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Lily Manning, left, and Mikayla Sisson, both Grade 3 students from Stuart Baker Elementary School, circle the track as supporters cheer them on. See story on page19.

Natural gas company makes pitch to Haliburton County

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Minden Hills council is doing their homework before springing at an opportunity to bring natural gas to their village.

On May 28, Joshua Samuel, president and CEO of the general partner of Northeast Midstream, encouraged councillors to enter into a franchise precedent agreement by the end of June that would enable the company to

conduct a feasibility study as soon as possible.

He made the same request to Dysart councillors earlier in the week. They will be reviewing a draft agreement at their next meeting.

"It is critically important that we move right now to get the support in place," said Samuel.

"I think you should see this more as a free option. We're going to sign this precedent agreement with the towns, we do our work, we make our proposals to government. If

we're successful ... then we're going to go ahead with it. If we're not successful, then you've lost nothing."

As an alternative to propane and fuel oil, natural gas would be used to heat homes and businesses.

Due to the provincial government's recent \$230 million commitment to expand natural gas service to communities throughout Ontario, companies like Samuel's are seizing the opportunity (\$200 million is coming

from the Natural Gas Access Loan while the remaining \$30 million is flowing from the Natural Gas Economic Development Grant).

Samuel pointed out that the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has made natural gas expansion projects in rural and northern communities a priority.

According to Samuel, there is only a two-year window during which time these funds can be accessed.

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County Warden Murray Fearrey cuts the ribbon with the help of Emergency Services Committee vice chair Carol Moffatt, left, and EMS director Craig Jones, to officially open the new EMS base.

New EMS base opens its doors

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

After nearly a year in the works, Haliburton County's new EMS base is finally open.

County staff, local politicians and the project's developers celebrated this recent achievement during a grand opening ceremony in Minden on May 27.

"This has been quite a journey," said County Warden Murray Fearrey. "We started talking about it about eight years ago. That tells you how quickly we move."

Fearrey credited former EMS chief Pat Kennedy for his efforts to locate a suitable piece of property and keep the momentum going forward. He also thanked past county councillors and staff for pursuing the project.

"With the economic times it would have been a pretty easy thing to shelf," he said.

Kennedy, who retired in January of last year, said the county "never lost sight of the goal."

"We went through the 2008 and 2010 – and even still going – economic problems," he recalled. "They always had my back, they were always saying keep looking."

From the beginning, Kennedy had his eye on the current

priority, one that he called "one of the most valued pieces [of property] for us, as a county."

The \$1.2 million base, which is located at the former site of Walker's Auto Repair off Highway 35, was built by Huntsville developer Greystone Project Management. It was completed on time and within budget.

"It was great to be part of this," said Patrick Dube, owner of Greystone.

With the cost of the land, the entire project cost the county about \$1.8 million.

Current EMS director Craig Jones said the new base will play an important role in reducing response times.

"This base is going to better position Haliburton County paramedics to be able to respond to the residents of Haliburton County – now and in the future – in a really efficient and effective manner," he said.

"We'll be here for the community for a long time to come."

The property will likely also be home to Minden Hills' new fire hall.

"I'm hoping a year from now that there's a complementary building on the property beside this – a fire hall," Reeve Brent Devolin told The Highlander. "I think it's a good move for the county, and I think we expect to follow their lead."

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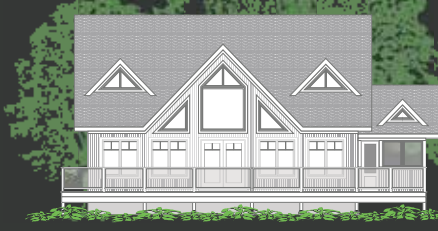
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Joshua Samuel speaks to Minden Hills councillors about liquefied natural gas on May 28.

Devil in the details: Devolin

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is because the distance between here and Lindsay is just too far to build a pipeline to connect you to the type of gas service that most other people in Ontario enjoy," he explained.

Minden Hills CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard asked Samuel for more information about his company, which is described as a Toronto-based limited partnership formed in 2013.

"I've been on your website – not a lot of information about the company," said Blanchard. "I'm wondering if you're going to be offering some more information about the company itself."

Information she referred to included Samuel's experience, references and financial statements.

"What we've had put before us is a 20-year agreement, which in municipal terms is a long time."

Currently, Northeast Midstream does not have an operating facility. They are in the development stages of two facilities, one in Thorold and the other in northwestern Ontario near Nipigon.

Samuel said his company doesn't disclose financial information, but said the plant in Thorold would be entirely financed by private investors. He noted that the Thorold plant is not yet up and running because it takes 18 months to fabricate the necessary equipment.

Thorold's CAO Frank Fabiano said the company has "conducted themselves very professionally" since acquiring the land and introducing the project to municipal staff, council and the general public.

"The principles held a public meeting in the community, which was well [attended] by local residents," wrote Fabiano in an email. "The principles explained the project and the local community received the development of the plant very well and to the best of my knowledge, with no outcry by any member of the public."

He said that the municipality has been informed that the facility will be in operation sometime next year.

"Northeast Midstream will be a much welcome employer and [we] anticipate that they will be excellent corporate citizens in Thorold."

The Highlander obtained more information about the company from Samuel, which lists him as the principal executive responsible for the oversight of its operations. With an MBA degree, he has held positions such

as vice-president of strategy and business development for AHI, a clean technology firm, and advised major energy companies from Canada, the U.S. and India on strategic energy investments in the northeastern U.S. and Atlantic Canada.

Gary Cousin serves as vice-president of project execution and operations. He previously worked as director of installation and service for Enox Technologies Inc. and has consulted to natural gas midstream and pipeline companies on engineering and technical issues as principal of Absolute Control Inc. Early in his career, Cousin worked for Petro Canada Ltd. in Montreal as a refinery project engineer, according to documents provided by Samuel.

Northeast Midstream has partnered with North Vista Advisors, a consulting firm based out of Thunder Bay that specializes in power generation, energy evaluation and infrastructure development.

This company has been involved in several projects, including the Red Lake Gas Pipeline in Red Lake, near the Manitoba border. The \$40 million development saw over 100 kilometres of pipeline installed to provide natural gas service to gold mines, businesses and residents.

The gas that would be provided to Haliburton residents and business owners would be extracted from the TransCanada Pipeline and cooled to -162C, turning it into liquefied natural gas. It would be transported to the community via a truck and dropped off at a storage facility. A distribution system would be connected to storage tanks to provide gas to customers.

"It's the exact same gas that every customer in Ontario currently has access to," said Samuel in a phone interview.

During their meeting, Minden councillors asked a few questions about rates, availability of natural gas and the distribution process.

"This is a big move," said Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin. "We obviously are talking with our neighbours in Dysart and Bancroft, and we've already had conversation with the people in Wawa ... there's a lot of due diligence on our part to decide if we want to make an arrangement with any organization or individual."

Devolin told Samuel that over the next month, staff will speak to "our other municipal partners within the county and beyond" about the project.

"I would say, conceptually, that it's a great idea and has great potential. But the devil can be in the details," he said.

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Editorial opinion

Gassed up

It takes a two minute online search to find out almost all there is to know about Northeast Midstream, a liquefied natural gas company looking to set up shop in Haliburton County.

That search will take you to a website with an artist's rendering of a storage facility and photoshopped pictures designed to show what their operation would look like – if it existed. But it doesn't. At least not yet.

The company is in the process of establishing its first natural gas facility in Thorold, Ontario. It's a process that's carried on for a couple of years now because, as their CEO says, it takes a year-and-a-half to manufacture the equipment.

So why, if Northeast Midstream has yet to establish a single operation, are their representatives approaching Dysart and Minden Hills councils to conduct feasibility studies and enter into 20-year agreements?

Because there's government money at play, and Northeast Midstream wants their piece. And naturally, as they told two of our councils, time is of the essence.

Well, too bad.

While Dysart was quick to offer verbal support for the proposed agreement – they haven't signed anything yet but are reviewing a draft agreement at their next meeting – Minden council was a bit more skeptical. They decided to ask questions, like who is this company and what has it done, before supporting to anything. And they're right to do so. Obligated, even. Any council decisions should be well-informed, not based on a sales pitch.

If natural gas can save residents and businesses money, that's a definite win. But at what cost? Who are we inviting into our county? What kind of people are these? Are they safe and professional? The answer may be yes to all of these questions, but as of right now, we just don't know.

It's like the proverbial door-to-door salesman who preys on the gullible. Consumers have already been burned by private energy contracts. Why would a

whole town sign up to something like that without even looking into the seller's track record?

Their CEO says it's a no-lose situation for Dysart and Minden. If they get funding from the government, the company moves forward. If they don't get it, well, nothing lost. But being saddled with this company without knowing anything about them could definitely backfire.

