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Fearrey feels 'responsibility' to run

By Mike Baker

Murray Fearrey believes he has unfinished business in Haliburton County.

One of the most experienced municipal politicians in the country, having spent almost 40 years as mayor of Dysart from the late 1970s to 2018, Fearrey has decided to

run for office once again this fall. Seeking a return to the mayor's chair, he officially submitted his papers July 12.

After losing out to Andrea Roberts four years ago, Fearrey said he thought his time serving the community had come to an end. However, after watching some of Dysart's biggest issues worsen over the past term,

and noticing that several veteran politicians across the County, including Roberts, have announced they aren't seeking re-election, Fearrey said he felt a responsibility to step forward.

"I'm not doing this for me, I can tell you that. I'm doing this for Dysart et al and for Haliburton County," Fearrey told *The*

Highlander. "I feel there's a real need for leadership."

Fearrey believes the Highlands community has stalled during the COVID-19 pandemic. He said this next term will be pivotal in helping to shape the future of Haliburton County.

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"The shoreline preservation bylaw, the short-term rental issue... These are big things with big implications for the future," Fearrey said. "I think the shoreline issue could have been handled better. If we're going to have a bylaw, I think it needs to be simple and it needs to be enforceable."

He also wants to see the County adopt a business-like approach to short-term rentals.

"A lot of people are buying properties now for investments. They're renting them out 52 weeks of the year if they can, so it's basically a business," Fearrey said. "It's not rocket science. Make it so that you need a license to run an Airbnb, and if anyone goes against the license, or operates without one, make the fines substantial enough that they take notice."

His number one priority, though, will be bolstering healthcare services in Dysart. He believes the townships need to do a better job of making Haliburton County an attractive proposition for doctors, nurses and PSWs.

"We're in a dogfight for these professionals. We need to find innovative ways to bring these people to our community. Whether it's supplying them with some kind of housing, I don't know the answer, but it's something I will certainly focus on," he said.

The community, he believes, is going to have to get used to the idea of new development. Housing projects proposed for Wallings Road and Grass Lake have been criticized by some residents, but Fearrey believes if any build is deemed to be suitable by town staff and meets municipal requirements, it should be approved.

"Every time we get a housing development, there are always people that don't want it. Well, sorry, but we have to have it. It's essential to life here in Haliburton," Fearrey said.

He also wants to create a new 30-year long-term plan for downtown Haliburton.

"Our community is not the most attractive town right now. There's three or four vacancies on the main street. I don't think there's any long-range thinking about where we should be," Fearrey said. "When we needed new long-term care, I worked with three or four others in the community to bring the Gardens [of Haliburton] to town. I think there are ways we can refresh downtown and make it more desirable.

"We don't have a decent ball diamond. There are no soccer fields. We are in need of recreation facilities," Fearrey said. "There's a lot of work to be done. I won't be around forever, but if I can get the work started, and work with a team that can take these ideas forward, that's what I want to do."



Murray Fearrey is looking to make a comeback as mayor of Dysart et al in October's municipal election. *Photo by Mike Baker.*





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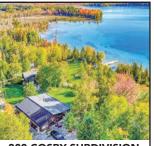


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Tourism a mixed bag so far this summer

By Lisa Gervais

Members of Haliburton County's tourism sector are reporting a mixed season so far for summer 2022.

Don Critchley of Cottage Care Rentals said that for them, "business is doing very well. We are back to what was normal prior to COVID."

Critchley added they are back to a stream of steady bookings for the summer, but as was the pre-COVID norm, they tend to book the holes during June and July.

Critchley added they convinced cottage owners not to increase rental rates by a huge amount, especially as other travel options have reopened. He said they capped it at five to 10 per cent on average. He further noted that since July 1, 2021, they have had to charge HST on rent, so there was an automatic 13 per cent increase with an overall affect on guests of 18 to 23 per cent on average.

He said another reason they didn't overinflate rates is they have 75 per cent return guests and didn't want them to go somewhere else.

With the recent run up of mortgage rates, the local businessman said they have seen a spike in the last couple of weeks for requests to rent people's cottages out. "We had anticipated this when the real estate market went ballistic, and it is now coming true," he said

Emily Stonehouse of Yours Outdoors and Haliburton Forest said that from their perspective, "it's been a pretty slow summer so far. It's a weird time. We can't compare this summer to the past two years and it's all totally different in the world."

She said she thinks restaurants are seeing people coming out, but tour providers and accommodations are slow to start.

"We are noticing an influx of last-minute bookings though. Seems that people are waiting for COVID numbers, weather, and availability before joining last minute. We used to be booked weeks in advance, but just today, I took two bookings for the next two days. We can't always accommodate those, and it's hard to plan around," she said.

Stonehouse added she has heard a lot of grumbling about gas prices and that may be keeping some people away.

"We're also seeing a big shift back to international travel. People aren't as worried



Local tourism representitives Emily Stonehouse with Randy Pielsticker. File.

about airports anymore. Before, they sought out escaping to our woods as a retreat, but now we're back to the way travel was before."

Stonehouse said the local industry "has to make more of an effort to emphasize the great things we have here, things beyond just being an escape and marketing the region as a multi-dimensional destination once again."

Some having very busy seasons, but not all

Molly McInerney of Molly's Bistro Bakery said they have been busy. "So many happy old faces we haven't seen in a long while have returned and lots of new faces. It is so

great to see people out and about enjoying life again," she said.

And Katie Hinbest, one of the owners of Robinsons General Store in Dorset, said it's been going well. "Our July long weekend was a record for the store. Hopefully we continue to see that throughout the summer."

The County's director of tourism, Tracie Bertrand, said she's spoken to many in the industry and they are telling her the season so far is a very busy one. "Many travellers are comfortable with getting back out and resuming most of their activities."

She noted festivals and events have returned, and people are dining out, and booking accommodation, some into 2024.

Like Stonehouse, though, she said it's not consistently high and some people still aren't

comfortable travelling.

"Some data indicates that full recovery won't take place until at least 2025," Bertrand said.

She added the cost of living, including gas, "has most definitely had an impact on travel in 2022."

She noted some business owners are still struggling with workforce shortages, which is impacting hours of operation, as well as increased costs due to inflation, added stress due to debt from COVID, and managing the visitor demand.

However, overall, she thinks the Highlands is doing "very well" this tourism season.

"It is busy, the downtowns are hopping, the restaurants are full, and many are attending the festivals and events."



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EMS NEWS

Firefighters knock down Haliburton blaze

The Dysart et al fire department was called to a structure fire July 15 at 9:06 p.m. Interim fire chief Dan Chumbley said that by 9:17 p.m., water was being applied to the shed at 237 Highland St. Fourteen firefighters had the fire extinguished by 9:34 p.m. and proceeded to check the surrounding structures.

Prettypaws Pet Boutique and Spa posted to Faceback to say, "A big thank you to our entire community and especially our volunteer firefighters. There was a fire in the shed behind the shop tonight. All people and pets are safe. Thank you to everyone for all of your concern. We will update when we know more.

In a July 16 update, owner Chris O'Mara said the shed and all of its contents were destroyed.

He added they had contacted their insurance company and were awaiting an assessment of the house.

"At this point, it looks like the house has sustained exterior heat damage only, with some broken windows and melted siding. We have running water and hydro and the shop was untouched."

Business has been operating as usual this week.

"Thank you to everyone who has reached out to us and offered support. It means the world to all of us," O'Mara said.

