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## Hopping into Easter with the treats

Maxwell Colpitts, 8, James Rieger, 5, and Marcus Colpitts, 4, are all smiles after decorating, and then eating, a cookie at Abbey Gardens' 'Easter at the Gardens' event April 8. More photos on page 14. *Photo by Mike Baker.*

## P4P planning bonds to pay for housing

By Mike Baker

Haliburton County non-profit Places for People is planning to launch a new community bonds program in June, with president Jody Curry saying she expects the initiative to raise \$850,000.

The announcement was made at the organization's 2023 Haliburton County Housing Summit, held in Minden April 5. Addressing approximately 100 attendees, Curry said the money will be used to help the organization bring more affordable housing units to the County.

"We first introduced this idea in 2019, now we're really going for it. This will give community members an opportunity to invest and keep their money right here in Haliburton County, while helping to address one of our most critical issues," she said. "If the early buzz is any indication, we expect these bonds to sell out quickly."

She said P4P will hold an information session outlining further plans for the program in the summer. She said the bonds would be backed against the organization's portfolio of existing assets, which includes a five-plex in Carnarvon and seven other units sprinkled across the County.

While P4P pulled the plug on its proposed 48-unit development on Wallings Road in Haliburton in November, citing irrevocable differences with Dysart township over the sale of the land, the organization is hoping to move ahead with a similar project on property fronting Grass Lake. Paul Wilson

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# County set to endorse Grass Lake development

By Mike Baker

Haliburton County council has voiced its support for a proposed 88-unit housing development slated for land fronting Grass Lake in Dysart et al.

The project, brought forward by developer Paul Wilson and his company, Harburn Holdings, is seeking to repurpose 2.5 hectares of land along Peninsula Road into four lots that would each house multi-storey apartment and condo buildings, with one unit also featuring a commercial component.

Dysart et al's previous council expressed support for the build last September, and while County stopped short of formally approving an official plan amendment during a special council meeting April 12, its passing appears inevitable.

Warden Liz Danielsen pushed to have the issue resolved at this week's meeting, but County planner, Steve Stone, recommended the application go back to Dysart with one last requested modification prior to the upper-tier government issuing final approval.

That has to do with a dispute between Wilson and a neighbouring property owner, Dr. Aimee Coysh, who owns and operates Haliburton Veterinary Services. Coysh is concerned about the potential long-term impacts the development could have on her well water quality and quantity.

Stone said the two parties had agreed on a clause, which will form part of the County's agreement, obliging Wilson and any future owner of the lands to ensure there will be

no adverse impacts to neighbouring water supplies before construction can begin.

Addressing County council for the first time, Wilson clarified some points made during a previous meeting held by the upper-tier in February. There, representatives from the Friends of Grass Lake advocacy group, who are opposing the project, claimed Wilson had altered the site without the necessary approvals in the late 2000s/early 2010s – allegations Danielsen said she was taking very seriously.

Wilson clarified that all work completed, such as the installation of a pond and placing of fill, was done with full knowledge and approval of representatives from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Ministry of Natural Resources, and Ministry of the Environment.

"I have always been confident the facts [of this development] were on my side," Wilson said.

He noted his primary focus moving forward was ensuring the land is managed properly, saying that while he won't lead the construction phase, he'll be picky over who he sells to and will retain final say on any development proposal.

Danielsen said while she doesn't necessarily believe this is the best location for development, she feels the County has no other option than to support it.

"Assuming we approve this, which I believe we will, I know there will be people disappointed and unhappy about the



Harburn Holdings owner Paul Wilson addressed County council April 12 over his proposed development on Peninsula Road in Haliburton. *File.*

decision... but we have all the planning reports, recommendations and peer reviews, all the support from every planner we have dealt with," she said. "We have an urgent need for housing, so personally, I have to endorse this."

Carolyn Langdon and Catherine Swift, representing the Friends group, expressed disappointment over council's decision and confirmed to *The Highlander* that they would be submitting an appeal to the Ontario Land

Tribunal (OLT).

"This is about the creation of lots on an over-capacity lake. We'll just see how OLT feels about this," Langdon said. "I'm very disappointed. Many councillors were hesitant about this and had serious concerns. I thought they could have done more."

Swift added, "The County says the environment is their top priority, but their actions do not match their words... as far as we're concerned, this isn't over."



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# Municipalities hold the key to solving housing crisis

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agreed last year to donate one of four lots he wants to develop along Peninsula Road to the non-profit. The project has been supported by Dysart and County councils, but is pending final approval.

Fay Martin, lead organizer of the summit, said she was pleased with the amount of discussion generated throughout the day. Panels focusing on worker housing, seniors' options, and financing were fruitful, she said.

## What's working elsewhere

Jennifer van Gennip, communications lead for Redwood Park Communities in Barrie, was one of three keynote speakers at the event. She discussed how her group has been able to "flip the script" on NIMBYism.

"Everyone deserves a safe, affordable place to call home. We find that positive messaging around that is easy for people to get behind," she told *The Highlander*. "We've been changing the narrative about affordable housing, so people feel excited when they hear about a project coming to their neighbourhood. Storytelling is an important component of that."

"When we're approached by someone who isn't thrilled about development, we try not to argue. Instead, we'll present facts showing all the benefits it can bring. What a positive impact it can have on the overall community," she added.

Since launching its creative YIMBY initiative in 2018, van Gennip said Redwood has seen a marked increase in fundraising and development. The organization launched with five units in 2013. Today, it boasts 32 completed units, with 17 under construction and another 240 in development.

Graham Cubitt and Lori-Anne Gagne, founding members of the Hamilton is Home Collaborative, shared how, in three years, their group was able to bring 3,000 new affordable housing units online.

"Instead of trying to fit our projects into a pre-determined box, we looked at the data and built proposals focusing on our specific needs and then went to the different levels of government and said, 'this is how much investment we need to reach our goal,'" Cubitt said.

Navigating the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation was the most significant challenge, he said, noting the collaborative had more success dealing with municipal governments and through community fundraising. They have partnered with eight townships around the GTA, coming up with numerous creative ways to bring affordable housing online.

In St. Thomas, an old fire hall slated for demolition was instead transformed into a 45-unit apartment complex, saving both the township and the housing collaborative millions. Cubitt said the group has been successful identifying rundown properties in built up areas for revitalization, pointing to the completion of a 34-unit infill project in Woodstock that replaced half a dozen dilapidated detached homes. He said he's also working on his fourth church conversion, which, once completed, will have added over 100 units to the group's portfolio.

## Local solutions

Cubitt believes for small communities like Haliburton County, secondary units within an existing home, or on the same lot, is the best answer to solving the housing crunch.

"It's absolutely the most cost-efficient way to go... much of the cost is taken on by homeowners, and you don't need to create any new lots for construction" Cubitt said.

While the Ontario government, through Bill 23, stipulated that residential lots will be allowed to have up to three livable units on them, that only applies in communities with town-supplied water and sewer services. Minden Hills is the only township in the County that fits these criteria. Algonquin Highlands, Dysart, and Highlands East consider applications for secondary units on a case-by-case basis.

Cubitt believes there needs to be a change in thinking at the municipal level when it comes to housing.

"Why don't we think about housing as a municipal infrastructure the same way as we do roads? Whenever a township builds



Above: Susan Zamborin, CEO of Habitat for Humanity Peterborough and Kawartha Region, speaks to the crowd at the 2023 Haliburton County Housing Summit held in Minden April 5 while Jody Curry, president of Places for People, watches on. Left: Graham Cubitt, director of projects and development at Indwell and president of Flourish, was one of the keynote speakers at the summit. Photos by Mike Baker.



a bridge, there's no payback on that bridge other than it becomes part of a transportation network. For housing, we know there is a direct payback... housing needs to become a key part of a municipality's portfolio.

"It's going to be up to you to solve this crisis. You need to come up with the ideas, establish priorities and then find ways to make housing happen. There is no cookie-cutter approach anymore, there's no shining beacon of hope coming [from the upper tiers]. It's going to take key stakeholders at the local level coming together and making a

real effort to inspire change," he added.

County warden and Algonquin Highlands mayor Liz Danielsen said the time for talking was over, noting she would be pushing for action at her two councils.

