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# County to get 10,000 new residents by 2051

#### By Mike Baker

Haliburton County's population is going to grow by around 10,000 people over the next 30 years, Peterborough-based consulting firm Watson and Associates is predicting.

In a report to County council Sept. 13, firm partner Jamie Cook said he had studied numbers from Statistics Canada, the

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, and the four lower-tier townships before arriving at the number. The report provides a long-term outlook on jobs, housing, and population figures between now and 2051.

Cook said it's a comprehensive study with background to the County's official plan, and upcoming development charges work.

"This will help form the basis of further work for the County to look at urban land requirements, servicing needs, and long-term planning policies," Cook said.

When looking at long-term growth in the Highlands, Cook considered the wider provincial macroeconomic picture to get a sense of how economic trends,

competitiveness, and growth rates elsewhere may affect the potential growth of permanent and seasonal populations in the County.

He said migration is now the key driver of population growth locally.

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# County discusses growth

County coun. Bob Carter. File.

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"Historical growth over the past 20 years has been fairly moderate, but in the last five years, we can see a significant uptick in overall population growth locally," Cook said. He noted the County saw an approximate three per cent annual growth rate between 2016-2021, compared to around one per cent annually from 2001-2015.

"A three per cent growth rate is very significant – it's about double the provincial average," Cook said.



It's resulted in a dramatic increase in conversions of seasonal properties to permanent, year-round homes. Between 2016-2021, 61 per cent of the County's new housing inventory was conversions. Cook expects this to substantially decrease in future, to 42 per cent by 2026 and 18 per cent by 2051.

He said building activity across Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills has been "pretty steady" the past 15 years, with between 100-120 new units each year. Long-term, he expects that number to grow to around 170 households per year.

By 2051, he's predicting housing growth of 5,200 units in the County, expecting 66 per cent will be new builds, and 34 per cent conversions

Cook says around 80 per cent will be low-density builds, such as single-family homes.

He attributed the conversion rate to the influx of people relocating to the Highlands from more expensive housing markets, noting they could afford to renovate waterfront cottages and relocate permanently. He expects those units to return to seasonal use in the future.

"Looking at the supply of units for conversion and considering the demographic trends of baby boomers aging and their desire to live year-round in Haliburton, as well as other generations following the boomers, we anticipate less opportunity for conversions, and there will be some pressure to convert back as baby boomers decide they don't want to live in a cottage on a full-time basis as they get into their more senior years," Cook said.

### Population analysis

Cook projects the County's population will be significantly older by 2051. Per Statistics Canada, 14 per cent of the

County was over 75 as of 2021, and Cook expects that to double over the next 30 years.

"We're seeing about 55 per cent of net migration to the County being in the 55-plus age category [in 2021]. We project that changing to roughly 45 per cent, so we're seeing a bit more influence of families, younger adults, and children, but it's still not enough to augment this aging population.

"It has significant impacts on population growth, servicing needs, municipal infrastructure and services, and housing.

This is a big finding – not surprising given the migration trends in recent years, but something to be very mindful of," Cook said.

He added more people are dying than being born, so the area is going to become increasingly dependent on migration to boost its population.

Dysart projects to maintain its spot as the

most populated township in the County 30 years out, growing from 7,300 people to 11,600 people... Minden Hills is projected to grow almost 41 per cent, to 10,000 people from 7,100, with Highlands East estimated to grow from 3,900 people to around 5,500. Algonquin Highlands is expected to grow from 4,000 residents to 5,000.

Cook projects the County's permanent population to be around 31,000 by 2051, up from 21,000 in 2021. He expects the seasonal population, pegged at 43,400 in 2021, to drop to around 42,900. Cook said the projected population

should lead to the creation of around 3,000 new jobs, two thirds in the commercial, retail, and institutional sectors.

Cook said there was some cause for concern with the County getting older, it may put additional pressure on the labour market.

"Businesses across the County are already struggling to fill job postings now. In 2051, if over 28 per cent of the population is over 75, I'm not sure how this County can remain sustainable and provide for needs of that demographic," said coun. Lisa Schell.

Coun. Cec Ryall asked what the County can do in the short-term to avoid potential long-term disaster. Cook said bolstering the local housing supply is the best path forward.

Coun. Bob Carter said he had a hard time buying into some of the projections, particularly surrounding future population. He noted Cook had presented a 1.3 per cent annual growth rate as the most likely outcome for the Highlands, but that the provincial rate is closer to 1.5 per cent.

"I don't see us growing at less than the provincial average," Carter said.



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# Liberal hopefuls promise to reopen ER

#### By Mike Baker

Four of five people, vying for leadership of the Ontario Liberal Party, have vowed to reopen the Minden emergency department should they become premier in the 2026 election.

Nate Erskine-Smith, Ted Hsu, Yasir Naqvi, and Adil Shamji were at Rotary Park Minden Sept. 16, attending a BBQ by the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock (HKLB) provincial Liberal association. Sixty members attended, questioning the candidates on health care, education, and the economy, said association president, Donna Aziz.

"We are thrilled with the turnout, and the candidates took the time during the middle of their campaigns to come up and meet voters in HKLB," Aziz said. "It's important we start to rebuild [trust] in the party as the Liberals try to pull things together ahead of the next election so that we can challenge (Premier Doug) Ford."

Erskine-Smith is serving his third term as MP for the Beaches-East York riding. Erskine-Smith said he's played a key role in rebuilding the federal Liberal party over the past eight years and sees an opportunity to do the same thing at the provincial level.

He said health care was the number one issue brought up by members at Saturday's

"It's a human resource crisis that's cutting deep across emergency rooms all over the province. People are rightly concerned about a lack of access to family health teams, mental health and addictions programs, home and community care for seniors, so improving health care has to be the priority," he said.

Erskine-Smith added, "that has to be the minimum commitment we're making to communities. There's got to be emergency rooms that are open, including here in Minden.'

Hsu is MPP in Kingston and the Islands. He served as MP for the federal riding from 2011 to 2015. He said he was drawn back into politics by his daughter.

"She and her friends just want somebody to get something done. They see the problems with housing, cost of living, the health care system, the climate crisis. The economy isn't working, mental health, addictions and homelessness are all huge problems... the only way I could see to make a real



From left, former Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock Liberal nominee Judi Forbes, Don Valley West MPP Stephanie Bowman (representing Bonnie Crombie), and leadership candidate nominees Yasir Naqvi, Ted Hsu, Nate Erskine-Smith, and Adil Shamji. Photo by Mike Baker.

difference was to help set the direction of the party by being leader," Hsu said.

He said he would invest money to ensure health care workers are provided, "decent working conditions, respect, and fair pay,' and vowed to reopen the Minden ER.

Naqvi is the MP for Ottawa Centre and previously served three terms as MPP in the similarly named provincial riding from 2007 to 2018. He was Ontario's attorney general from 2016 until 2018.

He said he would invest heavily in Ontario's education system after "years of neglect" under the Ford government. He wants to make post-secondary education free for students whose family earns less than \$90,000 per year. Naqvi is also proposing a universal mental health care system.

Naqvi said he would encourage more immigration to Ontario to increase the provincial tax base.

After also promising to reopen the Minden ER, the MP for Ottawa Centre also committed to, "making sure that no other emergency room ever closes in our province again." Naqvi said he would fast-track licenses for internationally-trained physicians and nurses.

Shamji has been to Minden three times in six months. He participated in events calling for the reopening of the Minden hospital. Based in Toronto, Shamji has been an ER doctor for more than 10 years.

"I've written a lot of prescriptions in my lifetime, but I've never been able to write a prescription for housing, or groceries, or clean air. That's the reason I'm running... to go where the help is needed, be the change our province needs, and help people through these tough times," Shamji said.

He said no emergency department would close under his watch and criticized Ford for

the Greenbelt debacle. "Not only should we be protecting and preserving the Greenbelt, but we should also be expanding it," Shamji

The fifth nominee, Mississauga mayor Bonnie Crombie, didn't attend, though she was represented by Don Valley West MPP Stephanie Bowman – the vice chair of her campaign.

Bowman said she feels Crombie has the kind of experience, energy, character, and personality that appeals to voters, and represents the Liberal's best chance of regaining power at Queen's Park.

Members will decide the party's next leader through a ranked ballot vote Nov. 25 and 26, with the winner announced Dec. 2. Only those with a party membership purchased before Sept. 11 will be eligible to vote. For more information, visit ontarioliberal.ca/ leadership.

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Highlander editor Lisa Gervais. File.

## Highlander editor takes third in nationals

The Canadian Community Newspaper Awards were announced Sept. 18 with Highlander editor, Lisa Gervais, being recognized.

In the best news story category for papers with a circulation of up to 9,999, Gervais placed third for her story 'Devastating call inspired better policing.

The story was about Haliburton Highlands OPP police officer Paul McDonald receiving a Police Association of Ontario award. In it, McDonald opened up about how his sister's near strangulation by an intimate partner, and the aftermath, led to him wanting to become

News Media Canada said the "prestigious" annual awards program features 27 categories honouring outstanding editorial, photography, multimedia and overall excellence in community newspaper publishing.

The 2023 winners were selected from 798 entries for work published in 2022.

