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# Minden fire hall costs climb the ladder

By Lisa Gervais

The cost of Minden's new fire hall has gone up by about \$100,000.

Interim fire Chief Mike Bekking told councillors at their Nov. 9 meeting that Greystone Project Management Inc. ran into trouble with soil during excavation of the site.

"Unsuitable bearing soil for footings was discovered; the removal of the unsatisfactory soil was required," Bekking said in a report. "To provide a stable foundation, engineered soil was supplied."

The cost is \$41,685.18

He said staff then went back to Greystone to see if they could find savings elsewhere

on the project, and they were able to trim nearly \$20,000 in original costs.

Some of the cost-saving changes will include using standard insulated doors, versus polycarbonate on the overhead doors; taking out a vinyl window from the air fill room; a change from steel structure to pre-engineered trusses; masonry instead

of a concrete wall and changing the office flooring to vinyl from porcelain.

As the building progresses, there are also some new, as yet unbudgeted, expenses. For example, there are plans for an electronic location sign (\$30,000), furniture (\$23,000), IT infrastructure (\$12,853.78),

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Work is continuing on Minden's new fire hall. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

# Minden fire hall likely to open in spring

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bunker gear washer and dryer (\$5,000), a generator monitor (\$1,000) and an additional \$20,000 contingency.

That brings additional total costs to \$115,628.82, minus the nearly \$20,000 in new savings.

Council has so far budgeted just over \$1.9 million for the project and this puts it over the \$2 million mark. The additional cost has been referred to 2018 budget talks.

Bekking told council while Greystone could have done core sampling it wouldn't have changed the outcome or the cost.

Coun. Pam Sayne, who voted against the motion to give Greystone the job because there was only one bidder on such a major building project, told council "I'm disappointed with this cost addition."

She added while there is insulating concrete form (ICF) — which is good for energy efficiency - in the foundation, there isn't in the building itself. She said energy efficiency should have been a priority for the building so Minden

Hills could be proud of its carbon footprint.

She said the soil issue should have been flagged much earlier in the process, such as doing soil testing before quoting the job.

She's worried about the township being "nickeled and dimed" on the project.

Mayor Brent Devolin retorted, saying the council discussed the pay back from ICF versus framing and it was 40 years so "if it was a surprise to you ... I'll just leave that."

He added soil along the Highway 35 corridor – as a result of the highway construction – can be problematic.

He said in any job "there's always wild parts" and he didn't think \$40,000 on a \$2 million budget was a major variant. He said he would happily defend the added

In an interview with *the Highlander*, Bekking said the job was on schedule with the exterior of the building expected to be completed in February. During late winter and early spring the interior can then be finalized, he said.

# Company finishes Cardiff water system repairs

All repairs to Cardiff's water system were completed at the end of last month.

"I'm glad to say that all the services are done," said environmental supervisor Stewart Hurd during a Nov. 1 Highlands East council meeting.

In the middle of May, Fowler Construction was awarded the \$1.2 million project to replace water service lines and valves. They began the work June 21 and were supposed to be finished by Oct. 20.

There's still some remedial work that needs to be completed on roads and ditches, said Hurd.

"They plan on being finished by the end of fall," he said.

Reeve Dave Burton commended Hurd for his oversight of the project.

"You've handled it very well," said Burton. "I know it's been quite grueling and stressful."

Since more than half the invoicing is outstanding, it's too early to tell if the project is on budget, Hurd told *The Highlander* 

The municipality received nearly \$570,000 from the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund. The rest is being paid for with money from reserves and the system's 261 users. (Mark Arike)





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Capitalism and its impact on economic growth and the environment were discussed at Environment Haliburton's latest Enviro Cafe in Haliburton Tuesday evening. Photo by

# Author urges alternatives to capitalism at Enviro Cafe

By Alex Coop

Capitalism and its impact on economic growth and the environment were discussed at Environment Haliburton's latest Enviro Cafe in Haliburton Tuesday evening.

On the heels of 15,000 scientists warning humanity about the ongoing impact of climate change, more than 40 people piled into St. George's Anglican Church to meet international journalist and author Richard Swift, who emphasized an alternative to capitalism is a planetary necessity.

"It's going to take people to get out of their comfort zones and get involved," said Swift, adding it would be preferable if it happened prior to a major economic or environmental collapse, which in a capitalistic society with growing authoritarian and alt-right movements, is very possible.

The concept of de-growth, a movement geared towards equity, self-sufficiency and environmental justice, was frequently mentioned during Swift's presentation.

He praised the county's efforts in sustainable infrastructure and the development of rideshare programs.

"Haliburton, I think, is already doing

some of those things," he said. "Retrofitting houses, building a public transportation system ... all of those systems are elements of de-growing."

Others, like Herb Titze of Algonquin Highlands, shared Swift's optimism.

"We need to have more discussions, as a community, like the one we're having now," he said, pointing to the room.

"I'm personally very worried about climate change and what it means for our food production," he said. "Nobody sees it coming."

After the presentation, he told *The Highlander* he knows there are a lot of intelligent people in the community spearheading grassroots-type movements to engage locals about sustainability and climate change.

They need to be at the forefront of a lot of conversations moving forward, he said.

Swift echoed those comments in one of his points about de-growth.

"Prioritize the local in everything," he said, specifically in the energy, agricultural, disposal and waste systems in our community. "The aim would be to achieve as high a level of community selfsufficiency as reasonably possible."

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# Handlen still awaiting trial three years after arrest

By Mark Arike

Three years after being charged with two counts of first-degree murder, Garry Taylor Handlen is still awaiting trial.

The criminal matter was back at Vancouver Supreme Court last week and this week for voir dire applications. A trial date hasn't been set, said a representative at the criminal registry office.

A voir dire is a separate hearing in which the trier of law determines whether evidence is admissible and can potentially be entered into evidence in the trial, according to Thomson Reuters Practical Law. A voir dire can also determine the competence of a witness or whether an expert witness is qualified to give evidence.

"All I know is that they're pre-trial applications," said Rhona Ogston, manager



Garry Taylor Handlen in 2013. File photo. of supreme court scheduling for criminal court.

Handlen, who was 67 years old the time of his arrest, was charged in the deaths of Monica Jack, 12, and Kathryn-Mary Herbert, 11. Their deaths date back to the 1970s. Shortly after his arrest, a source confirmed Handlen had been living in



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Barrie Martin with Heather Hiscox at the Ontario Tourism Summit in Niagara Falls. *Photo submitted.* 

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# Yours Outdoors wins provincial tourism award

By Alex Coop

Yours Outdoors recently scooped up an award for the second year in a row at the Ontario Tourism Summit.

Barrie Martin, founder of Yours Outdoors, attended the summit's awards gala in Niagara Falls Nov. 7 where he accepted the "Sustainable Tourism Award."

It was great to network with others involved in the tourism industry, said Martin.

"Anybody who's in the industry tends to be at the summit," he said.

Meeting Heather Hiscox, a news anchor for CBC, was another highlight.

"It's always great to grab a picture with her," he laughed.

One year ago, Martin returned from the same gala as 2016's tourism champion, an award given to an organization that "embodies the spirit of tourism in Ontario," according to the summit's website.

The sustainable tourism award is about promoting the protection or conservation of natural resources while simultaneously attracting and engaging visitors.

Heather Reid, operations director at Abbey Gardens, nominated Yours Outdoors for the

award.

"[Yours Outdoors] has had a positive

impact on the local and regional

environment, society and economy," she wrote in her nomination letter.

Yours Outdoors itself has only two employees, one of whom works part-time.

But it's thanks to the more than 60 different individuals and organizations Martin partners with that allows his business to remain sustainable and create a positive effect across the community, he explained.

"If I need a guide with a specific knowledge base or expertise, I have a roster I can call upon," he said. "Everybody gets paid ... and they help make these experiences happen. The most fundamental thing is offering experiences that are unique, authentic and local. It's not just about looking and seeing, but learning and doing."

Reid's nomination letter echoed those comments.

In 2016, Yours Outdoors had more than 300 travellers participate in tours that allowed them to engage with the local community and its natural environment, said Reid.

"It is hoped this greater awareness and understanding of ecosystems, biodiversity, and green living will help people develop a set of values and beliefs and commit to living more sustainably on this earth," she

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# Minden gets new ice racing track

### By Lisa Gervais

With a green light from Minden Hills' council, the Minden Kin Club can begin revving its engines to build a second ice racing track at the fairgrounds.

This snowmobile track would be located where the ball diamonds are and would allow the club to host four Ontario Snowmobile Oval Racer (OSOR) events this winter. There's already a car ice racing track closer to Bobcaygeon Road.

In making his pitch to council Nov. 9, club president Andy Rickard said last year's vintage snowmobile races attracted 150 participants and 600 spectators even though they had to be cut a day short due to mild temperatures, so the OSOR races "bring a lot of people to town, are good for the economy and are a fun sport to watch."

"Many of these people were from out of town and required lodging, food and other services from our community. The economic benefit of this event was significant. The feedback from the community, spectators and the racers was very positive. The Kin Club was able to raise more than \$1,000 for the greatest needs of the community," Rickard added in a written report to council.

Rickard was after an answer as soon as possible because "if we're going to go for it, we have a lot of work to do in a short period of time."

He said the location will require some excavating and the relocation of some small maple trees. He told council they would plow the lower level for parking and pit area. They'll also have to reroute the OFSC snowmobile trail slightly to accommodate the new track.

It means a job in the winter months, too, for someone to build and maintain both tracks.

Rickard said OSOR would be responsible for insurance and liability. He said the town of Minden will be named on an OSOR policy as co-insured and the club will also carry a liability policy.

"The Kin Club would be responsible for the modifications to the grounds, building and maintenance of the track. We would ask that the town help out with providing and emptying garbage cans, and maintaining the washrooms. It would be helpful if the washrooms and food booth at the arena could be made available for these events due to the large number of spectators," Rickard added.

