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INSIDE: WHAT TO DO IF YOU FALL THROUGH ICE - PAGE 11



On frozen pond .. Pond hockey at the Pinestone wasn't the only game in town this past weekend. The annual Maple Lake Classic was held Saturday, Feb. 2. About 40 people took part, playing and watching, during the 18th version of the event. (*Lisa Gervais*) Caitlin Dunlop Photography.

Council pushes back on Minden arena costs

By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills councillors have rejected paying a \$71,000 overspend on the validation phase of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena project.

The 'nay' votes were unanimous in a recorded vote at a special council meeting held Jan. 31.

Director of Community Services Mark

Coleman was asking council to endorse the extra money, saying the township's partners, McDonald Brothers Construction (MBC) and architect, Parkin, had billed additional costs.

On Dec. 13, council authorized up to \$280,000 in support of validation costs. They did so by agreeing to an additional \$140,000 at that time.

At last week's meeting, Coleman asked for even more money for the validation phase-\$323,331.97, up from \$252,400, saying the revised figures "are primarily a result of increased staff time and design and engineering work related to roof investigations and challenges to connect the new arena building to the Community Hall."

He noted in his report that the 2018 budget provided for \$300,000 in funding from reserves to support design and engineering costs in 2018 and 2019.

Councillor Bob Carter was the first to jump on the \$71K increase.

He said that at that December meeting council endorsed an additional \$140K, but that had now blown out to \$211K or about a See "Builder" on page 2

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Top: An exterior drawing created by Parkin Architects. Left: What the proposed community hub would look like. Councillor Bob Carter, and Councillor Jennifer Hughey pour over arena reports at a Jan. 31 meeting. Photo by Lisa Gervais. Photo submitted.

Builder, architect say they were responding to public input

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50 per cent overage in about six weeks. "How does that happen?"

MBC told council they thought they were done the validation phase and then council held a public meeting in December that resulted in the need for more work.

For example, they said there was public feedback that the gym had to be enlarged. They added they continued with structural evaluation of the facility.

MBC was represented by Paul McDonald and Patrick Brosseau, and Parkin by Mario Pistone and Laura Hann.

Carter said he understood Coleman, MBC and Parkin's explanation of the overspend but said council did not approve it. He

said it's one thing to have work done that's necessary and another thing for the cost to be approved. He said there should have been a new approval before the money was

CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard replied that management is very thorough in bringing information to council. She added, "It [the additional money] needed to be spent to get us where we are right now. That is my humble opinion."

Councillor Jennifer Hughey said the \$71K overspend had eroded her level of confidence and increased her uncertainty about MBC and Parkin Architects.

"This is important to everyone. We

expect maybe a higher level of information relayed." She said for her, the question is not if or when the arena is refurbished but "how this process is done."

Mayor Brent Devolin said the increase had come as a surprise, and was perplexing, and he would have liked to have had advance knowledge.

Councillor Pam Sayne thanked MBC and Parkin for its presentation and said it's council that has to discuss the overall project further.

At an estimated price tag of \$12.5 million, she said it's "way beyond the pay scale of people in this community."

She added that she's not even sure the

final drawings represent what the public wants.

"We don't have an opportunity to do nothing. We have to do something but I don't want to act out of fear ... I want to make sure we have this discussion in our community.'

But Councillor Ron Nesbitt said the second arena renewal task force had held about 25 meetings, averaging five to six hours long, so the project is "not something we just took lightly."

Devolin, who thinks there will be a vote on the project Feb. 14, told councillors, "You have two weeks. Have your own look. Draw your own conclusions."



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Fay Martin of Places for People tries out her back seat in preparation for an upcoming 'sleeping in cars' event. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Places for People wants public to try sleeping in cars

By Lisa Gervais

Over the years, housing advocate Fav Martin has interviewed more than 50 people in Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes and Peterborough - all who have identified as homeless.

There was Liz, in her 60's, who had lived in a tent for eight months; Susie, in her 20's, who'd spent time living in a trailer, a car and an RV; John, in his 70's, who'd crashed at cabins with no utilities. Another man, had lived in a bus with his pregnant, 14-year-old girlfriend for two months. And yet another woman, in her 60's, stayed in a trailer next to a house that had burned down. Anna Belle, 18, lived in a car with her family's dogs.

It is these types of stories that has led Martin, and Places for People, to launch an initiative called 'sleeping in cars.'

As part of it, residents of Haliburton, Minden and Wilberforce will be invited to sleep in their cars the night of Friday, March 1 to gain some awareness of what it's like for homeless people forced to spend one or more nights in vehicles.

"Because sleeping in your vehicle is the 'choice' here when you've worn out your couch-surfing options. Even in winter'," Martin said.

It will be an organized event to not only raise awareness but also money.

Martin said people would sleep out at public locations with access to washrooms and appropriate security. She added the fundraising aspect would see participants collecting pledge money.

There'll be some programming in the evening at each of the locations to attract public and media attention and to allow people who support the cause, but are not sleeping out, to show their support. They are also planning a type of sharing circle the

The Highlander asked Martin to connect us with someone who had lived in their car in Haliburton County but she was unable to identify anyone. Nor is it something easily

visible to county residents, she said. She was willing to share her research, however.

"It's really, really difficult to quantify anywhere, and here in particular, because they go into the bush. If you're going to sleep in your car, you're not going to sleep in your car on the main street or in a parking lot, you're going to be hidden away somewhere. And, they are transient," Martin said.

Jocelyn Blazey is the Homelessness System Resource Coordinator for the City of Kawartha Lakes and County of Haliburton.

She told *The Highlander* that when they did their annual enumeration registry week this past summer, there were a few people who said they'd experienced sleeping outside, whether "sleeping rough" or in their vehicles.

"In more rural communities, just because people aren't 'seen' to be experiencing homelessness doesn't mean that homelessness doesn't exist in those communities. It just takes on a more hidden form. As a result, any awareness campaign or event that can continue to remind people that homelessness does exist and it can affect anyone at anytime is a worthwhile effort," Blazey said.

Martin said there is a stigma attached to people forced to live in cars.

"It's not a population that merits our concern is a feeling among some people," she said.

To potential event participants, Martin said, "you're going to choose to do this for one night so that you can imagine what it would be like to not have a choice, to have to do it, and not just one night but a few nights in a row.

"And what I do want is for people to talk to each other about what they learned from that experience."

More details will be released as they become available.

For details on the events see placesforpeople.ca



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Land Trust objects to trails near wetlands

By Lisa Gervais

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust (HHLT) told Minden Hills council it's not against the development of snowmobile trails in the township but is concerned about them near wetlands.

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) is seeking approval to build approximately seven kilometres of trails in the township in future.

Land Trust chair Mary Lou Gertsl and secretary Sheila Ziman spoke at council's Jan. 24 council meeting.