"There is no doubt the lack of housing is having a serious impact on every aspect of our economy. We were starkly reminded of the need, not only for social housing, but housing for staff, students, the aged, medical professionals and more," she said. "Municipalities need to look at their zoning bylaws, offer up available land for low-income housing projects. We need to be prepared to enter partnerships we might not have considered before to make much-needed progress."

"It's time to roll up our sleeves to work on the challenge ahead and find some solutions to what I believe to be our most critical issue."

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## DYSART ET AL NEWS

### Nearly there

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Jim and Myra Blake donated \$5,000, with Curry Chevrolet Buick GMC chipping in \$10,000 during a presentation at the park site April 6.

Mueller said plans for the 9,000 sq. ft. space were on track, with main features such as a new jungle gym, log climbing structure and 100-foot zip line to be installed later this spring.

The total cost of the project is slated at \$600,000, with Dysart township contributing \$300,000, Haliburton Rotary kicking in \$50,000 and an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant covering \$150,000.



Jim Blake presents a cheque for \$5,000 to playground fundraising committee member Nicole Baumgartner, while Bob Bullock, representing Curry Chevrolet Buick GMC, hands over a \$10,000 cheque to Dysart recreation coordinator Andrea Mueller. *Submitted.*

### Free parking at medical centre

The parking metres at the Haliburton Family Medical Centre will be removed imminently after members of Dysart council labelled them “an aggravation” during a meeting April 11.

Bylaw officer Robert Mascia said the existing machines, which are approximately 20 years old, were nearing replacement. He said he’s been getting regular calls from residents over the winter reporting the machines have been malfunctioning.

A like-for-like replacement would run the township around \$25,000, he estimated.

Coun. Pat Casey said he’d sooner see the unit removed, with the lot reverting to free parking. Coun. Barry Boice agreed.

Treasurer Barb Swannell said there would be a financial impact. The township was projecting \$27,000 in revenue from the parking meter this year. During peak use pre-pandemic, Swannell said it used to bring in around \$50,000 annually. The money was used to offset the cost of maintaining the lot, she said.

### No feeding the deer


A new bylaw prohibiting feeding of deer in Dysart will come into effect later this month.

Council said they wanted the practice outlawed in Haliburton village and the surrounding settlement areas. While there was initially talk of the township providing residents with a one-year grace period to get up to speed with the new rules, council decided April 11 to proceed with immediate enforcement once the bylaw is approved. It will come back to council April 25.

Offenders will be fined \$100 for each violation. (*Dysart et al news compiled by Mike Baker*).

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## ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS NEWS

### Residents upset

Homeowners along Heron Landing Road hit out at Algonquin Highlands council April 6 over a recent decision to allow the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) to establish a staging area on municipal land fronting several residential properties.

On Feb. 2, council signed off on a multi-season pilot allowing snowmobilers to park their vehicles and trailers on the lot while riding trails in the municipality. The agreement will run through to April 2024.

Speaking on behalf of 11 residents in the area, Glenn Kean raised several concerns over the arrangement, including excessive noise from the snowmobilers, increased traffic in the area, and a lack of privacy. He felt the new staging area would also impact property values.

"All of us would have had serious reservations about living across the road from a parking lot. I would not have purchased my property had I known this was something [the township] was considering," Kean said.

He also said the group is offended council agreed to this pilot without consultation, before calling for the agreement to be rescinded.

Mayor Liz Danielsen said council will consider the request and would confer with staff and HCSA before making a final decision.

### Lights wanted

Algonquin Highlands is looking to tap into provincial accessibility funding to replace pathway lighting at Dorset

Lions Park.

Recreation and trails manager, Chris Card, informed council last week the project qualified for funding through Ontario's inclusive community grants program. He proposed replacing five lights at the park for a cost of \$26,050. He said the project aligns with the municipality's age-friendly master plan, developed in 2017.

"The lighting there is becoming problematic. Parts are becoming hard to source. It's been in place for six years now, so is due [for replacement]," he said. "We're looking to install more robust, longer lasting commercial-style lighting at the site."

If approved, he expects the project would be complete by August.

### New truck

Firefighter station 60 in Dorset is getting a new \$500,000 pumper truck.

Fire chief Mike French said the station's existing truck is almost 20 years old and needed replacing. It was slated for replacement in 2020 but was bumped after the department needed to purchase a new rescue unit and pumper for station 70 in Oxtongue Lake.

French told council it would be a good idea to purchase the truck this year rather than delay again, given engine upgrades slated for new models in 2025 will cost an additional \$128,000.

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# Efforts to attract large animal vet ongoing

By Mike Baker

Haliburton County Farmers' Association president Minna Schleifenbaum said she's aware of at least one instance where an animal has died due to not having a large animal veterinarian stationed in Haliburton County.

Farmers and homesteaders have been without a local option for their livestock and other animals since March 2022, when the previous operator, Dr. Aimee Coysh, allowed her contract with the Ontario Ministry of Northern Development, Mines and Forestry to lapse.

The provincial body provides financial support to rural vets servicing large animals through its Veterinary Assistance Program. Introduced in the 1940s, the initiative reimburses eligible vets for their travel costs to and from farms up to a maximum of \$40,000 per year, offers up to \$2,000 for vets to participate in continuing education courses, and will pay 50 per cent of the costs up to a maximum of \$3,000 annually if another vet has to be brought in to assist with, or take, a call.

Godfrey Tyler, a Haliburton farmer, said that program hasn't seen an increase in over 10 years and no longer meets industry standards.

"It's been neglected for years," Tyler said. "Any vet working under that contract is doing so out of pocket. They can make more by staying at their standard practice caring for small animals."

Schleifenbaum said the lack of a large animal vet was having a significant impact on agriculture in the County. She estimates there are between 650 and 900 livestock owners in the Highlands who, when an issue arises, don't know where to turn. The nearest clinics are over 70 kilometres away, in Bracebridge, Lindsay and Peterborough. They are all running at capacity, though, so there's no guarantee a vet would be available in the event of an emergency.

"I personally know of one animal directly dying due to not having a vet, but there are indirect connections to animals dying too," Schleifenbaum told *The Highlander*. "This is a major concern for HCFA. We're working hard to establish networks, further educate ourselves for emergency situations and build a community agriculture first aid kit to assist farmers and hobbyists with emergencies."

She said many owners have already chosen to downsize their operations, with some electing to sell up altogether.

Tyler and Schleifenbaum are calling on the County's lower-tier governments to help them lobby the province for more support. Tyler discussed the issue with Dysart council March 28. Mayor Murray Fearrey said he would bring the issue to the County level and ask for the upper-tier's support to send a letter to the ministry supporting the HCFA's efforts.

"Our community always embraces the arts and tourism, but we, as farmers, do not feel the same recognition and support,"



Minna Schleifenbaum, HCFA president, pictured with one of her horses. *Photo by Dana McMullen.*

Schleifenbaum said.

MPP Laurie Scott said the Ontario government was rolling out a new program this year that would help support large animal vets in rural communities.

"We recognize more must be done to attract and retain large animal veterinarians locating to underserved areas, which is why the Veterinary Incentive Program, announced in the 2023 budget, will provide \$900,000 over three years to support veterinarians locating in underserved areas," Scott said. "Although the program details have not yet been finalized, Haliburton County will be on the approved list of areas eligible for the program."

She added the province was also funneling more money to the University of Guelph, which runs the only licensed doctor of veterinary medicine program in Ontario, to enhance its student intake. Currently, the university graduates around 120 new vets every year, but the province is investing \$14.7 million over the next four years to increase the number of graduates by 20 per cent.

Tyler said another piece of the pie is that the County will essentially be bidding against other communities to attract new vets and questioned whether there's enough activity to convince someone to set up shop here.

"We're a very small player when it comes to agriculture. We're goldfish in the ocean, so it's difficult for us to be able to attract vets to come in," he said. "If they're looking at Haliburton County versus somewhere with more of a farming presence, or more money, what do you think they're going to do?"





Committee of Adjustment - Notice of Public Hearing  
Application For Minor Variance

TAKE NOTICE that the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

Date: Monday, April 24, 2023  
Time: 9:30 AM  
Location: This meeting will be held as an electronic hearing by way of a virtual meeting.

