on the street: *How was the home show?*



Bill Burnett

Northern Expressions

Slower than I remember, did not seem to be as many people. It certainly was a great show for us. It was good just to let everyone know about our new and larger location in the old Northwood Inn.

Brooke Hamilton

CRS

Saturday was busy for us and all things considered it was a good show. We are happy with the exposure and meeting new people.



Nick Swift

Emmerson Lumber

I'd say it was busy. Most people seemed to be there to see new products and walk around. A good mix of old repeat customers and some new people making purchases and showing interest in our products.

Peter Zahn

Highland Glass

It was a really good show. Traffic seemed a little light. We did really well on bookings and for future sales leads. Overall we are very happy with the weekend.



Wendy Vargas

Sears Haliburton

Not as good as I was hoping. I was expecting more traffic. Good to talk to everyone and see new and familiar faces, but we did make some nice sales and some really good contacts.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

THE PHONEBOOK PROJECT: TELJEUR

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

There was a time when Charlie Teljeur thought about taking his creative pursuits elsewhere.

But over time, he's discovered that the Highlands is just the right place for him.

"There are things about the town that aren't conducive to certain ways of [making a living], but the things you need to succeed in this town are here," said the Gelert resident. "If there are 100 things you need to succeed [in business] and 10 of those things are core, Haliburton has nine or 10 of those."

Originally from Scarborough, Teljeur moved to the area when he was just eight years old. After going through the local school system, he enrolled in the classical animation program at Sheridan College.

"At the time, I liked cartooning and I liked drawing, but what I realized was that I wasn't really into filmmaking cartooning," he said.

In Teljeur's eyes, that type of cartooning seemed rather juvenile. It also required a serious time commitment.

"I'm not afraid of work, but my fun is coming up with ideas, not drawing the cartoon."

Teljeur explained that there was a point in his life when he used think he was a cartoonist who could write, but instead realized he's a writer who happens to be able to draw.

In his third year of college, Teljeur witnessed his fellow classmates getting jobs in the industry. But he had no interest in that line of work and didn't want to just pick up and leave.

"I had no wanderlust at that time. You're supposed to after college, but I didn't get that until I was 40."

Teljeur has been passionate about the arts

for as long as he can remember. He says his father's side of the family has always possessed an innate flair for creativity (his cousin Robert van Nood is a local illustrator).

Despite his love for painting and drawing, Teljeur believed something was still missing.

"I liked it, but I just didn't find it was feeding me both ways, physically and also financially."

His fascination with cartoons led him to launch the Boonieville series in 1994.

"I presented it to The Haliburton [County] Echo and they originally ran it for the first 12 years."

The series was self-syndicated, which meant Teljeur shopped it around to other papers.

"The biggest it ever got to was about 30 papers. It was actually in the Halifax Daily News for the run."

He enjoyed creating the comic strips, but found the pace tiring after so many years.

"You're drawing seven days a week. So if you go away on vacation you have to get weeks ahead of it. So it's just this constant thing. I don't mind doing it, but I don't want to be obsessed doing it."

Teljeur says Boonieville was all about the unique hierarchy that exists in small towns like Haliburton. It also portrayed rural communities as welcoming places to outsiders, including city folk.

"I pick on all sides, but try to showcase that we're kind of all the same."

He then began another weekly cartoon called The Instigator.

"I commented on the world of hockey, kind of like a Don Cherry angle but a little bit more biting."

The series was picked up by CBC and had a seven-year run on their website. It also received a few weeks of airplay on Hockey Night in Canada.



Photo by Mark Arike

Charlie Teljeur is working on a hockey documentary, 'There's Something in the Water.'

His work for CBC opened up doors that allowed him to create cartoons for The Hockey News and The Toronto Sun.

"I basically combined my love of sports and cartooning and turned it into a gig for a while."

When the cartooning work dried up, Teljeur turned to a variety of freelance projects. Along the way, he experienced many of life's ups and downs, and at one point considered leaving the county.

"I figured I've got to get the heck out of this town because there's no reason to stay."

But then his good friend Wayne Greer convinced him to stick around. The two went on to create a comedic television series about golf called Highways to Fairways.

Working with Greer on the show reminded

him that filmmaking was something he had an interest in all along. In fact, he originally planned on taking radio television arts at Ryerson University. However, life in a densely populated urban centre just wasn't for him.

"When I started talking to Wayne I told him I want to get back into TV or movie tech production because it's fun – it's writing, it's creation, it's everything."

A large project he's been working on with Greer for quite some time is a hockey documentary called "There's Something in the Water". The film, which includes interviews with several local hockey heroes, examines the many connections that Haliburton has to the NHL.

"The new direction is fun, because it's kind of what I think I really want to do."

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Highlander news

Flood funds yet to flow

Continued from page 1

of bills and receipts before they receive any reimbursement.

Flood victims should note they can only claim damages for essential items. Victims can only claim essential damages if they can prove said damages occurred to their primary residence and that they have no other viable sources of insurance to cover them. A list of items and damages that are covered can be found on the MAH website under the ODRAP program.

Advanced emergency funding up to \$1,000 will also be made available for local residents unable to front the cost of damage repairs, but this funding is being held back by the Ministry until its new ODRAP guidelines are finalized. In the meantime, the DRC is recommending victims who need assistance should direct any questions to Paula Stamp, the

recently-named recovery coordinator for the Township of Minden Hills.

As for a timeline of the process, while the fundraising efforts are moving full-speed ahead, the claim assessment process has stalled until those new guidelines are made available, and the program manager – a provincially-funded hire who will assist the DRC in managing much of the process – is brought on board in a few weeks' time.

Once the guidelines have been received and the program manager is brought up to speed, the DRC has made it clear that it plans to make available a "claimants package," which will compile all the information necessary in order to make a successful damages claim.

"Realistically, once things get moving the entire claimants process is at least a year-long one from start to finish," Wright-Laking said.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Annual canoe draw to raise money for Canoe FM

Canoe FM president Malcom MacLean (left) sits in a brand new Langley 16-foot canoe up for draw in the station's 10th annual Canoe FM fundraiser golf draw. With him are Ron Murphy, studio engineer; Dave Allen, sales representative; and Roxanne Casey, station manager. The Langford cedar-strip canoe is the grand prize of the draw. Other prizes include one of 45 foursome green fees, with carts, at one of 15 golf courses. Tickets are available for \$20 at Canoe FM, Cranberry Cottage Haliburton, The Dominion Hotel, and Minden Pharmasave. Early bird draws are on June 30 and Aug. 4. The final draw will be on Sept. 1. All funds raised support Canoe FM.

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FLOOD RECOVERY INFORMATION

Disaster Relief Committee

The Township of Minden Hills Council established and appointed members to the Disaster Relief Committee on May 17, 2013. The DRC operates within provincial guidelines and their purpose is to raise funds and settle claims for individuals, families, farms, small businesses and non-profit organizations within the disaster area who have been directly affected by the flood. Individuals that have questions about immediate emergency funding or special circumstances should contact the Recovery Coordinator at 705-286-1260 ext. 211. Please visit www.mindenhills.ca for more information

Advisory Notice for Minden Rotary Park & Riverwalk

This advisory is in effect for public safety reasons. Due to the recent fluctuating water levels in the Gull River, the public is asked to use extreme care and caution when on the Riverwalk. There are sections of the Riverwalk which are under water and make it very challenging to use safely. Staff will continue to assess the Riverwalk and provide updates when available. Rotary Park remains closed due to significant high water levels which continue to fluctuate. The public is asked not to use the Park until further notice. Staff will continue to assess the Park and provide updates when available.

