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# Deer roams Haliburton with arrow in head

#### By Lisa Gervais

The mysterious case of the deer with an arrow in its head continues in Haliburton.

Marlene Sparling, who lives on Pine Street, first alerted The Highlander about the deer last Wednesday (Jan. 3) but said she first noticed it on her property in late

"I am very sure the first time I saw the

deer it had an arrow out the side of its head. Then, I noticed an arrow between its eyes up on the forehead. I told my husband I noticed a red sore mark at the side of this same deer and concluded the first arrow had come out but someone now had shot it again. So sad," she said.

Originally from Toronto, and spending her first full winter in Haliburton, Sparling said she sought help for the deer.

"I thought there might me a process to deal with injured deer as the deer are commonplace in town. We love them and I'm sure others do as well."

First, she called the local Ontario Provincial Police.

Media relations officer, Dianna Dauphinee, confirmed they'd been made aware of the situation. She said they got in touch with the Ministry of Natural

Resources and Forestry (MNRF) but said they'd continue to monitor the situation. Sparling said the OPP came to the property and took a photo of the deer but left without speaking to them.

As for the MNRF, Sparling said she called them, too, and was told they didn't have the resources to come out and nature would take its course.

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# Fowler lands roads contract

#### By Mark Arike

Fowler Construction will replace Carillion to maintain provincial highways in Haliburton County and the Huntsville district. The province recently awarded the company a sevenyear contract worth \$126 million. It takes effect Sept. 1, 2018.

The province received six "compliant bids" for the job.

"This is a good indicator of a competitive environment and includes interest from contractors of various sizes," said Lara Cantin, regional issues and media advisor for the MTO.

Although Fowler is a new contractor under area maintenance contracts, they previously handled outsourced maintenance contracts in the Huntsville area, said Cantin. They've also been a subcontractor for area maintenance contracts in the province and currently provide similar services to municipalities.

Last fall, the province and Carillion, a multinational company, agreed to end their 11-year contract five years early. Local residents and politicians have long criticized Carillion for their winter maintenance on highways 35 and 118. In 2015, MPP Laurie Scott voiced their concerns to MTO officials.

But according to Cantin, the MTO will ensure Carillion fulfills its obligations until Fowler takes over.

"Since last November's announcement that the contract was being re-tendered, the current contractor has worked diligently to meet the contract requirements," she said. "The ministry will continue to ensure that Carillion fulfills their contract requirements for the Huntsville area uninterrupted until Aug. 31, 2018.

Fowler Construction has been in business since 1949. It has one quarry in Haliburton and another in Carnarvon.



Marlene Sparling of Pine Street, Haliburton took this photo of a deer with an arrow in its head. Photo submitted.

# No action from MNRF

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Adam Challice of the MNRF said Tuesday that the ministry "would not generally provide an on-site response to situations involving injured wildlife, but would provide assistance by referring the matter to the appropriate agency."

He added that the MNRF's Bancroft enforcement unit hadn't received any reports of deer hunting during the closed season in the Haliburton area, so the deer may have been shot during the archery season that ended Dec. 15 and survived.

He said they've been touch with the Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary (WWS).

Sparling also reached out to the WWS. "I have been receiving calls on it since just after Christmas," their spokeswoman, Monika Melichar, said. "It seems to travel do not have the equipment to tranquilize it. Trying to catch it other ways would be

However, she said she got a call from the OPP this week, telling her that the MNRF sent someone to observe the deer for 30 minutes and determined it was fine as it was still eating and moving around.

In the meantime, the WWS contacted the Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary, who have a volunteer that is willing to dart the deer so it can be treated. However, he lives in Rosseau, at least 90 minutes away, "so he would like to know where the deer goes so he can be successful when he comes out."

People in the Pine and Sunnyside Street area have been advised to let the WWS know about this deer's pattern of behaviour so there's a better chance of successfully darting it and possibly

# What to do if you see an injured animal

The MNRF advises that wildlife can be unpredictable, and generally it is recommended that people:

- remain a safe distance from the animal;
- not remove an animal from its natural habitat (in some cases the animal may not need assistance, and you could do more harm than good); and
- check the animal periodically for 24-48 hours.

For more information on sick, injured, or abandoned animals, visit: ontario.ca/page/rescue-sick-injuredor-abandoned-wild-animal

If anyone has information relating to hunting deer during the closed season, or any other natural resource violation, they are encouraged to contact the MNRF's Natural Resource Violation 24-hr reporting line at 1-877-847-7667 or CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (1-800-222-8477). The MNRF says any reliable information regarding a natural resources violation will be thoroughly investigated by conservation officers.

removing the arrow. However, there's another snag now as the volunteer has to go out of town and won't be back until Jan. 17.

"So, if the MNRF know of someone else with a dart gun, then we can invite Dr. Sherri Cox, a wildlife veterinarian, to assist. But we still would need more precise locations as she would be coming from Caledon," Melichar said.

Meanwhile, people keep spotting the deer. Dave Allen from Canoe FM said it's been at his feeder around 4:30 p.m. most days. By all reports, "it is active, eating and getting about fine," Melichar said. Canoe FM has been running updates as

If you spot the deer and can report a pattern of movements, contact the WWS at info@woodlandswildlifesanctuary.ca.

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# Bereavement survey needs your input

### By Lisa Gervais

A community-wide survey is continuing to further identify bereavement support needed in our region.

The survey, which is an initiative of the two organizations people," said MacLaren. that now provide grief help – Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) and SIRCH Community Services – was launched in December and will continue until Jan. 18.

The survey comes after several discussions between HHHS community programs vice-president, Stephanie MacLaren, and SIRCH executive director, Gena Robertson, the two agencies said in a joint media release.

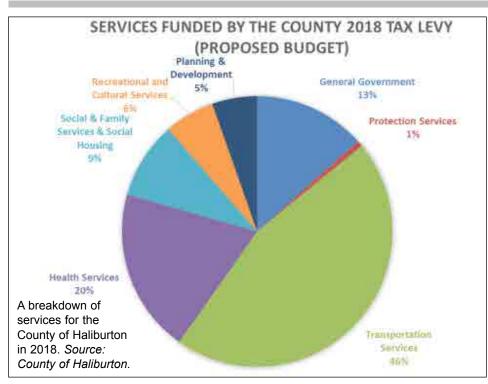
"We want to have a really strong sense from the community as to how [to] best meet the needs of this particular community. Individual support with a volunteer or social worker is good for some, but many people find great value in the group support environment and vice versa. Responding to local need is especially important

in our small rural geography – we need to find the right combination to meet the needs of the greatest number of

She added that, "We have had the privilege of SIRCH's depth of experience to guide us in this process and will continue to engage them to this end."

Meanwhile, Robertson said SIRCH thanks all volunteers who have facilitated the Journey Through Grief groups. She said the volunteer facilitators had dedicated hundreds of hours to facilitating the bereavement groups, and have made a difference in the lives of the group members. However, she added that "with no core funding to support the groups, it makes sense to pass the baton to HHHS."

Surveys are available online at surveymonkey.com/ r/73LJ65G and at various locations.



# County considering 2.66 per cent increase

By Mark Arike

Changes in property assessment values and new construction in Haliburton County are expected to have a positive impact on this year's planned tax increase.

According to an overview of the proposed county budget for 2018, residential property owners can expect a 2.66 per cent tax increase, which is 2.2 per cent less than last year's increase of 4.86 per cent. That's an extra \$5.15 for every \$100,000 of assessed residential property value. Last year it was \$8.97.

