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Cheryl Hamilton takes a photo of her children, Hunter, Jazmin and Harper, at the start of their first day back to school at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden Sept. 3.
Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Green, PPC candidates join election fray

By **Lisa Gervais**

A university student from Bethany has rounded out the field of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock federal election candidates as of press time Sept. 4.

Elizabeth Fraser, 21, who is in her third year of environmental studies at Carleton

University, is the Green Party candidate. She joins previously-announced candidates: incumbent Conservative Jamie Schmale; Liberal Judi Forbes and NDP hopeful Barbara Doyle. *The Highlander* has also learned of a fifth candidate, Gene Balfour, of the People's Party of Canada.

It's expected the federal election will be held Monday, Oct. 21.

Speaking from Ottawa, where she worked this summer with the Canada Revenue Agency, Fraser told *The Highlander* she started the Green Party Club at Carleton University in her first year of studies.

Entering her third year, she said "I didn't really anticipate running for office this young. But I just thought given the political climate, and issues I really care about, such as the environment and employment, I can go into an election year and be upset about changes or put myself out there and be that

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Victim assaulted in Haliburton

Haliburton Highlands OPP is investigating the assault of a man in Haliburton village Sept. 3.

In a press release, the detachment said police were called to assist paramedics with a 24-year-old male victim who reported being assaulted shortly before 2 a.m.

Police attended an area hospital to speak with the victim.

"The victim was treated for non-life-threatening injuries and released," the press release said.

The incident remains under investigation by OPP. Police encourage any witnesses of the incident to contact the detachment at 705-286-1431, the provincial communication centre at 888-310-

1122 or Crime Stoppers officers at 800-222-8477.

Man charged for distributing images

The Peterborough Police Service has charged a 41-year-old Haliburton County man with distributing intimate images without consent.

Police located the accused at a Peterborough residence Aug. 22, following an investigation. In a press release, police said the accused and a female victim are in a domestic relationship.

"In late July 2019, the victim became aware that the accused had sent intimate images depicting the victim to other persons without her consent or knowledge," the press release said. "The incident was reported to police

and officers investigated."

Police have released the accused, who is scheduled to appear in court Sept. 12. Police said they will not release the name of the accused to protect the identity of the victim.

OPP remind drivers to stay alert

Police across the province are reminding drivers to be alert as students and school buses make roadways busier this week.

The OPP conducted a distracted driving campaign Labour Day weekend "to underscore the importance of paying full attention to driving."

"With the new school year set to begin, we need all motorists to make a firm commitment to keeping all forms of distraction out of the driver's seat," acting deputy commissioner Allison Jevons said in a press release.

So far this year, OPP have attributed 26 deaths on roads they patrol to inattentive drivers. There have also been 158 school bus collisions this year as of Aug. 29, with 37 incidents linked to inattentive driving.

(OPP news compiled by Joseph Quigley)



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A proposed map for the configuration of the Torchlight BioResources heating project in Haliburton village. *File photo*

Bioheating company fires up project again

By Joseph Quigley

Torchlight BioResources is trying to restart its cancelled wood-fuelled bioheating project with as many municipalities as possible.

The Haliburton Forest-based company and Dysart et al are inviting more than 20 regional municipalities to participate in a workshop about municipally-owned heat utility development Oct. 1. The aim is to revive an effort to create bio heating projects with municipalities, which was cancelled in Dysart after the new provincial government pulled back a \$2.8 million grant.

Managing director Jamie Stephen said his company now hopes to get federal grant dollars by partnering with many different municipalities.

"It's an opportunity to learn but also to talk about how the municipalities can work together," Stephen said. "Some of them are quite small, how can they work together to develop these projects?"

Dysart et al is still partnered with Torchlight in a public-private utility corporation. Using a 50-50 split between public-private dollars, the partners planned to develop a district heating system using locally-sourced woodchips to heat 50 buildings in Haliburton village, reducing energy costs.

They were successful in getting a \$2.8 million grant from the previous provincial government under the Municipal Greenhouse Gas Challenge Fund. The grant would have covered the public portion of the funding, but a change in government meant the end of the grant in July 2018.

Stephen said the project stalled after that. But with the utility corporation still in

place, Torchlight has explored new grant opportunities and is now targeting federal dollars under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

"We do think there's a very strong argument for bioheat and district energy systems from a job creation, rural economic development perspective," Stephen said.

The company plans to create multiple bioheating projects by partnering with multiple municipalities through publicly-owned utilities. The municipal invites are going out as far as Muskoka in the west to Elgin in the East.

In a letter to municipal leaders, Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts spoke to the potential of the system.

"This district heating system approach has been widely adopted in Europe as an alternative to natural gas and/or individual building fuel deliveries," Roberts said. "We believe there could be significant value in partnering with other municipalities."

Stephen said the initiative would create job opportunities. He added it would also be a boon to a declining forestry sector, providing a new market for Haliburton Forest to sell low-grade wood to fuel the heating systems.

Despite the approaching federal elections, Stephen said this is a project any government can get behind.

"It seems like infrastructure is something that is bipartisan. Lowering energy costs for rural residents is something that I think any party can get behind," Stephen said.

"This is a way for communities to insulate themselves from climate-related policies, which is what the purpose of the policies is," he added. "To shift people away from fossil fuel consumption."

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A tree is moved at the 1 Sunnyside St. property Sept. 3. Gardens Retirement Development Inc. has begun clearing the property of trees in preparation for blasting. *Photo by Joseph Quigley*

Clearing the way for retirement complex

By Joseph Quigley

Gardens Retirement Development Inc. and Dysart et al are meeting Sept. 9 about the plan for the new seniors housing complex at 1 Sunnyside St.

The municipality has scheduled a special council meeting to discuss passing a site plan agreement for the massive, 74-unit housing development. "The municipality is continuing to work to move this project forward," planning manager Sue Harrison said at an Aug. 27 council meeting. "This is a complex project."

The development has faced legal hurdles due to a holding provision on the property, stemming from an Ontario Municipal Board ruling. The provision prevents rezoning of the property and the municipality can only lift it when certain conditions are met.

The site plan agreement is the next step to get the building off the ground. If accepted, it would need further

approval by the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, according to director of planning Jeff Iles. Once the tribunal issues an order, the developer can apply to remove the holding provision to get the correct zoning in place. Once that is done, the municipality can issue a building permit.

Mayor Andrea Roberts said the municipality has worked hard to get this project going.

"We are doing everything we can. Every time I go into Sue (Harrison)'s office, there's nothing on her desk but the Gardens (Retirement Development Inc.)," Roberts said.

To that end, the municipality offered to hold a special council meeting to get the project its approvals as quickly as possible.

Meanwhile, the developer is moving ahead with clearing the site.

With the school building previously on the site now demolished, workers

began clearing out trees on the property Sept. 3. After the trees are cleared, the developer plans to do blasting work on a ridge in the property.

Harrison said the municipality has received several concerns about work on the property, including about tree removal, blasting notification and pedestrian access.

Nearby residents have also received notices about the blasting from DST Consulting Engineers Inc. and general contractor Leeswood Construction, offering well-testing prior to the blasting.

"DST Consulting Engineers is performing well water testing as well as quantity analysis to ensure there is no disturbance to wells in the area," Leeswood Construction wrote in an Aug. 15 notice. "We will do our best to limit disruption to you during this process."

County of Haliburton news

Budget process begins

The County of Haliburton is working to find cost savings for its next budget.

Council discussed the 2020 budget process during its Aug. 28 meeting. Staff have started on the budget, with the first council budget meeting planned for October.