Director of community services, Mark Coleman, in a written report to council, said "staff has no concerns with the proposed 10 m wide track route, location and event activities surrounding and within the ball diamond areas."

He said the location of the outdoor skating rink would be shifted slightly within the outfield of the first ball diamond



The Minden fairgrounds will soon see a second ice racing track, which will host snowmobile racing. *File photo by Michael Stinson.* 

but that the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre and adjoining fairgrounds will serve as an ideal staging and hosting location for the events, with ample parking and access to washrooms and facilities.

"Staff concurs that these events would

bring a positive economic impact to the community and would assist in establishing Minden as a winter sports destination within the province," Coleman said.

Council gave the project approval in principle.





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To encourage Highlanders to believe in themselves, in our community, and in their power to make our place in the world better every day.

# Provincial hypocrisy on display

We should know today (Thursday, Nov. 16) whether the longest college strike in Ontario's history is coming to an end.

Members of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) voted on an offer the day after *The Highlander* went to print.

To be honest, we're a bit befuddled by the strike and the government's handling of it. The union wants a minimum 50:50 ratio of full-time staff to part-time. Full-time faculty get benefits, job security and higher wages; part-timers get none of these things. The practice is rampant; colleges are just a few of the provincially-funded institutions in Ontario that use part-time or contract labour to avoid their own employment laws - 'to maintain flexibility' in bureaucratic parlance. At the same time the Ontario government is hammering through *The* Better Workplaces, Better Jobs Act – supposedly to protect Ontario workers from employers who keep them on revolving part-time contracts to avoid paying benefits and deny job security. The province and its colleges are doing exactly that to some of their own graduates who now teach.

The hypocrisy is very hard to swallow.

Our local college, the Haliburton School of Art and Design (HSAD), has been dragged into the fight because all of its two full-time faculty are members of OPSEU. The other 40 or so instructors are part-timers. It's a microcosm of the fight being waged: is society better off with 40 or so part-time teachers who can't earn enough to support themselves and live in fear of losing their jobs next month? Or might things be better with 24 full-time faculty, each earning enough to support a family and with the same job security and benefits enjoyed by HSAD's administration?

Which model is better for families? Which model would you like to work in?

Of course, it's the students, the people paying for their college educations, who stand to lose the most from this fight. Most HSAD students travel to Haliburton for short-term study. They are often older adults, with families back at home. Some have taken leaves of absences from work. They are here, paying hefty rents thanks to a dearth of student housing. They are forgoing jobs back home. And as the strike enters its second month, they don't know what to do. Should they go home? Should

they stay? Can they afford to stay? Should they just give up on this year, go home and work for awhile and maybe try again next year? Should they just give up on their dream of bettering their lives



By Lisa Gervais

via secondary education altogether?

So, we can understand why members of a noble profession like teaching are resisting their role in the new gig economy and the freedom it offers to not earn a decent living. Premier Kathleen Wynne is a former teacher who had all the advantages of full-time, permanent employment. She should understand more than most what that means in terms of raising a family or building a career. It's unlikely she would be where she is now if she had spent most of her career chasing part-time gigs to pay her bills.

It's time for Wynne and the Ontario Liberals to have a long, hard look in the mirror and ask themselves if they're practicing what they preach when it comes to Bill 148 and job fairness for Ontario's citizens.

# weWisdom

# Tell me a story

"My life is so much more interesting inside my head."

Storytelling predates writing. This oral tradition has been around since humankind could first communicate. It has been a way to entertain, educate, preserve culture and install moral values by describing and sharing social and cultural events. Sometimes using theatrics, embellishments and improvisation the teller hopes to captivate their audience.

"There's always room for a story that can transport people to another place." J.K. Rowling

Ever since I was little, my parents have told me stories. Whether they were stories about their lives before me (or as my mom calls it B.A; Before Anabelle) and their crazy adventures or a classic fairy tale, I would listen intently. I had favourite "dad stories," ones he would be the best at reading, complete with funny voices and a few special details I knew were from his own imagination. His narration always seemed better than when I read the same book.

My mom and I would read chapter books together; I would read a chapter out loud and then she would read one. *Charlotte's* 

Web, Because of Winn Dixie and Wind in the Willows were some of my favourites. Bedtime was a ritual and still is, of stories and books. Reading late into the night and filling my head with tales of magical kingdoms, talking animals, the villains and the unlikely heroes, is a great way to unwind after a busy day.

Eventually, I have begun to tell my own stories. I love reading books to my wee cousins or kids I babysit. I tell stories to you, my readers and I have started to write my own "life story" in a play at school.

"Inside each of us is a natural-born storyteller, waiting to be released," says author Robin Moore.

This week I talked to Fay Wilkinson, local story teller and visual artist. She is a registered arts practitioner working out of Visible Voices Open Art Studio in Haliburton and is a part-time faculty member at Fleming College in the Expressive Arts Program.

I asked her about her story-telling and why she loves the spoken word. Wilkinson says there are many different types and ways to tell a story. Sometimes it is used in a more therapeutic way to tell a fairytale which then is used as catalyst to create a visual piece of artwork. At Visible Voices, students can create a puppet or mask and use it to aid in the telling of the story. Or perhaps be inspired to use movement as their muse.



By Anabelle Craig

Another

important aspect of telling stories is in the performance. People are expecting a certain level of expertise in a story-teller. A certain flare you might say. You probably know that one friend who is a fantastic teller of tales. That one person who commands a crowd and makes you believe in the fantastical.

We each have a story to tell. Tales full of adventures, mishaps, passion, courage, romance and hope. So paint a picture with your words, put on a show and tell that tall tale because we all are stories waiting to be told.

"You're never going to kill storytelling because it's built into the human plan. We come with it."

Margaret Atwood, poet, novelist, literary critic, essayist, environmental activist and story-teller.



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# Editorial opinion

# **Eye on the street:** What impact does climate change have on the county?



**Andy Valickis** 

Haliburton Lake

It's had an impact on how we think about infrastructure, but we still don't have a clear idea as to how we should plan for it.



**Brett Caputo** 

Haliburton

I think it's starting to slowly affect our winter tourism industry.



# Susan Hay

Haliburton

Our lakes are warming, and we're seeing more blue-green algae in them, too.



# Will Arnup

Haliburton

I hope it's making people think more about growing their own



# Melissa Tong

Haliburton

It's evident because we're having more and more weatherrelated phenomena. Habitats are changing.

# Photos and interviews by Alex Coop & Mark Arike

# Garbage being dumped in Eagle Lake area

Dear editor,

On Sunday, Nov. 12 at approximately 12:15 p.m., a white minivan backed onto the boat ramp at Eagle Lake. Once parked, there was a flurry of activity as some children alighted from the vehicle and began removing six plastic bags. These bags. under adult supervision, were carefully aligned as though they were to be picked up by someone using the boat ramp. After the kids had a run around, and worked off some surplus energy, the family departed. The plastic bags were left behind.

As the beach in Eagle Lake becomes more decrepit with each passing month,

this dumping of garbage is creating other issues. During the summer we had a wolf walk along Eagle Lake Road to the beach in daylight. Was it looking for food? Those who saw it didn't inquire as to why it was visiting. In the fall, we have bears visiting as they look for food and prepare for hibernation. Raccoons are out every night and have feasted on some of the garbage dumped at the beach.

This summer, some visitors were intercepted in mid-dump by a member of council. I am also told that Dysart issued a ticket to someone else after the examination of what was dumped was found to contain their name and address.

A white minivan in Eagle Lake is uncommon. This means to me that someone should be able to identify who the culprits are. Another identifier is the three young children. Who has a neighbour who had a young family visiting over the weekend and had a white minivan? If you think you know who might be involved in this dumping episode please give the Municipality of Dysart et al a call. The patterns on the items in the plastic bag may also be something that will jog a memory.

Peter McLuskey, Eagle Lake

# Wonderful poppy campaign and service

Dear editor,

Thank you, Haliburton, for your wonderful response to the Poppy Campaign and Remembrance Day service this year. Our volunteers were very impressed with the response and generosity of everyone. We will remember them.

**Bev Martin** Haliburton

# Dear Ms. Wynne,

Dear editor,

I am writing to you today to express my views on the subject of the Ontario Colleges strike action.

The persons affected by this action are Ontario adults who have worked, sometimes at two jobs, to further their education. They have paid the required fees to the colleges as well as the required income tax to your government. The goal that most of them have is to better their education to prevent them from working the rest of their lives in minimum wage

jobs or perhaps even to find themselves on the welfare role. I have failed to find any other service in Ontario that, when paid for up front, is not delivered; or conversely, when the service is not delivered that full restitution is not mandatory.

OPSEU seems to be of the opinion that these students can afford to lose a semester. In addition to tuition fees, students are also out-of-pocket for accommodation and meal costs. If the semester is extended, this will cut into their earning power over the regular breaks in the college year as well as jeopardize job placements. How many

of these adults will simply give up and go to work? How many of these adults will be added to the percentage of unemployed in

How many times does your government want to pay for this strike? While I support the right to strike, any bargaining units that cannot come to an amicable agreement in four weeks needs to be brought under arbitration. If reimbursement for students was to be funded not only by colleges but also by OPSEU's collective strike or retirement funds, it would be a monetary cost to both sides. It could potentially

extend the strikers work time in order to top up their retirement income or their union's funds. I am sure this would considerably shorten the bargaining period.

The adult (voting age) college students of Ontario are counting on your government to bring this outrage to resolution quickly. Are you going to tell these hard-working students that there is nothing you can do? I sincerely hope not.

Marilyn Pennycook Minden

# Snap, crackle, pop and Crunch

Snap goes a twig as I try to walk quietly through the bush. "Damn it." I falter, catch my balance and curse under my breath, then, set out again, placing careful feet on a carpet of fallen leaves, amongst odd shaped boulders, over and around the mass of fallen dead branches and twigs. It's not long before I'm swearing again because sneaking silently through the hardwoods on a Haliburton hillside is a thing that only the animals that live there, the deer that I am trying to hunt, can do.

