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Bayshore Road resident Jane Selbie looks at the floodwaters that caused a bridge collapse on Museum Road in Haliburton this week. *Photo by Lisa Gervais.*

Nervous residents look to the skies

Flooding concerns continue in the Highlands with Minden at risk again

By Alex Coop

**With files from Mark Arike
and Lisa Gervais**

Haliburton's Jane Selbie said a rain-filled weather forecast is "onerous" for her and other residents of the Museum Road area, washed out earlier this week.

The Bayshore Road resident is not alone in her concerns as roads and properties across the county have been affected by springtime flooding.

On Wednesday, a flood warning was issued for the Gull River Watershed.

And on Tuesday afternoon, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) issued a flood warning for the Bancroft District, which includes Haliburton County.

Heavy rains hit the county Monday and eroded driveways, shoulders and even bridges.

Five washed out portions of county roads were reported by the county's roads

department by Tuesday, including parts of County roads 14, 11, 3, 21 and 2.

The county's director of public works, Craig Douglas, told *The Highlander* Monday afternoon that shoulder washouts in those areas were scheduled to be repaired by Tuesday morning.

"All things considered, we are in good shape but we have a few problem areas," he said.

An intensifying low pressure system caused heavy rains in southern portions

of the province, according to the MNRF's website. And, as Selbie noted, it's not going to let up.

Another storm system is currently forecast to move through the province starting today.

"Reservoirs across the district are elevated and smaller streams and creeks will continue to respond quickly to the additional precipitation," the MNRF report says.

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Bob Lake launch saga comes to end

By Alex Coop

Bob Lake residents will have to find other ways to get their boats in and out of the water this summer.

Reeve Brent Devolin delivered the news during a council meeting April 27.

"I wish it was a different outcome," he said.

Last June, owners of a Bob Lake property placed barricades around a boat launch that had been used by boat owners for nearly 50 years. They cited liability concerns associated with owning the launch.

Thanks to an agreement between the property owner and the township last October, residents were given 11 days to retrieve their boats.

According to a staff report from Dec. 8, 20 boats were recorded by Kawartha Security Guard Service as removed by residents during the temporary boat launch arrangement from Sept. 30 to Oct. 10.

The temporary setup cost the township nearly \$9,300. Legal fees, security and surveying contributed to the overall cost and required "considerable internal staff

time," the report says.

Devolin said no such agreement is on the horizon this time around, especially since the number of boats retrieved during that time was minimal.

"I think we've considered doing all of the things within our financial means," he said.

David Gibb, a spokesman for the boaters, who also made a plea on their behalf last August during a council meeting, said the reason so few boats were retrieved during the 11-day period was because of miscommunication.

"We were told about 10 days before the window was opened that the entire thing might be delayed by an additional week," Gibb told *The Highlander*. "That would have pushed the start date to Oct. 7 ... that's when the water is frightfully low for haul out."

Gibb says he isn't aware of any boats that were stuck on the lake after Oct. 10.

During last year's council meeting, Gibb pointed out how he represented some 250 properties and 450 voters, with combined real estate holdings of \$87 million, and that they pay about \$625,000 in annual taxes. He said 50 per cent of them are dependent on the launch.

He reiterated how the boat launch had been advertised as a public access ramp for decades, and was even listed on the township's website.

The ramp is no longer advertised on the website's boat launch page.

"But based on that belief ... we have increased our investment in our property by virtue of docks and boats, which we would never had done had there never been public access," Gibb said. "There is a high level of frustration from residents."



A person must go through several steps before they can apply for a physician-assisted death. File photo.

Providing assisted death up to doctors

By Mark Arike

Although physician-assisted deaths won't be carried out at local hospitals, it doesn't mean doctors in the area will be prohibited from providing the service.

"It really is a decision for each individual physician," said Carolyn Plummer, CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS). "There is still the potential for physicians to decide to administer MAID [Medical Assistance in Dying], however at this time it would not be administered at HHHS."

Plummer said there are no financial implications that have led to a subcommittee's decision not to administer it. Almost a year ago, the federal government's Bill C-14 became law, making it legal for adults with a "grievous and irremediable medical condition" to apply for physician-assisted death. Since then, a subcommittee of clinicians in long-term and palliative care, along with the Local East Health Integration Network (LHIN), have been working on a policy for HHHS.

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care engaged the Centre for Effective Practice to develop a resource to help clinicians better understand the process, known as MAID. A person must go through several steps before they can undergo the procedure. The current legislation supports

physician-assisted death at home, which includes long-term care facilities.

Dr. Kristy Gammon, chief of staff, recently told the HHHS board that some doctors will be involved in the first step, which is to evaluate patients to determine if they meet MAID criteria. The procedure itself would likely be done by Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) staff. It has been recommended that nurse practitioners (NPs) administer MAID if the patient is planning on dying at home, said Plummer.

"The College of Nurses of Ontario recently announced that the Ontario government approved regulations enabling NPs to prescribe controlled substances; this expanded scope for NPs was needed to enable NPs to be able to administer MAID. The details of how this would actually happen in our community have not yet been determined."

CCAC staff are located at a number of satellite offices in hospitals, family health teams, physician offices and long-term care centres.

Should someone want the procedure now, they are advised to contact their primary care provider "who would initiate the appropriate referrals," she said.

Plummer expects the policy to be completed within the next couple of months. The medical advisory committee will make the final decision.

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Grant Roughley, vice-president of North Frontenac Telephone Company, appears before the township to get the fibre rollout started. *File photo.*

Fibre rollout continues

By Alex Coop

More than a year after pitching fibre Internet for the first time to Minden Hills Council, Grant Roughley, vice-president of North Frontenac Telephone Company (NFTC), appeared before the township April 27 to get the fibre rollout started.

Roughley requested a municipal access agreement as well as a land lease agreement to build a central office for the project.

A municipal access agreement, a document that allows someone to alter municipal property, will be necessary in the coming weeks once final layout drawings are approved.

“The land lease is for our central office, ... and houses our switching and routing gear and handles the fibre traffic from the town,” Roughley told councillors.

He pointed to a similar building next to the township office in Haliburton, which was completed several months ago, as an example.

It houses the same switching and routing tools that handle fibre traffic installed in the downtown core.

Dysart’s township office already has fibre running through it.

Roughley said an exact location for

the central office in Minden hasn’t been identified. A meeting with the township’s roads department, he added, will help with the selection process.

NFTC first proposed the fibre project to Bancroft, Dysart and Minden Hills in March, 2016. The \$20 million price tag hasn’t changed and won’t require contributions from either township.

Additional financial details are unknown at this time. Multiple requests for an interview were made by *The Highlander*. Roughley did not respond.

Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin was in support of the municipal access and land lease agreements.

“This brings more productivity and more people to a higher standard,” he said. “In two of our villages in the county we’re going to have a competitive environment with a couple of servers ... but there’s no downside to hungry suppliers.”

Council directed staff to file a report about the agreements and deliver it back to council.

Coun. Pam Sayne thanked Roughley for “taking an interest in our area.”

NFTC is part owned by Ray Stanton, who also owns The Haliburton Echo, Minden Times and Bancroft This Week, through his company, London Publishing.



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Almost 2,000 firefighters in Ontario have been trained under the Road to Mental Health Readiness program, which helps first responders educate themselves about mental health. *File photo.*

Eliminating the stigma around mental health

First responders in the county take 'Road to Mental Readiness' training

By Alex Coop

While battling a fire many years ago, the foundation beneath him cracked and Craig Worsfold began to fall. He was caught by his partner, and the two, who are now friends, occasionally joke about the moment to this day.

But Worsfold has seen first responders' lives deteriorate after stressful situations on the job, and he emphasizes that one's mental health can be impacted by stressors in their personal life as well.

And much like an ignored physical injury, mental scars can grow, and over time, result in serious mental health issues that are difficult to recover from.

"This program is about understanding that mental health and stress go hand in hand," Worsfold said, pointing to the Mental Health Commission of Canada's (MHCC) Road to Mental Readiness (R2MR) program.

"And it's not always about post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)," he said.

Worsfold is one of 41 training officers in the province delivering the program to fire departments in the region.

He has 35 years of firefighting experience, the last four of which he's spent as a volunteer firefighter in Algonquin Highlands. Worsfold has also worked as a full-time firefighter in the city of Hamilton.

He applied to be an R2MR trainer through the Ontario Firefighters Association last year, and has been teaching the program for six months to fire departments across the

county and beyond.

"We still very much live in a culture where people don't acknowledge mental illness as an actual illness, just like a physical one," he said. "That is no more evident than it is in emergency services."