Chief administrative officer Mike Rutter said department heads brainstormed cost-saving measures, which they plan to introduce in the budget process after council gives feedback.

"We're going to gauge your support," Rutter said. "It is our responsibility to spend as little as we can in providing services."

The effort will also show the province how the county is working to save money, Rutter said.

Staff aim to pass the budget in January. Coun. Andrea Roberts complimented county staff for making

the process more efficient over her time in office.

"To see that we are aiming to a target of passing the budget in January is fabulous," she said.

Roads loan drives ahead

Council approved including a one-time, \$3 million loan in the 2020 capital budget to help improve roads.

The roads committee recommended the measure as a way to boost damaged roads and the overall quality of the network.

"I just see it as being able to get that much more done and get more ahead of the curve," Warden Liz Danielsen said.

Council also directed staff to bring forward a report with potential approaches for how the loan could be handled.

County dives into flooding consultation

The County of Haliburton will have its say to the province's new special advisor on flooding.

Coun. Carol Moffatt reported to council that the county and Minden Hills have received an invite to attend an upcoming roundtable to address flooding.

She said much of the province's emphasis with flooding has been in the Muskokas but the highlands region will also be addressed.

"We'll have a chance to get our spoke in, in terms of what's happened here, what we've achieved and what needs to happen next," Moffatt said.

The province appointed the special advisor Doug McNeil July 18 to help improve flood recovery and mitigation.

(County news compiled by Joseph Quigley)



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Left: My first day in Haliburton in front of *The Highlander* sign. Right: Myself and John Tittel in the radio booth at Canoe FM for our final Drive Show together.



Lessons learned over a summer in Haliburton

By Meagan Secord

Working for *The Highlander* this summer has been one of the most amazing and challenging experiences of my life.

I've stood in a torrential downpour to get the perfect shot of watercross races, taken pictures from a boat in the middle of Head Lake, interviewed writers and painters, gone to the opera, co-hosted The Drive Show with John Tittel and had so many more amazing experiences here in the Highlands that I will never forget.

However, all of those experiences don't hold a candle to what I have learned over the last three months of being here.

So, I thought I would share the lessons I've learned as a wrap up to my adventure.

Lesson one: take risks even if they scare you.

My second day here, I walked into Canoe FM and asked about volunteering. I originally intended to be behind the scenes but when a spot was offered on The Drive

Show I thought, why not? That single leap of faith ended up being one of the best decisions of my life because I learned a lot about myself and my future career.

Lesson two: make mistakes.

I've made a few mistakes since being here. Whether it's grammar, names, titles or anything else. But my editor has never made me feel discouraged. She simply said, "you're learning and mistakes are bound to happen." Do I try to make mistakes? No. I try to get everything right the first time. However, it is nice to be reminded that I am only human and bound to mess up here and there.

Lesson three: keep your rain coat and plastic bag in your car.

When it rains here, it pours. The rain coat for me and the bag for my camera. Lesson learned.

Lesson four: talk to people

Talking to people is a crucial part of being a journalist, but also try to do it on your own time. I can't count how many

conversations I've had with people here just because I was interested in something they were doing or saw them sitting alone. You not only make connections with people, but you also find out what's happening in the community from local perspectives.

Lesson five: be positive.

There were a few points this summer where I wasn't feeling very positive but I learned it is easier to keep a smile on your face and joke your way through rough spots than to wallow in them. Grit is something my class spoke about a lot in school and I think this summer took a lot of grit for me.

Spending the summer here in the Highlands has tested me in many different ways but one thing I can say for certain is that I never felt like I didn't belong. Thank you, Haliburton, for welcoming me into your small community and trusting me to cover your events and write some of your stories. It is definitely an experience I will never forget.

Federal election looming

If you check out electionprediction.org, you'll find a few comments on Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock (HKLB).

One writer, M. Lunn, opines, "A boring rural Tory stronghold, only interest is do they get over 50 per cent or not, not whether they win this."

Yes, folks, the summer holidays have ended, the kids are back in school and a federal election could be less than 46 days away.

As reported in our front-page story, as of press time today, there are five candidates vying for the job of representing us in Ottawa: Incumbent Conservative Jamie Schmale; Liberal candidate Judi Forbes; NDP hopeful Barbara Doyle; the Greens Elizabeth Fraser and the People's Party of Canada's Gene Balfour.

We'll do our best to introduce the candidates to readers over the next six weeks via both profiles and questions and

answers addressing some of the issues near and dear to the hearts of Haliburton County voters.

We'll also be there on Wednesday, Oct. 9 for the all candidates meeting being hosted by the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and CARRP, at 7 p.m. at the Pinestone.

You may have also noticed that we have been collaborating with the Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County (CCHC) on a series of non-partisan columns on our op-ed pages.

Going back to M. Lunn above, and to provide a little history to newcomers to the riding, HKLB has indeed been a Tory stronghold. It's been blue since 1968, with the exception of an 11-year-period when it was held by the Liberals' John O'Reilly, between 1993-2004.

There have only been three Tory reps in all of that time, Bill Scott, Barry Devolin

and Schmale.

When the country turned red in 2015, HKLB remained blue though the swing was just over 17 per cent, with Schmale still getting just over 44 per cent of support, compared to Devolin's 60 per cent in 2011.

As the CCHC have been writing, we encourage readers to do their homework; select a candidate and party that best represents their views, and, above all else, vote.

In 2015, about 68 per cent of eligible voters marked a ballot in HKLB. That was up from about 63 per cent in 2011. We were just slightly above the national average. It's a trend we would like to see continue.



By Lisa Gervais

Editorial opinion

Eye on the street: *How do you feel about going back to school?*

By Meagan Secord



Renee Thomas
Sutton

“Excited. The kids are ready to go back. You just make the summer really fun and by the end of it, they’re ready to go back.”



Carla Dorland
Whitby

“Well, they’re a little apprehensive but we’re excited.”



Beth O'Donovan
London

“I’m not really quite ready. I feel like the summer went by really fast. The routine will be nice but I wish there were a couple more weeks.”



Melissa Ashworth
London

“I have some mixed emotions. I’m going to miss having some special time with the kids but I do look forward to the routine.”



Akos Varga
Richmond Hill

“I feel good!”

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



Greg Pichnej captured these images: a heron in flight; and a fox on Bushwolf Lake.

EleXion files

Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County (CCHC) is pleased to present, *EleXion Files*. We will be submitting a series of articles focusing on nonpartisan information about the federal election. This is the fifth article in the series.

Not planning to vote in October's federal election?

Dear young person;
“Why bother? What’s the point anyway? My vote won’t make any difference. Politicians do whatever they can just to get re-elected. Nothing ever changes. Politicians never lead, they just follow. I don’t really know enough about the issues. I’m too busy dealing with my life. Politicians never keep their campaign promises.”

Unfortunately, some of us have lost faith in working together to make change. Many critics see this shift as a result of our individualized society. We are constantly

bombarded with the message that creating good lives is up to us personally and if someone is struggling, they have simply made bad choices and need to work harder. It is not surprising then, that people disengage from politics because they begin to believe that the answers to their problems lie in individual change (*The Refusal of Work* by David Frayne).

You can be forgiven for your lack of confidence in the system; but try not to let this attitude determine your actions. Many of our current problems require a collective solution. The role of government is to provide services and programs that improve our lives and that cannot be delivered individually. We don’t pay for medical care because Canadians agreed to provide it through our taxes, for everyone.

Climate change is an urgent threat that requires immediate action on several levels. We can make individual lifestyle changes but as Dianne Saxe, former environmental commissioner of Ontario states, personal actions are an important place to start but not end.