Once at my stand, my allotted position to watch for our quarry, it's not long before I hear the telltale crackle of a scurrying squirrel, as it races down the trunk of a nearby hemlock. And I guess I must be sitting on his nut cache because I'm then

treated to a barrage of abuse that even someone like myself, who is less than fluent in rodent-speak, can understand is not a friendly hello.

My little pal is in a frenzy. He chatters even quicker than his feet move as he races from tree to tree, across intertwined branches, over the leafy ground carpet, everywhere at breakneck speed, only stopping to chastise me with his nutinduced verbal assault.

And, then, there's a noise that stops both me and my red furry friend in our tracks.

No, not the approach of deer or the voice of a hunting hound but a very loud 'pop.' This morning is the first real cold one in the woods and the trees are feeling the freeze. But, right next to me, wow, that sure is loud

and Mr. Nutkins thinks so too because he's gone awfully quiet. For perhaps a minute, there is no sound in my part of the forest, other than the breeze rustling the leaves of a joining with another distant trembling aspen. It sounds like a far off waterfall. The almost silence is clean, fresh and exciting, and I listen keenly to try to catch the voices of our dogs on the trail of a deer.

Instead, I am treated to the quirky, alluring cries of a pair of ravens high overhead, their usual caws interspersed with clop's whistles and hoots. And then there's Crunch!

No, not the crunch of a deer's foot on frosty fallen leaves but Crunch, the comically named seven-month-old puppy, out on his first hunt. He's full of joyful barks and yips as he races through the

# The**Outsider**

forest. First, giving tongue simply because he can, but then older dog, and

By Will Jones

realizing just what his huge bawling howl of a voice is for, as the hounds race through the woods, calling out that they are on the scent of a deer.

There's a buzz from my radio but I don't need to be told. "Heads up, boys, there's a race coming your way..."

Go Crunch go. Run fast and sing your song. This is your day, your destiny. Even if killing a deer is not part of my story for this year.



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risks to business, and identifies
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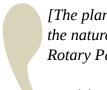
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# Minden gets new playground for Christmas

### By Lisa Gervais

Minden's Rotary Park is expected to gets its new playground in time for Christmas.

With the existing park taking a beating during 2017 floods, council put a request for proposals out earlier this fall and on Nov. 9 staff indicated their preference for Henderson Recreation Equipment Ltd. of Simcoe at a cost of just over \$50,000.



[The plan] best suits the nature and site of Rotary Park.

# Mark Coleman

Minden Hills staff

The other bids were from Playground Planners and A.B.C. Recreation Ltd.

Director of community services, Mark Coleman, said Henderson was the only company to satisfy all mandatory criteria, including meeting the specifications of a planned retaining wall to keep out future floodwaters

"The play elements, accessibility features, colour scheme and site plan of the proposed design by Henderson, in the experienced opinion of staff, best suits the nature and site of Rotary Park," Coleman said in a written report.

He added the township has a good track record with the company, as Henderson did the Lochlin and Minden Community Centre playgrounds.



Children play in the Lochlin playground. The same company that built it, Henderson Recreation Equipment, is expected to get the contract for the new Rotary Park playground. *File photo*.

The money will come from the parks reserve, which has a current balance of \$55,000.

Weather permitting, a project completion deadline of Dec. 22 was specified and required to be acknowledged by bidders. The park would then resume operations next spring. It was closed this past summer.

Coun. Pam Sayne asked how urgent it was for council to make a decision. She wondered if the three proposals could be

put before the general public.

"Is there an opportunity to do this ... put these on public display?" she asked.

However, Mayor Brent Devolin said plans are vetted by the accessibility committee, adding "that process addresses the objectives Coun. Sayne is looking at."

Coleman said the site plans and a photographic depiction had been shared with the accessibility committee and it had no concerns.

He also indicated that time was of the essence if the township wants a playground in Rotary Park next spring and summer.

"We have the site prepped, we're ready to go upon council making a decision."

CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard added all of the plans are similar.

Council is expected to give the final okay at its Nov. 30 meeting.

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# Water tower cleaning deferred

Minden's water tower will have to wait until the spring for its cleaning.

In a report to the Nov. 9 council meeting, Ivan Ingram, environmental and property operations manager, said Landmark Municipal Services suggested the change in timing from now "due to probable inclement weather."

Ingram said it's a good idea as it will also allow them to clean the pollen that will stick to the tower.

# Minden in the black

CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard is predicting a \$43,000 surplus for the township at the end of 2017.

In crunching the numbers, she noted that there had been \$171,000 in flood expenses, for which there was no funding help.

Mayor Brent Devolin said he was relieved at the number since 2017 brought "a lot of human and financial body blows."

The fact council is in the black, not the red, is commendable, and speaks to the fact that staff has council's house in order, he said.

"I think everybody's done an exemplary job." (*Minden Hills briefs compiled by Lisa Gervais*)



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Workers are putting the final touches on the new Shoppers Drug Mart on Highland Street in Haliburton. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

# Shoppers Drug Mart to open Nov. 23

By Mark Arike

Shoppers Drug Mart will be open for business on Highland Street next Thursday (Nov. 23). A grand opening event will take place two days later.

"We're very excited," said front store manager Breanne Mansfield. "It's nice to be able to offer more things and have longer hours so that we're available to more people."

The new store will be open an extra three hours each day, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week.

Since 2008, Shoppers has operated from the Village Court Plaza on Maple Avenue. In the summer, The Bargain Shop closed when its lease at 186 Highland St. was up and couldn't be renewed. This is where Shoppers will be moving. Loblaw leases the space, said Tammy Smitham, vice-president of external communication for Loblaw Companies Limited & Shoppers Drug Mart.

The grand opening will offer "lots of games, free stuff and awesome things happening that day," said Mansfield.

She couldn't confirm how many people will be employed at the store.

There are more than 1,300 Shoppers Drug Mart and PharmaPrix stores across Canada. The Shoppers corporation is owned by Loblaw Companies Limited.

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# **Meeting and Events**

Nov 23 - 9:00 am, Regular Council Meeting, Minden Council Chambers

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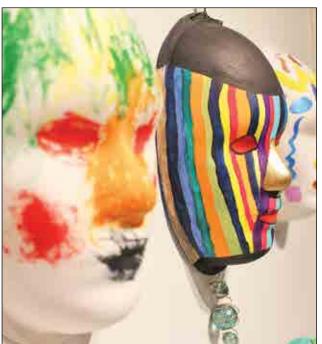
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# Highlander arts









Top left: Laurie Jones, executive director of the Rails End Gallery, left, introduces Fay Wilkinson, coordinator of the Art-making for the Health of It! program. Top right: Norm Daultrey admires the self-portrait works of art at the opening of *Doors: Out of Our Minds!* Above left: An array of masks by Maureen Brewer. Above right: Susanne James, past president of the Rails End Gallery, listens to poetry by Debbie Walters. *Photos by Mark Arike*.

# Art helps residents express themselves

# **By Mark Arike**

Every Thursday, a group of local residents has been gathering in a small space at the Heritage Plaza in Minden. It's there they've been able to emerge from their shells—by creating art and making new friends.

Each participant in the Art-making for the Health of It! program has accessed mental health services in the community. And, on Nov. 3 at the Rails End Gallery, 14 artists displayed the fruits of their labour at the opening of a new exhibition titled *Doors: Out of Our Minds!* 

Norm Daultrey, 61, of Haliburton has been inspired by the program. It's helped him cope with post-traumatic stress disorder and rediscover the artist within.

"The art class inspired me to open up instead of being withdrawn," said Daultrey in an interview. "It's made me aware of how people can inspire themselves through art and the way they attribute it to everything."

One of Daultrey's pieces on display is a self-portrait, which was done by tracing over a photo taken of himself. He then coloured it in.

Long before moving to the area, he said he learned about arts and culture in Paris, France and obtained a bachelor's degree in cartooning. He praised the organizers of the program for giving him this opportunity.

Irondale resident Debbie Walters discovered the program a few months ago. It was instrumental in getting her out in the community and back into writing poetry.

"It gets me out of the house," said Walters, who is disabled. "It's nice to be able to talk to people and do artwork, which I love."

Visitors can hear a couple of her poems on headphones in the gallery. One, titled *The Well*, is about what it would be like to be stuck in the bottom of a well and making it out to the light.

Asked where she comes up with the concepts for her work, Walters said,

"it's in my head, basically. It's in my feelings, thoughts, my expression of my experiences."

She is able to access the program because a bus, provided by Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS), picks her up and drops her off.

"It's good. Otherwise I wouldn't be able to get out because I don't drive," she said. Daultrey and Walters say they will

continue going to the program for as long as possible.

Fay Wilkinson, founder of the Visible Voices Open Arts Studio and expressive arts practitioner, launched it 18 months ago with the support of HHHS. It costs \$15-20,000 annually and is paid for by HHHS with one-time surplus dollars, according to David Jarvis, director of the organization's mental health services. The money is used to pay for Wilkinson's services, transportation costs, art supplies and food.

But Jarvis believes it's well worth it.

"It's one of our more successful programs in a group format," he said, pointing out an average of 11-13 people attend weekly.

Jarvis has seen how participants reap the

"It really makes a huge difference, just in terms of their wellness and enthusiasm for life. It's a very cathartic experience for people to see [their work] come to life."

With its success to date, he said the program could be doubled or tripled in size. The main challenge is funding. Each year, the Local Health Integration Network must approve the financial request.

"We do have to grapple for money every year to make it happen," he said.

During the opening, Wilkinson praised the artists for their creativity and bravery.

"I'm so proud of how people have grown and blossomed in that environment, where we stress no judgement and stress simply be yourself," she said.

The show continues until Nov. 19.