R2MR is largely based on a program first created by Canada's Department of

National Defense. It was then adopted by police departments in Calgary in 2013. Word of the program quickly spread, and fire departments and EMS across the country adopted the training and used it to form their own policies surrounding mental health. Ontario's first responders were one of the first to do so, says Micheal Pietrus, director of Opening Minds, a group operating under the MHCC to reduce the stigma around mental illness. "R2MR is very unique and adaptable," Pietrus told *The Highlander*. "It wasn't too long ago where you might have been told by your superiors to 'suck it up.' But now there is an understanding that not only are mental health illnesses real, but that you can get help for it."

The program, which in firefighters' cases, is delivered in two separate courses, a four-hour course for front line workers, the other an eight-hour program for captains

and department heads, focuses heavily on a mental health continuum model.

It allows first responders to diagnose themselves by comparing their symptoms to the descriptions on the colour-coded chart. Green is normal, but the closer a worker gets to red, the more serious your symptoms are.

By the numbers

Total First Responders trained in R2MR across Canada: 46,347
Total First Responders trained in R2MR across Ontario: 25,204
--Police: 18,786
--Fire: 1,943
--Paramedic: 3,562
--911: 109
--Corrections: 798

Symptoms under red include the inability to fall asleep, total isolation and excessive anxiety.

The program also instructs all EMS departments to ensure their support systems are streamlined and easily accessible by its staff.

PTSD, which involves exposure to trauma involving death or

the threat of death, serious injury, or sexual violence, is often at the forefront of conversations surrounding mental health in EMS.

But it doesn't take a traumatic call for a responder to deteriorate mentally, says Algonquin Highlands fire Chief Mike Cavanagh.

"You can't quantify it that way," he said. "You have to be aware of the cumulative effects of all the calls you're responding to."

While resources for mental health issues, like the 4 Counties Crisis Line and the

Haliburton Health Services Mental Health department, were available prior to the R2MR training, Cavanagh says they are now heavily advertised and easier to navigate.

"There are resources available across the board, but what this plan does is bring it all together. We want to make sure our staff knows that it's okay to ask for help."

As of the end of April, the Ministry of Labour made it mandatory for all EMS departments to have a PTSD prevention plan in place.

Tim Waite, the deputy Chief of Quality Assurance and Education for the Haliburton County Paramedic Service, says PTSD is complicated.

"PTSD isn't something that happens overnight," he said. "Your childhood can play a factor, various experiences in life ... a single call can also trigger something from the past."

The Haliburton County Paramedic Service has also adopted the R2MR program and adjusted it to suit their needs.

Peter Leon, the OPP's provincial media relations coordinator, says police are also training under the R2MR program.

More than 6,900 officers across Ontario are receiving the training and will be fully trained by the end of 2017.

"It's continuous training ... and it's something that we will continue to build as an organization," he said.

All four local fire departments, EMS and local OPP are doing the training.

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The Gull River saw high water levels on Tuesday afternoon. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Roads closed in Minden Hills

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In Dysart, Bayshore Bridge, very close to Selbie's home, was completely washed out by Tuesday morning, leaving a large gap in the middle of the road. Drivers have had to detour around and use the college road.

The township's fire Chief, Mike Iles, said the department had only received one inquiry about sandbags as of Tuesday afternoon.

In Minden Hills, sections of Devils Lake Road, Milburn Road and Soyers Lake Road were closed Tuesday due to flooding.

Bobcaygeon Road was also closed due to a culvert washout.

As of Wednesday morning, those areas were still closed.

High water levels at Little Hawk Lake in Algonquin Highlands were reported Tuesday morning as well.

The township's roads department was busy Tuesday repairing washouts, but the fire department did not receive any calls for service during the storm, said Algonquin Highlands fire Chief Mike Cavanagh.



Top: Museum Road in Haliburton was still closed Wednesday morning. Above: the Pinestone Resort experiences flooding next to Highway 121. Photos by Alex Coop and Mark Arike.

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Businesses defy the odds



By Mark Arike

Businesses in the Highlands have a way of handling the ebbs and flows that come with being in a rural, seasonal community rather well.

Many have mastered this art—and managed to not only survive but thrive over the years.

In recent weeks, a couple of these businesses had good reason to celebrate.

McKecks Tap & Grill, an eatery in Haliburton, earned the Employer of the Year Award from Employment Ontario Eastern Regional Group. They've employed hundreds, including many students furthering their education, during their 30-plus years in business. For some teens, it's their first job experience. And many adults have been able to re-enter the work force and stick around because they were hired.

Another Haliburton business with three decades under its belt is Country Rose, a flower shop off County Road 21. Its current owners and staff have focused on building relationships with customers, many of whom are going through pivotal

times in their lives. They show empathy to those who have lost a loved one and help create memories in more joyous times. In-store interaction with customers is vital, but they have adapted to technology by expanding their website and focusing on online sales.

Some businesses have done so well in the Highlands that they've opened a second location. One example is Up River Trading Co, a cafe and gift/home accessory shop that got its start in Minden and recently opened a store in Haliburton.

These businesses, along with dozens of others, are to be commended for leading the way.

But while they have found the recipe for success, there are just as many—if not more—examples of struggle and failure.

A quick search of property listings on realtor.ca produced about a dozen results across the county. The majority of businesses for sale are restaurants, but you will also find a flooring business, gas station, resort, bait shop and marina.

We are not implying that all of these

businesses have been managed poorly; there are many reasons why a business owner might decide to sell. But it sure makes you want to ask some questions.

Local economic development committees, along with municipal staff and councillors, need to identify what businesses are doing in order to help improve the success rate. Dysart's committee, for example, is moving in the right direction by participating in the First Impressions Community Exchange (FICE) program. It will help uncover the community's "strengths and shortcomings as seen through the eyes of first-time visitors," according to the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

Local businesses are the backbone of the Highlands, and we need to work with them to ensure future growth and sustainability.

Time to rethink tourism model

Have you ever thought of what Haliburton County's economy will look like in the next couple of decades? I'm not talking about the normal tides and the ups and downs of commerce. I mean what kinds of industries will keep the commercial heart beating? What will drive the county's economic engine?

Some might naturally mention tourism which has been a part of this economy since the 1950s. At that time, as better roads were being built to attract people from the urbanized south of Ontario, people started to flock northward as Canada's love for cottage country was being formed. It was a different time then. People liked communal vacationing. Lakefront lodges and inns were all the rage. It was like a summer camp for the whole family. In fact it was. It's the very reason I'm up here. My family was part of the final stages of that boom in the 1970s and 80s.

But people don't do that anymore. Better roads meant more trips northward, and as people got more and more accustomed to the area, they wanted a piece of it. Instead of spending time with other families at an inn, people wanted the privacy of their own property, and slowly the lodges died out. Today, we are left with very few. The end result? Whether you accept it or not,

Haliburton County isn't really a tourist area, anymore. It's an area for part-time residents. If you doubt that, ask yourself how many people head here strictly for a week or weekend to stay at a local resort to attend an event. Very few.

That doesn't mean tourism in the area is dead. There are still things that sporadically attract people to the area, but there isn't a continual year-round flow. We balloon for a couple of months in the winter and summer and fight for traffic the rest of the year and if tourism is to again flourish we have to re-think the tourism model. Basically, what do we do between the natural attractions of snow and warm weather? This is where we have to be creative, and frankly, take our cues from other areas. We need to create reasons for people to come up here when they're not thinking about coming up here.

In short, the answer is to create events, festivals and concerts that not only attract people to the area, but also give the county an image of being progressive, hip and contemporary. I'm not suggesting minor steps to create a buzz. I'm suggesting bold steps that literally put Haliburton County onto people's social maps. I mean dramatic events that really give the place a name. These need to be events where the first thing out of people's mouths is

"That's happening in Haliburton County?"

For this to happen, though, there needs to be a seismic shift in the social fabric of this community. The NIMBY factor (Not In My Back Yard) is an outright epidemic here. Nothing gets solved or suggested because someone's grass will be bent or someone will have to endure a weekend of "noise/commotion/traffic" (translation: economic infusion). You can't make an omelette without breaking some eggs, as they say, but in Haliburton County, no one even has eggs. Everything is done to appease the choke point. Where's the progressive thinking in that? Where's the openness in trying to make this place economically-viable for 12 months of the year?

Do we still want tourism in the area? It's defined as "friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers." Until we have enough activities to attract these people, until the vast majority of our citizens welcome outsiders with metaphorical open arms, tourism will be more a part of our past, than a part of our future.