Voting does mean you have to do a little research. You don’t have to become a political junkie, but knowing something about each party’s platform and the policies put forth by the candidates in your riding will help you make an informed decision.

The state of the economy will be a key part of the election discussion and if your eyes glaze over when you hear the word economy, check out ecnmmy.org, a website that explains the ideas and concepts in plain language.

What are the issues that concern you? What do the major political parties say about the things that matter to you? You won’t find a candidate or party that perfectly aligns with your perspective, so you will likely have to compromise on some issues. Vote for, not against something.

There are many ways to work for change and varying degrees of involvement; join a group, support an organization with money, write letters, or protest. Voting is the essential first step.

The late Gord Downie said, “We are not

the country we thought we were.” My vision of Canada is a just, sustainable, inclusive, compassionate and diverse society. The pressing issues of today mean that we need to join together and exercise our power.

I asked some young friends of mine why young people should vote:
“We are the future.”

“You’re given the opportunity so just use it.”

“Every opinion matters.”
“It’s our life.”

“Don’t be lazy... go participate in making a difference in your country.”

So vote for your future, for having your voice heard, for not giving in to cynicism, for participating in society rather than being a bystander, for joining together with others and taking action for a better world. See you at the ballot box.

Judy Paul
Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County

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County prepares roadmap for review Decision coming about governance

By Joseph Quigley

The County of Haliburton plans to first examine how it delivers its services before deciding whether to overhaul its governance structure.

Staff unveiled a draft review process during the Aug. 28 council meeting. The chief administrative officers for the county's municipalities are proposing an in-depth review of municipal services across all of Haliburton's municipalities. After that is completed, the process would then address governance and what is the best model for Haliburton, including the possibility of amalgamation.

"You'd have to figure out how you'd go about and answer a question of governance. Should it change, should it not be changed?" chief administrative officer Mike Rutter said. "This is a pretty extensive study. We know it would take a considerable amount of time."

Council made no final decisions, deciding to defer to its September meeting.

Coun. Andrea Roberts said people have set their ideas on amalgamation based on feelings, rather than facts.

"This is the ideal time to do this," Roberts said. "I would go forward with this. We've been waiting for outside, independent study to show the best and most efficient way we can operate in Haliburton County."

"I've heard this over and over again. I think as councils we actually owe it to the ratepayers to get an answer one way or another," Coun. Lisa Schell said.

The report comes after council directed staff to develop a review process June 26.

Rutter said after that, staff consulted with Michael Fenn, a civil servant and consultant who is heading regional reviews in Ontario.

From that, the county CAO's decided a service delivery would be the best place to start. The questions asked will include whether a service is necessary, what are the full costs and benefits of the service and what "tier" of government is most appropriate to deliver that service.

Staff proposed a consultant be hired

to make recommendations on services. Council would also be called on to make decisions throughout the process, Rutter said.

After reviewing service delivery, staff propose a separate process to address municipal structure.

Coun. Cec Ryall praised the idea to separate examinations of service delivery and governance.

"The fact that we (citizens) are using the word amalgamation as the end-all, cure-all, solve all things, doesn't work like that. We have too many examples of amalgamation where it totally failed because not enough preliminary work was done," Ryall said.

Staff recommended sending an RFP for a consultant in fall 2019, with a report coming back no later than fall 2020.

They also recommended cost-sharing for the process, with half funded by the county and the remainder split between the four lower-tier municipalities. Staff recommended a \$150,000 budget.



A federal election is expected to be called for Oct. 21. In Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, a total of five candidates have so far thrown their hats into the ring. They will be in Haliburton on Wednesday, Oct. 9 for an all candidates meeting. The candidates are: top left: Green candidate Elizabeth Fraser. Top right: Liberal candidate Judi Forbes. Middle left: NDP candidate Barbara Doyle. Middle Right: Conservative candidate Jamie Schmale Bottom left: People's Party of Canada candidate Gene Balfour. *Submitted photos.*

Candidates to debate Oct. 9 in Haliburton

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voice for people who feel the same way."

Fraser acknowledged it would be an uphill battle to be elected. However, "I don't think the Green Party has had a huge presence in the riding and it's only fair to offer those constituents an alternative and I hope to be that alternative."

On his election page, genebalfour.ca, Balfour has a copy of the Canadian Constitution. He writes, "after reading this document, I came to realize how far Canada has drifted from the vision of our founders for a united and free Canada. This has inspired me to work with Maxime Bernier and the People's Party of Canada to return our country to the values that have made Canada a great country over the last 150-plus years."

Doyle won the NDP nomination on Feb. 23. She is a Lindsay-based activist.

Forbes got the Liberal nod on June 26. She is the owner of Moorlands Bed and Breakfast in Beaverton and a former bank senior manager.

Schmale was elected in the 2015 federal election after the retirement of Barry Devolin. He announced his candidacy in 2018.

Meanwhile, the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and CARP will be hosting an all-candidates debate on October 9 at 7 p.m. at the Pinestone Resort.

"This is part of the Chamber's regular service to the community and we are pleased to be able to offer the forum as a way for candidates and residents to connect before the election," said manager Jennifer Locke.

Highlander news

Still open season on Minden Hills' seagulls

By Lisa Gervais

When Minden Hills council declared war on the Scotch Line landfill seagulls last year, they threw more than \$30,000 at the problem.

While staff say the township has seen "a significant decrease" in the Ring Billed Gull population, that isn't the experience of the Mountain Lake Property Owners Association.

Spokeswoman Kym Hanson said there's been an "improvement" but not as much as she would have hoped.

"Up until July 1, there were barely any seagulls on the lake, but as soon as the population increased with cottagers it seemed the landfill couldn't keep up and more gulls started appearing at the landfill and lake," she told *The Highlander*.

"There are still, on some days, 300-plus seagulls on the lake. The seagulls ... seem very much related to the landfill operations. I appreciate the changes they have done but I still don't think it's acceptable that we still have so many gulls on the lake."

She said she was planning to make a delegation to council later this month "to see if there are any further changes they can make at the landfill."

Minden Hills director of public works Travis Wilson presented a report on the issue to council Aug. 29, in which he said it does not appear the problem is related to seagulls at the landfill.

On Sept. 13, 2018, council single sourced Rentokil Steritech to do seagull mitigation at Scotch Line and in outlying areas. The initial proposal from Rentokil was for one year of service.

Wilson said with the work starting in the early fall, Rentokil didn't have adequate knowledge of the seagull breeding characteristics of our area, and it was believed that the seagulls were nesting near the landfill. However, he said it was determined this spring that the targeted Ring Billed Gulls do not nest in this area.

He said Rentokil now believes the majority of the seagull population throughout the summer are primarily migrators with newly-fledged birds - that travel the Atlantic fly path and are mostly headed to the Niagara River for the winter.

He said they cover household waste at Scotch Line on a daily basis, which exceeds requirements under the ECA, which requires weekly cover. Staff are also recommending buying steel plates for cover in the 2020 budget. Staff are working on final cover of areas not being landfilled anymore.

Not one solution

"Any seagull mitigation program is not a one solution for every scenario. Every area is unique and requires adjustments as the service provider gathers more information



Mountain Lake cottager, and taxpayer, Kym Hanson looks at a bag of feathers she collected while kayaking on Mountain Lake in the summer of 2018. She showed them to Minden Hills councillors when making a delegation last September. *File.*

regarding the bird's behaviour," Wilson said in a written report.

He said the plan going forward includes a major change to minimal operations in the spring, with a larger focus in late summer and early fall using falcons and hawks to ward off the gulls.

Staff recommended renewing the contract with Rentokil Steritech for another term, saying "this form of mitigation program can take up to three years before substantial change is realized."