Thorold's CAO says working with Northeast Midstream has been a positive experience, and they look forward to having the facility up and running in the next year. That's encouraging, and it is entirely possible that having this company in Haliburton County will be a boon for us.

But placing bets like that, when information is readily available, is irresponsible. Councils should not be in the business of speculating on new enterprises.

Last year when Armatec came to town to ask for support, they did so with a file full of information that was made available to the public. They had a good reputation, established operations, and data to back up their claims regarding noise pollution. They were summarily run out of town.

Northeast Midstream comes before council offering none of that.

Before any agreements are signed or promises made, councils need to know who they are dealing with. Only when they are satisfied should anything be signed.

Fortunately, Minden council asked the right questions, but they have enough to do without taking on Dysart's homework as well. If Dysart council is embarrassed by that, they should be. Healthy skepticism and complete information make for good decision-making, a lesson some councils still need to learn.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Losing our natural links

Other than air, there is nothing more essential to our existence on this planet than water.

Here in North America we are fortunate to have an overabundance of the elixir of life. In fact Canada, with less than 0.5 per cent of the world's population, has 20 per cent of the world's supply of fresh water (6.5 per cent of which is readily available). As a consequence, we are also at the top of the list for consumers of water per capita in the world. We think little of using perfectly good, potable water to flush our toilets, immediately turning a precious resource into one that needs treatment before it can be used again. Likewise we freely water our lawns, wash our vehicles and find many other dubious uses, and we don't give a second thought to the water swirling around our ankles.

It isn't difficult to find places in the world where water is a precious resource, where contamination is part of everyday water, where the term "fresh" is rarely associated with water, and where the only water to trust comes in plastic bottles, and even that product can be suspect.

Much of the precarious water regimes occur in third world countries, but in recent years the crisis has moved to North America. Large swaths of California are currently under severe water restrictions because of changes in the weather patterns that once delivered plentiful rainfall and snow to the mountains along the west coast. The water in California may not be contaminated, but the shortage of supply puts the residents of that part of the continent under restriction not dissimilar to those experienced in poorer areas of the world.

It is predicted that many other areas of the world will be facing water challenges. In the Middle East, water will soon supplant oil as the most precious liquid. In India, a burgeoning population and recent soaring temperatures, coupled with aging or non-existent infrastructure, create water insecurity. In many other areas of the world, wanton human and industrial pollution is fouling the water that should be sustaining local

populations.

These observations were prompted by the recent reports of free flowing springs being decommissioned in the county. Of course, that water has not been fouled or removed. It will continue to flow as nature has always had it do, but instead of being readily available to us, it will flow across the land.

The infrastructure built around these 'public' springs has been dismantled. Pipes that helped deliver the water to waiting containers or allowed passers-by to stoop and grab a refreshing gulp of water are no longer there. For your protection, the health unit has declared that the springs are not reliable sources of clean water. It's hard to argue with that, but as a result, we all take another step away from the natural world around us.

The owners of the property where the springs are located are told that they could be responsible if someone could prove that the water from the spring was contaminated and made them ill. The litigious monster raises its ugly head.

No one wants to be responsible for someone else's health, and so the Township of Algonquin Highlands destroyed the cairn and pipe which stood on Highway 118 for years. The owner of the property on Highway 35 at Halls Lake yanked out the pipe and posted an apology. No one wants to be on the other side of a lawsuit. No agency wants to pronounce on the safety of free-flowing water.

What a shame that these people are forced to obliterate this gift from nature. In many ways the springs and others like them across the county represent a link to our past, where generations came to find fresh, clean water and in a very real way connect themselves with the natural world that surrounds us.

I can't help but think how welcome these springs would be today in a third world country, or even California.



By Jack Brezina

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Letters to the editor

Interact club to editor: think before you speak

Dear editor,

After the excitement of raising \$5,000 for HHSS's International Fundraiser wore off, the Interact club from HHSS was disappointed to find that not everyone was sharing in the achievement. At one of our meetings, we read together Matthew Desrosiers' editorial "Charity begins at home" and realized that there is an evident disconnect between the high-school and the community.

In his column, Desrosiers, almost insultingly, commented that "It's ironic that while our students are helping kids in Africa, Food For Kids struggles to feed hungry children in our very own schools." Interact is a student run club and the members are motivated to helping both their school, community, and the world. This year we raised \$200 dollars for the Sick Kids Hospital, \$200 for the 4C's, collected over 2,000 non-perishable food items for our local food banks on Halloween, and fundraised \$82.55 for SIRCH. Interact has been running for approximately five years and

during that time period has raised thousands of dollars for local organizations. Furthermore, Interact is a small club with approximately 15 regular members. We cannot be expected to solve all of the county's problems, nor has Desrosiers said that we need to. However, he mentions that there are "families that can't afford to heat their homes, can't get to appointments to see their doctors, or can't afford the cost for basic health and hygiene needs." Many communities in Africa do not have any social programming or opportunities that allow all children and young adults to get an education. Because of HHSS's involvement in YPI (a program in the high-school that allows students to promote their local charity and then give them \$5,000 if they win), other school-based charity fundraising, and our generous community, we feel that the girls in West Africa deserve the chance to achieve their dreams and live the life that they rightfully deserve. We believe that Education is Power will do just that. Also, this fundraising would not have

happened if it were not for our community members that believe so strongly in philanthropy. The Rotary Radio Day at Canoe FM alone raised over \$3,000 and was the biggest donation we have ever received. Clearly the community did not disapprove of our fundraising choice. So you can understand, Matthew Desrosiers, that we might be slightly insulted that not one but multiple community member's commented publicly (via newspaper or Facebook) to say something like, "[...] they should also be urged to look around their own community and recognize the issues here." So from the kindness of our giving and compassionate hearts here is a quote that we were taught: Think before you speak. Read before you think. The sooner we realize that, the better off our community will be.

Erica Carmount
HHSS Interact

Photo of the week



Photo by Walt Griffin
Stopping for a drink.

Canada behind in environmental protection

Dear editor,

In regards to Charlie Teljeur's "Smarter by nature" column, I would like to offer a different view. I immigrated from the Netherlands 15 years ago. I lived in Holland for over 50 years. I was there when people unwrapped their bought articles in the stores and left the packaging material behind, out of protest for all the waste. First refuse and reuse, then recycle. Thinking about the environment became a second nature to me. There are many examples of good care in the Netherlands such as recycling being offered with many different containers to

sort at the source, a container for clear glass, one for coloured glass and so on. Not throw everything in one bin. So yes, I totally agree with Teljeur that the Netherlands have been ahead of most countries in caring for the environment. But it is not the only country in Europe that does that. For example there are also amazing projects going on in the Scandinavian countries, in Germany, France and Spain just to mention a few. In these countries the care also does not only happen at the level of the individual. I don't agree with Teljeur that Canada is doing as well. I was shocked when I arrived in Canada. The ways to get rid of garbage by

filling land, called landfills, or trucking it to the states for them to deal with. There is no such thing in Holland as a landfill. There is no need for Canada to reinvent the wheel, look at what is already done. The Amsterdam garbage plant is an example of how it can be done. After I came to live in Haliburton County, my husband jokingly called me the bag lady of Camarvon. I did what I always did: taking reusable shopping bags with me. At that time it was frowned upon. It was not convenient because the check-out was not set up for it. I saw a new plastic bag being used for one or two items. There was little incentive to carpool and for many other things individuals can do to help sustain our earth.

Enjoying nature is not the same as sustaining it. Yes, individuals are doing their thing, there are a lot of people that are on the right track. There are many groups active in different ways and I have met many people who are passionate about the environment. The national and provincial governments are doing anything but caring for the environment and therein lies the biggest problem. How can anyone say Canada takes care of the environment when it is one of the biggest polluters per capita? Yet we are led to believe Canada is doing great.