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Right: OPP Const. Tim Negus opens the drum to pull a ticket. Photo by Mark Arike.





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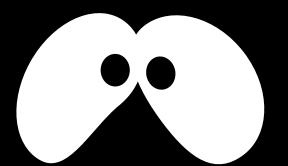
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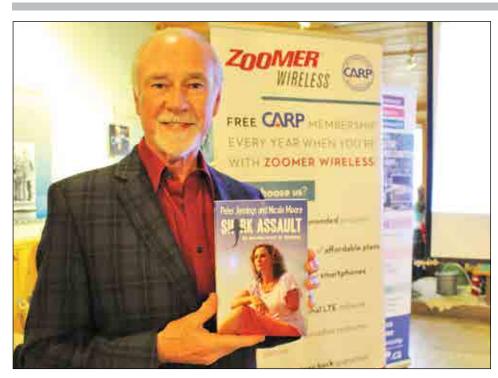




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# Senior highlanders



Peter Jennings holds a copy of the book he co-authored with Nicole Moore, a shark attack victim. *Photo by Mark Arike*.

# Author shares shark attack survivor's story

By Mark Arike

Guests at a recent event hosted by the local CARP chapter learned that persistence and positivity can get you far.

On Nov. 5 at the Haliburton fish hatchery, author Peter Jennings told them about Nicole Moore, a woman from Orangeville who defied death when she was attacked by a bull shark in Mexico. Despite losing her left arm and much of a leg, she didn't let the rare incident ruin her life.

"In my career, I've literally met thousands of people," said Jennings in an interview. "This lady is right at the top when it comes to being positive, optimistic and inspirational. I like to get that message across."

Jennings, who lives in Port Carling, first

met Moore in 2012. He interviewed her many times, and together, they co-authored *Shark Assault: An Amazing Story of Survival.* It came out in 2015.

In Haliburton, he read parts of the book, answered questions and signed copies of his work. The event was part of a free information series.

Jennings said he has given about 75 presentations to CARP chapters, Rotary clubs, focus clubs, libraries and book stores. It's been so successful that he's booked halfway into next year. This was his first time in the area.

The Haliburton CARP chapter is part of a nationwide advocacy association for older Canadians. To get involved, email haliburtonhighlands@carp.ca or call 705-457-3919.



# And we have a winner

Bonnie Pimento was the lucky winner of this year's Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary quilt raffle. Bonnie purchased her ticket at the Home and Cottage Show while shopping for ideas. Bonnie has recently moved to Kawartha Lakes from Unionville. Janice Cook, pictured with auxiliary member Greta Larviere and raffle convener Donna Hackwood, picked up the quilt on behalf of her friend Bonnie. The auxiliary thanks all those who purchased tickets helping to raise \$2,500 for capital equipment in the Haliburton hospital. *Submitted*.







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Ken Mott, manager of the Wilberforce Food Bank, with Nancy Weatherall-Belbeck. She made 50 sweaters for children in need this Christmas. Photo by Mark Arike.

# **Woman knits 50 sweaters for kids**

# By Mark Arike

With the support of the community, Tory Hill resident Nancy Weatherall-Belbeck has made 50 sweaters for children this Christmas. She decided to give back when she noticed some kids wearing hand-me-downs.

"I thought this is something I can do and they get something new for Christmas, that was made specifically just for them," said Weatherall-Belbeck.

In January, she began knitting sweaters with wool donated by residents. She finished nine months later and donated them to the Wilberforce Food Bank.

"It takes me three days to make a sweater," she said. "That's from eight in the morning until I drop dead and go to bed at night."

She enjoys knitting and was told it would be good for her

The sweaters, which range from sizes 2-14, will be distributed to families when they pick up food boxes Dec.

Weatherall-Belbeck has already started making sweaters for next year. Clean wool can be donated to the Wilberforce Food Bank, Agnew's General Store and the Word of Life Outreach in Highland Grove.

She would like to thank the community for their support and Mae Calvert of Lindsay, who donated two half-done sweaters and wool.



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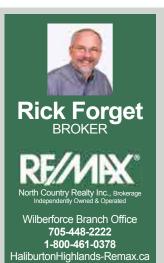




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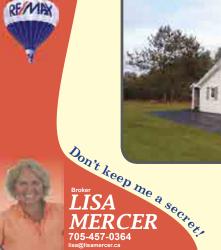
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# Highlander events







# Heat Bank fundraiser warms the hearth

The 4th annual Heat Bank fundraiser at Rhubarb was a huge success this past Sunday, Nov. 12. The Carnarvon eatery and brewery was packed to the rafters once again. Organizers said the annual event raised more than \$13,000 in just three hours with some pledges still coming in. That brings the group's fundraising tally to about \$43,000 to date. They use that money to help people to heat their homes over the winter. (Lisa Gervais).

Top left: Chris Smith provides the music for visitors to Rhubarb and Boshkung Brewery. Top right: The auction table was a popular spot. Left: Organizers, left to right, Bonnie Roe, Tina Jackson, John Teljeur and Jennifer Button. Photos by Lisa Gervais.





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# Highlander events









Top left: Noelia Marziali shows off an outfit comprised of newspapers by Sandi Luck. Top right: Freya Moran wears a bubble wrap dress called "Vintage Protector" by Erin Lynch. Left: Plum Vicious (Shawn Smandych) dances and lip syncs his way along the runway. Above: Macy Miscio joins fellow Haliburton Dance Academy students for an unforgettable routine with Plum Vicious. Photos by Mark Arike.

# dance and more at Fashion Fal

By Mark Arike

It was standing room only as models strutted down the runway at Fashion Fallies Nov. 10. More than 200 people packed into the Great Hall at the Haliburton School of Art and Design (HSAD) for an electrifying, entertaining and eccentric event that made a big comeback.

"The community support was fantastic,"

said Erin Lynch, a member of the organizing committee. "We saw a crosssection of community involvement."

The evening featured close to 50 wearable art pieces and four performances, including a crowd-pleasing drag show by Plum Vicious (Shawn Smandych) and Haliburton Dance Academy. Eighteen models showed off the original creations, which were

judged by Sandra Dupret, Dan Manley and Jim Blake. Prizes were awarded in five categories. The people's choice award went to Sandi Luck for her piece dubbed Winter is Coming." Brigitte Gall emceed the festivities.

It was a signature event for the Arts Council Haliburton Highlands. Handpainted garments were auctioned off to raise

money for the non-profit organization. Based on this year's ticket sales and the positive feedback from the community, it

appears the show will return. "It's tons of work, but it's a hugely successful event," said Lynch, who also sits

on the board of the arts council. The Art Hive founded the show about a

decade ago.

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# Remembrance Day 2017



# Minden Hills

Many paid their respects in Minden this past Saturday, Nov. 11 as the sun shone down on the white crosses laid row-on-row in honour of Remembrance Day. Padre Joan Cavanaugh spoke of the soldiers who lost their lives during war and more than 50 wreaths surrounded the cenotaph to pay tribute to the many men and women from Haliburton County who served their country. (Jennifer Hughey)

# **Haliburton**

A large crowd gathered for Remembrance Day ceremonies in Haliburton this past Saturday, Nov. 11. The 99<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day began with the traditional parade down Highland Street to the cenotaph at Highland and York Streets. It featured bagpiping and bugling and the laying of wreaths. (*Lisa Gervais*)

# **Highlands East**

On Remembrance Day, Highlands East residents gathered at the cenotaph in Wilberforce to honour fallen soldiers and recognize the sacrifices of living veterans. The morning's ceremony began with the march of the Legion's colour party, led by Lorne Dinesen, veteran and sergeantat-arms. Trumpet player Mark Bramham and Bob Bidaman performed O Canada, Ted Morris delivered the benediction and Reeve Dave Burton was the emcee. About 20 wreaths were placed at the cenotaph by members of the community, including a group of students from Wilberforce Elementary School. Residents were invited to the Legion for refreshments after the service. (Mark Arike)









Top right: A member of the Wilberforce Legion's colour party. Middle right: Lorne Dinesen, veteran and sergeant-at-arms, helps Silver Cross Mother Gertrude Godfrey lay a wreath at the cenotaph. Bottom far right: Retired RCMP Staff Sgt. Al Collins. Bottom right: A member of the Wilberforce Legion's colour party. *Photos by Mark Arike*.

# Remembrance Day 2017









Above: John Balle looks up at the Canadian flag while piper James Thomson and trumpeter Hugh Taylor play. Top right: A picturesque Head Lake provided the backdrop to Remembrance Day ceremonies in Haliburton. Above right: A cadet stands at the Cenotaph in Haliburton adjacent to the honour roll for those who fell during the First World War. *Photos by Lisa Gervais*.









Top left: The wreath in memory of William Carnochan and Edward Cole being laid by a Minden Girl Guide. Top right: Francine Newton and Judy Flieger, both past presidents of the Minden Legion Branch 636, ready to lay the wreath in memory of Syd Adamson. Above left: Dwight Thomas, retired Haliburton County paramedic, and Minden Hills interim fire Chief Mike Bekking pay their respects after laying wreaths in memory of George Dack, Percy Gainer, Richard Gregory and Richard Groves. Above right: The colour party marches toward the cenotaph in Minden Hills on November 11. *Photos by Jennifer Hughey*.

# Highlander sports

# Road warrior Nesbitt one of best Lady Generals

### By Lisa Gervais

Sterling Nesbitt is practically living in the car these days as she continues her first season with the Oshawa Lady Generals.

Travelling back and forth to Oshawa four or five times a week to practice or play means a lot of road trips for the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student.

"Long drives and late nights," she tells *The Highlander*, saying it wouldn't be possible without parents, Cindy and Wyatt. That dedication hasn't gone unnoticed by

head coach, Tyler Gubler.
"Not only does she have to do her

homework in the car and eat in the car, she basically lives in the car," the coach acknowledged.

"She is one of the most driven kids I have ever had the pleasure of meeting and working with, let alone coaching."