OPP looking for scammers

Haliburton Highlands OPP have issued a warning, and are seeking the public's assistance in relation to a scam investigation in Minden Hills.

Police said that on July 14, a victim received a call from a male falsely identifying himself as a police officer.

The fraudster advised the victim that their granddaughter had been arrested for drugrelated offences and was subsequently going



A shed is fully ablaze July 15 in Haliburton. Photo by Sandra Wheeler.

to be held for a bail hearing.

The caller then advised the victim that a payment of \$9,000 was mandatory for the girl's release.

The scammer warned the victim to not speak to their granddaughter's parents or anyone else, including law enforcement, as the transaction would not take place if that was the case.

A female also spoke to the victim on the phone impersonating the granddaughter,

police said. Arrangements were made and a female attended the victim's residence the following day to collect the money.

OPP said, "members of the public are cautioned that officers would never attend a residence to obtain bail money.'

Investigators are seeking the public's assistance in identifying the female and the vehicle pictured.

The female is described as: 18-23 years old, white, approx. 5'5" tall, slim, 100-110 lbs,

brown eyes and hair in a bun, red and black tattoo on left side of neck, one inch from ear, running down neck toward collarbone; wearing dark pants and dark zip-up coat.

The vehicle is described as a silver 2013-2018 Hyundai Santa Fe.

Anyone with information is asked to contact OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or 705-286-1431, or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or khcrimestoppers. com. (EMS news compiled by Lisa Gervais).

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A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

We are hosting an Open House & Recruitment Day on Monday August 8th from 6 pm to 9 pm at the Minden Hills Fire Hall 12418 Hwy 35. Bring the family to see the fire trucks and talk to our firefighters. Are you interested in becoming a firefighter? Come ask questions and fill out an application.

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(Virtual) Council Meetings

Council and Closed Session meetings are currently being conducted with a hybrid model of in-person and electronic participation in accordance with the Municipal Act. Members of the Public will rticipate electronically, until further notice. Meetings begin at 9:00 AM unless otherwise noted. The schedule of upcoming meetings are:

> July 28 - Regular Council Meeting August 25 - Regular Council Meeting

Please note Council Meetings are reduced to one (1) meeting a month in July and August.

Members of the Public are invited to observe Council proceedings by joining a live-stream link available on the township website at www. mindenhills.ca/council/ or by using the direct link provided in the notice. Meeting agendas are not displayed during the meeting, please download by visiting our website at www.mindenhills.ca/council/. Please note the live stream file/video will be available to the public for the duration of one week after the Council Meeting





Left: Rev. Max Ward speaks at the closing service. Right: Congregation members leave the church for the final time July 17. Photos by Lisa Gervais.

Bidding farewell to Maple Lake United Church

By Lisa Gervais

A table at the front of Maple Lake United Church held symbols of 121 years of faith as the congregation bid farewell July 17 to the little church at the corner of Hwy. 118 and Stanhope Airport Road.

Worship leader Debbie Sherwin referenced the baptismal font, communion table, pulpit and worship space marking, "the countless services... and sacraments celebrated in this place, and to bring to mind the ministers and lay minsters who have led worship."

Council chair Larry Giles placed his hand on a front pew as a reminder of "the congregations who have gathered over the years for Sunday services, baptisms, funerals, weddings, and other celebrations that have taken place."

There were crafts, pictures, curriculum books, CDs and Christmas pageant clothes honouring, "hundreds of students who began their Christian journeys in the place," according to Christena Barry.

A serving bowl, coffee carafe, tea towel and Bible symbolized the contributions of United Church Women who brought food, education, shared work, laughter, talk and fellowship, said Shirley Johnston.

A hymnbook and choir gown spoke to the music ministry, Deloris Bailey noted. Looking on was Kathleen Owens, the church's organist for more than 60 years.

And a hammer, drills bits, and handsaw were representative of those who toiled to maintain the building, Albert Carpenter said.

Rev. Max Ward kicked off of a more informal trip down memory lane when he shared how the congregation used to gather downstairs, since it was easier to heat, for a potluck supper followed by song. At the time his daughter was an infant. She is now 18. He recalled how when they sang the hymn *Bringing in the Sheaves*, she thought the words were bringing in the cheese.

Ward said the church had not only had an impact on Stanhope, but the country and indeed the world through its ministry. He

acknowledged the congregation's "swirl of emotions."

A congregation member since childhood, Delores Sawyer Bailey, recollected the annual summer trip to the cottage.

Driving from the GTA with her family, she and her siblings would look for the familiar landmarks on the drive. The last was "the little white church" on the corner as they made their way to her grandparents' farm.

She first went inside the church when she was eight for Grandma Sawyer's funeral. When she was 10, her parents moved to Maple Lake. And while her mom and dad didn't attend church, she went to Sunday school.

"As I sit in the pew on Sundays, I think of all the families, past and present, who have contributed to building and maintaining Maple Lake United Church. It was important for them to have a place to worship. It probably never crossed their minds that 100 years later their descendants would be worshiping in the same place.

"If the walls could talk, I would love to hear of the baptisms, weddings, and funerals that have taken place over the years, as well as the celebrations of Christmas and Easter."

Commenting on the closing, she added, "like our ancestors, who worked so hard to build this church, they never knew how the story would end, but they had faith. Only God knows the beginning and the end of every story. Here we are 121 years later, and like our ancestors, we must put our faith in God and remember the many Bible teachings we learned in the little white church on the corner at Maple Lake."

Sherwin told the full church on a hot summer's afternoon, "We come together with so many good and treasured memories, but with a strong sense of grief at saying farewell to this hallowed place. We come together, also, with great hope for continuing our life of faith at Highlands Hills United Church in Minden."









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U-Links seeking research projects

By Mike Baker

If you're a local resident concerned about homelessness in Haliburton County, a business owner wondering how improved transportation options could bolster the region's dwindling workforce, or a waterfront property owner worried about the long-term health of your lake, U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research wants to hear from you.

Since launching in 1999, the organization has facilitated hundreds of research projects in the Highlands between area residents, organizations and student researchers from Trent University and Fleming College. It's all about helping to provide insight and information on various social, cultural, environmental and economic issues facing the community.

Earlier this month, U-Links put out a call to the community seeking ideas for future projects.

"We'll do this once a year, typically, connecting with our community to try and find out what they want to know. If the community says 'I want answers to A, B and C', we'll do our best to go away and make it happen," said Daniela Pagliaro, logistics coordinator with U-Links.

Once a project has been formulated, U-Links staff post details to its website and reaches out to contacts at Trent and Fleming to see if there are any students interested in taking them on.

It isn't as simple as finding someone,

though. There is an extensive application process, Pagliaro said, that's designed to find "a perfect match" between student and project.

"Because these projects are so important to us, we want to make sure that the student we're trusting to take it on is committed and understands exactly what's expected of them," Pagliaro said. "We want the projects to be good so that they benefit our community."

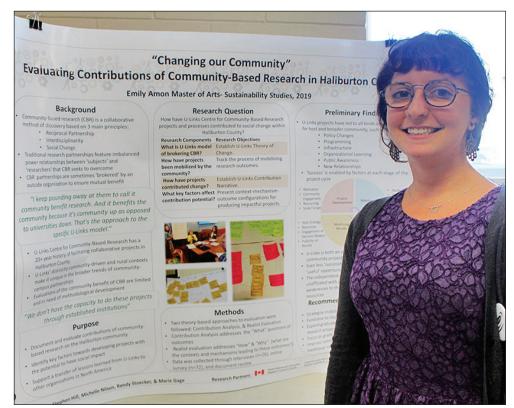
At the end of each school year, U-Links hosts a celebration of research, where students have the opportunity to present their work to the community. At the most recent event, held virtually in March, U-Links featured 18 completed projects.

