





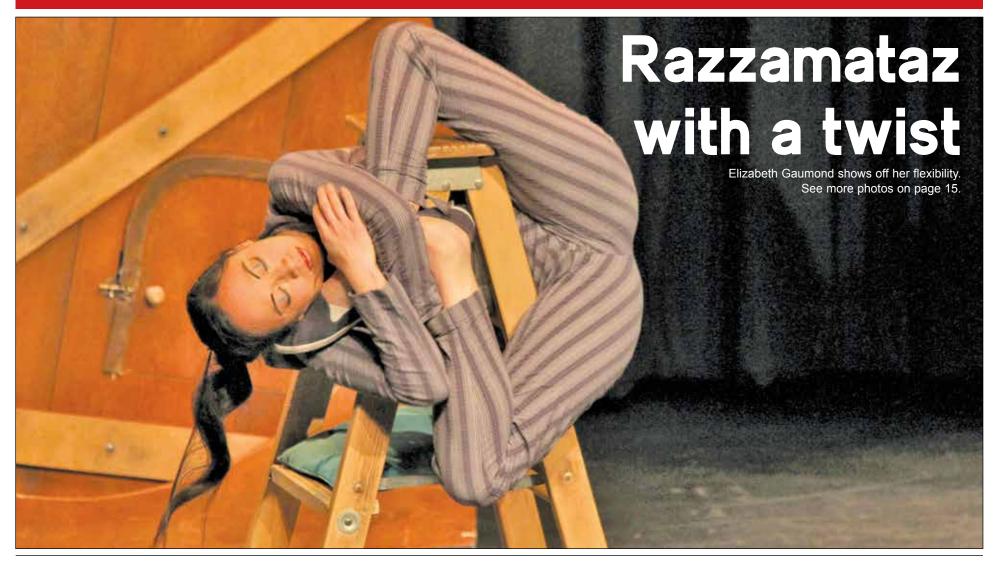
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Forest festival is back with a bang

By Mark Arike

After being cancelled last summer, the Forest Festival is back for its 10th year with some high-caliber Canadian talent.

"We're really, really thrilled with our lineup," said festival manager Lesley English

Every summer, prior to 2016, the festival's taken place at the Bone Lake Amphitheatre and the Logging Museum, both owned

by the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve. But in February last year, a judge ordered the Forest to demolish several buildings, including the museum, because building permits were not obtained. The Forest pulled the plug on the festival in March, shortly after a heated public meeting between owner Peter Schleifenbaum and Dysart council.

Since then, the municipality has reached

an agreement with Forest management and given them a chance to bring the buildings up to code. A team of engineers and architects was assembled to take on the project. It's been a long process, but it appears an end is in sight.

"We're looking forward to hosting the Forest Festival again in 2017," said general manager Malcolm Cockwell. "We were provided with a building permit for the Logging Museum and have nearly completed the remedial work. Once the building permit is closed, we will proceed with applying for mass assembly approvals for the building."

Cockwell can't confirm the timeline but is grateful for the support of Dan Sayers, Dysart's former chief building official (CBO), over the past year and said they're

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Home sweet home for new HHHSF director

By Alex Coop

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) has found its new executive director.

Beginning May 1, Lisa Tompkins, presently the director of sales, marketing and communications for the CN Tower, will take over for Dale Walker at the helm

of the HHHSF and become a permanent resident of the county with her retired

While at the helm for 18 years, Walker helped the foundation raise \$13 million.

"It's quite a privilege to be continuing the excellent and important work that Dale has done for the community," Tompkins told The Highlander.

Tompkins, who's been an HHHSF board member and vice chair for 13 years, will be working closely with Walker during the month of May to ensure a smooth transition.

She has been a cottager in the county for 35 years.

"The two have been synergistic in my life and I look forward to a new chapter," Tompkins said about balancing her volunteer duties with her full-time occupation at the CN Tower. "I've had a wonderful career in my current job ... but I won't miss the commute."

A total of nine applications for Walker's replacement were reviewed between February and March.

Eight of them were worthy of getting the job, says Peter Oyler, and creating a shortlist of three wasn't easy, and it was done with minimal dollars.



Lisa Tompkins.

"They were all very qualified," Oyler said. "Her [Tompkins'] background with the foundation was crucial." HHHSF board member, Eric Recalla, who helped spearhead the recruitment phase, said the board's

"Right now she has to get herself established from a

hands-on perspective," Recalla said, adding Tompkins' different personality and the new ideas she is expected to bring forward will have a positive impact on the foundation.

was unanimous.

"We have some challenges ahead," Recalla said, pointing to gaps in the health care system. "The health system is starving, and we have to do what we can to help with

According to the Ontario Health Coalition, the province has the fewest hospital beds left per capita of any province, and that number is declining.

But Tompkins is enthusiastic about her new role, says Recalla, and looks forward to working with the rest of the foundation.

An emotional Walker reminisced about her time as the foundation's director, and was quick to say the people she met and worked with along the way, in addition to some of the major projects she helped fundraise for, were some of her most cherished memories.

"It's been so great; I've had great people around me and amazing volunteers. It doesn't work without them."

While she isn't retiring, Walker is looking forward to a brief break and spending time with family, before joining her husband Jerry at Walkers Home Hardware.

Buffy Sainte-Marie to open festival

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looking forward to working with the new CBO Karl Korpela.

This five-day festival will take place Aug. 16-20, kicking off with Buffy Sainte-Marie, a Canadian legend who is a member of the Canadian Music Hall of Fame and an officer of the Order of Canada. Annie Sumi will open for her.

Other artists include: Jimmy Rankin of The Rankin Family, Stuart Laughton's

Radio Dial, the Alison Young Quartet, Angel Forrest, The O'Pears, and The Jim Cuddy Trio.

"We try to open and close the festival with a bang," said English.

English and Laughton, who is also the artistic director in addition to a performer, began discussing the lineup in January. They started with a list of about 100 acts.

Tickets go on sale today (April 13). For more information or to buy tickets, visit theforestfestival.com.



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Minden Hills Coun. Jeanne Anthon, MPP Laurie Scott and County Warden Brent Devolin sign the petition to stop the provincial offences court relocation to Lindsay from Minden April 7. *Photo by Lisa Gervais*.

Petition to fight Minden court move

By Lisa Gervais

Local reaction that moving court from Minden to Lindsay is out of order continues with MPP Laurie Scott launching a petition against the move.

She was joined Friday by County Warden Brent Devolin and Minden Hills Coun. Jeanne Anthon at the Minden courthouse, which houses not only provincial offences — which is the court being moved but criminal and small claims court, too.

The petition is addressed to the Ministry of the Attorney General.

It was announced last month that the provincial offences court will be relocated to Lindsay, between July 1, 2017 and July 1, 2018, to allow more justices of the peace (JPs) to be hired and trained.

"The Wynne government made the decision to close this court without any consultation with the County of Haliburton," Scott said, adding it failed to act to fill the positions "and rural Ontario is again getting the short end of the stick."

Scott is worried about reduced access to justice for many people in the county. She said there are only 33 JPs, when there should be 48 and claims this resulted in 1,550 charges in the City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton not receiving a court date in 2016 so "criminals are getting off scot-free because of the government's mismanagement."

She said the move "has far-reaching consequences. Not only do many residents not have the means of travelling to Lindsay, but the closure of the court in Minden will also hurt the local economy."

Devolin said on court day, the municipal parking lot is packed. "You'd think there's a fair going on. They come and go, buy their Timmies, do whatever."

Scott said that "For one day a month, a JP can be up in Minden" and Devolin said, "whether one JP is here or in Lindsay is irrelevant. It makes me ask some more questions. It is, I suspect, more than that."

Scott said with only five weeks until the provincial legislature breaks, people have to quickly sign the petitions so she can read them out and talk to the minister.

She and Devolin hope for a similar outcome to the reversal of the announced closing of the ServiceOntario office in Minden.

However, Devolin is skeptical. He said 15 vacancies out of 48 positions "didn't happen overnight." He said it may be a case of creating a scarcity to justify a consolidation. He added it is also a by-product of the province being \$300 billion in debt, and unable to maintain core services.

"We have three courts – criminal, provincial offences and small claims – this is the smallest pebble to throw in the pond to see what the ripples and what the effects are. Do they have a secondary agenda to move the other ones? That's my fear."

Councillor Anthon said the area faced a similar closure in the 1990s. She recalls the police having to drive to Lindsay for court and since they had few officers they were worried about coverage back in the townships.

Devolin added that a lot of people that end up in our courts are disadvantaged by a lack of transportation, low income or are on some form of social assistance. He thinks municipal government may face more costs for transport to and from Lindsay court.

The petition is at County Council and service counters at other municipal offices and can be signed online at lauriescottmpp.





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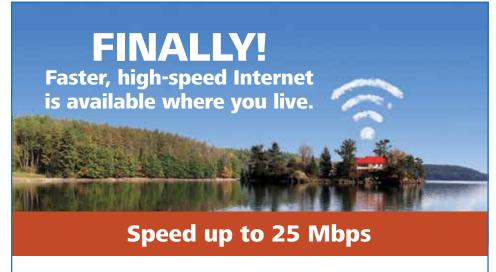
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Steve Young looks at the email that got him to apply for a mystery shopper job, which turned out to be a scam. *File photo*

BMO takes loss to help scam victim

By Mark Arike

When Haliburton resident Steve Young fell victim to a mystery shopper scam, he thought he might be stuck with the debt for the rest of his life.