You can read Gervais' story at thehighlander.ca/2022/03/31/devastating-callinspired-better-policing. (Mike Baker).

### **ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS NEWS**

#### Cell tower approved

A new 90-metre steel guyed cell tower designed to improve service around Oxtongue Lake has been approved by Algonquin Highlands council – five months after an initial application was turned down.

The tower, now slated for installation at 1041 Harris Rd., was discussed by council at a Sept. 7 meeting. It is the latest proposal in the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) Cell Gap Project, aiming to increase cell phone coverage and capacity for 99 per cent of residents in eastern Ontario by 2025. The initiative is a \$300 million joint investment between Rogers and the provincial and federal governments.

In April, an application to install a 60-metre tower at 4539 Hwy. 60 was denied by council, with some members expressing concern over the close proximity of the structure to several homes in the area. Municipal policy states any structure should be at least 1,000 metres from a home. Under the previous application, there were several properties within 500-metres of the site. Rogers representative Eric Belchamber labelled the policy "outdated" at the

Town planner Sean O'Callaghan noted there are three properties within 500-metres of the new site. Because of the increased height, a light will need to be installed on the tower, though Christian Lee, a Rogers representative, stated in his report to council a large shield will be placed under the light to protect the surrounding environment from light scatter.

A public meeting was held Aug. 14, with 22 people attending. Most expressed concerns about the visual impact of the proposed tower, but felt it was a better location than the previous proposal, Lee said.

Mayor Liz Danielsen expressed some concern over the increased height of this proposed tower – but O'Callaghan noted the it was needed to provide line-of-sight service to residents in the area, and connect with other tower locations. The site is approximately 1.2 kilometres away from the previously proposed location. O'Callaghan recommended council approve the project.

One of the benefits of this proposal, the planner noted, is that, due to the restructuring of tower locations in Algonquin Highlands, Rogers is planning one fewer new tower builds. Belchamber said in April, Rogers was pitching five new towers under the EORN project, but O'Callaghan said he's been told that, due to this location serving a wider area, Rogers will only need four towers in the community.

The proposal was passed in a 3-1 vote, with Danielsen and



A new EORN cell tower has been approved for Oxtongue Lake. File.

councillors Sabrina Richards and Julia Shortreed in favour. Coun. Lisa Barry was the lone vote against. Deputy mayor Jennifer Dailloux was absent for the vote.

#### Need for speed... signs

Council signed off on a \$9,800 investment to purchase a pair of electronic speed signs.

Adam Thorn, public works manager, said the township has regularly loaned signs from the County to try and slow traffic in many areas, most recently along North Shore Road. He noted the devices are also useful in helping with annual traffic counts, as they keep track of any vehicle that drives past them. He said data suggests the signs are successful in slowing traffic.

The signs are solar powered, which Thorn said is important as staff can transport them from location to location without needing to charge them. Considering the relatively low investment, Thorn said he was in favour of purchasing the two signs, rather than continuing to use the County's signs.

"There's considerable wait times when using the County signs we only have access and availability for a very specific period of time," Thorn said. "We could get a lot more information from our roads a lot more readily [if we had our own]." (Algonquin Highlands news compiled by Mike Baker).

## INFORMATION PAG

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#### **CULTURAL CENTRE**

Shifting Lens, a group exhibit featuring 15 artists from the Eastern Hub of the Ontario Society of Artists, will be on display until November 25, 2023, in the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. Admission is by donation. The Gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am – 4 pm. Admission is by donation. For more information ase call 705-286-3763 or email culturalcentre@mindenhills.ca

The Minden Hills Museum & Heritage Village and Nature's Place is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am – 4 pm until Saturday, October 7. This week features hands-on activities taking place Tuesday to Friday from 3-4 pm. Visit us on Saturday for Move & Groove at 11 am and Autumn Crafts at 2 pm. The Heritage Village is also open for self-guided tours. Admission is by donation. For more information, please call 705-286-3763 or email culturalcentre@mindenhills.ca

To recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, the Minden Hills Cultural Centre and Haliburton County Public Library – Minden Branch are co-hosting a community screening of "We Were Children" (2012) on Thursday, September 28 at 5 pm. The film reveals the trauma and impact cause by the residential school system and is suitable for those 16 years of age and older. The Cultural Centre will also be sharing relevant information and resources on September 29 and 30. Admission is by donation. For more information, please call 705-286-3763 or email culturalcentre@mindenhills.ca

#### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

The last HHW to be held in Minden this year will be Saturday, September 23 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at the S.G Nesbitt Arena (55 Parkside Street). Pesticides, fertilizers, pool chemicals, gas, oil, full or partially full aerosols, eaners, fluorescent bulbs and more will be accepted. All materials must be in sealed containers, not leaking and ensure your household hazardous waste is easily accessible. Please remember to bring a valid Waste Disposal Card.

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#### How To Participate:

Snap a photo of you or family members testing your smoke alarms and post it to social media using the hashtag #SavedByTheBeep#Mindenhills.

The Minden Hills Fire Department urges all residents to participate in Ontario's first "Test Your Smoke Alarm Day" on September 28, 2023.

se test your smoke alarms to protect yourself and your loved ones, and make sure they can truly be "Saved By The Beep"!

For more information on smoke alarm safety, please visit www.savedbythebeep.ca.

#### VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON 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 Municipality Act. Meetings begin at 9:00 AM unless rwise noted. The scheduled upcoming meetings are

September 28 - Regular Council Meeting October 12 - Regular Council Meeting

Members of the Public are invited to observe Council proceedings by attending in-person or a live-stream link available on the Township CivicWeb Portal at mindenhills.civicweb.net/Portal/MeetingTypeList.aspx o by using the direct link provided in the notice. Meeting agendas are not displayed during the meeting; please download by visiting our CivicWeb Portal at mindenhills civicweb.net/Portal/MeetingTypeList.aspx. Please note the live stream file/video will be available to the public for the duration of one week after the Council Meeting.

#### OFFICE CLOSURE

Administration Offices and services will be CLOSED on Monday October 2, 2023, for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, as well as Monday October 9, 2023, for Thanksgiving



Melanie Klodt Wong, executive director of the HHHS Foundation, and Haliburton Lions club member Andy Chvedukas are excited about an upcoming fundraiser to support the purchase of new diagnostic imaging equipment at the Haliburton hospital. Photo by Mike Baker.

# Lions to support new diagnostic tools

#### By Mike Baker

For Haliburton resident Andy Chvedukas, there are few things more important than raising money for causes that will better the community.

A relative newcomer to the Highlands, Chvedukas said it didn't take long to learn how generous people in Haliburton County can be. Now, he's trying to tap into that through a new fundraiser the Haliburton and District Lions Club is hosting to support the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation in its commitment to purchase diagnostic imaging equipment for the

An 'Autumn Harvest' dance will take place at the Haliburton Legion Oct. 6, featuring music from Highlands soul band Adverse Conditions, beef on a bun dinner, and live auction. Tickets are \$35 each, or \$60 for two.

"This is a close-knit community where everyone looks after each other. To have this diagnostic imaging in Haliburton County is

going to be a big plus for this community," Chvedukas said. "The Lions club wants to do its part to support this fundraising effort, because it's going to take a lot of money to get it over the line."

There will be several items available during the auction, including a private concert by Canadian singer and keyboard player Carl Dixon, and \$250 of meat supplied by Jim Phoenix of Black Angus Beef.

Chvedukas said he's hoping to raise \$10,000, with some of the money earmarked for other long-time Lions club causes, such as supporting a national campaign to breed and train service dogs for people with disabilities, maintenance and upgrades to the 'Enchanted Forest' at Abbey Gardens, and various youth, art, and recreation camps.

Melanie Klodt Wong said fundraisers are vital for the HHHS Foundation. Earlier this year, the organization committed to raising money for a CT scanner and mammography unit – approved by the province in July. HHHS acting CEO Veronica Nelson pegged

the cost of the machines at between \$3 million and \$3.5 million.

Klodt Wong wouldn't commit to a fundraising goal, noting the foundation also wants to upgrade existing ultrasound and X-ray machines alongside purchasing the new equipment. She acknowledged it would be a multi-million-dollar commitment.

While there is some concern the fallout of the recent closure of the Minden emergency department may cause people to think twice about giving to HHHS, Klodt Wong noted the foundation operates as its own entity and will make the final decision about where the money is going. She noted the project would benefit everyone living in Haliburton County.

"Diagnostic imaging supports the needs of the County in so many different ways – like keeping EMS local and making your services more efficient. Right now, if a doctor needs to get a CT scan for someone, it takes a long time figuring out where to send them, can we get transport arranged, is there a nurse available to go on that trip? It's so

complicated and takes unnecessary hours out of a person's day, and is time consuming for doctors, nurses and paramedics," Klodt Wong said.

Since neither the Ontario government nor HHHS sets aside money for equipment upgrades, Klodt Wong said that burden falls on the community.

Once the fundraising effort is complete, and the equipment purchased and installed, Klodt Wong hopes it will help attract more health care professionals.

"A CT scanner is a stethoscope for doctors. It's a basic tool. If you don't have one, doctors don't feel like they can do their job. This is about finding a way to give our doctors the tools they need. If it helps bring more primary care physicians and nurses, that's an added bonus.'