Anje Hilkers
Minden

Shotgun, going cheep

Do you have twitchers in Canada? Can you admit to being one, without fear of public humiliation or arrest? Just imagine the scene. You've been stopped by a traffic cop: "So, you say you're a twitcher... Step out of the car, please sir. Put your hands on the hood and spread your legs..." Twitching is a nickname attributed to bird spotters back in Blighty, especially a dedicated few who travel near and far, chasing sightings of rare birds. I'm not one, just so as you know! I've never been a bird spotter, although I have always admired those who can hear shrill cheeps high in the branches and be able to identify its owner. And I do appreciate spotting the odd bird and listening to their myriad calls in the early morning and evening. In my neck of the woods we are treated to the usual chorus of whistles and chirps, plus some more unusual calls, such as the "whump whump" of the bittern, oft nicknamed the thunder-pumper, who hides in the bull rushes at the end of our road, beak thrust vertical, trying to blend in with the reeds as we drive past. Each evening in spring we are treated to the mechanical "buzz buzz" of the

woodcock as it does its dive bombing mating flight; the "woowoowoo" of the snipe; and even, every once in a while, the sing song "whip-poor-will" of the, well, the whip-poor-will. I can stop and just listen for minutes at a time, standing motionless in the middle of my garden, just enjoying the sounds of the birds. My lovely wife and Jeff the dog think I am nuts. I am trying to get Little Z interested in the bird song, and sometimes he seems keen, but no self-respecting five year old is going to be convinced to stand still for more than 30 seconds, and so his appreciation of the finer points of a woodcock's buzz is yet to be fully realized. But, as ever my enjoyment of just listening to the birds has been – how can I put it – compromised, by another of my favourite pursuits. Hunting. You see, with hunting comes the chance to really appreciate wildlife and all the noises that it makes. With birds in particular, be they geese, duck or grouse, I have learned to listen for their call and anticipate when they are coming close and may be in range. That said, while sitting motionless in the bush over the last month, I have heard many different bird

calls but none has seemed beautiful or musical because my mind has been taken over totally by the desire to hear the ridiculous "gobble gobble" of a male turkey. Yes, "gobble gobble"! It's one of the least endearing bird calls you'll ever cast your ears upon, that is unless you are sat hidden in the bush wanting to hear it. Then, in the first light of morning, when you attempt to cluck like a hen turkey, and a gobbler gobbles back, it sends lightning bolts of adrenaline coursing through your body. "He's heard me! He answered me! He thinks I'm a hen! He might be coming..." But you don't really know because every experienced hunter you've talked to says, "sit tight and don't call again for at least half an hour." And so you sit, so wishing you could call again. Do you know how slow time passes when you're sitting motionless in the bush, not even daring to sweat? Five minutes pass, then 10. You look at your watch assuming that it's been half an hour. Twelve minutes, damn it. You call again and the gobbler answers. His raucous cackle tells you he's nearer. Oh that sweet sound. Every hair stands on end, every muscle it tense... Then, nothing. The birds around you still sing but you are deaf to their

melodious voices. After another 20 minutes or so you call again, and listen. No answering gobble? Oh yes, there it is but so distant. Your sweet lady turkey serenade had the gobbler fooled for a while but he didn't get to be a big strutting tom without being able to tell the difference between a horny hen and a hack dressed in camo! And so you calm down and go back to just listening to the birds. The day has started to warm up now and the birdsong has changed. Morning singers abound. Blue jays, chickadees, the urgent "quack quack quack" distant flying duck. This is when I get twitchy. Not become a twitcher, definitely not, but realize just how long I've been sat in one position waiting for my turkey. My bum and one leg ache. My neck is sore and there's a dent on my knee where my shotgun has been resting. Listening to the birds is great but I should really learn to either relax or give up trying to shoot one of them while doing it!

The Outsider



By Will Jones

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: *What does it mean for Minden to have the Pan Am Games?*



Rick Butcher
Carnarvon

I think that it is very good. We have a world class whitewater facility here in Minden. I heard that the kayak events are sold out. This is great recognition for our area.



Bernard Ogden
Minden

For business it will be a big boost. I do not know if it will severely inconvenience the local residents and cottagers. I do not think that I will see any of it but it is exciting.



Grace Faustino
Burnt River

It will be good for Minden. The traffic will help the local economy and build awareness for Minden. It will be good for business, tourism and the economy short and long term.



Gary Lockman
Minden

It will mean a lot to the local business people especially restaurants, hotels, bed and breakfasts and small shops. It will be excellent exposure for the area in a positive way.



Betty Sharpe
Minden

It will be really exciting. We have tickets for the whitewater events. I am certain that the event will have some immediate, and hopefully long-term, benefits for the community.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Algonquin Highlands split on solar panel projects

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing Writer

Algonquin Highlands council has agreed to support two ground-mounted solar panel projects east of Boshkung Lake with a vote of three to two.

Site 1 is located at 16625 Highway 35 near the northeast shore, and Site 2 is at 1075 Senitt Hill Drive off Highway 35 just north of Carnarvon.

The projects have been proposed by Soventix Canada, which plans to make applications for the sites in July under the province's FIT program.

FIT enables homeowners, communities, business owners and private developers to generate renewable energy and sell it

to the province at a guaranteed price for a fixed contract term. FIT projects supported by local municipalities receive priority points.

Ian Howes of Soventix presented the projects at the township's May 21 regular council meeting. He advised that area property owners had been consulted about the projects and a formal public consultation is not required under FIT rules at this initial stage.

The projects are designed to help local property owners generate income from lands that cannot be used for other purposes due to issues such as soil quality or lack of access, said Howe. The sites will be owned by Soventix in cooperation with a local renewable energy co-operative made up of 50 or more local members who

are interested in equity ownership.

"We don't maintain long-term ownership interest," said Howe.

Each site is under eight acres in size and will have 24/7 security. If the province approves the projects, Soventix expects construction to take place early in 2017, and approximately 50 per cent of the work would go to local contractors, said Howe.

He told council that the township could pass a 12-month blanket support resolution for these and future such projects, or strictly support the two projects at hand.

Reeve Carol Moffatt and other councillors expressed concern that the solar installations would be visible from the west side of Boshkung Lake and that public consultation to date was insufficient.

Moffatt cast the tie-breaking vote, favouring support of the project along with Ward 1 councillor Brian Lynch and Ward 2 councillor Lisa Barry, both of whom argued the projects will provide additional income for residents.

Council's general resolution supported the projects "with a commitment from Soventix to a broader consultation process with the public to include property owners on the west side of Boshkung Lake for both projects." The individual site resolutions stated that the resolution's sole purpose is to enable Soventix to receive the priority points and the resolution may not be used "for the purpose of any other form of municipal approval in relation to the application or project or any other purpose."



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Haliburton HydroOne employee injured

By **Matthew Desrosiers**
Editor

A Haliburton man is in serious condition at a Toronto hospital after a workplace accident left him paralyzed on one side.

According to a source close to the family, Scott Rae, a Hydro One employee, was cutting a lodged tree out of another tree when he was struck by the wood that was under pressure. The impact fractured Rae's neck and he was paralyzed down one side.

The source said he is conscious but "in bad shape." Rae underwent surgery that has since allowed him to wiggle his toes. Doctors think he may be able to walk again, but the

recovery time could be significant.

Nancy Clark, a communications officer for Hydro One, confirmed the accident occurred on May 27 in Kilworthy near Gravenhurst, though she did not provide Rae's name. However, The Highlander has confirmed that Rae was the worker involved in that accident.

"We are cooperating with the Ministry of Labour's investigation, and conducting an internal review of the incident," said Clark. "The community has been supportive and we thank them for their outpouring of support towards the employee."

Clark said at the time of the accident, Rae was performing "routine vegetation management."



By **Lisa Harrison**

Engineering manager honoured for service

The county is short a valued employee with the retirement of Roy Haig on May 29. The manager, engineering and 911 services with the roads department received a certificate of appreciation for his 15 years of service from Warden Murray Fearrey at council's May 27 regular meeting. "We take pride in the commitment and service you have shown to the people of Haliburton County," Fearrey said. "And I hope you're back for the golf," he added, referring the county's annual council/staff tournament in August. Haig thanked councillors for the recognition. "I learned a lot, and certainly [about] the challenges that council has," said Haig. "I've seen the evolution of council over the years, and from my perspective I think it's great, it's improved... and I just want to express my appreciation for 15 years of challenges and learning and being able to interact with great individuals."

Pictured above: Warden Murray Fearrey presented Roy Haig a certificate of appreciation to mark his retirement on May 29.



Photo by **Mark Arike**

From left, Rotary Club president Kay Godden, member Lynda Litwin, president-elect Betty Mark and project lead Joanna Penfold.

Take a seat at Minden's Rotary Park

By **Mark Arike**
Staff writer

Visitors to Minden's Rotary Park will be able to lounge comfortably thanks to a donation made by the service club the space is named after.

Due to a financial contribution of about \$4,000 from the Minden Rotary Club, seven new cedar picnic tables were recently installed in the park with the assistance of the township's community services department. The tables were constructed with products from Home Hardware, Limberlost and the Dorset Timber Mart.

Club president Kay Godden said that five of the tables are accessible to those with disabilities.

The club's logo is engraved in each table.

"The park was in bad shape in terms of the picnic tables, which were here for a number of years," she said. "It's [the park] used a lot."

The funds for the project were raised through various initiatives including the club's major annual dinner and auction.