Among them was a report on food waste reduction strategies for Dysart et al, benthic assessments of more than a dozen area lakes and a study of existing supports for people with eating disorders in rural communities.

Pagliaro noted around 80 per cent of the projects U-Links has on its books are environmentally focused, but that isn't by design.

"We would love to see more sociocultural projects come our way... We would absolutely welcome a project, for example, that looks at housing and homelessness in Haliburton County. That would be a perfect fit for the issues we're presently seeing, and for connections we have," Pagliaro said.

Other non-environmental projects U-Links is looking to move forward include delving



U-Links is looking for ideas from the community on what research projects it should be directing students to take on in 2022/23. *File*.

into the history of the old Mountain Street Red Cross Outpost (now the CanoeFM building), the viability of a virtual adaptation of Abbey Gardens' on-site Sprouts to Snacks program, and a programming evaluation assessment for the Abbey Retreat Centre. The organization is asking that people reach out with project ideas by mid-August, to give staff enough time to finalize things and get in touch with schools. For more information, contact Sadie Fischer at environment@ulinks.ca, or call the office at 705-286-2411.





AH puts out call for new firefighters

By Mike Baker

Algonquin Highlands fire chief Michael French is close to sounding the alarm, with his department in desperate need of recruiting several new volunteer firefighters.

French said the service is at least 12 members short of a full complement, with four new firefighters required to serve stations in Oxtongue Lake, Dorset and Stanhope.

"Just attrition, I suppose, is why we're down," French said. "Unfortunately, there's not a lot of job opportunities keeping people in this area right now. Usually, we like to carry a complement of 50, but we're quite a way short of that."

Volunteer firefighters are on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, French said. And, despite being labelled as volunteers, members are compensated for their service. New recruits are paid \$20.51 an hour. They also receive complimentary volunteer firefighters' insurance, meaning if they are hurt on or off duty, they will receive benefits.

Full training is provided, so interested candidates aren't required to have any experience.

"The main thing we're looking for in someone is commitment and a willingness to put in the time. Being a volunteer firefighter is a major undertaking. It's a second job," Shelly said. "The term 'volunteer' really is a thing of the past. You will be paid, and there is an expectation that recruits will attend all training sessions... It takes real dedication to



Algonquin Highlands training officer Chris Shelly and fire chief Michael French are actively recruiting for new volunteer firefighters. Photo by Mike Baker.

become a successful firefighter."

French said existing members will get together to train one night per week. New recruits that don't have any firefighting experience can expect to log approximately 150 hours of training, all paid, before they can be considered qualified.

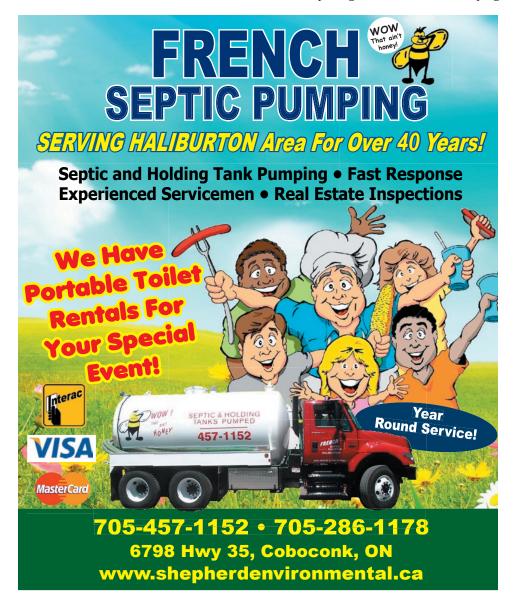
Training for new recruits will begin in January and typically takes place on weekends.

"We're putting out the call now and trying

to bring people on in the fall to see if they like the position, then that gives them time to get to know the other firefighters and learn about our practices," French said. "The training they get and certificates they receive can then act as a stepping stone if the recruits ever want to look into going full-time. We find that once someone gets a taste for this, they start to love it and want to do it more and more. So, it could definitely open up a door to a whole new career."

Volunteer firefighters in Algonquin Highlands will be expected to carry out the same jobs as full-time firefighters in places like Toronto, French confirmed. "They get the same training, so, in essence, they will be no different than a regular firefighter.'

To apply, visit algonquinhighlands.ca and search 'AHFS firefighter recruitment'. To learn more, contact French at mfrench@algonquinhighlands.ca.





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The Highlander | Saying goodbye to the little white church on the corner

As I sat in Maple Lake United Church for the The choirs even learned new hymns for a closing service July 17, I felt somewhat out of place. Despite having been to numerous church dinners or bake sales, I had never sat in a pew in the 121-year-old little white church on the corner of Hwy. 118 and Stanhope Airport Road.

However, as I looked at the congregation around me, I could empathize with the swirl of emotions they were feeling. Many had been baptized there, celebrated their communion, gone to Sunday school, services, watched loved ones buried, and been married. Others were involved with the United Church Women, a force that had nurtured both bellies and brought the women laughter, discussion and friendship.

I could only imagine how organist of 60 years, Kathleen Owens, must have been feeling. She's been with the church for nearly half of its life. And I could sense the countless hours that men and women had put into keeping the little building maintained.

While this was not my church, it was my lived experience. It was on Sept. 28, 1986 that St. Michael's Church in my hometown of Creighton Mine, near Sudbury, was shuttered for the last time. Liturgical ceremonies were held over three days. Four priests and Sisters from the parish were there. series of special masses. The local Knights of of Canada's Christian Columbus, of which my dad was one, wore full regalia. That Sunday after service the church was literally emptied.

The large statues were laboriously carried down the steps to waiting trucks. From there, they were slowly transported to the nearest Catholic Church, about two miles away, where they were carefully unloaded and carried into that church. It was a sad but memorable procession going down the highway. The church's bell was also transported to the new church. St. Michael's had stood for 70 years.

The parishioners of Maple Lake United honoured the symbols of their faith worship and many spoke of fond memories. The two little girls who sat in the back pew and held hands and giggled before their moms shot them that stare that only mothers can. Sunday schools that required two leaders, one for the older kids and one for the younger ones. So many funerals. So many weddings. If only the walls could talk.

But they sort of did on Sunday. After years of dwindling attendance and COVID-19, they surely breathed deeply to hold a full congregation and to hear song.

The National Trust for Canada estimated

in 2019 that a third architecture - some 9,000 churches - will close in the next 10 years. At the time,





By Lisa Gervais

there were approximately 27,000 places of worship across the country with one third destined to be sold, demolished or abandoned over the decade.

In places such as the Diocese of Toronto, it's not all bad news. Thanks to a large immigrant population engaged in their faith locally, they have actually built nearly a church a year since the turn of the century.

That isn't the story in rural and small-town Ontario. Some of the challenges include a declining number of parishioners, or their ability to pay for the repairs and maintenance an old church requires. There's also a dwindling number of priests. It has become impossible to maintain the number of churches designed for a different era.