Fire Calendar Winners

Week of May 27
Michelle Kernohan

Meetings and Events

June 10

8:30 am, Disaster Relief Committee meeting,
Cultural Centre, Common Room

June 13

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

June 27

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

Notice of Fire Hydrant Flushing

Mandatory Hydrant Flushing is scheduled to be performed throughout the Minden Water Distribution System from June 10 to 14. 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 the Environmental & Property Operations Manager at 705-286-1260 ext. 216 or iingram@mindenhills.ca

Earth Day Celebration

We invite you to attend our Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre

Schedule of Events:

10:30 am Opening Remarks
Opening of the Royal Ontario Museum Exhibit
Listen to the Night: Bats of Ontario
11:00 am Community Clean-up
12:00 noon Family and Children's Activities
Planting White Pine saplings
2:30 pm Movie - The Lorax

This is a free event. Please contact the Cultural Centre at 705-286-3154 for more information



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EXHIBITIONS

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Cultural Fair Sunday June 23 1 pm-3 pm

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Upcoming Community Fundraising

June 8

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2 pm to 5 pm - Gord Kidd and his 50/50 Band entertaining in an afternoon concert on the patio at the Dominion Hotel in Minden. Funds raised for the Flood Relief victims all donations being accepted.
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June 15

11 am Registration 1 pm shot gun
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The Township appreciates the support of the many community partners and organizations who continue to play a role in the flood emergency and recovery.

Did You Know? - Lottery Licensing

A "lottery event" exists if money or other consideration is given for a chance to win a prize. Under Provincial regulations, all lottery events require a lottery license in order to be permitted. Lottery events conducted without a license are prohibited by the Criminal Code of Canada. Lottery licenses are obtained from the municipal office where the lottery event is occurring.

We want to ensure that all lottery licensing is done appropriately to ensure compliance with provincial regulations to protect both the organization and the municipality.

Approved charitable organizations are eligible for lottery licenses. Individuals are not. Please visit www.agco.on.ca for eligibility requirements, guidelines and information or contact Michael de Rond, deputy clerk at mderond@mindenhills.ca.

Highlander news



Photo by Mark Arike

Barbara Debler receives a Heroes in the Home award from Don Ford, CEO for the Central East CCAC.

Haliburton caregivers honoured as heroes

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

They go above and beyond the call of duty and do so without expecting any rewards or recognition.

But on May 29, their dedication and commitment to helping others was highlighted at a special event held at Haliburton's Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) office.

"In all honesty, if it weren't for the contributions, efforts and the time that is spent by these individuals – such as those being recognized today – we wouldn't be able to do our jobs," said Don Ford, CEO for the Central East CCAC.

Ford announced that Haliburton residents Barbara Debler and Wendy Duggan were the local recipients of Heroes in the Home Caregiver Recognition awards. Through the new initiative, residents are asked to nominate "outstanding caregivers who, through their efforts, help others remain independent at home."

Nominations for the program were accepted during the month of April, resulting in 130 submissions from across the Central East region.

Ford called the recipients "truly heroic" for the nurturing and outreach they provide others.

"This is exciting," said Debler after receiving her award.

Debler is a single parent taking care of her daughter Dawn, who is in her mid-30s and has Rett syndrome – a neurodevelopmental

condition characterized by the loss of spoken language and hand use, coupled with the development of distinctive hand stereotypes.

Dawn is non-verbal, wheelchair-bound and is unable to perform basic functions such as feeding and dressing.

Fay Wilkinson, registered expressive arts consultant and educator, nominated Debler for the award. For the past year, Wilkinson has been providing Dawn weekly music therapy sessions at the home she shares with her mother.

When asked how she manages to look after her daughter's physical needs, Debler said, "I'm blessed with high energy and I love life."

A longtime resident, Debler also runs a bed and breakfast.

"Running the bed and breakfast allows me the opportunity to stay home

with Dawn," she said.

Duggan was unable to attend the presentation to accept her award because she was looking after Dawn. A personal support worker with Saint Elizabeth Health Care, Duggan was nominated by her neighbour Gailon Valteau.

Outside of work, Duggan has taken in both of her nephews on different occasions when they needed a place to live.

Valteau called Duggan an "absolute angel of a person" who is devoted to all of her clients.

The role of the CCAC is to provide in-home and community-based health care to people across Ontario. According to Ford, the Central East CCAC covers the largest population base in the province with 1.6 million people.

I'm blessed with high energy and I love life.

Barbara Debler
Hero in the home

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Minden council downvotes IT and media policy

Councillors concerned about integrated rules

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Minden Hills councillors shot down an IT and social media policy that was presented to them by the township's CAO Nancy Wright-Laking at a May 30 meeting.

Wright-Laking reported that with the rise of the internet, municipalities around the world are facing new opportunities and challenges.

"Local government's need to protect their information technology systems to a high degree, as they are now integral to good government," she wrote in a report to council. "This policy looks to increase the opportunity that information technology systems provide the township."

Known as Policy No. 80, the nine-page document outlines items such as privacy rights, personal usage on township systems, network use and social media parameters.

Wright-Laking said municipalities are now susceptible to legal action and public embarrassment due to the actions of their employees.

"With the impending launch of the township's new website, it is important that an IT and social media policy be created to compliment it. The professionalism that this policy adds will increase the township's profile in the community and add to the provision of good government."

Councillors were opposed to the policy as it was presented, and suggested the township create two separate policies – one for IT and another for social media.

The matter is expected to be brought up for discussion at a future council meeting.

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Highlander news



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Herb Titze, garden operations manager, holds radishes while answering questions. Right: Allison Roberts, kitchen manager, talks about some of the heavy duty appliances in the community kitchen.

Getting a sneak peak at Abbey Gardens kitchen

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Members of the hospitality industry had an opportunity to learn about all that Abbey Gardens has to offer during an open house on May 28.

The event started with a tour of the two-acre garden led by Herb Titze, garden operations manager. Titze told visitors about the gardens and allowed them to walk inside the hoop houses, which contain a variety of plants including lettuce, radishes and bunching onions.

The small group then went inside The Food Hub, where they learned about the different types of local products that will be available for purchase once the store opens.

"The Food Hub hopes to be a locus for agricultural activity," said Jim Vidocz, Food Hub manager.

Allison Roberts, kitchen manager, gave visitors a sneak peak of the community kitchen and its many industrial appliances. The kitchen includes the latest equipment for canning, freezing and baking.

According to the Abbey Gardens website, The Food Hub will open on June 15.

Fleming graduates get their day in the sun

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

If Fleming College graduates follow John Patterson's advice, they will take chances and go down the road less travelled.

A total of 78 of this year's 144 certificate and Visual and Creative Arts Diploma program (VCAD) graduates heard from Patterson at their convocation ceremony, held on May 31 at the Haliburton campus.

"It is indeed an honour to be asked to address this graduating class," said Patterson. "I feel like many in the room are friends and colleagues from other circles and Haliburton."

As chair and founder of Abbey Gardens, Patterson got to know students in the sustainable building program. Last summer, the group helped construct a 2,000-square-foot building on his property, which has now become one of the focal points of Abbey Gardens.

"The entire sustainable building team is like part of the Abbey Gardens family," he said. "I am eternally grateful to Fleming College, the students and staff who made that structure possible on Hwy 118."

Patterson told the graduates they are now part of a privileged group.

"You are now being awarded graduation certificates for higher education," he said. "Your education sets you apart and opens doors."

As a former CEO of a large IT company in India, Patterson outlined how he and his colleagues connected well-educated, technical experts with markets throughout the world.

"It's a remarkable age we live in, yet there's so much opportunity for service on this planet."

Patterson outlined several social, political and environmental issues that must be considered.

"We are in an age of agonizing quandary."

After post-graduate studies, Patterson and his wife spent 18 years in unpaid, voluntary service work, mainly focused on village development efforts in developing nations. After, they spent 13 years on their professional careers.

"We've spent nearly half of our lives in cultures outside of Canada, and therefore cultures other than our own."

He told the graduating class there is a solution to every problem. The key is to take responsibility for finding it.

With many difficult decisions to come, Patterson urged the group to maintain their integrity.

"Integrity is understanding that you are free to decide. It's not up to somebody else."

Lastly, he advised everyone to listen to his or her heart.

"There come times when what you are doing is no longer filled with delight for you. Go do something else."