President-elect Betty Mark confirmed that the club's next undertaking will be to improve the signage at the entrance to the park, which is located off Highway 35.



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OPP in brief

Minden man charged with shoplifting and assault

An altercation at On The Spot Variety in Minden has led to the arrest of Jamie Howard-Clarke. On May 28 at approximately 6:30 p.m., Haliburton Highlands OPP officers responded to a reported shoplifting at the downtown Minden business. On The Spot Variety staff had detained Howard-Clarke, 20 of Minden, for shoplifting. Police learned that prior to their arrival, the suspect had become violent and assaulted two persons, who had to take physical control of him. Howard-Clarke was charged with assault (two counts), theft under \$5,000, mischief, fail to comply with probation, and assaulting police.

Speed leads to stunt driving charge

A Newmarket teenager was charged with stunt driving on May 31 when he was clocked travelling more than 50 kilometres per hour over the speed limit. An OPP officer was conducting radar patrol on Highway 35 in Minden Hills at approximately 12:19 p.m. when the driver, in a Dodge truck, was caught travelling 133 km/hr in an 80km/hr zone. The male, 17, was charged with racing a motor vehicle.

His truck was impounded and licence seized and suspended for seven days. The penalties for stunt driving could include fines between \$2,000-\$10,000, and a licence suspension of up to two years on a first conviction.

Tax scam hits the Highlands

Police are warning of a Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) scam that has been attempted on several Haliburton County residents. According to police, a resident called them on May 29 after receiving a call from an unknown male claiming to be a CRA agent. The resident was advised there was a warrant for their arrest and they needed to pay their taxes immediately. Police are reminding residents the CRA rarely makes these types of calls and does not request access to personal information such as social insurance, credit card, bank account, and passport numbers. The CRA does not ask for personal information via e-mail, will not divulge taxpayer information to another person unless formal authorization is provided by the taxpayer, and will not leave any personal information on an answering machine. Visit antifraudcentre.ca for more information on fraud.



Photos by Mark Arike

Above: An OPP officer responds to the scene of the accident. Right: A Harley Davidson lies on its side in the grass off Highway 118.

Motorcyclist injured in crash

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

A 64-year-old man was transported to hospital by ambulance on the evening of May 29 after losing control of his Harley Davidson motorcycle.

The accident, which occurred on Highway 118 near West Guilford, was reported to police around 8 p.m. Members of the Haliburton Highlands OPP, EMS and the Dysart volunteer fire department were all on scene.

The road remained opened to traffic after the collision.

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Meetings & Events

June 8 Youth Softball League season opener, Minden Fairgrounds, games begin at 6:30 pm.

June 11 Committee of the Whole meeting, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

June 25 Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

NOTICE Special Meeting of Council

Take Notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council held on Friday, June 5, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to: Approve the funding allocation for the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program in support of renovations to the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre; and Enter into an Agreement with Real Term Energy Corp. for the LED Streetlight Retrofit Project.

Council Advisory Boards and Committees

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE for a schedule of Council's Advisory Boards and Committees meeting dates and locations, visit the Township's website at www.mindenhills.ca or contact the Clerk's Office at 705-286-1260 ext. 212.

Important Tax Information

The 2015 Final Residential tax bills will be mailed on June 5, 2015. Payments may be made in 2 installments; July 17th & September 18th, 2015. Payments received after May 25th may not be reflected on your tax bill. Overdue amounts do not include penalty/interest for June. Property owners are responsible to provide to the Municipal Office written notification of any address change. Failure to receive your tax bill does not exempt penalty charges from being applied to a tax account. Tax bills on the monthly or arrears preauthorized payment plan will be mailed later in June.

Please contact our office if you have not received your bill(s) prior to the July due date or for a current balance update.

Visit www.mindenhills.ca or call for more information and for payment options.

Minden Hills Artisan Market

Every Saturday morning from June 20th through September 12th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

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Vendors needed! Space is \$10 per market day. Hand crafted items (by the vendor) only

Nature's Place Presents: Biology Talks

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June 27 - Pesticides and Pollinators

July 11- Bed Bug Detection

August 15- Mouse Prevention and Control

For more information, contact Elisha at 705-286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Roller Skating at the SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena

Saturday afternoons
June 6th to August 15th (except July 11th and 18th)
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Cost is \$2.00 per person/ per session

PLEASE NOTE: The Township does not provide skate rentals Rollerblades are welcome

For more information on this program please contact Elisha Weiss at 705-286-1936 x204 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Agnes Jamieson Gallery

Letterpress exhibition June 2 - July 4 by Larry Thompson and Hilly Dean.

Minden Hills Museum & Heritage Village Exhibition
This, That & Hats, May 16 - July 27, Sterling Bank building.

Mad Hatter Tea Party, Sat, June 13 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Tickets \$1 per child under 12, \$5 adult and

\$10 family. Call 705-286-3763.
Sundays in July & August: A Day at the Turn of the Century
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Children's Cultural Day Camps
July & August, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm
\$10 per child per day
Mondays age 6-8, Thursdays age 9-12

Call 705-286-3763 to register.

Save the Date: Canada Day!

The Township of Minden Hills is hosting their annual Canada Day Celebration on Wed, July 1st

Classic car show, crazy river raft race, rubber ducky race, live performances by Haliburton Dance Academy and Highland Dancers, a hands on presentation by "Mad Science", free ice cream sponsored by Kawartha Dairy and so much more. From 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Fireworks at dusk at the Minden Fairgrounds.

For a booth, or to volunteer for the day, please contact Elisha Weiss at 286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Pan Am Games Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for the weekend of July 18th and 19th:

- Running sport/activity stations at the SG Nesbitt Memorial Arena
- ticket takers for the Reel Paddling Film Festival
- Floaters to help out in different areas throughout the day

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All current employees must be given the new poster by June 20, 2015. Any new employees hired after May 20, 2015 must be given the poster within 30 days.

Visit ontario.ca/labour to learn more & download the poster.

Minimum Wage Increasing in October

Ontario is raising the minimum wage from \$11 to \$11.25, effective October 1, 2015. Minimum wage jobs in special categories (liquor services, students, etc) are also increasing at this time.

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Drop in and say hello!



Photos by Mark Arike

Above: Show manager Wayne Hussey, right, speaks to Colin McAllister, who along with Justin Ryan (centre) stars in the television series Cabin Pressure. Left: Norm Barry provides a visitor information about one of his hot tubs on display. Right: Dwaine Lloyd, owner of Highlands Medical Supplies, talks about the products he offers.

Stars make Home Show splash

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Visitors to this year's Haliburton Home and Cottage Show had a new attraction to check out on May 30.

Colin McAllister and Justin Ryan, the stars of the Cottage Life network's Colin and Justin's Cabin Pressure, made a special appearance at the Greg Brown Construction booth.

"Walking through all the aisles here is like walking through a catalogue of how we put our cottage together," said Ryan in an interview.

The pair, who have taped episodes

of their popular television series in the Highlands, used local resources to build their cottage on Drag Lake.

"We're here supporting the best people in the business," chimed in McAllister, "and we're here to do a bit of shopping as well."

As two "noisy boys from the city," Ryan said the local community has embraced them with open arms.

"We've just settled in, worked with the local community. So we've been really well-received, which makes our job a lot easier."

Over 150 exhibitors were part of the 37th annual event held from May 29-31.

According to show manager Wayne Hussey, the show saw record crowds.

"It was pretty good," said Hussey. "The weather was just perfect for us."

Saturday was overcast and rainy, which is exactly the kind of weather that brings people in. Cool temperatures on Sunday also kept people indoors.

Hussey added that vendors were happy with attendance and that visitors weren't simply walking through the show.

"There were a lot of people that weren't just kicking tires, they were actually purchasing and coming to look at things that were at the show," he said. "I think almost all the vendors did very, very well."

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Left: Sue Shikaze, chair of the Share the Road Cycling Coalition and the Communities in Action Committee, speaks about the improvements made to County Road 648. Right: Highlands East councillor Joan Barton directs cyclists to the starting point.

Cyclists explore newly paved shoulders in Highlands East

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

About 20 cyclists, including members of the Haliburton Real Easy Ryders Cycling Club, took to the road on May 30 for the launch of the 2015 Share the Road campaign.

"One of the reasons we're doing the ride is because Highlands East last year redid a section of [County Road] 648 and the one metre of paved shoulders on both sides, which is really great," said Sue Shikaze, chair of the Share the Road Cycling Coalition and the Communities in Action Committee.

Shikaze said these improvements provide a great space for cyclists and make the road safer for other users as well.

The ride began behind the Lloyd Watson Centre and proceeded toward Harcourt, with riders gathering for lunch afterwards at the South Algonquin Diner in Wilberforce. Each rider was encouraged to go at their own pace and ride as much or as little of the route as they wanted.