For more information, or to purchase a ticket, visit haliburtonlions.com, or call 705-457-1354.

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#### MINDEN HILLS NEWS

## Landfill and boardwalk update

Minden Hills says work at the Scotch Line landfill began Sept. 15 and is expected to take three weeks to complete, with an estimated end date of Oct. 6.

As a result, there will be an increase in truck and equipment traffic during operating hours. The town said residents are asked to use caution when visiting the landfill. "Please take your time and watch for moving trucks and equipment. Thank you for your cooperation."

Meanwhile, the township has announced that the boardwalk restoration project is now complete. The boardwalk is open for pedestrian use.

For questions regarding these projects, call the community services department at 705-286-1260 x 551. For more information, visit the Township of Minden Hills website at mindenhills.ca

## Getting the house in order

Minden Hills council, at its Sept. 14 meeting, awarded a contract for an asset management plan

Council selected Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. for \$88,585 plus HST.

Treasurer Greg Bedard said the plan is a "critical component to building our budget and setting our priorities."

He added that joining the township 18

months ago, he oversaw a one-year budget because, "we didn't have an outlook beyond 2023. So, when we get some of this, we're going to help build that outlook long-term." He said they'd made "wise and prudent" decisions but would now have more information going forward.

However, council held off on awarding the tender for a corporate strategic plan. Bedard was recommending council hire StrategyCorp at a price of approximately \$56,000 plus HST.

Bedard said, "this is a visionary document that's going to provide council's goals, provide the community's goals, give staff some direction on what we want to accomplish in the short-term, what we want to accomplish in the long-term, and give us that stability, so we can really look to implement what it is that you want us to do.'

Coun. Tammy McKelvey said she would have liked council to have seen the RFP and StrategyCorp's proposal prior to the meeting. She added she thinks this plan should wait for the new CAO. The township is in the midst of recruiting for a CAO. "I'm not prepared to accept this right now," McKelvey said.

Mayor Bob Carter also wanted more information before awarding the tender. He said if the council is spending \$56,000, he wants to know what it is buying and "how the sausage is made."

Interim CAO Pat Kennedy said Dysart had used StrategyCorp for its corporate strategic plan and it was available on that township's website. Council voted that the proposal be

circulated to them for review and deferred awarding the tender.

#### Tender for new 'jaws of life'

The Minden Hills fire department is tendering for new auto extrication equipment. Fire chief Shain Duda made the request at the meeting.

Council, at a previous meeting, asked staff to report back with more information on the current tool before buying a new one.

Duda said his department has a hydraulic tool that is more than 15 years old and is no longer manufactured. However, it has recently been serviced and works. He'd prefer a newer, battery-operated one.

"It is imperative that we respond to the scene and quickly place our equipment into service. Hydraulic tools take approximately six to eight minutes to set up... whereas battery-operated extrication tools take less than a minute to deploy."

The fire chief said they are also lighter, easier to access difficult terrain with, quieter than gas-powered, have no hydraulic hoses to trip over, and no gas fumes for rescuers and patients.

He noted the purchase was in the 2023 budget at a cost of \$150,000, to be funded from the fire reserve. However, he said the cost of servicing and maintaining the new equipment will impact the operating budget. That will be included in the 2024 and future year's budget submissions.

Council voted for the tender only at this



The Minden Hills fire department wants new auto extrication equipment. *File*.

stage - including researching group tender options before defaulting to the township's tender process - and not the actual purchase. (Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais).



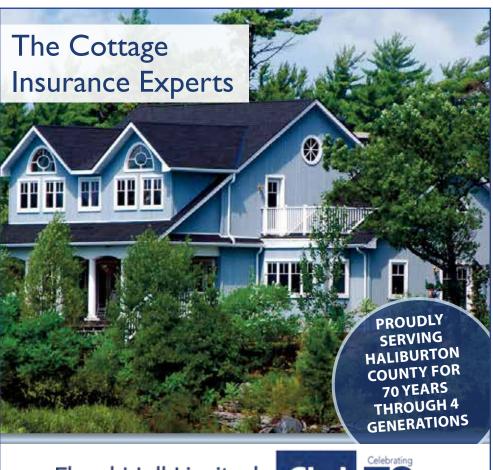
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# IB+0 trail bridge in HE to be restored for sledding season

#### By Lisa Gervais

Sledders should be back on the IB+O trail this winter. Highlands East council voted Sept. 12 to work with user groups to replace a bridge that's been closed since July 2022.

Council unanimously backed public works operations manager Perry Kelly, who recommended spending \$215,000 exclusive of GST on the new bridge, with user groups chipping in nearly \$100,000 of the cost.

Kelly said the Central Eastern Area Snowmobile Region had committed to onethird of projected costs (\$71,686.79) while The Haliburton ATV Association had pledged to provide \$25,000.

He added once the bridge is made and delivered, the work can be done in five days.

"This is an amazing project bringing the user groups together and the community together in order to pull this off," Kelly said. He noted the new bridge will be able to support all user groups.

Kelly said for sledders, it's "an integral asset" for connectivity to the rest of the trail system. He said it will bring increased traffic for retailers, and will reduce municipal liability.

Council passed the resolution unanimously without discussion, with its portion of the money (\$118,394.94) coming from reserves. Highlands East met with user groups Aug. 22, culminating in last week's decision.

Kelly suggested the most economical replacement would be a Lessard bridge, made of steel, 50-feet long, and with a 10-ton capacity to support a trail groomer. He said it's a good price, the easiest to install in a remote trail area, and local contractors can do the work.

In August, Wilberforce Service Centre co-owner Todd Watling told council the closure had a significant impact on his and other businesses in winter 2022-23. He said co-owner, Lindsay Watling, had estimated



The failed bridge on the IB+O trail. File.

they were down more than \$140,000 last year. He said it was so bad, they considered closing last winter and embarking on renovations earlier.

Watling said they heard similar stories from other Wilberforce businesses. "We just simply get bypassed. They choose their rides elsewhere, other trails, other towns, so it's been significant."

Jon Cumming, president of the Paudash Trailblazers Snowmobile Club, also told council at an Aug. 8 meeting, "I want to impress upon council the importance of resolving the problem prior to this winter."

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#### **HIGHLAND EAST NEWS**

#### Laser versus fireworks

Economic development co-ordinator, Joanne Vanier, told Highlands East council Sept. 12 she'd researched laser shows, as opposed to fireworks.

After viewing a website in the U.S., Vanier said she talked to Lasershow Canada.

She said the company has been in business for more than 30 years and told her a majority of their firework clients have switched to laser shows.

She added they bring inflatable screens to project images onto, and lasers shoot over the audience's head. She said a show would require two or three lasers and four to eight projectors. Vanier said the company and its equipment are in very high demand, especially for Canada Day.

"The outdoor show would cost approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000. For comparison, in 2023, we spent \$3,500 for

our fireworks display in Gooderham," Vanier said.

Council received the report for information only.

### Firefighters appointed

In what mayor Dave Burton termed a good news story, three new volunteer firefighters have joined Highlands East.

Fire chief Chris Baughman came to council seeking approval to add Tina Caird and Denver Blakey to station four in Wilberforce and John Mumford to station two in Highland Grove. They are on a 12-month probation.

After Burton commented "good news story," Baughman said, "it's not very often we get to have multiple firefighters and some with training already."

Baughman said his department had 38 calls in August, and has had 198 calls to date.

### **Boil water advisory**

Deputy CAO and treasurer, Brittany McCaw, told council the township had attained compliance with a Provincial Officer's Order issued in November 2020 for the Cardiff drinking water system. "No further action is required under the order," she said.

She further advised council that an unexpected repair inside the Wilberforce water treatment facility caused an interruption to municipal water services Aug. 16, followed by a precautionary boil water advisory for all users of the system.

However, she said the repair was completed as expected and the advisory lifted upon receipt of satisfactory bacteriological samples. (Highlands East news compiled by Lisa Gervais).

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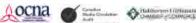
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# The Highlander Use it or lose it

I'm wearing a figurative black arm band this week.

Metroland Media's Sept. 15 announcement that it is restructuring its operations and filing for bankruptcy is just another blow to community journalism in Ontario.

For those that don't know what I'm talking about - and many will not, which is why purveyors of local news are in dire straits - most of Metroland's 71 community newspapers will move to a digital-only model effective immediately.

The final delivery of the print edition of local papers was last week. Metroland's six daily publications are the only ones that will continue to publish both online and in print.

In a letter to readers, the company's vice president said they're confident the restructuring will make the company a sustainable business moving forward.

We've heard that before. In fact, the decision to use newsprint as glorified wrapping paper for advertising flyers must have seemed like a good idea at the time. Editorial staff were slashed and local news became an afterthought in the quest to flog the weekly shopping glossies.

So, I'm not wearing the armband for Metroland, but for the hundreds of journalists who will be laid off, as well as the communities who may now get an even more watered-down online version of news, business, arts, sports and event coverage.

Coming on the heels of another major company - Facebook - throwing local news off of its platform in a hissy fit over the Canadian government wanting them to pay for what they have flogged as free content for years - it is another painful sting for the industry.

Luckily, The Highlander as well as the Haliburton Echo, Minden Times and County *Life* are not Metroland rags. We will continue to have print editions. As I have said before in this space, the County of Haliburton is blessed to have such robust media.