It's estimated to cost about \$41,000 in 2019 and just over \$35,000 in 2020.

During a discussion at last Thursday's regular council meeting, Wilson said numbers had decreased. He said a year

ago, there were 1000-plus gulls and now the worst day will see about 300, with an average of 160-220.

Mayor Brent Devolin said he goes to the dump once a week and the "summer permanent population is many orders of magnitude less."

Deputy mayor Lisa Schell said she's also noticed a "drastic" reduction. "Council and staff are doing everything they possibly can to make strides with this." She said she understands that residents of Mountain Lake still think there is a correlation between the seagulls at the landfill and the lake despite the contractor's findings.

Coun. Jean Neville said seagulls aren't just at the landfill and on Mountain Lake, but Lake Kashagawigamog, too.

"I don't think people appreciate what has gone into this project. I'm sure it adds up to quite a bit of money," she said.

Coun. Bob Carter said they are still getting complaints from Mountain Lake cottagers and wondered if the township would have to do battle with gulls "for ever and ever, Amen" and "are we fighting a losing battle?"

Wilson reiterated there'd been a significant gain on last year and that the contractor said it can take three years to make a real difference.

Devolin said "the reality is we're not in control over all of this. We can't take the sole responsibility. We're getting close to the end of our responsibility to the public."

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Highlander news

AH picks six priorities for term 'Not playing cards, waiting for bat phone to ring'

By Lisa Gervais

Algonquin Highlands has identified six priorities following a township strategic visioning session Aug. 27. "A lot has happened since our last visioning session in January 2018," said CAO Angie Bird in a memo prior to the six-hour meeting.

She added, "This is our opportunity to collectively imagine the future, discuss the current challenges we face and develop some priorities to ensure a successful next three to four years."

Mayor Carol Moffatt said it was a chance to look for staff and council commonality on the major elements of their strategy for the remainder of the 2018-2020 term. She said they also wanted new councillors, Jennifer Dailloux and Julia Shortreed to have a couple of months under their belts before reconvening.

After the session, Moffatt said councillors and staff were "like cattle facing in the wind. We are all aligned. There is not a great divide as to what staff and councillors think we should be doing for our community, so it's nice to see that."

She said the first priority is a continued focus on a robust environmental strategy. She noted that included public education and a zoning bylaw update that considers all environment factors: including landfills; waste management; lake health; shoreline preservation; fisheries; and participating in the county's climate change strategy.

Number two is infrastructure, which ties in with the asset management plan. She said that conversation drifted into how they manage grants. While the township has been successful in winning grants over the past eight years, it has largely fallen to one staff member. Moffatt said there was talk of possibly contracting out grant management. They'll also be looking



Algonquin Highlands councillors and staff held a visioning session last week. *File.*

at the results of their energy audit and an energy management plan.

A third priority is around human resources. The mayor said they value staff but want to make concerted efforts around retention and "ensuring opportunities for people to bring their best game to the job." For example, she said when a staff member completes a course and receives a certificate, that should be acknowledged.

The fourth plank from the session is a continuing strong communications strategy, the mayor said, including "making sure that we are communicating our work adequately and usefully." They also want to ensure constituents can engage with the township and provide feedback.

A fifth priority is finding efficiencies. Moffatt said that involves looking at service levels and opportunities. "So, if it doesn't need four person's eyes on it, don't have four person's eyes on it." She said the township also still has its \$540,000 in "magical mystery money" the province granted it for finding

efficiencies.

Moffatt said the sixth and final priority circles back to volunteers, including review of committee mandates and training. "So, volunteers have the right tools and resources to bring their best game forward."

The mayor said the results of the session are "nothing earth shattering at all," but there was "a whole bunch of stuff that last year came from our visioning session, and were introduced into our way of doing things."

Moffatt said they also revisited their vision statement and she insisted they add the word "responsive" because "the landscape is continually changing, and changing quickly."

One of the biggest challenges for local townships is that the population is growing at a greater rate than the provincial average, resulting in a greater use of infrastructure and services. In some cases, it is requiring the hiring of additional staff.

Moffatt defending the hirings, saying, "no one is sitting around playing cards, waiting for the bat phone to ring."



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Minden Hills news

Minden flood costs in for 2019

The 2019 flood cost the township of Minden Hills approximately \$48,000.

CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard tabled a report to the Aug. 29 council meeting outlining the unbudgeted expenditure.

She said the costs related to protecting public health, safety and access to essential services as well as capital costs related to public infrastructure.

By contrast, the 2017 flood cost the township more than \$90,000. (Both figures exclude regular wages of staff.)

Blanchard said that with limited damage to township infrastructure, there were no insurance claims or related deductibles. The township was also excluded from the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians program.

In her report, she sought advice on what to do with the expenditure. She also recommended council increase the current annual contribution of \$40,000 to the emergency preparedness reserve to support future emergencies. She said the current balance was \$70,000.

Wessell Road delegation wants road work

Henry Stronk and Stuart Foster made a delegation to Minden Hills council Aug. 29 on behalf of Wessell Road residents.

They told council they had three asks: that the township extend summer only maintenance to the actual end of Wessell Road, at 1429 Wessell Rd.; that it relevels the approximately 100 m section of the road in the vicinity of the 911 address at 1342 Wessell Rd.; and that the winter turnaround be moved from a location at a cattle grating to a new location approximately 300 m further along the road.

Council received the delegation for information only with a staff report expected at a future council meeting.

Slow trucks on Bobcaygeon Road

Residents of Bobcaygeon Road, in the vicinity of Scotchline Road, maintain nothing has been done to address their concerns about road safety and traffic.

They said since making a delegation to council in December 2018, and putting their concerns in writing, all that has been done is routine filling of potholes.

They said they're especially worried about heavy truck traffic.

They'd like new, and more, speed limit signs; a radar speed sign; and installation of speed bumps.

They backed up their written letter with a 31-name petition.

(Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais)



The Haliburton County Public Library wants upper governments to address high eBook costs for libraries.

Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Libraries push for eBook fairness

By Joseph Quigley

Haliburton's municipal leaders pressed the province to help address high eBook prices for libraries across the country.

Haliburton County Library Board (HCPL) chair and Dysart Mayor Andrea Roberts, alongside other municipal officials, led a ministerial delegation at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference, which ran Aug. 18-21. The delegation met with the parliamentary assistant to the minister of tourism, culture and sport and focused on the issue of eBook pricing.

Roberts said the delegation went well and aimed to encourage the province to push for the problem to be addressed at the federal level.

"They were excellent, they heard our plight," Roberts said. "It may seem in the grand scheme of things with the world the way it is, it's not important. But we feel at the library board that it is."

Libraries across the country have protested that Canada's five biggest

publishers – Hachette, MacMillan, Harper Collins, Penguin Random House and Simon and Schuster – are setting eBook prices too high for libraries.

For example, the HCPL said Canadian author Louise Penney's 'Kingdom of the Blind' costs libraries \$13 for paperback, \$22 for hardcover and \$60 in digital form. The digital copy is also only able to be checked out 52 times or for two years, whichever comes first, about half as long as a paper copy can last.

Roberts said the demand for eBooks in Haliburton is increasing.

"We already know our digital statistics are going up and up," Roberts said. "We're here to try to meet the demand of our residents."

The county also argued the problem is only exasperated by the cuts to the interlibrary loan service, which allowed people to order books from libraries farther away.

The province cut the Southern Ontario Library Service's budget, prompting the organization to end the interlibrary

loans April 18. Roberts said the province reimbursing some costs to deliver those books via Canada Post does not work to make up the difference.