Now 65 years old, Young was on disability and a limited income when he came across what he believed to be a legitimate job opportunity. But instead, he was conned out of about \$2,700 when he was asked to purchase products and transfer \$2,300 back to the company that issued him a bogus cheque that bounced, leaving him on the hook for the full amount.

That was about nine months ago, in July of 2016.

Since then, he has spoken with staff at his bank—Bank of Montreal—and contacted the office of the ombudsman. They recently agreed to "accept a partial loss" and reduce his debt by nearly \$1,500 to \$1,229.29. Young must pay at least \$50 per month and

will be charged an interest rate of 21 per cent per year.

It will take him two-and-a-half years to pay off the debt.

"We have carefully reviewed the circumstances surrounding this debt and empathize with your situation and want to help," states a letter to Young from Wendy Cooke, regional vice-president of personal banking.

Young is happy with the outcome and realizes he is partly responsible for what happened.

"I would be remiss to say that if they got rid of the whole thing that would be great, but it's my responsibility too," he told *The Highlander*. "The fact that they're taking the responsibility ... I really couldn't ask for more than that."

Young is no longer on disability but is still looking for work. He has back problems and might need to undergo surgery in the

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Highlander news



Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton. Photo submitted.

Injured Burton 'back in full swing'

By Mark Arike

Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton's recovery is going so well that he returned to his seat at the council table last Wednesday.

"Even the physio [staff] can't believe how far I have progressed and how things are going," Burton told The Highlander in a phone interview from his home in Wilberforce.

"I'm going to be back in full swing," he

Just before Christmas, on Dec. 23, Burton slipped and fell on the ice. On the way down, he ruptured the tendons and quad muscles in both legs after landing on his truck's running board.

Burton underwent surgery at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay and was transferred to Haliburton hospital on Jan. 3. He spent about a month-and-a-half there before being transported to Peterborough Regional Health Centre for rehabilitation. He logged a total of 72 days in hospital.

Burton was discharged from Peterborough

While recovering, Deputy Reeve Suzanne Partridge had fulfilled the reeve's duties.

However, Burton stayed on top of council business by calling in to meetings.

Now a therapist visits him at home once a week for about half-an-hour.

"They just see how you're doing and give you more exercises to do," he said.

Burton has a walker but is able to get around without it. He is driving and is able to shower on his own. One of the biggest challenges has been regaining his balance.

"I'm out walking a little bit," he said, adding his driveway is somewhat steep but that makes it a good exercise for his

Burton will have a follow-up appointment with his surgeon at some point in time.

He is grateful for the care he received in Haliburton, especially from the nurses and doctors like Dr. Kristy Gammon. He visited the hospital recently to thank them in person.

"The care was excellent."

Burton took an extended leave in Highlands East and wasn't expected to return until June. Early on, his full recovery was estimated at three weeks to three

Park will pay homage to Herliheys

By Mark Arike

A property on Dark Lake in Wilberforce that was home to a veneer plant will become a public park once ownership is transferred to Highlands East.

Council recently approved the acquisition of land, which will become dedicated parkland. It will be called the Herlihey Park—named after the family that owned the plant in its heyday.

"We're pretty excited about it," said Reeve Dave Burton.

According to an unsigned agreement, trustee David Marcus signed a purchase and sale agreement in February on behalf

of the donors, Carol Jean Marcus and Karl Marcus, to buy the land from Vacation Properties Inc. They will donate \$399,900 to the municipality, and the municipality will use the money to buy the parklands. It will be a public park in perpetuity.

Clerk Irene Cook said the family approached the municipality about making the donation. The municipality will incur costs associated with the purchase such as land transfer tax, HST and registration

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An open letter to the premier

Dear Kathleen,

Haliburton County here. Just thought we'd write to let you know that your Ministry of the Attorney General has dropped the ball. Seems they've neglected to hire justices of the peace across the province. Oops. That means our residents will soon have the pleasure of driving at least 140 km return to go to provincial offences court in Lindsay, instead of Minden.

I say drive because we don't have any public transit up here. Speaking of which, we're so glad that you're spending a bundle on that one-stop subway in Scarborough. That will come in handy when we're forced to travel to the city for medical services that are lacking here. But we digress.

Also, in case you haven't heard, there are more than 110 people on the waiting list for basic beds at our two long-term care facilities. Seems they may have to wait a year or two to get in. We sure hope they make it. You might have overheard our MPP, Laurie Scott talking to your minister in question period. She was complaining. Again. We know, typical Tory. Seems our LHIN is the worst in the province when it comes to the shortage of long-term care beds.

Oh, and you and your press clippers might have missed another story from these parts a couple of weeks ago.

In just one month, a \$62,000 surplus at Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) was reduced to a mere \$2,600 thanks to Hydro costs. So far, the corporation has spent \$180,000 more on hydro than it did at the same time last year. And this was after investing in your now world-famous FIT program for solar panels. Funny. We thought you were decreasing hydro costs. Our health service has seen a 42 per cent increase while consumption is up just two per cent.

Still on health, you are welcome. Yes, our Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) continues to raise money on your behalf to provide essential health services that your government just can't seem to deliver. We have a new palliative centre being built and local folks have raised more than a million dollars towards it. All up, our HHHSF has raised about \$13 million over the years. Just as in any third world country, we're doing our best to fund our own local healthcare. For example, with the closest obstetrical services over an hour away, we're determined that no woman should ever

have to squat in a field. Unless it's snowing. Bad roads.

And, last but not least, thanks for supporting 61 per cent of the cost of running our local women's



By Lisa Gervais

shelter in Minden.. One in three women is probably exaggerating, anyway. But just in case they aren't, the YWCA Peterborough Haliburton came cap-inhand to our little municipal government. It responded with a \$25,000 donation that we can't afford. The rest of the community picked up the remainder of your slack for that one. Then again, who can put a price on the safety of women and children? Oh that's right, your government can. Word of advice: aim higher. Too bad about those billions lost in cancelled contracts. A fraction of a percent of that money could have made such a difference here, but we understand: OPS salaries and consultants fees are more important than basic services.

But don't worry. We'll be ok.

Signed, **Desperate** in Haliburton

What we learned

Please allow me to indulge just for a moment to set the scene. Some of you may already be aware of a creative property a friend and I came up with some nine years ago which has now gone from seed to a thriving plant. It's called Highways to Fairways, a TV show where two guys travel all over looking for the most unique golfing adventures they can find, plus exploreing everything else they can find along the way. Currently it's playing across Canada on TSN, Canada's sports network. I mention all of this not for congratulations but to exhibit to us all how and why success stories like this are indeed possible in Haliburton County.

Sure we had the initial idea. Someone has to start the motor. But the more important points to be made here are why something like this is very possible in a place like ours. We can all learn something here. In fact, I think it's very important to reverse engineer our local successes and failures to see why they did or didn't go as planned. There are some real commonalities to things around here that find the light of day. Yes, I'm

talking about one particular instance in this case but I feel the Haliburton County rules for business success are becoming universal. Literally.

The first lesson is how the location of a business is becoming irrelevant. We produced a TV show in a very small place. Take the internet and the ability to reach a potential worldwide audience and you can see that the marketplace for a lot of businesses in this region is not inhibited by being here in any way. Your clients honestly have no idea - and frankly don't care where you're located. Price and quality is all they're interested in.

Following in line with this is the irony that the real future of Haliburton County will largely be decided by people and resources not in Haliburton County. One is the customers themselves but also those workers not from here. It's amazing that only one person in our production team was actually born here, and it's not me. In other words, business success locally will be largely determined by people who have chosen to adopt Haliburton County

as their home. Instead of enduring a lifestyle to become successful, today's professional is trying to find the perfect balance between career happiness and lifestyle. In this regard, Haliburton County is



By Charlie

becoming extremely attractive to those wanting to escape the prophetic rat race.

Lastly is the premise that being small also equates to being agile. While things here tend to move slowly, they also tend to move rapidly once you gain some momentum. There just isn't the maze of red tape to cut through to get something done whether that's business or municipal support. If you come at it with a decent plan and the energy to match, you'll find a lot of people onside which is vital to moving it along on so many levels. Whether it's a TV show or any other world domination notions you may have we all can learn that the local paths to success are changing rapidly.

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A triad of judges said, "What a pleasure reading The Highlander! A very clean front page and the photography is exceptional. The paper presented a very strong editorial opinion section and easy to read news and business sections that were well laid out. "What really stood out for me was the repetitive use of the Highlander name in red at the top of each section. It drew me right into the stories. The use of large photos, well designed advertising, and a great layout made this an overall choice as one of the winning papers. Congratulations Highlander staff."

Alex Coop's editorial on the Syrian newcomers to Haliburton received third place honours. The judges said, "Well said. A call to open one's mind is well-served."

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Editorial opinion

Eye on the street: Which Canadian NHL team are you most excited about during the playoffs?



Ryan Akey Haliburton

It's the Leafs. I've been a big Leafs fan for a while.



Steve Presley

Huntsville

The Edmonton Oilers. I want to see how Connor McDavid performs under pressure.



Jesse Ferry

Huntsville

I'm going to go with the Oilers, too. Looking forward to McDavid in the playoffs.