As larger towns around us see papers close, the Highlands has had the gift of a continuous media presence of no less than four award-winning newspapers.

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people want to hold a physical newspaper in their hands.

If the Metroland story tells us anything, it's that we need to appreciate local media. We need to use it - advertise - and as



By Lisa Gervais

I like to say, "read before burning" in your woodstove or campfire.

Metroland says people are getting their news online. Great. People need to go to their websites. When papers call for paid online subscriptions, readers need to support them.

We encourage readers to pick up our print edition, sign up for our weekly newsletter, and bookmark our website for breaking news since we don't use Facebook anymore.

I still believe in community journalism. I still believe we are here to inform and challenge. I still take great pride in bylines above the fold. I believe people like to physically read our product - and yes - before using it to wrap fish or start fires.

As the old adage goes, use it or lose it.

#### MIND BODY MATTERS

## Yoga - what a waste of time!

When I first began taking yoga, I would describe myself as a worrier. That's worrier, not warrior. My worries resulted in sleepless nights, grinding my teeth, clenching jaw, pins and needles in my hands, hives, UTI, headaches and back pain. I was a mess and getting worse. Back surgery was scheduled and I had put my health in the hands of someone else. That was until my chiropractor friend suggested we do a relaxing yoga class

Together, we set off to our first yoga class. It was a big class in number and diversity. I was skeptical but curious and because I signed up with my friend, I was committed for eight weeks. The room was quiet and dimly lit. The class was filled with familiar movements I had done during fitness classes. They were familiar in appearance but the approach was different. There was no pushing or forcing. There was no comparison or competition with anyone. I got through my first class with eyes wide open, fingers twitching and ears ready for the next cue. Then came final relaxation. OMG what a

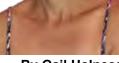
waste of time! I was a busy woman back then and I had a lot of stuff on the go. Here I was, laying on my back on a concrete floor doing absolutely nothing. If it wasn't for my friend, I may have snuck out the back door.

I committed to eight weeks. I was going to do this - like it or not. More final relaxation - waste of my time - and this constant reminding of a thing called the three-part breath. Trying to figure out the three-part breath was frustrating; my body didn't want to breathe that way - what was the point anyway?

What I thought was my first and last yoga session was now quickly coming to an end. Just a couple of more classes left and I would get back to my normal workouts. But something changed in me. I started to breathe the three-part breath and in final relaxation I relaxed. I didn't worry. I had no idea what a huge impact this little change would have on my life.

Relaxing yoga came to my rescue. I learned how to breathe - the first step in my recovery. We have two important parts to our nervous

system, 1) the sympathetic nervous system which revs you up and gets you moving, gives you the energy to fight



By Gail Holness

for your life. Worrying keeps this system turned on. The other, the parasympathetic, slows you down so you can digest your food, eliminate waste, heal your cells, rejuvenate your body and reset your immune system.

This system is activated in yoga. More specifically, in final relaxation. The threepart breath turns on this system. What we need to stay healthy is a balance between these systems. We need to turn on and just as important, we need to relax. Yoga helped me find this balance. The more I embraced the three-part breath and relaxing, the more I healed. No back surgery. My maladies slowly began to disappear. One breath at a time, I got my life back.

#### The Highlander welcomes all contributions, however we wish to remind readers of the following: Letters to the editor policy

- Letters should be exclusive to The Highlander. We do not publish letters also addressed to other media outlets, open letters, letters to
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#### **LETTERS**

#### \$700 fine is 'lunch money'

Dear editor,

Re: Slam Dysart site alteration bylaw We would like to thank Leora Berman and Paul MacInnes, together with numerous others, for their tireless work on trying to protect our environment, including lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands, shorelines, fish habitat, and wildlife.

However, if the site alteration bylaw is not concise and enforceable there is not much anyone can do.

A site alteration bylaw needs to apply to all lands, not just shorelands. It is long overdue and necessary for proper development and protection of our environment. A township's official plan provides direction for site alterations. The provincial policy statement provides policy for EP zones. The EP zones and fish habitat are only recognized if shown on mapping, and many are not mapped.

Site alterations are quietly being completed prior to any permit/planning applications, with no approvals. Wetlands are being filled in, streams are being diverted, steep slopes are being altered, rock blasted, and grades altered to establish building sites and driveways. The site alterations are not only being completed along shorelines but also on lands outside the shoreland areas, and all have the potential to negatively affect our environment. These areas are all part of the same ecosystems and need to be protected.

Mayor Fearrey wants to focus on educating and encouraging people rather than punishing. The developers that are doing the harm are educated. They commission and pay for their own reports. The \$700 fine is just lunch money for some of them.

We have personally seen the irreversible destruction on a right of way with the blasting of rock creating an unstable 40-foot rock cliff with fill being deposited into the lake and wetland area below. The rock cliff remains a risk with falling large rocks and trees to anyone using the road today. The cottage owners using this right-of-way are going to be left with this mess once the developer is gone.

Christine and Jim Legge Redstone Lake

#### Private health clinics long before Ford

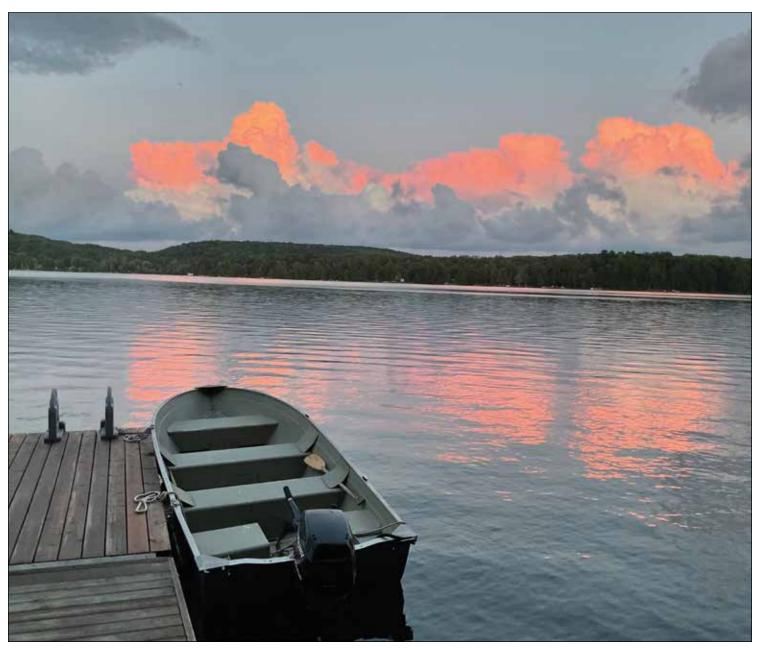
Dear editor,

I, likely many others, am very tired of reading about Bonnie Roe's (The Haliburton Highlands Long-Term Care Coalition) diatribe demonizing the development of medical clinics, which she now refers to as health care privatization.

Why does Bonnie Roe want to deny Ontarians available health care services that are covered by our Ontario Health care system?

Ontario currently has many nongovernment medical service clinics that Bonnie and others, including some politicians, such as former NDP leader Jack Layton, would refer to as "for profit" clinics versus "not for profit". Of course, Jack Layton went to one of those "for profit"

### PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Lana Rusinek took this photo at Twelve Mile Lake.

clinics for his hernia operation. Former prime minister Paul Martin also attended private clinics. So, private clinics are okay for politicians but not the rest of us.

Ontario has private clinics for MRIs, colonoscopies, hernia operations, HIFU cancer treatment, X-ray clinics, orthopedic surgery and more. I am personally connected to an individual who waited seven months for an MRI at one of Canada's best hospitals after suffering, and recovering from, a massive stroke.

I have had a hospital recommend I attend a private clinic to me when the hospital was unable to provide the services. Of course, my appointment was covered by our health system

Most of these current clinics, if not all, came into being long before Doug Ford's government.

Some of these private clinics are introducing and using new technology such as HIFU that eventually gets covered and implemented by our medical health system.

Some of these clinics/private hospitals generate their own funding from external sources. For example, Shouldice attracts many international patients particularly from the U.S.

Of course, contrary to the misinformation we read from these groups, there is very little substance to the term "not for profit" health services.

All hospitals have a CEO, a CFO and a board of directors focused on the financial stability of their business, as any business is. They attempt to stay within their budget, make a profit for research and equipment, if possible, while providing the very best service they can.

They can't plan to go over budget by millions then go to the government, whatever government, and be guaranteed to get compensated.

Full transparency of their financial situation during the fiscal year helps manage expectations and government support.

Tom Edward Norland

#### Punish STR rulebreakers

Dear editor,

I read with some dismay Peter Somin's letter in the Sept. 14 issue of *The Highlander*. While it is true that cottage rental is a tradition I believe that the "tradition" has

been drastically altered in recent years. Like many before me, I rent our cottage during the summer months. What has changed is individuals and in some cases groups of "investors" buying cottage properties for the sole purpose of renting them for profit.

They generally don't use the cottages they own and as Mr. Somin correctly pointed out, care nothing for their neighbours or our pristine environment.

Licensing with robust penalties will fund staff to ensure the traditional rentals that we have all enjoyed over the years survive, while those who break the rules are adequately punished.