By Charlie Teljeur



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Editorial opinion

Eye on the street: Do you think Haliburton County is a good place to start a business?



Heather Bird
Haliburton

Definitely, but we need new businesses to attract young people to the area.



Ross Campbell
Kennisis Lake

Starting a business here can be tough, especially if it's a restaurant. But I do think it's pro-business ... you just have to do your research.



Bruce Griffith
Glamorgan Road

I think it's a great place for a business. It would be nice to have something new for the kids, something recreational.



Sharon Foster
Horseshoe Lake

Absolutely I do. I've lived here for four years, busy fundraising, and businesses here are so generous.



Edward Sharp
Haliburton

I think so, as long as it's not a theatre business. I think it's too lucrative in a tourist area that only runs for a few months of the year. You have to do your research.

Photos and interviews by Mark Arike

Stroke recovery month

Dear editor,

May is stroke recovery month. The understanding of stroke and how to treat it has come a long way in the past two decades. Doctors across Canada and the world are working together to understand and find ways to treat and rehabilitate stroke survivors. Many understood a heart attack but few understood a "brain" attack – a stroke.

Some stroke facts include: stroke is the leading cause of disability in Canada; stroke is the third leading cause of mortality in Canada; more than one million Canadians provide care to a chronically ill or disabled friend or loved one and one in 10 caregivers spend 30 hours or more of care per week.

On May 18, the Heart and Stroke Foundation is bringing the Big Bike to Haliburton County. It will be in Haliburton at Head Lake parking lot in the morning and in Minden in the afternoon. Come out to cheer on the riders on this 30-seat bike as they make their way through the streets. Make a donation to help research, advocacy, and programs that lead to one vision: healthy lives free of heart disease and stroke.

Lois Rigney, chair
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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



The sunset reflecting off Head Lake. Photo by Heather Deveau.

Birthdays, beer and butt cheeks

Bleugh ... Is that a good word for it, you know, to describe the way you feel on the morning after the night before? The dull ache in my head, an ache that felt as though my noggin was being firmly squeezed between the butt cheeks of a constipated bull moose, was matched by the taste in my mouth. A taste like I had stuck my tongue between the butt cheeks of ... best not go there, or I'd probably barf something akin to what might finally explode from the butt ... Oh Jeez! You get the drift, yes?

But it had all seemed like such a good idea yesterday.

A party. A big birthday bash and oh how we partied long into the night, the stars glinting above us, the bonfire burning brightly to keep us toasty warm. There was beer. There was wine. There was single

malt whiskey (hmm could that have been the culprit?). And there was much bon homie.

But all of this I've done before, and more. I've celebrated my birthday for far too many years to remember and never, not ever, had I felt as stupendously hungover as I did today. I held my hand out and watched it shake. My mind, still numb from its temporary pickling, struggled to register the fact that this pathetic wobbly digit was attached to the same body in which it resided, and, for a brief moment it pondered, 'who in god's name does it belong to?' But bodies are clever, even if their owners are not, and mine got a grip, giving me a figurative slap across the face with said hand for being such a klutz.

It was raining now and the cool wet drops

were a pleasant distraction as I stumbled around the garden surveying the carnage and slowly filling a wheelbarrow with empty bottles and cans. A half-finished bottle of wine, corkless, was propped against the swing set. Two broken glasses by the fire pit. A forgotten packet of chips, the bag open but still full, the chips now damp. And marshmallows, like little white alien pillows, scattered across an area so wide that some confectionery explosion, of which I had no memory, must have occurred during the evening. Too bad the local critters had been scouting elsewhere last night, or we might have found a posse of lethargic raccoons, drunk on candy, corn chips and half-finished Coors, slumped against the fire pit.

I looked around and shuddered as a wave

of something passed over me that was nasty enough that if there were a recipe for it, the chef would call for a cup of, first nausea, then guilt, and finally repulsion to be blended and shaken until curdled.

I felt a hot sweat as my stomach realized that it really didn't like what was in it and decided to do something about it. Leaning against a tree trunk I bent over to assist and that's when I saw it, through the thick tag alders. Movement and then, as I squinted through the trees and rain, my blurry eyes struggling to focus, there it was; the massive hind quarters of a bull moose, walking slowly away into the forest.



By Will Jones

TheOutsider

Highlander news

County looks to repeal, replace official plan

By Mark Arike

Council has requested to repeal and replace the county's current official plan to better align with provincial policy planning and save money.

Following a public meeting April 26, council approved the planning director's recommendation to do so.

The plan, which applies to the entire county, contains policies on how land should be used. It is prepared with input from county and municipal councils, public agencies and members of the public.

The first plan was approved in 2006. It had to be updated under the Planning Act, which happened in 2010.

It is guided by the Provincial Policy Statement, a statement of the provincial government's policies on land use planning. It includes every type of development in the province. It had to be updated every five years, but now under the Planning Act, must be updated every 10 years.

"They started at the five year point but then it would take them another five years to actually get it out," said planning director Charley White in an interview. "It actually ended up being a 10-year cycle anyways."

The Planning Act was updated last July. The legislation allows up to 10 years for the first comprehensive review of an official plan after it has been repealed and replaced, she said. The county can apply to update the plan or make amendments at any time.

The minister can also request an update at any time.

Since new policies have been added to the plan, an extra five years will give the county more time to analyze their effectiveness.

"They'll [the new policies] need a couple of years to get running," said White.

Updating an official plan can be costly. For example, some municipalities hire a consultant to do their plan. Another consideration is staff time.

"I know some of the larger cities, like Hamilton, spent up to \$80,000 over the course of two to five years."

The county amended their plan in-house, resulting in some savings, said White.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs must approve the county's request before the plan can be repealed and replaced. This can take as long as 180 days, but White believes it will take half that time because they already consulted with the ministry.

White told council she believes the updated plan is a solid document.

"I'm confident we have an official plan that is not only in the best interests of the County of Haliburton and our citizens, but also a plan I believe the province will be able to approve without too much difficulty," she said.

She also requested council's support to file a request to cut out a step in the approval process for official plan amendments. The ministry is the approval authority for



Charley White, the county's planning director, talks about the official plan during a public meeting on April 26. Photo by Mark Arike.

non-exempt official plan amendments. Therefore, the ministry must be pre-consulted with and any decision of council must be submitted to the ministry for a decision under the Planning Act. "Let's request we be that approval authority," she said, explaining it's an exemption. "It would save time and money. We would be saving our local residents,

developers, whomever, a significant chunk of money."

Council endorsed the request to the minister.

For a copy of the latest plan, visit haliburton.civicweb.net/Portal/MeetingInformation.aspx?Org=Cal&Id=2128 and see item seven.

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May 25 9:00 am, Regular Council Meeting, Minden Council Chambers

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Notice of 2017 Spring Load Restrictions

As per Bylaw 16-39, The Township enforces reduced load restrictions to protect municipal roadways during spring thaw, when road damage is most likely to occur. Reduced load limits will be in effect where and when signs are posted, depending on road and weather conditions.

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- Sports & Recreation Award:** For an individual, team or group whose athletic accomplishments have brought fame to themselves and their community and/or those that exemplify healthy active living in Minden Hills.
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ZONING BY-LAW UPDATE – PHASE 1 HOUSEKEEPING

The Township of Minden Hills will be hosting a 2nd Open House to give the public an informal opportunity to review and ask questions about proposed amendments to the Township's Zoning By-law.

Date: Friday, May 12th, 2017 • Time: 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Location: Minden Community Centre, 55 Parkside Street, Minden, ON

For additional information, see page 30 and visit www.mindenhills.ca/zoningupdate

Highlander people

Pattersons honoured with Trent degrees

By Lisa Gervais

Haliburton's John and Thea Patterson will join the ranks of a former prime minister, current governor of the Bank of Canada, and a champion of First Nations communities when they are honoured by Trent University in June.

The founders of Abbey Gardens are amongst seven outstanding Canadians who will receive honorary degrees at 2017 convocation ceremonies.

Honorary Doctor of Laws will be bestowed on them Thursday, June 8 at 2 p.m.

According to the Peterborough-based university, the Pattersons are "married partners who envision a better world."

"Trent University is privileged to celebrate these individuals who magnificently reflect the vision, fortitude, and diversity this country has to offer," said Dr. Leo Groarke, president and vice-chancellor.

John told The Highlander in a recent interview, "The overwhelming sense is one of shock and disbelief."

While most people know the Pattersons through their affiliation with Abbey Gardens, their legacy stretches back decades. They moved to Haliburton in 2004. Founded Abbey Gardens in 2008 and from here have worked quite extensively with the HIV/AIDS problem in Africa.