We hope the little white church on the corner finds a new incarnation that can still bring community together. We hope those who attended Sunday still strive to find community, whether at Highlands Hills United Church in Minden or elsewhere.

HEALTHY LIVING IN THE HIGHLANDS

How do you 'bookend' your days?

I love this term as it brings to mind a neat and orderly bookshelf with lots of different books and colours and content tucked neatly in between two beautiful bookends.

Kind of like our day. So much happens in the course of a day, sometimes planned and on point and sometimes we're thrown through a major loop.

What I often tell my clients is that you can control how you start your day and how you end your day no matter what life throws you during the day.

So, thinking of your day as all the different books (activities, appointments, work, kids etc...), how could you bookend your day in a way that helps you start the day feeling calm, happy and confident and how can you end your day feeling relaxed, refreshed and peaceful?

There is no right answer for everyone but there is a right answer for you.

What makes you feel good? What fills your cup and recharges your battery?

These are the questions you want to ask yourself to start designing your unique bookends to your day.

For me, I love a quiet and slow start to my morning. That means getting up early before the boys, making my favourite mushroom coffee and getting really comfy in my office

with a good book or video. I'm a lifelong learner and it's this time of day that my mind is fresh and focused and when I love to dive into trainings I'm taking or learning new personal development skills.

Next is movement. I rotate a weight workout with yoga and stretching and then it's my morning walk.

Finally, its nourishment. My morning smoothie is one of my favourite meals of the day. When I nourish my body with a nutrient dense smoothie, I'm energized and ready to jump into the day's activities.

The end of my day looks a bit different but I've designed it in a way that fills my cup and helps me decompress from the day.

After dinner and dishes are done, I go for an evening walk. This isn't a power walk, but a relaxed walk that helps my body digest and a great way to get more steps in. (Walking after meals is a fantastic way to turn on digestion and metabolism).

I'll often listen to a great podcast or interview that I want to catch up on that's enjoyable and fun as way to unwind my

Next is an Epsom salt bath with bubbles and oils to relax my muscles and mind. (If it's a hot summer day I'll swap out the bath for a cool shower to rinse off the energy of

the day and cool down my body and mind).

Finally, I'll end cap the day with quiet reflection time. Writing in my five-minute journal,



By health coach **Heather Battié**

thinking of the highlights of my day, what I'm grateful for and what I learned. I'll also take a few minutes to input my meals and snacks I ate and plan my meals for the next

Tracking and planning are an amazing way to reach your goals and keep you on track along with giving you data to look back at. I use this tool with my clients to help them become the experts of their bodies and aware of their daily habits and choices.

No matter how busy, how crazy or how off plan you day goes, you can always choose how you want to end your day and how you'd like to start the next day.

Take a few minutes today and think about how you can bookend your days and watch how your life begins to change in ways you never imagined...remember that you're always in the driver seat of your life.









In the July 14 Highlander, we said an advanced ticketing system was in place for the Dorset Tower. However, Algonquin Highlands staff have clarified it's anticipated the ticketing system will be up and running in the fall, ideally in time for fall colours.

by Mike Baker

EYE ON THE STREET: If you could bring one thing to Haliburton County, what would it be and why?



Dave Soinen

A walk-in clinic. That's something everyone could use. I find the medical system in Haliburton County very confusing, and a walk-in clinic would be very helpful.



Walter Soetens

I used to belong to the Optimist Club when I lived in Whitby. That's a service club that is very kid-oriented, and raises money to support needy families and kids in sport. I'd love to see Haliburton get its own Optimist Club.



Jennifer Korpela

A new sports facility in Haliburton. There's a nice, big, open plot of land across from the Pinestone that is ripe for development. It would be nice to have indoor soccer, or an indoor driving range.



Stephanie Davies

I would love to start my own bakery – Blueberry Pie Crumbs. That's been my dream for as long as I can remember, and I'd love to do that here in Haliburton County.



Kathy Mako

Anything artsy. I love being in Haliburton because of the artistic nature, there's lots to enjoy, but it would be nice to have even more.

LETTERS

Calling for less boat noise

Dear editor

I was very happy to read that the CHA is pushing for boat noise regulations in Haliburton.

We are cottagers on the Gull River between Eagle and Cranberry lakes, a spot that normally sees no motorized boats and was a reason we bought the cottage almost 22 years ago.

But for the past couple of years, we have been dealing with noise from an Air Boat (think Florida swamp boat) going up and down the river behind our cottage. It sounds like a helicopter is landing in our yard when it goes by with the operators always wearing headphones to protect themselves. We have even had this boat go up and down the river in the dark while children are trying to sleep.

The river is locally well known for its tubing and kayaking so having this boat roaring up the river also becomes a safety issue.

We are hopeful theses noise regulations, which hopefully will apply to all waterways, not just lakes, come to pass so we can once more enjoy the peacefulness of the river.

Andy Bay Eagle Lake Road

Not impressed with mitigation measures

Dear editor,

As I caught up on my reading of a couple of past newspaper issues, I was underwhelmed by the recent "mitigation" commitments offered to concerned local residents by Harburn Holdings in their proposed condominium development for Peninsula Road on tiny, shallow Grass Lake.

Their hope is that these offerings will

mollify opposition to their proposed zoning amendments which, if passed, would allow medium density housing on a wetlands site that is totally unsuitable as a site for development.

As an example of one of their "mitigation" commitments, Harburn Holdings now plan to distribute a pamphlet to future residents on the threatened Blanding's turtle that has been observed on the site. I'm sure that the turtles feel much better knowing that a pamphlet will be distributed to protect their habitat. That will certainly help these speedy creatures to weave and dodge, and avoid roadkill by the vehicles on the paved parking lots and driveways of these condominiums, as they crisscross their travel corridors in the habitat that they have inhabited and thrived in undisturbed for hundreds of years.

This past Spring many of us watched as cars stopped to help turtles safely cross roads in their Springtime travel rituals to reach their nesting grounds and summer haunts. One large snapping turtle was even spotted nesting in the gravel drive leading to the Harburn Holdings property on Peninsula Road.

Yes, I feel very reassured by that brochure as an effective approach to help this species survive. What has changed the priority from protecting cherished wetlands, and helping threatened species to flourish and thrive, to a mindset of writing a brochure to help them survive? Kudos for responsible environmental stewardship.

Allison Elliot Dysart et al

EH! renews call for shoreline bylaw

Dear editor,

We're writing to correct false information in a July 9 letter to the editor by Michele

Bromley. She asserts, without providing any proof, that, "our lakes are healthier than ever and that there is no science to say that they are not".

Bromley is absolutely wrong. However, the good news is that there are ways we can protect the health of our lakes. Doing something about any problem begins with admitting that there is one.

Ontario based aquatic scientists (limnologists) have demonstrated that Haliburton lakes are suffering from a series of serious long-term trends including:

- rising chloride levels from road salt which increase the risk of blue-green algae outbreaks;
- calcium decline and the related loss of algae-eating zooplankton;
- a decline in lake oxygen levels threatening genetically unique and native trout populations;
- the cumulative impacts of acid rain;
- the destruction of fish and wildlife habitat due to the reduction in natural shoreline vegetation;
- and the biggest threat of all, climate change.

Dr Norman Yan, a limnologist with four decades of experience studying lakes in Ontario, says, in addition to unhealthy levels of calcium and road salt, chemicals such as pharmaceuticals, flame retardants, cosmetics, plasticizers, and micro-plastics are now present in our lakes.