To participate: Join the meeting by telephone by dialing either: 1-647-374-4685 OR 1-647-558-0588  
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Members of the public wishing to participate and make comment/speak at the Public Hearing must pre-register by emailing [disson@mindenhills.ca](mailto:disson@mindenhills.ca) by Friday April 21st before 4:00 PM or by attending and registering the morning of the meeting before 9:00 AM. Participants registering after 9:00 AM will not be permitted into the public hearing.

Once registered, participants will automatically be placed into a holding room and brought into the hearing as permitted by the Chair. Please note the live-stream link provided for each hearing will only be activated while Committee of Adjustment is in session.

The purpose of the Public Meeting will be to consider Minor Variance Applications **PLMV2022100, PMLV2023002, PMLV2023006, PMLV2023014, PMLV2023018 and PMLV2023021** and the proposed minor variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act as shown below:

**PLMV2022100** - Part Lot 18, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1017 Canfield Lane and located on Canning Lake (See Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The purpose of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the construction of a two-storey, 44.6 square metre addition to an existing two-storey, 69.11 square metre dwelling on an existing undersized lot. The effect of the application would be to permit an increase in the ground floor area of the existing cottage by 64.5% whereas an increase in 25% is otherwise permitted. The effect of the application would also permit an increase in size of the dwelling, being a structure located in part within 15 metres of the high-water mark, where no size increase is otherwise permitted.



**PLMV2023014** - Part Lot 19, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1048 Masters Lane and located on Canning Lake Kashagawigamog Lake Narrows (See Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The purpose and effect of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended to permit the addition of a second story on a portion of the existing dwelling having a deficient water yard setback of 11.2 metres, whereas 23 meters is otherwise required.



**PLMV2023018** - Part Lot 5, Concession A, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as 1031 Howland Junction Road (See Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The purpose and effect of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended to permit the construction of a single storey detached garage having a ground floor area of 47.6 sq. m, to located in the front yard with a deficient side yard of 2.0 m; whereas 3.0 m is required.



**PLMV2023002** - Part Lot 22, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Lutterworth municipally known as 1224 Wessell Road and located on East Moore Lake (See Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The purpose of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the tear down of an existing one-storey dwelling with attached decks and having reduced water and front lot line setbacks to construct a new 1.5-storey dwelling with a partial walkout basement and attached deck and covered porch. The effect of the application would permit an increase in the dwelling height of 3.93 metres whereas otherwise an increase of 1.2 metres is permitted, together with an increased dwelling size of 205.6% whereas a maximum of 25% is permitted. The application will also serve to recognize high-water mark and front lot line setbacks for the covered porch, being a new structure, of 15.24 metres and 4.03 metres, respectively whereas otherwise 23 metres is required.



**PLMV2023021** - Part Lot 17, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as 1640 Reynolds Road (See Key Map).

**Purpose and Effect of the Application:** The purpose of the application is to provide relief from the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended, to permit the construction of a 2-story detached garage a ground floor area of 95 m2. The effect of the application would permit a new deficient side yard of 3.0 metres whereas setback of 10 m is otherwise required.



**Additional information** regarding these applications will be available online. Links to meeting agendas and full reports can be found on our Minden Hills Civic Web. A copy of the complete applications will be available for public inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department by appointment only. Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail [adougherty@mindenhills.ca](mailto:adougherty@mindenhills.ca). Any person or agency who is of the opinion that holding the hearing as an electronic hearing is likely to cause them significant prejudice, may make a submission to the undersigned, and if the Committee is satisfied that holding the hearing as an electronic hearing is likely to cause the party significant prejudice then the hearing will be re-scheduled as an oral hearing. If a person or agency does not make a submission to the Secretary-Treasurer prior to the electronic hearing, and the person or agency does not participate in the hearing in accordance with this Notice, then the Committee may proceed without the party's participation and the party will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceeding.

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# It can be done

The housing summit hosted by Places for People (P4P) in Minden last week was interesting in that, perhaps for the first time since I started working in the County, I saw someone lay out a precise roadmap for how to make affordable housing happen.

Unfortunately, it wasn't a guideline that can be strictly followed in the Highlands.

Lori-Anne Gagne and Graham Cubitt are considered mavericks of Ontario's affordable housing segment. Through their work individually at non-profits such as Indwell, Flourish and Victoria Park Community Homes, and collectively on the Hamilton is Home Collaborative, they have successfully brought thousands of units online across the GTA. In the past three years, during a pandemic no less, they've overseen construction of 3,000 new units.

These are two people who can walk the walk.

That's why Fay Martin, who organized the April 5 event, brought them in. Of the 100 or so people in the room, half were local politicians and municipal staffers. Others belonged to notable community groups and non-profits. These are the people we need to step up if we're going to make any headway on this critical issue.

Cubitt broke down ways the collaborative has been successful. They've left no stone unturned. When the City of St. Thomas decided their old fire hall was surplus to requirements, Cubitt swooped in and

developed a plan to transform it into a 45-unit apartment complex. He said he's currently working on his fourth church retrofit.

If there was one message Cubitt really drove home, it was the need to think outside the box and be creative – twist while everyone else shakes. There is no silver bullet to fixing this, no easy, cookie-cutter approach we can replicate from elsewhere.

When I asked him what the best first step a community like ours can take to achieving the kind of housing targets laid out in the County's official plan – 750 new affordable units by 2029 – or in Ontario economist Mike Moffatt's Baby Needs a New Home report – 1,200 total homes by 2031 – he sounded like a high school teacher. Do your homework and play nicely with others. Instead of operating in silos, we need to come together and work as a team.

Work being the operative word. Enough of the talk.

In the lead up to last fall's municipal election, every candidate I spoke to said housing was top of mind and if elected they would do anything and everything to address the issue. Six months later, I haven't seen a single locally sourced idea tabled.

Non-profits like P4P and Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation, for various reasons, have seen proposed builds come to a screeching halt.

One cost-effective way we could bring

more housing online quickly, Cubitt noted, is through secondary units. While Bill 23, new provincial legislation passed in November, stipulates municipalities must allow up to three residential units on a single lot, that only applies in communities with town-supplied water and sewer. That leaves out 75 per cent of the County.

Algonquin Highlands has made some headway, recently updating its zoning bylaw to allow up to three units in some areas, which is a good start. Dysart currently allows up to two units, though they must exist within the same building.

I think a consistent, clearly established County-wide policy on this front would help. Incentives should be provided to encourage homeowners to bring more secondary units online.

While forming part of the long-term solution to our housing crisis, it would also ensure some headway is made while we wait on things like the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus' Seven in Seven initiative to take shape, and for our local leaders to develop tangible plans of their own.



By Mike Baker

## GUEST COLUMN

# Our lakes, our future

By Lea Harper

My parents, like many others, bought a summer cottage on Kennisis Lake in the 1950s. Until the mid-1970s, we drank unfiltered water from the lake. Now, cottage owners and permanent lake dwellers like myself must haul plastic jugs of spring water from town, drill a well, or install an ultraviolet system to sterilize lake water before it can be used.

Those first summer cottages had outhouses and hand pumps to draw water from the lake up to a kitchen sink. Later, a bathroom with a toilet, sink, and tub might be added. Folks soaped up in the lake, and even rinsed paint trays in the shallows. The earliest septic systems were often placed as close as 20 or 30 feet from the shore. The original metal tanks, over time, corrode and leech raw sewage. In the last three or four years, septic inspections have become mandatory in our region, but the program is not far-reaching enough.

Globally, our access to pure water is in peril. Freshwater supplies are plagued by pollution, drought, mismanagement, and climate change. Mandated water rationing may soon become the new norm. And yet, we run taps, pools, hot tubs, and garden hoses without much thought. Big, year-round cottages are often framed by lawns and non-native flower beds that require fertilizers and pesticides. Shoreline tree and shrub removal have caused

significant erosion, damaging fish spawning beds, frog and bird habitat, and natural plant growth. None of our current bylaws address this reality.

Landfill sites once burned garbage with no restriction on content. There were no recycling or composting programs. Toxic waste pollution became airborne and waterborne, affecting both lakes and land. The current practice of hiring companies to kill-spray mosquitoes to make outdoor entertaining more pleasurable continues this tradition. In spite of a return to canoes, kayaks, paddleboats and boards as a preferred way to navigate waterways, there has been a proliferation of jet skis and wakeboard motorboats, which further contributes to shoreline erosion and causes damage to the reed beds where many water birds nest.