Part of the enforcement will certainly be provided by other cottagers whose "quiet enjoyment" has been affected by the yahoos who overcrowd, play loud music, engage in raucous behavior and occasional fireworks.

One only has to look at other jurisdictions where the situation is out of control, to see why we need to be proactive.

Let's act now. Once such a program has been implemented there will be growing pains but a vigilant council can monitor and adjust the rules as needed.

Last but not least, while there are certainly some bad apples in any organization, I take issue with Mr. Somin's characterization of our council as solely an old boys club where who you know gets priority.

Civil discourse is important in our democracy but let's deal in facts not innuendo.

Dr. Peter Markle Haliburton

## 10 Highlander Veterans









#### Minden honours its war veterans

Royal Canadian Legion branch 636 in Minden commemorated the known veterans at the Minden cemetery Sept. 17. White crosses with poppies are placed at the resting places of veterans the first Sunday of Legion Week. President Wendy Bolt said, "Legion Week is a time set aside to do legion work that commemorates and celebrates veterans and members of the legion." The tradition began in 1987. Decoration Day is open to anyone who wishes to honor those who fought, or fight, for freedom. The week is also about educating the public about what the local Legion does for veterans and their families long after service.

Above: Colour Party Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636. Right: left to right: OPP Staff Sgt. Rob Flindell, Legion Branch 636 vice president Rick Wilson, Legion Branch 636 president Wendy Bolt. Photos by Kimberly Strong-Knight.

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# Success drives expansion at Kohara + Co

#### By Mike Baker

Haliburton entrepreneur Brandi Hewson is tapping into the family business through her company Kohara + Co., recently launching new kitchen and bathroom product lines and unveiling a new showroom at her home base along Industrial Park Road.

When launching Kohara in September 2021 Hewson focused on providing custom lighting solutions to contractors and interior designers, but quickly developed a strong following among local DIYers. When the unit beside hers suddenly became available, she jumped at the chance to expand her portfolio.

"This is a very exciting time – we opened our new showroom in August, and we couldn't be happier with the response. We've been up and running for just over a month and already we're working on multiple projects and have seen lots of people come through the door," Hewson said.

The pivot to kitchen and bathroom makeovers is extra special for Hewson, given her grandfather, Jack Hewson, spent much of his life in the industry having owned Highlands Plumbing.

"He had an installation and service company, but also had a showroom just like this one. My dad said it was surreal stepping in here and seeing this, as it was kind of what he saw [with his dad's business]," Hewson

Pivoting when an opportunity arises is nothing new for Hewson. Prior to launching Kohara, Hewson built her other brand,

WAI Products Ltd., which distributes water supply, irrigation, and landscape lighting products across Canada. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, she spent some of her spare time developing a new business that would cover interior lighting, after being pushed by several clients to expand.

Now, Hewson views Kohara as a fullservice operation.

"No matter what you need for your home renovation project, we have it. Whether it's a new faucet for your kitchen, sink or tub for the bathroom, or cabinetry – we have solutions that meet every need and price point," Hewson said, noting she and her staff will also be providing design services for clients who need it. "We can help with design concepts, vision boarding, and then we can provide them with all the fixtures they need."

Hewson said one of the more popular trends right now for home renos are freestanding tubs. She has put a focus on that in the showroom, with one of her tubs taking centre

She noted this expansion will also see Kohara partner with local craftsman Ryan Mitchell to offer custom cabinetry to clients. "Ryan is incredibly talented," Hewson said.

To learn more, visit koharaco.com, or visit Hewson at the showroom located at 175 Industrial Park Road. The space is open Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30



Brandi Hewson, centre, has overseen the recent expansion of Kohara + Co. Submitted.



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- 2. **File No. PLSRA2022063:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of 1126 Duggan Road located within Lot 17, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Minden
- 3. **File No. PLSRA2023012:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1032 Pacific Road located within Lot 22, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
- 4. **File No. PLSRA2023013:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1031 Hoffman Road located within Lot 22, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
- 5. **File No. PLSRA2023017:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1053 Buds Lane located within Lot 21, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
- 6. File No. PLSRA2023005: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Moore Lake, lying in front of 1244 Wessell Road located within Lot 22, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
- 7. **File No. PLSRA2020052:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1036 Beverley Lane located within Lot 24, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Lutterworth

The above noted applications are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario by appointment only. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned.

**AND TAKE NOTICE** should you wish to provide comments with respect to any of the above referenced applications, please submit in writing those comments to the undersigned not later than **October 19, 2023.** 

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected is asked to contact the undersigned at their earliest convenience.

**AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** if deemed advisable, By-laws giving effect to the proposed closure and conveyance will be passed by the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills. Please note that a Council meeting to consider a By-law for the above referenced applications will be scheduled at a later date following the requiste commenting period.

Amanda Dougherty, B.A. (Hons) Manager of Planning, Township of Minden Hills 705-286-1260 Ext. 506 adougherty@mindenhills.ca







#### Welcome back

Kinark Outdoor Centre held a community open house Sept. 16, welcoming 60 people from across Haliburton County for tours and activities, such as boating, hiking, rock climbing, and treetop trekking. Staffer, Katie Corbett, said this was the first open house Kinark had held since before the COVID-19 pandemic. The organization specializes in providing children and youth with a special needs diagnosis, and their families, the opportunity to try new activities in a supported camp environment. It also offers outdoor recreation and community building programs to schools, faith-based organizations, and therapeutic groups. The centre is located at 1766 Queens Line Rd., approximately 10 kilometres west of Carnarvon, on the shores of Grey Lake. For more information, visit kinarkoutdoorcentre.ca.

Top: Diane Benson, Haley McTaggart, Britney Pagliuca, Beth Cleaveley, and six-year-old twins Reese and Ellie Benson prepare to head out for a boat ride on Grey Lake. Middle: Nine-year-old Ari Hirstwood was excited to get crafty, using flowers, pipe cleaner, and other materials to create a decorative emblem. Above: Kinark staffers Katie Corbett and Lacey Maxwell took visitors on tours of the property, while overseeing activities for children. *Photos by Mike Baker.* 





### A literary celebration

The Minden Curling Club was the place to be Sept. 16 as more than 50 authors, illustrators and other literary exhibitors came together for the second annual Bookapalooza event. Sponsored by Haliburton Reads & Writes and the Arts Council Haliburton Highlands, in partnership with the Haliburton Lions Club, Haliburton County Public Library, and Hike Haliburton, the day is a celebration of storytelling in all forms and genres, designed to promote literacy for people of all ages and abilities. Vendors travelled from as far as Toronto and Ottawa to participate in this year's event. There were live presentations and readings throughout, while visitors had the opportunity to stop by an author's booth to discuss their work. There was a 'Children's Book Nook' featuring Heather O'Connor, who shared her children's story Runs With the Stars – an Indigenous story about the Ojibwe horses that used to roam the forests of northwestern Ontario.

Top: Joanne George published her book Smiley in 2017, telling the story of a dog living without eyes. George is pictured with her dog Sunny, who she rescued from Mexico. Above: Toronto-based author Wanda Lauren Taylor shows off a selection of her work alongside her grandchildren Aaniya, Kendall, and Arielle. Photos by Mike Baker.



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## 16 Highlander events

#### AROUND THE COUNTY

#### Take back the night

The YWCA Peterborough Haliburton is holding an inaugural Take Back the Night event in Minden Sept. 21.

Dubbed 'survivors making waves,' people are asked to meet at the green space in front of Minden Canadian Tire, 92 Water St. for 5:15 p.m. People can park in the Canadian Tire lot. There will then be a march around the Gull River. There will also be performers from Haliburton Drums of Rails End Gallery to accompany the march.

The YWCA thanked Minden Canadian Tire owner Terry Gregorini and the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre for helping to facilitate the event.

It is expected to finish at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Busy Haliburton weekend**

Hike Haliburton returns Sept. 22-24 with 34 hikes over the three-day festival. Many of the hikes are already fully booked but there were still some openings as of press time Sept. 20. Go to festival.hikehaliburton.com/hikeregistration.

In addition to the hikes, it is shaping up to be a big weekend in the County.

Colourfest is returning to Head Lake Park in Haliburton Sept. 23 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will again be a pumpkin rolling contest, buskers, scarecrow building contest, inflatable games, a scavenger hunt and face painting.

The Irondale Harvest Festival returns Sept. 23 with a bake sale, a book sale, and a 'new to you' treasure table, along with vendors. It



Participants in a past Hike Haliburton event. File.

happens 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 1019 Elm Rd., Irondale.

The Haliburton County Historical Society is hosting its annual harvest dinner, as well. The pork roast dinner with fresh garden vegetables is Sept. 23 at 5:30 p.m. at the Stanhope Community Centre, 1095 North Shore Rd.

The Corduroy Enduro is also returning to Gooderham Sept. 21-24. There will be demo rides, vintage GP and bike show, a tire

changing contest and rides. All the action goes from the community centre at 1043 Community Centre Road.