The draft budget includes a tax levy of about \$16.45 million, an increase of roughly \$1 million or 5.88 per cent from 2017. It's offset by approximately one per cent due to growth, such as new construction. The levy has increased every year since 2003, when it was \$7.3 million.

"The increase in the tax is 2.66 per cent because all the assessment values increased," explained county treasurer Elaine Taylor during a special meeting on Jan. 4. "Some of that is growth, but a large chunk of it is not. It just means people's assessments went up, the value of their property went up, the taxes went up. You had more property tax."

Overall assessment growth is up 3.55 per cent in 2018. This is comprised of new construction, renovations, demolitions and property value appeals.

The Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) assesses properties every four years. According to Taylor, it appears they've completed assessments on more properties now. She speculated the increase in growth is due to that progress.

For industrial properties, the tax increase is an extra \$8.84 for every \$100,000 of assessed value. That's because these properties have a higher tax ratio.

The total levy is shared by the county's four municipalities—Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Minden Hills and Highlands

East—based on their property assessment values. Each municipality issues tax bills to property owners, which include the municipal rate, county rate and the education rate. The municipal and education rates have not been finalized.

Following previous meetings, additional costs totalling \$137,654 were added to the county's draft budget, including a \$50,000 contribution for the construction of a left turn lane on County Road 21 and a \$50,000 contingency for costs associated with Bill 148.

Councillors addressed reserves and the need to put more money in them. In the last six years, these accounts have decreased from around \$4.3 million In 2011 to less than \$2.5 million in 2017. It's expected to drop to \$2.14 million this year.

"It's not a healthy position as far as reserves are concerned," said Deputy Warden Liz Danielsen, adding it needs to be discussed.

CAO Mike Rutter didn't disagree and noted the majority of reductions were planned. For the last two years, \$144,000 has been set aside for the second phase of Whispering Pines in Haliburton.

Coun. Murray Fearrey recommended adding one per cent to the budget for reserves. This is about \$150,000 in addition to the \$817,000 already being transferred. Reserves are important because they help the county manage unexpected events, Taylor told *The Highlander*.

Council agreed and voted to put \$100,000 into reserves and \$50,000 towards hiring a consultant to undertake a study for the rural transportation project.

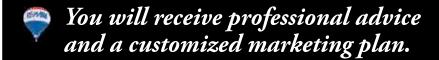
Since there has been a \$38,800 decrease in MPAC fees, the overall increase to the current draft of the budget is \$111,200.

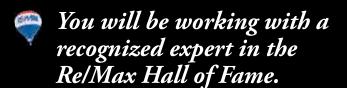
A document with any changes to the second draft of the budget will be presented at the next council meeting later this month along with a bylaw to approve the budget. A final budget has not yet been passed.



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Skiers have been braving the cold at Sir Sam's Ski & Ride. Despite trails being in good condition the number of visitors is down due to the cold. Photo by Chris Bishop.



# Looking forward to a winter of content

### By Lisa Gervais

The early winter has brought challenges – but also great promise – for those who rely heavily on the season in Haliburton County.

We've had some snow and extreme cold so far this winter, although milder temperatures this week have given those who like to play in the out-of-doors – snowmobilers, skiers and ice fishermen – a reprieve.

Dave Lloyd is the new president of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA).

Earlier this week, he told *The Highlander* that about 75 per cent of the HCSA trail system is open with limited status and there's a push to have all trails up and running by week's end or this weekend.

But he cautionned they won't be marked green until we get about another foot of

He credited the association's 12 paid groomers and an army of volunteers for getting them to where they are so far.

"We were out very early this year. About half of our lakes are already staked. That's unheard of for the first week of January," Lloyd said in a telephone interview Jan. 8.

He said they'd be working this week to get some of the northern lakes, such as Redstone and Kennisis, staked.

The club always tries to get trails open as

soon as possible for tourism and businesses but sometimes it comes at the expense of damaging equipment, which has happened due to the extreme cold snap we've had.

Lloyd added they've been assisted by the hardy sledders who have already been out packing down the trails and added that "the ponds have frozen up quite nice." This week's mild temperatures and denser snow will also help, he said.

The big thing now is "we need more snow ... another foot of the good stuff and we'll be set for a good season."

Chris Bishop of Sir Sam's Ski & Ride said despite the fact the slopes are in the best condition they've been in years, business is actually down.

He blames it on the cold weather up to this week and out-of-town media and weather reporters "dramatizing the weather."

"If you dress properly and take more breaks, you would be fine," he said.

The ice fishing huts have also popped up all across the county and Outdoors Plus in Haliburton is rubbing its hands at the prospect of a good and long season.

Karen Perrott said, "we are excited for the early ice this year. Last year, it was not safe to even go on the ice 'til Jan. 18, but this year, in late December, there was enough ice to fish small lakes, and many people took advantage of the early ice."

# 'It's cool to be kind' movement emerging

#### By Lisa Gervais

On a frigid weekday morning, a bunch of kids donned T-shirts and tank tops for a very good cause last week.

Wearing black or white tops, with slogans such as 'be brave be fierce,' 'be brave be kind,' and 'kindness matters,' they gathered inside Caitlyn Dunlop's photography studio on main street in Minden for a photo shoot to promote a new line of clothing that has been developed locally to combat bullying.

Dunlop took the photos while Terry Mathews-Carl was behind the scenes. Mathews-Carl is one of the people behind the clothing line, which can be found on Facebook under 'Mathew Madlyn' as well as on Instagram. A webpage is in the works. Dulce Acero, the mother of Phoenix Acero, a Grade 9 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student who died suddenly last May, was also in the room.

"Dulce Acero is one of my closest friends," said Mathews-Carl in an interview. "This is a subject near and dear to her heart as well."

She said that through conversations with her family (she has four children between the ages of 12-16), talking with other kids and people in the community, "we decided that it would be a really good idea to maybe raise some attention to just people being kinder, a kinder world, a kinder community, people being just a little more understanding to people's differences,

making the world a nicer place to live."

From that came the clothing line, which will soon be expanded to track suit tops and bottoms. Mathews-Carl has registered the enterprise as a company with a business HST number.

She thinks the fact people are wearing the message on their chests is powerful.

"Having it out there, right front and centre on a shirt, is a good idea to start a movement ... the whole 'it's cool to be kind' movement. We'd love to start a movement where everybody wants to wear these shirts to show solidarity and support."

She said part of sales proceeds will go towards local anti-violence campaigns or the talked about youth drop-in centre.

She said she's spoken extensively with her own children about bullying and three of her children attended the photo shoot.

Annie Merrifield, who's in Grade 7, said, "I think it's really important that kids know the message now so by the time they get to high school they have awareness about it and learn more. I think kids are going to start to want to make a difference. They have a clothing brand coming out, so they're going to want to wear that and know they're making a difference by wearing it."

Her sister, Ella Carl, who is also in Grade 7 added, "I think it's important because we should be kind to everyone and get the message out that no one is different."

Mathews-Carl said she hopes the appeal



Students wearing anti-bulling tops pose for a photo shoot. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

isn't just heard in Haliburton County but elsewhere too.

"This could be a trend. Anything that can

just remind people that it's just really nice to be kind and you can always be kind."





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# Anti-bullying clothes, groups a start

I dropped by Caitlyn Dunlop's photo studio on Minden's main drag late last week. Terry Mathews-Carl had invited us. She's behind an anti-bullying clothing line that first made an appearance on Facebook before Christmas.

Even though it was the school break, the small studio was packed Jan. 5 with kids, students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School but also some from elementary schools in the county.