They have put education, technology, business and faith into their work, tackling challenges at home and overseas.

According to a biography supplied by Trent University, in 1969, John began his career as a pastor with the United Church in Hearst and Hornepayne. After his postgraduate studies in Chicago, he and Thea became involved with the Institute of Cultural Affairs (ICA), a not-for-profit organization. For many years, they served in India, the U.K. and Chicago, doing village development work, conducting training and facilitation services. Thea also worked in fundraising, literacy and teacher training.

John was also a co-founder of Kanbay, an IT firm employing more than 7,000 people by the time he retired. He



John and Thea Patterson. Submitted

continued to build the company while living in Hong Kong. Having also worked in the corporate world in the U.K., Thea taught at the Hong Kong International School.

Back in Canada, they established Abbey North in the highlands, a base to address issues including HIV-AIDS in Africa, the environment, and delegitimizing war. They visited Rwanda and reconnected with ICA Canada to work in Kenya, Tanzania, and Rwanda.

Their involvements includes: Canada World Youth and the Canadian Federation of University Women.

John said, "There aren't many people that have the kind of privilege we've had of living all over the world and serving at

various levels of society. We've worked with the humblest of people in Indian villages and done training programs in industry. Thea worked for years and years in international schools. It's all a big privilege to be able to do what we've been able to do. So to top it off with this kind of honour ... it's a wonderful thing ... but the last thing in the world we ever expected."

Thea hopes graduating students have the courage and are willing to go out and explore the world and follow their path, just as she and John have done.

She recalls the most impactful period for her was living in a Hindu-Buddhist untouchable village in India. She was there to start a pre-school. She found out

that "in the midst of how poor they were, how they could reach out and take care of us, and befriend us, both grateful and giving."

And John remembers being invited by villagers to meet with then Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and how the villagers spoke with such affection for the work people such as John and Thea were doing and the confidence it was giving them.

"It brought tears to your eyes to hear them speaking so appreciatively about what was happening in their village," John said.

Other degree recipients are Fiona Sampson, Keith Knott, Dr. Jean Augustine, Paul Martin and Stephen S. Poloz.

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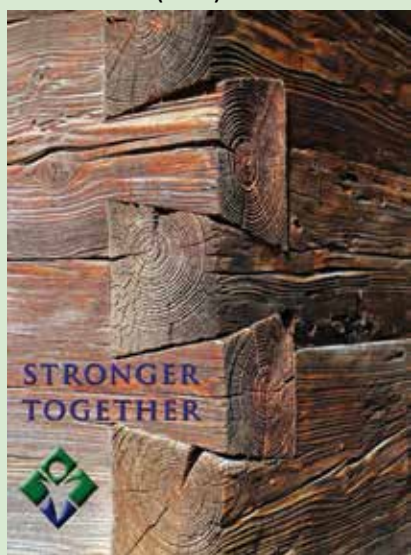
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Beautifying the county for 30 years and counting

By Alex Coop

After 30 years in business, beautifying a dogsled themed wedding and decorating canoes with flowers are no longer strange requests for Joanne Nichols of the Country Rose Garden Centre in Haliburton.

Forming emotional connections with customers are also regular occurrences.

"We've been emotionally involved with most of our clients," said Nichols. "We've been involved with weddings, with people losing a loved one, anniversaries, birthdays, break ups, Valentines, proms.

We've seen some of those people grow up, have babies and start their own families."

That direct connection with customers is partially why Nichols believes Country Rose is a great place to work, and it's also why she thinks customers continue to support them year after year.

Ever since Brenda Ripley-Petrow opened the garden centre in 1987 – which at the time was located in the old Wallings Dairy store on the north shore of Head Lake – accommodating customers in any way possible was always a top priority, even after her passing.

Nichols began working for Country Rose a month after it first opened. Her close friend and the business' current greenhouse coordinator, Kim Pockett, joined shortly after.

A few years later, Country Rose relocated to its current location where the former Driftwood Restaurant used to stand.

Art and Joan Ward purchased the business in 2002.

"This is a great place to work," Nichols said. "We've met and employed a lot of different people."

The number of employees at the store fluctuates depending on what time of the year it is, but often hovers around 10.

But everyone contributes to all aspects of the business, Pockett says, and no one is left to their own devices.

"We run the business as if it's a goal-oriented workplace," she said. "Joanne is the manager, but for instance, if we need help in the greenhouse, she's there."

That attitude helped Country Rose overcome a devastating blow to the business in 2014 when a buildup of snow caused the old greenhouse's roof to collapse.

The window of opportunity to build a new one was small, Pockett recalls, and the ground was still frozen as it was the middle of March.

"No one thought it was possible during that time of the year," she said.

But with dedication and some support from friends, they managed to rebuild the greenhouse in seven days and were up and running by the spring.

The surrounding business landscape, and the population they serve, has changed over the years, Nichols says, pointing to a



Kim Pockett, left, and Joanne Nichols celebrate 30 years in business at the Country Rose Garden Centre in Haliburton. Photo by Alex Coop.

growing seniors population and people's increased reliance on digital platforms.

Many orders today are now made through Country Rose's website, but Pockett says that hasn't eroded the face-to-face interactions with customers, who share their stories with staff members daily.

"We hear wonderful stories every day," she said. "Sometimes, those stories are about how something we've done has

impacted them in a positive way."

It's strong motivation for the business.

A new Walker's Home Hardware store will soon be a neighbour to Country Rose, and will be outfitted with its own greenhouse and garden centre.

The competition is welcome, says Nichols.

"We have a very loyal customer base and we're just going to keep doing what we've always done," she said.

Highlander business



From left, Melissa Walker, manager; Karen Frybort, general manager and operating partner; Jesse Frybort, assistant manager; and Aaron Walker, chef and operating partner. Photo by Mark Arike.

Employment Ontario award goes to McKecks Tap and Grill

By Mark Arike

McKecks Tap and Grill gave out 135 T4 slips for 2016.

Combine that with more than 30 years in business and it's safe to say that hundreds of people have worked at the restaurant.

For its investments in the community, the Haliburton business recently received the Employer of the Year Award from Employment Ontario Eastern Regional Group.

"Our mandate is to employ as many people as we can," said Karen Frybort, general manager and operating partner. "That's why we're always driving business. We want to sustain people in the community. We want to train, educate and have jobs that are there to improve people's livelihood."

After considering about half a dozen local businesses, the staff at Fleming CREW Employment Centre nominated the restaurant.

To be eligible, businesses must utilize Employment Ontario services, and invest in training and developing staff.

"It was a hard choice because there are quite a few [businesses] in Haliburton that we work closely with," said Shanthi Bascombe, employment and training consultant. "This year we decided to nominate McKecks because of their substantial investment in people in our community."

By accessing Employment Ontario services, they've hired an apprentice and youth, including three children from the Wiso family who came to Haliburton as refugees. They've taken a proactive approach to help the children improve their English, and devised a system of pictures and Arabic instructions.

McKecks also offers bursaries to students furthering their education in four disciplines: culinary/hospitality, the arts, sports and teaching.

More than 55 employers in the county used Employment Ontario services last year, said Bascombe. It connects people looking for work with employers. Incentives, such as grants, are available to hire new employees.

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Locals get lucky in lottery draws

All three early bird winners in this year's Cash for Care lottery are from Haliburton. On April 28, resident Jim Morley was announced as the winner of \$1,000 cash in the final early bird draw. One of his six tickets was drawn by Mary Lou Waggett Macklin, a volunteer with the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. Corey Adams and Bill Gliddon, also from Haliburton, each won \$500 in previous draws held in February and March. Proceeds from the foundation's fifth annual lottery will pay for the new palliative centre located at the Haliburton hospital. All 4,000 tickets were sold as of April 18.

"We've had a great response to it," said Dale Walker, executive director of the foundation. The final draws for \$1,000, \$2,000 and \$20,000 will take place at noon on May 26. It will coincide with the grand opening of the centre. (Mark Arike).

Above: HHHSF board member David Zilstra and executive director Dale Walker spin the drum at the final early bird draw. Right: Foundation volunteer Mary Lou Waggett Macklin reads the winner's name. Photo by Mark Arike.



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Left: Addie Johnston of Grafton, focuses on her newest painting. Middle left: Lauretta Peters of Saskatchewan shows off her favourite pieces from her glass-blowing course. Middle right: Prints and photos by Chad Lynch and Taylor Jacyshyn, both students in the digital image design program, bringing digital work into the real world and vice versa. Right: Thomas Ferguson of Peterborough, hard at work for his integrated design program. Photos by Emily Stonehouse.