Gertsl emphasized the Trust is not against development but believes a healthy economy and a healthy environment go hand-in-hand. She said a balanced approach is needed and the Trust is happy to work to find a solution with all interested parties.

Ziman said the proposed trails would impact the Fred and Pearl Barry Wetland, that was donated to the Trust.

"The proposed new snowmobile/ATV trail follows the road allowance that borders the Barry Wetland on its northern edge and eastern corner," she said. "If we do not protect the property and the land use changes we are subject to a fine of 50 per cent of the fair market value of the property."

Although she conceded the wetland is unevaluated, the Trust has documented Blanding's Turtles, which are a threatened species. They're worried about a plan



The snowmobile association says their plan to build trails in Minden are long-term. File.

to put gravel on the trail, and the loss of wetland and habitat for threatened species. In fact, the gravel will attract turtles, putting them at risk, she said. They cited concerns about plans to put in four culverts, and the prospect of changing the natural flow of water. They're also worried about removal of small trees and stumps. Other concerns are vehicles trespassing on the wetland, if for example a tree came down and had to be removed.

Ziman concluded that, "the objection is not to the trail, but how and where it is

built. We want to find a solution that will keep riders safe as well as maintaining the integrity of the wetland. We need to safeguard its important functions as wildlife habitat, carbon sink and flood attenuation."

She said the HCSA and the township have an opportunity to show leadership in protecting wetlands and building environmentally-sustainable trails. Mayor Brent Devolin told Ziman, "We're

not in a hurry. We're going to do this right."
He said the township will seek answers
from the HCSA on all concerns raised to

date and in future and staff are canvassing as many opinions as possible before coming back to council with a final report. He said council would then make a decision based on facts.

The HCSA's John Enright added in an email, "this project is very long term, costly and not on our immediate 'to do' list, probably a few years out. We respect the views of the Land Trust and will work with them, the MNRF, Minden Hills, and the HATV (Haliburton ATV Association) before anything happens."



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Housing corporation wants to hear from public on its future plan

By Joseph Quigley

The Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation is seeking community input as it plans for its next decade of work on housing and homelessness.

The corporation is undertaking online and public consultations to create an update at the midway point of its 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan. The plan outlines a broad and strategic direction for addressing housing and homelessness in the area.

Housing Help program supervisor Michelle Corley said the corporation wants to make a plan that can address a wide range of housing issues.

"The plan is really to drive some of our planning around housing across the whole housing continuum," Corley said.

The update is mandated by the province and comes five years after the last 10-year housing strategy, started in 2014. That strategy has included goals of increasing the supply of affordable housing, integrating homelessness prevention programs to use resources more effectively and ensuring the long-term viability and affordability of existing social housing.

Corley said the city and county have made good progress on those goals.

"We've accomplished a lot, if not most of all of our goals initiated, contained originally within the plan," Corley said, adding the strategy update will feature new goals. "We're going to have a lot more outcomes and measurables

attached to those goals so we can report back very transparently."

In 2017, the corporation assisted 900 households in retaining their housing through homelessness prevention and assisted 32 previously homeless individuals and families in finding housing, according to an annual report on the plan. The corporation is also working to help build new affordable housing, such as a three-storey apartment building in Minden Hills slated to be occupied in 2020.

The online survey, going on until the end of February, asks respondents about their details and housing situation while offering a chance for them to provide feedback on any challenges they have faced dealing with any housing problems.

Corley also said the corporation plans to hold a public consultation in the County of Haliburton about the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan in early March but the date has not yet been set.

The data from the survey and consultation will be used to help steer the corporation's plan update and new goals, she said. The plan will also now extend to 2029, according to the survey website.

"We're going a little deeper into some things. We want to make sure we're addressing special populations such as Indigenous," Corley said. "We are going a little bit deeper on the homelessness side, that is a priority of ours."

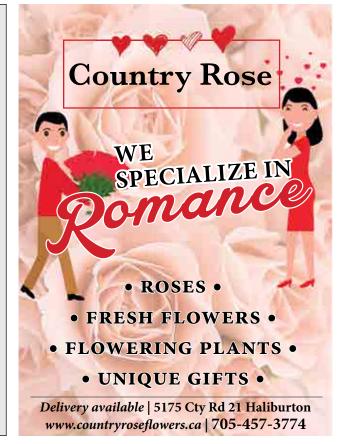
The new plan is expected to be delivered in June, Corley said.







A pond hockey net in the foreground frames players in the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships at the Pinestone Resort in Haliburton. They were held the last two weekends. *Photo by Lisa Gervais*.







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Sleeping in cars

I've slept in vehicles.

In my younger days, I occasionally opted for car camping rather than having to pay for a motel room while travelling. And, during one nine-month stint exploring Australia, a van was home. But, of course, it was warm there and I had a comfortable cot, sleeping bag and pillow. Most importantly, my bed for the night was by choice - not because I was flat broke and had nowhere else to go.

Fay Martin of Places for People is making her rounds of the local media to promote an initiative known as 'sleeping in cars.'

The plan is for volunteers to sleep in their vehicles the night of March 1 to promote awareness of, and raise money, for homelessness.

Martin hopes to have people sleep out in Haliburton, Minden and Wilberforce, likely in the parking lot of public buildings, so they can use the washrooms and feel secure. She is planning entertainment for the presleep out, even a fire, and a debrief the morning after.

We asked her if it wasn't a bit glib to play camp out as though it would give someone a true experience of being homeless. She conceded it's a bit like the Walk a Mile in My Moccasins or Walk a Mile in Her Shoes campaign.

The latter sees men, women and families walk in stilettos to raise awareness in their communities about the need to stop rape, sexual assault and gender violence. It's been staged at the local high school for a few years. The former draws attention to indigenous issues.

Martin hopes the participants are uncomfortable enough overnight that they will reflect on what it would be like to have to crawl back into that vehicle the next night, or the night after that - to give some insight into what homelessness feels like.

She stresses that volunteers get to choose to do this. Some people don't have a choice. Perhaps finances have slapped them down. Perhaps they are fleeing an abusive relationship. Perhaps they have mental health issues. Maybe they just love their dog or cat but have to relocate on a lowincome and would rather stay with the pet in a car since some shelters and motels don't accept animals.

I've never seen anyone sleeping in their car in Haliburton County. If anyone has, we would love to chat with them and can protect their anonymity.

We suspect people are crashing at friends and relatives. We're pretty sure some people are using non-winterized cabins. We worry they are in places that do not have proper

fire code requirements.

The timing of this Places for People initiative is quite good. It comes as The Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation is seeking By Lisa Gervais community input on



it plans for its next decade of work on housing and homelessness.

The corporation is undertaking online and public consultations to create an update at the midway point of its 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan. The plan outlines a broad and strategic direction for addressing housing and homelessness in the area. [see this story in today's *Highlander*

It also comes at a time when Places for People and the Minden Hills housing task force are discussing the future of housing in our county and how best to move forward.