For almost 20 years, I've lived on my family's cottage site and owned and managed a cottage rental business. Most of our clientele are families returning to the same cottage year after year. At the height of the COVID pandemic, an unprecedented spike in cottage use stressed our communities. Some sold their homes in the city and moved north, even as prices for waterfront property skyrocketed. If people were to be isolated and had to work at home, why would they not prefer to be at a cottage? To offset increasing mortgage costs, some began to rent their cottages on a short-term basis without proper vetting of who was

coming and whether they had any experience with lake care, septic use, capacity limits, noise restrictions, and burning regulations. As a professional provider of lakefront accommodations, it's of the utmost importance I ensure that those booking a holiday with us are fully aware of the practices involved in safe and respectful cottaging. Rules of engagement for cottage owners, along with a renters' code of conduct, have been integral to my business success.

Rental agencies, like mine, are licensed by the Travel Industry Council of Ontario. Unfortunately, private unregulated rentals with no oversight, generated through mega-companies with no understanding of and zero attachment to our precious Lakelands, have caused a host of problems, resulting in frustrated neighbours and calls for remedial action. Experienced agencies, like mine, have stepped in to offer our expertise to municipalities and are working to help legislators reach viable solutions.

In this digital age, we are all better connected, better informed, and therefore better equipped to take action. It's essential that we use the extensive knowledge at our fingertips to improve our relationship to the land, to one other, and to the global village in which we belong.

Lea Harper is the owner of Kennisis Cottage Rentals in Haliburton and the author of two books with Black Moss Press.



PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Dedicated fisherfolk breaking through the ice on Halls Lake, to catch a big one. Photo by Heather Kennedy.

LETTERS

Road conditions ‘a disgrace’

Dear editor,

South Baptiste Lake Road is a disgrace. Pitiful pothole patching is useless. I’ve lived here 12 years and have seen very little done, even though a lot of traffic use this road. Large trucks also cause damage.

Also the road in Highland Grove is a joke. A bad one. They are wheel rim wrecking, alignment destroying roads. Something needs to be done.

Perhaps we need better politicians, more adept at getting more money from the provincial government.

B.T. Hepditch,  
Wilberforce

Volunteers needed

Dear editor,

As many of your readers know the Eagle Lake Women’s Society has been in a quiet period for the last two months. On April 13, they will be holding a meeting and making some decisions about their status in 2023.

What I can tell you is that there are some indications that the society will be able to proceed in 2023. The raffle quilt is almost completed. There may be a couple of people willing to become officers of the Society. This does not however negate the need for new members.

We have a lot of new people in Eagle Lake. Hopefully some will be giving thought to become a part of this fine organization.

At the upcoming meeting the ELWS will have an email from Dysart et al to review. It deals with the Rhubarb Festival funds that have to find a home. This has come

about as a result of my engaging in an email dialogue with senior staff at Dysart.

Subsequent to that email, I had a meeting with the Dysart CAO, Tamara Wilbee, and the Councillor for Ward 5, Barry Boice.

Recently the federal government announced that it was ready to receive nominations under the Canada’s Volunteer Awards program for 2023. Some people in Eagle Lake have worked to prepare such a nomination for ELWS. Under the rules for the program the ELWS will have to consent to the nomination being submitted. There is an end of April deadline for nominations. This program is Canada-wide and has various categories for nominations to be submitted under. It is not an easy award to win.

My thanks to those who have taken an interest in this matter.

Peter McLuskey,  
Eagle Lake

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# Women get chance to ‘shop with freedom’

By Mike Baker

Mary and Vanessa Douglas grew tired of having to drive out of the community to shop for women’s undergarments, so decided to create a new space in Minden’s downtown addressing the need.

The mother-daughter duo has come together to launch Mostly Her, Haliburton County’s first specialty bra boutique. Located at 112 Bobcaygeon Rd. the new storefront carries a wide range of products that Mary said will cater to a woman’s every need, no matter your age, shape, or size.

The business opened to much fanfare April 5, with the elder Douglas saying she was “blown away” by the immediate response.

“We had people coming through the doors all day long – there were people shopping, but also others stopping in just to tell us how excited they were that we were opening and that they would definitely be back,” Mary said. “Really, it told us everything we already knew – that this community has long been crying out for a space like this, where women can shop locally for quality products they need and use every day.”

Business is in the Douglas’ blood. Mary bought into the community in 2021 when she took over On The Spot Variety, while Vanessa recently completed her business degree at Trent University.

The pair have recruited Christine Hewitt to help run the new operation. Together, the trio spent weeks in the lead up to opening deciding on what product lines and

accessories to stock and feature.

“We carry standard t-shirt bras, wireless bras, we also have mastectomy bras,” Vanessa said. “We offer custom fittings, private fittings... we also have all sorts of accessories that are exclusive to us, and we’ll be adding more in the weeks and months ahead.”

Mary added, “we worked hard to find high quality, affordable products. We’ve partnered with Fit Fully Yours Lingerie, a Canadian company, and we think people are really going to enjoy what we have to offer.”

The store also carries a selection of men’s products, including the Saxx underwear line.

Aiming to fill another need in the community, Vanessa said there are plans to launch a bridal section later this year. She also wants to see the space become a destination for gatherings, such as bachelorette parties and dress fittings.

“We have some big plans. We’re very excited to be open and can’t wait to see where this new journey will take us,” Vanessa said. “For women, bras and lingerie are things that can really promote self-confidence. We see this as a non-judgmental local space that will allow women to be themselves and shop with freedom.”

Mostly Her is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Right: Vanessa and Mary Douglas have joined forces to bring Mostly Her bra boutique to Minden. Photo by Mike Baker.



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# 'I come out of each session with a smile'

By Mike Baker

Some say music is the elixir of life and Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) volunteers Mickey Bonham and Pat Bradley have been able to see that firsthand through their work at Hyland Crest long-term care home.

The duo run a weekly music program at the Minden site, bringing residents together for group sing-a-longs featuring hits from industry icons such as Elvis Presley, Frankie Avalon, and Bill Haley and the Comets.

"Pat and I really enjoy it, we both choir in Haliburton, so we love bringing the spirit of music to the residents, getting them singing and listening to some of their favourite songs. It's very therapeutic," Bonham said, noting she launched the program around 20 years ago.

Back then, she would bring a CD in from her extensive home collection. Now, she's gone digital – making use of a smart TV and YouTube to take turns playing classics from the residents' favourite acts.

"You can always see them moving a little bit and singing along. They all know the words, it's incredible. Music has a funny way of bringing things back – it stays with you even when you're old and grey," Bonham said with a chuckle.

The program paused during the pandemic, with Bonham and Bradley taking an enforced two-year hiatus. They both say that was hard, especially knowing they wouldn't have a chance to say goodbye to some of

their friends.

Bonham started volunteering in the early 2000s after a friend moved into Hyland Crest. Bradley did likewise in 2011, after her mom became a resident.

They continued going even after their loved ones passed.

"It's important to give back, because a lot of these people don't have people coming to visit them. It's easy for them to feel abandoned," Bradley said. "These are people who shaped our community and society for years and years... I love coming here – I come out of every session with a smile on my face, because it's so much fun."

Bonham added, "They all have such wonderful stories. Some of them are so funny, and so sweet. You do get really close to them. They become your friends in a lot of cases."

The pair spend a few hours on-site every Wednesday, with Bonham saying she goes in twice a week during the summer. They also assist with parties, luncheons, and various other activities.

Volunteers have been allowed back for over a year now, but Bradley said numbers are heavily depleted. This is true across many groups affiliated with the hospital, including the Minden Health Care Auxiliary.

"There's only a handful of us left, which is really sad because the Auxiliary plays an important role in helping fund much-needed equipment that the government doesn't



Volunteers Mickey Bonham and Pat Bradley, standing, run a weekly music program at Hyland Crest long-term care home in Minden. Submitted.

provide," Bradley said, noting she's been a member for 10 years.

"Last year we raised \$15,000, and we just gave the hospital another \$35,000. It's an extremely important calling," she added.

That money was used to purchase four new air beds at Hyland Crest, a new water

softener system, and ceiling lifts for the emergency department.