Share the Road magnets and the second edition of the Haliburton Highlands cycling map were given to participants.

Highlands East councillor Joan Barton said cycling is a great sport because it's open to all, regardless of income.

"Cycling is one of the best sports that I can think of to facilitate," she said. "It is all-inclusive, it is open to everyone."

Barton pointed out that riders could also

explore the Prospector Trail Loop for a more picturesque ride back to Wilberforce.

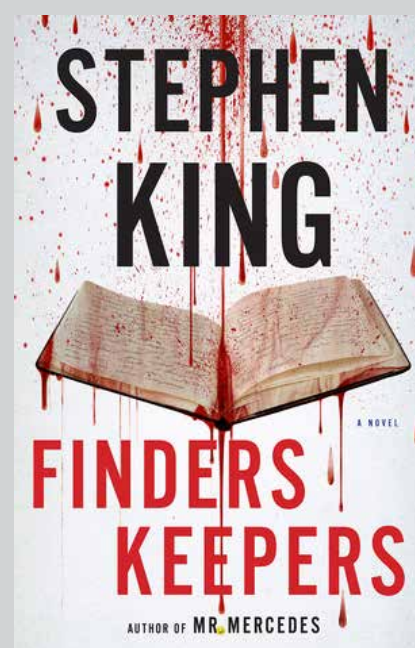
"It's a combination of Rail Trail and back road. It's very pretty," she said.

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott also attended the event and ventured out on the ride.

"We've passed legislation for provincial highways as they get updated to pave the shoulders," said Scott. "I hope some of that comes to fruition soon."

In 2009, the Communities in Action Committee, local health unit, OPP and the County of Haliburton launched Share the Road in an effort to raise awareness of cycling in the area and make the roads a safer place for non-motorized users.

Haliburton County's Hot Reads



The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.

HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. *Finders Keepers: a novel* by Stephen King
2. *Close to Hugh* by Marina Endicott
3. *A Pitying of Doves* by Steve Burrows

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *Crime Seen: from patrol cop to profiler, my stories from behind the yellow tape* by Kate Lines
2. *To Explain the World: the discovery of modern science* by Steven Weinberg
3. *Letters To My Grandchildren* by David Suzuki

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. *Charmed* by Michelle Kryss (YA)
2. *Thea Stilton and the Lost Letters* by Thea Stilton (JF)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *American Sniper* (DVD)
2. *Piranha* by Clive Cussler (Book on CD)

LIBRARY NEWS

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Photos by Mark Arike

Top: Confetti rains down upon graduates as parents and other family members gather for a photo opportunity. Above left: Andrew Mansfield pipes in this year's graduating class. Above right: Jovial grads smile and clap after hearing from alumni member Jennifer Mykolyshyn.

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Above: Valedictorian James Lightle, centre, delivered a powerful speech to his peers. Right: Haliburton graduate Mackenzie Robinson hugs a faculty member.

Fleming valedictorian finds healing in art

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Great Hall fell silent as this year's valedictorian, James Lightle, stepped up to the podium and opened up about what life was like prior to the Haliburton School of the Arts.

Before he became an arts student, Lightle was a combat engineer with the Canadian Armed Forces. He served in the military for 14 years before being injured in Afghanistan in 2006. In addition to his physical injuries, he fell victim to post-traumatic stress disorder.

"It was a career-ending, physical injury," Lightle told his fellow graduates during this year's convocation ceremony on May 29. "I didn't know what I was going to do. I was lost."

Then he discovered art therapy, which eventually put him on the path to the Haliburton campus.

"I gravitated towards the art therapy program and found I could express myself properly with art," recalled Lightle, who attended an institution called Homewood.

After leaving that learning centre, he discovered that he still had more healing to do.

"I would not leave my house until the sun went down. I would sometimes not even get out of the house for weeks on end. I would only leave the house for food and arts supplies," he said.

"I was holding on to life, and art was what I held onto the strongest."

The Pembroke resident said he wanted to take advantage of his one shot at succeeding at art school, just like the many other students around him did.

"We all made the conscious effort and decided that Fleming College – Haliburton School of the Arts was where we wanted to

be. We all put our passions and gifts first and took the road less travelled."

As a student in the Sculpture program, Lightle said that the experience is one he will treasure for the rest of his life.

"I was afraid at the beginning to let people see the real me," he explained. "I was lucky to have people around me so that I could do this."

Lightle said that the students, teachers and staff added value to his learning experience.

"The teachers and students are all full of energy – a love of life with a love of art."

In his closing remarks, he encouraged each graduate to "take this world by storm" and make the most of their talents.

Lightle, who also took home the Outstanding Achievement Award and the Sculpture Certificate Award, received a standing ovation from his peers.

Other featured speakers at the ceremony

included alumni member Jennifer Mykolyshyn, Fleming College president Tony Tilly and Jim Love.

In keeping with customary tradition, campus principal and dean Sandra Dupret had the last word.

"This is marking the start of a new and very exciting journey for all of you," she told the graduates. "You will apply what you've learned during your time here at the Haliburton campus to create, design and build with meaning, pride and the knowledge that you truly are making a difference."

Graduates included those in the following programs: Artist Blacksmith, Ceramics, Digital Image Design, Expressive Arts, Fibre Arts, Glassblowing, Jewellery Essentials, Photo Arts, Sculpture, Sustainable Building Design and Construction, Visual and Creative Arts Diploma and Visual Arts Fundamentals – Drawing and Painting.

Highlander life

Motorcycle Cruisers club hits the highway

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The bike's engine rumbles loudly as you turn the ignition and take off down the highway, the wind whipping in your face. You're open to the natural world, at one with your machine as the kilometres fade away behind you. You're on the open road, and you're free.

It's no wonder bikers come to the Highlands to experience some of the best stretches of road in Ontario. But now, Haliburton County has a club all its own.

Robert Patterson is second officer in the Haliburton Highlands Chapter of the Canadian Motorcycle Cruisers (CMC) riding club. The chapter started up in late May and has nine members.

"I started [riding] as soon as I was 16, as soon as I could get a bike," he said. "It's freeing. It gives you a chance to think. When I first rode I was hooked, and I've kept it up for 50-some-odd years now."

His first bike was a Honda C200 90CC.

"The whole gestalt about riding, there's a Zen to it when it's done right," he said. "You're one with the machine, you're one with the road and with nature."

Patterson remembers one ride in particular, travelling from Wawa, Ontario, to the Montreal River.

"The road goes down along a cliff to go down to the harbour," he recalled. "I came along there, and there was an eagle flying 20 feet off my right shoulder. It just followed me right down. That's something you can't tell people. In a car, you never get this feeling."

The CMC has 95 chapters across Canada with over 5,600 members. While the Haliburton Highlands chapter may be new, its members have plenty of experience. Thom Arnold is the chapter's first officer. He came from the Elliott Lake CMC chapter. Former Kawartha Lakes chapter member Marilyn Denyer is the chapter's third officer. Patterson himself was formerly the first officer of the Sault Ste. Marie chapter.

Together they, along with their members and other chapters, participate in group rides throughout Ontario, rallies, social events, and charity fundraisers.

"We do a lot of charity work," said Patterson, who has been a CMC member for



Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

The Canadian Motorcycle Cruisers have opened a Haliburton Highlands chapter. From left are Darlene Hill, first officer Thom Arnold, second officer Robert Patterson, and third officer Marilyn Denyer.

nearly a decade. "This is something we can't stress enough. The CMC itself supports the Children's Wish Foundation. Each chapter can have its own charity, which is usually local and underfunded."

The club's primary fundraisers are poker runs and show and shines. Patterson estimates club members across the country raise over \$1 million annually for charities.

The Haliburton Highlands chapter ranges from northern Kawartha Lakes to southern Muskoka. Anyone with a valid licence, regardless of experience level, is welcome to

join, and all motorcycle types and brands are permitted. However, Patterson said the CMC is a family riding club.

"We promote safe riding as a club and as individuals," he said. "Road rage has no part on a group ride."

According to the CMC's website, the club has three rules: no alcohol on group rides, ride safely, and always be nice and have fun.

With chapters all over Ontario, now including Bancroft, Patterson said county residents can expect to see more bikes on the road.

"We are going to be riding up there to meet with them, and they are going to riding to our area to meet with us, which is going to be important to a lot of restaurants and gas stations. We live here, we shop here, and we ride here. Please look out for us when we're on the road."

Next up for the CMC is a bike rally in Kingston, hosted by the local chapter. The three-day rally starts on Aug. 1.