So, we would encourage anyone who is interested in this initiative to get in touch with Places for People to find out more. One night in a cold car may very well change your attitude about homeless people and make us all a little more empathetic towards the cause.

The**Outsider**

Going downhill fast

Cross country or downhill? That is the question. Where does your allegiance lie? Now, don't go telling me that you enjoy both equally because I'll know you're fibbing. That's like saying you like both golf and fishing as much as each other; it's an impossibility, firstly because fishing is by far the superior pastime, and also because to be really good at one you cannot possibly have enough time to get anywhere near less than hopeless at the other.

So, what's it to be?

Me? Ah well, I'm a special case. Equally brilliant at both, you ask? Ha ha, not exactly. I am marked out from the local crowd here in Haliburton County by being equally terrible at both cross-country skiing and downhill. Throw in skating too and I still don't come out standing proud, or even standing up for that matter.

The thing is, aside from my complete inability to stay upright on skis, I just don't really see the point in trying to become anywhere near proficient at skiing, either discipline: not now, as I cruise through middle age and careen towards my dotage

down life's slick, snowy slope upon a metaphorical plastic garbage bag (my toboggan of choice, if you must know).

I have fantasized about being able to ski in the past. I saw myself carving gracefully down the steep side of a mountain somewhere in the Alps, gliding into a lodge ordering a martini, shaken not stirred, flashing a glistening white grin at the adoring female skiers and then swishing off, before the bad guys could catch up.

The trouble is, my teeth aren't white enough and I don't like martinis.

I have also thought about what it would be like to cross-country ski like a champ. Like one of those Scandinavian fellows actually; you know, the ones who glide effortlessly up hill with rifle strapped to their back, on the way to winning gold at the winter Olympics.

Two things trouble me about this dream, too. First, I'm not a great shot as my hunting buddies will attest, and second, I don't really see the point in trying to go up hill on a pair of skis. I mean, really? Up hill, why? Isn't the whole idea of

skiing the fun of going down hill, the thrill of wind racing through your hair (and freezing your ears ...)? Slogging



By Will Jones

like some flat-footed buffoon up hill, your skis splayed out to the sides, because if you point them in the direction that you actually want to go you'll rush swiftly the opposite way, does not seem like fun to me. And before you chastise me, yes I have tried it. I completed a loop around Glebe Park, which entailed going up far more often than coming down. I ended up lying in a sweaty heap watching folks glide past on the only downwards slope on the course – something else I had neglected to master was steering around a corner on the downhill stretch. Those grooved tracks disappeared on the turn ...

And so, there you have it. Downhill or cross-country? Pick your poison says I, but don't expect me to join you, unless I can bring my garbage bag and slide around on my bum.

PHOTO

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Eye on the street: How do you feel about the province's changes to education?



Briana Godden
Haliburton
I don't agree with the OSAP cuts.



Liam Mcleod
Haliburton
It's cruel and strange to punish us for bettering our lives.



Haliburton

I don't know much about it, but my friends have been negatively affected.

lan Tarleton



Haliburton
I'm not happy about it. It is quite worrying to us as students.



Gabe Warren
Haliburton
It will be very hard for students to pay all the money back right away, especially coming right out of school.

By Danielle Martin

LETTERS

Against private health care

Dear editor,

An open letter to MPP Laurie Scott. MPP Laurie, I have been reading a lot of commentary lately about Doug Ford's intention to privatize health care in Ontario. This is a selfish idea created by a man who has never had to worry about paying his bills. No one should be denied health care because of their inability to pay. The working poor are most at risk here. They earn too much to qualify for assistance and not enough to afford medical bills. One only has to look at what is happening in the United States. Millions of people cannot afford health care. Their options are to go without or go into debt. Private insurance is not an option for the same reasons. The costs are prohibitive.

I live in Haliburton, a county that has one of the lowest average incomes in Ontario. I do not want to see my neighbours and friends go without necessary health care because they can't afford the insurance. A two-tier system would be disastrous. The majority of the best physicians and specialists would probably choose to go into private practice therefore making themselves unavailable to low-income

I have always been extremely proud of the fact that Ontario is a province where anyone can succeed. This ridiculous plan would ultimately create a huge gap between the haves and the have nots. Please speak to Mr. Ford and convince him that this is a ridiculous idea. He does not care about the welfare of Ontario's citizens. This is a political ploy to reduce the budget at the cost of the voters.

Janet Bradley Haliburton

No to a new arena

Dear editor,

There has been much discussion recently about the proposed new Minden Community Centre. I am opposed to this

project for the following reasons:

- 1. This structure is not a community centre but mostly a hockey arena.
- 2. A small percentage of the population uses it at subsidized cost, while the rest of us (the majority) pay the lion's share of its operation.
- 3. Municipalities are facing provincial government cost cutting, downloading and funding reductions potentially increasing our municipal taxes 25 per cent.
- 4. Current budget deliberations in Minden mean a 17 per cent hike this year.
- 5. Project costs are not firm with many unknowns. The best case due to the arena means about a five per cent tax increase.

In all, ratepayers are facing a tax increase of close to 40 per cent over three years.

In these uncertain fiscal times, council needs to be minimizing vulnerabilities. Our taxes should be directed toward necessities. Obvious priorities are: maintenance and repair of roads and bridges, municipal landfill upgrades, including weigh scale, compliance with occupational health & safety and environmental legislation, improvement of recycling programs and facilities (compactor) and flood planning and control initiatives. We can't afford and don't need a new arena.

Paul Petric Minden Hills

My New Year's rant

Dear editor,

My New Year's rant? Drivers in this county are a concern for many reasons. One: the over the line driver. I travel South Lake Road often on my way to Minden. Drivers coming towards you, especially big trucks, are constantly over the center line on most corners, causing one to take the edge of the road to avoid a collision. Private snow plow drivers whose plow is wider than their truck have their plow over the line making vou move over. Two: the tailgater. Sitting on one's bumper trying to pass on a road with no passing areas is a recipe for an accident. Should an animal jump out on the road, and instant breaking result, the tailgater will end up in your trunk. Please keep your distance.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Sydney Smallwood, Chelsea Smallwood and little Hartlee Reynolds at the Maple Lake Classic this past weekend. *Caitlin Dunlop Photography.*

Three: the speed sign ignorer. Why do cars go 60 in an 80 zone and speed up to 80 when the speed drops to 60? They seem oblivious to the speed signs entirely. Of course, in our extreme weather conditions, one should drive according to those weather conditions. Four: the lane changer. At Hwy 35 and South Lake Road, the car sits in the left turn lane and on the green light

continues straight through the intersection on to Newcastle with no signal indication, cutting you off. One must learn to be a very defensive driver to keep you and your car safe. You never know what the driver around you is going to do next. Good Luck.

Lois Rigney Canning Lake

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A competitor in a past event at the Minden Whitewater Preserve. File.