Walt McKechnie

Eagle Lake

The Oilers. They've had so many lean years, many draft choices and it's all coming together finally.



Juan Monroy

Peterborough

Calgary Flames. They're a young team that's been rebuilding. I want to see what they can do.

Photos and interviews by Alex Coop

Is that mere tokenism?

Dear editor, (re: Daughters of the vote, p. 9, The Highlander, Thursday, March 2)

There is a lesson here. From the fairvote.ca website, "Proportional representation and a wider choice in political parties have been shown to work to the advantage of women and other minority groups in country after country in Europe." Doris Anderson. The Unfinished Revolution.

And this, "of the five countries in the world who have 30 per cent or more female parliamentarians in their single or lower house (Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark and the Netherlands), three have a proportional electoral system, and two have a mixed proportional electoral system (with none having a majoritarian system). Of the eight countries that have 25-29 per cent female MPs in their lower

or single house (New Zealand, Seychelles, Austria, Germany, Iceland, Argentina, Mozambique and South Africa), all have either proportional or mixed proportional electoral systems (again, none have a majoritarian system). At the lowest worldwide level of female political representation, in those countries with 10 per cent or less women in the lower or single house of Parliament, a far higher proportion have a majoritarian electoral system, with nearly 90 per cent of countries that have no female parliamentarians using a majority system."

International Women's Day 2017 saw 338 women occupy all the seats in the House of Commons for one day with no power to propose legislation. Is that mere tokenism?

Jim Milne Haliburton

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



A deer checks its surroundings around Pine Avenue in Haliburton. Photo by Alex Coop.

For my dad

I'm back in Blighty at the moment. I'm visiting my parents.

Mary, my mum, is thrilled to see me and I hope that my dad is, too. It's just that I can't really tell because my dad's dying, you see.

He's had Parkinson's disease for a while now and the hell that this physically crippling demon has wreaked on his body is now being matched blow for blow by dementia. Then, as if this cataclysmic duo of disabilities were not more than enough for any decent fellow to endure, he fell over last week and the subsequent stroke has finally knocked what little stuffing was left right out of him.

I received the phone call that I've long dreaded on Wednesday. My mum in tears. My dad in hospital.

Still stunned by the news, I booked a flight home but it was only a couple of days later, as I sat waiting for my departure that the realization that I'd be flying back to England to see my dad, possibly for the last time, really took hold.

He's always been a quiet man, stoic even. His nickname was old stoneface, long before he was diagnosed with Parkinson's. Never getting overexcited, even when all around him flew out of control, that was my dad. Always knowing what to do, always being prepared: like the time when my siblings, mum and I were route marched through the Welsh countryside, in the name of a holiday hike. The clouds suddenly broke and we screamed as the rain teemed down. Dad simply opened the backpack. took out a folded plastic tarp and instructed us to sit under it and each hold a corner, while mum divvied up the picnic from beneath. It felt ridiculous then (I was 10 years old, I think) and I'm sure I very grumpily let my dad know as much but it makes me smile to think of that family picnic now.

On a summer's day in 2009, we got notice of our Canadian resident visas and drove from London to our family homes to break the fantastic life-changing news. Our parents had no idea but my mum beat me to the knockout punchline.

"Your dad's got Parkinson's," she said into my ear as we hugged our hellos. Four years of anticipation and waiting for the Canadian green light shot to smithereens in seconds.

But, no. As I talked to my dad about his diagnosis he sensed that there was a maple leaf emblazoned elephant in the room.

"You got your visas, didn't you," he said with a smile. "Mary, William's going to Canada! He got in! That's wonderful news lad, now go live your dreams."

I regret that he only managed to visit my beautiful home here in Haliburton County once before his disease really set in. He was already struggling with his facial expressions and speaking but I remember his love of

The**Outsider**

By Will Jones

our home by the river and the boyish joy on his face when I showed him my lever action 30-30 rifle.

"Just like Clint Eastwood and John Wayne used to shoot," he mumbled, a wide grin forcing its way past the Parkinson's.

When he fired it his hand was steady and aim straight; seven holes pocking the centre of the paper target. Just how I remembered him: strong, straight and true.

The next time I come back to England you'll most likely be in a wooden box, dad. I'll be very sad but I know that it will be a relief for you and for mum, too. I love you. I'll never forget all the love and wisdom that you passed on to me and I'll do my best to be as good a father to my son as you are to me.





Left, Brianne Pockett uses a megaphone to get the attention of students in the hall. Right, Grade 11 student Tyra Barrett, paints teacher Catherine Andress' nails. Photos by Mark

Students raise \$1,200 for autism awareness

Bv Mark Arike

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students have once again raised enough money to ensure their teachers end up participating in zany challenges this week.

On Monday, students in the practical academics and life skills (PALS) program raised \$1,200 for Autism Ontario and their program by hosting a bake sale and selling raffle tickets for prizes. They also painted fingernails for a \$2 donation. Now in its fourth year, the initiative is known as Light It Up Blue.

The fundraiser was originally scheduled to take place last Friday, but was postponed due to school bus cancellations.

"I tried to put it up on Facebook and

and spread the word," said Brianne Pockett, educational assistant and head organizer.

The event was open to the general public. There were different fundraising targets, ranging from \$200 to \$1,200. At each level, staff agreed to participate in a challenge. For example, two teachers will have 50 crickets dumped on their heads with a bug

Twitter as much as I could to remind people helmet on Thursday during lunch hour. Vice principal David Waito will sing karaoke the same day. And for \$1,500, principal Dan Marsden agreed to sleep on the roof of the school one night next week.

> The fundraiser takes place around World Autism Awareness Day, which is always held on April 2.

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Making travel easy in Haliburton

Communities in Action promoting smoother travel

By Alex Coop

Last summer's temporary pop-up installation in front of Baked and Battered in Haliburton was just the first step towards improving transportation flow on the busy stretch of County Road 21.

Haliburton's Communities in Action, a group dedicated to the promotion of active transportation, now wants to take it a step further by working closely with municipal and county governments to target enhanced road maintenance including snow removal and gravel removal on road shoulders and connecting existing trail networks.

In collaboration with Active Neighbourhoods Canada (ANC), which is a partnership of organizations across Canada aiming to promote and enhance green, active and healthy neighbourhoods, CIA hopes to meet its 20-year targets in Haliburton.

Haliburton is the ANC's rural case study. Sue Shikaze and Kate Hall of CIA presented Dysart council with some of those details and explained why they chose to study the area from Whispering Pines Housing east to Gelert Road, and Highland Street from Gelert Road to downtown Haliburton, during a regular council meeting March 27.

"One of the reasons why we were looking

at this section was because it has a dual function, it's a local highway but also links Haiburton to Minden and beyond, but also functions as a local street ... it's linking residents to various services and employment," Hall told councillors. "It's a very walkable and bikeable area.

"Our goal is to see how it can become a more complete street."

The results of a temporary pop-up traffic calming experiment from York Street to the town dock parking lot were presented to councillors in December.

The experiment was done last September, and revealed that nearly 25,900 cars drove by the area during the two-day experiment. Many were entering or exiting the parking lot by the town docks.

Nearly 30 per cent of vehicles driving by the pop-up block were driving more than 60 km/h.

CIA has spoken with high school students, Fleming College, and members of the public throughout the past 18 months, Hall explained.

She also pointed out that many people don't drive. A focus group in 2015 revealed that 30 per cent of people in Haliburton prefer walking, while 17 per cent ride a bike. Thirty-three per cent of people drive a car, while the rest use a school bus,

ride a longboard or skateboard, or drive a motorized scooter.

In addition to pop-up blocks, Shikaze and Hall suggested working closely with municipal and county councils to enhance road maintenance. The ultimate goal in 20 years is to have County Road 21 and Highland Street accommodate all road users and create an active living corridor that includes pavement markings for pedestrians heading west towards Tim Hortons.

While council supported some of the CIA's suggestions regarding painted markings on the road, specifically around Baked and Battered, it decided another pop-up installation in the summer wasn't necessary.

Reeve Murray Fearrey reminded council that they had looked at the CIA's final report.

"The discussion around the table was that we could put lines in but we are not going to narrow the parking lot entrance," he said.

The pop-up installation reduced the parking lot entrance from its original width of 16 m, to 6 m, which according to CIA, improved traffic flow and reduced risk to pedestrians walking by the area.

But Fearrey said a truck hauling a boat or a large trailer wouldn't be able to turn into the parking lot in that situation.

Bookkeeping fix adds to township funds

By Alex Coop

The township of Algonquin Highlands received a \$30,000 boost to its current revenue after council passed a resolution to absorb security deposits that have been unaccounted for since 2003.

In her report to council April 6, treasurer Tammy McKelvey said the Township has \$10,000 from 2003, \$10,000 from 2005 and a further \$10,000 from 2009 still set up as securities in their general ledger.

"These funds may very well have been paid back and charged to an expense account at the time the cheque was issued for the refund. Unfortunately, the general ledger detail is difficult to track back that far," McKelvey's report said.

The security account prior to 2009 was recently discussed with the township's auditor.