All of the above is evidence of declining lake health. Haliburton County's primary asset is its natural beauty. Our economy is dependent, to a great degree, on maintaining that natural beauty. It is our responsibility to protect our lakes.

A bylaw to protect Haliburton's remaining natural shorelines and the lake water quality they support is on County Council's agenda again on August 10.

The debate on a draft shoreline preservation bylaw has been underway since at least 2017. It's time to take concrete action to protect the

health of Haliburton's incredible lakes. Please urge County councillors to pass the

draft bylaw.

Susan Hay Environment Haliburton!

Poor road conditions

Dear editor,

My wife and I are frequent visitors to your area. My real concern is the very poor road conditions on the Fred Jones Road.

It appears this entire road is in dire need of attention. It has been in this state of disrepair for several years.

Earlier in June, my brother-in-law and I were sitting in front of his garage having a chat when the town grader went by. We both found this quite odd as there was no sand or gravel topping to grade. All the grader was doing was scraping the multitude of potholes and rocks (which were on the surface).

This to me would be a waste of time and taxpayers' money. The grader made numerous passes up and down this road for over one hour without making a difference.

If you're going to do something to benefit the people of this road, then do it properly.

There is no question that the township should seriously look at repairing this road properly.

There is a liability issue with respect of damage to vehicles travelling this road. It's difficult to see potholes at night or during a rainstorm when a vehicle could become seriously damaged or cause a collision.

The township is negligent in not maintaining a safe and proper roadway.

The residents should be contacting the township and voice their concerns. Hopefully, something can be done shortly.

Craig Anderson North Bay

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Nicky Robichaud said her goal is to provide affordable clothing in Haliburton.

Liquidation store fights sticker shock with brand name deals

By Sam Gillett

Nicky Robichaud started selling liquidated clothing from her home during COVID-19 shutdowns, with the goal of providing affordable clothing to families.

Almost two years later, she's pursuing the same vision from her own downtown Haliburton storefront, Haliburton Highlands Liquidation.

"My goal was to be affordable for our town. We have a lot of low-income families and single people in Haliburton, that's why I did

She originally started a Facebook group where she would sell the same goods. She quickly developed a following of more than

Then the opportunity to get a storefront came up and I took it," Robichaud said.

She sells clothing, shoes, home appliances, housewares and accessories such as purses. There's a large children's section, too.

"I've got stuff for everybody, and right up

to plus sizes, which are a struggle to find in this town," she said.

Robichaud collects shipments from stores across Ontario such as Aeropostle, Wal-Mart or Blue Notes as they switch inventory for different seasons.

"I never know what I'm getting," she said. "It's always a surprise."

Many of Robichaud's original customers, who were part of her Haliburton Highlands Liquidation Facebook group, still come in regularly, she said.

There's a variety, and people buy it, it doesn't matter what season," she said.

Before she opened, Robichaud and her partner spent five weeks renovating the store, adding new flooring, a ceiling and a change room, as well as racks and shelving.

She said the hard work has "absolutely' been worth it, and it was rewarding to hear from customers excited about finding deals.

"It was great, my first weekend was busy and it has been steady since."

The store is at 165 Highland St.

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Highlander business 11



Colt Taylor started crafting baits as a hobby and now sells them in Outdoors Plus. Photo by Sam Gillett.

Local angler reels in bait success

By Sam Gillett

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For Colt Taylor, reeling in a fish on a bait he made himself was a special feeling.

"I tied it on and I was catching stuff for two hours straight," he said. "I couldn't wipe the smile off my face."

A life-long angler, 24-year-old Taylor started making moulded baits in August

Less than a year later, he's making a splash with Haliburtonian Baits and quickly selling fish baits to anglers across the Highlands.

"It started out as a hobby, I saw a couple of YouTube videos and bought a couple of starter kits," he said.

After making a few to give away in a Bass competition, he began selling to family and friends. Demand started to grow.

He now sells his baits at Outdoors Plus where he also works, and fulfills custom orders through his Facebook page.

"It's been going pretty good since then," he said.

He acquired a loan from the Haliburton County Development Corporation to fund new moulds and supplies.

He mixes plastisol with different dies and injects it into custom moulds. Once it cools, each bait has to cure for 24 hours.

He makes different baits for Bass, Muskie, Walleye, Pike, Trout, Crappie, and ones geared towards ice fishing or summer fishing, with dozens of colours, shapes and sizes available.

He said small-batch baits are made with

"The baits I make, people find they work

good and they're more durable than some of the bigger brands in the market," he said.

"When you're making homemade stuff, I think it's a better-quality product. I think when it's locally-made, it's going to be

Taylor's baits can also be recycled. He plans to sell used baits at a lower cost or melt them down to create new ones.

He said he fishes Lake Kashagawigamog most often, but has experience in all seasons around the Highlands.

His company is named with his grandfather in mind, who called himself a "Haliburtonian" and introduced Taylor to the fishing lifestyle.

Haliburtonian Baits can be found at Outdoors Plus in Haliburton and through Taylor's Facebook Page, Halburtonian Baits.

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Counsellor putting in work to change thoughts on death

Highlands resident Nancy Gosse has dedicated most of her adult life towards helping people overcome difficult, often traumatic experiences. Now, the counsellor is busy studying to fill what she sees as a void in the community, seeking to become Haliburton County's first death doula.

Gosse's roots in providing support services, both mental and spiritual, stretches back decades to her time working as a night counsellor at a community centre and residence in Newfoundland. Now, she offers a wide-range of programs under her Inceptional Soul Services umbrella, combining spiritual counseling, meditation instruction, and energy healing.

She started her death doula training in June 2021, signing up for a program offered through the Home Hospice Association. Asked to explain the role of a death doula, Gosse said it's all about providing support.

"Helping people to feel comfortable with talking about what it means to be dying. Many people consider death to be a morbid topic, but it doesn't have to be. A death doula's job is to stay grounded, and help patients stay grounded so they can deal with a diagnosis and try to move forward," Gosse said.

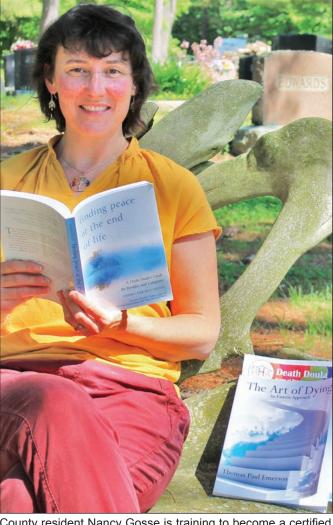
She added, "You can be a resource, helping people to connect the dots for things they might need to support them through the dying process... Just being there to provide a sense of stability during a time of upset and chaos. A death doula will walk beside you and assist in any way that helps you find your calm in the middle of the storm.'

There are four essential areas of focus for those studying to become a death doula: legacy work, vigil, active dying and bereavement support. Gosse said students will typically select one area to specialize in. While she is yet to make a final decision, she has found herself drawn to legacy work.

"This is wide open to creative approaches for however the dying person wishes to engage in developing a project that is intended as a memory keeper," Gosse said. "It could be creating a photo book, writing a memoir, writing letters to say goodbye, or planning a 'living funeral'."