A day in the life of a Fleming student

By Emily Stonehouse

“Within these walls, the walls within disappear.”

This quote arches over the bright red doors of the main entrance at Haliburton School of Art and Design, reminding anyone who enters that they carry a little spark of creativity within themselves. As a student at HSAD, I can say with confidence the college’s only consistency is the magic of inconsistency. Even on the dreariest of spring mornings, walking through those red doors every day, with a coffee in one hand and a camera in the other, I never know what the day will hold – and I like it that way.

Having attended two different universities across the country, to say that returning to my hometown to begin a creative college program was out of my comfort zone, is an understatement. I guess you could say I had put up some walls. We all do, after all, we are only human. Crossing through those doors, I had no idea what to expect. I had no idea how important context would be when trying to tap into that inner world of creativity. The world of HSAD is a vibrant one; with everything from blacksmithing to integrated design, there is no shortage of creative energy charging through the halls.

Some mornings I will cross paths with

a glass-blower, cradling their newest creation – an elegant goblet with dashes of pinks, purples, and turquoises. Other days I’ll see the design students using the 3D printer; shifting their digital imaginations into physical ones. On a lucky day, I’ll connect with a jewellery student, who sparkles as they walk down the halls, proudly showcasing their artistic endeavours in the forms of necklaces, rings, and intricately connected chains. There is beauty in the unknown of everyday, beauty in never seeing the exact same piece twice, and beauty knowing that we all fuel one another’s creative drive. I am consistently energized from seeing

fellow students works, often blown away by the idea that someone a few doors down from me can be imagining and creating real and true art.

I am convinced that a day in the life of a Fleming student is unlike any other student experience out there. The element of the unknown runs rampant, yet it is a welcome unknown. We don’t know what we are capable of until we try. We don’t know who we will meet, until we connect with them. We don’t know our creative limitations, because in an environment as colourful and supportive as HSAD, they are few and far between.



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Couple disheartened by litter bugs

By Mark Arike

At least five times a week, Eagle Lake resident Jane Jaycock walks about eight kilometres around her neighbourhood and each time she doesn't finish empty-handed.

And that's not a good thing, because what she returns home with is other people's trash.

"I have a great deal of respect for where we live and our environment," said Jaycock. "It's a very simple thing not to throw out garbage and it's simple to pick it up."

She finds all kinds of items on her travels along Sir Sam's Road.

"It's bad because of the traffic," she said.

Jaycock has lived in the area for 13 years with her husband, Mike. She has been picking up garbage ever since. Discarded items she commonly finds include cigarette packages, coffee cups and empty beer cans.

"Every day I can find some garbage that somebody has dumped out," she said, adding she has witnessed people leave a bag of garbage beside their vehicle before driving away.

On Earth Day (April 22), her husband joined her for her usual routine. They collected four bags' worth of garbage, which they took to the dump. While discussing Earth Day, they decided to post about their cleanup on Facebook.

"We thought it would be a good thing just so people could see ... it's just crap," she said.

Her husband's post received many comments and spurred some to take action. Minden resident Brigitte Gall was one of those people. She posted a photo of her collection, which consisted of several pop

bottles and an empty bottle of whisky.

"Someone in Minden continues to throw plastic green Sprite bottles and booze bottles along the road ...," she wrote. "I don't get it."

Jaycock encourages litter bugs to do one thing: stop.

"Garbage harms everyone ... I don't understand why they're not getting it," she said.

"Please don't do it."

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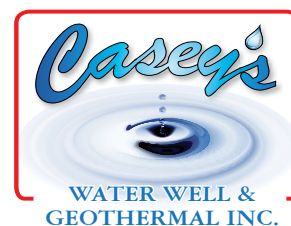
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Painted Ladies about to take to the skies

By Lisa Gervais

Shortly after moving to the Haliburton Highlands from the Stouffville area, Joannie Ransberry's father passed away.

New to the area for just five weeks, and not knowing a lot of people, she reached out to SIRCH and took part in its grief program.

"It was excellent," says Ransberry, who is now volunteering her time to help promote SIRCH's upcoming third annual Release of the Butterflies fundraiser.

"I know firsthand what it's like," she said of people who turn to the bereavement programs year after year.

In fact, there is a growing need for bereavement supports for residents of our county, according to SIRCH.

"Grief touches us all, whether it's the death of a parent, friend, child, pet or whether it's a different loss. These have been enormously impactful to the participants, helping them make sense of a world without their loved ones in it," SIRCH says in a press release.

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SIRCH receives no government funding for its bereavement program. So, to ensure that the 'Journey Through Grief' groups can continue, SIRCH started a fundraising event two years ago called "Release of the Butterflies".

Hundreds of beautiful Painted Lady butterflies were released at once into the air at the wetlands behind the Minden Cultural Centre.

"What a beautiful and meaningful occasion that was," SIRCH recalls.

This year, SIRCH will once again have

the Release of the Butterflies in Minden on June 16. However, the donation date to secure the butterflies is May 26. SIRCH hopes to raise \$25,000 this year.

The butterflies cost \$30 each or four for \$100. People can call the SIRCH office at 705-457-1742 to order butterflies.

"Overwhelmingly, people are excited and supportive about this event, which includes entertainment, children's activities, food, and, of course, the release of hundreds of butterflies," SIRCH said.

The idea is that the butterflies will enter the natural environment in our area and reproduce, increasing the numbers of butterflies locally. It is also about educating people about butterflies. SIRCH has chosen the cultural centre because of the beautiful wetlands that the boardwalk meanders through.

The Ladurantaye family will attend its third release this summer.

Wendy Ladurantaye said, "We have a lot of fun as a family, and it provides a teaching opportunity to consider the delicate wildlife in a natural setting. The boys, Logan and Hayden, understand we need bees and butterflies. The best part is the release. It truly is magical."

Bereavement programs

Twice a year, SIRCH offers Levels 1 & 2 of Grief Recovery: The Journey Towards New Wholeness and Health. People who have lost a friend, spouse, child, parent or sibling gain support from others and move through the journey together. Grief Recovery Group, Level 3, provides a monthly drop-in for people who have participated in Levels 1 & 2.

Journey Through Grief informational one-hour sessions are offered to groups in the community by request. Sessions provide information on the grieving process as well as opportunities to discuss and explore our own feelings around grief. See more at sirch.on.ca.



Hayden Ladurantaye examines his butterfly before releasing it. *Submitted.*

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Highlander people



But they don't think about the people who actually live there, year-round, and what their lives are like.

Savannah
MacAusland



Savannah MacAusland is preparing to leave for Fiji, in the South Pacific, May 13 for about a month. It's part of a Volunteer Eco Students Abroad (VESA) mission. She's been saving up money for months. *Photo by Jennifer Hughey.*

Eco student volunteer en route to Fiji

By Jennifer Hughey

Savannah MacAusland fondly remembers travelling to Haiti when she was 18 years old.

Accompanied by her grandmother, it was the first trip outside of Ontario for the Haliburton Highlands native. It was also one which created wanderlust for world travel and humanitarian work.

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She received some financial assistance from the community through sponsorships and donations, and continues to work hard at the Independent Gas Bar. It's all to raise the funds needed to make the journey. "I love doing work in other countries that need our help," she said.

Now 21, MacAusland applied to the program after hearing about it during her photography and video production courses

at Durham College in 2016. She is one of only of 35 post-secondary students who were accepted to go to Fiji with VESA.

"With Fiji, two to three students stay with local families," she said. "And I love that part. Getting to live with people as they really live."

VESA is a non-profit program that encourages people to get involved in large-scale humanitarian projects in areas of the world that "traditional charity and aid has not addressed the social and environmental risks the communities face," according to their website.

Fiji was hit with a category 5 cyclone in February 2016. The storm was named Winston, and is classified as the largest and most costly storm recorded in history. More than 80 percent of the nation was without power for three weeks and damage was calculated at \$1.9 billion Canadian dollars (\$1.4 billion USD).

Founder and director of VESA, Shona Luciani, says the programs have been purposely designed to deliver tangible

positive outcomes. With Fiji, it's continuing to rebuild after cyclone Winston.

"All our work is developed in constitution with the communities we work with," Luciani said in a press release, adding sustainability is a key driver and so they use eco materials wherever possible in their construction projects.

As a professional photographer and videographer, MacAusland plans to document her trip to create a three-part series. She hopes to show people what Fiji really looks like.

"It's a mixture of the two things I love the most," she said. "travel, helping others and my photography and videography."

During her first week, she will work hand-in-hand with indigenous village communities to work on constructing rain water catchment tanks and increasing villager access to clean, running water.