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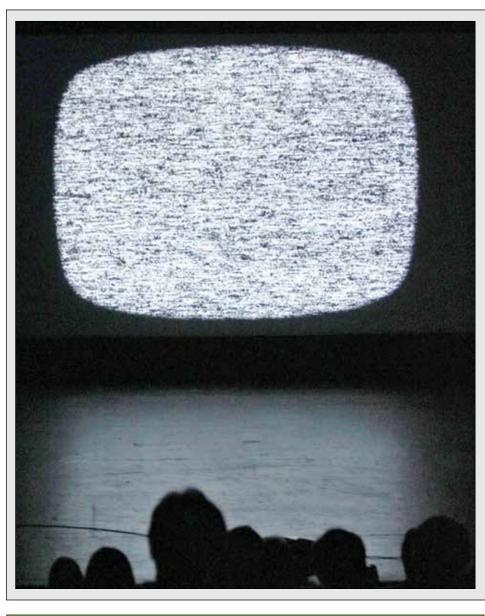
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Flexing the vocal chords

In preparation of Canada's 150th birthday this summer, the Highlands Festival Singers (HFS) held a rehearsal at the Haliburton United Church April 8. HFS will join the North Hastings Community Choir in Bancroft and the College Community Choir in Lindsay for a mass choir concert in May. Performances will be held in Bancroft, Lindsay and Minden. The Minden performance will take place May 9 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. Right, Melissa Stephens leads the rehearsal at the Haliburton United Church. *Photo by Alex Coop*.





Doc(k) Day delivers the goods

The Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion was packed throughout the day Saturday during the Doc(k) Day documentary film festival in Haliburton. Five documentaries were shown, beginning with Dysart 150: The Movie, a documentary produced by Kim Emmerson. Awardwinning filmmaker Garry Beitel's documentary In Pursuit of Peace capped off the day. In the 86-minute long documentary, Beitel and a small crew follow four Canadian peacemakers who enter some of the most dangerous places on the planet to resolve conflicts. The other films included Obit, Cameraperson and What Lies Below. Photo by Alex Coop.

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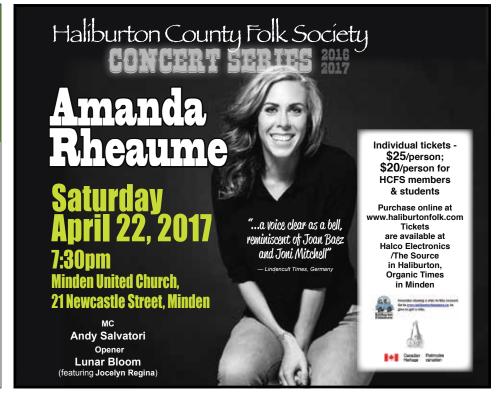
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- Update on the 2017 season
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New centre for cancer patients and their supporters

By Lisa Gervais

A newly-established non-profit organization in Haliburton County is lending support to people living with cancer and their primary support person.

It's called Abbey Retreat Centre (ARC), is on the grounds of Abbey Gardens, and recently held its first ever residential retreat.

Joy Davey, who is the ARC board chair, said they had 10 participants between a Thursday night and Sunday afternoon and, "It went very, very well. We were very pleased with how the retreat experience went and how the various components fell into place."

Davey said discussions about what is now ARC began about two years ago and they are now formally incorporated.

"The whole idea of the retreat is to help them to deal with the stressors that are connected with living with cancer," Davey said.

For example, they have a support group that meets every day for a couple of hours so people can talk about "the fears they run into, challenges, difficulties and the places where they are making important discoveries of what life is about."

The board has also been networking with a series of health care and other professionals to come up with retreat programming.







She said there are day programs elsewhere, but to come and live together for three or four days, or even up to a week, "offers a whole different experience and allows people to drop into a much deeper level.

"We've put a lot of work into really developing a program and so this weekend was a chance to try out what we thought the best formula was. We will make minor adjustments on the way through."

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Davey said they are content in knowing certain components of the program are important.

"There's lots of evidence about things to reduce stress. We know that stress is a major factor in people's lives and in their health challenges. So, we try to create as healthy a living environment as possible that includes things such as yoga, meditation and conscious working with breath, support groups and contacts for people to share their cancer journeys with other people who are dealing with cancer."

Davey said there is a lot of emphasis on healthy eating and good cancer diets. She said one component is having a nutritionist come to talk about foods that are advised and foods that are not advised. One member of the ARC team is a naturopathic oncologist from the Barrie area. He led a session outlining the naturopathic practices that, along with traditional treatments such as surgery, chemotherapy and radiation, provide an integrative approach to cancer treatment.

During the first retreat, they had four women come and do therapeutic touch.

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Davey said she and her husband ran a similar retreat space in New York State for 20 years so "come with lots of experience." She said they represent a group of people, many of whom have been involved in the Abbey Gardens Community Trust (AGCT). Abbey Retreat Centre will have its home in the to-be-renovated former home of the Hewitt family located at the rear of the AGCT property."

The Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) recently granted the ARC \$18,000.

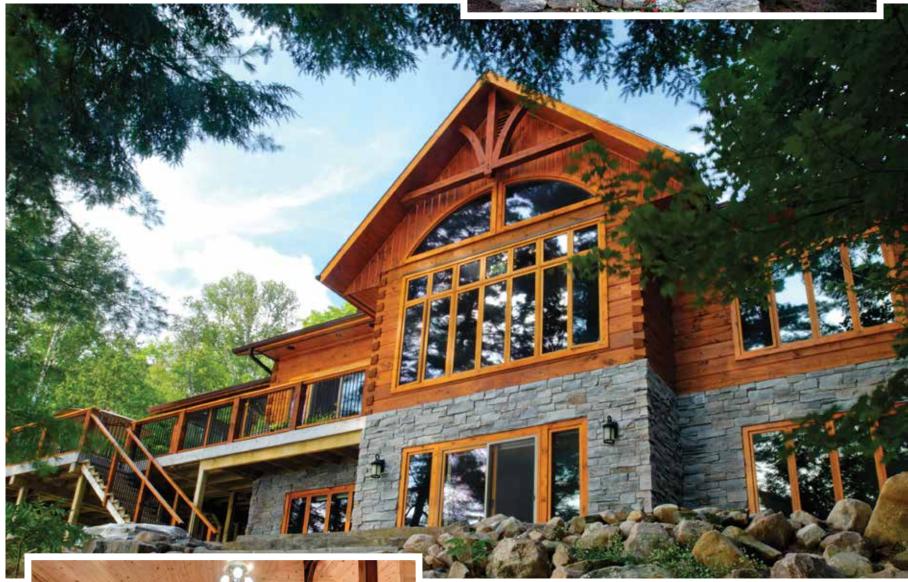
Its chairman, Andrew Hodgson, said, "We are thrilled to be able to be a participant in this exciting project. We feel it will be a wonderful addition to our community. Very exciting. It will bring a lot of positive attention, as a national leader in this field, to our county. Not only benefiting the clients, but our economy as well. Congratulations to Abbey Gardens for their initiative and vision for allowing our community to host such a wonderful centre."

There are only two other centres in Canada doing this type of work, Davey said, one in British Columbia and one in Alberta. She said it was unique to Eastern Canada and they hope to become "the place people go to for this type of service."

Davey said they were "looking forward to a wonderful future in the Haliburton area." For more information, contact: abbeyretreatcentrejoy@gmail.com

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Stretching and flexing the creative muscles

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Two bands, tons of fun await

By Mark Arike

Put on your dancing shoes and get ready to swing to the sounds of two local bands this Saturday night at the Haliburton Legion.

Custom Blend with special guest Charlie Davis and Fifth Business will hit the stage for "Two Bands One Great Dance," a fundraiser concert for the Highlands Summer Festival. The event runs from

7:30-10:30 p.m.

In addition, it will feature door prizes, and silent and loonie auctions.

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton, Sassy Digs in Minden or online at highlandssummerfestival.on.ca. Band members and festival board members also have tickets.

Travelling through time

The S.G Nesbitt Memorial Arena was packed with people catching a glimpse of the Minden Skating Club's annual carnival. This year's show, titled "Travel in Time," featured 16 performances and captured the essence of various themes from the past, present and future. There was no shortage of creativity and colour on display, as vikings, knights, robots and clowns took to the ice to perform. Below: Vivian Collings does a solo performance to the song "Can't Stop Me Now" by Queen. Bottom: Quinn Carpenter with a smile on her face as she hits the ice. Photos by Alex Coop.





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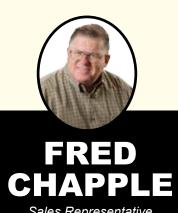
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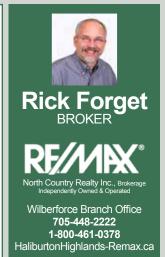


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The final results are as follows: 1st place in the 2nd event - Glen Smith, skip, Monique Colliver, Fred Jansma, Donna Smith.

1st place in the 3rd event - Jessica Byers,

skip, Nancy Walker, Brian Hambly, John Devine.

1st place in the 4th event - Sandra Duchemin, skip, Mike King, Jonah Aldom, Julie Tolentino.



The overall winning team. From left, Lesley Milford, vice, Don Gentle, lead, Ron Draper, skip, and Bob Manary, second. *Photo submitted*.