It's Sterling's first year playing for the bantam team and Wyatt is one of six coaches.

"Sterling is fortunate to have the teammates she has, to push her to be better as the season progresses, and an experienced coaching staff to bring out her best and correct the things that need to be worked on," Wyatt says.

Mom Cindy has noticed her daughter has risen to the challenge of playing in a much bigger, and more competitive market.

"It's amazing to watch her play, unafraid to fail and confident to try new things. She

is serious about becoming a better player, she has a full sense of joy in playing and having achievements in this journey."

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Sterling says she is taking it seriously.

"I spend a lot of time dedicated to hockey. Every practice or game, I have to go with 100 per cent. My coaches and teammates are awesome. I'm learning lots and have made great friends. I like the challenges, it pushes me to do more."

In his progress report, coach Gubler told *The Highlander*, Sterling's development has come at a fast pace.

"She is one of the better D [defencemen] and continues to improve on a nightly basis," he said. "Yes, there have been some frustrating times for Sterling, but there have been a few shining moments in this young season so far."

He said she is a very composed player.

"No one more than myself wants to see Sterling succeed, we have embarked on a journey to make Sterling into the best possible player she can be."

He acknowledged it's a family commitment, saying he talks to Cindy about Sterling's hockey, school and emotional well-being on a weekly basis.

The matriarch of the family keeps everyone on their toes, and although not always at the games, she is a huge presence in Sterling's development. Then comes Wyatt, Wyatt has proven himself valuable to not only Sterling but



Sterling Nesbitt with her eye on the prize of being the best hockey player she can possibly be. *Photo by Cindy Nesbitt*.

the hockey team as well, the coach said. "Wyatt has learned a lot from everyone we have surrounding the team. But the biggest thing we have all taken away from Wyatt is his sense of northern humour. He always has something inspiring to say to the girls, some quirky saying that at the moment makes you scratch your head, but after you take in what he's said, you are able to apply it to that particular moment.

"This hasn't only been a development and test of will and strength for Sterling,

but her whole family, from Cindy to Wyatt to Walker [her brother). As a family, they are doing great, and encouraging Sterling to be the best that she possibly can and ensure she is set up to go as far as she can in hockey.

"As for Sterling, I'll let her play and determination do the talking for her. If this kid keeps progressing the way she has and the way that she can, there'll be no stopping her. The sky's the limit for this kid."

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# Matt Duchene starts new chapter with Senators

# By Mark Arike

While it wasn't easy for Matt Duchene to leave Colorado, he couldn't be happier about playing the game he loves most in Canada.

"I enjoyed my time in Denver and will miss it for sure, but I am very excited to be a Senator," said Duchene Nov. 9, a day before his first of two games against his former team, the Avalanche, in Stockholm, Sweden. "To be close to family and friends and play in my home province definitely is something I'm thrilled about."

The 26-year-old centre was recently traded to the Ottawa Senators as part of a three-team trade with the

Nashville Predators. Duchene was drafted third overall by the Avalanche in 2009.

Now sporting number 95 (a combination of two numbers he wore as a kid), he's planning on bringing his best to the table with the Senators.

"I want to be the best version of myself possible to help this team win. This is a team that can win right now and that's the goal. It's awesome," he said.

Now that his team is only three hours from Haliburton, Duchene hopes to spend more time at his cottage during



Matt Duchene, right, was named Citizen of the Year in West Guilford on Canada Day in 2014. *File photo.* 

breaks. He and his wife, Ashley, will look for a place to rent in the nation's capital and keep their home in Colorado for now.

"My wife is from Denver so she will need some time to adjust to Ottawa," explained Duchene. "Having a place back in Denver will allow her to make a smooth transition for sure."

In last Friday's matchup, the Senators defeated the Avalanche 4-3 in overtime. They also won their second game, 4-3, during regulation time.





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# Highland Storm





The Highland Storm Bantams faced off against the Elmvale Coyotes last Friday. Photo by Mark Arike.

# The Highlander/Smolen Family Dentistry Midgets

The Highland Storm remain undefeated in the regular season after this past weekend of games. It began Friday, Nov. 10 with the midgets going against the Elmvale Coyotes. Both teams showed up and delivered a well-played and very entertaining game that ended in a 2-2 tie.

Next, the midgets travelled to Beaverton, Sunday, Nov. 12 and demolished the Brock Wild 10-0.

Friday's game began with a scoreless and action-packed first period with many



opportunities for both teams. The second period was almost identical. With less than a minute on the clock, the Storm pushed hard and closed in on the Coyotes' goal. Nigel Smith received a pass from Nolan Flood, he moved behind the net, then made a perfectly-timed pass that landed on the stick of Lucas Haedicke. He found the opening for the first goal. Early in the third period, the Coyotes tied it. Both teams turned up the heat, working for the go-ahead goal. The Coyotes nabbed it with a rebound shot. An unfamiliar place for the Storm, down by a goal and less than three minutes on the clock. It was a pass

by Jacob Haedicke that Owen Gilbert pinged off the glass, found an open Devyn Prentice who tied the game. The last couple of minutes showed some intense backand-forth action, giving the midgets their second tie of the season. The Sunday game gave Carson Sisson a 10-0 shutout. It seemed like a practice game for the Storm, an easy and quick win. It was also their first penalty-free game this year and surely a rarity for this level. Next games were Nov. 13 vs the Sturgeon Lake Thunder in Bobcaygeon and this weekend a tournament in Bracebridge. (Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke).

# The Pepper Mill Steak and Pasta House/Dollo's Foodland Bantams

The Highland Storm played the Elmvale Coyotes this past Friday, Nov. 10 in front of a large hometown crowd at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena. The Storm did not let the fans down, taking a 5-4 win. The next game for the Bantams is Friday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. versus Brock in Haliburton. (Submitted by Gord Hoenow).

# Storm reports

# JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Peewees

The Highland Storm hosted the Brock Wild Wednesday, Nov. 8. The Storm, looking to even the home and home series, were on the attack, but the Wild were on the board first. The Storm put the pressure on with Kyan Hall scoring to tie it, assisted by Sawyer Boutin and Zander Upton. The Storm kept the momentum going with Cooper Coles scoring, assisted by Austin Boylan to put the Storm ahead going into the second. The Wild tied the game early in the second but the Storm weren't backing down with Hall scoring again, assisted by Gage Hutchinson and Evan Armstrong and 11 seconds later, Boylan putting it in the net, assisted by

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# Highland Storm

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Boutin and Aiden Perrott. The Wild scored another but the Storm held the 4-3 lead going into the third. The Wild scored three to put them up 6-4 but the Storm didn't quit. With two minutes left, the Storm went on the attack and Hall scored, assisted by Boylan and Hutchinson. The Storm kept the momentum and 36 seconds later, Boylan scored to tie it, assisted by Hall and Hutchinson. The Storm tried until the very last second but the game ended in a 6-6 tie.

On Nov. 12, the Storm hosted the Huntsville Otters. Both teams battled back and forth but it was the Otters who managed to tuck one in to put them ahead 1-0 going into the second. The Otters scored two more in the second. The Otters added another in the third but in the dying seconds, the Storm tried everything they could and Kaine Brannigan sniped one in, assisted by Perrott. The Storm fell to the Otters 4-1. Amazing goaltending by Damon Harriss who kept his team in the game at all times. Next game for the peewees is on Saturday, Nov. 18 at 11 a.m. in Minden against Parry Sound. (Submitted by Ron Hall).

# G.J. Burtch Construction Atom AE's

The Highland Storm hosted the Lindsay Muskies Thursday, Nov. 9 on home ice at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton for the first of two games this week. It was the Muskies that put the first two goals on the board in the first period. Into the second period, with three Storm players in the penalty box, Jace Mills took the Muskies by surprise and rushed in to put the Storm on the scoreboard with their first goal of the game. In the third period, Parker Simms received a pass from Taylor Mullock and scored the second goal. Unfortunately, the Storm couldn't hold off the Muskies, which resulted in a 10-2 loss. In the second game of the week, they hosted the Huntsville Otters at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton on Saturday, Nov 11. The Otters came on strong and scored the first goal in the first period. As the Storm and Otters battled, and both sides received numerous penalties, the Storm kept fighting and in the third period their hard work paid off when Mills put one in the net. With excellent goaltending by Chase Winder and a strong defense, the Storm ended the game with a 1-1

The Atom AE's will travel to Port Carling to take on the Muskoka Bears on Thursday, Nov. 16 at 6 p.m., then again on Nov. 19 at noon. (*Submitted by Lisa Reinwald*).

# Cottage Country Building Supplies/ Ridgewood Ford Atom A's

The Highland Storm travelled to Blue Mountain on Saturday, Nov. 10 to play in the Georgian Shores tournament. The Storm's first game was versus the North Middlesex Thunder. The Storm dominated the game with a 7-1 win. Goals scored by Addison Carr, Cheyenne Degeer, Joshua Scheffee and Mak Prentice.

# Storm reports continued

The second game was versus the Lucan Shamrocks. Unfortunately, the Storm lost 5-3. Goals scored by Carr and Austin Latanville. On Nov. 12, the Storm played their last game of the tournament versus the Paris Wolf Pack.. In the first period, Carr got the Storm on the board after receiving the puck from Latanville. He headed down to the other end and scored a beauty goal. Shortly after, the Storm got a power play where Kadin Card scored after a stellar pass from Carr. Then, with only minutes left, Beckam Reynolds made an amazing pass to Carr. Card had to jump over the puck, so it could hit Carr's stick, and he was off down the ice and in the net it went. In the second period, the Storm were hammered with penalties and with a fiveon-three in favour of Paris, the Wolf Pack scored. For the rest of the second and the third period, the Storm battled defensively to keep the final score 3-1. A shout-out goes to Aaron Neave for his excellent goaltending.