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Mr. Belton's Grade 10 class has put together an information board about the Painted Lady Butterfly. From left are: HHSS teacher Jennifer Paton, Koltan Solomon, Meghan Coumbs, Tyler Charity, Brittany Gautreau, Devin Dakin, and HHSS teacher Dustin Belton. Absent from the photo is Troy Bannister.

Students help out with SIRCH fundraiser

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

SIRCH Community Services has enlisted the help of a group of high school students to promote their upcoming Release of the Butterflies event.

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) students in Mr. Dustin Belton's Grade 10 Environmental Studies class decided to support the event after hearing about it from another teacher at the school, Mrs. Jennifer Paton.

"We thought it was a great idea," said Belton. "SIRCH helps out the community. We thought it would be a good idea to bring attention to the Painted Lady Butterfly."

The class was already working on a new butterfly garden and studying the Monarch

Butterfly, so Belton and his class decided to switch species and focus on the Painted Lady.

The result of the project is a large presentation board full of information about the species, including its habitat, eating habits, predators, and its lifecycle.

"They [the students] decided what they were going to put on the board," said Belton. "Everyone is responsible for a different part."

Student Brittany Gautreau completed the section on the butterfly's predators and its prey. Through the project, she learned a lot about the species.

"I learned it's not all just about the butterfly, but its ecosystem," she said.

Her favourite part of the project was doing the research.

"I didn't know what type of butterfly they were until I looked it up."

Belton said the class worked on the project off and on for about a month.

"It's been putting the pieces together," he said.

Now that it's done, the school's librarian has requested to have the project on display until it is needed in Minden for the butterfly release event.

SIRCH is raising money to supports its bereavement program. For a \$30 donation, the donor receives a Painted Lady Butterfly to be released during the June 14 event at the Minden Cultural Centre. The students' project will be on display during the event as well, so visitors can learn all about the Painted Lady.

Whether or not the event happens again next year, Belton said his class is looking to help raise the butterflies.

For more information on SIRCH's Release of the Butterflies event, visit sirch.on.ca or call 705-457-1742.

Through my eyes Graduation



By Austin McGillion

Graduation is upon me.

Just as war sets upon the world like a swarm of locusts, I am beset on all sides by heavy burdens.

Graduation is the rite of passage into the world, the diploma singular proof that I am an individual who has risen through hardships and turmoil and that I have overcome all obstacles.

The graduation is being held at McKeck's to my understanding, and if the restaurant is not packed I invite some of you to come and witness this crowning achievement in a handful of peoples' lives. I have long believed school to be a place of boredom or pain, but I now realize all the boredom and the struggles to fit in, and all the cruelty from other students, are all obstacles that you must overcome. The students at the alternate education centre and I have proven more than capable of doing just that.

When I was younger I was in a dark place, afraid and unsure of my future, but a good friend led me into the light and showed me what I could accomplish. My friend might be gone but I am not going to slow down. When she died I made a promise to make something of my life, if not for me, then for friends, family, and to keep her eternal memory in the forefront of my mind.

We all have our own reasons for seeking to become something. The bad times, the stress, the depression and the bitter hatred all hardened on top of each other like layers of sandstone and they conceived a singular idea for me, the need to push myself as far as I can go. It gives me the strength and the courage to push through those intimidating obstacles and crush my excuses. It makes me strive for greatness to prove that even those who face depression can still go the distance.

My best friend has long since been gone from this world, but she has lit a fire in my soul that can never be extinguished, and maybe I can light that flame in other people as well, to make them want to strive for greatness. This is why I write.

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Bantam athletes Sterling Nesbitt, left, and Alexius Mills prepare to take off from the starting line.

Students take to the field for annual track meet

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

More than 200 students from all five local elementary schools braved the cold for this year's Haliburton County Track and Field Meet on May 31 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Although temperatures hovered around 10 degrees Celsius, kids gave it their all in

a variety of running events and field events including ball throw, long jump, triple jump, replaced and shot put.

The meet was originally set to take place on Saturday but was rescheduled because the forecast called for thunderstorms.

"We can run an event with rain, but we can't run an event with thunder and lightning," said convenor Traci Hubbert. "We can't have kids on the field or the track."

Hubbert said that cool temperatures are

actually better for running events, especially those that are longer distances.

"The biggest thing we normally run into at our track meet is kids overheating," she said.

Students in Grades 1-8 participated in the event, which has been taking place for at least 15 years, said Hubbert.

The main goal of the meet is to ensure that as many students are able to take part as possible.

"It's a great community event ... there are

parents and grandparents that get to come and support their children."

Tryouts are held prior to the meet.

The Haliburton Legion sponsored the event by donating awards to the participants. The top six finishers in each event received ribbons and some received championship and finalist trophies.

"It wouldn't be able to happen without the support of the Legion," said Hubbert.



Photo submitted by Bruce Griffith

Ryan Hill hurls a javelin on his way to qualifying for OFSAA.

Two Hawks OFSAA-bound after regional track meet

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Two Red Hawks will compete at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations' (OFSAA) Track and Field Championships at Varsity Centre in Toronto from June 4-6.

Of the 16 local high school athletes who advanced to East Regionals in Brockville last week, Kenndal Marsden qualified in the 200-metre run with a fourth place finish in the junior girls category, and Ryan Hill earned a spot in senior javelin with his third place finish.

According to head coach Bruce Griffith, Bennett Gibson achieved a

personal best in the 100-metre dash, and Shae MacNaull and Izac Reid "came very close to qualifying."

"They were nervous but all did well with many personal bests," he wrote in an email.

Griffith added that Marsden and Hill would be preparing by working on their technique daily.

"Both athletes have the potential to place in the top eight in Ontario," he said.

In previous years, anywhere between one and six students have qualified for OFSAA.

Highlander sports

Highlands surfer earns longboard title in Tofino

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Pablo Bonilla still has what it takes to be a champion.

At the end of May, the local surfer finished first place in the longboard division at the Rip Curl Pro Tofino Canadian Surfing Championships in Tofino, B.C.

"I'm pretty happy with that," said Bonilla, a three-time Mexican national longboard champion who resides in Haliburton. "I knew I could do a really good job longboarding."

Bonilla first entered the short board competition but was eliminated after the first heat. He said this was because he wasn't yet

familiar with the waves.

"I ended up not putting on a show in the short board division," he recalled. "At the end, at least I got one of two."

The two-day event, which ran from May 30-31 at Cox Bay, also drew some serious surfing talent.

"The level that the competitors have is very high. They're really, really good surfers."

In October, Bonilla qualified for the major event after placing first in the men's longboard category, second in short board and second in stand up paddle board (SUP) at the second annual West Shore Huron Class held in Kincardine.

Although he took a three-year hiatus from

the sport, it seems as though he picked up right where he left off.

Bonilla, who owns the paddle boarding company SUPNorth with his wife Holly Bishop, spent this past summer in Mexico. There he spent plenty of time in the water, training for his upcoming competition.

In Tofino, the judges scored competitors on the manoeuvres they performed and their ability to pull them off.

"Confidence," said Bonilla. "That you're not like almost falling off the board. You've got to perform serious manoeuvres ... and then you've got to look strong at it."

According to what his fellow competitors told him, a surfer is putting on a good show

when they're "throwing buckets of water."

This occurs when the board hits the lip of the wave and creates a splash.

For earning the top spot in his division, Bonilla received a wooden trophy and plenty of swag including a \$400 GPS system and a top-of-the-line surfing watch.

He also may have secured a spot in the world games.

"I'm not too sure about that, because I didn't ask more about it," he said. "Hopefully I will pursue going to the world games as a Canadian."

Bonilla said he has some other commitments that he would need to consider before accepting a spot at a future event.

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Pablo Bonilla hoists his first place trophy.