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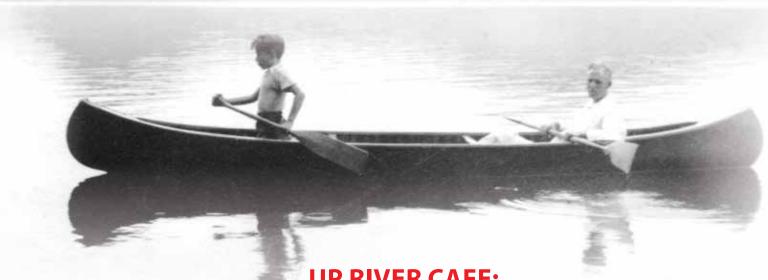
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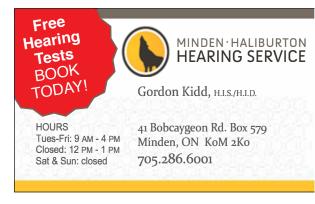






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Highland Storm



2016-17 BANTAM YEAR IN REVIEW



The 2016-17 Highland Storm Bantam team.

A Message from Assistant Coach, Clay Glecoff

The 2016/17 Highland Storm Bantam's season had many peaks and valleys, but when all was said and done they exceeded expectations, not only growing on the ice, but off it as well. Our team's chemistry was on point early, as we steam-rolled the competition en route to a championship showdown at our

hometown Cody Hodgson Fall Classic tournament. Though we ultimately came home as A-finalists, it set us on course for the rest of the season, our work ethic never faltered, and we stuck to the process.

Other highlights throughout the season included winning the B Division

championship in Campbellford and making it to the semifinals at the end of the season, after winning the first two rounds of the OMHA All-Ontario playdowns. The Bantam team will be sure to miss their teammates graduating onto Midget, but what is one team's loss, will certainly be the Midget's gain,

as the contributions our players will have on their system will be immediate. I thank coach Mike MacNaull for having me and I thank the parents for being patient and supportive all season.







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Highland Storm





Haliburton Timber Mart's 3-Stars of the Bantam season





Nigel Smith #12 RIGHT WING

The nimble right-winger, whose anticipation often found him the recipient of timely goals, earns our first star of the 2016/17 season for all the work he did when he didn't have possession of the puck. Nigel's work ethic often had him the first forward back on the backcheck, transitioning quickly enough to lead the breakout into the offensive zone. His scintillating play changed the tide most games, as Nigel could often be counted on as the flint that sparked the team's momentum.



Isaac Little #16 DEFENCE

The high-flying Highland Storm Bantam team played so cohesively as a unit all season, that picking three representatives to show the team's successes is no easy task. Isaac, who was an absolute workhorse on the backend, would play in all scenarios for the Storm, dictating the pace of the game with his timely body checks and quick transitions on the breakout. Little showed he was no slouch on the offensive side of the puck, as he was quickly entrusted with quarterbacking the team's power play.



Benn MacNaull #8 CENTRE

Early in the season when the Bantams hosted the Cody Hodgson tournament, they impressed with their poise and hustle, cruising to the final on the backs of strong performances like Benn MacNaull's, who tallied a point in each game, en route to finishing as A-finalists. MacNaull wasn't only an offensive threat, as he was counted on to win key draws and kill penalties.

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

DATE: Monday, April 24, 2017

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

to consider minor variance applications PLMV2016075, PLMV2017002, PLMV2017011, PLMV2017019, PLMV2017019, PLMV2017020, and PLMV2017021. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

PLMV2016075 - Part of Lot 33, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as <u>1083 Lucky Copper Trail</u>; and located on Salerno Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to construct a walkout basement addition to the dwelling and to reconstruct the deck to project further towards the water. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning By-law to permit a 2.4m (8') increase in height to a non-complying dwelling, and to permit a further 0.9m (3') projection towards the high water mark of a non-complying deck. As a result of the proposed development, the deck would be situated 18.3m (60') from the high water mark whereas it is currently 19.2m (63'); the dwelling would remain 21.9m (72') from the high water mark.

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PLMV2017019 - Part of Lot 19, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1059 Hymmendale Lane; and located on Kashagawigamog Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to construct an addition to the existing dwelling within the required side yard setback; and, to construct a garage to the front of the dwelling and within the required setback from the water. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning By-law to permit a side yard setback of 1.6m (5'4"), whereas 4.5m (14'9") is otherwise required, and to permit an accessory structure to be located to the front of the principle building and to be 12.2m (40') from the High Water Mark.



PLMV2017002 - Part of Lot 10, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as 1249 U of T Survey Camp Drive; and located on Gull Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to reconstruct the existing boathouse to accommodate a rooftop patio with stairs leading up. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning By-law to permit the increase in height of a non-conforming use (boathouse). The existing height of the boathouse (to midpoint) is 3.1m (10'3"), while the proposed height is 3.8m (12'6") (to top of handrail).



PLMV2017020 - Part of Lot 11 & 12, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Anson; being vacant land on <u>Claude Brown Road</u> (Roll 4616-010-000-26600); and located on Big Bob Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to construct a new dwelling with attached deck within the required setback from the water. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning By-law to permit a dwelling to be located 12.5m (41') from the High Water Mark, and to permit the attached deck to project an additional 1.8m (6') towards the water, for a setback of 10.7m (35') from the High Water Mark.



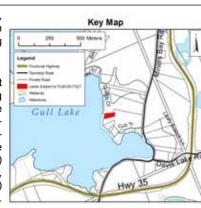
PLMV2017011 - Part of Lot 25, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>2321 Blairhampton Road</u>; and located on Soyers Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to replace the existing non-complying dwelling which is located 19.1m (62.5') from the high water mark with a larger and taller dwelling. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning By-law to permit an increase in height of 2.3m (7'6") to the existing 3.8m (12'9") high non-complying dwelling. The proposed development would not project closer to the water but would measure 6.2m (20'3") in height (average finished grade to midpoint of roof).



PLMV2017017 - Part of Lot 14, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as 1252 Silverwood Road; and located on Canning Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to reconstruct and expand their existing boathouse. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning Bylaw to permit the expansion and relocation of a nonconforming use (boathouse). The proposed boathouse would be $52m^2$ (560sq.ft) which is $15.6m^2$ (168sq.ft) larger than the existing $36.4m^2$ (392sq.ft.) building, and would be 3.4m (11") higher than the existing (9'6") boathouse, as measured to the midpoint of the roof. The proposed boathouse would sit 6.1m (20') from the high water mark which is 0.8m (2'9") further from the water than its current location



PLMV2017021 - Part of Lot 16, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, being Part 6 of Plan 19R-8517; being vacant land on <u>Cub Trail</u> (Roll 4616-051-000-82114); and located on Gull Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to construct a new 276.3m² (2,974sq.ft.) dwelling and measuring 5.5m (18') in height (to midpoint of roof) with attached decks within the required setback from the High Water Mark. In order to permit the development, the applicant seeks relief from the Township's Zoning By-law to allow for a 24.6m (80.6') setback from the High Water Mark whereas 30m (98'5") is otherwise required. The variance also seeks to permit the attached decks projecting to 23.3m (75'5") from the High Water Mark whereas 26.5m (87') is otherwise required.



HAVE YOUR SAY: Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS: To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail iclendening@mindenhills.ca. If you do not make a written submission prior to a decision, nor make an oral submission at the Public Hearing, and subsequently submit an appeal of the decision, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

MORE INFORMATION: Additional information regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the hearing at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours, and online at www.mindenhills.ca.

For more information about this matter contact iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2017.

Ian Clendening, MPI.
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden ON., K0M 2K0

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April 5

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- Skylar Pratt
 163
- 6. Casey Heley







Top: ASES player Gillian Rosik goes in for the basket. Above: Brooke Stover does a layup during practice before the game. *Photos by Mark Arike*.

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Elementary girls hoop it up in zone tournament

By Mark Arike

Four teams, including two from Haliburton County, participated in the annual Intermediate Girls' Zone Basketball Tournament on April 6 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School (ASES) in Minden.

Despite having home court advantage, the Grade 7 and 8 girls from ASES and J.D. Hodgson Elementary School were unable to secure a spot in the upcoming county tournament. The full-day tournament began with ASES taking on Bobcaygeon. ASES took the early lead but their opponents gained momentum, leading to a 14-10 victory. Bobcaygeon came in second place

with two wins and one loss. But the top performing team was Langton Public School of Fenelon Falls. They won all three of their games by large margins to finish first.

The top two teams will play in the county tournament on April 18 at Fenelon Falls Secondary School. It will include teams from across the Trillium Lakelands District School Board except Muskoka. Before their first game, ASES coach Cheryl Patterson praised her team for their hard work this year. They played in an exhibition game against JDH the week before and won.

"They're a great group of girls," said Patterson.

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Iean Clarke

(Resident of Halibuton, Ontario

Peacefully with her family by her side on Friday afternoon, March 10, 2017 in her 86th year. Beloved wife of the late Donald Clarke (1988). Loving mother of Gwen (Greg Boggiss) of Kamloops and Leith of Haliburton. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Sandy (Dale), Scott (Amanda), Christopher (Kerry) and Cameron and by her great grandchildren Taylor, Ryan and Alley. Jean was a teacher in Beamsville, Ontario for many years. She enjoyed travel,

genealogy, knitting and most of all her family.

Celebration of Life & Reception

Jean's wish was that her body be donated to Queen's University - School of Anatomy. A Celebration of Life will take place at SILVER BEACH CLUBHOUSE 1827 Wigamog Road, Haliburton on Sunday afternoon, April 23, 2017 from 1 - 3 p.m. As

expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Land Trust or the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation - Palliative Care Unit would be appreciated by the family.