Under Mathews-Carl's directions, they donned white and black T-shirts and tank tops with slogans such as 'be brave be fierce,' 'be brave be kind,' and 'kindness matters' as Dunlop climbed a ladder to snap some pics for the campaign's Facebook page and Instagram account. A website's also in the works.

The project's near and dear to Mathews-Carl's heart as she's good friends with Dulce Acero, who lost her son Phoenix suddenly last May. Some claim he was bullied prior to his death. Mathews-Carl has four kids between the ages of 12 and 16 at home so the topic of bullying and kids' mental health has been a hot one at

It was nice to spend a bit of time with two of her kids last week as well, both of whom are in Grade 7.

As we've reported on a 'community in crisis' in Haliburton, we've largely focused on what has happened at the high school. However, what is happening at our county's elementary schools is equally important.

While reporting on this story, we've heard from a mother of a Grade 7 student at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden. She told us that her daughter has been bullied in the past. She emailed us some hand-written notes, but said "honestly, I could fill a page with the things that have been said to my daughter." Needless to say, those 'things' weren't nice. She requested anonymity, like so many people who contact us on this ongoing story.

But, she said it wasn't all bad, that there had been improvements at the school. Students there are being held accountable for their actions, she told us. There are safe spaces and alternate work locations. There's more activities of inclusion and open dialogue.

We also got a tip about an incident at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton last month, claiming a couple of kids from the high school and four to six from the elementary school were involved in a physical altercation

with another student. Since then, local OPP have confirmed

By Lisa Gervais

that an incident took place after school Dec. 8. A 14-year-old boy has been charged with assault. We're not going to get much more information on this since it involves a young offender and no one at the school board is talking.

So, back to the kids at the photo studio. Annie Merrifield thinks it's important kids get the anti-bullying message in elementary school, long before hitting the corridors at Hal High. Her sister, Ella Carl, says the message is clear: be kind to people and treat everybody the same, even if they're different from you.

They're 14. They get it. It's time the rest of our youth do too. We applaud the development of the clothing line, for which proceeds will go to anti-bullying efforts, as well as the recent emergence of a local anti-bullying group on Facebook.

# The Outsider

# Crafty like an Arctic fox

Holy moly, that was some cold snap, eh!? You see ... I told you I'm getting more Canadian. If I'd still been in England, I'd never have uttered a sentence like that. First and foremost, because my country of origin is never this mind-numbingly cold and second because I'd have said something like 'cor blimey gov'ner, it's bloody freezin', ain't it?' in a voice reminiscent of Dick Van Dyke's oft ridiculed accent in his portrayal of Bert the chimney sweep in Mary Poppins.

But wasn't it cold, wow! Over 40 below zero, with the wind chill. I feel I have to put that last part in to appease some of you cold weather temp purists (there's always one who'll correct you, isn't there?) And, thinking that we should be sensible and cozy up indoors last weekend, I instructed my lovely wife and Little Z that we'd be staying in and getting crafty.

Now, I should have known that all wouldn't run smoothly, right from the get-go. For starters, my lovely wife does not like being 'instructed' to do anything. She's a strong-willed woman who works better with gentle persuasion, rather than bold instruction. But me, only having been married to her for 15 years, is still learning such idiosyncrasies.

"OK," she said, with a strange glint in her eye, and I thought nothing more of it. The next thing I saw was the patio door

wide open and snow blowing in! I looked out of the kitchen window and saw that brilliant, immaculate sunlight that you get when the ground is carpeted white, the sky bright blue and the temperature seriously below freezing but sure enough it was snowing outside the patio door.

After a few moments of assuming that either the weather or I had gone completely mad, I investigated and found that my lovely wife and son had thought it great fun to be crafty like a fox, so to speak, rather than 'crafty' like doing crafts (it's another one of those Canadian words that I've picked up). The crazy pair were

bundled up, standing outside on a balcony above the patio door with a kettle,

By Will Jones

an extension cord, a pail of water and a saucepan. The fun went like this: fill the kettle, boil it, empty it into the pan and then throw boiling water into the air. The frigid temperatures were such that the hot water immediately froze and turned into a snow shower.

Great fun, eh! The dastardly duo had tricked me and both thought it hilarious, that is until I closed and locked the door onto the balcony, went downstairs, put the fire on and calmly made a cup of tea, all the while listening to their muffled cries (and threats) from outside on the upstairs balconv.

Ha, we can all be crafty, can't we!? P.S I did let them in again very soon after, as I saw that strange glint start to appear in my wife's eyes again.

# Letters

# Reader complains about Glamorgan Road

### Dear editor,

On the morning of Dec. 21, about 10 a.m., I took a trip to Haliburton from Gooderham up Glamorgan Road. At Ursa Road, there were fire trucks and police and a car or truck upside down in the ditch. So, we start another winter where this particular road is not cleared of snow and ice properly in a reasonable time period. Highways 503, 507, and 118 clear, but this one is never taken care of as those are. The sides of the road always have snow or ice and the middle salted. The majority of the curves in the road are mostly snow covered. A variety of vehicles leave this road for the ditch every year. I would like to know what Haliburton County has against Highlands East for allowing the neglect of this road in all seasons. This last year, travelling on this road, was like offroading. The county did replace culverts

this year and paved over those and the really rough spots. Can't wait to see how that works out after the winter. I know we are the most depressed municipality in the county, is that the reason we have not had this road paved properly? Remember councillors of Highlands East, elections are coming soon.

Ted Cumber Gooderham

# Editorial opinion

# **Eye on the street:** What's the best thing about the ASES and food bank cooking class?



### **Brooke Stover**

Minden

Learning how to be safe in the kitchen.

\*Read about the cooking class on p. 20



**Cole Boisvert** 

Minden

Learning good skills about cooking.



# **Ethan Volochkov**

Minden

Learning the essentials of cooking because I didn't know them before.



# Harmony Moher

Minden

My favourite has been the shopping and buying ingredients.



# **Scott King**

Minden

Learning how to cook but my favourite part is eating it.

Photos and interviews by Mark Arike

# Letters

# A great recipe for a happy and healthy life

Dear editor,

Re. L. Dobrzensky's letter to the editor, *The Highlander*, Dec. 14, 2017. What a wise lady. I agree completely. Gentle but firm discipline (mostly by example), opportunity to socialize in sports or in support of a good cause, and the

cultivation of a spiritual faith, a great recipe for a happy and healthy life for our precious youth, and for all of us. With thanks for our many blessings, may we all have a new year of goodness,

Bill Gliddon Haliburton

# Thanks to The Highlander for its HCSA support

Dear editor,

Thank you for telling area snowmobilers about our proposed trail routes from the north and east into Minden village. Since your story of last week, we have had numerous inquiries on the locations. This project is driven by both landowner requests and to move portions of the trail off of road shoulders. Much needs to be done before any work can proceed. The HCSA wishes to thank the Township of Minden Hills and all others

we are working with for their ongoing consideration of our proposal. In the meantime, we ride on and work doubly hard at making Minden a pleasant "go to" trail experience for thousands of snowmobilers to bring area merchants business during a quieter time of year. Thanks for your interest in the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association.

John Enright HCSA

# PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Perhaps we should rename our photo of the week, deer of the week, since we've had a lot of deer photos of late. This one was taken by Guenter Horst. *Photo submitted*.

# Minden's magnificent medical staff

Dear editor,

Recently, I had a needle lung biopsy at Peterborough Regional Health Hospital and returned home to Minden.