The Storm host the Parry Sound Shamrocks Nov. 18 at 2 p.m. at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena. (*Submitted by Amber Card*).

# Tom Prentice & Sons Trucking Tykes

The Storm faced the Campbellford Colts Nov. 11, keeping their winning streak alive with a final score of 8-0. The Storm displayed great teamwork as they worked on their positioning and passing. Vanek Logan opened the first period with two goals, the first assisted by Luke Gruppe and Evan Perrott and the second by Mason Latanville and Perrott. Finishing off the period was a goal by Jack Tomlinson with the help of Logan and Gruppe.

In the last two minutes of the second, the Storm added three goals. Logan got his third of the game off a great pass by Scheffee and McCartney Saunders. Then, Saunders passed to Scheffee who carried the puck through traffic, and put it in the net, blocker side. After great passing between Jaxon Casey and Ethan DeCarlo, the puck was free and in charged Perrott off the blue line to score with 26 seconds left in the period.

Early in the third, Logan wrapped around the Colts net, sending a perfect pass to Tomlinson who landed a one-timer into the back of the net. Gruppe finished the game with an unassisted goal, his first of the season.

The Tykes travelled to Omemee Nov. 12 to take on the Kawartha Coyotes Tyke Red team. It was great end-to-end action. Logan was the lone goal scorer for the Storm, scoring all five goals, with one being assisted by Scheffee and the other by Zach Prentice and Scheffee. The Storm were ahead by one going into the third but the Coyotes managed to score two late goals with only minutes left in the game, resulting in a 5-5 tie. Carter Braun helped keep the Storm in the game with outstanding goaltending. The Tykes play in Sunderland Nov. 18 at 1 p.m. against the Brock Wild and Nov. 19 at 2 p.m. against the Coyotes in Minden. (Submitted by Jessica Tomlinson).

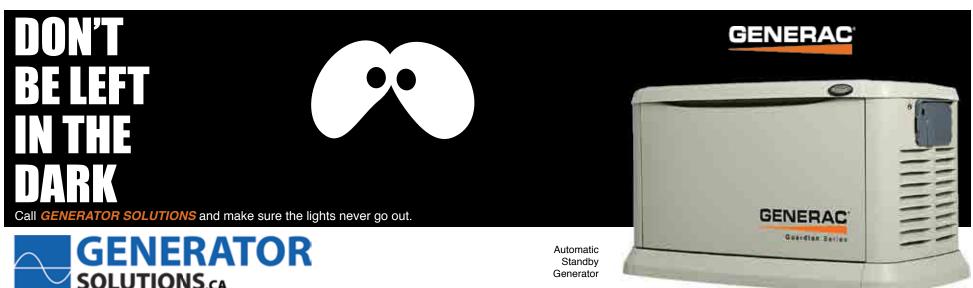


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# Highland Storm





# The Highlander 3-Stars of the Week



# Tyson Clements **#5 Bantams**



One of the fastest skaters on the team, Tyson played a solid game versus Elmvale. His speed gave him a couple of scoring opportunities. Along with exceptional stickhandling, the Coyotes often had to double team Tyson leaving his Storm teammates open for a pass. Tyson was rewarded for his efforts late in the game with a goal.

# **Desi Davies** #15 Bantams



Desi continues to be an impact player for the Storm. Playing in a Matt Duchene-type style, the big, hardhitting forward had a couple of beautiful end-to-end rushes, both resulting in goals

# **Ben Robinson** #11 Bantams



Ben was part of an outstanding defensive unit this past Friday. The Storm found themselves frequently shorthanded but Ben's solid and confident presence on the blue line helped in keeping Elmvale from taking advantage of their power play opportunities and was an influential part of the Highland Storm

# The Leveque Bros **Rock Breakers Peewees**

Peewee girls played two games at home this weekend. Saturday's game was against the Ennismore Eagles. The girls dominated

the game in an 8-0 win. Goals went to Hudder (4), Billings (2), Winder (1) and Dexter (1). Assists by Coe (4), Hudder (2), Jenkins, Woods, and McCue-Dixon.

On Sunday, the girls played rival, the Peterbrough Ice Kats. The Ice Kats took the lead and held it scoring two in the first

two periods. In the third period, the Jets turned it on and scored two to tie the game. Goals went to Hudder and Billings and assists to Hudder and Dexter. Next Saturday is girls hockey day in Bancroft, the Peewees start the day off at 4 p.m. (Submitted by Tracy Coe).

# The Bancroft IDA/ Camp Red Eagle Family Campground Midgets

Bancroft Jets midget girls lost 4-2 on Saturday against Cold Creek Comets. The

girls came back Sunday with some energy to win a good back-and-forth game against the Napanee Crunch. The final score was 1-0, with the lone goal scored by Katie Funk. Next Saturday, the Jets host hockey day at the NHCC starting at 3 p.m. This event is to raise funds for girls' hockey in Bancroft, with many great prizes to be won. The midgets will be playing against Ennismore at 6 p.m. on the 18. (Submitted by Lysane Burnett).

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THE HALIBURTON **HIGHLANDS** PERFORMING ARTS SOCIETY seeks an administrative assistant to the manager of the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. This is a 15-20 hour per month contract position. Interest in the theatre and performing arts is necessary. Submit applications to curtis. eastmure@sunlife.com on or before Nov 30.

# **EVENTS**

**SNOWFLAKE** BAZAAR, Haliburton Legion. November 18th, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Crafts, bake table, lunch counter.

**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.

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 Cathy 705-457-2996, or Judy 705-306-9064.

# **EVENTS**

LUNCH FOR THE BEREAVED, an informal get-together for those who are experiencing bereavement. Light lunch, no registration required. Fridays 11:30 am -1 pm, 1st & 3rd Friday of the month – Haliburton Legion. 2nd & 4th Friday of the month, Minden Legion For more info: 705-457-2941.

**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. For more info: 705-457-2941.

**HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS Stroke** Support Group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Fireside Lounge, Highland Crest, Minden 10 a.m. - noon. Contact Lois Rigney 705-286-1765

# **Business Classifieds**

Starting at

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### **PETS**



# **HELP WANTED**



The Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands requires a **Treasury Assistant - Tax** 

Due to an upcoming retirement, the Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from qualified persons for the Treasury Assistant - Tax position. Reporting to the Treasurer, the Treasury Assistant - Tax position is responsible for all aspects of the Municipal taxation functions, including billing, collections and adjustments.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- A post-secondary diploma in Accounting and/or Business Administration:
- Successful completion of the Municipal Tax Administration Program;
- AMTCO designation preferred;
- · A minimum of three (3) years' experience in progressively responsible related positions sufficient to demonstrate competency and knowledge of all aspects of the position;
- Excellent interpersonal, communication and organizational skills including the ability to multi-task and establish priorities on a daily basis.
- Proficiency in computer software applications (including but not limited to the Microsoft Office Suite of products) and extensive experience with Township specific financial

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This full time position would also be eligible for a comprehensive benefit plan.

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 for the full job description at: www.algonquinhighlands.ca.

Please submit your resume and cover letter by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 1st, 2017 to:

# Tammy McKelvey, Treasurer

Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Road Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1 Email: tmckelvey@algonquinhighlands.ca

# **EVENTS**



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November 20 - Thom Lambert November 27 - Harvey Walker December 4 - Susan Hay

December 11 - donated Robert Bateman print

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# **OBITUARIES**



# Dianne Kruger (nee Davidson)

(Resident of Kennisis Lake, Ontario)

At Haliburton Hospital on Friday evening, November 10, 2017 in her 72nd year. Beloved wife of Robert (Bob) Kruger. Loving mother of

Don (Angela) and Denise. Fondly remembered by her grandsons Logan and Kurt. Dear sister of Sylvia (Art deBoer) and Carol Huston. Predeceased by her parents William & Beryl Davidson, her step-father Art Dunsmore, her step-brother Paul and her step-sister Lynn. Also lovingly remembered by her many nieces and nephews. Dianne was a Registered Nurse since 1968 and worked up until 2015. She enjoyed working with the children at Camp Northland, travelling to Vegas and many other sunny destinations and most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her family.

### Visitation, Celebration of Life & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Saturday morning, November 25, 2017 for a Celebration of Life Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Reception to follow in The Community Room. As expressions of sympathy, donations

to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services would be appreciated by the family.



# **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**



# Celebration of Life For Gailon Valleau

Join friends and family Saturday November 18, 2017 3 pm. to 7 pm. at Haliburton Curling Club

# **FUNERAL SERVICES**



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# **NOTICE**



# 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, November 27, 2017

**TIME:** 9:30 a.m.

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

to consider minor variance applications **PLMV2017084**, and **PLMV2017087**. 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:

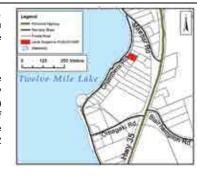
**PLMV2017084** - Part of Lot 15, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>1190 Chambers Road</u>; and located on Twelve Mile Lake (see Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The applicant wishes to permit an increase in height of a non-complying building by greater than 1.2 metres to allow for the construction of a walkout basement.



**PLMV2017087** - Part of Lot 15, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as <u>1220 Chambers Road</u>; and located on Twelve Mile Lake (see Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The applicant wishes to permit the construction of a new deck projecting from the existing dwelling 2.4m. (8') towards the front lot line for a resulting setback of 6.7m. (22') from Chambers road; and to increase the height of a non-complying building by greater than 1.2 metres to allow for a 2nd storey addition.



**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 <a href="https://www.mindenhills.ca">www.mindenhills.ca</a>.

**ACCESSIBILITY:** The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.

**PRIVACY DISCLOSURE:** As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

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

Dated this 16th day of November, 2017.