Gosse is hoping to become fully certified before the end of

"I feel this is a natural extension of everything I've been doing with my practice anyway... Over the years, I've felt like I've been collecting pieces of a puzzle and this is just the latest



County resident Nancy Gosse is training to become a certified death doula. Submitted.

area of study for me," Gosse said. "My goal is to be there for this community, to help people during their lowest time... Where I am now, doing this work, it just feels like the right place to be."

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Members of the Gooderham Community Action Group, organizing the festival, show off their new 'Catch the Gooderham Spirit' shirts. Photo by Sam Gillett.

Rocking tunes set to return to Gooderham

By Sam Gillett

Gooderham is about to get loud.

Six bands will be playing, rain or shine, during the community's first Gooderham Music Festival since 2019 at the Robert McCausland Memorial Community Centre bandstand July 30.

The concert will run from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

with each band playing an hour and a half.

"The whole idea was to start using a beautiful bandstand that we have that was just sitting there," said Denise Winder, chair of the Gooderham Community Action Group (GCAG).

She said the group has gathered momentum with new members joining to help organize the festival.

During their most recent Canada Day event, own chairs and umbrellas in case of rain. the crowd surpassed expectations.

"We're really excited," Winder said. "Especially after Canada Day, we have never seen so many children."

GCAG will be accepting donations to help cover costs, which include the hiring of a professional sound person.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their

There will be food and drinks available.

Not Responsible will play from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. followed by Ragged Company from noon to 1:30 p.m. Then Bill Black takes the stage from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. followed by Jeff Moulton from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The Rockin' Bobs play from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and the Recycled Teenagers from 7:30 to 9 p.m.



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Showcasing one of the greats

Charles Pachter, one of Canada's leading contemporary artists, was in Haliburton July 16 for the opening of his 'A Romance with Canada' exhibition at Corner Gallery. More than 30 pieces of Pachter's art, many including his iconic moose calling card, will be featured until Aug. 10. "For me to come home to Haliburton after all this time - yesterday I was at Camp White Pine, a place I worked at 60 years ago when I was just a boy – it's amazing. I'm so impressed with the area and how it has grown," Pachter said. "And this exhibition is lovely – they really have done a spectacular job with it." Corner Gallery, located at 123 Maple Ave., is open Tuesday and Thursday through Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. Photos by Mike Baker.

Top: Charles Pachter explains the inspiration behind his 'Monarchs of the North' piece, completed earlier this year, and featuring his trademark moose. Bottom: Pachter is all smiles as he stops for a picture alongside Haliburton's Monica and Graham Smith.









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Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (s. 32)

2022 MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

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The required filing fee for the Head of Council is \$200.00 and all other offices are \$100.00, cash, debit, certified cheque or money order made payable to the appropriate municipality, and must accompany the signed forms. Full details on the procedures to be followed may be obtained from the appropriate Municipal Clerk. Please call the appropriate office to schedule an appointment to file your nomination.

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16 Highlander environment

Eating and bleating, goat pilot on the rocks

By Mike Baker

A new pilot project launched by the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust last week, testing whether or not goats make suitable replacements for lawnmowers, has hit a snag.

A group of 10 Saanen milking goats were led to a roughly one hectare plot of land at Barnum Creek Nature Reserve July 10 to carry out a two week test, which Sheila Ziman, HHLT board director, said is all about possibly reducing the Land Trust's carbon footprint. However, the project has been suspended as the goats have destroyed fencing designed to keep them contained at the site.

The land is a natural habitat to several at-risk species Ziman said, including monarch butterflies and whip-poor-wills. She said the group wasn't willing to abandon the pilot completely, and would soon be meeting to come up with a new plan.

Ziman said the idea to use goats to clear grass and foliage at the site, instead of a mower, came from a random video she watched with her partner last year.

"It was all about how farmers will use goats in the U.S. to clear up large pieces of land," Ziman said. "So, when gas prices went crazy, I joked that it would be cheaper for us to buy some goats and have them clear up Barnum.'

The more she thought about it, the more the idea started to make sense. She reached out to Sue Peel, owner of Killara Station, an organic farm based on Gelert Road. Peel explained the benefits of naturalized clearing



Sue Peel of Killara Station Farm uses a bucket of feed to lure the goats down the trail to Barnum Creek Nature Reserve last week. Photo by Ian Darragh.

of open land, and told Ziman she had goats at her farm that would be perfect for the pilot. The duo then brought in Paul Heaven of Glenside Ecological Services to come up with a plan of action.

The Land Trust received \$4,000 from the Haliburton County Development Corporation to bring the project together, and have invested \$1,000 of their own money.

There have been issues from the outset, Ziman admitted. During the first day, the goats rammed a section of fencing and

escaped. They were taken away for a few days while the site was repaired, returning on July 13. Ziman said of July 20, the goats were no longer at Barnum Creek.

"They have been pushing through the electric fence again, so we all thought it best for Sue to take them back to Killara Station," Ziman said.

While the idea of using goats at Barnum Creek still appeals to HHLT, Ziman said it may not be feasible.

"Notwithstanding the current issues, the

idea here is to reduce our carbon footprint by not operating the tractor, but given the fact the goats have to be driven out to the site, and then people need to check on them, we actually might be in a worse position by using them," Ziman said. "But that is a hay field, so fertilizing the hay with the goat manure is definitely a positive... We are going to [talk as a group] and determine how to go forward with this project."





Marking 75 years of history on Hall, Hawk Lakes

Elvis Johnson Park was a hive of activity this past weekend as the Halls & Hawk Lakes Property Owners Association (HHLPOA) marked its diamond anniversary with a community celebration more than 12 months in the making.

Hundreds of cottagers and permanent residents pitched up along the shore of Halls Lake July 16, enjoying the festivities put on by the association. There were games and birdhouse painting for children, while adults enjoyed music provided by Nick and Benton, and catching up with friends and neighbours. It was an emotional day for some, noted

HHLPOA president Peter Dodzis. "This was our first real community event in three years, our first time seeing familiar

faces in a long, long time," Dodzis said.
"There were lots of smiles, but there were some tears too as people reunited... It's been a very special day for our community.'

Since its launch in 1946, the HHLPOA has been responsible for the protection and stewardship of Halls Lake, Little Hawk Lake, Big Hawk Lake and the Kennisis River. Today, the association boasts more than 200 members.

Among them are the Greenhow family. Patriarch Abiathar Carey is the first known cottager to frequent Halls Lake, having built a cabin on the water in 1919.

Ninety-one-year-old Dorothy Watts still spends time at the place, albeit updated, her grandfather built all those years ago. She and her sister, Trish Greenhow, are two of seven

siblings to have spent almost their entire life cottaging in Algonquin Highlands.

The family is now fifth generation at the lake. Rob Greenhow and his wife Angela, who live in Colorado, make a point to visit Halls Lake every summer. The couple's two children, Ella and Adam, are regular visitors of nearby Camp Kandalore.

"This is a special place for our family. Most of us grew up on Halls Lake during the summer," Greenhow said. "Now we're introducing the next generation and hoping they'll carry the torch forward."

Joan O'Halloran and her late husband, Jim, bought their property on Big Hawk Lake in 1953. She has spent nearly every summer since visiting the area.

"We had to come in by boat for a lot of years... The road only extended out to our property in 2010," Joan said.

Her son, Regan, and his wife, Carol Foderick, took ownership of the one room cabin in 2013. They recently completed construction of a brand-new cottage, and spend seven or eight weeks of the year there with children, Katie and Ben.