"Changes to both secondary education and provincial interlibrary loan services ask library systems in Ontario to increase their reliance and access to digital collections," library CEO Bessie Sullivan said in notes prepared for the province. "This is exceedingly difficult under the current publisher's e-content model."

The Highlander reached out to Canada's biggest publishers for comment but did not receive a response before press time.

Roberts said advocates do not necessarily have a specific new framework in mind but want to see change through government regulation.

"We really tried to express the point the government itself is saying technology is the way to go," she said. "If technology is the way to go, we should be able to have better access to books."



Stuart Baker Elementary School staff greet students in the parking lot for the first day of school Sept. 3. Left to right: early childhood educator Mary Jane Brennan, volunteer Heather Norris, teacher Sydney Munchaw, principal Karyn Linton Marra. The school is starting a new program to have staff greet and assist students out of vehicles to keep traffic moving quickly.

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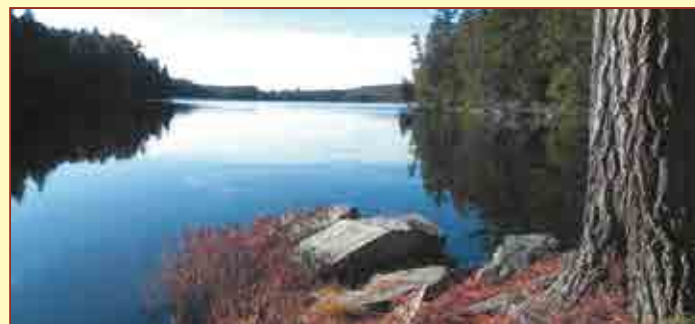
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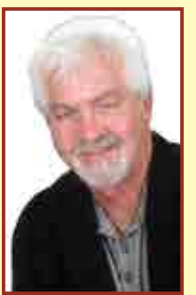


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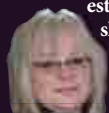
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Maria and Brad Willing stand in front of the new shelves at their Fort Irwin Marina. Their store is one of the new LCBO Convenience Outlets opening in the province. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Haliburton Lake gets new LCBO outlet

By Joseph Quigley

Maria and Brad Willing have waited more than 12 years to be able to serve alcohol from their store on Haliburton Lake.

As of Aug. 27, they finally can. Their Fort Irwin Marina is among the first in a new wave of approximately 200 LCBO Convenience Outlets opening across Ontario in underserved communities.

"We're very happy about it and I think it will be a huge asset to the lake," Maria Willing said. "The lake was ecstatic."

The pair completed renovations in their seasonal store and have built a new counter, stocked with a range of alcoholic beverages. The store will offer Haliburton Lake area residents and cottagers a closer stop to purchase than the previous nearest alcohol

store in Eagle Lake, approximately 12 kilometres away.

"It's just convenience," Cottager Robert Bevan said as he exited the marina. "Save me driving into Eagle Lake, so I'm happy."

The outlet was part of a push by the provincial government to make alcohol available in more locations. It announced June 6 it would open alcohol sales to nearly 300 new locations in Ontario. Approximately 60 of the outlets opened in August, with more expected in December.

"By opening up more alcohol retail outlets across the province, we are not only making life easier for people, we are enabling growth and job creation in the province's booming beer and wine industry," then-Minister of Finance Vic Fedeli said at the time.

The Haliburton Lake Cottagers

Association praised the marina store in an email to members.

"They (Maria and Brad Willing) did a wonderful job in the renovation side ... this is a wonderful addition to our community," the association said.

Maria Willing said it was no small undertaking. The marina has tried to get an outlet since 2007 but only made headway when the new Conservative government was elected.

The store bears most of the costs to become an outlet, including renovations and purchasing stock.

"You have to plan and you have to make sure you're capable of carrying this through because it's a huge endeavour," Willing said.

"There were a lot of people who helped and guided us through this. The process wasn't always easy and just thank everybody who did help us."

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Highlander outdoors

Most trails ever at this year's Hike Haliburton

By Meagan Secord

Coordinator for the 17th annual Hike Haliburton Festival, Barrie Martin, has been with the event since the beginning.

He said the hike started as a program through the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Haliburton Highlands Tourism Network, called Living Legacy.

"It recognized the potential of hiking in the county," said Martin. "In the early days we wanted to bring economic development to Haliburton so it took place the weekend after Thanksgiving."

In 2011, the Haliburton Highlands Tourism Network folded and the event was taken over by the County.

"We scaled it back a little bit in the beginning and in the last couple of years have been growing it more and more," said Martin. "This year we have the most trails that we've ever had."

This year's festival offers more than 100 trails, which includes trails on private properties that aren't normally open to the public.

Martin said the owners of those properties normally lead people through the trails themselves and inform them of the history of the land. Hikes on public property are led by

other hike leaders selected because of their personalities and information on the trail.

"It's a very creative process to think of what hikes we should offer and where," Martin said. "The hikes themselves have so many great leaders who are knowledgeable of the land and its stories."

Amanda Virtanen, director of tourism for the county, said this year offers new events along with new trails.

"We have a few new hikes and hike leaders to keep things fresh but we've also added to some of our events," she said.

The closing ceremony on Sept. 22, will have The Sattalites performing along with vendors, contests and more. There are also smaller events throughout the week such as a safe hiker's workshop, a Once Around Algonquin book signing, several concerts and the Family Harvest Festival.

Virtanen said her favourite part of the festival is listening to the leaders tell stories and give information about the properties and trails people are walking on.

Hike Haliburton goes from Sept. 18 to the 22 and is free to all attendees. Those interested in attending events can visit hikehaliburton.com for details, maps and schedules.



Barrie Martin is walking into his 17th annual Hike Haliburton. *File.*

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2018 Haliburton Forest Trail Racers are up bright and early for the event. *Photos by David Sweeney.*

Making the Forest race greener

By Meagan Secord

This year's Haliburton Forest Trail Race is trying to become more eco friendly, said Tegan Legge, general manager of tourism and recreation for Haliburton Forest.

"We're trying to make it greener and more sustainable," she said. "Encouraging racers to bring their own water bottles and being more aware of the environment is our goal."

Legge said this change will take some time due to the race being 27 years old.

"There's a big following of people who've been coming for a number of years. So, we don't want to shake things up too much too quickly."

The Haliburton Forest Trail Race started in 1992 after Helen Malmberg asked to hold a race at the forest for her and 12 friends. The event has since grown and draws an average of 325 participants per year.

This year, there are already 351 racers registered and Legge is expecting more to

reach out before race day.

"Each participant comes with at least one person so there are approximately 700 – 800 people at the forest on race weekend," she said.

Legge said the event is not a fundraiser but more of a chance to showcase Haliburton and all it has to offer, including the Forest.

"It's not a fundraiser or a big profit," she said. "It just gets people out for a fun race in the highlands."

There's a lot of community support that goes into the trail race according to Legge. The forest relies on community partners to help out and in return, it attracts a lot of people to Haliburton to shop, eat, sleep, and more.

The race takes place Sept. 7 to 8 and offers five different options for runners: 100 mi, 50 mi, 50 km, 26 km and 12 km.

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- File No. PLSRA2019002:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Mountain Lake, lying in front of Lot 7, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10261, registered July 9, 2019.
- File No. PLSRA2019004:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Little Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 14, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10264, registered July 23, 2019.
- File No. PLRA2018049:** Part of the original road allowance between Lot 8, Concessions 4 & 5, Geographic Township of Anson, designated as Parts 2, 3, and 4, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10248, registered May 17, 2019.

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned at 705-286-1260 (x206) or by e-mail at iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at the hour of 9:00 AM. At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. If deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed at its regular meeting to be held on Thursday, September 26, 2019.