Whitewater Preserve seeks money

By Lisa Gervais

Representatives of the Minden Whitewater Preserve have asked Minden Hills council to fund an economic impact study and chip in \$5,000 to help offset costs for water releases charged by Parks Canada as well as signage.

President David Gillespie said their goal is to have the preserve more integrated into township economic development and marketing plans. They want to be seen not only as a whitewater spot, but a community resource, he said.

He said the preserve now guesses at the number of visitors, estimating 10,000 a year. But, they'd like to know how much money that generates for Minden Hills. Hence, the ask for an economic impact study so they can build a strategic plan for the next 10 years.

The \$5,000 will help with the three events Gillespie went on to discuss at a Jan. 24

meeting

He said the first is a Minden Whitewater Family Reunion, covering 1970-2018. It will be held June 22, and is expected to attract 100-200 people.

The second is the North American Canoe Championships. They'll be held July 19-21. They're expected to attract 200 athletes from across North America, as well as a a delegation from Japan. Gillespie said they'll be mostly 25-50-year-olds who will bring their families and likely stay seven to 10 days.

The third event is the Canadian National Whitewater Championships, slated for August. They're expecting 200 athletes, and their families, from Quebec to British Columbia.

Gillespie said infrastructure improvements continue at the preserve, including new steps and rebuilding of walls, removing a hazardous rock and general improvements to the campground, public playground, signage, picnic tables and tree maintenance. He told council they'd signed an agreement with Parks Canada, to move their heavy equipment from dam works onto preserve property, with the money going towards river upgrades and trails.

From 1979-1983, a group of dedicated volunteers constructed the centre, developed the campground and trails, and modified the Gull River. It was the first of its kind in Canada and has hosted provincial races, national championships, world cups, and the 2015 PanAm Games.

They've welcomed instructional clinics, weddings, family reunions, youth and wilderness programs, daily hikers, Scout Troops, Guides and Army Cadets. They say they've had one million visitors in that 40 years.

Mayor Brent Devolin acknowledged the significance and uniqueness of the asset. He said council supported the ask in principle but it would go to 2019 budget talks.

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operation while impaired, operation while impaired-blood alcohol concentration-80 plus. She's scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on March 6.

Sunday morning library mischief

Haliburton OPP say they have charged a man in connection with mischief at the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library.

Police say that on Sunday, about 6:55 a.m., they received a report of a suspect smashing a window at the library.

They added that before they arrived, the suspect fled on foot. They found and arrested him at a nearby residence.

Police say Dillon Sylvestre, 26, of Haliburton was charged with mischief under \$5,000. He's scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on April 3.

(County briefs compiled by Lisa Gervais)

Structure fire in Algonquin Highlands

Algonquin Highlands fire Chief Mike Cavanagh has confirmed a structure fire on Friday, Feb. 1 in the township.

He said they received the call just before 2 p.m. for the fire on Boshkung Lake, just north of Carnarvon. He said the fire was well-developed on arrival and crews extinguished the fire. They had mutual aid from Minden and Dysart to assist with the water shuttle.

The house is a total loss. No injuries to firefighters or occupants. The cause remains under investigation.

William Savage to return to court

The Fenelon Falls man charged with the murder of David Palmer in 2016 is due back in court this coming June.

Ministry of the Attorney General spokesman Brian Gay confirmed the matter is returning to court on June 26, 2019 at

9:30 a.m. in Peterborough to be spoken to. Savage was arrested in Fenelon Falls in October 2016 and charged with first-degree murder. He was 47 years old at the time.

Palmer, also 47, but from Bowmanville, was last seen alive on October 2, 2015. His abandoned car was found 12 days later near Spruce Lake Trail, a few kilometres north of Haliburton Village. Seven months later, investigators found his remains in the Spruce Lake area.

Accident leads to charges

A Bobcaygeon woman has been charged following a single-vehicle accident in the Highlands this past Saturday.

Haliburton OPP say on Feb. 2, at 3 p.m. an officer was patrolling when they saw a vehicle in the ditch on County Road 121 in Minden Hills.

In a press release, the OPP said the officer determined the driver had been consuming alcohol.

Edith Gardiner-Robinson, 51, of Bobcaygeon was arrested and charged with

Highlander arts

New artists' residency announced

By Lisa Gervais

An idyllic location where artists can stay and be creative is now available in the Haliburton Highlands.

The Halls Island Artist Residency (HIAR) management committee has announced that an artists' residency will be offered in the county in 2019.

In a press release, HIAR said a private island on Koshlong Lake will house selected artists this summer.

"Writers, musicians, visual artists, and artists of other disciplines will find inspiration as they engage with nature and pursue their creative endeavours in this beautiful setting," the release said. "This off-grid, water access location is ideal for quiet reflection and immersion in the natural world."

The application process will open in the coming weeks. HIAR said artists of all disciplines are encouraged to apply, taking note that off-grid cabin accommodations will not support large-scale electronic needs. Interest is being sought from artists in Haliburton County and beyond.

Halls Island is privately-owned by a family whose generosity is providing the residency, accommodations and

island access for the chosen artists

HIAR is a member of the Haliburton County Community Cooperative, a not-for-profit organization that encourages, develops and supports several community groups in the Highlands.

Six to eight weeks of residency will be available in two-week blocks. Artists interested in applying will find information and application forms on the website at hallsisland.ca

Committee co-chair, Don Gage, said there'll be many benefits for the county.

"Each artist will be encouraged to connect and engage with our artistic community and residents. The Halls Island Artist Residency program will be a great addition to our arts community in the Highlands."

There is no accommodation cost to resident artists, other than food and personal supplies. Transportation to and from the island will be provided by the Halls Island group while transportation to the docking area will be the responsibility of the chosen artists. Those applying should be comfortable staying alone or with one other compatible artist in the rustic setting.



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Top: All artists that contributed works of art for the show. Right: The Green Scream of Environmental Concern by Wendy Wilkins. *Photos by Danielle Martin*.



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Meetings are held in the Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street.

Feb 14 - Committee of the Whole Meeting Feb 28 - Regular Council Meeting

For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca

Note: Council meetings are reduced to one (1) for the months of January, July, August and December

Free Public Skating - Sponsored by Minden Subaru. Monday, February 18, 2019. 1:30 - 3:30 pm at the S.G. Nesbitt Arena

Notice - 2019 Budget Deliberations

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will commence the 2nd round of its 2019

Budget deliberations during its Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled for February 14, 2019.

The meeting will commence at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden ON.

Dawn Newhook, Clerk

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Notice of Special Meeting of Council

Take notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council held on Thursday February 14, 2019 at 3:00 PM in the Minden Hills Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street, Minden ON.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is for Council to consider the Renewal of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre Project.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre Project or Agreement please contact:

Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services mcoleman@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1936 ext. 201.

Dated this 7th day of February, 2019

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What to do when you fall through the ice

By Joseph Quigley

As Tim Laurence tried to get feeling back in his fingers, after climbing out of the freezing water at Bark Lake, he described the shock as he leapt in.