FUNERAL SERVICES



Funerals and Memorial Services

127 Bobcaygeon Rd Minden, ON 705-286-2181 ww.gordonmonkfuneralhome.con

EVENTS

A CANADIAN CHORAL CELEBRATION ** 150 YEARS + 150 VOICES **

A Massed Choir Concert Celebrating Canada's 150th Birthday

Presented By

The College Community Choir Lindsay The Highlands Festival Singers Haliburton The North Hastings Community Choir Bancroft

Directed by Melissa Stephens

CONCERT DATES ARE

Bancroft: Sat. May 6th 4 pm North Hastings S.S., Lindsay: Sun. May 7th 4 pm Victoria Park Armoury Minden: Tues.May 9th 7 pm Archie Stouffer Elementary



The North Hastings Community Choir ALGONQUIN ARTS COUNCIL wish to thank

TICKETS \$15 GENERAL ADMISSION

Available from

Choir members

150years150voices@gmail.com

705 457 4916

CRANBERRY COTTAGE 162 Highland St. Haliburton

MINDEN PHARMASAVE 110 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden

ORGANIC TIMES 134 Bobcaygeon Rd, Minden

HARVEST MOON WHOLE FOODS 33 Station Street, Bancroft

POSIES FLOWERS & FASHION 3 Bridge Street West, Bancroft

EVENTS

MOTHER'S DAY SALE Featuring local vendors and artisans. April 22nd at Minden Legion from 10am-4pm. Great time to shop and meet local vendors.

BLISS IN THE NORTH Energy & Chakra Group, Thurs. evenings @ 6:30 p.m. Learn about chakras & how energy works. Call Denise 705-457-7827 for info.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - WE CARE Meetings: Wednesdays, noon −1 p.m., Sundays 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. St. Anthony's, 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton. All welcome. 705-324-9900.

AL ANON- WE CARE, are you troubled by someone's drinking? Meetings: Tuesday 7 - 8 p.m., St. Anthony's 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton. All are welcome.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM - Haliburton Legion: Thursdays from Feb 23 to Apr. 20, 9 a.m. – 12 noon. Wilberforce Legion, Wednesdays from Feb. 22 to Apr. 19, 2 – 3:30 p.m.

LUNCH FOR THE BEREAVED, an informal get-together for those who are experiencing bereavement. Light lunch, no registration required. Fridays 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Haliburton: 1st and 3rd Friday at SIRCH, 2 Victoria St. Minden: 2nd and 4th Friday at Minden Legion on Hwy 35. For more info: 705-457-2941 ext. 2932

VON SMART exercise program for balance, strength, and flexibility. Minden on Wed. at 11 a.m. in the Hyland Crest Auditorium, and in Haliburton on Thurs, at 1 p.m. at Echo Hills. For more information contact Judy Webb at 705-286-5098 or Carol Browne at 705-457-4551.

CAREERS

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Consider a career in Real Estate. We will train you to make an above- average income in this exciting business. Contact us now for details. Kate Archer, Broker/V.P. 705-457-2220 Direct Line: 705-930-4040

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HELP WANTED



Township of Algonquin Highlands PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

Employment Opportunity 1 SEASONAL LABOURER Stanhope (Approximately 16 weeks)

May through August

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is looking for 1 Seasonal Labourer to assist with all aspects of municipal road maintenance and construction. The ideal candidate will be physically fit as manual labour is an important part of the job.

Must have a valid Ontario Driver's License with a clean driving abstract. Certification in Traffic Control, WHMIS and Chainsaw is

Employees are required to be energetic, cooperative, customer service oriented individuals who take pride in their work and have a demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and with a crew. Dependability is a MUST as is the availability to work outside of regular hours including weekends and evenings

A detailed job description is available online at www.algonquinhighlands.ca or upon

The Township of Algonquin Highlands offers a friendly and busy work environment. Interested parties are invited to submit their resumés to the address below no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday April 20, 2017.

Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Rd. Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1 ATT: Mr. Mike Thomas CRS-I Operations Manager mthomas@algonquinhighlands.ca

We thank all applicants and advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

This personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act and will be used to determine eligibility for potential employment.



The Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands requires an

Environmental Coordinator

The Township of Algonquin Highlands with a permanent population of 2,000 and a seasonal population exceeding of Algonquin Highlands with a permanent 10,000 is known within Central Ontario as an area of natural beauty where residents enjoy a rural lifestyle second to none.

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from qualified persons for the position of Coordinator. Reporting to the Operations experienced. Environmental Manager, the Environmental Coordinator is responsible for developing, implementing and administering waste diversion programs and initiatives, including education and promotion, and assisting in the administration of the Township's solid waste management program. The Environmental Coordinator provides overall support to the Operations Manager.

This position is also the website administrator for the Township.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Post-secondary education in Environmental studies;
- Minimum of two (2) years relevant experience preferably in the municipal sector;
- Sound knowledge of principles, objectives, methods and
- procedures applicable to waste diversion; Working knowledge of provincial legislation, regulations and guidelines relating to waste diversion in Ontario;
- Proficiency and experience with the Microsoft Office Suite;
- Ability to work independently as well as in a team
- Excellent organizational, problem-solving, report-writing, communication, presentation and public speaking skills;
- Graphic design skills/training is an asset;
- A valid "G" Driver's Licence for the Province of Ontario with a Clean Driver's Abstract.

\$26.18 - \$29.47 (35 hours/week)

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is an equal opportunity employer. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the information gathered will be used solely for the purpose of job selection. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Visit our website at: contacted. www.algonquinhighlands.ca for the full job description.

Please submit your resume and cover letter, in confidence, by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 21, 2017 to:

Mike Thomas, Operations Manager 1123 North Shore Road Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1 Email: mthomas@algonquinhighlands.ca

TRANSPORTATION



www.haliburtonrideshare.ca

EVENTS

at the Haliburton Highlands Food and Beverage Showcase...

businesses to participate in the 4th annual Haliburton Highlands Food Festival at Wintergreen Maple on Saturday June 17, 2017 11 a.m. To 4 p.m.

To participate in showcasing your amazing local food establishment, call Diane Dawson 705-286-3202 for more information. Don't miss out on this opportunity to let people know who you are and what you do with amazing local food and beverage.

Tender for the **Municipality of Highlands East** Keith Tallman Memorial Arena

> **Concession Booth** Proposal #2017-03-PR

Sealed tenders, clearly marked "Keith Tallman Memorial Arena Concession Booth Proposal #2017-03-PR" will be received up until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 21, 2017 at the address listed below to the attention of the undersigned.

Specifications regarding the above proposal requirements will be available at the Municipal Office located at 2249 Loop Road in Wilberforce or on the Highlands East website at www.highlandseast.ca

Site visit meeting will be by appointment only. Please contact Jim Alden, Property Supervisor to book a date and time.

Successful bidder must provide a 10% tender deposit.

Concession booth operations is to commence on October 01, 2017 and is to end April 01, 2018.

The lowest bid or any bid is not necessarily accepted.

Property Supervisor Municipality of Highlands East 2249 Loop Road Wilberforce, ON K0L 3C0 Office: 705-448-2775 Cell: 705-455-7515

Email: jalden@highlandseast.ca

TENDER NOTICE



The Municipality of Dysart et al

PO Box 389 135 Maple Ave Haliburton, ON KOM 1SO www.dysartetal.ca

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

CONSTRUCTION OF A POST AND BEAM CANOPY AT THE HALIBURTON FAMILY MEDICAL CENTRE

The Municipality of Dysart et al is inviting proposals for the supply and construction of a post and beam canopy at the Haliburton Family Medical Centre as per Duncan Ross Architect Project Number 13-40.

Specifications, Proposal Forms and architectural drawings can be obtained online via http://www.dysartetal.ca or can be picked up in person at the Dysart et al Municipal Office on 135 Maple Avenue in Haliburton. Alternatively, you can contact Mallory Bishop, Environmental Coordinator at mbishop@dysartetal.ca to obtain the tender documents via email.

Proposals must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Thursday. April 20th, 2017.

Lowest or any proposal not necessarily accepted.

Rob Camelon, Director of Public Works

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46. Lick up

52. Live

47. Wobbled

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54. Small lake

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ACROSS

- 1. Irritates
- 5. Mild exclamation
- 8. Mexican treat
- 12. Nevada town
- 13. Do the wrong thing
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- 15. Mocked
- 16. Superman's gal (2 wds.)
- 18. Golf gadget
- 19. Discourage
- 20. Oval
- 24. Zodiac ram
- 27. Impoverished
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- 30. Be ambitious

DOWN

- 1. Wrathful
- 2. Drive off
- 3. Genuflect
- 4. Lawn material
- 5. Toothpaste form
- 6. Worn away
- 7. Buffalo's waterfront
- 8. Acceptance of others
- 9. Greed
- 10. Soup container
- 11. Bullfight cry
- 17. Depot (abbr.)
- 21. Started
- 22. Part of MPH
- 23. Prophet
- 25. 14th letters
- 26. Harden
- 28. Shout
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- 31. Mineral spring
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- 49. Sandra ("Gidget")
- 50. That girl

EVENTS

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP open to anyone who has been diagnosed with or survived cancer. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Ruth Parkes Room at the Haliburton Hospital from 1-3 p.m. Please contact Lynn Higgs Thompson 705-457-2941 for more information.