She and other volunteers will also teach local children, while working to restore school equipment and buildings and running proper hygiene workshops.

In her third week, she will have the opportunity to build turtle sick bays, pools and artificial coral reefs. She will also be working with a critically endangered species of iguana.

"Most people, when they think of Fiji, or at least what I have been told, they think relaxing vacation and blue waters," she said. "But they don't think about the people who actually live there, year-round, and what their lives are like."

The documentary series will debut on MacAusland's YouTube channel, but she has plans to arrange a showing in the Highlands before the end of the year. She's thankful of the support from businesses like Barker's Heating & Cooling, Pro Roof and personal donations from many other county residents.

If you would like to learn more about VESA, visit vesabroad.com or if you are interested in supporting MacAusland's trip, visit her fundraising page on youcaring.com/savannahfiji.

Highlander sports



From left, Ryan Hall, coach Jason Morrisette and Zach Morisette. Photo by Alex Coop.

Junior doubles team impresses at COSSA

By Alex Coop

They didn't bring home any hardware, but Zach Morisette and Ryan Hall turned heads April 27 in East Northumberland Secondary School (ENSS) during their first ever Central Ontario Secondary School Athletic Association (COSSA) junior doubles badminton match.

The dynamic duo from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS), who were seeded fourth entering the tournament last Thursday, defeated the number one seeded ENSS team that also had the home crowd cheering for them in the background.

It prevented the favoured, top seeded team, from winning gold.

When asked if there were any nerves

entering that match, Hall was quick to say yes.

"But we had been practicing as much as we could," he said. "Our communication is strong."

Morrisette agreed, and attributed the strong chemistry to other sports they've played together, such as junior hockey.

The pair of Grade 9s beat ENSS 24-22 and then 22-20 in their first and second sets, respectively. Unfortunately, that momentum didn't carry over into their next matches, as they fell against Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School and ENSS during a rematch.

Jason Morrisette, the team's coach and Zach's father, was very pleased with their performance.

"They're really competitive," he said about the doubles team. "They don't like to lose."

Morrisette said the pair was on top of their game against ENSS during the opening round. It almost caught him by surprise.

"They were up against a great team and they were clearly having fun," he said.

Playing in COSSA was an excellent stepping stone to further success, Morrisette added.

"It showed them that at higher levels of play, both players have to be on the same page at all times," he said. "They were in that mindset during their first match. They're only going to get better." Hall and Morrisette are looking to stick with badminton throughout high school.

Morrisette also praised the rest of the junior badminton for a successful season.

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Highlander events



Top left: Chelsey Morrison of Langton Public School tries on her first dress of the day. Top right: Victoria Harrison of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School was pleased with her dress selection. Middle right: Nancy Lowes, left, helps Natalie Williams try on a dress. Bottom right: A purple suit, shown off by volunteer Theresa Riley, caught Brandon Farrow's eye. Above: Nancy Lowes and Jenn Abbott, the event's organizers. *Photos by Alex Coop.*

Making graduation dreams come true

Dozens of students visited the Lion's Hall in Minden in search of that hidden gem for their upcoming graduation ceremonies. Hundreds of pieces of recycled clothing, from dresses and suits, to ties and shoes, caught the eyes of elementary and high school students April 29. Minor alterations were done on-site by volunteers. Nancy Lowes, one of the organizers of the event, says they are looking for a business that could provide free storage for the year, as their current arrangement is no longer available. *(Alex Coop).*

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Top: Alison King dances to I Will Survive by Gloria Gaynor. Middle: A couple dances to slow music. Above: Cathy Whittaker of Kennisis Lake looks at some of the silent auction items. *Photos by Alex Coop.*

Canoe FM gets its groove on

The Haliburton Legion was ablaze with bright colours and 70s tunes April 29, during Canoe FM's Psychedelia event. The night was dedicated to the revival of 60s and 70s music and was accompanied by dinner and dancing. DJ Ron Murphy got the crowd groovin', while several tables in the hall attracted guests with silent auction items and prizes. The radio station fundraiser generated \$3,300 dollars. *(Alex Coop).*



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The Ontario Early Years Centre Haliburton Victoria Brock (OEYC HVB) is a not for profit organization that promotes, supports and enables healthy development of children and their families by providing accessible, responsive and educational programs and services for children, parents and caregivers. We also operate a not for profit childcare in Minden, which is licensed by the Ministry of Education. Our Children's Learning Centre offers part-time and full-time care for children 18 months to 12 years of age.

We are seeking a permanent Childcare Manager to maintain a safe and healthy environment that supports children's optimal development. The Manager is knowledgeable of and ensures compliance to all Ministry of Education licensing requirements, and policies and procedures of the OEYC HVB. Duties include, but are not limited to: staff recruitment, support and supervision; monitoring and projection of enrolment; liaison with the Ministry of Education Program Advisor; submit all necessary paperwork to maintain a license with the Ministry of Education; parent communication and tours, registration of children, and oversee pre-billing process.

The successful candidate will have:

- An Early Childhood Educator Diploma, and be Registered and in good standing with the College
- A minimum of 2 years supervisory experience
- A current Criminal Reference Check, including Vulnerable Sector Screening
- Valid certification in standard First Aid, including Infant and Child CPR
- Proficiency with computers
- Detailed knowledge of community resources, supports and services
- Demonstrated communication, organization, time management and interpersonal skills

The full job description for this position is available electronically, by enquiry.

This position is full-time (38 hours/week). The starting hourly rate is \$21.85 plus \$2/hr RECE wage enhancement and benefits. The starting date is May 15, 2017, can be negotiated.

Please submit a detailed resume and covering letter which summarizes your specific qualifications and experience as they relate to the position, by 4:00 pm, May 3, 2017 to exec.director@oevc.ca with the subject line "Childcare Manager Position". For more information please contact Pippa Stephenson at 705.324.7900

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THANK YOU

The daughters and family of the late

Beryl Peters

would like to extend their profound gratitude for the excellent care and compassion given during this difficult time. We would like to thank

Dr. Norman Bottum for his warmhearted devotion and compassionate care. We would like to acknowledge and thank all of the Nursing Staff as well as the PSW's who provided her daily care at Highland Wood. We would also like to recognize the support provided, for over 4 years, by the kitchen, cleaning and laundry staff. Our sincere appreciation goes out to the residents of Mapleview in Wilberforce for their support and encouragement throughout the years. The consideration shown by all provides peace of mind and comfort during this transitional time in our lives.

Thank you and God Bless!



With Heartfelt Thanks

The family of the late Leo Watson would like to thank family, friends, and neighbours for your love and support during Dad's stay in hospital and his passing. The kind words, cards, flowers, charitable donations, visits, and food donations were greatly appreciated.

Thanks to Gordon Monk Funeral Home for all of your help, and for the lovely service, and also to the Minden Lions Club for the luncheon.

And last, but not least, a very huge thank you to Dr Tina Stephenson and the nursing staff at Haliburton Hospital for your compassion and all of your efforts to make Dad's stay in hospital comfortable and pain free. We appreciate each and every one of you more than words can say.

Shirley Horsley & The Watson Family



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It was Scott's wish for cremation and no service.

Memorial Donations to the Barbara Turnbull Foundation for Spinal Cord Research would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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Position: Cleaner & Maintenance Helper

Job Type: Seasonal: End of June until the beginning of September

Location: Camp Kandalore

Wage: \$12.50 Hourly

Description: Camp Kandalore is looking to hire four candidates to be our cleaning crew this summer. Located 12 minutes North of Carnarvon off of Highway 35, we are a co-ed residential summer camp for campers aged 6-16. Since 1947 Kandalore has offered an exemplary camp program and has a rich history of paddling and canoe tripping.

The Role: Camp Kandalore is looking for four hard-working, positive and reliable people to be our cleaning crew this summer. The general duties of the cleaning crew include:

- Supply Washrooms and other common areas with necessary materials
- Cleaning of camp common areas including washrooms and shower facilities
- Assisting maintenance staff with the upkeep of the camp facilities
- Painting and other minor repairs of camp structures
- Requirements:**
- Must enjoy working outside and being part of a fun loving community
- Willing to work afternoons and weekends
- Able to lift 25lbs continuously and work in a physically demanding environment
- Able to work as a positive member of a team as well as independently

Please submit your resume to
Gord Darling – Site Manager – Gord@kandalore.com

Kandalore thanks all applicants for their interest,
but can acknowledge only those selected for an interview.



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is currently seeking an individual for the position of Maintenance Custodian at Maple View in Wilberforce.