"Like a slap across the entire body. Just suddenly was on fire," Laurence said. "Pretty much just disconnected from everything else. It was like 100 per cent focused on the cold."

It was an experience Laurence willingly exposed himself to as part of the working and playing on ice training course held at the Bark Lake Leadership and Conference Centre Jan. 30. The course, done in partnership with Wilderness Rescue Solutions, offered participants a full day of lessons on safety precautions around frozen bodies of water and how to self-rescue in the event you fall underneath the ice.

The course's participants were primarily Bark Lake staff but did feature two students from the general public. Wilderness Rescue Solutions operations manager Scott Hembruff said the company has been trying to get more people in the general public to take the course.

"Every night, turn on the news, another snowmobile went through the lake," Hembruff said. "There's a real kind of struggle to get that message across to people so they don't go out on the ice."

Bark Lake assistant general manager Maria Paterson said the course has been run intermittently at the camp for the past eight years. She said the course offers important skills, especially considering the limits on some firefighting services to do ice rescue.

"Cross-country skier, snowshoer, if you're an ice fisher, if you just enjoy being out on the ice, the safety is in your own hands," Paterson said.

Laurence said he wanted to take the course as someone who spends a lot of time travelling on ice surfaces.

"This has inherent risks and I do my best to manage those," he said. "Any additional information is valuable."

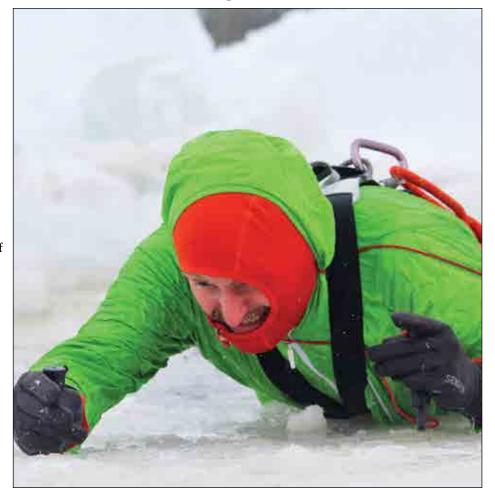
Hembruff also offered a demonstration of self-rescuing after falling beneath lake ice. He said the technique is based on the principal of one-10-one: one minute to control breathing, 10 minutes to pull yourself out before muscles stop working and one hour before hypothermia sets in.

He also said it is important to take proper precautions to measure ice before stepping onto it. Rapid changes in temperature make that important, he added.

"It's plus five degrees for a week and then its minus 20 for a week," Hembruff said. "There's a lot of change and with that change, it's not as easy to predict what the ice is going to be."

Laurence said he thinks he is better prepared to handle himself around the ice – and what to do if he falls under it.

"I have a better sense of what's at play," he said. "I have a better sense of kind of the magnitude of what I'm dealing with and the thought process involved."



Tim Laurence uses ice picks to pull himself out of freezing lake water during a safety course Jan. 30. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*



Bark Lake Leadership and Conference Centre assistant program manager Sandra Dabrowski practices throwing out a floatation device. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*

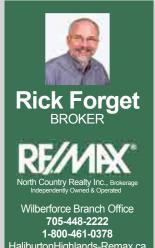


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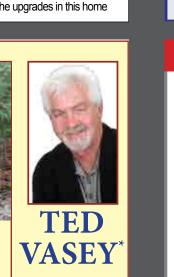


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Highland Storm





Highland Storm bantam forward Jackson Wilson skates into the offensive zone during a playoff game against the Shelbourne Wolves Feb. 2. Photo by Joseph Quigley

Wolves edge out Bantams

On Saturday, February 2, the **Peppermill Steak and Pasta House/Dollos Foodland Bantams** hosted the Shelburne Wolves for game two in their playdown series.

The Storm came out aggressively, trying to be the first on the board. But, after 15 minutes, the score was still at zeroes for both teams.

The Wolves managed to get on the board first and then scored a power play goal to put them ahead 2-0 going into the third.

The Storm battled hard in the third but the Wolves scored another power play goal and another right at the end to take the game 4-0 and a 2-0 series lead.

A great effort by all the players.

The Storm head to Shelburne on Saturday, February 9 to play game three of the series. (*Submitted by Lisa Delisle*)

Midgets take first game

The Highlander/Ed Smolen Family Dentistry midgets moved on to the second round of the playoffs against the Stayner Cyclones.

They won their first game 3-2 in Haliburton on February 2. It was an action-packed, hard-hitting, fast-paced game. Both teams worked hard for puck control. Gilbert got things going when he top-cornered the first goal for the Storm, assisted by Morissette.

Later in the first, Walker fed Gilbert and he did more of his magic and nabbed the second goal. The Storm were up 2-0 at the end of the first period.

Both teams came out flying in the second. With the Cyclones being down by two, they aggressively worked to get on the scoreboard. However, hats off to Gilbert who showed intense determination to fight through the defence and find the opening for the third Storm goal.

With a three-goal lead, the Storm eased off the pressure slightly and the Cyclones took advantage while on a

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power play, scoring two quick goals and making it a 3-2 game late in the second.

The third period continued to be fast and aggressive with end-to-action. The Cyclones tried to even it up, pulling their goalie, but the Storm did their job and took the first game of the playoffs 3-2. (Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke)

Peewee A's fall to Crusaders

On February 2, **The JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre** Peewee A's hosted the Durham Crusaders at the A.J. LaRue Arena.

The Highland Storm played hard but the game ended in a 6-2 loss. Goals scored by Austin Boylan and Colby Coumbs.

The peewee team will be back in action on Saturday, Februray 9 at 11:45 a.m. in Oshawa to play the sixth and final game of the series. *(Submitted by Amber Card)*



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The Highlander Rep League Bantam Stars

Ty Mills



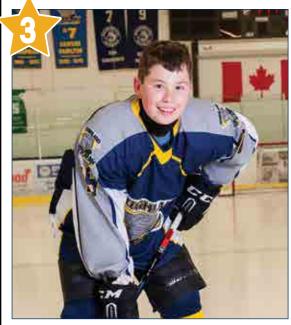
Ty earns the first star for his stay at home defensive play. His hard work and determination are always great assets to have on the ice. When needed, Ty always steps up with great leadership for his team.

Ben Robinson



Ben earns the second star for his heads-up defensive play. He always comes with a great attitude and willingness to play. Ben is never afraid to dig deep in the corner and assist where he needs to.

Matthew Wilson



Matthew gives 100 per cent every shift. He battles hard both offensively and defensively and always has a smile on his face. Matthew is a great asset to any team with his great attitude and hard work.

Photos by Tim Tofflemire

South Muskoka take the win

Brightwoods Landscaping and Consulting Novices took on the first place South Muskoka Fitzmaurice on Saturday, February 2 in Gravenhurst.