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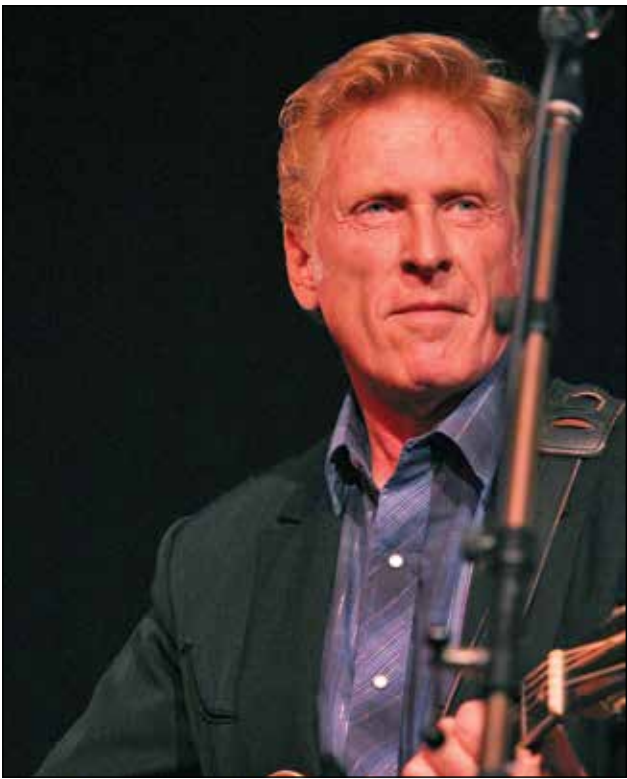
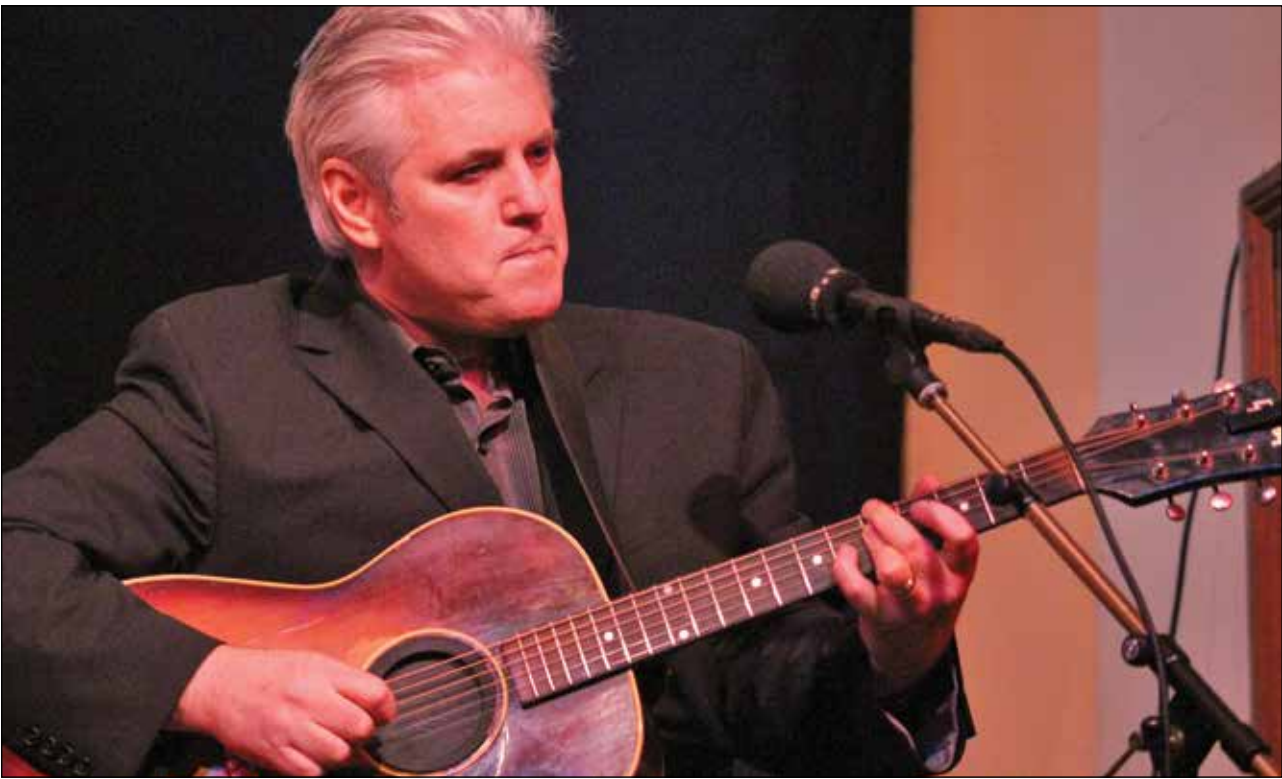
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Photos by Mark Arike

Left: Guitarist Steve Briggs shows off his impressive picking and strumming skills. Right: Russell DeCarle looks out into the audience during his recent gig at the Irondale Church.

Russell deCarle concert shines spotlight on church

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Russell deCarle, the former vocalist and bassist for iconic Canadian country band Prairie Oyster, brought a few classics and some of his latest tunes to an audience at the Irondale Church on May 30.
Now playing with the Russell DeCarle Trio, which includes Steve Briggs on guitar and Denis Keldie on accordion,

DeCarle kept the 100 or so concertgoers in a trance as they bobbed their heads and tapped their toes continuously throughout the night.
“What a great place to play music,” he said. “It’s fantastic.”
DeCarle was happy to have the opportunity to play some of his favourite tunes such as “I Don’t Hurt Anymore,” originally written by Hank Snow, and one of Prairie Oyster’s biggest hits “Such a

Lonely One.”
He also gave fans a taste of a new track that brought his appreciation of Tanqueray gin to the forefront.
The concert served as a fundraiser to maintain the church, which dates back to 1887.
According to Carol Simmons, president of Bark Lake Cultural Developments, local cottager Doug Rodger came up with the idea to bring DeCarle to the area.

In an email, Simmons said the fundraiser did wonders to raise the profile of the church.
“Many of the guests had never been to Irondale before, others knew where it was but had not been in the church,” she said.
Bark Lake Cultural Developments is a charitable organization that took ownership of the church in 2012.

Youth share talents at Music Night fundraiser

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Kids came out to support their peers at this year’s Music Night hosted by the Zion United Church in Camarvon.
Held on May 29, the fifth annual fundraiser benefitted Haliburton County’s Food for Kids program and the featured performers – the Haliburton Highlands Youth Ensemble.
The Ensemble, which included nine young singers between the ages of eight and 16, was led by Beth Kipping. Melissa Stephens was a guest performer.
Snacks and refreshments were provided to those in attendance by volunteers Alice Chambers, Lindy O’Hanley and Doreen French.
When asked why the board chose to support Food for Kids,

past chair Joan Chapple said it was because they felt it’s something that “affects every child in the county.”
“You’re helping every child in the county, and we’re all about outreach,” she said.
Established in 1999 with the help of Point In Time, Food for Kids serves meals to 2,200 children and youth at seven schools across the county. Over 50 local volunteers are involved in the program.
According to Fred Chapple, chairman of the board, the concert raised \$500 for Food for Kids and \$200 for the Ensemble.
This was the second time that the church donated proceeds from Music Night to the program. Other initiatives that the event has supported in the past have included Help a Village Effort, the Volunteer Dental Outreach for Haliburton County, and Places for People.

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NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING 9 NEWCASTLE STREET PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (RZ-15-03)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, RSO 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 9 Newcastle Street and being located in Part of Lot 3, Concession 'A' in the Geographic Township of Minden (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of The Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Residential Type One (R1). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning to Residential Type Two Exception Eleven (R2-11). The effect of the amendment is to permit a fifteen (15) unit multi-residential residential building.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – RZ 15-03

Date: Thursday, June 25, 2015
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext. 206).

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must submit a written request (with a forwarding address) to the Clerk of the Township of Minden Hills.

DATED this 4th day of June, 2015
Ian Clendening, Planner
7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359
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NOTICE



Municipality of Dysart et al REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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Specifications and Proposal Forms can be obtained at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, ON, or on our website at www.dysartet.al.ca.

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A private family graveside service will be held in Tilbury, Ontario at a later date. The family would like to thank the doctors and staff at HHHS for their loving care of Pops.

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Dysart et al June 16th, 2015 Community Economic Development Session

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Work is to commence on June 29th, 2015 and is to be completed by no later than July 20th, 2015.