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The pay scale is \$16 to \$18 per hour depending upon qualifications. Benefits are available after probation period.

Interested applicants can contact for a complete job description and submit their resume, stating qualifications to:

Kathy Rogers, Administrator
PO Box 70 Wilberforce, Ontario K0L 3C0
Phone / Fax 705-448-3652
Email: mapleview@on.aibn.com

Deadline for submission will be Tuesday May 23, 2017 by 3 pm.

If you are contacted by the Corporation regarding a job opportunity, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially.

Persons with a disability preventing them from applying on-line should contact the above mentioned person to discuss alternative solutions.

We thank all applicants for their interest but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used for candidate selection purposes only.



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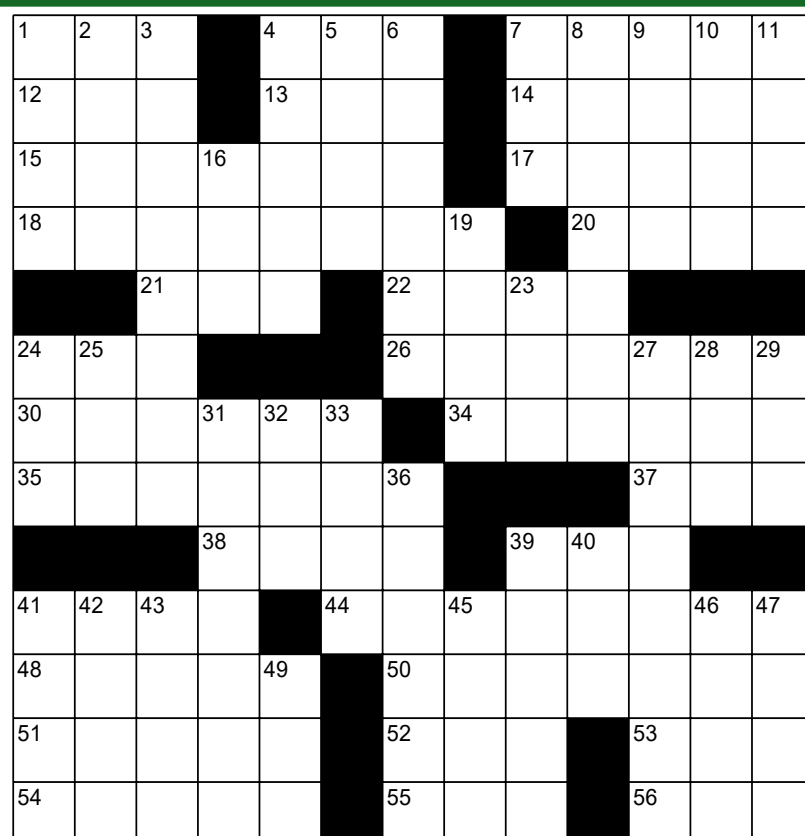
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18. AWOL soldier
20. Robin's abode
21. Small child
22. Favorable votes
24. Tire filler
26. Indulgent
30. Make less tight

DOWN

34. Sofa
35. As a substitute
37. Pro and ____
38. Otherwise
39. Low grade
41. Frolic
44. Vouched for
48. Got out of bed
50. Harsh
51. Feudal estate
52. Pen fluid
53. Tease
54. 747, e.g.
55. "Leaving ____ Vegas"
56. Drama division

DOWN

1. Raring to go
2. Asian staple
3. Great conductors
4. Not together
5. Fender damage
6. Trial
7. Understand
8. Mass ____ (subways, e.g.)
9. Fee
10. Puts into service
11. Camping need
16. Zodiac sign
19. Deli breads
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25. Charged particle
27. And so forth (2 wds.)
28. Trinity's boyfriend
29. Twice five
31. New spouse's boy
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33. Space gp.
36. Minor aspect
39. Writing tables
40. Philadelphia time zone (abbr.)
41. Freeway exit
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45. Salad fish
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EVENTS

YOGA IN THE MORNING

The Trillium Team Royal LePage Lakes of Haliburton and Amanda Rico Yoga have teamed up to offer yoga classes Wednesday mornings at the Village Barn in Haliburton, from 7:30 - 8:30am. Admission is by donation with all proceeds going to local charities.

Space is limited so please register by email to amandaricoyoga@gmail.com.
Classes run until June 28.

This is an all-level class - everyone is welcome!
Please bring your own mat.

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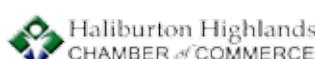
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MAY 2017 • EVENT LISTINGS

Thursday May 4

10 a.m. – noon – Therapeutic Touch Works! For You and Your Family, Ontario Early Years Centre, Lloyd Watson Centre 2249 Loop Rd., Wilberforce. Learn to relax, reduce stress & anxiety, and manage pain.

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Zumba Class at the Dorset Recreation Centre. All are welcome, \$5/person/class. Contact Joanne at jomac6058@gmail.com or 705-766-1546.

Friday May 5

8 p.m. – Canadian Blues Legends: Gene Hardy & Sparkjiver, at Dominion Hotel, Minden. Tickets \$25. <https://www.facebook.com/events/409166156128367>

2 – 4 p.m. – International Day of the Midwife, celebration and tea party being held at the Midwifery Clinic at 64 Victoria St., Haliburton. Come for tea, treats, visit and activities for the kids. All are welcome.

Saturday May 6

9 a.m. – Dorset Pitch-in Day. Meet at Dorset Recreation Centre for litter clean-up supplies and area to tidy. Coffee, treats, and social time for helpers afterwards. Call the Rec Centre for more info 705-766-9968.

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. – Wild Leeks, Edibles & Spring Wildflowers, at Abbey Gardens, \$5 / person including homemade potato & leek soup. More info and registration at haliburtonlandtrust.ca or 705-457-3700.

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Spring Art Journaling Group, at Visible Voices Open Arts Studio. Space is limited, reserve your spot. Contact Arlene Stiles at stilesarlene@yahoo.ca or 705-457-4079.

12 – 4 p.m. – Spring Festival at Abbey Gardens. See abbeygardens.com for more info.

7:30 p.m. – Guy & Nadina, presented by Haliburton Concert Series, at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Haliburtoncs.blogspot.ca for more info.

1 – 4 p.m. – Discover the Benefits of Therapeutic Touch in Daily Life,



at Haliburton County Public Library, Dysart Branch 78 Maple Ave. Learn to relax, reduce stress & anxiety, and manage pain.

Sunday May 7

11 a.m. – Sunday Ramble: History of Donald. Learn about the Standard Chemical Factory, visit The Little Tart and Blackbird Pottery Studio. FriendsOfTheRailtrail.ca/Sunday-rambles.html

1 – 3:30 p.m. – Hospital Auxiliary Geranium Tea, at the Haliburton Curling Club. \$15/person, includes a light lunch. Tickets available at the hospital gift shop 11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Monday May 8

10 a.m. – noon – Taoist Tai Chi Open House, Galway Community Hall, Kinmount. Discover the art of Tai Chi! All are welcome. For more info: call Wilma 705-457-5829 or email Peterborough@taoist.org.

7 – 8: 30 p.m. – Taoist Tai Chi Open House, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. Discover the art of Tai Chi! All are welcome. For more info: call Wilma 705-457-5829 or email Peterborough@taoist.org.

10:30 am – Noon – Tai Chi Class at Dorset Recreation Centre. Beginners welcome, registration required. Drop-in class \$20+HST/Class, pay for multiple classes and get a discount. Call Valerie at 705-767-1177.

1 – 2 p.m. NIA Class for Seniors (Non-Impact Aerobics), at the Dorset Rec Centre. Registration required in advance, call 705-645-2100 x 199.

Tuesday May 9

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. – A Canadian Choral Celebration, 150 Years 150 Voices, hosted by Highlands Festival Singers, at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden.

10 a.m. – noon – Taoist Tai Chi Open House, Zion United Church, Carnarvon. Discover the art of Tai Chi! All are welcome. For more info: call Wilma 705-457-5829 or email Peterborough@taoist.org.

Wednesday May 10

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. – New Moon Series: Aromatherapy to Manage Moods & Emotions, at Abbey Gardens. \$10/person. abbeygardens.ca

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – HKPR District Health Unit Sexual Health Clinic. Confidential access to low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. For more info or to make an appointment call 1-866-888-4577 ext 2205.

11 a.m. – noon – African Hand Drumming with Gillian Thomas at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Contact Gillian for more info gillian07@gmail.com or 705-571-2539.

2 – 4 p.m. – Taoist Tai Chi Open House, Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce. Discover the art of Tai Chi! All are welcome. For more info: call Wilma 705-457-5829 or email Peterborough@taoist.org.