The Highland Storm started out very sluggish in the first period, being down 2-0 at the end of the frame.

Goalie Carter Knapton started out the second making some great saves which seemed to spark the offense. Midway through the second, Brody Hartwig landed the Storm's first goal of the game on a beauty breakaway.

The defensive core of Zach Prentice, Gideon Borgdorff, Duncan Evans-Fockler and Hawksley Dobbins played an amazing second and third period keeping the puck out of the Storm end.

The third period was action-packed, at both ends of the rink. Hartwig landed two more goals, earning another hat trick for the season.

However, the Storm came up short in a 4-3 loss. From the start of the year losing 10-0 to this team to now being within a goal shows how much effort and dedication these players have shown.

Cheer on the team at the Minden arena Saturday, February 9 at 11 a.m. for their next local home game, and again on Sunday, February 10 at 4 p.m. in Minden when they take on Huntsville Near North. (Submitted by Cheryl Smith)

Peewees drop two

The Canadian Tire 2 Peewees faced off against the Muskoka Bears Blakewood Construction in Haliburton on Saturday. The game was a tight run for goals but the Storm took the lead in the third period to win the game 4-3. Carson Simm's goaltending kept the Storm in the game and goals by Ethan Thomas (two), Ethan Megrah-Poppe, and Haiden Bird, allowed the Storm to win the

The team then went to Gravenhurst Sunday to face off against The Muskoka Bears CC Tatham. This game was a strong battle for both teams. At the end of the second, the score was tied 1-1 but as the third period began, the Bears took the lead. The Storm tried to come back but

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unfortunately lost 2-1.

The next game is Saturday, Feb 9 at 11:15 a.m. in Gravenhurst against the Parry Sound Gibson H&C. (Submitted by Shawn Guild)

Nixon Ecclestone wins skills competition

The Tom Prentice and Sons and Walker's Heating and Cooling Tykes travelled to Peterborough for their first two-day jamboree.

The team played well together, passing the puck around, and setting up many scoring opportunities.

In three games, the team scored a combined 45 goals and only allowed 15 against.

Nixon Ecclestone did the Storm proud by winning the skills accuracy portion of the skills competition out of 104 hockey players.

The next game is at home Sunday in Haliburton at 1 p.m. where they will take on Huntsville. (Submitted by Marita Bagshaw)

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Duncan Evans-Fockler



Duncan Evans-Fockler's knowledge of the game shines through as he works hard at being in the right place at the right time to stop the opposition. Duncan shows up every game ready to work hard and his overall skills have continued to improve all season.

Photos by Tim Tofflemire

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Storm beat Huntsville 3-1

On Saturday, the GJ Burtch Atoms travelled to Huntsville to face the Huntsville McDonald's Atoms. The Storm would strike first when Isaac Borgdorff set up Eric Mueller in the first period.

Although Huntsville would get a goal in the second period, the Storm would again take the lead when the Storm's Jacob Mantle went end-to-end and scored unassisted.

Taylor Mulock was relentless on the puck, whether she was back-checking, helping out the defense in our own end, or fore-checking, dictating the pace.

Taylor's effort paid off when she scored in the third, assist going to Borgdorff. Final 3-1 Storm. Next up the Storm host South Muskoka on Saturday at the S.G Nesbitt arena. (Submitted by Jamie Lloyd)

Huntsville outlast atoms

The LL TD Canada Trust Atoms hosted Huntsville this past weekend.

Huntsville were quick to open the scoring. But, with no hesitation, Ayden Chapman sent a beauty pass to Ethan Rowe. Rowe took a nice wrist shot from the hash marks and Logan Reid pounced on the rebound to score top shelf

During the second period, Bryant Medlar was able to strip the puck from Huntsville. He sent Kamauhl Cassey-Russel a nice pass and Cassey-Russel found the back of the net.

In the third period, with exhaustion setting in from missing players, Chapman once again played the boards hard and sent a pass to Rowe. He rebounded the puck straight to Cassey-Russel to score again.

The atoms fought hard but were not able to pull out a win. Player of the game went to Eric Bird.

The next and final game is hosted in Huntsville by Huntsville McDonalds. (Submitted by Chris McMartin)

Storm local league reports

Parry Sound take close game

On Saturday, February 2, the Walker Home Hardware Peewees travelled to Gravenhurst to take on the Parry Sound Peewee team for the second weekend in a row.

The Storm were determined to have a different outcome and they certainly did.

Both teams battled for the puck and neither team were able to put one in the net in the first period.

It was Alex Hendry who scored the first goal of the game. Parry Sound was quick to follow with a goal of their own tying up the game. With eight seconds left in the period, Nathan Harrison scored the second goal for the Storm

Parry Sound came back with two more goals in the third period, putting them into the lead and giving them the 3-2 win.

Next weekend come support them at the S.G. Nesbitt arena when they take on the South Muskoka Peewee team Sunday at 5 p.m. (Submitted by Lisa Reinwald)



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Highlander sports

Midgets take lead in playoff series

Owen Gilbert scored a hattrick to lead the Highland Storm Rep Midgets to a 3-2 victory in the opening game of their playoff series against the Stayner Cyclones. Head coach James Reilly said his team put together a hard-working effort to come out on top in a close contest.

"They had to fight every second of the game," Reilly said. "Nothing was handed to them. That was well earned."

Reilly praised Gilbert and goaltender Carson Sisson but said the whole team played well.

"There wasn't one person that didn't give 100 per cent. It's a real team effort." The win puts the Storm up 1-0 in its fivegame series against the Cyclones. Game two is in Stayner Feb. 9 while game three is set for A.J. LaRue Arena Feb. 10 at 5 p.m.

Bantams facing elimination after loss

The Highland Storm Rep Bantam team was pushed to the brink in its playoff series after a 4-0 loss to the Shelbourne Wolves at A.J. LaRue Arena Feb. 2.

The Storm fell behind after the Wolves struck early in the second period and were stymied by opposing goaltender Riley Hope. The shutout loss puts the Storm down 2-0 in its five-game quarter-finals

series.

Despite the defeat, head coach Ron Hall offered praise for his team's effort. "They did a great job," Hall said. "They worked hard. Unfortunately, we didn't get any breaks but they didn't quit, they just kept battling."

Shelbourne went up 2-0 off of a breakaway pass from a player coming out of the penalty box after an unsuccessful Storm powerplay, putting the home team in a hole.

Storm goaltender Darian Maddock said his team did well in keeping shots to the outside despite the pressure put on by the Wolves.

"There wasn't a lot of action in the slot," Maddock said. "Defense did a good job boxing out in front of the net as well."

With 1:30 left in the second period, the Storm's Kyan Hall was awarded a penalty shot after getting hauled down on a breakaway chance. However, he was also unable to convert, keeping the Storm scoreless going into the third period.