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HELP WANTED



SEASONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Kawartha Dairy Ltd. is a well established family owned company known for its premium ice cream and fluid milk products. Our Minden location is looking to add retail clerks and shift supervisors to their team. Successful candidates will be available for a variety of shift requirements and have good communication skills. This is a great opportunity to work in a fun and engaging environment. To apply send in your resume via email to mindenretail@kawarthadairy.com or personally drop by the store located at 12750 Hwy 35, Minden.

SEASONAL WAREHOUSE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Kawartha Dairy Ltd. is a well established family owned company known for its premium ice cream and fluid milk products. Our Minden location is looking to add full time warehouse personnel to their team. Successful candidates will be available for a variety of shift requirements and have good communication skills. This is a great opportunity to work in a fun and engaging environment. To apply send in your resume via email to cmacmillan@kawarthadairy.com or personally drop by the store located at 12750 Hwy 35, Minden.

Kawartha Dairy is committed to accessibility in employment and to ensuring equal access to employment opportunities for candidates, including persons with disabilities.

education or related experience.

Facebook, Twitter and Blog

Main reception working on the front line of HCDC

Maintain Accounts payable utilizing Simply Accounting

Key responsibilities:



Municipality of Highlands East

is accepting applications for the following positions:

Swim Instructor/Lifeguard Assistant Instructor/Lifeguard Shiftguard

For the Cardiff Pool/Gooderham Beach/Wilbermere Beach

Qualifications Needed:

- Must be (16) years of age
- Possess current Bronze Cross certificate
- Possess current Standard First Aid certificate with "CPR" C
- Swim Instructors need to possess the Red Cross WSI Certification & the Lifesaving Society Lifesaving Instructor Certification
- Assistant Instructors need to possess the Red Cross **Assistant WSI Certification**
- Possession of current NLS certificate for Pool is required for Swim Instructors/Assistant Instructors/Lifeguards
- Possession of current NLS certificate for Waterfront for the heach is an asset
- Must have reliable transportation to the Cardiff Pool and Gooderham Beach/Wilbermere Beach as required.

Applicants are to state the position they are applying for as well as state qualifications and supply proof of the same

Apply in writing before April 30th, 2017

Stewart Hurd **Environmental Supervisor** P.O. Box 160 Cardiff, Ontario, KOL 1MO Phone: 1-613-339-2442 Fax: 1-613-339-1028 Email: shurd@highlandseast.ca



We need a licensed, experienced WATER WELL PUMP INSTALLER

for our well pump installation team.

Wages will be based on experience and skill set. Full time, seasonal.

Call 705-457-9558 or send resume to trace@totalsiteservices.ca

Here we grow again! We are looking to add to our team and require the following:

- **DZ/AZ Driver**, experienced with driving dump trucks and/or floating equipment. Must provide a clean abstract. Ability to load/unload construction equipment an asset.
- **Excavator operator**, experience installing septic systems an asset.
- Heavy equipment mechanic, required to repair and maintain a variety of construction equipment. Hydraulic experience an asset.

Wages will be based on experience and skill set. Full time, seasonal.

> Call 705-457-9558 or send resume to trace@totalsiteservices.ca



BIG HAWK LAKE

MARINA: Full time seasonal and summer student positions available. General marina duties and store operation. Driver's license and boaters license a must. Send resume: info@bighawk. ca or drop off in person.



The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) currently has exciting opportunities available for energetic individuals to join the team!

REGISTERED NURSES & REGISTERED PRACTICAL NURSES

(Acute Care/Emergency Department & Long-Term Care)

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) currently has permanent, contract and casual opportunities for RNs and RPNs to join our healthcare team!

Opportunities are available for nurses to provide rural nursing at both the Minden and Haliburton Emergency Departments, which have an average 30,000 combined visits per year, and in the 14bed inpatient unit. In addition, opportunities exist for nurses to provide holistic care to residents at Hyland Crest, a 62-bed facility in Minden, and in Haliburton at a 30-bed facility, Highland Wood.

As a member of the health care team, the RN and RPN has a unique role in promoting health, in preventing illness, and in helping clients attain and maintain the highest level of health possible. The RN is responsible for providing comprehensive care to patients, with predictable and unpredictable outcomes who may or may not be clinically stable. The successful candidate will possess a diploma/degree in Nursing and a current Certificate of Competence from the College of Nurses of Ontario. Recent experience in an emergency or long-term care setting is preferred.

EMERGENCY MEDICINE PHYSICIAN

(Haliburton Emergency Department)

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) also has a great opportunity for an Emergency Medicine Physician to provide patient care to a wonderful and appreciative community at the Haliburton site. The Haliburton Emergency Department is a busy rural community hospital which sees an average 15,000 visits per year. The successful applicant must be eligible for independent practice licensure with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario with CCFP (EM) certification or CCFP with experience is preferred. In addition, the candidate must have ACLS and PALS certification. Emphasis will be placed on candidates with strong communication skills and experience working in rural environments. Family Medicine positions are also available within the community.

If you are interested in joining the HHHS team for any of the above positions, or would like more information on the opportunities, please contact:

Box 115, Haliburton, Ontario, KOM 1SO

Human Resources Haliburton Highlands Health Services

you are contacted by HHHS regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation due to a disability. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially.

Applications must be received by April 21, 2017 Visit www.haliburtoncdc.ca for a position description E-mail: ptallman@haliburtoncdc.ca Mail: P.O. Box 210, 235 Highland Street, 2nd Floor, Haliburton ON K0M 1S0

Employment Opportunity for Office Assistant The Haliburton County Development Corporation offers a variety of programs and services to support

Businesses and Not-for-Profit Organizations. The ideal candidate will have relevant post-secondary

· Project and database management working with Microsoft, excel, PowerPoint, Email applications

· Website management, newsletter development and maintain all Social Media applications including

Experience working with Board of Directors, Committees and knowledge of Haliburton County is an asset. If you have excellent verbal and communication skills, ability to work independently and multi-task,

please submit a covering letter and resume to the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

HALIBURTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

A Community Futures Development Corporation

We thank all applicants, however only chosen applicants will be contacted.

Fax: 705-457-4609 www.hhhs.ca Haliburton Highlands Health Services thanks all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. If

What's on



APRIL 2017 EVENT LISTINGS

Friday April 14

9 a.m. – Tears of the Father, a Good Friday service at Zion United Church, 1021 East Rd, Carnaryon, Featuring anthems and hymns directed by Melissa Stephens. All are welcome.

11:15 a.m. - Tears of the Father, a Good Friday service at Haliburton United Church, corner of Pine & George streets, Haliburton. Featuring anthems and hymns directed by Melissa Stephens. All are welcome.

Saturday April 15

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Maple Syrup Festival, at Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce. All you can eat pancakes, flea market and craft sale. \$6/adult, \$3/child

7 p.m. – Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists present speakers Rebecca Krawczyk from Friends of Ecological & Environmental Learning, and Ryan Mortell from Kinark Outdoor Centre, at Haliburton Highlands Museum, \$5 public admission. hhfn.ca

7:30 p.m. – Highlands Summer Festival Spring Concert & Dance, at the Haliburton Legion. Live music, tickets \$25/each, available at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton, and Sassy Digs in Minden or online at www.highlandssummerfestival.

Wednesday April 19

10:30 a.m. – Navigating the Health Care System in Haliburton County, Cardiff Community Centre. RSVP to Community Support Services 705-457-2941

2:30 p.m. - Navigating the Health Care System in Haliburton County, Haliburton Highlands Museum. RSVP to Community Support Services 705-457-2941

4:15 and 7:15 p.m. - National Canadian Film Day 150. Those Other Movies presents "My American Cousin", at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Free admission, seating is limited.

7 p.m. – Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group presents Gareth Kellett and his book "From Whispers of Faith to Songs of Praise", commemorating the 150th Anniversary of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. At the Lions Hall, Minden. Doors open at 6 p.m. For info: Gail 705-286-2225.

7 – 9 p.m. – Telling Our Stories Speaker Series: Kevin Callan, Scotland's Spey River Paddle & Whiskey Tour. \$10/person, at the Fish Hatchery. Reservations: 705-457-7557 or info@yoursoutdoors.

Thursday April 20

1:30 p.m. – at the Haliburton Museum. The Haliburton County Historical Society presents Leora Berman, speaking on The Land Between, and an update on the chemical plant in Donald.

7 – 9 p.m. – CFUW Meeting, at Haliburton School of Art and Design. in the Great Hall. Guest speaker Leopoldina Dobrzensky, open to the public, refreshments available afterward. CFUW business meeting 8:30-9 p.m.

April 20 - 27

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Haliburton Highlands Music Festival, free classes at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. See elainebell.ca/haliburton-highlandsmusic-festival/ for details. Final concert of music featuring the best performers takes place at 7 p.m. on the 27th. Tickets \$7.50 available at the door.

Friday April 21

6:30 p.m. - Dorset's 13th Annual Evening of Wine, Words, Music & Art. At the Dorset Rec Centre, event limited to ages 19+. Tickets \$6, or 2 for \$10. 705-766-9968 recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca

Saturday April 22

9 a.m – 1 p.m. – Spring Maplefest at Lochlin United Church, 1050 Lochlin Rd., off Gelert Rd. All you can eat pancake/sausage brunch and bake sale. \$8/adults, \$4/kids under 12, preschoolers free.