Patterson said he didn't own a home with his wife until they were in their 60s; however, that was because they were focused on other goals.

"Take the adventurous route," he said. "Try it out. If it doesn't work, take another risk. Take another direction."

Sandra Dupret, campus dean and principal, congratulated students on their

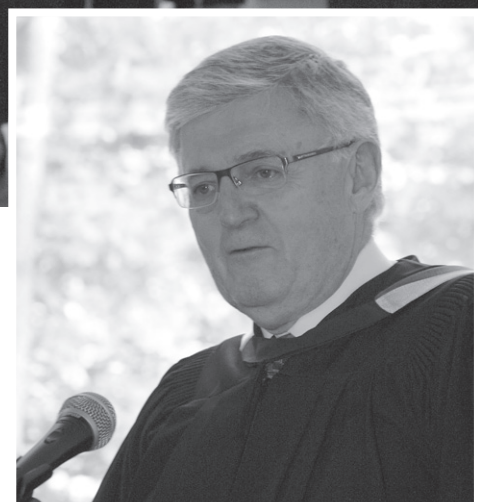


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Above: Piper Jeffrey Hamilton leads students to the Great Hall for their convocation ceremony. Right: John Patterson, chairman of Abbey Gardens, provides an address to graduates.

accomplishments.

"Thank you for being such an important part of our history and what makes us so special," said Dupret.



Highlander people

Wilberforce Legion salutes its members



Photos by Matthew Desrosiers

Members of the Wilberforce Legion Branch 624 and the Women's Auxiliary were recognized on May 31 for their tenure with the organization, as well as their volunteer efforts. The awards included naming the Legionnaire of the Year, as well as awarding a lifetime membership from the Auxiliary. The ceremony was followed by an open jam session at the legion.

Above: Brian Eves, left, was named Legionnaire of the Year for 2011-2012, while Peter Boyer was named Legionnaire of the Year for 2012-2013.



Cynthia Goodison was awarded with a lifetime membership to the Ladies Legion Auxiliary Branch 624 for her service by the organization's president, Joan Clark.



The certificate of appreciation recipients. Back row, from left to right, are Ian Woollett, Tim Mahon, Brian Parkes, John Bower, Owen Trefry, John Glassey, Len Crawford, Gary White, and Betty Langford. Middle row, from left to right, are Joan Clark, Jennifer Trefry, Hilary Klapow, and Danny Cashin. Janet Forshaw is in the front.



The anniversary pin recipients. Back row, left to right, are Al Marion, Ron Muirhead, Bill Bekkers, Doug Knox, Ed Otto, and Robert Klapow. Front row, from left to are, are Ray Davidson, Ross Covert, Danny Cashin, Eileen Knox, Gwen Otto, Janette Packard, and Jennifer Trefry.

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Submitted by Mary Hambley

Haliburton Legion Ladies honoured at Hali's

At Hali's Bistro Restaurant on May 30 the Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary honoured six of their comrades with lifetime memberships in recognition of their dedicated service to the Auxiliary and community. Between them they represent 202 years of service. Back row, from left are: Marney Chambers, Ann McKay and Cheryl James. Front row, from left: Marjory Peel and Jean Fletcher. Missing from photo is Cathy Juby.



Submitted by Judith McNeillage

Volunteers love to be appreciated

Judith McNeillage, president of the Minden Health Care Auxiliary, said she and her volunteers were thrilled with the recognition dinner put on in their honour by Haliburton Highlands Health Services. "The volunteer members of the Minden Health Care Auxiliary would like to thank the Haliburton Highlands Health Services for the wonderful Volunteer Appreciation Dinner that we attended on June 3," she said. "A delicious dinner was enjoyed, accompanied by entertainment provided by Phil McMahon."



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What'sUp Dual missives raise a question or two



By George Farrell

Last week, MadeinHaliburton.ca (MIH) and the Arts Council~Haliburton Highlands (ACHH) both sent out communiqués to their membership.

MIH is the online marketplace for goods produced in the Haliburton Highlands by the arts community. The e-mail sent outlined recent progress as well as listing some items that the organization was working on but was not yet ready to divulge to the public.

The e-mail stated that MIH has been accepted to the Labour Day Weekend Artfest in the Distillery District of Toronto. Participating artists from the county are Laurie O'Reilly, Pat Reynolds, Gord Jones, Brent McGillivray, Marjorie Cartwright, Barbara Joy Peel, Charlene McConnell, Susanne James and Sophia Tink.

This is very good news, not only for the artists involved, but also for all artists in the Highlands because Artfest exposes Haliburton art to a much bigger market while also helping to establish the MIH brand.

It's one thing to go online to the MIH website to see a virtual product, but until the MIH brand is established and trusted, people need to see the real thing at venues like Artfest and the MIH gallery/store which opened last summer in Minden.

Unfortunately, as the communiqué went on to say, MIH did not get the student grant which would have enabled the organization to continue running the art gallery store. This news will come as a disappointment to MIH artists, many of whom exhibited in the store last year. The MIH e-mail also informed its

members that the organization was working on a partnership with Fleming College. In return for the college having a piece in each of the next three MIH newsletters, MIH will have access to one of the display booths at the college. The booths will be used to display the work of MIH artists.

It's always a bonus for artists to have additional venues in which to show their work, but while exhibiting at the college might strengthen the brand, it's not likely to produce much in the way of sales; not that the gallery really sold that much in the short time it was open anyway.

The Arts Council is a more complicated animal than MIH, but among its many aims it seeks to strengthen community development through the arts as well as, like MIH, promote the arts within the county and to the world at large.

The ACHH communiqué sent – via snail mail this week – promoted the Makers and Mentors Celebration at Glebe Park on June 22 and the Cultural Fair in Minden on June 23. It also contained a copy of its 2013 directory, along with a survey requesting feedback from its membership. The group is requesting feedback in order to ascertain how to proceed with future publications of the directory. The survey states that the directory can be a valuable tool in marketing an artist's studio and business.

It's true that the directory has always been a good-looking and informative booklet that provides visitors and residents with a guide to artists and

their products.

But at the present time the ACHH is seeking ways to reinvent itself in order to bring flagging membership numbers up to what they once were.

Delaying production of the directory for a year while they get their ship in order might seem to be a way to go for the struggling ACHH, but the slant of the survey questionnaire suggests that regardless of the answers they get, there will be a 2014 booklet.

The Arts Council and MadeinHaliburton.ca are both organizations which profess to be helping local artists with marketing, but there are many artists in the county who will not be represented by either organization. As things now stand, in order to belong to MIH an artist has to first belong to the Arts Council.

An artist doesn't have the option of choosing between the MIH online marketing option or the ACHH booklet. It's both or nothing. That's fine for those who can afford both memberships plus the added cost of advertising in the booklet, but many artists are merely scraping by and can't afford two memberships plus advertising.

So, the communiqués this week, from the ACHH and MIH, while giving information to, and seeking feedback from their members, also raises a question. If they really wanted to help as many artists as possible wouldn't it be better for the ACHH and MIH to sever their ties completely, thereby offering artists marketing options?

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Minden resident David McGill reads one of his poems at the Rails End Gallery.

Discovering poetry with fellow writers

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A stormy night didn't stop a few local residents from getting together for an evening of poetry on May 31 at the Rails End Gallery.

The second monthly event, titled "Community Poetry – 90 Minutes of Bring Your Own Poetry", gave poetry lovers the chance to read some of their own material as well as various works by well-known authors.

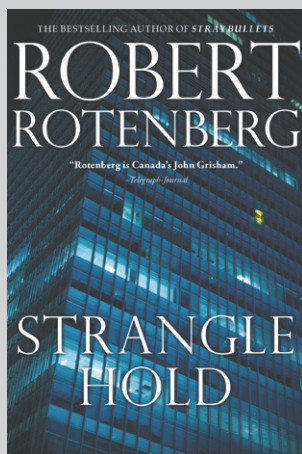
"I think it's very important to do this for the community," said Vicki Rodden, who along with her husband Marc launched the new initiative last month.