Thursday May 11

10 a.m. – noon – Taoist Tai Chi Open House, Haliburton United Church. Discover the art of Tai Chi! All are welcome. For more info: call Wilma 705-457-5829 or email Peterborough@taoist.org.

11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Card/Games Party at Red Umbrella Inn, a FUNdraiser for student bursaries. Canadian Federation of University Women invites you to join us at the Red Umbrella Inn for lunch, raffles, prizes and games. \$25/person. Tickets/info: Susan -ch.concepts@sympatico.ca/705-457-3981 or Joan -joanstoner@hotmail.com/705-489-4884.

7 – 8: 30 p.m. – Taoist Tai Chi Open House, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. Discover the art of Tai Chi! All are welcome. For more info: call Wilma 705-457-5829 or email Peterborough@taoist.org.

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Zumba Class at the Dorset Recreation Centre. All are welcome, \$5/person/class. Contact Joanne at jomac6058@gmail.com or 705-766-1546.

Saturday May 13

8 a.m. – 12 p.m. – Great Green Garage Sale at Minden Hills Cultural Centre grounds, 176 Bobcaygeon Rd. Call 705-286-3763 to book your 10' x 10' space, \$10

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Spring Art Journaling Group, at Visible Voices Open Arts Studio. Space is limited, reserve your spot. Contact Arlene Stiles at stilesarlene@yahoo.ca or 705-457-4079.

1 – 4 p.m. – Storytelling Through the Arts, at the Dorset Recreation Centre. An afternoon of drumming and art exploring ways to tell stories. Ages 8 and up. \$10/ person. For more info or to register contact 705-783-0547 or info@stonetreestudio.ca

4:30 - 11 p.m. - 50s/60s Rock & Roll Dinner/Dance, at the Minden Curling Club, with live music by The Cruisers. Dinner 4:30 – 6:30 p.m., dancing & music start at 7 p.m., cash bar, tickets \$25/person. Everyone welcome, timely dress is encouraged, but optional. For tickets, call Lynda 705-457-8511.

Sunday May 14

11 a.m. – Sunday Ramble: Geeza Wilderness Habitat Walk. Meet at Geeza Rd with trail snacks. Come prepared to enjoy up to 2 hours of easy flat rambling. FriendsOfTheRailtrail.ca/Sunday-rambles.html

5:30 p.m. – Mother's Day Dinner at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. Moms and kids are free, everyone else \$5/person. For more info contact Pat Schell, 705-766-2373 or patjschell@hotmail.com

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

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.

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 - fi ve draws, fi ve prizes each draw, fi rst 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 onwards

Sunday breakfast second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed. Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705) 457-2571, email rc129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129 ... everyone is welcome.

MINDEN BRANCH

General meeting, fi rst 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, fi rst 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 - Pool 1:30pm Spaghetti dinner 5-7 pm

No jam session tonight

Saturday Meat draw 2pm – Early Bird 3pm SHARP

Monday Bid Euchre 7: 00pm beginners welcome!

Wednesday Fun Darts 7:30pm

Thursday Youth League 6:30-8:30pm



RCL Haliburton Branch 129
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Election of Officers and Executive

**THURSDAY, MAY 11
7:30PM**

All members are encouraged to attend. Current membership cards are required to vote.

FREE EVENTS!



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What's on



Members of the Haliburton Highlands branch of the Therapeutic Touch Network of Ontario attended last summer's health and wellness expo in Head Lake Park. *File photo.*

Feel the power of therapeutic touch

By Mark Arike

The hands are a powerful tool.

By utilizing therapeutic touch, they can help people relax, reduce anxiety and stress and foster a sense of well-being, among other benefits.

From May 1-7, more than 50 events are taking place across Ontario as part of Therapeutic Touch Awareness Week. The province-wide initiative, dubbed CARE 150, has been organized in celebration of Canada's 150th birthday.

And two of those events are happening here thanks to the Haliburton Highlands branch of the Therapeutic Touch Network of Ontario, in partnership with the Ontario Early Years Moms and Tots Group and the

Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library.

"It's the first [Therapeutic Touch Awareness Week]," said Bonnie Roe, a member of the planning committee and chapter lead. "It's kind of neat because we're all doing it the same week, but doing our events with partners we felt would be relevant to our community."

The first event is May 4 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. It will highlight the ways families can tap into the benefits of therapeutic touch.

"We'll be showing the mom or the dad how to actually do therapeutic touch [for their children]," explained Roe.

A few simple techniques, for example, can

make a child feel better when they've hurt their hand, she said.

On May 6 from 1-4 p.m. at the Dysart library, three therapeutic touch practitioners will offer free mini-sessions. A PowerPoint presentation has been prepared and handouts will be available to visitors.

"People can drop by ... and they can just experience what a therapeutic touch session feels like," she said.

All ages are welcome and it is not necessary to RSVP.

"We're trying to reach out to a younger audience because it's about self-care and health prevention. It's not just when you're ill."

Therapeutic touch is described as a "holistic, evidence-based therapy

that incorporates the intentional and compassionate use of universal energy to promote balance and well-being." It was developed in the early 1970s by Dora Kunz and Dolores Krieger, PhD, RN (Professor Emerita of New York University).

It is currently available in more than 30 health care facilities across Ontario.

The local therapeutic touch branch was established in 1987 by Marilyn Annie Mighton. Since then, it has grown to 12-15 members who have various levels of training.

To learn more about therapeutic touch, visit therapeutictouchontario.com. To get involved with the local chapter, contact Roe at 705-286-2414 or email Bonnieroe08@gmail.com.

Highlander events



Above left: From left, Steve Dewey and Amy Brohm perform *Something to Eat*, a tale about a young couple, who while trying to decide what to do for dinner, get distracted by other topics like their relationship with their parents, ex-boyfriends and girlfriends and marriage. Above right: Kate Butler in *Philadelphia*. Middle right: The second one-act play of the evening, *Philadelphia*, is about a man who is informed by his friend that his unlucky day is the result of his ensnarement in an alternate pocket of reality called a "Philadelphia," in which he will only be fulfilled by asking for the opposite of what he wants. Bottom right: Hannah Klose in *Sure Thing*. Photos by Alex Coop.



NOTICE OF A COMPLETE APPLICATION AND OPEN HOUSE CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT ZONING BY-LAW UPDATE – PHASE 1 HOUSEKEEPING (PLZBA2017024)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law 06-10. The Township of Minden Hills has initiated a Housekeeping Amendment to the Township's Zoning By-law 06-10 which is intended to provide additional clarity and consistent language throughout the Zoning By-law as well as to provide various minor changes to update the Zoning By-law. A Secondary Phase of the Zoning By-law update is anticipated at a later date and is intended to coincide with updates to the Township's Official Plan

A location map is not provided with this notice, as the proposed amendment applies to all and various lands within the limits of the Township of Minden Hills.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The housekeeping amendment proposes broad changes to various definitions in order to ensure consistent language throughout the text; new Minimum Distance Separation Requirements (MDS) to be consistent with Provincial Policy; new and revised regulations providing standards and requirements for parking, including accessible parking, and loading spaces; revised sections on non-complying buildings and structures, and shoreline structures; new regulations governing hunt camps; and allowing for two (2) storey accessory structures in certain situations.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Township will be hosting an Open House to give the public an informal opportunity to review and ask questions about the proposed amendments. Any person may attend the Open House to discuss their comments and concerns with municipal planning staff. Comments and concerns received as a result of the Open House will be considered in the preparation of a Planning Report for Council's information, and may result in modifications to the proposed amendments.

Council may not make a decision for approval of an application until a Public Meeting has been held in accordance with the Planning Act. **Notice of a Public Meeting will be provided at a later date.**

DATE AND LOCATION OF OPEN HOUSE

Date: Wednesday May 12, 2017
Time: 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Location: Minden Community Centre
55 Parkside Street, Minden, ON

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS MATTER, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the undersigned at iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

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 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, or by contacting Mr. Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext.206) or online at www.mindenhills.ca/ZoningUpdate.

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

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the proposed by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed amendment, you must submit a written request to the Township of Minden Hills.

DATED this 27th day of April, 2017
Ian Clendening, Planner
7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359
Minden, ON, K0M 2K0

What's for dinner?

The Highlands Little Theatre took to the stage last weekend and performed three one-act plays at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

The plays were as follows:

Something to Eat, by Norman L Rhodes, directed by Jack Brezina

Sure Thing, by David Ives, directed by Guy Pritchard

Philadelphia, by David Ives, directed by Barry Willhelm

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