My lung collapsed as soon as I walked through our door and my husband called 911. I was petrified. I could not breathe. My husband was petrified.

The paramedic team arrived, Chris and Carla, amazing people. The sound of Chris's voice calmed and comforted me as he explained what he was going to do and why and even what I could expect from it.

Upon arriving at Minden hospital, I was surrounded by a team of wonderful and caring professionals. They explained I needed a chest tube to fix the collapsed lung. That scared me. One of the team members came over and put her hand on my shoulder. I felt overcome with reassurance and comfort. She was the X-ray technician, Jaycee, and said she would stay with me for the entire

procedure. From that point, on I called her my angel. I would never have survived the entire process if not for her and her extraordinary compassion. The procedure included a sedative that sent me into another dimension. I was cocooned with my angel holding my hand as she helped me down the rabbit hole ... and back up.

Over the next couple of days, I visited the hospital for follow-up x-rays, stat tests and any concerns I had. I can't use the words caring, compassionate, professional and wonderful enough to describe the way every one of "my team" treated me. I have a sincere admiration and affection for them.

I would like to commend all members of the health profession and first responders for the work they do during the holiday season as well as year-round.

Maureen James Minden

# All we want for 2018 ...

Dear editor,

More than two years ago, DSL was laid in our immediate area and we have waited patiently to be included. However, Bell now tells us our small enclave is not even on the list for higher speed anywhere in the near future. Why are we the forgotten few?

Last month, our bill was \$69 for 10 gigabytes. Our immediate neighbour paid \$59 for 200GB. To keep to 10GB means never to watch a YouTube video, don't open a forwarded joke from friends and limit emails. It is a necessity for us to go into the library to upgrade Windows 10 or, heaven forbid, my GPS. Only use Google when absolutely necessary. Gas is cheaper for us than online shopping. When we first bought our plan, 3GB would suffice. However, things have changed, and now that 3GB are consumed just as soon as we are connected.

This small neglected few extend from Nawautin Lane, along Horseshoe Lake Road, up Inukshuk Lane to Mountain Lake, and along Reynolds to Duck Lake Road. We plead with council to look into this situation and come to our rescue.

As seniors, we would love to resort to the good ole days but unfortunately modern technology is running our lives. With grandkids in this area having to access their homework, and family members with businesses to run, Internet access has become an essential service. We pay our taxes at the same rate as our neighbours but get less. This just doesn't seem fair.

Desperately needing the township to come to our aid,

Jan and Dave Heaven Minden Hills 8 The **Highlander** Thursday **January 11 2018** | Issue 321

# 2017 year in review, part 2

# July

The Township of Minden Hills was told to clean up its act at the Scotch Line landfill. The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change issued the municipality a Provincial Officer's Order on June 19, giving it until Aug. 2 to submit a plan to rectify a number of suspected violations and offences.

Stanley Cheong, owner of the Lucky Dollar Food Store, said he was put in a chokehold on July 11 when two men tried to rob him at his store. They fled the scene in a 1984 black Buick Grand National. Three months later, a 35-year-old Lindsay man was charged with multiple offences in connection with the incident.

George Eliadis, 52, and Shari Williams, 42, of Uxbridge died on July 16 when a PT Cruiser crossed the centre line and hit a group of motorcyclists on Highway 118, according to an investigation. A 38-year-old man from Hastings Highlands was charged with careless driving, driving a motor-vehicle without a license and driving a motor vehicle without a permit.

On July 21, councillors, staff and representatives of Greystone Construction gathered beside Highway 35 in Minden for the ceremonial groundbreaking of the town's new \$1.9 million fire hall. It will replace the current fire hall located downtown on Milne Street.



Children and adults were all smiles at the annual Rotary Carnival in Head Lake Park on Aug. 2.

# **August**

Eric Doetsch, owner of Bacher Construction Limited, heard from many concerned residents about his plans for a proposed quarry and aggregate pit near Dorset. During a well-attended information session, he promised to scale back the project. The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry must issue an aggregate permit before he can launch the operation.

Nearly 300 people took part in the annual Highland Yard run in Minden, raising \$15,000 for Places for People. The organization creates affordable housing opportunities in the county.

A group of about 100 people, including members of Camp Kilcoo, gathered on Highway 35 near Moore Falls to demand that Parks Canada restore their portage. Their main concern was safety, and Parks Canada said it would discuss the matter with cottage associations and councillors. Boat rollers were replaced a couple of

years ago with hydraulic booms on both sides of the dam.

Head Lake Park hosted the third annual Haliburton Outboard Powerboat Races for two days in August. About 90 racers from Canada and the U.S. went around the lake at speeds of up to 85 mp/h. The event raised \$1,000 for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary.

After unsuccessful attempts to build a condominium at 1 Sunnyside St. in Haliburton, a 'for sale' sign appeared on the property in the summer. The key players wouldn't comment on the project when contacted by *The Highlander*. But Pat Martin, Dysart's planner at the time, said the site plan had been "inactive for several years." The property was the original site of Haliburton's Fleming College.



Students monkey around on the first day of school in September.

# September

After three years of searching, Places for People acquired its fifth property on Monck Road in Cardiff with a three-bedroom bungalow. The organization raised more than \$100,000 to make it possible. An open house was held in December.

Don Crowe, the eldest son of Kawartha Dairy's founders, died on Sept. 6 at the age of 77. He left behind five sons, 10 grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

After 28 years with the Township of Minden Hills, Doug Schell announced his retirement as chief of the fire department. Schell took a new job as manager of environmental services and plant operations at Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

Johnny Burke, Canadian country music icon and long-time Haliburton resident, lost his battle to esophageal cancer in September, at the age of 77. Tributes from local fans and friends poured in for Burke as soon as the news of his death spread on social media.

# **October**

After 25 years with the Municipality of Dysart et al, Pat Martin announced her retirement as the director of planning and development. Martin's colleagues and developers had nothing but praise for her.

Complaints from the local Wilderness Medical Society chapter and McMaster University students led to the removal of imitation totem poles at the Bark Lake Leadership and Conference Centre. A representative for the Curve Lake First Nation said the poles were "offensive and culturally inappropriate as well as being a form of cultural appropriation." They were installed in the 1970s by former centre employees.



Selfies with Ron MacLean at Hometown Hockey on Oct. 15.

Hundreds of hockey fans packed Head Lake Park for the live broadcast of Rogers Hometown Hockey on Oct. 15. The show, which was hosted by sportscaster Ron MacLean and Tara Slone, was the culmination of a weekend of festivities.

It took Bell workers three days to restore internet and phone service to 1,500 customers affected by an outage in the Haliburton area in October. A Bell representative said the disruption happened after a company digging in the area of Highland Street and Lake Avenue cut several major cables. North Frontenac Telephone Company was doing work in the area, but its vice-president didn't respond to multiple requests for comment.

# November

Local agencies joined forces to host a forum on youth suicide at the Haliburton Legion in November. It provided information about warning signs and how to talk to teens. A second community event was held at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School at the end of the month. A youth hub is being developed.

Haliburton hockey star Matt Duchene left the Colorado Avalanche after he was traded to the Ottawa Senators. He started his career with the Avalanche in 2009.

Barrie Martin, founder of Yours Outdoors, won the province's Sustainable Tourism Award for his work in the Highlands. The award is given to those who promote the protection or conservation of natural resources while simultaneously attracting and engaging visitors. In 2016, he won the Tourism Champion of the Year Award.