While there were only a handful of poets in the room, Rodden said April's event had around 20 people in attendance.

The monthly poetry sessions are held on the fourth Friday of every month and are free of charge.

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.

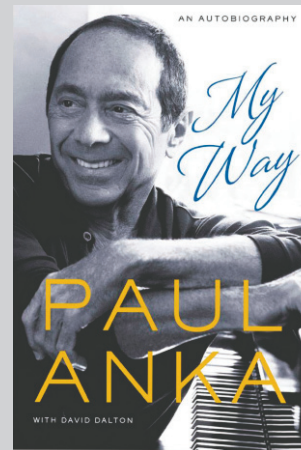


HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *Stranglehold* by Robert Rotenberg 🇨🇦
2. *Whiskey Beach* by Nora Roberts
3. *Taking Eve* by Iris Johansen
4. *The Little Shadows* by Marina Endicott 🇨🇦
5. *Mount Pleasant* by Don Gillmor 🇨🇦

HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *My Way: An Autobiography* by Paul Anka 🇨🇦
2. *Eating Dirt* by Charlotte Gill 🇨🇦
3. *Wheat Belly: Lose the Wheat, Lose the Weight, and Find Your Path Back to Health* by William Davis
4. *Intolerable: A Memoir of Extremes* by Kamal Al-Solaylee 🇨🇦
5. *The Wealthy Barber Returns* by David Chilton 🇨🇦



The Little Shadows by Marina Endicott, one of this year's Evergreen Award titles, has slowly gained momentum over the past several months and now it is one of our most popular books.

The Little Shadows revolves around three sisters navigating the world of vaudeville before and during WWI. The girls, overseen by their fond but barely coping Mama, were forced into making their living as a singing act after the untimely death of their father. It is often compared to Cathy Marie Buchanan's new novel *The Painted Girls*, which sees two sisters enter the gritty world of Parisian entertainment circa 1878.

Other possible "read-alikes" for *The Little Shadows* include *A Mixture of Frailties* by Robertson Davies and, for the non-fiction reader, *American Rose: A Nation Laid Bare - The Life and Times of Gypsy Rose Lee* by Karen Abbott. All of the titles mentioned here are available for you to reserve from your branch of the Haliburton County Public Library.

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Heritage Ballet brings TV to life through dance

From pre-schoolers to teenagers, everyone had a chance to dance and show their stuff on stage at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on June 1 and 2. Heritage Ballet presented TV Nation, a television-themed dance recital. Each performance followed a television channel theme. Styles ranged from ballet to tap and jazz. Above: A team of young ballet dancers performs a creative ballet to Animal Crackers. Pictured above are Jayla Bird, Elyse Boisvert, Alexis Dacey, Olivia Irvine, Leah Johnston, Chloe Morissette, Clare Phippen, and Mazey Robinson. Right: McKenzie Hill performs a tap dance to the hit, Gagnam Style.



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Above left: Grade 2 dancers perform a ballet to Tarantella. Performers included Emily Alexander, Dana Black, Lillian Garbutt, Jamie Holden, Avery Horner, Sophie Longo, Emma Miller, Alyssa Morissette, Ella Moynes, Ava Smith, Isabella Smolen, and Zita Suranyi. Above right: Pre-primary ballerina dancers Grace Alder, Sadie Evans-Fockler, Ella Gervais, Violet Humphries, and Fern von Zuben perform Curious George - We are going to be friends. Right: The over-14 ballet team broke out of the insane asylum to perform Madness. Dancing are Christine Bishop, Kendall Harrison, Rebecca Kidd, Brynn Meyers, Nadia Pagliaro, Brooke Stevenson, Paiten Smolen, and Daryl Woodley.



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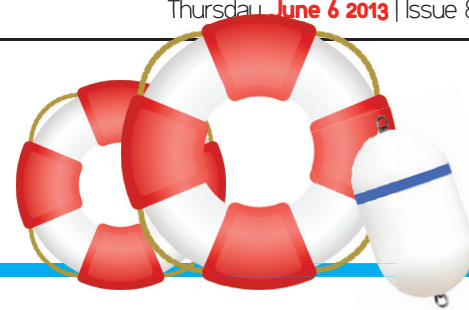


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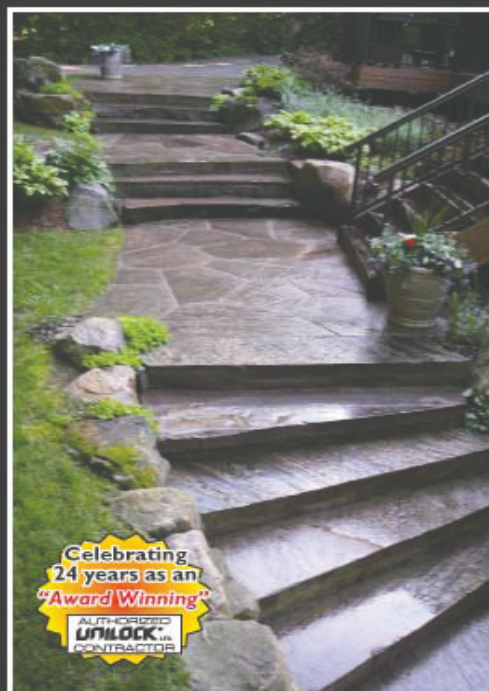
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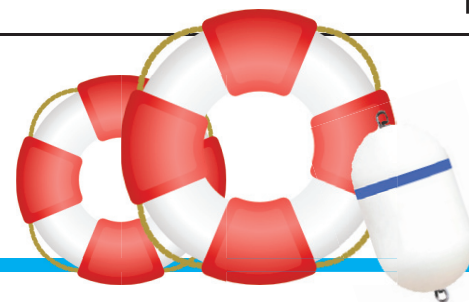
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Highlander sports

Nation tunes in to golf fundraiser

From Hockey Night in Canada to Sportsnet 590, momentum grows for Pinestone flood relief event

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

What started off as small-town fundraising golf tournament for the Minden flood relief efforts has exploded into a nationally recognized event.

On June 15, the Pinestone Resort is hosting a golf tournament to benefit victims of the Minden flood. Local NHL stars Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson signed on to raise the profile of the event, but it was a segment on CBC's Hockey Night in Canada during a Toronto Maple Leafs playoff game that shot the tournament to the next level, according to Pinestone general manager Matthew Phillips.

"Key members of the organizing committee, especially Vince Duchene, Walt McKechnie and Andrew Hodgson, were able to get the event on Hockey Night in Canada," he said. "You cannot put a price tag on that kind of advertising. Honestly, we were hoping for a shout out. It turned into an actual spotlight which had pictures of the town of Minden as its worst time with the flooding."

The organizing committee was looking to sell out 144 tickets. After the mention by Don Cherry and Ron MacLean, the

tickets sold out within a day. They also added a morning tee-off for 48 golfers, increasing to total number of golfers to 192 at \$200 per ticket.

The tournament continues to gain momentum. It's been mentioned on TSN Radio, and this week Matt Duchene will go on Sportsnet 590 The Fan with Bob McCown.

CTV News is also planning to cover the tournament.

"Because of that exposure and getting [city] people up here, this tournament's blowing up into something so huge," Phillips said. "We desperately need volunteers and sponsors, because every dollar goes to this fund. We're doing all of this for free."

The Pinestone has decided to foot the entire cost of the tournament, which will be over \$19,000, so that every dollar raised goes directly to the Minden Flood Relief Fund.

The organizing committee has been able to attract 25 hole sponsors, but are looking for 11 more. They also have 20 corporate sponsors. Each corporate sponsor will have a sign made up that is signed by both Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson.

Titleist has sponsored hats for all the golfers, while TaylorMade is providing golf balls. Curry Motors is hosting a

hole-in-one contest for a new car, as is Larry Moynes of Ridgewood Ford. RPM is hosting a hole-in-one to win a boat and motor and ATV, while Haliburton Foodland will donate \$10,000 for a hole-in-one on their hole.