"We desperately need more members if we're going to continue," Bradley said.

Anyone interested in volunteering with HHHS can contact Brigitte Gebauer at [bgebauer@hhhs.on.ca](mailto:bgebauer@hhhs.on.ca).

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Cathy Hunt and Brenda Bain have developed a close bond through the HHHS transportation program. *Photo by Mike Baker.*

# Making friends behind the wheel

By Mike Baker

From the back seat, listening in to conversation between Brenda Bain and Cathy Hunt, it's clear to see the pair enjoy a special relationship borne out of familiarity, camaraderie, and trust. The two spend a few hours together on the road every week. Bain is a volunteer driver with Haliburton Highlands Health

Services' door-to-door transportation program, with Hunt one of the 876 registered clients that rely on the service to get them to and from various health-related appointments and programs within the County's borders and beyond. While Bain has been driving for HHHS Community Support Services for the past 13 months, her history with the organization goes back more than a decade. She was the

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The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) helps maintain and enhance local fisheries in Haliburton County. Its mission is to help residents and visitors to our County enjoy angling and other outdoor activities while practicing good conservation. Since 1998, the HHOA has raised and stocked over 800,000 fish in local lakes.

For more information on the HHOA visit [www.hhoa.on.ca](http://www.hhoa.on.ca)

**VOLUNTEERS:**

The HHOA is always looking for new volunteers to help at the hatchery and the stocking of our lakes. In addition, we need people with various skill sets to help us with all the activities within the HHOA and the hatchery and continue its valuable contributions to the Haliburton Highlands outdoors community. Some of the skills needed but are not limited to the following:

- Fund Raising • Grant Writing
- Social Media - Advertising and Marketing
- Other skills that you believe that can be helpful



# Rewarding from door to door

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administrative assistant for the branch, located on the grounds beside the Haliburton hospital, for 14 years before retiring in early 2020.

She had intended to start driving right away, but the COVID-19 pandemic delayed things. Now, Bain seems like she's making up for lost time. She runs regular routes within the County twice per week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and takes on one or two long-range journeys each month.

She estimates driving 17,000 kilometres since March 2022, with trips to Peterborough, Huntsville, Bracebridge, Lindsay, Ottawa, Pickering, and Kingston on her resume.

"I just love everything about it," Bain told *The Highlander*. "I love being able to give back and support people. When you're traveling, it's mostly one-on-one, so you really get to know people."

Transportation coordinator Janet Burley said the program has been running for over 30 years. She schedules approximately 20 trips each day. While she has 46 registered drivers on her roster, only 12 are considered active. New recruits are always welcome.

While designated as volunteers, drivers don't make trips completely out of pocket. They're reimbursed 48 cents for every kilometre driven, with 30 cents of that covered by the patient and the rest of the tab picked up by HHHS. There's a meal allowance included, while expenses such as parking are also covered.

Hunt said she's always made a point of taking care of her drivers, paying for breakfast during early morning runs to

Toronto, and coffee and donuts for shorter-range trips. She's been enrolled in the program since 2003, noting she hasn't had a negative experience in the 20 years since.

"We needed someone who would drive us to the city so my husband, Bev, could get hip replacement surgery," Hunt said of how she started. "I can't do long trips driving, and I can't drive in Toronto. If it wasn't for HHHS and the volunteer drivers, we wouldn't have been able to do it."

Since then, Hunt has been driven south around a dozen times for surgeries and follow-up appointments of her own, having had extensive work done on both her hips and knees. Recently, due to a lingering eye problem, she's had to give up driving altogether. That made it impossible for her to get out to the adult day program HHHS runs in Minden - until she made a call.

Now, Bain picks her up twice a week at her home in West Guilford and drives her to Minden, making the return trip in the afternoon.

"I'd just be sitting at home, not getting out and socializing if I didn't have this," Hunt said. "This is a vital service. For people like me who can't drive, it's a genuine lifesaver."

And there are benefits for the drivers too.

"I've made so many new friends since I started to do this. I look forward to these drives all week," Bain said. "It's just so rewarding. I like to think I'm making a difference."

To learn more, visit [hhhs.ca/community-programs/transportation](http://hhhs.ca/community-programs/transportation). Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer driver can contact Brigitte Gebauer at [bgebauer@hhhs.ca](mailto:bgebauer@hhhs.ca).

*For people like me who can't drive, it's a genuine lifesaver.*  
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# An egg-cellent event

Abbey Gardens was hopping April 8 as hundreds of Highlanders enjoyed the warm weather by attending the annual 'Easter at the Gardens' event. There was an easter egg hunt for children, which sold out with 200 participants, and other activities including cookie decorating, springtime crafts, and a pony petting zoo. There was also a photo booth where people could take pictures with the Easter Bunny. Ashley McAllister, director of operations at Abbey Gardens, said the event was a huge success. "It's amazing seeing so many people here having a great time – this is why we hold events like this, to see smiles on people's faces," she said.



Top: The Moore family enjoyed getting out for Easter at the Gardens. Above: Six-year-old Jase Cox was excited to spend some time with the Easter Bunny. Left: Siblings Logan and Chloe Arsenault bang the gong and put out the call, summoning the Easter Bunny. Photos by Mike Baker.



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# Minden food centre looking to make big splash

By Mike Baker

County residents are being challenged to hit the water a few weeks early this year to help fund operations at the Minden Community Food Centre.

Executive director, Jean Munroe, said the organization is introducing a new fundraiser next month, encouraging community members to embrace the Jump in the Lake challenge. Taking place May 6, the event will see participants raise money for the food bank before plunging into the barely thawed depths of their chosen local lake.

“We’re leaning on the success of another fundraiser started by Dean Michel and Jennifer Bacon in Cobocok several years ago to raise money for a new wellness centre in their community,” Munroe said, speaking to the inspiration. “It was a huge hit and helped raise more than \$125,000... we’re really hoping it can be a success for us here in Minden.”

Michel, a real estate agent with Century 21 in Minden, endorsed this new offshoot, saying it can be a tremendous way to bring the community together for a great cause.

Demand at Minden’s food bank has spiked again through the first quarter of 2023. Munroe said she’s seen an average of 285 people a month come through the doors during the first three months of this year, up from 232 people a month in 2022.

“We’re definitely seeing an upward trend. With the increased cost of housing, food, gas – many families in our community are struggling,” she said. “We’ve been very busy and we’re expecting that to continue.”

Munroe said she’s hoping to bring in around \$10,000 through Jump in the Lake. That money is sorely needed at a time that the food bank is seeing its food costs increase as much as 25 to 30 per cent for some of its staple products, such as milk, meats, and fruit. While the hub does receive monthly donations of things like vegetables and tinned items, Munroe said she buys around 60 per cent of the food that goes out the door.



Jean Munroe, executive director of the Minden Community Food Centre, is challenging area residents to hit the water a few weeks early this year. Photo by Mike Baker.

Amanda Federchuk is helping to lead this new initiative, after taking the plunge herself for the past three years.

“At the beginning of the pandemic there were lots of fears about food insecurity and job security... I heard about the Jump in the Lake challenge [and decided] to do my own one-off version for Minden,” Federchuk said. “This was in 2020, but I loved it so much I’ve been doing it ever since.”

In 2022 she raised \$1,000 for the food centre.

“It’s so much fun. Every year I’ve had neighbours come out to watch me jump and cheer me on... in the days leading up to the jump, you start to psych yourself out about how cold it’s going to be, but in the end it’s just five cold minutes one day a year for a great cause,” she said. “You warm up again in no time.”

Munroe said she’ll be participating this year, as part of a team that will be plunging into Horseshoe Lake.

By getting the word out early, she’s hoping

to inspire as many people as possible to take part.

“We need all the help we can get right now as we try to meet the growing needs of our community. We’re seeing more seniors, more young families depend on us for healthy, nutritious foods,” Munroe said. “This is a great way to give back and have some fun while doing it.”

For more information visit [mindenfoodbank.org](http://mindenfoodbank.org).