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Highlander events



Kinmount Fair brings summer to an end

The annual Kinmount Fair brought people from around Ontario to one spot on Labour Day weekend, for a mix of food, games, rides, vendors and more. The event featured a truck pull, demolition derby, amateur talent show, midway as well as a trip into pioneer history with a small museum set up. Attendees smiled and laughed as they made their way around the large fairgrounds Friday through Sunday. (Meagan Secord)

Top left: Demo Derby participants wowing the crowd during their competition on Sunday. Top right: Jaxon English testing his strength to win a prize at this year's midway section at the Kinmount Fair. Bottom left: Casper Haugh feeding his new goat friends some hay at the petting zoo. Bottom right: Hannah Patterson living it up at the pony rides at this year's fair. Photos by Meagan Secord.

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RFT #ADM 19-01 for Janitorial Services for the Township of Minden Hills

We are accepting bid submissions for janitorial services of Township facilities. A mandatory site visit is a component of this tender and is by appointment only. Please make arrangements for a visit, as outlined in the tender document. Please note that a visit must be completed by September 16th. **Deadline for tender submissions is September 20, 2019 by 12:00 noon.** Visit www.mindenhills.ca/tenders/ for details and tender document.

RFQ #ADM 19-03 Catering Services for the Annual Township Christmas Dinner

We are seeking quotes for catering of this year's annual Township Christmas dinner, being held on Friday December 6, 2019 at the Minden Hills Community Centre. **Deadline to submit quotes is Monday September 23, 2019, 12:00 noon.** Visit www.mindenhills.ca/tenders/ for details and quote submission form.

Council Meetings

Public Welcome

Meetings are held at 9:00 AM in the Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street.

Sept 12 – Committee of the Whole Meeting

Sept 26 – Regular Council Meeting

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Celebrating rhythm in the community

This year's Haliburton Drumfest in Head Lake Park on Saturday drew in locals and cottagers with the many sounds and activities. The event, put on by Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, celebrated "rhythm in the community" according to the website. With large drumming circles, face painting, bubbles for the kids and performances from Baque de Bamba and The Rails End Rhythmeers Drum Troupe, there was something for everyone. *(Meagan Secord)*

Nora Trach and Laurie Jones dancing to the beat of drums in Head Lake Park. *Photo by Meagan Secord.*



Haliburton Highlands Brewing celebrates fifth birthday

The first Summer Sendoff at Haliburton Highlands Brewing went off without a hitch. The Aug. 31 event featured five performances by: Dark is our Danger, Cassidy Taylor, Nick and Benton, Zachary Lucky and Joni Nehrita. Attendees enjoyed a brew and co-owner of the brewing company and organizer of the event, Jewelle Schiedel-Webb said the idea for the festival came when the brewery was brainstorming ideas for their fifth anniversary. "We were thinking about fun things and thought, 'hey we should do five concerts throughout the summer for five years.' Then we went 'no, we should do five concerts in one day'." *(Meagan Secord)*

Zachary Lucky performing on stage in front of the Haliburton Highlands Brewing Company for their first Summer Sendoff music series. *Photo by Meagan Secord.*

What's on

Walk to raise money for Parkinson's research



Rosie Dupont and her dad, Andrew Neal. Submitted photo.

By Meagan Secord

Rosie Dupont moved in with her dad, Andrew Neal, five years ago to help him in his battle with Parkinson's disease.

The cause is one that is close to her heart, which is one of the reasons Dupont organizes the Parkinson Canada Superwalk in Haliburton.

"We walk the [trail] down past the docks to the train," she said. "We start at the pavilion and they walk along and they walk back because a lot of them, they can't walk too far."

The walk is a fundraiser for disease research and support groups in the county.

"We're just a small group so right now we just do the Parkinson walk," said Dupont. "We're more of just a support group. So, we all get together once a month and talk about Parkinson's and what they're going through."

She said there are many people living in the county with the disease so the support group is something that is needed.

"Right now, everyone is in a different stage of Parkinson's so everybody is there to help each other and lean on," said Dupont.

Her favourite part of the day is creating a sense of community amongst those who are struggling, and their families.

Last year's walk raised more than \$8,000 and the organization is aiming for more this year.

According to a press release from the Parkinson Canada Superwalk, the walk in Haliburton is part of a larger picture. More than 10,000 people will walk in support of the cause across Canada in 2019.

The Haliburton walk will take place Sept. 8 in Head Lake Park from 10:30 a.m. to noon.



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Municipal Act, 2001 - Ontario Regulation 181/03, Municipal Tax Sale Rules

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The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

Description of Lands:

1. Roll No. 46 24 011 000 36400 0000; 1412 Fred Jones Rd., Haliburton; PIN 39183-0049 (LT); Part Lot 23 Concession 7 Dysart as in H175292; T/W H175292; Dysart et al; File No. 18-02
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$147,500.00 Minimum tender amount: \$9,830.94
2. Roll No. 46 24 030 000 47000 0000; PIN 39156-0164 (LT); Part Lots 28 to 33 Concession 7 Harcourt as in H202738; S/T execution 07-0000427, if enforceable; Dysart et al; File No. 18-23
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$186,000.00 Minimum tender amount: \$11,565.03

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque/bank draft/ money order payable to the municipality.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. The assessed value, according to the last returned assessment roll, may or may not be representative of the current market value of the property.

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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 contact:
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Dorothy McLeod

DOROTHY MCLEOD (nee Browne) December 26, 1924 August 26, 2019 After a brief battle with pneumonia, the Family is sad to announce the passing of Dorothy in her 95th year. Dorothy was predeceased by her husband, Bruce; and leaves behind daughter, Pamela (Peter); son, James (Jo-Ann); and grandchildren, Jessica (Jesse), Meghan, Kelly and Nicholas, to whom she provided tremendous support and unconditional love over the years. Dorothy is also survived by her siblings, Eleanor, Harold, and Bob; her many nieces and nephews, and several great-nieces and nephews. Dorothy was born in Toronto and was raised in a family of five children during the Great Depression. Dorothy worked as a legal assistant for many years. Dorothy loved animals and upon her retirement she worked for many years as a volunteer at the Toronto Zoo. Her father was a tailor, and he passed on to Dorothy a love for sewing, knitting, quilting and crocheting. Dorothy was very active and gained many friends from her bowling leagues and her card groups. Dorothy established very strong roots in Haliburton, Ontario, first as a teenager at her parents' cottage on Lake Kashagawigamog and later at the cottage she and Bruce built on Eagle Lake in 1967. The Eagle Lake cottage became a year-round centre of activity for the McLeod family and many lasting traditions were established there, including swimming, boating, fireside singalongs and picking raspberries. Dorothy was an avid baker and cook, and anyone assisting with the raspberry picking was assured that great raspberry pie or jam would follow. Dorothy was full of life and enjoyed cribbage, rummoli and card games at the cottage which were filled with lots of laughter and fun. Dorothy also loved the considerable amount of time she spent in Sarnia with Pam, Peter and Jessica as well as her many trips to visit sister Eleanor and family in New Hampshire. Dorothy was a loving, kind and loyal person and she will be sadly missed by her family and friends. She will always be in our hearts. Our thanks and appreciation to the staff at Vision Nursing Home, Dr. Uppal and the nurses at Bluewater Health. A memorial gathering will be held from 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at Toronto Cricket Skating and Curling Club, 141 Wilson Avenue, Toronto, ON M5M 3A3. In lieu of flowers, a contribution may be made in Dorothy's memory to Sarnia & District Humane Society (sarniahumanesociety.com). Arrangements entrusted to Smith Funeral Home, 1576 London Line, Sarnia.