Local artisans have donated artwork for the auction portion of the event. Other items up for auction include a Sydney Crosby game-used hockey stick; a golf-weekend away from the Deerhurst Resort; two platinum Maple Leafs tickets; a Boston Bruins signed jersey donated by Don Cherry and Ron MacLean; two signed Team Canada hockey jerseys; game-used sticks from Steve Stamkos, Eric Staal and Matt Duchene; a PGA golf bag signed by PGA-player Hunter Mahan from RBC; a jersey signed by Max Domi; a week in Orlando; and the list goes on.

Parker Pad and Printing and Patient News have donated all the printing for the event, while the Highlander has donated media sponsorships to the event as well. Vista Signs and Haliburton Timbr-Mart have donated all the signs for the tournament.

Phillips said there are so many prizes

and auction items that organizers are running out of places to store them.

Organizers expect to raise a significant amount of money for the relief efforts thanks to the support received from local

and corporate sponsors, however they are still seeking more help.

Because of the response received for this tournament, Phillips said the organizers are looking to make this an annual event.

"This event is now so big that this is going to become an annual event," he said. "It is going to be a [golf tournament] that people book off, this week, every year."

"We don't know what it will be next year, but it will be big."

Phillips said if funds are still being raised this time next year for flood relief, then likely the tournament will benefit the fund again.

In the meantime, the Pinestone is set up to take calls and donations for the tournament, and is still accepting sponsorships although the tournament itself is sold out. To donate or volunteer, contact Gail Kivela, director of golf, at 705-457-5087 ext 4268.

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Above: Sky Lamshead is safe at first base. Top right: A missed catch.



High flies and low slides in Lochlin softball game

By Warren Riley
Sports writer

The light rain didn't dampen the spirits of a dozen young players who came out to have a game of softball at the Lochlin Community Centre. Boys and girls of all ages participated in what turned out to be a game of high flies and low slides.

Part of the fun was having the referee make the calls from the sidelines.

"Okay. That's three out."

But checking the score sheet, a change of players and some consternation by the other team, she yelled, "Oh. That was only two out. Change teams and return to your previous places on the field."

There were turned up noses and frowns on

the tyke's faces. Who ever said that children didn't understand the rules of softball was wrong.

It was obvious from the start that most of these young softball players were very good. Hits were numerous and the scoring was high for both teams. High flies, home runs and numerous three-base hits were the order of the day.

One of the players was 14-year-old Izac Reid of Minden enjoying the opportunity to practice and play softball again.

"I'm glad I can get out and play ball again," he said. "I'm not holding anything back when I swing but it certainly gives me the opportunity to get back in the groove. It was really a blast."

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Highlander environment

Seeing Dahl through the trees

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

It's easy to walk through a forest and not see what's around you.

You get so busy dodging branches and avoiding puddles that all the species of plants and wildlife that make the forest unique go largely unnoticed.

What are those birds singing in the trees? Was that a toad hopping across the trail? And what do those plants say about the health of the habitat in which you find yourself?



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers
Dylan Radcliffe consults his checklist.

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust is asking all those questions and more about their four properties. They've partnered with the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research to put together a checklist for volunteers to use while monitoring different habitats in the Barry Wetland, on Norah's Island, in the Smith Forest, and the Dahl Forest. It's part of the organization's mandate to protect the natural heritage of the Haliburton Highlands.

"It's important to look at whole habitats because they support lots of different species," said Sheila Ziman, former chair of the Land Trust. "It's important to protect that habitat and not just an individual species."

U-Links got the project started in January 2013 with roughly 25 students from Trent University. They split into groups and each was assigned one of the four Land Trust properties. Each of the properties was further split into its different habitat types, and students were asked to come up with a bio-monitoring process for the habitats.

What the students came up with was a checklist that Land Trust volunteers can use while out on the properties to monitor the area's biodiversity.

"The checklists provide an opportunity for interested volunteers to spend a day walking the trails and do record keeping in terms of what's here, and eventually create a long-term database of changes of species abundance over time," said Emma Horigan, U-Links researcher.

The idea is to create the framework now so the Land Trust can continue to monitor its properties as time goes on, she said.

Dylan Radcliffe is a Trent University environmental resource student who was assigned to work on the Dahl Forest project.

"We wanted to choose a group of organisms

[to monitor] that would have some appeal to a wide range of volunteers," he said.

While lichen and mosses are important to track, they don't attract the same attention from volunteers as salamanders, for example.

Part of the project required students to identify indicator species in each habitat.

These indicators are species that when present in an environment provides researchers with information as to the quality of the habitat and its ability to support a diverse range of species, Radcliffe said.

"You can tell a lot about an environment based on what's living there."

A good indicator species is the aforementioned salamander. They can indicate moisture levels in the forest and healthy bacterial populations in terms of the decomposition of organic matter.

Plants also act as indicators in these habitats.

"We are looking for diversity," Radcliffe said. "Generally, the more wild flowers you're going to find in the environment, you're monitoring the more diverse and higher quality habitat."

Ziman pointed out they don't want to overlook the more common species, either.

"It's important to monitor the common things," she said. "Sometimes you get focused on at-risk species, but if we don't monitor the common ones and see what's happening to them – are they declining – then we're really going to be in trouble."

At this stage in the project, the initial checklists have been completed, Horigan said.

"We're really testing them out. We're hoping to get some more U-Links students and refine, do some more fact-checking of the lists. Hopefully we have more students who take those projects on this fall."

The Land Trust also has its volunteers

testing the lists, looking for opportunities to add to them, however these people aren't scientists. That's where the second part of the project comes in.

"The projects include not only checklists, but a lot of the projects included complimentary material," Ziman said. "They were guides."

The students put together books complete with pictures of what the various species look like, how to find them, and how to identify them.

"They're excellent resource materials," Ziman said, adding that one project included a guide of all the birds you might find in that particular habitat.

Horigan said U-Links is trying to get more people involved in monitoring these properties.

"One of the ideas in this project was the idea of citizen scientists," she said. "[We're giving] every day citizens the tools to be scientists, put them out in the natural world and giving them the tools to keep long-term monitoring records."

"We'd rather have them look at a monitoring sheet than the monitor of a computer," Ziman added.

Horigan expects to be done testing and complete the lists within a year, at which point they will be placed both on the U-Links website and given to the Land Trust to pass on to its volunteers. The lists will continue to evolve as time goes on.

Property owners who want to monitor the biodiversity of their land will be able to use the habitat-specific lists as well, Horigan said.

"Further down the road, these are great tools... for landowners in the county and encouraging people to be active in documenting the natural environment."

Build a bluebird box at Nature at the Gardens

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Ever built a bluebird nesting box before?

If the answer is no, then you should plan to attend Nature at the Gardens on July 6 at Abbey Gardens.

That's because Tom Kott, vice president of the Ontario Eastern Bluebird Society (OEBS), will be hosting a workshop on building these boxes – free-of-charge.

"Everyone who joins our presentation will be building a nest box," said Kott. "But we always start off with an explanation on how to build it, where to place it and where to install it."

Bluebird boxes are easy to build – one can be constructed within half an hour – but what's most important is their location.

"We spend quite a bit of time talking about predator protection," said Kott, a local cottager who's been a member of the OEBS since 1997. "It's absolutely critical you stop predators from coming in. The primary predator in Ontario is the raccoon."

Once you put up a bluebird box, it's also necessary to monitor it.

"It's key that you monitor your nest boxes. To put it up and forget it will actually do more harm to the birds because you'll bring a lot of other invasive birds in."

Although Kott hasn't seen a bluebird in the Highlands, he says they're definitely around.

"It depends on your area," he explained. "Some of the best bluebirding areas are around farm fields, where they have livestock. The important thing is they like short grass. They're not a forest bird."

Formed in 1988, the OEBS is the only bluebird society in the province. Its objectives are to increase the number of nest box trails in Ontario, give expertise and guidance to new trail operators, and monitor population trends from year to year by surveying the number of fledged young from nest boxes.