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## U15 Rep Haliburton Timber Mart

The team started the 2022/23 season hot right out of the gate, going 11-0-1 across the opening weeks of the season. They finished with an overall record of 17-6-1, securing second place in the Victoria Durham Minor Hockey League. They also had the best goal differential in the league of plus-44, having scored 84 goals and conceding only 40. A huge shout out to our goaltenders – Chase Winder was ranked first overall with a GAA of 1.5, while recording four shutouts. Teammate, Hudson Horsley, ranked third overall with a GAA of 1.73 and one shutout. The team played in three tournaments this season – the Georgian Shores invitational in Collingwood, the Pembroke Regional Silver Stick, and a tournament in Fort Erie – giving everything they had and performing well. As the season wound down, the team were firing on all cylinders and finished the OMHA playdowns with a 4-1 record, finishing second place. The coaches could not be prouder of the team for leaving it all out on the ice, all season long. (Richie Mills and Dallas Latanville).



Above right: Players named in alphabetical order. Kieran Cox, Deagan Davison, Lara Gallant, Mason Gibson, Brody Harrison, Hudson Horsley, Evan Jones, Austin Latanville, Caleb Manning, Jace Mills, Jack Peters, Joshua Scheffee, Parker Simms, Owen Sisson, Chase Winder.



## U15 Peppermill Steak & Pasta House

Right: Coaches did not submit a report by press time. Players named in alphabetical order. Isaac Borgdorff, Adam Davis, Jacob Davis, Ashton Haaijema, Veronica Heasman, Johnny Lilly, Jacob Lloyd-Gottinger, Zachary Lowe, Eric Mueller, Taylor Mulock, Layne Robinson, Ethan Thomas, Carter Knapton, Leighton Lesbitt, Zachary Prentice.

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## U18 Rep

Coaches did not submit a report by press time. Players named in alphabetical order. Kaine Brannigan, Kadin Card, Cooper Coles, Avery Degeer, Ethan Dobson, Kyan Hall, Alex Hendry, Gage Hutchinson, Cooper Lloyd-Gottinger, Nathan Morrison, Aiden Perrott, Brody Prentice, Mak Prentice, Wyatt Raposo, Beckham Reynolds, Carson Simms, Matthew Wilson, Taylor Consack. *Photos by Tim Tofflemire.*

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# Ramsay reflects on memorable Huskies season

By Mike Baker

While the Haliburton County Huskies may have fallen short of their pre-season goal of bringing a first OJHL championship to the Highlands, head coach Ryan Ramsay said he's proud of the record-setting year his team put together.

After amassing a regular season record of 36-14-3, with one tie, an injury-riddled Huskies were swept in the second round of playoffs by the Wellington Dukes. It brought an end to the team's second season in the County, one that set organization records in team wins, goals scored, and average attendance.

"We had our best season not only in Huskies history, but in franchise history dating back to our days as the Whitby Fury. We had some tremendous results and performances. We had seven of our eight 20-year-olds get commitments to play college hockey next season. And we saw amazing development of some young players who will be leaders for us next season," Ramsay told *The Highlander*.

The Huskies regularly featured in the Canadian Junior Hockey League's list of 'Top 20' franchises nationwide, peaking at ninth in December.

Away from the rink, Ramsay said his team embraced his culture of being present and involved in the community. The Huskies ran programs at Archie Stouffer, Stuart Baker, and J.D. Hodgson elementary schools, while also participating in Christmas parades in Minden and Haliburton, attending a festive event at Curry Motors, and attending the grand opening of the new outdoor rinks in Harcourt and West Guilford.

The team held an awards night ceremony following the season, honouring some of this year's top performers. Patrick Saini was recognized as MVP after putting up 66 points in 48 games, with Ramsay saying he led by example during every shift.

Graduating forward Ty Collins received the 'Top Goal Scorer' award after potting 39 goals in 53 games; outgoing captain Christian Stevens and Sam Solarino split 'Hardest Worker' honours; Isaac Sooklal and Will Gourgouvelis shared the 'Top Defenceman' title; Sooklal also received 'Best Playoff Performer'; Jack Staniland

was recognized as the 'Most Improved Player'; and first-year players Leo Serlin and Tyler Hodges were named co-Rookies of the Year.

With at least 10 players moving on, Ramsay said he has some big holes to fill heading into next season. Most notable will be that of Stevens, who moves on after two seasons in Haliburton County. The 20-year-old recently committed to the University of Toronto, where he'll start studying social sciences in the fall.

"It's been one of the biggest privileges of my life to serve as captain of the Huskies this season. What a community Haliburton County has been to play in," Stevens told *The Highlander*. "It's hard not to get emotional about it – I've had the best two years. Made connections and friendships I'll hold on to forever."

Some of his best memories stem from the time he spent speaking with young hockey enthusiasts in the community and signing

autographs outside the Huskies' locker room on game days.

"Having a junior hockey franchise in your community can really change how kids look at hockey. It shows them there is a path forward, gives them something to work towards, a dream to cling on to" Stevens said, who used to attend Fury games as a kid.

Stevens expects the Huskies to be a contender again next year. He believes the likes of Lucas

Stevenson and Saini are ready to take a step forward and assume leadership of the team next season.

"This organization has a bright future. Ryan and [owner] Paul Wilson know how to build a team and have a winning mentality. Haliburton County is junior hockey's newest powerhouse," Stevens said.

For Ramsay, the work begins right away. He's already scouting players ahead of the new season and will be back on the ice next month for the Huskies' rookie camp. Running May 6 and 7, the camp is for players born between 2003 and 2008. Cost to attend is \$350, plus HST.



Above: Second year blueliner Jack Staniland, pictured with team owner Paul Wilson was recognized as the Huskies' 'Most Improved Player'. Left: Huskies forward Patrick Saini, pictured with assistant general manager Brian MacKenzie and coach Ryan Ramsay, was named season MVP. Photos submitted.

“It’s been one of the biggest privileges of my life to serve as captain of the Huskies.”  
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Left: Captain Christian Stevens and veteran Sam Solarino split the 'Hardest Worker' award, which they accepted from MacKenzie and team trainer Owen Flood. Right: Isaac Sooklal and Will Gourgouvelis shared the 'Top Defenceman' title. *Photos submitted.*

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Top: John Morrison out of the hack, releasing a rock down the ice.  
Above: Dave Walmsley is a picture of focus. Right: Anne MacNaull and Dianne Rose are hurrying hard as they guide a rock into the house.

*Photos by Mike Baker.*

## Chester's house

The Haliburton Curling Club played host to the first-annual Chester Spiel March 31 in honour of long-time member Chester Howse, who passed away in June 2022. The event included 16 teams and 62 curlers, who celebrated a "salubrious" day, according to Dave Allen – a long-time friend of Howse. "None of us know what salubrious means, but if I heard it once from Chester, I heard it a thousand times," he said. Having spent 14 years as club president, Howse helped to grow its membership during the late 1990s and early 2000s. Allen said this event would honour Howse's many contributions to curling in the community. *(Mike Baker).*

### WINNERS:

- First place – Susannah Moylan, Rachel O'Neill, Peggy Devine, and Wendy Miller.
- Second place – Kent Milford, Dave Ogilvie, Livio Lannucci
- Third place – Lynn Bartlett, Dianne Whitmarsh, Norma Kennedy, and Cheryl Howe



EVENTS

**April 14, 2 to 3 p.m.**  
Learn basic skills on smartphones and tablets at the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library. Session will focus on iOS (Apple) devices.

**April 15, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
The Haliburton School of Art + Design is holding its spring open house. There will be 224 programs running through the summer and fall, including 55 new courses. Join several skilled artisans and instructors, who will be on hand to answer questions and talk about their craft. For more information, visit [flemingcollege.ca](http://flemingcollege.ca).

**April 15, 5 p.m.**  
Red Wolves Special Olympics dinner/dance fundraiser at the Haliburton Legion. Western theme. Social at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m., featuring beef on a bun, potato salad, coleslaw, baked beans and homemade desserts. Tickets are \$25 and available at Up River Trading Company in Haliburton or Minden.

**April 19, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**  
Are you a French speaker or a French language learner looking for a space to converse in French? Join the French Conversation Circle at the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library for some friendly discussion. All levels welcome.

**April 19, 3 to 7 p.m.**  
Fleming CREW is hosting a job fair at the Haliburton Legion. To learn more, visit [flemingcrew.ca](http://flemingcrew.ca).

**April 22, 2 to 3 p.m.**  
Join Mary-Ellen at the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library to learn about the history and health benefits of tea. After the session you will be able to sample different types of tea.