"I remember back when I was a kid, we'd get in a boat and head out with a quarter in our back pockets, wondering what the day ahead would bring. Those were some of the best days of my life. I had so many amazing times finding fun places on the lake," Regan said. "Those are the sort of experiences I'm hoping my kids will make coming up here.'

The Greenhow, O'Halloran and dozens of other families' history on Halls and Hawk



The Carey and Greenhow families have been cottaging on Halls Lake for 102 years. Photo by Mike Baker.

lakes are outlined in the recently published Lure of the Lakes. Written by cottager Joan Hamilton, the book captures the HHLPOA's 75 years, and shares stories of some of the area's earliest settlers.

"This book ensures that the history of

this lake and the people that make up our community will be remembered forever,' Dodzis said. "We owe an awful lot to the people that came before us and helped to settle this community.'

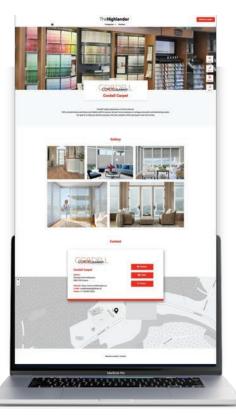
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Unspooling division through arts & crafts

By Sam Gillett

For years, Sandra Clarke drove her daughter from Mississauga to critical hospital appointments in downtown Toronto.

Protests at Queens Park often slowed down or stopped traffic.

"Even if I agreed with what the protestors were saying, I was frustrated by not being able to bring my daughter to the hospital. I thought there has got to be a better way."

That's when she started investigating craftivism, which uses crafts such as knitting to fight for political or social change or bring awareness to the climate crisis, for example.

"I wanted to have a quieter, gentler alternative to blocking traffic or keeping nurses from reaching the hospital," Clarke - who divides her time between Toronto and Highlands East - said. "It's also a way of bringing people together."

At the upcoming Haliburton Art and Craft Festival, Clarke invites attendees to help her create an earth loom, made by weaving recycled textiles or leaves, flowers and grass onto threads in between a wooden frame.

The point of an earth loom is to ponder our relationship to the natural environment and to bridge divides by creating it with others who may be different than you.

"You can have a Conservative and a Green Party member working side-by-side on this loom. You don't have to discuss your politics but you at least see each other on a human level," Clarke said.



Sandra Clarke said earth looms are a way to contemplate shared humanity and bridge divides. Photo by Sam Gillett.

She added that especially throughout COVID-19, people with differing views couldn't come together.

"It's really hard in this world of digital confrontations to come face-to-face with somebody who is totally opposite to you. When you're working on something important with them together, that's going to influence you," she said.

That's not to say Clarke doesn't share her opinions, or dispute views she disagrees with. However, she said conversations between strangers who might not otherwise speak can be a powerful thing to witness.

"I know a lot of people; we might have done demonstrations and sit-ins in the past. We're done yelling, it's exhausting. We're done using a traditional method of protesting and not seeing things change," she said. Clarke has hosted multiple craftivism sessions at Patio Tuesdays outside Rails End Gallery this summer and will be constructing an earth loom with community help July 22-24 inside the Haliburton Art and Craft Festival at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre tent.



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A Janus Sculpture piece at the festival in 2016. File.

Inspiring people to learn more about art in Head Lake Park

By Sam Gillett

Seventy-five artisans, live music and even gigantic colourful birds will descend on Head Lake Park for the return of Haliburton County's largest arts celebration July 22-24

The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival, running annually for 59 years, is back after a two-year pandemic hiatus.

"It's a friendly and inspiring festival," said Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre director Laurie Jones, who has been preparing for the weekend alongside a crew of 30 volunteers.

"When I talk to our volunteers, I say our job here is to inspire people to want to learn more about art in general."

There are vendors from all over the art world, including sculptors, painters, woodworkers, jewellers and more.

"We want it to be accessible. People who come to our festival will find something in their affordability scale," Jones said. There will be a range of art for sale from thousanddollar ornate carvings to handcrafted greeting

There will be live music and performances by Les Chasseurs de Rêves, a performance troupe that performs dances on stilts emulating colourful birds.

The festival draws hundreds of visitors from outside of Haliburton County each year.

Jones recommends festival-goers consider getting dropped off to avoid the difficulty of finding parking around Haliburton.

There will be a designated drop-off parking spot in front of the gallery on York Street, with public parking available around Haliburton and at the A.J. LaRue Arena.

There are three entrances to the festival: York Street, the bridge beside the Head Lake bandshell, and the boardwalk near the Head Lake Welcome Centre.

Admission is by donation, with a tap option to donate with credit or debit cards.

Plenty of washrooms will be available, including all the stalls at the welcome centre and additional portable washrooms.

Jones suggests people check out the Rails End Gallery website, which lists the artists exhibiting and profiles their work.

"They can see who is new, who is returning," Jones said.

The festival runs noon to 5 p.m. July 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 23 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

To find out more, visit railsendgallery.com/ haliburton-art-and-craft.

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Art takes centre stage on Kennisis Lake

Art on the dock was blessed with beautiful weather July 16-17 as many visitors enjoyed the 15 locations, and 30 exhibiting artists, which could be accessed by land or water, organizer Janis Parker said. She added a wide gamut of art was available, and one studio upped its location by hiring musical performer Michael Redden, and offering lunch as well as other goodies. There was a great mix of returning and new artists, Parker said. "Many of these artists continue to upgrade their skills at Fleming College here in Haliburton," she added. Art on the Dock will once again be donating to the Haliburton Arts Council, Artists in the Schools and Community Program. Donations are a direct result of offerings by visitors, sponsors and the artists themselves, who give back a portion of their sales from the event. (*Lisa Gervais*).

Left: Carolyn Jones poses with her Cardinal creations. Right: June Maresca showed off her jewelry. *Photos submitted.*





Importance of Being Earnest

Cecily Cardew, left, played by Hannah Klose, comes face-to-face with the indomitable Lady Bracknel, with John Jackson in the featured role, in the Highlands Summer Festival production of The Importance of Being Earnest. The play continues at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion until July 26. (Photograph by Lorne Campbell).

WHAT'S ON

July 21, 1:30 p.m.

Haliburton County Historical Society invites the public to an afternoon with Scotty LaRue. Hear all about the history of hockey in Haliburton at the Haliburton Museum. Light refreshments will be served. For information, call Larry Giles 705-754-0427

July 22, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Stanhope Heritage Museum is presenting a "Pop-in / Pop-out" event. Embrace some "weaving wizardry" with local artist Sheila Ziman. One thing's for sure: this ain't your summer camp basketweaving. If you know Sheila's amazing work, you'll want to see it again. And if you don't, you're in for a pleasant surprise. Visit stanhopemuseum.on.ca for further info.

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation is hosting the Matt Duchene charity golf classic at the Blairhampton Golf Course.

July 22 - 24

Haliburton Arts and Crafts Festival at Head Lake Park in Haliburton. Friday noon to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m

Featuring 75 artists and artisans. The 59th Annual Haliburton Art & Craft Festival event is an annual fundraiser in support of Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre community arts programming. Admission by donation.

July 23 - 24

Camp Northern Lights on Lochlin Lake is holding its 50th birthday open house and celebration.

July 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Junk in the trunk flea market in the Minden Legion parking lot.

July 24, 9:30 a.m. to noon

Cheryl Hamilton of RE/MAX is hosting hot air balloon rides in Minden. Free rides will be approx. 20-40 feet up and for two to three minutes.