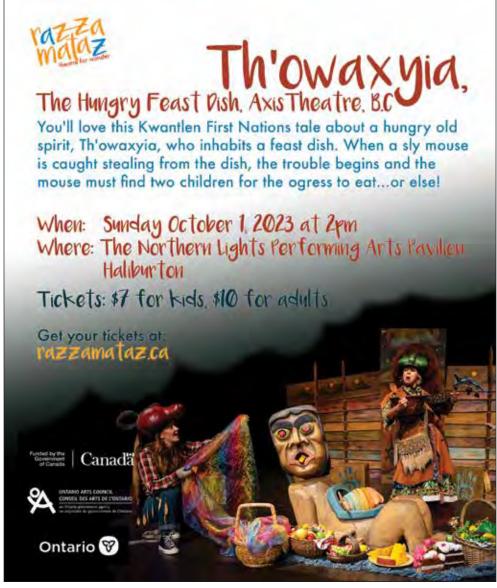
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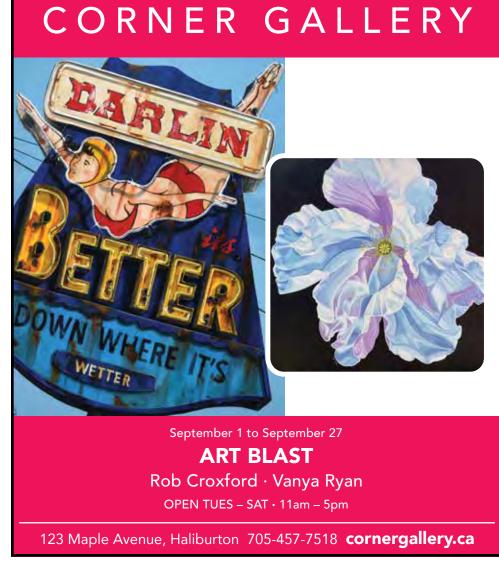
The Minden Hills fire department is doing mutual aid training with all municipal fire departments in the County Sept. 24.

The training will take place at Minden Rotary Park beginning at 8 a.m. and is expected to end by mid-to-late afternoon.

Rotary Park will remain open to the public but visitors are asked to be aware of the increase in fire department vehicles and personnel.

"Please exercise caution as firefighters will be flowing water and using equipment in the area. The training area will be clearly marked and barricaded. We ask the public to respect our safe working zone," the township said in a release. (Around the County compiled by Lisa Gervais).





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# Rich Anton filling some big Blues shoes at CanoeFM

#### By Kimberly Strong-Knight

CanoeFM is adding Rich Anton to its roster of on-air personalities. He will be taking over the Buckslide Blues show, starting at 7 p.m. Sept. 26.

"I know that I have some big shoes to fill," said Anton about stepping into the show that Pat Monaghan had broadcast for a number of years. "I didn't know just how big, but one thing I found with Canoe, which I am so grateful for, is that everyone, from fans of the show to people at Canoe, have all stepped up and said, 'we've got your back, we'll help you and you got this',' Having worked with the TTC for 29 years, and recently retired, Anton

bought property in the area and built a home. With the

completed this summer, he discovered CanoeFM and, "just fell in love with the radio station." He enjoyed the variety of shows, as well as the whole vibe. "When I first tuned in, it felt like a warm blanket, it had a warm, down-home kind of feel to it. And some of the ads I found were so endearing and

He regrets he never got to meet Monaghan, however in a short time he has come to realize what a great authority Monaghan was on the Blues. "His contribution to this community was so vast."

Anton has some roots in the Blues, listening for enjoyment, and playing the harmonica the past 28 years. When he heard of Monaghan's passing, he did not know if the show would continue, but really wanted to keep it going. Even though he has only been here a few months, he is very excited about the opportunity to get involved and do things.

The people are so friendly and supportive. It is a testament to the people who live here that there is so much going on. There are a lot of wonderful, awesome, giving, loving, proactive, community-minded people that are making a lot of cool stuff happen up here," Anton said.

He is looking forward to his debut saying he is excited, and a little nervous.

"In honor of Pat, I want to keep things the same, like the name of the show, the intro music, 'Green Onions.' I think

it is respectful and appropriate to continue in the same vein. However, I will be adding my own style and flavour, but I think it is respectful at the same time when carrying on some history."

> Anton is not only hosting the Buckslide Blues show, but has become an active member of the Highlands Buckslide Blues Society, which is sponsoring a concert Oct. 26 by the Downchild Blues Band, that he will emcee. He is also playing a gig with Sean Cotton at the Haliburton Highlands Museum Nov. 17.

He said people should jump right in, see how they can contribute, and get involved. "It is rewarding, exciting, fun, and meaningful. And you will meet some wonderful people," Anton said.

"I can't fill Patrick's shoes, but I believe that we as a community can."

Rich Anton will host the Buckslide Blues show on CanoeFM starting Sept. 26. Submitted.



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# SIRCH looks to community to support free meals program

SIRCH Community Services has kickstarted its annual 'Gifts from the Heart' campaign early, with demand through the organization's community kitchen program soaring.

Now in its 13th year, the campaign, which traditionally runs in the lead up to the holidays, raises money to sustain SIRCH's meal preparation and delivery. Volunteers gather weekly at the Bistro in Haliburton to package free, nutritious frozen meals for people across Haliburton County and

Communications lead Angelica Ingram said the non-profit is preparing approximately 1,400 meals, plus soups and desserts, every month. That's about as many as SIRCH was doing in a full year back when the program launched in 2011

"We kicked this off so early because there is an urgent need for more funds to sustain the community kitchen program.. costs continue to increase, making it more important for the community



Roxanne Casey, station manager at CanoeFM (third from right), presents a \$5,000 cheque to SIRCH staff and volunteers last week. Submitted.

to donate if they want to see certain programs continue," Ingram said.

SIRCH also works with 12 partner agencies across the County to ensure those who aren't aware of the program, but who could benefit, have the option of enrolling.

The Haliburton County Youth Wellness Hub has been one of the main beneficiaries. Over the past year, the organization has handed out roughly 850 frozen meals to clients.

"This program was heavily utilized by families and youth who were grateful to have access to healthy, home cooked

meals," said hub manager Mary Sisson. "Our community benefits a great deal from this program and the difference it makes to children, youth, and families in Haliburton County.'

Ingram said SIRCH also receives goods, and money, directly from local farmers, growers, community partners, and grocers to help keep the program afloat. CanoeFM station manager, Roxanne Casey, attended The Bistro earlier this month to deliver a \$5,000 cheque to support the

campaign. The money was raised from Canoe's radio bingo, with SIRCH selected, "based on the great work they do tackling food insecurity," Casey said.

The community kitchen program is supported entirely by donations and doesn't receive financial support from any level of government. That's what makes campaigns like this so important, she added.

'We are very fortunate to live in a caring and compassionate community. where we receive

a tremendous amount of support. Fundraisers like this are vital because it's helping your friends and neighbours. All the money raised goes back into supporting programs and ensuring no one in Haliburton County goes to bed hungry this winter, or that seniors and kids are not malnourished because they don't have enough money for healthy food after they pay all their other bills.

Ingram added, "we hope the support continues... our goal is to be able to sustain the community kitchen program on a yearly basis."

For more information, visit sirch.on.ca. To donate, call 705-457-1742, or email info@sirch.on.ca.



### Investing in health care

The Sunrock Group, owners of the Burnt River Quarry on County Road 121, donated \$1,500 to the Kinmount District Health Services Foundation in support of the annual Journey for Health fundraiser. The event, which runs every summer, raises money to support equipment purchases and staff recruitment at the Kinmount and District Health Centre. This year's event, which featured a fun run along the Victoria Rail Trail Aug. 13, raised \$12,786.70. (Mike Baker).

Kim Restivo Galea, secretary for the Kinmount District Health Services Foundation, accepts a \$1,500 cheque from James Joyce, operations manager of the Burnt River Quarry. Submitted.



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#### No pain no gain

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Top left: Racers line up along the start line as they prepare for eight hours of Hurtin' in Haliburton on Saturday morning. *Photo by Marc Sinclair*. Top right: Cameron Dube competed alongside his wife, Jordan, in the mixed duo event, placing second. *Photo by Matt Cassell*. Ellen Lee was one of six racers on the fat bike circuit, finishing third after completing four laps in 7:09:13. *Photo by Marc Sinclair*.



#### RFP-08-2023 Canteen Services Keith Tallman Memorial Arena

The Municipality of Highlands East is inviting proposals from qualified professionals for the operations of the canteen in the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena for the upcoming ice season (2023-24).

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## Huskies oust dominant Canadiens in OT

#### By Mike Baker

The Haliburton County Huskies laid down a marker to the rest of the OJHL this past weekend, recording dominant wins over the Toronto Junior Canadiens and North York Rangers to move into fourth place in the East Conference standings.

There was a big game feel inside S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena Saturday as 514 fans came out to watch the hometown team do battle with the undefeated Canadiens. After a back-and-forth duel in regulation time, Declan Bowmaster potted an overtime winner to hand the visiting side their first loss of the season.

New additions Antonio Cerqua and Izayah Luddington were in the home lineup, taking on their former team following a midweek deal that saw former Husky Will Gourgouvelis move to the Canadiens.

The Huskies made a strong start, with Rhyse Brown, Lucas Vacca, and Lucas Marshall each testing Sergei Litvinov in the visiting goal with some early pot shots. The pressure paid off when, three minutes in, Vacca sniped the puck high over Litvinov's shoulder with a shot from the boards, assisted by Luddington.