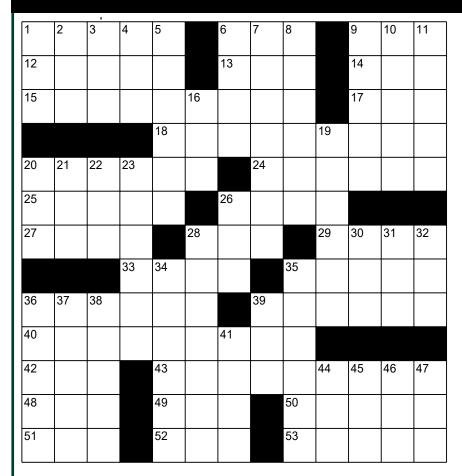
Ian Clendening, MPI. Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment

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# **ACROSS**

- 1. Recorded
- 6. Wind direction (abbr.)
- 9. Gallery exhibit
- 12. "\_\_\_\_ of Two Cities" (2 36. Summer shoe wds.)
- 13. -gallon hat
- 14. Neptune's domain
- 15. Dancer
- 17. Unhealthy
- 18. Ambulance worker
- 20. 14-line poem
- 24. Religious beliefs
- 25. Scallion
- 26. Lightning flash
- 27. Soothing ointment

- 28. Respectful title
- 29. Detail
- 33. Moistureless
- 35. More frosty

- 39. Expresses scorn
- 40. Patched a ceiling
- 42. Key near the space bar
- 43. Began
- 48. Toddler
- 49. Halloween mo.
- 50. Anguish
- 51. Pig's home
- 52. Originally called
- 53. Rope loop

### **DOWN**

- 1. Bar bill
- 2. loss (2 wds.)
- 3. Sidekick
- 4. House addition
- 5. Intensify
- 6. Recipe verb
- 7. Ted Kennedy, e.g.
- 8. Glossy paint
- 9. All kidding
- 10. Kindled again
- 11. Bath powders
- 16. Lab animal
- 19. Lure
- 20. Weep
- 21. \_\_\_\_ roll (2 wds.)
- 22. Nothing
- 23. Wanderers
- 26. Make an offer
- 28. Absence of sound
- 30. Neckwear
- 31. Eternally, in verse
- 32. "Robinson"
- 34. Food allotment
- 35. New Delhi native
- 36. Arguments
- 37. Distribute
- 38. Dapper
- 39. Immovable
- 41. Ceremonial act
- 44. In the past
- 45. Overly
- 46. Naval rank (abbr.)
- 47. Coloring agent

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# Highlander events





Rev. Harry Morgan addresses the crowd at a celebration of his 25 years of service. *Submitted*.

# Driving the 'Morgan Mile' for 25 years

### By Lisa Gervais

More than 90 current and former Haliburton Pastoral Charge (HPC) members celebrated Harry Morgan's 25th anniversary as HPC pastor Oct. 21.

HPC includes the Haliburton, Ingoldsby and Lochlin United churches.

Held at Haliburton United Church, the event included food, speeches, presentations and the occasional roast by HPC members and Rev. Bev Hicks of Northland Faith Church.

Long-time friend, Kit Greaves, formerly the rector of St. George's Anglican Church, sent a slide message, and Harry's aunt, Ev Stata, wrote a poem for the occasion. John Miller sang three numbers accompanied by Melissa Stephens on piano.

"It was a very sweet and enjoyable evening," said Harry of the celebration. "I am most thankful for the thoughtful, encouraging and loving support my family and I have received these past 25 years." Morgan was accompanied by his wife, Peggy.

Harry grew up in Minden, attended church at Minden United, and was known as Harold until he hit the University of Toronto. His name wasn't the only thing that changed at university. Harry began his first year studying science and math, but God had other plans.

As Harry became friends with some young Christian guys, he felt his faith

in Jesus come alive. He graduated with his B.A. in 1978 and went on to take his M.Div., finishing in 1984 and becoming ordained the same year.

But don't call him reverend – it's just Harry. He served in Flinton-Cloyne-Harlowe in eastern Ontario and Mid-Laurentian in Rawdon, Quebec before becoming minister for the HPC in 1992.

This means Harry has driven the circuit now known as the "Morgan Mile" almost every Sunday for 25 years. A member of the Haliburton Ministerial Association, Harry has been a regular co-planner of the Sizzlin' Summer Service in the Park, now in its 11th year, and is closely involved with The Church in Haliburton concept, including multiple annual music nights.

He has co-led several winter camps for local youth and held weekly Burger, Beer and Bible discussion nights for the public at McKecks Tap and Grill for more than two years. Harry married Peggy Roberts of Haliburton in 1979. They have four sons and twin daughters. Their sons and one daughter are married, and Harry and Peggy have four grandchildren.

An avid musician, Harry leads contemporary music services at Haliburton United Church on the last Sunday of every month. He enjoys playing guitar and singing, walking the family dogs in the bush, canoe trips, reading, and watching prime-time crime dramas.

# Amputee spreads message of hope

After a successful talk in Haliburton a year ago, flesh-eating disease survivor Cyndi Desjardins Wilkens returned to the area last Saturday to sign copies of her new book, *Shine On*. Wilkens was at Wintergreen Maple Syrup and Pancake Barn during their Country Christmas

Treasures Sale. The wife and mother of two children lost her limbs to the disease six years ago. She currently lives near Kinmount. Her story won the 2017 Word Alive Women's Journey of Faith publishing contest. (Mark Arike)

Left: Cyndi Desjardins Wilkens, right, with Marg Mason, a friend and her former coach at Women's Ministries Institute in Cambridge. Mason now lives in Haliburton County. *Photo by Mark Arike*.



# **Employment Opportunity Fire Chief**

The Township of Minden Hills is located in the heart of Haliburton County and includes the sub-communities of Lochlin, Gelert and Irondale as well as the Town of Minden. The area population of approximately 6,000 permanent residents, increases significantly in the summer months with the influx of cottagers, seasonal residents and visitors. We are currently seeking a Fire Chief who is a highly motivated and energetic individual to join our senior management team.

Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer, the Fire Chief is responsible for fire and emergency services and shall be the key resource person to the Township of Minden Hills Council. The Fire Chief shall carry out all administrative duties as a Department Head of a department. The Fire Chief is responsible for the proactive leadership, policy, overall operation of the fire services including administration, financial management, policy development, operations procedures, fire suppression/investigation, fire prevention and public education, emergency medical responses, training, community emergency planning, supervision of voluntary resources, public relations and ensuring compliance with Ontario Fire Code, Municipal by-laws and Provincial and Federal Legislation.

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of leadership success. Demonstrated management, organizational and leadership abilities. Excellent supervisory skills and competent in the interpretation and application of employment policies, regulations, acts and guidelines. Demonstrated ability to plan, schedule and review work of others in a manner conducive to proficient performance and high morale.

The ideal Candidate will possess:

- A minimum of ten (10) years' firefighting experience with five (5) years' experience in a senior officer rank
- A post-secondary education in Fire Services Management or a related field.
- A valid "DZ" Driver's License for the Province of Ontario.
- Possession of the Community Emergency Management Coordinator certification, or a willingness to obtain within a specified period of time.
- Graduate of the Ontario Fire College with course studies including NFPA 1001 and 1002, Standard, 1021 Fire Officer I and II, 1041 Fire Service Instructor I and II, 1031 Fire Inspector I and II, 1035 Public Information Officer, 1035 Fire Life Safety Educator and Human Resources Management, or enrolled in or willing to enroll.

Proven ability to provide effective command over firefighting personnel and a thorough understanding of the incident management system. Direct and oversee the firefighting/rescue, public education, and fire prevention, and functions of the department. Excellent knowledge of fire services department processes, procedures, policies, directives and guidelines as well as theory, best practices and principles. Excellent knowledge of fire service related legislation such as the Ontario Fire Code, Fire Protection and Prevention Act and the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

Demonstrated proficiency in MS Office Suite, ability to monitor and work within approved budgets, is flexible, adaptable and responsive to change. Possess excellent planning and time management skills.

Salary will commensurate with experience and skills.

Prior to the final selection for this position, the candidate shall be required to provide, at their own expense, a Vulnerable Sector Check from the Ontario Provincial Police or appropriate Police Force and Driver's Abstract.

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a letter of application together with a detailed resume of education and experience by 12:00 noon December 14, 2017 to sprentice@mindenhills.ca or:

Employment Opportunity - Fire Chief Township of Minden Hills 7 Milne St, PO Box 359 Minden, ON K0M 2K0

Attention: Lorrie Blanchard, CAO/Treasurer

The Detailed Position Description can be obtained by contacting sprentice@mindenhills.ca

We thank all applicants for applying, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information and supporting material is used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you are contacted by the Township of Minden Hills regarding a job opportunity or testing, please advise if you require accommodation. Information received relating to accommodation needs of applicants will be addressed confidentially. Persons with a disability preventing them from applying on-line should contact the Clerk's Department at 705-286-1260 to discuss alternative solutions.

# What's on



# **NOVEMBER 2017 • EVENT LISTINGS**

### **Thursday November 16**

11 - noon - Adult Shinny at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton.\$5/person

Noon - 2 p.m. - Adults Only Public Skating at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton.\$2/person

1:30 p.m. – Haliburton County Historical Society presents speaker Martin Hofland, author of "Warboy", on his book, and experiences. At the Haliburton Museum.

7 – 8 p.m. – "Laughter – the Natural Medicine". Canadian Federation of University Women presents Sue Gergely, Certified Laughter Leader, on the gift of humour to promote health and wellness. Free admission (donations to the CFUW Haliburton Highlands student bursary fund are welcome)

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Craft Group in Wilberforce, at Deep Roots Store, every Thursday. Call 705-

### Friday November 17

6 – 8 p.m. – "Lights & Delights", main street Minden. An evening of food, music, holiday cheer as we light up main street for the holiday season!

### Saturday November 18

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Snowflake Bazaar, Haliburton Legion, hosted by the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary. Crafts, bake table, lunch counter and so much

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Therapeutic Touch Level 3 (learn or refresh). For more information contact Susan Keith, RN/TTRT 705-457-3981 or email ch.concepts@sympatico.ca.