Two projects in the county each received \$100,000 from the government and the Haliburton County Development Corporation. The money will help the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve's biochar project reach a commercial scale. The other recipient, Quantum Passivhaus, will use the money to build Minden

Passive House Centre on Peck Street.

Local dignitaries helped cut the ribbon on Nov. 25 during the grand opening of Shoppers Drug Mart on Highland Street in Haliburton. The business relocated from Maple Avenue to the former space of The Bargain Shop, which ceased operations in June



Young dancers with Haliburton Dance Academy showed off their moves at the Haliburton International Film Festival in November.

# **December**

A project launched by the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust (HHLT) revealed all eight of Ontario's bat species are in the Haliburton Highlands. The HHLT received \$104,000 from the province in May to document bat populations on its four nature reserves to understand how a specific fungus has impacted them.

In December, long-time municipal politician Suzanne Partridge became warden of Haliburton County. She took over from Brent Devolin, the current mayor of Minden Hills. Partridge is also the deputy mayor of Highlands East.

The year ended on a sad note when a Trent Lakes man died in a fire at the former Wagon Wheel Motel and Restaurant in Minden. Despite their efforts, firefighters couldn't save the building or 42-year-old Johnathon Webb. His pet also perished in the blaze. Investigators determined it wasn't suspicious, but the cause hasn't been released.



Claire Karaguesian as the peacock in Heritage Ballet's production of The Nutcracker.

# Highlander business

# Feed company to close after 22 years in business

# Owners need to find homes for cats before end of February

#### By Mark Arike

Maureen Adams wants to make sure the many cats she's looking after find homes before she has to close her business for good.

"People are pretty sad because of the animals," said Adams in an interview. "I'm pretty sad. I try not to think about it right now."

At the end of February, The Great Haliburton Feed Co will be no more, unless someone offers to buy the business or other arrangements are made. Since 1995, Adams and her partner, Charles McAleaney, have rehomed thousands of animals, including cats, dogs, miniature pigs and even an iguana. They've also taken in raccoons and squirrels and given them a new lease on life.

More than three years ago, fire destroyed the building they were renting on Industrial Park Road. They lost product, but worst of all, it claimed the lives of nine cats, two rabbits and one rat. The community didn't hesitate to rally around the couple to get them back on their feet.

One man who came to their aid was local businessman Jerry Walker. He offered space for rent at a discounted price at 33 Hops Drive, off County Road 21. The 2,700-square-foot building had been vacant ever since Northern Expressions moved.

The arrangement was temporary and they planned to return to their former location once rebuilt. But it isn't ready, according to Adams.

Their former landload, Rod Thurston, said the building should be finished by the end of March. He said space will still be available for them.



Last month, Walker asked Adams and McAleaney to move out at the end of February to make way for a new tenant.

"At this particular point, it's definitely got a new lease coming on, but I'm waiting on some finalities before we announce it," Walker told *The Highlander*.

Adams and McAleaney decided they had no other option but to close. Adams said she's investigated other spaces in Haliburton but has found they're either too expensive to lease or aren't suitable for housing animals.

"It's just not doable," she said. "I can't see

Top: Jane Van Nood, left, pets Ozzy and chats with owner Maureen Adams while purchasing items at The Great Haliburton Feed Company. Left: A couple of kittens up for adoption. They were part of a litter found living in the insulation of a hot tub. *Photos by Mark Arike*.

my way through."

There have been offers of space, but they haven't been a good fit, added Adams. And these days, she finds it more difficult to run a business than ever before. She said the economy isn't doing well, costs are rising and it's difficult to keep up at her age.

"I'm 60 [years old] and I'm really worn out," she said. McAleaney is 61.

As for their future plans, Adams said they will be looking for jobs in the county.

The business will remain open Monday to Saturday with its regular hours until the end of February.





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# BIA gives away a trip for two to Mexico

Eagle Lake resident Margaret Turney will be packing her bags for Puerto Vallarta, Mexico this year because of the Haliburton Village BIA's Buy In and Win Contest. One of Turney's ballets was drawn at the end of the December, winning her a trip for two to Las Palmas by the Sea valued at \$2,000. She plans on taking her parents and paying the difference for an additional guest. Turney had the option of taking \$1,000 cash. The BIA is paying for the trip while Transat Travel in Haliburton is organizing it. (Mark Arike).

Contest winner Margaret Turney, far left, with Linda Coneybeare of Transat Travel and Haliburton Village BIA president Luke Schell. *Photo by Mark Arike*.



# Highlander arts



Artist Carole Finn speaks at a recent student exhibition. File photo.

# Carole Finn launches online store

#### **Bv Mark Arike**

Three years ago, iconic Haliburton artist Carole Finn decided it would be a good idea to make prints of her original paintings that could be sold at a fraction of the price.

In December, her vision came to fruition with the launch of an online store.

"I wanted to do an online store because my paintings are so expensive and people can't afford them," said Finn in an

By visiting carolefinnartist.com and clicking on "Online Store," you will find limited edition giclée prints of various

pieces. Only 20 images of each will be produced. To obtain these prints, she utilized the services of Toronto Image

And by taking a look, it's hard to tell the difference between a print and painting.

"A digital technician goes over the print with the painting, pixel by pixel," explained Finn in a video. "It's absolutely perfect." Over the years, Finn has painted local attractions including the Minden Wild Water Preserve and the Haliburton Forest. She lives and works at 15 Newcastle St. in Minden, also known as Finn Artists' Centre.

# Arts council seeks public feedback on its services

### By Mark Arike

The Arts Council Haliburton Highlands wants feedback from the community to find out how it's doing. A survey was distributed by email on Jan. 4, but hard copies can also be picked up at the organization's office in Haliburton.

"We felt it was a good way to connect with our members and the larger arts community to find out about the needs in the community and also how people feel about the programs which the Arts Council currently facilitates," said Kate Butler, chair of the non-profit organization. "It really helps us, as an organization, be responsive to the needs of our local arts community and assist and represent it in the best way possible."

They began distributing the survey at the Fashion Fallies event in November, said Butler. But it took some time to create an online version that would be user-friendly.

"We think it's appropriate that it's arriving in people's inboxes at the start of a new year, when people are making plans and looking forward," she said.

The survey includes questions about the organization's programs, events and marketing materials. Members and nonmembers can fill it out.

There isn't a deadline, but they would like to collect the information as soon as possible so it can be shared with members and the rest of the community, said Butler.

"If we have received a representative enough sample of responses by the time of our AGM later this month [Jan. 24], I might also discuss preliminary findings then."

The arts council was formed 15 years ago to "provide a strong voice for arts, heritage and culture in Haliburton County."

For more information, visit haliburtonarts.on.ca or call 705-457-8033.



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NOTE: Helmets are recommended for all skaters

#### **Meeting & Events**

Jan 25 - 9:00 am, combined COTW/Council Meeting, Minden Council Chambers

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Please Note: Council meetings are reduced to one meeting during the month of January.

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**WHEN:** January 17, 2018, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, 55 Parkside Street in Minden. Hosted by Minden Hills Climate Change Action Committee.

For more information contact Councillor Sayne at (705) 454-9804 or email psayne@mindenhills.ca. RSVP Deanna Smith at 705-286-1260 ext. 212 or email dsmith@mindenhills.ca.