In Loving Memory of Kathryn "Kathy" Janet Anderson (nee Nesbitt)

Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Monday, September 2, 2019, in her 62nd year.

Beloved wife of Randy. Dear mother of Rachel (Mike), Tonya, Kendra (Dominic) and Ryan (Katrina).

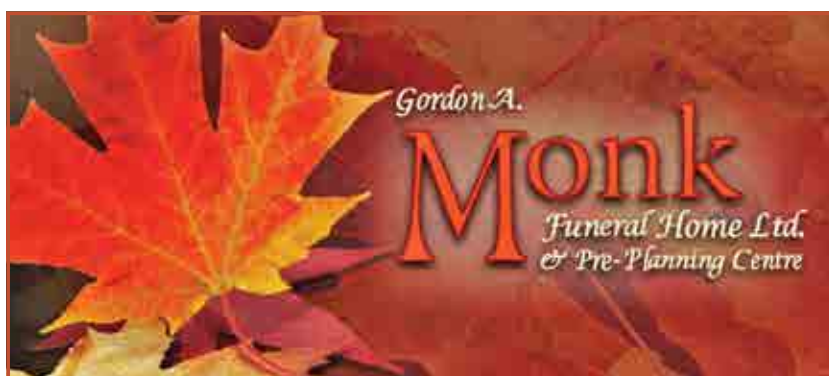
Loving Nana to Paige, Chloe, Jayde, Grace, Anderson, Reese, Kennedy and Jace. Dear sister of Brenda, Nancy, Terry and Tracy. Daughter of the late Chesel and Lois. Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Thursday from 5:00 until 8:00 pm and on Friday, September 6, 2019 from 10:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Kathy's Life at 11:00 am. Interment at Minden Cemetery. Reception at the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation-Palliative Care Room (HHHSF-Palliative Care Room) or the Hyland Crest Residents Council would be appreciated by the family.



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A Change For the Better

by Barbara Olson

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Across

- 1 One evolving throughout this puzzle (see circles)
- 5 Contract that "locks in" tenants
- 10 Ring-shaped: Abbr.
- 14 One of us, in war
- 15 "___ is Enough" (70s sitcom)
- 16 Endings with eth- and prop-
- 17 What a hotel maid makes
- 18 "It's ___ country"
- 19 Bank acct. record
- 20 Trendy eats, like sushi burgers and cloud eggs
- 22 La-la lead-in
- 23 Unwelcome words to the tardy
- 25 Canadian war heroine Secord
- 27 "The Hulk" director Lee
- 28 Do a wash day chore
- 32 "Mon ___" (Quebec "anthem" by Gilles Vigneault)
- 34 Keen observer
- 35 "Sorry, our tickets are gone"
- 39 Comment to a goal scorer
- 42 Calgary trade sch.
- 46 Boneless fish dish
- 50 Care home worker, maybe: Abbr.
- 51 Bill featuring Borden, slangily
- 52 Archie's "endearment" for Edith
- 54 Space heater?
- 55 Bargain hunter's delight
- 58 Tanned skin?
- 59 "Something to Talk About" singer Bonnie
- 60 Matters of the mine
- 63 "This ___" (family drama on NBC)
- 64 Bawl when a snuffle will do, say
- 65 Home loan: Abbr.
- 66 Pit stop additives
- 67 Marked when received, maybe
- 68 1-Across, after "smartening up" in this puzzle

Down

- 1 Like a musical "Four"
- 2 Flamenco shout
- 3 Crusty coot
- 4 Maker of Click Gel toilet bowl cleaner
- 5 Precipitate
- 6 Paris tower designer
- 7 Taj Mahal locale
- 8 What a poodle won't do
- 9 Somme summers
- 10 Spanish dancer's clackers
- 11 Barge in (on)
- 12 Tie a new knot?
- 13 Sask. clock setting
- 21 Big galoot
- 23 Collect sap from
- 24 "I'm ___ roll"
- 25 Real doozie
- 26 Paisley positive
- 29 Shoulder muscles, for short
- 30 Wee bloke
- 31 Give it ___ (try)
- 33 A wine's might be rated 00
- 36 Sunrise direction, in Seville
- 37 HBO alternative

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- 38 Response to a gut punch
- 39 Super Bowl grp., often
- 40 "No really, my mind's made up"
- 41 Accumulate cumulus
- 43 Province named for Queen Victoria's rebel daughter
- 44 Hoppy brew, for short
- 45 Bomb letters
- 47 "Swan Lake" princess
- 48 On the real estate market
- 49 Deer who raised Bambi
- 53 Clings (onto)
- 55 "Happy Feet" singer Penner
- 56 "___ Rock" (Simon & Garfunkel)
- 57 Cause for tear gas
- 58 Quick hellos
- 61 Urge, with "on"
- 62 Go out with

What's on



Brigitte Gall will kick off the 2019-2020 speaker series on Wednesday, Sept. 11. *File.*

Speakers series offers tantalizing talks

By Lisa Gervais

Another season of the “Telling our Stories” speaker series gets underway Sept. 11.

The series, presented by Yours Outdoors, continues to offer a wide variety of fascinating, eclectic tales of adventure travel, music, nature, politics and life, said its co-founders, Sean Pennylegion and Barrie Martin, in a press release.

The two said the series attracts large audiences to listen to stories told by Highlanders and special guests including Jim Blake, Kurt Browning, Jack Brezina, Robert Fisher, Kevin Callan, Barry Devolin and Carol Moffatt to name just a few.

“It is hard to believe we are in our fourth year,” said Pennylegion. “We have heard so many great stories - from travels in Iceland and Africa to adventures as a radio host in the 60’s to the politics of Queen’s Park. I think it is the diversity of topics that appeal to those who attend.”

The fourth series starts with a

presentation by Brigitte Gall called “Piece by Piece. A Talk on How Not to Worry About How Things Should Fit.”

“What do you do when you graduate from high school with a 64 English average? Well, in Brigitte’s case, you travel the world, entertain the masses, start a family and then start a jigsaw company, of course! Brigitte will, as always, have you in stitches,” the release stated.

October’s offering (Oct. 9), “Bloodsuckers,” includes a talk by Mateus Pepinelli called “Flies We Despise” and another by Kevin Anderson called “Worms that Suck.” They will focus on two groups of bloodsuckers that are abundant across Canada: black flies and leeches, describing both their bad reputations, as well as the benefits they provide to humans.

On Nov. 13, Ted Barris returns with a new story and new book. “Rush to Danger: Medics in the Line of Fire” offers a powerful anecdotal account of how the science of saving lives in battle has evolved from the US Civil

War through two world wars and into the 21st century.

“Not only has Ted retraced his father Ted Barris’ wartime experience in his new book, but he has also drawn from his library of interviews and research of military medical personnel to show stories of those who chose to rush to danger,” said Pennylegion and Martin.

“Sean and I are having great fun researching and recruiting possible speakers and we have some exciting prospects in the works for the rest of the series,” said Martin, owner/operator of Yours Outdoors.

The Telling our Stories speaker series happens on the second Wednesday of every month at the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Fish Hatchery. The cost is \$10/person, a portion of which is donated to a local environmental/conservation organization. For more information or to reserve a seat call 705-754-3436 or 705-457-7557 (cell) or visit yoursoutdoors.ca (see calendar)



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nature FIXED

by Jocelyn Purdie

The series Nature FIXED brings together sculpture and a series of related photographs. The sculptures include reassembled trees that have been hinged together with steel brackets and embedded with an array of dioramas made from fabricated and natural objects.