The Wolves would strike twice more, including a goal with 17 seconds remaining, to get the win and take a commanding series lead.

Hall said his team mustered a better effort compared to game one of the series, which the Storm lost 7-2 in Shelbourne.

"One hundred per cent better. Unfortunately, the first game, we sat for two weeks. I think we had a little bit of cobwebs in us," Hall said. "Came out tonight ready

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Highland Storm forward Matthew Wilson shoves a Shelbourne Wolves player into the boards during a game at A.J. LaRue Arena Feb. 2. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*

to play but unfortunately we didn't get the breaks."

"We need to keep our heads up, stay positive," Maddock said. "We're seeing a lot of rebounds when we shot the puck, so we'll get chances from there."

The end of the game would see a dispute with referees at the Storm bench, with Hall departing before the final horn.

A "disputing call with official: verbal abuse of a game official" infraction was

on the Storm's penalty summary after the game, which carries with it a minimum three-game suspension in the Ontario Minor Hockey Association.

"No comment," Hall said on the interaction after the game.

Game three of the series takes place in Shelbourne Feb. 9, with game four at A.J. LaRue Arena Feb. 10 if needed.

(Playoff report by Joseph Quigley)

and improve their winter driving skills. People can come out and watch for free

or race for a small fee, even if they don't

have their own car," said Tammy LaRue,

owner/operator of Minden Subaru.



The Haliburton Youth Curling program hosted four youth teams from the Minden Curling Club Jan. 26. for a bonspiel. Thirty-two kids curled on the day. Submitted by Cathy Chumbley.



Left to right: Kris Cox, Derek Dodd, Chad LaRue, Wesley Baker, Mike Pinelli, Photo Submitted.

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Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Saturday morning, February 9, 2019 for Funeral 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 Ontario Track FUNERAL HOME 3 Ski Association or Proud Pioneers - Extendicare would be appreciated by the family. w



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Loving son of Floyd Henry (Rebel) and the late Cindy Henry (2002) Dear brother of Jason (Danielle), grandson of the late Harry and Beryl Henry,

the late Mark and Denise Scheffee, son-in-law of Laura and Ken Sadick, grandson-in-law of Jean Van De Walker, brother-in-law of Ashley Pronyk (Brandon), nephew of Leo (Debbie) Henry, Ken (June) Henry, Colleen Henry (Dan), Harry Henry, Roger Scheffee, Peter (Jackie) Scheffee and their families. Adam will be greatly missed by his many friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Saturday, February 9, 2019 from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm. Then to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #129, Haliburton (downstairs) for a reception to celebrate Adam's Life. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.



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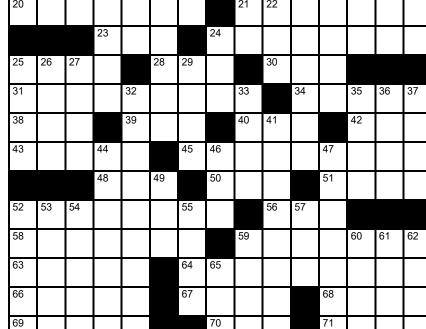


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Across

- 1 Job aide: Abbr.
- 5 Doctor's org.
- 8 "... is a gift. That's why it's called the present." (Bil Keane)
- 13 "Here comes trouble" lead-in
- **14** Hershey chocolate caramel
- **16** Suffix with antihist-
- 17 * Shortcut, e.g.
- 19 Prime Minister Modi's country
- 20 On the rocks
- 21 Joins forces?
- 23 Planet in a '70s sitcom
- 24 * Large, oared craft on a sailing ship
- **25** Detached, musically: Abbr.
- 28 Smoothing on the subway, e.g., for short
- 30 H₂O, to Henri
- **31** * Employed population
- 34 Russian emperors
- 38 Figure in a human evolution sketch
- 39 crossroads
- 40 "The Waste Land" poet's initials
- **42** Go off in the fridge
- 43 Stone in an oyster bed

16 19 18



- **45** * Dog breeder's ancestral concern
- **48** Certain seasonal worker
- **50** Having five sharps, musically
- the crack of dawn
- 52 * Wedding band measurement
- **56** Part of S.P.C.A.: Abbr.
- **58** Bridge toll, say
- **59** Merchant with a clickable shopping cart
- **63** Banister end post

- **64** Death ... or what either part of the answer to each starred clue can be
- **66** Seed's hard covering
- **67** Evening in Paris
- 68 Back muscles, in gym
- **69** Utter, in the Bible
- 70 House of mud
- 71 Word before "while"

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Mixed curling at the Haliburton Curling Club ...

Left: Trevor Kerr throws a stone at the Haliburton Curling Club during the Todd's Independent Invitational Mixed Bonspiel Feb. 1. The weekend tournament ran until Feb. 3 and featured teams from across the province. Right: Terry Lawrence and Sheila Campbell of the Haliburton Curling Club guide a stone into the rings. The event attracted 24 teams from across the province to Haliburton for a weekend full of curling. The Haliburton team would go on to win the C event. "They just come up because they love it," club president Mary Hillaby said. "They just have a weekend away from business, kids, pets and it's a lot of camaraderie." *Photos by Joseph Quigley*





J.O. Jackson Bonspiel ...

Left: The annual J.O.Jackson Memorial Bonspiel was held at Minden Curling Club on Dec. 29. This popular and well-attended bonspiel brings together curling teams from surrounding areas such as Fenelon Falls, Bobcaygeon, Oakwood and Haliburton and matches them against teams from Minden. Right: The second place finishers for the first draw of the J.O. Jackson Memorial Bonspiel. Left to right: Bob Pollard, Craig Dodds, Bob Walli, Alf Trotter. Submitted by West Lytle.







What's on

FEBRUARY 2019 • EVENT LISTINGS

EVERY FRIDAY, Feb 2 – Apr 20

9 a.m. – Noon - Volunteer Income Tax filing for 2018, at Haliburton Legion.

EVERY WEDNESDAY, Mar 7 – Apr 25

2 – 3:30 p.m. – Volunteer Income Tax filing for 2018, at Wilberforce Legion.

Thursday February 7

11 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Lunch is on us! Beat the February blahs. Every Thursday in February, SIRCH Community Services is providing a free, hot lunch in Haliburton village, eat in or take out. First come, first served, at SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria St. Don't miss it! info@sirch.on.ca

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public Skating at A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton. \$2 per person.

Noon – 2 p.m. – Adults only public skating at S.G. Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person.

Friday February 8

2 – 4 p.m. – Technology Tutoring, at Outreach Literacy Minden, 14 IGA Rd. Open to all! Free tutoring in computers, smart devices, mobile devices, internet, storing and retrieving photos, social media, privacy and protecting yourself from identity theft and online scams. For more info contact Robert Gaudette, bgaudette@jhscklh.on.ca or 705-328-0472 x921.