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#### NOTICE - PUBLIC MEETING **PROPOSED FEE CHANGE**

Please take notice that the Council of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a Public Meeting regarding proposed changes to its Fees and Charges By-law on January 25, 2018 commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street

The proposed fee changes will apply to the following:

- "Schedule H" Community Services Programs & Facilities to increase the rental rate for a minimum 4 hour rental from \$48.00 to \$60.00 and each additional hour from \$12/hr to \$15/hr for the use of the Lochlin Community Centre
- "Schedule L" Local Community Insurance Services (LCIS) to establish facility user fees and rates for the implementation of an Annual Low Risk User Facility Program for Local Community General Liability Insurance, applicable to users for the Township of Minden Hills Community Centre Facilities and Parks Property rental(s) to be administered by the Community Services Department.

For more information regarding the proposed Lochlin Rental Fees, at iingram@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 216.

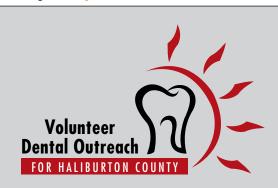
For more information regarding the proposed LCIS Program, please contact Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services at mcoleman@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1936 ext. 201.

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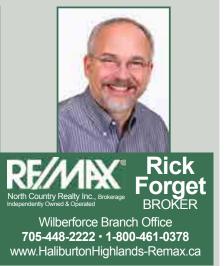


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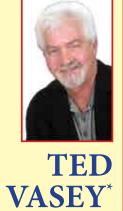


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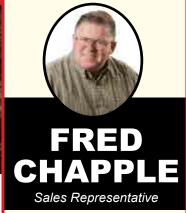
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A Storm Peewee picks up the puck in the neutral zone. Photo by Mark Arike.

# The Highlander/Smolen Family **Dentistry Midgets**

The Highland Storm travelled to Bracebridge Jan. 5-6 to participate in the MPS playoffs. It was a tough weekend, with the Storm being short many players. They won their first game 6-1 against the Parry Sound Shamrocks but suffered a 3-2 OT loss to the South Musoka Bears and a 3-1 defeat against the Huntsville Otters.

It was a sluggish start against the Shamrocks. Storm player shortages showed as the lines scrambled for familiarity. Luckily, the Shamrocks were no match, in the 6-1 Storm victory.

Against the Bears on Sunday, it took most of the first period for the midgets to warm up. Many players were back on the bench and the Storm were ready for the challenge. Owen Gilbert got things going late in the first with a hard drive, assisted by Matt Manning and Jacob Haedicke. The Bears answered back quickly, tying the game seconds before the period ended.

The second period was action-packed, with both teams working hard for the go-ahead goal. With seconds to go in the period, the Bears took the lead.

The third period was intense with the Bears constantly on the attack but it was goalie, Parker Smolen that continued to shut them out. His outstanding saves kept the Storm in the game. The Storm took advantage while on a

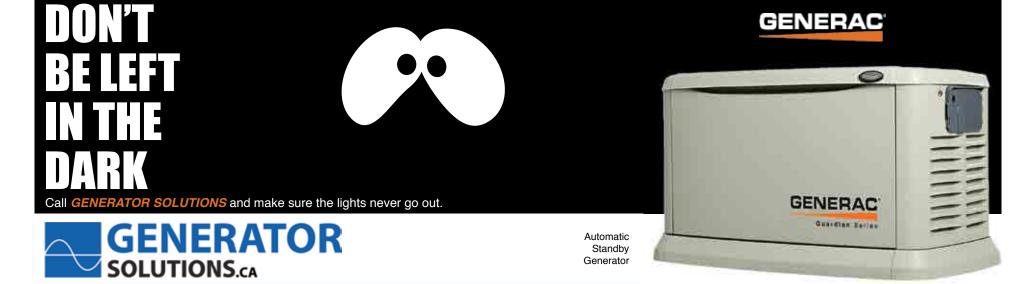
power play. Manning's pass gave Nolan Flood a point shot that tied the game and sent it into 3-on-3 overtime. There were eight, three-minute periods of nail-biting overtime. However, the devastating goal came from the Bears and it

Later in the day, the Storm met the Otters. This was a do-or-die game for both teams, as the winner would move into the finals. It was a rough, action-filled game from the start, with busy penalty boxes. However, defensive errors by the Storm gave the Otters two goals in the first period. The Storm got motivated after Lucas Haedicke jumped out of the penalty box to pick up Jacob Haedicke's perfectly timed pass. He moved up center and his determination cut the defence and he chipped it into the net. End-to-end play continued in the second. With minutes left, the Otters got lucky with a goal, making it 3-1. That was the end for the Storm. (Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke).

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

On Jan. 5, the Storm faced the South Muskoka Bears in the opening game of the MPS play downs. Desi Davies put the Storm in the lead at the end of a very entertaining first period, scoring on his own rebound. The Bears would get the next three goals, two on the power play. Brendan

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Coumbs made it a nail-biter scoring with only a couple of minutes left and he almost tied the game with under a minute to go, but the puck jumped teasingly over his stick as he stood in front of a wide open net. South Muskoka put the game out of reach in the last few seconds, scoring in an empty net for a 4-2 win in a very fun game to watch.

Game two was against the Parry Sound Shamrocks early Saturday morning. Tyson Clements scored quickly for the Storm to give them a lead until midway through the second period when the Shamrocks finally found a way to get the puck past Storm keeper Nate Miscio. The Shamrocks took the lead later on in the middle frame, scoring on a lofty shot from the blue line past a screened Miscio. Similar to game one, the Storm played a very entertaining game but found themselves on the losing end of a 4-1 score.

The final game of the day saw the Storm take on the Huntsville Otters. The boys kept up for much of the first period however the depth of the powerful Otters finally broke through at the end of the opening frame to take a 1-0 lead on their way to a convincing 5-0 win. (Submitted by Gord Hoenow)

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

On Jan. 6, the Storm hosted the Durham Crusaders. The Crusaders were on the board first by taking advantage on a power play and scored two more. But the Storm kept battling hard and scored one of their own with a goal by Cooper Coles assisted by Kyan Hall and Aiden Perrott. The first period ended with the Crusaders up 3-1.

In the second period, the Crusaders took control, adding four more to put them ahead 7-1.

In the third period, the Storm netted another with Gage Hutchinson putting it in unassisted but the Crusaders added one more to take the game 8-2.

The peewees travelled to Fenelon Falls Jan. 7 to take on the Sturgeon Lake Thunder. The Thunder struck first but the Storm answered with one of their own in the closing seconds of the first period with Hutchinson scoring assisted by Kaine Brannigan to tie it up at ones.

At the start of the second, Hutchinson scored again to give the Storm the lead, assisted by Austin Boylan. The Thunder came back to tie it but the Storm took advantage on the power play as Brannigan buried one, assisted by Hutchinson and Evan Armstrong to put them back on top. However, the Thunder came back 12 seconds later to tie it going into the third.

Both teams battled back-and-forth but the Thunder scored to put them ahead. The Storm tried everything they had until the dying seconds but fell short 4-3.

The Storm head to Parry Sound Jan. 13-14 to play in the MPS tournament. (Submitted by Ron Hall).

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On. Jan. 2, the Storm travelled to Lindsay to face the Muskies. The Storm shot out of the gate scoring 46 seconds in. Liam Harrison fired a pass over to Maclean Rowden who was in perfect position in front of the net. The Storm fought hard throughout the game but fell short 6-1.