The home fans were still celebrating when, 25 seconds later, Lucas Stevenson made it a two-goal game, pouncing on a loose puck in front of the goal after Litvinov had denied Ian Phillips and then Jack Staniland.

It was one-way traffic for much of the rest of the period, as the Huskies chased a third goal. Winger Johnathan Mead had a great chance to extend the lead after eight minutes but could only find Litvinov's glove after barreling down on goal. Phillips, Luddington, and captain Patrick Saini also went close.

The momentum shifted after Cerqua was sent to the box for slashing a Canadiens forward. The visiting team scored on the powerplay, Brenden Anderson beating Vlad Visan on a rebound after the young goaltender had done well to stop a Boris Kofman shot.



Declan Bowmaster netted the overtime winner in Saturday's home tilt. Photo by Mike Baker.

The Huskies ended the period with 16 shots, to the Canadiens' eight.

It was a different story to start the second, with the visiting team taking control. Chris Soares tied the game two minutes in, assisted by Luka Graziano, and Evan Malkhassian completed a remarkable turnaround 90 seconds later, firing high over a prone Visan, who had done well to save earlier efforts from Evan's twin, Luc, and John McKinney.

Stevenson hit the outside of the post after skating into the crease midway through the period, with Cerqua denied after a net-front scramble minutes later. A nice give-and-go between Saini and Ty Petrou with the seconds ticking away presented an excellent chance for the Huskies captain to send the teams in tied at the end of the second, but he

was robbed by an outstretched glove from Litvinov.

The crowd came alive to start the third, cheering the Huskies on. They got an instant response, with the home side retaking control of the game. Litvinov made a series of spectacular saves before Phillips bested him at 16:29, assisted by Saini and Petrou.

There looked to be only one winner in the extra frame, with the home side tilting the ice. Bowmaster was the eventual hero, scoring unassisted after almost three minutes of play.

#### Win on the road

The Huskies roared to a huge 5-1 win away against the North York Rangers Sept. 17.

Bowmaster was on the scoresheet again,

tallying the game's first goal with 14:21 played, assisted by Saini. Marshall added a shorthanded goal a couple of minutes later, set up by Gavin McGahey-Smith. Cian Noble responded for the home team, firing past Logan Kennedy at 17:24 of the opening period to get the Rangers on the board.

Phillips added a powerplay goal three minutes into the second, with Marshall doubling his personal tally five minutes later. Saini completed the scoring 14:53 into the third, assisted by Hunter Martell and Mead.

The Huskies are back in action tonight (Sept. 21) on the road against the Stouffville Spirit and will host the Aurora Tigers Saturday (Sept. 23). Puck drop in Minden is set for 4 p.m.



















Top: Netminder Vlad Visan positions himself for an incoming shot. Middle: Blueliner Izayah Luddington passes the puck. Above: Forward Adam Smeeton battles for the puck along the boards. *Photos by Mike Baker.* 



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## Learn how to act at Ctrl-ART-Del workshop

#### By Mike Baker

Local production company Ctrl-ART-Del is offering the public the chance to peer behind the curtain and learn how to become comfortable performing on stage through a new beginners acting course launching later this week.

The workshop will run for two weekends beginning Sept. 23 and will cover the basics of acting, says Amy Leis, who co-founded the troupe with artistic director Tim Nicholson last winter.

While the original mandate of Ctrl-ART-Del was to bring local talent together to showcase their skills in a variety of works, they have adapted recently to introduce an educational component. That was borne out of Leis' work with a group of drama students at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

"I met many very talented kids that are hungry for more theatre than they can get at school alone. They kept asking me if they could get involved – who am I to say no?" Leis said. "This workshop is part of our effort to make sure people have some level of training before we throw them on stage. I think anybody can act – they just have to figure out the basics. That's where we come

Leis is an experienced performer, featuring heavily in Highlands Summer Festival productions and K-W Musical Productions performances in Kitchener in recent years. She is a graduate of the George Brown Theatre School in Toronto. Nicholson

has years in the industry too, performing professionally in North Bay and Toronto before returning to Haliburton County, where he has become a staple at the Highlands Summer Festival.

Nicholson said he's excited to run the workshops, which he says will teach people skills they can build on for the rest of their

"What a lot of people don't realize is that acting is a skilled trade," he said. "Raw talent exists, but there are technical skills that can and should be taught. Once you have those in your mental toolbox, you can apply them to any role you take on.'

Leis said the workshops will focus heavily on presentation and delivery, with participants challenged to write and perform their own monologue. There will also be "table work", where everyone will sit and read through an entire play as a group and perform select scenes.

"That's all about showing people what the start of a rehearsal process is like, what sort of questions they should be asking for character development, and how they go about building a character from the ground up," Leis said.

The workshop will end with participants helping to craft a series of unique scenes, which will be performed for a live audience at the Haliburton Legion Oct. 15 at 4 p.m.

The cost to attend the workshop is \$60, but Leis said the group is willing to work with people who want to attend but can't afford



Amy Leis played Screwtape in the Ctrl-ART-Del production of Cherubs earlier this year. File.

The end goal is to have a new pool of actors to select from when Ctrl-ART-Del launches its second performing season next spring. In its inaugural year, the group performed one play, Cherubs by British playwright Toby McShane, at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion last March.

"Our big focus this season is on getting fresh blood onto the stage. If you've always wanted to be on stage in Haliburton, we want to meet you," said Leis, noting the group is planning to run two plays and a cabaret next

year. A full schedule will be announced Oct.

Leis said the workshops are a "low stakes, fun, supportive environment" for people looking to pursue acting, whether as a hobby or a career.

The course will run Sept. 23, 24, 30 and Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Minden Lions Hall. Rehearsals will begin Oct. 14 and run through to the live show.

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#### **Haliburton Highlands Health Services Now Seeking Members for Community Advisory Committee**

Haliburton Highlands Health Services is seeking communityminded individuals interested in serving on a 12-member Community Advisory Committee, responsible for providing advice and insight to its Board of Directors on the delivery and future planning of community services in Haliburton County. The Advisory Committee will also provide linkages to the community on trends and issues related to the community services. Key functions of the Community Advisory Committee will include providing advice on:

- Needs of community services clients
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The Committee generally meets on Thursday mornings 3 times per year (Nov 30, 2023, Feb 29, 2024 and May 9, 2024). In addition, work groups may meet at other times convenient to the individual members.

If you feel you have the time, energy and commitment to be a member of this year's Community Advisory Committee, then we would like to hear from you by October 6, 2023.

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**Sept. 21, 7 p.m.** the Canadian Federation of University Women is hosting its annual general meeting at the Haliburton School of Art + Design. Open to members only. A women's advocacy group, CFUW meets monthly to listen to guest speakers and become involved in various interests such as cards, books, food, and hiking. For more information, contact Gail Gotter at g\_gotter@ hotmail.com, or visit cfuw.ca.

#### ept. 23, 10 a.m.

The inaugural Walk for the World, a walking meditation organized by Dr. Joe Dispenza. A group walk in Haliburton will take place at Glebe Park. Participants can meet at the entrance to the Sculpture Forest at 9:45 a.m. To register, visit walkforthe.world.

#### Sept. 23, 11 a.m. to noon.

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#### Sept. 23, 2 to 5 p.m.

The Paudash Lake Conservation Association annual corn roast at the Paudash Trailblazers. clubhouse at 4920 West Eels Lake Rd. Live music by the Brendan Michaels Band. All welcome.

#### Sept. 23, 2 p.m.

Mid-Autumn festival crafts at Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Chinese paper cutting, craft paper lanterns, and other hands-on activities All welcome.

#### Sept. 23, 2 to 5 p.m.

The Highland Trio at the Minden Legion. Admission by cash donation for the Minden Food

Drum circle at the Haliburton Legion, designed to assist people suffering with post-traumatic stress disorder. In the Schofield Room. All welcome.

#### Sept. 23, 5:30 p.m.

Haliburton County Historical Society pork roast harvest dinner at the Stanhope Firefighters Hall, 1095 North Shore Rd. \$30 per person. For tickets, call 705-754-0427.

#### Sept. 24, 2 p.m.

Karaoke contest at the Drop Zone in West Guilford. Register on Facebook, email or website. See thedropxone.xyz

#### Sept. 25, 7 to 8 p.m.

Coffee house at Castle Antiques, sponsored by the Baha'i community of Haliburton. Live music and uplifting conversation contributing to our own personal wellbeing and that of the community. This week's topic will focus on the importance of truthfulness. Light refreshments provided. All are

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#### Sept. 27, 1:30 p.m.

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## **Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624**

Sept. 21: Open 2 to 6 p.m. Veterans' dinner tickets required.

Sept. 22: Open 2 to 9 p.m. Seniors 55-plus lunch at noon. Fish and chips from 5 to 8 p.m.

**Sept. 23:** Open 2 to 6 p.m. Meat draw at 3 p.m. Horsehoe tournament 1 to 5 p.m. Music by local band Half Tuned, BBQ food available.

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Sept. 27: Open 2 to 6 p.m. Darts at 2 p.m.