Saturday February 9

5 p.m. – Irondale Goes Italian! Dine with your Valentine on February 9, at Irondale Community Centre. \$20 per person for soup, salad, entrees, desserts, coffee/tea. For tickets call 705-457-8438 or irondaleontario.ca.

Sunday February 10

9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Royal Canadian Legion branch 129, Haliburton, Ladies Auxiliary Sunday breakfast. Eggs or pancakes, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast, orange juice, tea/coffee, \$6 per person.

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

person

Noon – 2 p.m. – Public skating at S.G. Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person.

Monday February 11

1 – 4 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, Free drop-in, 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. At Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton. Join us for colouring, board games, coffee & conversation, falls prevention program, and Communal Cooking Strawberry Pancakes! Call 705-457-2941 x 2922 for more info.

Tuesday February 12

Noon – 2 p.m. – Adults only public skating at S.G. Nesbitt Arena, Minden. \$2/person

7:30 p.m. – EH Enviro-Café: Extinction Rebellion. Join us to participate in discussing/organizing a Haliburton County version of this international social movement. Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle St. For more info contact Eric elilius@halhinet.on.ca, 705-754-9873.

Wednesday February 13

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

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Thursday February 14

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3 – 8 p.m. – Archie Stouffer FUNraiser, in the school gym, featuring numerous vendors, bake sale and hot chocolate/ tea/coffee. Proceeds to benefit the ASES Grade 8 Graduation Committee.

Saturday February 16

Haliburton Frost Festival 2019, Head Lake Park Haliburton

1 p.m. – Polar Bear Challenge 2019. Sponsored by the Haliburton & District Lions Club, part of the Haliburton Frost Fest. Registration from 10 a.m. – noon, event starts at 1 p.m. Proceeds go to Hospital for Sick Children or Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. Pledge forms available on haliburtonlions.com. For more info contact Lion Jim Frost at 705-457-4031.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

HALIBURTON BRANCH

Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.

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Thursdays: General meeting, third Thursday of the month, March through December starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend and ladies auxiliary, last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Fridays: Cribbage, 1 p.m. start, meat draw, five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets are \$2 per draw ... Chester Howse, MC, Friday fun darts – 4:30 p.m. onwards.

Saturdays: 50/50 Draw, 4 p.m. draw-tickets are \$1 each available from noon onwards.

Sundays: Breakfast, second Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. - 1p.m., \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.

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

MINDEN BRANCH

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

Friday Free pool 1:30 p.m. Wing night 6-9 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m

Saturday Meat draw 2-5 p.m. - Early Bird 3 p.m. sharp

Monday Bid euchre 7 p.m.

Wednesday Fun darts 7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Event:

Valentine's Dance – Saturday, Feb. 9 – DJ Mike – 9 p.m. to close – no cover

Ken MacFarlane Memorial Ice Fish Derby, Saturday, Feb. 23 - \$`15/person – 1 fish entry - weigh in 3-6 p.m. – Participants must be present to collect prize.

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What's on

Pilgrims of funk, soul and roll coming to Haliburton

By Lisa Gervais

When a couple of Haliburton County Folk Society committee members saw the Julian Taylor band perform at the Folk Music Ontario conference a few years back, they knew they wanted them.

"Julian has been on the Folk Society's wish list for a few years," said spokesperson Sue Shikaze.

She said they started negotiations in November 2017, when they started planning for their 2018-2019 concert series.

"And we're thrilled when it all came together. So, we've been anticipating this show for almost a year-and-a-half."

The band hits the stage at the Haliburton Legion this Saturday night, Feb. 9.

Shikaze said they wanted to hold a dance and thought February would be a great time of year, since it would be a chance for folks to get out and chase away the mid-winter blues.

She said they also wanted an act that could draw a younger crowd as well as their usual audience.

"We want to expand people's view of what folk music looks and sounds like. The Julian Taylor Band fits the bill perfectly."

She said the concert should appeal to people of all ages since the band's music crosses multiple genres

"There's blues, soul, R and B, rock and roll, and folk influences ... in fact, they call themselves the 'pilgrims of funk, soul and roll'. To me what underlies it all is a

really great groove ... whether fast or slow, they're tunes that just make you feel like moving. I was hooked after the first song I heard."

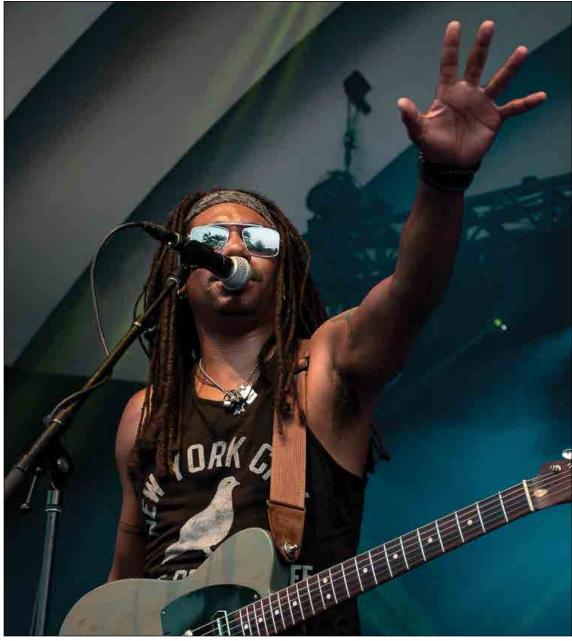
She added that Julian has a connection to the Haliburton Highlands. He went to Camp Kilcoo as a kid, and has played at the Northwood Inn.

"It's always a bonus when an artist we bring in has some connection to Haliburton," she said.

"Wendell Ferguson, who has played locally numerous times, says that they're one of the best bands to see in Toronto. And they're coming to Haliburton, so we hope people will take advantage of this great opportunity and come out with friends, listen to some great live music, maybe do a bit of dancing and have some fun on a winter night."

The show is this Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Haliburton Legion. Doors open at 7 p.m. for a 7:30 p.m. show. Tickets are \$30 and available in advance at haliburtonfolk.com or in Minden at Organic Times, Haliburton at Halco Electronics. Price is \$35 at the door. For more information on the band see juliantaylorband.com

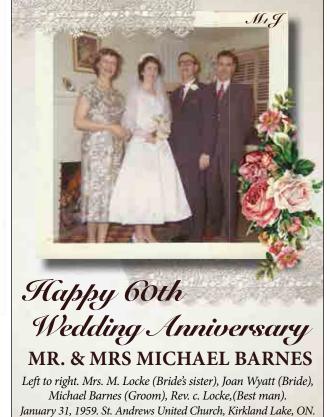
The Folk Society has two more shows this season. Homemade Stew, a showcase of local talent, is on April 6, and The Young Novelists a folk/rock duo are coming on June 8. Plus, there are several house concerts as part of Home Routes. All the details are at haliburtonfolk.com



The Julian Taylor band will play the Haliburton Legion this coming Saturday night. Photo submitted.



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