**April 22, 9:45 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
Join the Gooderham Community Action Group in celebrating Earth Day. The event will feature a community clean-up around Robert McCausland Community Centre and the village, with earth-friendly displays promoting bee keeping, work composting, fossils, geocaching and children's activities. There will be hot dogs and refreshments for sale starting at noon. The clean-up will take place during the morning, with displays beginning after lunch.

**April 23, 1:30 to 3 p.m.**  
Dragon boat paddlers wanted. Join the Haliburton Highlands Paddlers for an open house at the Haliburton Legion. All are welcome.

**April 24, 2 p.m.**  
Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library is hosting local author and historian Guy Scott at the Minden Hills library to provide a history of one school rooms in Haliburton County. Donations will benefit the Haliburton County Public Library. For more information, contact Jim Mitchell at 705-286-3485.

**April 26, 7:30 p.m.**  
The Lake Kashagawigamog Organization is hosting a Zoom seminar focusing on covering care, maintenance and inspections of residential septic systems. Speaker is Rob Davis. For more contact Tanya Smith at [plants101@me.com](mailto:plants101@me.com).

**April 27, 7 p.m.**  
Haliburton Highlands Land Trust is hosting a seminar on the Western Chorus Frog at the Minden Cultural Centre. Join field naturalist Ed Poropat as he takes you on a journey through the life cycle of these tiny amphibians, with some insights on why they seem to be disappearing from our landscape. To pre-register visit [haliburtonlandtrust.ca](http://haliburtonlandtrust.ca). Donations accepted.

**April 29, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**  
It's parachute time at the Dysart branch of the Haliburton County Public Library. Children will get to shake their wiggles out as they listen to music and work the 'chute. For children aged two to five. A caregiver must be in attendance.

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**Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624 Wilberforce**  
**April 14:** diners club at noon, \$15 per person. Call Denise Butler at 705-448-8865 to book.  
Pool at 2 p.m. Fish and chips, chicken fingers and fries from 5 to 8 p.m.  
**April 15:** open 2 to 6 p.m. Meat draw at 3 p.m.  
**April 16:** LA breakfast from 9 to 11 a.m.  
**April 17/18:** closed  
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The municipality assumes no responsibility whatsoever for ensuring bidders/tenderers comply with the Act, and makes no representations regarding same. Prospective bidders/tenderers are solely responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act and are advised to seek legal advice before participating in this sale.

Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province's Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).

This sale is governed by the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax and HST.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

A copy of the prescribed form of tender is available on the website of the Government of Ontario Central Forms Repository under the listing for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit:  
**[www.OntarioTaxSales.ca](http://www.OntarioTaxSales.ca)**  
or if no internet access available, contact:  
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705-448-2981 Ext. 424  
[sfice-trimble@highlandseast.ca](mailto:sfice-trimble@highlandseast.ca)  
[www.highlandseast.ca](http://www.highlandseast.ca)



**Minden Hills Advisory Committees**  
**Call for Committee Members**

Submission deadline for applications has been extended to April 17, 2023

The Township of Minden Hills is looking for volunteers to participate as members on the following Advisory Committees for the 2023-2026 term of Council:

Community Services Advisory Committee  
Cultural Centre Advisory Committee  
Events Advisory Committee  
Lochlin Community Centre Advisory Committee

If you, or someone you know, are interested in participating in any of the above committees, please submit a completed application form in person, by mail or email to:

Advisory Committee Applications  
Clerk's Department,  
Township of Minden Hills  
7 Milne Street, PO Box 359  
Minden, ON  
K0M 2K0

[sprentice@mindenhills.ca](mailto:sprentice@mindenhills.ca)

Application deadline is Monday, April 17, 2023, by 12:00 noon.

For an Application Form or for more information, please visit our website [www.mindenhills.ca](http://www.mindenhills.ca) Local Government/Committees and Boards, or contact [admin@mindenhills.ca](mailto:admin@mindenhills.ca) or call the Clerk's Department at 705-286-1260 ext. 512



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Ontario Corporation 1029233, operating as Bongo Studios, headquartered at: 80 Sherbourne Street, Unit 101, Toronto ON M5A 2R1, Incorporated: 1993-05-05, voluntarily dissolved: 2006-11-01,  
of which the applicant was an executive and shareholder.  
The application may be considered by the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs. Any person who has an interest in the application and who wishes to make submissions, for or against the application, to the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs should notify, in writing, the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Legislative Building, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A2.  
Dated at...Toronto, Ontario, this...16th...day of...March...2023.  
Andrew Knight,  
416-707-5348 [ndrwknight@yahoo.ca](mailto:ndrwknight@yahoo.ca)  
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Dawn Mugford-Guay,  
Human Resources Coordinator  
Township of Algonquin Highlands  
1123 North Shore Road  
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HELP WANTED



The Municipality of Highlands East is currently recruiting students for summer employment opportunities for the 2023 year.

If you are currently enrolled in secondary school or a post-secondary program and returning to school in the fall of 2023, you are encouraged to apply for an opportunity.

The following positions are available with the municipality:

- (2), Parks & Recreation Attendants (Parks & Property Department – 16 weeks; 35 hours/week)
- (1), Information Centre Student (Economic Development Department – 16 weeks; 35 hours/week)
- (2), Summer Landfill Attendants (Public Works Department – 16 weeks; 35 hours/week)
- (2), Lifeguards (Summer Swim Program – 8 weeks)

Please note, for positions where you may be required to drive in the execution of your duties, a Class G2 or G Driver's Licence is mandatory. You will also be required to provide an acceptable driver's abstract and a criminal reference check.

Most positions listed above are available from the beginning of May through to the end of August for a total of 16 weeks. The Lifeguard positions are for a total of 8 weeks only.

If you are interested in receiving a more detailed job description for one of the positions noted above, please email [bmccaw@highlandseast.ca](mailto:bmccaw@highlandseast.ca) requesting a copy of the specific posting.

If you are interested in applying, applications **clearly marked with the position you are applying for** may be submitted on or before 4:30 p.m, Wednesday, April 19th, 2023 via mail, in person, fax or email. Interested applicants may submit their resume, in confidence to:

Brittany McCaw, Deputy CAO/Treasurer  
Municipality of Highlands East  
P.O. Box 295, 2249 Loop Road  
Wilberforce, ON. K0L 3C0  
Fax: 705-448-2532 E-Mail: [bmccaw@highlandseast.ca](mailto:bmccaw@highlandseast.ca)

We thank all applicants for their interest but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Municipality of Highlands East is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants requiring accommodation are asked to contact the CAO/Treasurer.

Applicant information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used to determine qualifications for employment with the Municipality of Highlands East. Questions about this collection should be directed to Shannon Hunter, CAO/Treasurer.



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Please forward your resume to [shume@haliburtoncounty.ca](mailto:shume@haliburtoncounty.ca) no later than April 14, 2023, at 4:30pm.

We thank all who apply for this position; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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**A full job description is available on the careers page of our website: [www.dysartetal.ca](http://www.dysartetal.ca)**

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

Laura Casey, Manager of Payroll and HR  
[hr@dysartetal.ca](mailto:hr@dysartetal.ca)  
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Interested individuals are invited to email a detailed resume and cover letter in confidence to:

Laura Casey, HR Manager  
hr@dysartetal.ca

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### Employment Opportunity Municipality of Dysart et al

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April 1, 2023



Peacefully, on Saturday, April 1, 2023, at Haliburton Highlands Hospital, Veronica passed away in her sleep with her dear friend Barb Perog by her side.

Veronika is survived by her sisters, Agnes Vogt and Johanna Stemmler, her nieces, Gisela Schulte, Elisabeth Muhlenkamp, Margaret Rohlmann, Martha Muhlenkamp, Patricia Ramaker, her nephews, Michael Vogt, Bernhard Rohlmann, Willi Rohlmann, and Joachim Stemmler.