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - "I Made It!", an end-of-semester art exhibition at Fleming College School of Art & Design. Free of charge, Select works will be available for purchase.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Spring Artisan & Vendor Show, at Minden Legion. Call April for details 705-286-0573.

1 – 3 p.m. – Minden Animal Hospital Open House - all are welcome. Tour, scavenger hunt, door prizes, drinks & cake. 9 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden 705-286-

5 p.m. – Fundraiser for Special Olympics, at Haliburton Legion, featuring the Highland Trio, Dinner/Dance, beef on a bun, salads, desserts, cash bar. Cost: \$20/person, tickets available at Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton, Up River Trading Co. in Minden.

5:30 p.m. - Ham Dinner, at Maple Lake United Church. Adults \$15, Kids under 12 \$8 Reserve tickets by calling Beverly 705-286-2130 or Merrie 705-754-2258.

6:30 p.m. – Medeba's Not So Silent Auction. Doors open at 6 p.m. silent auction starts at 6:30, with live bidding at 7 p.m. Refreshments and desserts will be served. Medeba.com

7 – 8 p.m. – Nature's Place presents "The Forest History of Our Area, by Peter Hynard.

7:30 p.m. - Haliburton County Folk Society presents Amanda Rheaume, at Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St., Minden. haliburtonfolk.com

Sunday, April 23

3 p.m. - Highlands Wind Symphony, 2017 Annual Spring Concert, "Canadian Sketches", at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets \$10/adult, \$25/ family, Available at Master's Book Store in Haliburton and Minden PharmaSave. 705-457-7894

2 – 4 p.m. – Dysart et al Volunteer Recognition Event, at A.J. LaRue Arena. Dysartetal.ca. Please

Wednesday April 26

1 p.m. - Norland & Coboconk Horticultural Societies are hosting a talk by Miriam Goldberger, "Taming Wildflowers", at Pioneer Baptist Church, Norland, seating is limited. Reservations at louiseloree@ gmail.com or call Lou at 705-454-3636. \$10 fee includes light refreshments.

Thursday April 27

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Passport Clinic, provided by HKLB M.P., Jamie Schmale. For more info contact Jamie's office at 1-866-688-9881 or visit jamieschmale.ca for details.

Friday April 28 – Sunday April 30 8 – 10 p.m. – Highlands Little

Theatre presents "What's For Dinner" an evening of one-act plays at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets \$15/person, available at Master's Book Store. Contact: April Martin ajmartin769@me.com or 705-457-8764.

Saturday April 29

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Grads' "Make Dreams Come True" offering a wide variety of graduation clothing free of charge! At the Lion's Hall in Minden from Minor alterations done on site. For more info, contact Nancy Lowes or Jenn Abbott on Facebook.

5 - 10 p.m. - Canoe FM Psychedelia 60's 70's Dinner & Dance, at the Haliburton Legion. Dinner at 6 p.m. Tickets \$25 each, available at Canoe FM or by calling the staion at 705-457-1009.

HALIBURTON BRANCH

Monday bridge 1p.m.

Tuesday dart league starting at 7 p.m.

Wednesday bid euchre 1 p.m. start, bingo doors open at 6 p.m, bingo starts at 7 p.m. - \$500 jackpot, \$1000 jackpot last Wednesday of the month.

ROYAL CANADIAN

LEGION EVENTS

Thursday general meeting second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 p.m. All members urged to attend. Ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Friday meat draw - five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets \$2 per draw ... Chester Howse, MC.

Friday fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards

Saturday 50/50 4 p.m. draw, tickets \$1 each from noon

Sunday breakfast second and fourth Sunday of the month - 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers

Upcoming Events: Haliburton Legion Youth Awards Night 7 p.m., Friday April 21 in the

Main Hall (2016 Remembrance Day Poster & Literary competition prize winners).

Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705) 457-2571, email rcl129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129 ... everyone is welcome.

MINDEN BRANCH

General meeting, first Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m. start Ladies darts, Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7 p.m. Fish/wings & chips, Friday, noon-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.

Mixed darts, Friday 7:30 p.m.

Bid euchre, first Sunday of the month

(except holidays), noon, \$12 Sports fan day, Sunday, 12-5 p.m.

Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, noon-2 p.m.

Liver lovers' special, Tuesday noon-2 p.m. (full menu also)

Meat draws, Wednesday lunch time. Watch for local posters and listen to Canoe FM, and

Moose FM, for special events on Saturdays.

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Friday: Community Care 55+ lunch noon. Call Denice Butler to reserve 705-448-8865. Everyone 55+ welcome. Pool 1:30 p.m. Wing night 6:30 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m.

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What's on



Leopoldina Dobrzensky talks about her upcoming presentation, Pioneer Women: The Unsung Heroes of Haliburton. *Photo by Lisa Gervais*.

Honouring pioneer women

By Lisa Gervais

At 90, Leopoldina Dobrzensky is about to do her first public speaking engagement as an author.

Ironically, since she doesn't have a university degree, it's at the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) gathering next Thursday.

A Haliburton resident since 1979, Leo as she is affectionately-known, is the author of Fragments of a Dream, They Worked and Prayed Together, Italians in Haliburton County and St.Georges: Heart and Soul of a Community

This local woman is also known for organizing and heading the Haliburton Information Centre, while her love of literature and the arts led her in many directions: as a board member for Outreach Literacy at the John Howard Society and, as a board member for the Guild of Fine Arts.

With it being Canada and Dysart's 150th birthday, Dobrzensky is drawing on her research and published work to speak on pioneer women, whom she considers to be the unsung heroes of Haliburton County.

"Noboby has really spoken about the women," she said recently while seated in her home on Maple Avenue in Haliburton.

She can relate to these pioneering women, having herself come to Canada as a refugee with her husband in 1951. They fled their homeland in the Czecho-Moravian Highlands and retired to the Haliburton Highlands because its scenery and people reminded them of their homeland.

She said that in 1951, only three countries, Australia, Canada and New Zealand accepted refugees.

"Every first generation of immigrants to Canada faces similar problems, and I could easily identify with their life," she

said of the pioneering women she will talk about.

Dobrzensky has written a 30-minute presentation that will touch on the role of women in the Victorian era, settlement, the lives of several pioneering women, the kindness of neighbours and the beauty of the landscape and how it has shaped us.

One of her favourite settlers is Maria Lane, who was abandoned by her husband with eight children at a time when women were not allowed to work outside of the home.

There are also anecdotes of a woman with one foot to rock a cradle, one foot to churn butter and both hands engaged in work.

"Every day it was work, work, work and more work," she says one of her heroines, who lived to be 100.

But there was also fun and games of cards.

Dobrzensky, who admits to being a little shy, said she merely hopes "that listeners to my presentation will discover something they perhaps did not know. It will, hopefully, produce an appreciation of the pioneer women's legacy."

What's left?

The CFUW has three remaining events this year: a fundraising card and games party May 11 (they raise money to provide two, \$500 bursaries to young women from HHSS and HSAD); Carolyn Langdon on Eating on the Wild Side for Health and Pleasure May 18; and the 2016-2017 year wraps up with a closing lunch and annual general meeting on June 8.

Wendy Hampson, who does publicity for the CFUW, said they have 12 new members this year, bringing the total to 66

Members volunteered their time and donated \$800 in gift cards to Point in Time and Minden Food Bank and they make "izzy dolls" for children in war-torn countries.

Their mandate is to promote women and girls through the encouragement of higher education, the improvement of the status of women and the overall advancement of human rights, while promoting friendship among members.

Membership is open to women of all ages. Having a college or university degree is no longer a requirement. They encourage current high school and college students along with women who work, women who are retired or women who connect with their mandate to join. Monthly meetings are held in the evenings in Haliburton. Contact cfuw. hh@gmail.com.

WHO

Leopoldina Dobrzensky

WHAT

Pioneer Women: The Unsung Heroes of Haliburton

WHEN

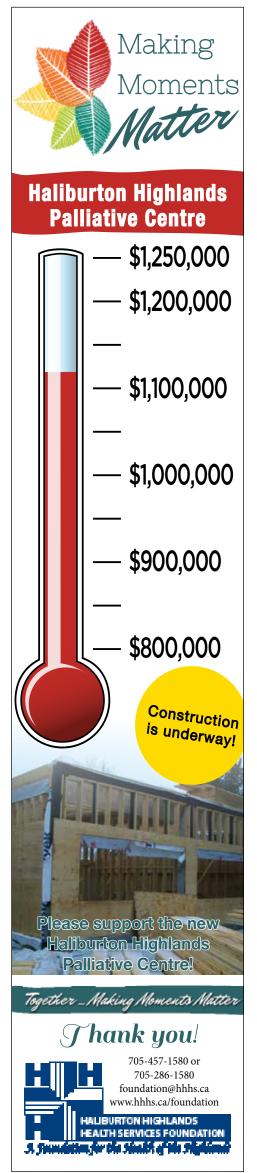
Thursday, April 20, 2017, 7-8:30 p.m. Open to the general public. Afterward, there will be light refreshments and an opportunity to mingle with the speaker (CFUW business meeting 8:30-9 p.m.)

WHERE

Haliburton School of Art and Design, Fleming College, Great Hall.

HOW

Free (donations to the CFUW Haliburton Highlands Bursary Fund would however, be welcome)









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