July 28, 6 p.m.

Do you want to shell-ebrate World Nature Conservation Day with the Turtle Guardians? Join the team at the HHOA in Haliburton for their first annual guided paint night. Bring the family, meet the teaching turtles (who will be the models), and create some turtley-cool art. No experience needed. Tickets are \$25 for two parents and their kids. Food and drinks are served too

Register at turtleguardians.com. Pre-register only. Ticket holders will be entered into a draw for a door prize. Proceeds for this event go towards supporting the Turtle Guardians program to save turtles.

July 29, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Everyone Can Make A Zine! A creative, hands-on workshop offered by the Halls Island Artist Residency. Participants will create a one-page Zine - a brief, expressive work of collage, creative writing and drawing - a mini-magazine with a twist! Suitable for adults and youth 13 years and up. Leader - Cleopatra Peterson, a 2022 Halls Island Residency artist, is a multidisciplinary artist who writes, printmakes, illustrates and loves self-publishing.Haliburton County Public Library, Dysart Branch Email hallsislandartistresidency@ gmail.com to register

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Tuesdays: League darts starting at 7 p.m.

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Wednesdays: Bid euchre 1 p.m. start, main hall & bingo, doors open at 6 p.m., bingo starts at 7 p.m. \$500 Jackpot last Wednesday of the month.

Thursdays: General meeting third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. & ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Fridays: Cribbage 1 p.m. start in the Schofield Room; 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. Ed Pickard, MC. Friday fun darts 4:30 p.m.

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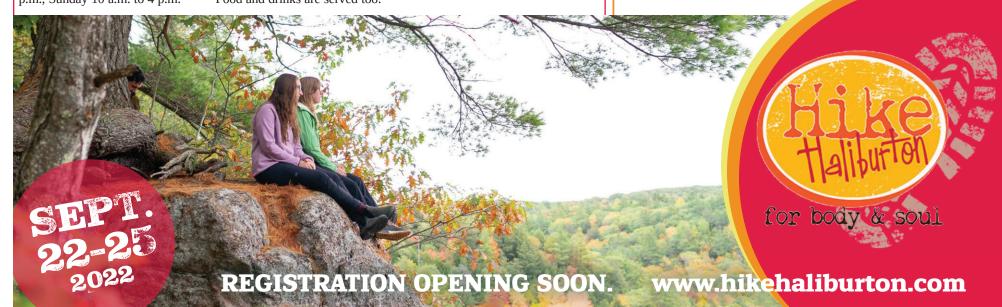
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Tuesday: Euchre 1-3 p.m.

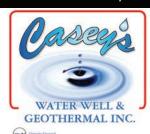
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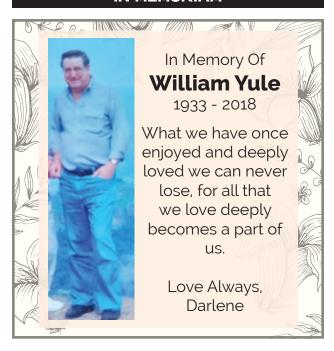
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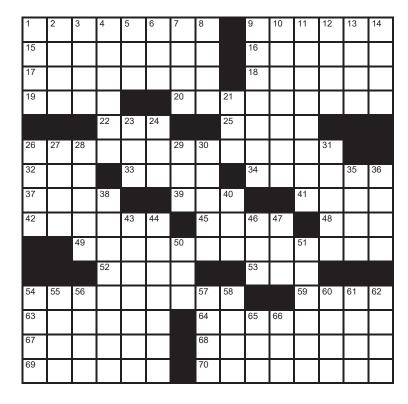
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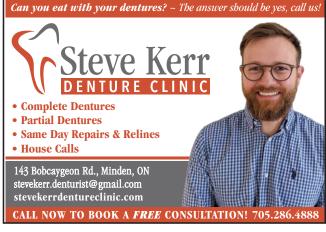
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- 19 Alone: Fr.
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- 34 Does a Jimmy Carter impression
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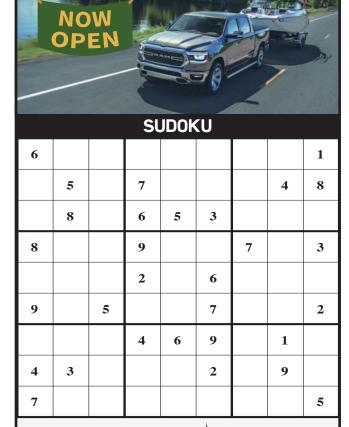
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- 8 Mark on the Walk of Fame
- 9 Given the short end of the stick
- 10 When troops return home
- 11 Helen's "hear me roar" hit
- 12 An octet less a quintet
- 13 Home of the Kon-Tiki
- 14 Must-have
- 21 "Ten thousand saw ___a glance": Wordsworth
- 23 Wrestler Flair or rocker Ocasek
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- **29** Pierrefonds pal
- 30 Self-ish sort?
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- 36 "South Park" friend of Kyle
- 38 Individually
- 40 Baby goat
- 43 Took over unrightfully
- 44 Beat cops' workplaces
- 46 Request too often, maybe
- 47 Centre of vision?
- 50 Datum for a pickup person
- **51** ___ Grégoire Trudeau
- 54 Phone nos.
- 55 "Deux" cubed
- 56 White-tailed eagle
- **57** MGM cofounder Marcus
- 58 Green moth
- 60 Prepared soil for seeding
- **61** Film lead-in to drama
- 62 Numbered item in a how-to
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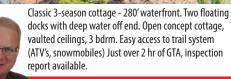
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- Custom built 4 bedroom, 3 bathroo 157 ft of shoreline in low traffic bay
- Finished walkout basement, 24' x 28' garage with oversized doors Granite stone landscaping, extensive houston docking system Solar panels, sauna, generator, security system



\$750,000 **GRASS LAKE**

- m built 3+1 bedro
- Large level front yard, firepit, sunset views
- Screened gazebo, 2 stone fireplaces, wet bar, jacuzzi tub



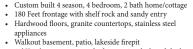
\$549,900 PARK STREET

- 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 1200 sq ft in town home
- Extensive renovations and upgrades Wrap around decking, park like setting, municipal sewer Partial unfinished basement, treed lot offering lots of
- Large lot, firepit area, storage shed



\$1,650,000 DAVIS LAKE

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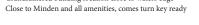




\$699,900 **GULL LAKE**

- concept cottage with bunkie
 - 202 ft frontage on clean "weed free" deep water Sunset views, year round access, ample parking

 - Grandfathered building location close to waters edge





\$899,000 NORTH PIGEON LAKE

- 2 bedroom, 4 season, 1154 sq ft home/cottage
- 26.7 acres and over 1100 feet shoreline Full partially finished walkout basement
- Stone fireplace, screen porch, main floor laundry Landscaped, concrete walkway, year round private road



\$599,900 **GULL LAKE**

- · 2 bedroom, 600 sq ft cottage at waters edge
- ng wall, sunset views 157.7 ft sand shoreline with granite retain
- 20' x 24' dry boathouse with 8' lakeside door
- Cathedral ceiling, pine floor, lakeside deck, firepit area



\$499,900 +HST GULL LAKE

- · 175 feet frontage and 1.36 acres with panoramic views
- 10 Minutes from Minden Village and all amenities
- Year round road, plenty of privacy, level lakeside area
- Building site cleared and ready for foundation Hydro services at rear of lot



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