SEPTEMBER 19 6:30PM—8PM

CURATORIAL TALK: Lapine-ism

Curator of the AJG speaks about the distinct style of Andre Lapine. Chronologically shown in a presentation with visuals of art movements, correlations are made between Lapine’s work to Romanticism, Realism and Impressionism. Underlining the importance and integrity of Lapine is emphasized and explained in this discussion.

SEPTEMBER 26 6:30PM—8PM

CURATORIAL TALK: Within Each Piece

Curator of the AJG speaks about selected works from Andre Lapine in the permanent collection. Revealing background information and intriguing stories about these works helps explain who Lapine was and his connection to the Minden area.



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Falls Prevention Course, open to all seniors free of charge – Tuesdays and Thursdays. July 9 through Sept. 26th. Registration required. Contact 705-457-2941 x 2938 or info@hhhs.ca. Program runs in Minden, Haliburton and Wilberforce.

Balanced Fitness Classes for Seniors – free of charge. Programs running Tuesdays and Fridays in Haliburton, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in Minden, and Mondays and Fridays in Wilberforce. Call 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2944 x2938 for details. info@hhhs.ca.

Thursday September 5

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Basic Beginner Line Dancing – an 8 week course, Thursday mornings at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall. Learn the basic line dancing steps, and how to put them together. Pre-registration required, course cost \$60. Contact Jacqui, ClanceLineDance@gmail.com. Regular line dancing continues from 10:30 a.m. – noon.

7 – 8:30 p.m. – Highlands Storytellers Circle is meeting in the Canoe FM Radio Hall. Bring a story to tell or just come to listen. All are welcome, no charge. For more info call Bob 705-457-8617.

Friday September 6

8 p.m. – Beatles Night in Haliburton – Stuart McLean's music director John Sheard, with Canoe FM, present a night of all your favourite Beatles hits performed by 'The Brilliant Band and Singers,' at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, Haliburton. Tickets \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. Advance tickets at haliburtonfolk.com

Saturday September 7

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Minden, at Prince St. & Milne St., every Saturday until October 12.

2 – 5 p.m. – Gord Kidd & Friends Ian Pay & Scott Russell, at the Minden Legion. Light lunch available from noon – 2 p.m., meat draw 1 p.m. No cover charge.

6:15 p.m. – Septemberfest Dinner, at the Haliburton Legion. German schnitzel, Octoberfest sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, plus salads and apple streusel. \$40/person or \$90/family with children under 18. Doors open at 4 p.m. to view auction items. Funds raised go to the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association. Tickets: 705-457-9664.

6:30 – 8:30 p.m. – Gord Kidd & Brad Sales at the Kinmount Legion. Meat draw 5 p.m. No cover charge.

Sunday September 8

9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Haliburton Legion Ladies' Auxiliary Sunday breakfast, \$6 for eggs or pancakes, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast, orange juice, tea or coffee.

Tuesday September 10

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Haliburton, Head Lake Park, every Tuesday until October 15

1 – 3 p.m. – Eventide: community conversation on living and dying well, an open, facilitated discussion about our life to end of life journey. Takes place at South Algonquin Diner, Wilberforce. Call 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2944 ext 2932 for more info.

7:30 p.m. – EH! Enviro-Café: Talking About the Climate Crisis, at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St., Haliburton. How to talk about the climate crisis without killing the conversation. Please consider carpooling. For info contact Susan Hay

hayfield@tcc.on.ca 705-457-9239.

Wednesday September 11

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

No-Family-Doctor Immunization Clinic, at the Health Unit office 191 Highland St., unit 301 Haliburton. Free of charge. To book an appointment call 1-866-888-4577 ext 1507.

Thursday September 12

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Food Handler Course, at the Health Unit office 191 Highland St., Unit 301 Haliburton. This course teaches participants how to handle and prepare food safely. Upon successful completion, participants receive a certificate (valid for five years) Cost is \$40 per person. For more info, and to confirm space availability, call 1-866-888-4577.

Saturday September 14

8 a.m. – noon – Low-cost Rabies Vaccination Clinic, at Haliburton Fire Hall. \$35/animal (cash only). Bring proof of pet's previous vaccination, if possible. Dogs must be on a leash, cats in carriers. Call 1-866-888-4577 ext 5006 for more info.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Haliburton County Farmers' Market, Minden, at Prince St. & Milne St., every Saturday until October 12.

2 – 4 p.m. – The 4C's 40th Anniversary Celebration, at the LilyAnn Thrift Store, 33 York St. Come join us for coffee & cake. There will be draws for door prizes, store will be open for shopping.

3 – 6 p.m. – Gord Kidd & Friends Ian Pay & Brad Sales at Haliburton Legion. 50/50 draw at 6 p.m. \$5 cover for non-members.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

HALIBURTON BRANCH

Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.

Tuesdays: Fun darts starting at 7pm

Wednesdays: Bid euchre, 1 p.m. start, Bingo Doors open at 6 pm, Bingo starts at 7 pm - \$500 Jackpot \$1000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month

Thursdays: General Meeting - Third Thursday of the month starting at 7 pm. All members urged to attend. Ladies Auxiliary - Last Thursday of the month at 1 pm

Fridays: Cribbage 1 pm start, Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 pm, Last draw at 6:30 pm, Tickets are \$2 per draw. Chester Howse, MC. Darts Friday fun darts – 4:30 pm onwards

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MINDEN BRANCH

Monday- every second week rug hooking; **Tuesday** - seniors art classes 10 a.m., bid euchre 1 p.m.; **Wednesday**, meat draw noon; **Thursday** - mixed darts and euchre 7 p.m.; **Friday** - 7 p.m. mixed darts; **Saturday** - meat draw 1 p.m.; **Sunday** - sports day noon. Lunches every Mon.- Fri with Friday featuring fish and chips and chicken wings also served 5-7 p.m. Take-out available. Everyone welcome.

KINMOUNT BRANCH

Wednesday - Darts 7 p.m.

Friday Bingo - Starts at 6:45 p.m.

Saturday - Meat Draw 5 p.m. Karaoke 7-11 p.m. Karaoke Live on Saturday from 7 to 11 with Fred and Linda

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Sept 6 Ham & Scalloped dinner 5 - 7 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m.

Sept 7 Meat draw 2 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. SHARP. If you come, offer to help sell tickets.

Sept 8 L.A. breakfast 9 - noon.

Sept 9 Bid Euchre 7 p.m.

Sept 10 General meeting 7 p.m.

Sept 11 Fun Dart 7:30 p.m.

Sept 12 HHHC social rec. drop in. Come out for coffee/tea or juice, cards, board games, crafts, Tec. time, pool or just to chat FREE 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Highland Gate Homestead - \$469,500



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Buckside Road Getaway- \$150,000



A 2 bedroom year-round cottage sitting on almost 2 acres. Quiet location and close to trails. A great getaway spot. Close to Halls Lake, Boshkung Lake and Kushog Lake - loads of choices for recreation! Drilled well, newer septic. The building needs some work but sits on a lovely property. Shed with carport gives you added storage/parking

Mountain Lake \$928,000



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Fabulous Home or Cottage - \$460,000



A beautifully renovated 3 bdrm, 2 bath home or cottage sitting on a lovely landscaped corner lot. With 101 ft. of frontage and sand beach on Benoit Lake, you have everything you need. Oversized double garage. With a one of kind Bunkie, your guests will never want to leave. Location of this home or cottage is fabulous - you are 3 minutes away from Algonquin Park's High Falls trail and the property sits on a 3-lake chain that gives you over 34 miles of boating and fishing. Close to snowmobile and atv trails. This property has it all.

Lodge & Campground \$1,300,000



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