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EVENTS

PICKLEBALL at the Elementary School gym in Haliburton at 7:00 pm on Thursdays is cancelled on June 4th. It will continue June 11th and end on June 18th

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EVENTS

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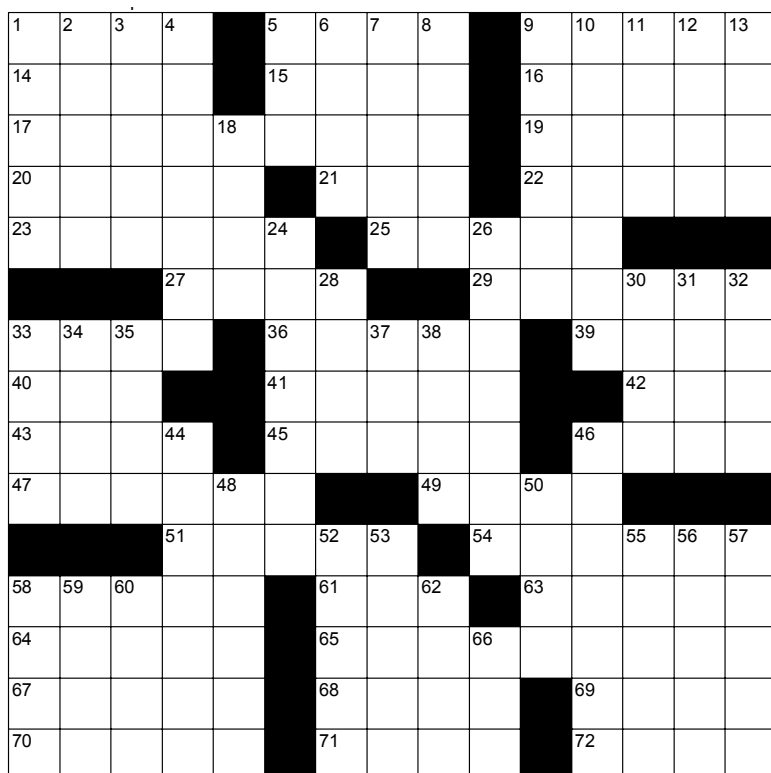
We appreciate the donations and the gigantic support shown to us all. Thank you for such amazing support. It is wonderful to see how many lives our Taylor touched. The celebration of life for Taylor Donaldson was truly that, and we were pleased to see so many turtles, red and green! Thank you to Michael Daly for your kind words and continuing support. Thank you to Cory for all your strength and getting things done. Thank you to Randy for such a wonderful service and to Jason for speaking for us. Taylor may be gone but he will always be loved and in our hearts forever.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOM!

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Highlander events



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5. Pig's comment
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14. Poise
15. Liberate
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17. Amuse
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6. Deferred savings accts.
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11. Waterless
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48. Building cement
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55. Garret
56. Taunt
57. Highway curves
58. Arrive
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JUNE 2015 EVENTS

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Pan Am Torch Relay – Minden Town Docks – 10:00 am-12:00 pm Pickleball at the Elementary School gym in Haliburton at 7:00 pm on Thursdays is cancelled on June 4th. It will continue June 11th and end on June 18th	Dorset Pickle Ball – Dorset Rec Centre – 10:00 am-12:00 pm	HHSS Prom Night – Congratulations Grads! – Have fun – be safe	Dragon Boat Practice – Patient News Docks – 1:00 pm-2:30 pm
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Dorset Tai Chi Classes – Dorset Rec Centre – 10:30 am-12:00 pm Dorset Pickle Ball – Dorset Rec Centre – 6:45 pm-8:45 pm	Haliburton County Farmers Market – Head Lake Park – 12:00 pm-4:00 pm	First Student First Ride program - Haliburton OEYC - 10:30 am Haliburton United Church – Celebration 90 years of Ministry across Canada – 10:30 am	Check www.highlanderonline.ca for more events in the Haliburton Highlands
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WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LEGION JUNE 4 - JUNE 10

Haliburton Branch	Minden Branch	Wilberforce Branch
General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/draw. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30-1 p.m. Bridge, Monday 1 p.m. Open dart night, Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot on last Wednesday of the month Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary 70th anniversary, June 6, 5 p.m. Tickets \$25.	Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m. Liver lover's special, Tuesday, 12-2 p.m. (full menu also) Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime. Creative Crew, Thursday, 10 a.m. Ladies darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Mixed darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m. Monthly raffle, dinner for two at a local restaurant	L.A. meeting, Thursday, 1 p.m. Pool, Friday, 2:30 p.m. Ham & Scalloped dinner, Friday, 5-7 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m., early bird 3 p.m. sharp Bid euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. General meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

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What's on



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Brothers George, Dylan and Leo Kent from Uxbridge received a certificate after their flight at last year's Young Eagles event.

Future pilots forged in Young Eagles program

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

For the last 21 years, Haliburton County's children have experienced the wonders of flight thanks to a dedicated group of volunteers and the Young Eagles program.

This year, they will once again have the opportunity to take to the skies over the Haliburton Highlands.

"It's an opportunity for youth to get up in the airplane and experience flight," said Young Eagles organizer and pilot Paul Martin. "Sometimes, just with the exposure of a single flight in a small aircraft, a young [person] will get the interest and follow it all the way through."

Barry Hart brought the program to Haliburton back in 1994. Since then, over

2,600 young people have experienced a free flight. Martin took over the program from Hart two years ago.

Kids aged eight to 17 are welcome to participate, though they require a signature from their parents on a Young Eagles form that is currently available at the Stanhope Airport, and will be available on the days of the event. Martin said historically the Young Eagles event attracts a younger crowd.

The flight plan takes passengers from the Stanhope Airport to Carnarvon and down to Minden. From there, they follow a lake chain to Haliburton Village, Drag and Eagle Lakes, and then back to the airport. The flight lasts from 25 to 30 minutes.

All of the pilots involved in the program volunteer their time, aircraft, and fuel. The flights are free, and the Township of

Algonquin Highlands provides fuel at a discount for the event.

"The township has done its part in trying to reduce the cost for us [pilots], but it's still significant."

Flights over the two days of the event can cost between \$200-\$300 in fuel.

But for Martin, the opportunity to get kids interested in flying is worth it.

"The future of aviation is uncertain," he said. "Historically, pilots have come from the ranks of the very young and into flight training programs at local airports. That has really tapered off."

He said the novelty of flying is wearing off, thanks to video games and computer simulators.

"There's predicted to be a huge shortage in airline pilots in the future, and it's really critical if they're going to be training in

North America that programs like this continue."

One year, almost 200 kids participated in the Young Eagles event. That number has gone down to between 80-100 kids last year. However, Martin said it's impressive there is a program in Haliburton County at all.

"They manage to get it in every year, it's really remarkable," he said. "We'll get it in this year and see how it goes."

The Young Eagles program takes off at the Stanhope Airport on June 12 from 4-8 p.m. Flights resume on June 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Weather is a factor.

For more information on Young Eagles, visit youngeagles.org. Stanhope Airport manager Cam Loucks is also available at 705-754-2611 or cloucks@algonquinhighlands.ca.

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We, the family of the late Alexander (Alex) G. Bell, would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to all our relatives, friends, co-workers and acquaintances for your thoughts, prayers, cards, generous donations, phone calls, kind words and messages of condolence and sympathy we received (and continue to receive) during our bereavement on the sudden loss of 'Our Alex' – Husband, Dad, Papa, Uncle and Friend.

An extended thank you to the professional yet compassionate manner in which all of the emergency response members handled the unfortunate and unexpected situation on April 21, 2015.

Our family would also like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one individually, but there are simply too many of 'you' kind and caring people for that to be possible. With that said, we would like to express how very much we appreciated the presence of everyone who travelled far and near, just to be with us and to share in the Celebration of Life for Alex. We would like to extend a special thanks to Colin & his team at Pinestone, Sue King, Art Theberge, Pasi Posti, Craig & Colby, and many others who made it come together as painlessly as possible.

Sometimes you wonder why God allows us to go through such a devastating situation, and perhaps the answers to all the questions will never be clear. I am certain that during these times you do indeed realize how rich you are in the commodity of family, friends and community.

It was approximately a month ago we lost an amazing man. We woke up on that morning assuming it was just an ordinary day. We went about our normal duties. Little did we know that it was your day of summon to a higher calling. We continue to ask questions: why? As you take rest from this world full of unanswered questions, we have come to realize that to be absent from the body is to be present with your higher power and we can rest assured that you, my love, are in a better place.

Alex was not only the love of my life, but a friend. Together we shared support, confidence, sadness, happiness, worry, grief, many good times, bad times and all the elements of life. Alex & I were one! Our life together was filled with special moments to be cherished forever.

If you knew Alex and me at all, you would probably agree that he was the more 'upfront and centre' kind of guy, but I was never far away. One of our friends said it best: "Cathy, everyone always knew wherever Alex was, you were always right there, in his back pocket." Just the way I liked it! My very first tattoo was something Alex said to me not long after we met: *Two together are always stronger & happier than One!*

Cherish and express your feelings to the people you



care about. Don't wait. Do it while you can enjoy their response.

Alex was devoted to and proud of his family first, and as a close second to his friends, community and work associates. Everyone knew Alex had the 'gift of the gab' (he called it 'social networking'). Whatever the topic, his goal remained the

same – to make this world, this Haliburton and this life the best it could be. He had a heart of gold and wasn't afraid to share it. He genuinely cared and had an undeniable passion for whatever he was involved in.

Once again, please accept our wholehearted thanks and appreciation for being there to help and console us during our great loss. We will always treasure your expressions of sympathy during this most difficult time.

Rest in Perfect Peace Until We Meet Again.

*'My Love' Cathy oxox
'Dad' Angela (Trevor), Justin (Marina)
'Night, Night Papa... We love you the most!
Kaeden, Landon, Jade & Ethan*

*Thank you family, friends and Haliburton
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