Next up were the Collingwood Blackhawks Jan. 6. Again, the Storm came out of the gate flying, with Evan Jones scoring a beautiful goal to put the Storm up 1-0. But that lead was short-lived as the Blackhawks quickly responded with a goal of their own to make it 1-1. The second period was a reversal of the first as the Blackhawks came out and had the Storm on their heels. They scored the go-ahead goal and took a 2-1 lead. However, minutes later, the Storm came back and tied the game on an exceptional goal from Jace Mills, set up by Parker Simms. That duo wasn't finished. A few minutes later, they hooked up again and gave the Storm a 3-2 lead with a shot that picked the top corner over the goalie's shoulder. Going into the third period up by one, the Storm played their hearts out. Rowden received a pass from Wyatt Raposo for the Storm's fourth goal, and with under a minute left, Mills iced the game with his third to make it 5-2.

On Jan. 7, it was the South Muskoka Bears in a tough battle right from the opening faceoff. The game went backand-forth but in the end, the Storm fell 6-0. (Submitted by Lisa Reinwald)

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The Storm hosted the Lindsay Muskies at the A.J. LaRue arena Jan. 6. The game remained scoreless until there were only six minutes left, when Addison Carr scored a beauty rebound goal. However, Lindsay weren't giving up that easy and scored two minutes later. Both teams tried to make a second goal happen but the final was a 1-1 tie. On Jan. 7, the Storm travelled to Oakwood to face the Mariposa Lightning.

The Storm dominated this game with a 10-0 win. Goals were scored by Addison Carr, Cheyenne Degeer, Brechin Johnston and Joshua Scheffee. A huge shout out to Aaron Neave on the excellent goaltending and a well-deserved shutout.

The next game is Jan. 15 at 2 p.m. at the S.G. Nesbitt arena vs. the Bracebridge Bears. (Submitted by Amber Card)

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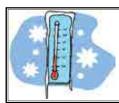
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Friends are invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Monday afternoon, January 15, 2018 from 4 - 7 p.m. Then to ST. ANTHONY'S OF PADUA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton, Ontario on Tuesday afternoon, January 16, 2018 for Mass of Christian Burial at 1 o'clock. Spring internment St. Anthony's of Padua Roman Catholic Cemetery, Haliburton. As

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up before he passed away from exposure. Phil was 69.

He is survived by his daughter Pamela Lake (John), son Jason Lake (Cassandra) and by his grandchildren Dylan Meade (Bailey), James Meade (Alyssa), and Shay-Leigh Lake. Phil is predeceased by his partner Brenda Bartlett (2014) (her children Kim and Karen Barlett). He is also survived by his sisters and brothers, Barbara, Jean, Joyce, Carol, Mona, Victor, Edith, William (Billy), Garnet, Kenneth (Kenny), Peggy, Wifred (deceased), Shalana (Shirley) (deceased), by their families, and also by his former wife Millicent Lake.

He was our best friend and the best father you could have. We did everything together. 'My dad and I often worked together and hunting was our main bonding time and good times we had." He taught my sister and I so much in life. Pam and the kids would come to the lake and visit dad to share good times.

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A party to celebrate Phil's life will be held at the Bonnie View Inn, 2713 Kashagawigamog Lake Rd., Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 (1-705-457-2350) on Saturday, January 27, 2018 beginning at 4:00 pm and ending at closing. A buffet dinner and beverages will be served and accommodations to stay over can be arranged by contacting the Bonnie View Inn. Cremation has taken place.

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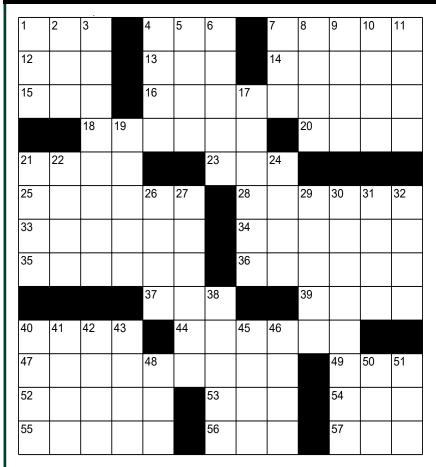
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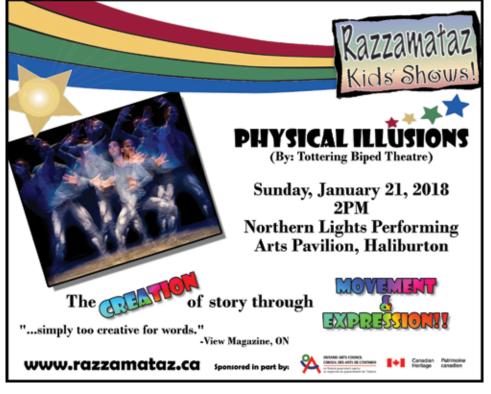




L to R: Michaela Crittenden, Katy Booth and Evan Kehler were hard at work in the Minden Community Kitchen this week. *Photo by Lisa Gervais*.

# Kids cooking up a storm

For the last eight weeks, the Grade 8 students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden have been taking cooking lessons at the Minden Community Kitchen, according to Marilynne Lesperance. She said 20 students have come every Tuesday and 21 every Wednesday. This week was their graduation. They were picked up at the school by Haliburton Bus Lines and taken to Foodland to shop for ingredients for meals they'd planned and then cooked for their parents and some teachers. We asked the students what they thought of the initiative in this week's Eye on the Street on page 6. (Lisa Gervais)



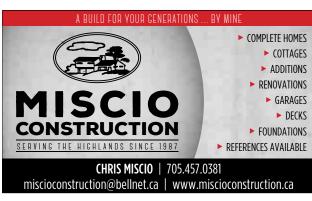
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9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Free Chair Yoga, at Maple View Apartments, Wilberforce. Contact Community Support Services at 705-457-2941 x2922, or Kathy at 705-448-3652 for more info.

11 a.m – Noon – Falls Prevention Course, at Haliburton Hospital Ruth Parkes Room. Free to all seniors. Pre-registration required. This course runs Tuesdays and Thursdays from Jan 9 – Mar 29.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Adult only public skating, at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person.

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. - Falls Prevention Course, at Hyland Crest Fireside Lounge. Free to all seniors. Pre-registration required. This course runs Mondays and Thursdays from Jan 8 – Mar 29.

5 – 6 p.m. – Zumba at Dorset Recreation Centre, a cardio-dance workout for all ages & abilities. \$5/person per class. Contact Joanne at 705-766-1546 or email recreation@algonquinhighlands. ca.

#### Friday January 12

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. – Pickleball at Dorset Recreation Centre, a fun, drop-in game. Free to members, \$2.50 for youth/seniors, \$5/adults. Contact 705-766-9968 or recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca.

### Saturday January 13

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Motorized Snow Vehicle Operator's Course, for people aged 12 and up. See hcsa.ca/driver-training/ for details.

Therapeutic Touch Level 1 workshop. Learn a holistic, evidence-based therapy that provides relaxation in any situation and boosts the immune system for improved healing, health and well-being. Contact Susan Keith 705-457-3981 or ch.concepts@sympatico.ca

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Snowshoe & Lunch at Abbey Gardens, a guided showshoe through the beautiful winter landscape, then back to the Food Hub for a hearty, homemade lunch. \$25/person. Register at abbeygardens.ca/product/snowshoe-lunch-jan-13/

6 p.m. - Wilberforce Agricultural Society annual potluck supper followed by the annual meeting at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. Supper starts at 6 p.m. Meeting to follow at approx 7 p.m. Find out how you can join the fun of bringing the annual Fair to Wilberforce. Everyone welcome. For more info call 704-448-3981.

### **Sunday January 14**

9 a.m. – Noon – Ladies Auxiliary Breakfast, at Wilberforce Legion Branch 624. \$7/adults, \$3/kids under 8.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public Skating, at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden, \$2/person.