To learn more about the Land Trust's Nature at the Gardens event, visit www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca or call 705-457-3700. Tickets are available for purchase at both The Highlander and Land Trust offices.



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Dysart green committee names a winner

The winners have been named in Dysart's Environment and Green Energy Committee Repurposing Contest. Mike Bomberly placed first in the contest for turning and old door that was destined for the landfill into a nice new headboard for his bed. Second place was awarded to the Haliburton United Church women for their use of milk bags in making sleeping mats that are sent to Haiti. Dysart's Ward 2 councillor Dennis Casey said the purpose of the contest was to divert material from the landfill. The prizes were awarded on June 1 at the Home and Cottage Show in Haliburton.

Pictured above: Dennis Casey (left) presents the awards to first place winner Mike Bomberly, and second place winner Jan Tedford, representing the Haliburton United Church women.

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Junior Highlanders



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Emma and Kylie Brohm get out of a plane following their free flight.

A not-so 'Young Eagle' goes for a flight

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

In less than two weeks, I'll be boarding one of those gigantic commercial airliners for a flight to "The Entertainment Capital of the World", otherwise known as Las Vegas.

So what better way to prepare myself for those gravitational forces I'll soon be feeling than by jumping into the passenger seat of an Aviat Husky utility airplane?

Well, believe it or not, that's exactly what I did at the Haliburton/Stanhope Municipal Airport on May 31.

Now just for the record, I'm too old to fit in with the other "Young Eagles." However, I was permitted to participate in the annual event which has become a staple at the local airport.

Since going up in one of these small personal planes was new to me, I demanded a pilot with a wealth of flight experience. Lucky for me, that's just what I found in Bob Ashleigh, a Kennisis Lake resident who's been up in the air since 1966.

"This is a fun little airplane to go putting around in," he assured me, as we walked towards his light aircraft.

Although Bob retired from Air Canada as a commercial pilot a few years ago, he told me he's currently flying commuter airplanes for a small company. There's no reason to worry, I thought to myself. If you can handle the Behemoth coaster at Wonderland, you sure as heck can handle 2,000-feet of altitude.

I jumped in and was given a quick rundown of the controls. Although the skies were sunny, Bob told me a weather front was on its way and was expected to deliver thunderstorms later that evening.

We strapped ourselves in and Bob got the engine running. I was surprised by how quiet it was. Will that be enough to get us up off

the ground?

We moved from a parked position over to the front of the runway. It was time for takeoff. A few of those bad thoughts and what-if scenarios ran through my head. After all, I'm sure half a dozen of these planes could fit inside one of those mammoth jets. Couldn't one strong gust of wind blow us off course?

All my worries were quickly allayed as soon as Bob got us off the ground. It was a bit of a bumpy takeoff due to the wind gusts, but I barely noticed a thing. Part of it must have been the scenic view I was getting of the Highlands for the first time.

We soared above the lakes and trees for about half an hour while Bob chatted with me over the headset. It was a peaceful experience, sort of similar to a parasailing adventure I went on a few years back. OK, maybe that's pushing it a bit.

But let's go back to why Bob and several other pilots volunteered for two days at the airport: the Young Eagles program. Its roots go back to 1992 when it was launched by an aviation organization in the U.S. known as the EAA. Since then, its purpose has been to give young people between the ages of eight and 17 the opportunity to go flying in a general aviation plane.

Generous volunteers like Bob are integral to the program's success, as they provide their own aircraft free-of-charge and the fuel for each flight.

Highlands resident Barry Hart has also been a huge part of the event's success, serving as its organizer for the past 20 years.

"I heard about the Young Eagles program at an aviation show and we did our first one in 2003," said Hart, who announced this would be his last summer with the program.

In his role, Hart has been responsible for getting the word out about the event and

making sure the airport has everything it needs, including volunteers and snacks.

"We've done it so often now, it's pretty straight up," he said.

Weather and flying conditions can certainly affect the success of the event, but over the years anywhere between 50 and 200 kids have come out for a free flight over the course of two days.

"We have about 3,000 local kids [who have gone for a flight] over the 20 years."

A pilot for the past 21 years, Hart has also taken children up in the air.

When asked why he felt now was the time to step aside, Hart mentioned that a lot of his time is being taken up by another one of his volunteer commitments.

"I'm up to my ears with Water Ambassadors Canada," he said.

In 2002, Hart and his wife formed Water Ambassadors Canada, a not-for-profit charity that sends teams of volunteers to developing countries to help provide them clean drinking water.

Although he will no longer be involved with Young Eagles, Hart still firmly believes in the importance of the program.

"Everybody wins," he said. "The kids that come out to the airport and get their first ride always love it. It brings the pilots out to the airport as a group. It brings the community out to the airport. It knocks the fence down between general aviation and the community."

I have to agree with Hart. Now that I've had the very same experience as one of those Young Eagles, I fully understand why this program should continue to soar.



Photo by Kelsi Eno

Graduating students party at prom

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students celebrated the end of their high school careers at prom on June 1. The teenagers gathered at the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre to dance the night away. Pizza was served, along with cupcakes and other foods. Jordan Howe and Brigitta Hicks (above) were named the prom king and queen.

Highlander events



Dale Brinklow serving up a burger for wife Sandy.

Photos by Warren Riley

Rent All celebrates Honda's return to Minden

By Warren Riley
Sports writer

Sandy and Dale Brinklow, owners of Minden Hills Rent-All, celebrated the return of the Honda Corporation with a sumptuous barbeque. As incoming president of the Canadian Rental Association, Dale Brinklow was pleased with the

turnout on Friday and Saturday.

"It was a great success," he said. "The weather held out for us and Friday was our best day. We had a wonderful turnout and everyone enjoyed a hamburger or hot dog and free gifts donated by several of our suppliers. We were quite honored to have representatives from other suppliers who also participated in the festivity."



Photo by Walt Griffin

OPP visits Ontario Early Years Centre

Constable Paul Potter, community services officer for the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the OPP, spent time with the kids of the Ontario Early Years Centre on June 3. The kids learned about the police and got a tour of the cruiser.



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Granny Tea supports local and international causes

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

It's certainly not your average tea party.

On June 2, many members of the Haliburton Highlands Grannies and the community filled the Zion United Church in Carnarvon for the fifth annual Granny Tea.

This year's event was extra special in that it not only raised funds for the Stephen Lewis Foundation but also for the Minden

Flood Relief Fund. In addition to caffeine and snacks, the afternoon tea party included a loonie auction with Gail Holness and live entertainment from local performers.

In total the tea raised just over \$3,000.

Fundraising events such as the Granny Tea have enabled the local organization to donate over \$57,000 to the Stephen Lewis Foundation and its Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign, which supports grandmothers in Africa who are left to care for millions of children orphaned by AIDS.

Annual plant sale a resounding success

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

For the second weekend in a row, dozens of plants were up for sale at Minden's Village Green on June 1.

This time, the hosts were the members of the Haliburton County Master Gardener Association.

At the 10th annual event, flower enthusiasts lined up to get their hands on a

variety of sun and shade plants, including heuchera, delphiniums and coneflower.

The purpose of the fundraiser is to help the organization take on projects in Minden and the rest of the county, and provide workshops and formal education for members.

The local group is part of the Master Gardeners of Ontario and includes many of the same members as the Minden & District Horticultural Society.



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Marg Chamber, event volunteer and master gardener in training, proudly shows off some of the plants for sale.

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Cottage show 'one of the better ones'

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The 35th Annual Home and Cottage Show is over and done, and show manager Wayne Hussey said it was one of the better ones.

"I think it went very well," he said. "We were pretty fortunate the weather was very good for the show."

Apart from a scary moment on May 31 when lightning hit across the street, the weather was perfect for the event.

"Saturday afternoon there was a major quick blast and luckily the tent stayed up and the rain came down in buckets, [but] overall it was very good."

Hussey said this year they were able to bring in almost 150 vendors, the most in the event's history. Taking into account all the exhibitors and volunteers, he said estimates are 3,000 people came through the show, 2,600 of which were paid visitors.