If you are planning a function for a social or other event, providing our guidelines/conditions are met, please feel free to contact us at 705-448-2221. The Ladies Auxiliary can provide catering

### **Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 519**

Second Monday of the month: General meeting - 7:30 p.m.

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#### In Loving Memory of Melda Marson

Melda (Morgan) Marson passed away peacefully at Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, Orillia, on September

Melda was born on February 14, 1925, in Llanelli, Wales, U.K. She was predeceased by Graham (2018),

her devoted husband of 72 years, and by their loving son Christopher

Mum will be deeply missed by daughters Siân Minich (Ed) of Oakville, Fiona King (Bernie) of Corbyville, and Melanie Blodgett (David) of Haliburton, and daughter-in-law Betty Marson of Fergus.

Nana was cherished by her grandchildren Peter Marson, David Marson (Brooke), Steve Marson (Jey), Mike Marson (Amanda), Andy Minich (Pearl), Matthew Minich (Aileen), Lesley Dagenais (Marcus), Evan King (Gina), Kaitlyn Greaves (Brian), and Gordon Blodgett (Shanna). "SuperNana" was also adored by 19 great-grandchildren.

Prior to their move to Orillia, Melda and Graham lived in Ancaster for many years. Mum enjoyed an active life of golf, bridge (her last game was a mere three weeks ago!), volunteering, Snow Bunnies, and gardening. She especially loved her times at their cottage in Haliburton, "Nefoedd" (Welsh for "Heaven".)

Mum wanted to express a special thank you to the wonderful staff at Leacock Retirement Lodge, where she resided for the last four years.

Friends are welcome to join us for Mum's service at St. James' Anglican Church, 58 Peter St., N., Orillia,

on Friday, September 22 at 11 a.m. Messages of condolence are welcomed at www.mundellfuneralhome.com





#### In Loving Memory of

#### James "Jamie" Melvin **Harold Keefer**

January 1, 1975 - August 28, 2023

Suddenly at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Monday, August 28, 2023 surrounded by his

James (Jamie) Keefer was the loving father of Chase Keefer, beloved son of Isabel Keefer (nee Anderson) her partner of Larry Peitsch and the late Ross Keefer. Dear brother of Timothy (Monica) Keefer, and caring uncle of Ethan and Dylan Keefer (Kaitlynne). Loving nephew of Gloria (Kurt) Schaker, Doug (Dianna) Anderson, Marlene Anderson, Ruth (the late Carl) Alexander. Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his cousins, extended family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, K0M 2K0 on Saturday, September 23, 2023 from 11:00 am until the time of the Memorial Service to Celebrate Jamie's Life at 1:00 pm. Interment to follow at the Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton.

Donations in memory of Jamie may be made to Isabel Keefer to be held in trust for Chase's education fund and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M





#### In Loving Memory of

#### **Stephen Frederick Kenyon**

Passed away peacefully at home on Friday, September 15, 2023, at the age of 66.

Beloved husband of the late Christine Kathleen Kenyon (2022). Loving father of Melanie (Jason) O'Brien Maye, Colin (Michelle Miles) O'Brien,

Megan Nash, Stephen Kenyon (deceased), and Shaylyn Kenyon. Loving grandfather of Aidan (Emma), Liam, Olivia, Jeffrey, Autumn, Noah, Stephen and Noah. Dear brother of Ann (Enzo) Tatangelo of Italy Barbara (Chris) Ocego of Wales. Predeceased by his parents Margaret (nee Boyd) and Ashworth Kenyon.

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 Friday, September 29, 2022 from 12:00 pm until the time of the Memorial Service to celebrate Stephen's life at 1:00 pm. A reception to follow at the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Community Food Centre would be appreciated by the family.



#### **OBITUARIES**

#### In Loving Memory of **Glen Andrew Bryant**

It is with immense sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Glen on Friday, September 15, 2023, in his 77th year.

Beloved husband of Elaine for 54 years. Loving father to Tammy and Joe, Troy and Hayley and

Trevor. Devoted poppa to Jacob, Gracie and Kane and Kyle. His late parents were Neil and Nora. He is survived by brother Leo (Gwyneth), sisters Gwennie (late Garth) Nicholls, Sheila (Holly) Cooper, Fern (John) Eason, brother Phillip (Laura) and sister Denise (Hughie) Magee. He was recently predeceased by sister Valerie (late Leonard) Greer. Elaine's family will also miss him dearly - Doris and Glenn Chambers, Bernard Greer, Reta and Paul Burrows, Wyatt and Debbie Greer, Larry and Carol Greer, Sheila Shaw, Shelley and Dave Pratt. Glen was a great jokester with all the nieces and nephews over the years and will leave a huge void. Glen will be greatly missed by everyone-family, friends, neighbours and work-mates and will forever be in our hearts.

A Memorial Visitation to Celebrate Glen's Life will be held at the Norland Recreation Centre, 7675 Hwy 35, Norland, Ontario K0M 2L0 on Saturday, October 21, 2022 from 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm. Cremation

Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



#### In Loving Memory of Ottilie "Tilly" Grosschadl

Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Monday, September 18, 2023, at the age of 89.

Beloved wife of the late Rudolf "Rudy" Grosschadl. Loving mother of Gary (Sharon) and Karin (Brian), loving nana of Christine (Mark). Dear sister of

Gisela (Fred) and Bill, fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews.

It was Tilly's wish for cremation and private family arrangements.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF - Palliative Care Room) would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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#### THANK YOU



The family of the late Lorna Scheffee would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts the outpouring of love and kind words via Facebook, text and phone calls in regard to Mom.

Thank you to the staff at Haliburton Extendicare, you all went over and above to care for Mom.

She loved you all very much.

Aunt Pat thank you again for your help in relieving us for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Randy Warburton for your kind words at her graveside service. Barry and Kirsten Monk for your care of Mom.

She will be missed by her family and her friends.

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## A full job description is available on the careers page of our website: www.dysartetal.ca

Interested individuals are invited to email a resume and cover letter in confidence to:

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We thank all those who apply, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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## Highlander puzzles 31

#### It Was the Worst of Times

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#### **Across**

- 1 Not active in chem class?
- 6 "Can I get \_\_\_ of hands?"
- 11 Const.'s R.C.M.P. boss
- 14 India's Lotus Temple locale
- 15 Lewis who voiced Lamb Chop
- 16 Brand suffix with Motor
- 17 Quip about a bad business venture, Part 1
- 18 Director Flia
- 19 Word on candy heart
- **20** State south of Wash.
- 21 "Sorry to bug you, \_\_\_ again"
- 23 Tennis's Osaka who said "It's O.K. to not be O.K."
- **25** Quip, Part 2
- **28** Big name in the toy aisle
- 29 "0" letters on an old phone
- 30 Danielle Smith's prov.
- 33 Vaudeville show
- 36 Quip, Part 3
- 39 "Not into it"
- **40** Quip, Part 4
- 42 Van. post-sec. school
- **43** Ouip, Part 5
- 44 Repetitive learning methods
- **45** It may be guilty or innocent
- **46** Web page creation code
- **48** Coif requiring many bobby pins
- 51 Quip, Part 6
- **58** When repeated, "ooh la la!"
- **59** "Deck the Halls" syllables
- **60** Palindromic musician
- **61** Thumb drive port
- **62** "\_\_\_ say more?"
- **64** Conclusion to the quip
- 66 "Kill Bill" tutor Pai \_\_\_
- "\_\_\_ Not Here, Man" (classic Cheech & Chong routine)
- 68 "You're \_\_\_ one, Mr. Grinch"
- **69** 6% levy in Sask.
- 70 Like Elvis's blue shoes
- 71 Pal of Curly and Moe

#### Down

- 1 Bubble-headed boob
- 2 Word form for "nerve"
- 3 "It's somebody's \_\_\_ problem"
- 4 MLB scoreboard trio
- **5** In an orderly manner
- 6 Practically begs to be smacked
- 7 She made a big splash at
- 8 Initiator on campus
- 9 Man-mouse link
- 10 Birthplace of Burton **Cummings and Terry Fox**
- 11 Like many houses in Newfoundland, paint-wise
- **12** Liquid-\_\_\_ (Drano rival)
- 13 Words after "c'est"
- 22 The healing touch, for short
- 24 Broke a fast
- **26** Info for a pick-up person
- 27 "Verb" is one, oddly
- 30 Aardvark's snack
- 31 "Di-dah" lead-in
- 32 Book with the last line: "You

- are a very fine person, Mr. Baggins"
- **34** "Killing \_\_\_" (Sandra Oh drama)
- 35 Form a mental picture
- 37 Royal U.K. honour
- 38 Its logo is a dog and a phonograph
- **40** A hockey ref's are orange
- 41 Hang loose
- 45 Instant \_\_\_ (trendy cooker of
- **47** Margarine container
- 49 World Wildlife Fund TV ad, e.a.
- **50** Utterly bleak
- **51** Totally trounce
- 52 Tricky strategies
- 53 Studier of French?
- 54 Walked through water
- 55 Presenter of posies and poetry
- **56** Peace Nobelist Sadat
- 57 Cher's cher, once
- 63 Waterloo water
- 65 Singing Sumac



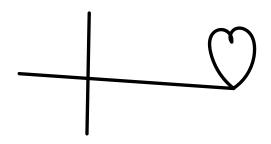
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