10 a.m. - Noon - 3rd annual Pet Photos with Santa, at the Minden Animal Hospital. \$10 per photo session, all proceeds to Heat Bank Haliburton County. 705-286-2919.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – "Mistletoe Magic" Christmas Craft Sale, at Kinmount Community Centre. Everyone welcome, a great opportunity to get a head start on your holiday shopping list. No admission fee, but donations to the Food Bank would be much appreciated. Contact Patti 705-488-2938, brucefleury1@hotmail.com.

4 – 7 p.m. – Kingfishers, in the Haliburton Legion Clubroom. 50/50 draw at 6 p.m., \$5 cover for nonmembers, \$6 for a delicious meal by the Ladies Auxiliary. For info call Linda at 705-457-2064.

5:30 p.m. – SOLD OUT! "HoeDown for Health". a fundraiser event from the Minden Health Care Auxiliary, to help purchase equipment and other needs. Join us at the Minden Community Centre -5:30 social, 6:30 dinner and auction. Music by The Highlands Trio, sponsored by the Minden Rotary Club. Tickets \$40, call Mary 705-286-6676.

7:30 p.m. - "Outlaws Lovers & Heroes", presented by the Highlands Chamber Orchestra, at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavililion. Tickets available at Cranberry Cottage Haliburton and Minden Pharmasave. \$15/adult, \$20/adult with one child under 16.

### **Sunday November 19**

Noon - 2 p.m. - Public Skating at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden, \$2/person. Children under 10 must wear a CSA approved helmet.

### **Tuesday November 21**

10 – 11 a.m. Coffee & Colouring, at the Dysart Branch of the Haliburton County Library, 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month!

7 p.m. - "What's New at the Woodland Wildlife Sanctuary", at Haliburton Highlands Museum. Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists presents speaker Monika Melichar. Admission \$5, see hhfn.ca for more info.

### Wednesday November 22

9:30 a.m. - Noon - National Housing Day Presents: How's Your Housing? Come out to the City of Kawartha Lakes & Haliburton County's Housing Day Event, hosting speakers from local agencies discussing innovative solutions to local housing issues. Coboconk Community Centre, 9 Grandy Rd. For more info: see cklhpoverty.ca/ events, jknot@knfht.ca, 705-887-3535 ext 33

10:30 a-m - 12:30 p.m. - HKPR Health Unit, Sexual Health Clinic, providing clients with confidential access to cervical screening, lowcost birth control, pregnancy testing, testing & treatment of STD's, and sexual health teaching. For more info, or to make an appointment call 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Public Skating at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton.\$2/person

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public Skating at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden, \$2/person. Children under 10 must wear a CSA approved helmet.

# **Thursday November 23**

11 - noon - Adult Shinny at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton.\$5/person

Noon - 2 p.m. - Adults Only Public Skating at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton.\$2/person

11 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Craft Group in Wilberforce, at Deep Roots Store, every Thursday. Call 705-448-9888.

### November 24, 25, 26

8th Annual Festival of Trees, at Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Funds go towards community programming. Admission \$5/adults. Kids free. Mindenhills.ca/cultural-centre/cultural-centre-

### Friday November 24

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Highland Wood Christmas Bazaar, 7199 Gelert Rd, at Haliburton Hospital.. A great Christmas shopping opportunity! Handmade crafts, baking, silent auctions, hot chocolate & cookies for the kids from 10 a.m. -

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Coboconk Legion Lunch: hot roast beef or liver & onions, \$9. Followed by

1 – 4 p.m. – Coboconk Legion Country Music Jam. Open mic & local talent. Food bank donations would be appreciated.

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Poinsettia Lunch & Sale, at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 19 Invergordon Ave., Minden. Admission by

6:30 - 8 p.m. - Haliburton Village Santa Claus Parade! - The annual spectacular evening parade of bands, marchers, horses, music, lights, and of course, Santa! For more info, or to enter, contact Jim Frost at 705-457-4031.

### Saturday November 25

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Highland Wood Christmas Bazaar & Open House, 7199 Gelert Rd, at Haliburton Hospital.. A great Christmas shopping opportunity! Handmade crafts, baking, silent auctions, hot chocolate & cookies for the kids from 10 a.m. - Noon.

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Public Skating at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton.\$2/person

7:30 p.m. Highlands Christmas Shindig, at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

6:30 p.m. Cardiff Light The Night. Come to the dragonfly on Saturday night as we come together as a community to light our Christmas tree. Bonfire, music, carols, hot chocolate and apple cider - and a special visit from Santa!

### **Sunday November 26**

10 a.m. – 3 p.m. – 5th Annual Ugly Sweater Run/Walk, and nostalgic Christmas. Meet at Haliburton Highlands Museum, 66 Museum Rd., Haliburton to catch the holiday spirit! 1.5 km or 5 km run/walks, prizes. All ages, dog friendly. Refreshments available after the run/walk. For more info contact Andrea Mueller at 705-457-1740 or amueller@dysartetal.ca

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public Skating at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden, \$2/person. Children under 10 must wear a CSA approved helmet.

11 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Christmas Artisan Market, at S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, Minden. Free admission.

# **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 third Thursday of the month starting at 7 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 cribbage 1 p.m. start and 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

Ladies Auxiliary Snowflake Bazaar Saturday, Nov. 18, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. For more details, call Mary at 705-754-3319. Live entertainment featuring The Kingfishers Saturday, Nov. 18, 4-7 p.m. in the Club Room. Enjoy a delicious meal for only \$6 prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary. \$5 cover charge for non members.

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

Saturday, Nov. 18, open mic, 4-7 p.m. Nov. 26 noon-3 p.m. annual Christmas bazaar Ladies darts have resumed for the fall, Wed. afternoon

Monday-every second week rug hooking; Tuesday, seniors art classes 10 a.m., bid euchre 1 p.m.; Wednesday, meat draw noon; Thursday, mixed darts and euchre 7 p.m.; Friday 7 p.m. mixed darts; Saturday, meat draw 1 p.m.; Sunday, sports day noon. Lunches every Mon.-Fri, with Friday featuring fish and chips and chicken wings also served 5-7 p.m. Take-out available. Everyone welcome.

# **WILBERFORCE BRANCH**

Nov. 17 Spaghetti dinner 5 - 7 p.m.

Nov. 18 Meat draw 2 p.m. - Early bird 3 p.m. sharp Nov. 20 Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome

Nov. 22 Fun darts 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 23 Youth group 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

We are in dire need of volunteers for many different things we have going on. If anyone is interested in helping call the legion 705-448-2221 and sign up today. Travelling this winter? Get your travel insurance through your membership. Cost is based on years of membership.

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# What's on

# HHOA to seal time capsule at fish hatchery

### By Mark Arike

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) wants small trinkets it can place inside a time capsule that will be opened 25 years from now during Canada's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The capsule will be sealed in a piece of granite at the Haliburton fish hatchery on Friday (Nov. 17). The event goes from 1-3 p.m.

"It's kind of a neat thing and we're hoping to have everybody there," said HHOA vice-president Rusty Rustenburg.

He said the idea came from Dee Ruth, the organization's office administrator. Items that will be placed in the capsule include business cards, laminated photos, copies of local newspapers, and a sealed container with a USB stick containing photos, club patches and more.

The capsule will be placed in a drilled core hole made by Total Site Services before being cemented shut. MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott will be in attendance.

The event also celebrates the 25th anniversary of the HHOA, 20th year of the hatchery, and the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of Dysart et al and Canada. To contribute items, attend the event or drop them off no later than today (Nov. 16) at the hatchery.

HHOA vice-president Rusty Rustenburg demonstrates how the time capsule will be placed in a piece of granite at the fish hatchery on Friday. Photo by Mark Arike.



# Lights and Delights are coming to downtown Minden

If you're starting to get a bit of the Christmas spirit, then downtown Minden might be the place for you and your family and friends this coming Friday night, Nov. 17.

The township is hosting its second annual Lights and Delights event, starting about 6 p.m.

Community development coordinator, Elisha Weiss, told The Highlander they

will be incorporating all of the same elements as last year.

That means that St. Paul's church choir will be singing carols, there will be a bonfire with marshmallow roasting in the village green, Into the Blue Bakery will be selling wood-fired pizzas, a few community groups will be having tables set up and providing delights, such as treats, refreshments and crafts and there

will be live music in the gazebo.

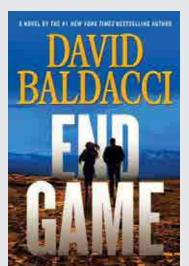
Weiss said some stores will also be staying open late so people can start their Christmas shopping early.

The plan calls for the lighting of the main street at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Brent Devolin will be counting that down again as he did last year.

Weiss added that the big difference this year is the township will close a section

of the main street, from CIBC to Sassy Digs, for safety precautions "as it was a little dodgy having so many people crossing the street at night" last year.

The event kicks off the Christmas season in Minden. Also coming up are: the 2017 Minden Hills Festival of Trees, Nov. 24-26, and the Santa Claus parade on Saturday, Nov. 25. (Lisa Gervais)



# **Haliburton County's Hot Reads**

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

- 1. End Game by David Baldacci (AF)
- 2. *The Midnight Line* by Lee Child (AF)
- 3. Every Breath You Take by Mary Higgins Clark (AF)
- 4. Channel Of Peace: stranded in Gander on 9/11 by Kevin Tuerff (ANF)
- 5. *The Glass Castle* (DVD)

# Christmas Open House Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop Sunday, December 3rd, 12 noon to 3pm

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- Wheelbarrow of Wine draw (1pm)
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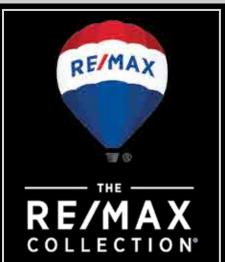
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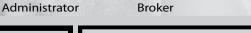








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