"It's the best that I've ever seen as far as the quality of the exhibits," Hussey said. "They're really done very well now. We



had good local support. The beauty of it is by bringing in some other exhibitors from outside the county, we're bringing in a variety that makes it interesting for people to come and see."

Organizers try to bring in vendors that add something to the event they don't already have. This year they secured two or three exhibitors from word of mouth alone.

The home and cottage show was sponsored again this year by the Haliburton Curling Club.



Photos by Walt Griffin

Visitors of all ages stopped in to the 35th Annual Home and Cottage Show.



Photo by Mark Arike

Church hosts concert for flood relief

A Sunday afternoon concert at St. George's Church in Haliburton brought local residents together in support of Minden's flood relief fund.

Performances at the June 2 event included St. George's Choir, under the direction of Bill Gliddon (pictured above), and several young soloists and musicians.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Foodland celebrates 50th anniversary

This month, Foodland is celebrating its 50th anniversary in business. Here in the Highlands, customers can expect theme days and some good deals staggered throughout the summer to celebrate the milestone. Pictured above: The staff of Haliburton's Foodland are hosting a 60s retro day this weekend.

OBITUARIES



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(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday evening, May 28, 2013 in his 67th year. Loving father of Sandra and Sherry. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Sierra, Harmony and Mackenzie. Beloved brother of Donna Dowding (David) of Peterborough, and Bill Davis (Freda) of Haliburton. Also lovingly remembered by his nieces, nephew, Doris Woods and his many friends.

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NOTICE

GARDINER, Mark, or anyone knowing his whereabouts, please contact Magdalena Kuziw, at 1-800-718-3850

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MINDEN HOME HARDWARE BUILDING CENTRE

We currently have openings in the following departments:
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If you possess the necessary skills to meet the challenges of these positions, please drop off your resume in person to Minden Home Hardware manager.

THANK YOU

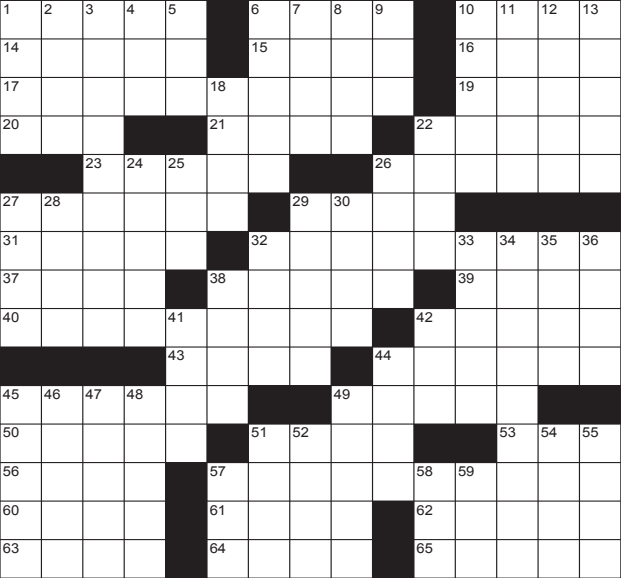
35TH ANNUAL HALIBURTON HOME & COTTAGE SHOW

The Haliburton Curling Club, sponsor of the Haliburton Home & Cottage Show, would like to thank all of the exhibitors at the show and the volunteers who worked to make the show possible. A special thank you to Brad Park of Haliburton Foodland and most of all to those of you who attended. Without you, the show would not have been such a success.

Thank you, on behalf of the Haliburton Curling Club

Highlander events

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- ACROSS**

 - 1. Long cut
 - 6. Spring flower
 - 10. Wilts
 - 14. Basil sauce
 - 15. Medicine portion
 - 16. "____ Enchanted" (movie)
 - 17. Impossible to fill
 - 19. Radio part
 - 20. Sock tip
 - 21. Biblical "you"
 - 22. Requires
 - 23. Cowboy show
 - 26. Eye part
 - 27. "Scrubs," e.g.
 - 29. Shopper's delight
 - 31. Corrects copy
 - 32. Horse breed
 - 37. Sunburn soother
 - 38. Fathered
 - 39. Toad's kin
 - 40. Spoke of
 - 42. Fixed gaze
 - 43. Handbag
 - 44. Panoramas
 - 45. Facet
 - 49. Serving perfectly
 - 50. Dog's tether
 - 51. Heroic narrative
 - 53. ____ Thurman of "Paycheck"
 - 56. Lodges
 - 57. Engaged in festivities
 - 60. ZIP ____
 - 61. Church word
 - 62. Chicago's airport
 - 63. Memorable periods
 - 64. Catalog
 - 65. Copenhagen natives
- DOWN**


 - 2. TV host Jay ____
 - 3. Declaration
 - 4. Amtrak terminal (abbr.)
 - 5. Sweltering
 - 6. Boise's state
 - 7. Judge's garb
 - 8. Capri or Man
 - 9. Behold
 - 10. Passover meal
 - 11. Foreign
 - 12. Forest clearing
 - 13. Chip dip
 - 18. Thing
 - 22. Christmas song
 - 24. Eight musicians
 - 25. Two (Sp.)
 - 26. Attired
 - 27. Garment juncture
 - 28. At rest
 - 29. Shopping binge
 - 30. Imitated
 - 32. Slangy negative
 - 33. Many times
 - 34. Long-armed ape
 - 35. Angry
 - 36. Mellows
 - 38. Chimney residue
 - 41. Hankering
 - 42. ____-fi
 - 44. Wound covering
 - 45. Wonderland girl
 - 46. Mister (Sp.)
 - 47. Chinese mammal
 - 48. Highway curves
 - 49. Contract negotiator
 - 51. 18-wheeler
 - 52. Pub orders
 - 54. Nothing more than
 - 55. Summer drinks
 - 57. ____ Ripken of baseball
 - 58. Curtain holder
 - 59. I see!

Last week's puzzle solutions

6	7	9	4	3	2	1	8	5
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JUNE 2013 EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Student Networking and Interview Workshop – John Howard Society, 2:30-4 p.m.	Cribbage - (every Friday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941	South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents meeting – Lochlin Community Centre, coffee at 9:30 a.m., meeting at 10 a.m. Guest speakers Barb Reid and Jean Neville.	Country Music Jamboree – S.G. Nesbitt Arena, 1-5 p.m. Proceeds go toward a service dog for someone in Haliburton County
6	7	8	9
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Contract Bridge - (every Monday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941	Contract Bridge (every Tuesday) – Minden United Church, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Contact 705-286-1305. 100.9 CanoeFM Bingo - (every Tuesday), 6 p.m. 705-457-1009 Wii Bowling (every Tuesday) - Community Care, 9:00 a.m. 705-457-2941	Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild meeting – Stanhope Community Centre, 1 p.m. 705-489-3751. Community Drum Circle - (every Wednesday) - Rails End Gallery @ 6:30 p.m., 705-457-2330	Hand of the Maker exhibit, Tool Work – The Art Hive. Call 705-754-0021 for more details. Haliburton Shout Sister Choir – Haliburton United Church. Doors at 6:30 p.m., show at 7 p.m.
10	11	12	13
FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
	Hand of the Maker exhibit, Light – The Art Hive. Call 705-754-0021 for more details. Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library giant book and book basket sale – Head Lake Park, 8-2 p.m.		Contract Bridge - (every Monday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941
15	16	17	
WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LOCAL LEGION?			
Haliburton Branch (705-457-2571) Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30 p.m. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Everyone welcome!	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. Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221) Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Ham & scalloped dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m.	Jam session, Friday, 7 p.m. Rick Rowe Memorial Horseshoe Tournament, Saturday, register at 10 a.m., play at 11 a.m. Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. L.A. Breakfast, Sunday, 9-12 p.m. 40th Anniversary Open House, Sunday, 1 p.m. Bid Euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. Executive meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	

Send your community event to ashley@haliburtonhighlander.ca

Fun Fact:

Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear trousers.