Born in Munster Germany, Veronica trained to become a registered nurse. She moved to Canada in the 1950s and worked as an RN for over 30 years. Her kindness and compassion touched the lives of many patients. As a cottage owner on Drag Lake, Veronika fell in love with Haliburton and decided to move there from Toronto when she retired. Veronica was an active and dearly loved part of the St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church community for decades. She was a Eucharistic Minister who delivers communion to many shut-ins at Extendicare in Haliburton. She spent countless hours also volunteering for the 4 C's program in Haliburton. She led the Rosary at St. Anthony's church and her devotion to the Blessed Mother was very evident to all. Veronika was the longest-living member of the CWL in Haliburton. She will be dearly missed and cherished by her close friends Allison Hunter, Gina Mazara, Doris Martin, and many others at St. Anthony's.

She was an amazing example of strength, courage, faith, and devotion to her Lord Jesus.

She will be dearly missed by her lifelong friends Theresia Biemann and Margaret Rautenburg, her God daughter Dorothea and Sarah Biemann and her many family members in Germany.

**Mass of Christian Burial**

Friends are invited to call at **ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA MISSION CHURCH** 27 Victoria Street Haliburton, Ontario on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, for Mass Of Christian Burial at 1 o'clock. Vistiation will be held at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. As an expression of sympathy, donations to St. Anthony Of Padua Mission Church would be appreciated by the family.



**Robert "Bob" Victor Blough**

April 2, 2023



Passed away peacefully in his 75th year at Haliburton Hospital. Robert resided in Wilberforce, formally residing in Keswick, and originally from Unionville. Predeceased by his wife Carol Ann (nee Carter) 2021. Beloved father of Clint (Jenn Allen van Suylenkom) of Wilberforce. Stepfather to Gayl Dipper of Pepperlaw and Lana Hardy (Richard Marti) of Keswick. Grandfather to Emily, Chelsea, Alissa, Kaynan, Nick, Derek (Tracey), Ashley (Josh), Kaydee (Kyle). He will be missed by his Great Grandchildren Avery, Cole, Jake, Seth, Miller, and Mia. He is predeceased by his grandson Adam Mathewson (2021), his parents Victor Patterson Blough (WWII Vet) and Phyllis Marie Blough (nee Roberts), and his sisters Heather Williams and Suzie Fediuk. He is fondly remembered by his many nieces, nephews, and loving friends. Robert's family is in the Reesor Genealogical Book.

**Private Family Gathering**

A private family gathering will take place at a later time. As an expression of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, Kidney Foundation of Canada, The Lung Association or Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.



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**OBITUARY**



*In Loving Memory of*

**Shelley Jones**

April 8, 2023

It is with profound sadness that the family of Shelley Ann Jones announces her passing into the caring hands of our Creator during the final minutes of 8 April 2023.

Shelley was born in Oshawa on the 23rd of November 1965 to Vera Jones (nee McColl) and the late Rowatt Jones (2013). She, her parents, and her older brother Rick loved spending as much time as possible with their extended family in the Haliburton Highlands enjoying its natural beauty and its many recreational activities. This wonderful tradition has been passed on to her loving husband Christopher Wiles and her adoring son Matthew Wiles who will continue to make the northern trek from Ottawa; especially during the fall as this was Shelley's favorite season.

Shelley loved to learn from an early age and even skipped a grade while at Cedardale public school. Following high school at JL Roberts, she graduated from the Durham College Legal Administration program and then went on to Queens University where she earned a Bachelor of Arts (Hons.) in Political Studies. After taking a break from her studies to begin her career, get married, and start a family, she later returned to school to earn a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Ottawa. In recognition of her many academic and professional achievements, she was recognized by Durham College as an Alumnus of Distinction.

After working for various firms in Ottawa and Kingston providing litigation support, Shelley became a Registered Trademark Agent at Borden Ladner Gervais. Following an internship at Yahoo!, in her final year of law school, she articulated at Smart & Biggar/Fetherstonhaugh. After being called to the Ontario Bar in 2010, she joined Blackberry as Senior Legal Counsel (Trademarks and Brand Enforcement). In 2017 she joined the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC) management team and served as their Director of Stakeholder relations until she was recruited by the National Inventors Hall of Fame (NIHF) to bring its innovative after school and summer STEM enrichment camps to Canada. When NIHF suspended Canadian operations due to Covid, Shelley founded her own company Cedarwing which helped IPIC secure and manage a large federal grant to promote Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion within the Intellectual Property profession.

**Visitation & Funeral Service**

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** at 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Saturday, April 15, 2023, at 1 o'clock for a Funeral Service in the Chapel. (Visitation one hour prior). For those wishing to join the family virtually please follow the enclosed link. <https://join.skype.com/l69e7pMY4RpM> In lieu of flowers please donate to a charity of your choice or the Haliburton Highlands Hospital Foundation. Later this spring, Shelley will be laid to rest at the Maple Lake United Church Cemetery



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**Bernice  
Ross**

Friends are invited to call at Haliburton United Church 10 George Street on Friday morning, April 21 at 11 o'clock for a memorial service. This will be followed by a reception at the Haliburton Curling Club 730 Mountain Street, Haliburton.



**IN MEMORY**

*In Loving Memory of  
Barb Morrison*



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love becomes a

*Memory  
that memory  
becomes a  
Treasure*

*Love, Les and family*



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- Across**
- 1 Paper bundle
  - 6 Treatment for a Model T, maybe
  - 9 Spanish city famed for its sherry
  - 14 Last few bars of a song
  - 15 "The Da Vinci Code" director Howard
  - 16 Tiny egg cell
  - 17 Quote for "visionary" thinkers, Part 1
  - 19 Tomb occupant in Red Square
  - 20 "The \_\_\_ of the Ancient Mariner"
  - 21 "\_\_\_ king's horses and ..."
  - 22 Part 2 of the quote
  - 26 Shoe brand named for "fly" in Latin
  - 27 It determines one's zodiac personality
  - 28 Town to "get out of"
  - 30 Trendy caveman-style diet
  - 31 Windy Santa?
  - 34 Part 3 of the quote
  - 36 Part 4 of the quote
  - 38 Pt. of "iOS" or "DOS"
  - 39 Exasperated "Seriously?!"
  - 43 Skepticism
  - 44 Betraying no pleasure or pain
  - 46 "Good" days: Abbr.
  - 47 Part 5 of the quote
  - 51 Tie again, as a shoe
  - 52 Fresh response?
  - 53 Love poet's Muse
  - 54 End of the quote
  - 59 Actor David with a pencil moustache
  - 60 Result of failing a Breathalyzer, briefly
  - 61 In an unusual way
  - 62 Contents of a spring packet
  - 63 Indy sponsor
  - 64 Michael Keaton stay-at-home dad film

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  - 2 Utterance on being shaken awake
  - 3 Palindromic "saison"
  - 4 Hound's hello
  - 5 Club for young farmers
  - 6 Concoct, as false charges
  - 7 Canadian harpist McKennitt
  - 8 Summer fair in T.O.
  - 9 Brit's "that'll be fine"
  - 10 Poet Lau or novelist Waugh
  - 11 Hotfoot it for
  - 12 University benefactor \_\_\_ Yale
  - 13 \_\_\_ cards (ESP testers named for their creator)
  - 18 Acapulco aunties
  - 21 "\_\_\_ Irish Rose" of early Broadway
  - 22 Soap that floats
  - 23 Every story has two, it is said
  - 24 Drawn-out tale
  - 25 Faster alternative to dial-up
  - 26 Has some plusses?
  - 29 Graphic details in an email?
  - 31 Take \_\_\_ for the worse
  - 32 Bridge pass?
  - 33 Condos, only rented: Abbr.
  - 35 Stood out as a beacon
  - 37 Coffee table neighbour
  - 40 Soviet fighter plane
  - 41 Conveys via charades
  - 42 Emery board target
  - 44 Said with confidence
  - 45 Letters from a guffawing texter
  - 47 Common songbirds
  - 48 Vowel-heavy word for a bird's nest
  - 49 Aida in Verdi's opera, for one
  - 50 Soothing salts, or the town where they originated
  - 54 The "G" of "GST": Abbr.
  - 55 P.M. or Pres.
  - 56 City with Canada's largest mall: Abbr.
  - 57 "Strange Magic" grp.
  - 58 Poe character Arthur Gordon \_\_\_

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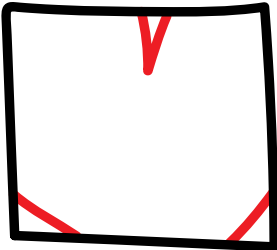
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