12:30 – 2 p.m. – Free Public Skating, at Keith Tallman Arena, Wilberforce.

### **Monday January 15**

1 – 3:30 p.m. – Pickleball at Dorset Recreation Centre, a fun, drop-in game. Free to members, \$2.50 for youth/seniors, \$5/adults. Contact 705-766-9968 or recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca.

1 – 4 p.m. – Bridge at Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall. Contact Ross at 705-286-2982 for more info.

#### Tuesday, January 16

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Free Chair Yoga, at Maple View Apartments, Wilberforce. Contact Community Support Services at 705-457-2941 x2922, or Kathy at 705-448-3652 for more info.

10 a.m. 1 p.m. – Pickleball at Dorset Recreation Centre, a fun, drop-in game. Free to members, \$2.50 for youth/seniors, \$5/adults. Contact 705-766-9968 or recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Adult Only Public Skating, at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden, \$2/person.

2 – 3 p.m. – Free Adult/Senior Skating, at Keith Tallman Arena, Wilberforce.

5 – 6 p.m. – Ladies Weights Toning Class, at Dorset Recreation Centre. A fun and friendly class for all ages and abilities. Cost is \$5/person/class. Contact Joanne at jomac6058@gmail.com, or 705-766-1546.

### Wednesday January 17

9 – 10 a.m. – Free Exercise Program at Oxtongue Lake Community Centre, classes for those 55+ or 65+, part of the VON Smart Exercise program. Space is limited, registration is required. Contact Muskoka Smart 705-787-1996 to register.

10:30 a.m. – Noon – HKPR Health Unit Sexual Health Clinic, providing confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health testing and teaching. For more info, locations, or to make an appointment call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577 ext 2205.

11 a.m. – Noon – African Hand Drumming at the Dorset Recreation Centre. No experience required and instruments are provided. Contact Gillian at gilliant07@gmail.com or 705-571-2539. \$10/adults, \$5/children aged 10+.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public Skating, at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden, \$2/person.

#### **Thursday January 18**

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Free Chair Yoga, at Maple View Apartments, Wilberforce. Contact Community Support Services at 705-457-2941 x2922, or Kathy at 705-448-3652 for more info.

10 – 11 a.m. – Basic Beginner Line Dancing, at Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall. This is a 10-week course to learn the basic line dancing steps, and how to put them together. Preregistration required, course costs \$50. Contact Jacqui, ClanceLineDance@gmail.com.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Adult only public skating, at SG Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. – CFUW Speaker: Andy Oh, speaking on Sweet and Savoury Korean Treats. Andy will be demonstrating how to cook a few Korean dishes, while we get to watch and learn, and then savour! Takes place at Haliburton United Church. No cost to CFUW members or to women who are not yet members but are considering joining.

5 – 6 p.m. – Zumba at Dorset Recreation Centre, a cardio-dance workout for all ages & abilities. \$5/person per class. Contact Joanne at 705-766-1546 or email recreation@algonquinhighlands. ca.

6:30 – 8 p.m. – WES Youth Night at Lloyd Watson Centre Wilberforce, for grades 4-8. Bring indoor shoes and a loonie for charity.

#### Friday January 19

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. – Pickleball at Dorset Recreation Centre, a fun, drop-in game. Free to members, \$2.50 for youth/seniors, \$5/adults. Contact 705-766-9968 or recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca.

#### Saturday January 20

Therapeutic Touch Level 2 workshop. Continue or refresh your Therapeutic Touch journey! Learn to recognize and understand the meaning of imbalances in the energy field and methods of rebalancing the field to promote health and well being. Contact Susan Keith 705-457-3981 or ch.concepts@sympatico.ca

4-7 p.m. – Jeff Moulton in the Clubroom at the Haliburton Legion. 50/50 draw at 6 p.m., enjoy a delicious meal for \$6 by the Ladies Auxiliary. \$5 cover charge for non-members.

#### **Sunday January 21**

 $\label{eq:Noon-2p.m.-Public Skating, at SG Nesbitt} $$Arena, Minden, $2/person.$ 

12:30 – 2 p.m. – Free Public Skating, at Keith Tallman Arena, Wilberforce.

# 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 onwards

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

Live entertainment featuring Jeff Moulton, Saturday, Jan. 20, 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**

Ladies darts have resumed, Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. 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. Takeout available. Everyone welcome.

### WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Jan. 12 Community care lunch. To book call Denice Butler - 705-448-8865, pool 1:30 p.m., everyone welcome, wing night 6:30 - 9 p.m., jam session 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 13 Meat draw 2 p.m. - Early bird 3 p.m. sharp

Jan. 14 L.A. breakfast 9 – noon.

Jan. 15 Bid euchre 7 p.m.

Jan. 17 Fun darts 7:30 p.m.



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# Highlander community



# 100 Women Who Care surpasses \$16K

Above: Joan Featherstone, left, and Tina Palmer, seated, of 100 Women Who Care, present a cheque for \$5,050 to VDO board members Sandra Slauenwhite-Box, Lisa Kerr, clinic manager Alanna Bannister, Melanie Aldom and Brigitte Gebauer on Dec. 21 at the VDO clinic in Haliburton. The money was raised during the group's last meeting. They meet three times a year for an hour at the Dominion Hotel in Minden. Each member donates \$100, or two split \$50 each. Prior to meetings, members nominate charities. At the meeting, three are chosen at random and voted on. They started a year ago with 31 members and are now up to 52. In addition to the recent donation, they've contributed \$3,100 to Food for Kids, \$4,100 to local food banks and \$4,400 to the Pregnancy Care and Family Support Centre. VDO has provided more than \$2.2 million in free dental care in the last 6.5 years. Absent from the photo: Bill Kerr, Janis Parker, Betty Mills and Mark Arike. (Lisa Gervais)

# Quilt guild gives a gift from the heart

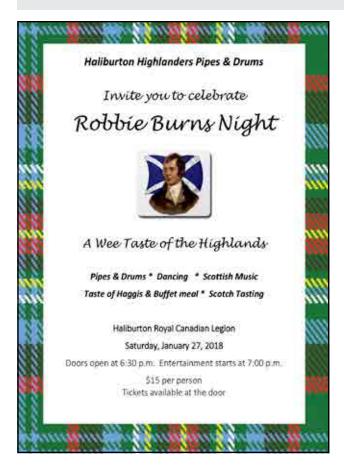


Judy Cole and Shirlee Weeks of the Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild recently donated \$519 to SIRCH Community Services' Gifts from the Heart Campaign. The guild raised the money by auctioning off more than 30 donated items at their Christmas luncheon. The focus of this year's campaign was to provide food to residents in need, and offer training and supports so people can gain self-confidence, employment skills and parenting capacity. Stacy McLean of SIRCH, left, accepts a cheque from Cole and Weeks. Submitted. (Mark Arike)

# Yoga classes raise money to feed students

Right: Aaron Walker, coordinator of the Food for Kids program, strikes a pose with Amanda Rico, Lynda Shadbolt and Katie Hammerschmidt, owner of Blue Sky Yoga Studio. Last month, the yoga instructors teamed up to raise \$1,562 for Food for Kids and the proceeds were handed over Jan. 5. Walker said the money will be used to purchase food for the program. For the last 17 years, Food for Kids has provided healthy meals to students at schools in the county. Its volunteers distribute about 1,200 meals per day, said Walker. Anyone interested in volunteering should go to the school they want to help at. More information is available at foodforkids.ca. (Mark Arike)







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