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Highlander events



Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Bill Obee, a member of Minden's Rotary Club, tells guests about the silent auction. Right: Dinner guests place their bids on some of the items in the silent auction.

Sold! Minden Rotary auction raises \$15,000

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

With 215 guests in attendance, the annual Minden Rotary auction and dinner was one of the most successful fundraisers the organization has hosted over the past 13 years.

"It was the second highest attendance we've ever had," said Brent Devolin, Rotary

Club president.

Held on June 1 at the Minden Community Centre, the evening event raised approximately \$15,000 through tickets sales, raffles, and live and silent auctions. This year's proceeds will go to both the Minden flood relief fund and the Rotary Club.

"It's always a fundraiser we use for our core programming, be it local projects or international projects," said Devolin.

The recent flood directly affected four Rotarians, said Devolin. However, the group still managed to pull the event together.

"I count this as a huge win," he said.

Although it hasn't yet been decided how much of the money will be donated to the relief fund, Devolin said that decision will be made in the near future.

"After the Haliburton Rotary Club does their car draw and we have our Bluegrass

Festival, we'll look at what everyone has and see what we can give out."

Once the organization meets its "core commitments," Devolin said, "We'll give as much as we can [to the flood relief fund]."

Devolin added that all funds raised from the upcoming Canada Day event in Minden and a toll bridge in October will be directed to the flood relief fund.

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The cyber police are coming... again



By David Spaxman

There's probably a good chance that you or someone you know has downloaded illegal content off of the internet. It could have been a movie, song or software, but it was copyrighted and you or they didn't pay for it, so it was an illegal download.

In the United States, 200,000 to 250,000 people have been sued in the last two years for downloading illegal material. What they do is send you a letter informing you that you have been discovered and unless you pay up they will name you in a massive lawsuit and you could be stuck with a fine up to \$150,000. Canadians don't risk such severe damages because of a bill passed last year that modified the federal Copyright Act. Bill C-11 imposed a limit of \$5,000 on damages awarded for non-commercial copyright infringement, which applies to the average consumer who downloads films.

Here in Canada there has only been one case for illegal downloading brought before the court in 2004 and it failed, but that may change if a Montreal-based company called Canipre get their way.

They have been monitoring Canadian users downloading pirated content for the last several months and have over one million different evidence files, according to Canipre.

One of its clients is now before federal court in Toronto requesting customer information for over 1,000 IP addresses, a user's unique internet signature, collected by Canipre.

That client is the American studio Voltage Pictures, maker of hundreds of films including the Academy Award-winning *Hurt Locker*.

On the other side of the case is Teksavvy, an Ontario-based Internet provider. The IP

addresses flagged by Canipre link back to its users. If the court orders Teksavvy to hand over customer info, it could be the beginning of a new chapter in the anti-piracy battle in Canada.

Canipre's goal, supposedly, is not to sue everybody but to change the sense of entitlement that people have regarding Internet-based theft of property.

"File Saturation" is one example of an educational message.

The firm uploads a harmless file to sharing websites which closely resembles the content users are seeking. There is one key difference: this particular file is completely useless.

The goal of that effort? Make it harder and more time-consuming to download illegally.

Canipre stated that they wish to make illegal downloading socially unacceptable like drinking and driving.

For now, piracy remains strong in Canada: there were more than 370,000 Bit Torrent transactions over a month, a transaction being each time a user opens a session to download a film, according to statistics gathered by Canipre for its clients.

Those statistics only include Canipre's clients, so the actual Canadian number is far higher.

So the next time you decide to download that movie or that show you missed, you might want to think twice in case Big Brother, or in this case Canipre, is watching over your shoulder.

Do you have questions or comments? E-mail me at computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca Happy and safe computing!



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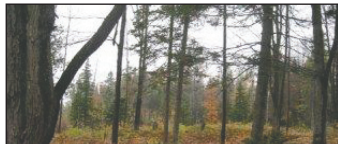
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- Master with ensuite, open concept, woodstove
- 1,500 sq. ft. well maintained living space

STARTER /INVESTMENT \$139,900



- 3 bedroom, 1 bath in-town home
- Short walk to all Minden amenities
- Hardwood floors, new paint and bathroom
- 2 bedrooms with balcony, covered deck
- Municipal water and sewer, great value

GREAT POTENTIAL \$149,900



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- Upper & lower large covered porches
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- 3 bedroom, 1680 sq ft year round home
- 131 ft clean shoreline, gentle slope
- Large level side yard walk-out
- Cathedral ceilings, fireplace, ensuite
- Extensive 2 lake chain!

PRIVATE TRANQUILITY \$259,900



- 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 950 sq. ft.
- Open lake view and all day sun
- Spring fed lake with deep water off dock
- Numerous upgrades - heated water line
- Turn-key set-up, ready to enjoy

BRADY LAKE \$279,000



- Beautiful all wood interior - smells fantastic
- 2 big entertainment decks
- Extremely private setting on 2+ acres
- Comes turnkey

CLEAR LAKE \$299,000



- Four seasons, municipal road
- Beautiful lake views
- Open concept, 3 bdrms cottage/home
- Attached garage
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- 3 bedroom, 4 season home
- Over 390 feet frontage
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- Year round access
- Hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen

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- Enjoy kayaking/canoeing/tubing
- 211 ft riverfront - 1.21 acres
- Level, partly cleared, treed at river
- Driveway in, hydro at lot line, year round access
- Near Big Hawk Lake & Halls Lake
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CLEAR LAKE \$439,000



- White pine post & beam, built in 2006 with log bunkie
- 3 bdrm, open concept, cathedral ceilings
- 120' SW exposure with rock & sand shoreline
- Emerald green spring waters, less than 2 hrs from GTA.

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- Charming 3 season cottage with a great cottage feel
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LOOP ROAD \$125,000



- 3 bedroom in town home
- Walkout basement
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- View of Dark Lake

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- 1140 Barry Line Road
- 4.54 acres with 1,875 river frontage
- Appliances & fully furnished
- Built in 2007
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PICTURESQUE SETTING \$179,900



- Overlooking Drag River
- 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1165 sq. ft.
- Level walk to all amenities
- Stone fireplace, sun porch, skylight
- Attached carport, ample parking

LOAD OF OPPORTUNITIES \$119,500



- Great starter or retirement home
- 3.86 acres of treed property
- Large master, fireplace, family room
- Nice decking, 10 x 10 bunkie
- Easy access off township road



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- Custom built 2,000 sq ft log home
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FORTESQUE LAKE \$459,000



- 6 bedroom country home on 32 acres!
- 535 feet of shoreline, south exposure
- 3,000+ sq ft, 2 bathrooms, laundry
- Family room, Rec room plus living room
- Very private, carport, barn

COLEMAN LAKE \$249,500



- 3 bedrooms
- Quiet motor restricted lake
- Private waterfront
- Gradual entry, sand bottom
- Easily convert outbuilding to bunkie
- Year round road, close to amenities

GULL RIVER \$151,000



- Great 2 bedroom starter home/cottage
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- 3 bedroom 12 year new cottage
- 530 feet waterfront with sand cove
- Sunset views, privacy, 19.79 acres
- Hardwood floors, oak kitchen, decking
- 12 x 8 bunkie, RARE OPPORTUNITY

CUSTOM HOME \$719,900



- 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 3360 sq. ft.
- 120 ft fr with weed free shoreline
- 4 car heated/insulated/garage
- hardwood floors, ensuite, hot tub
- sunset views, year round access

IN TOWN HOME \$189,900



- 3 bedroom, 2,108 sq. ft., 1.5 storey home
- Level lot with access to Pine Lake
- Full basement with finished rec room
- Close to West Guilford amenities
- Year round municipal road

EXPANSIVE VIEW \$249,900



- 2 bedroom, 1 bath home/cottage
- Recently renovated, oak kitchen
- Dock and fire-pit areas, decking
- Propane airtight, thermal windows, metal roof
- Access to Kashagawigamog Lake (5 lake chain)



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