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Assistant Dylan Robichaud, MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott watch results at the Cat and the Fiddle in Lindsay. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Schmale continues Conservative dominance

By Lisa Gervais

With files from Joseph Quigley

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock voters are seeing blue with a tinge of red after Monday's federal election.

They convincingly re-elected Conservative incumbent Jamie Schmale, who garnered 49.2 per cent of the vote. His nearest

competitor was the Liberals' Judi Forbes, whose party will form a minority government when Parliament resumes. Forbes had 25.9 per cent of the vote followed by the NDP's Barbara Doyle (14.7 per cent); Green Elizabeth Fraser (8.3 per cent) and the PPC's Gene Balfour (1.9 per cent).

"It just means that the parties will have to

work together to keep Parliament going ... and the confidence of the House," Schmale said at the Cat and the Fiddle in Lindsay Monday night.

He gathered with supporters to watch the election results on CBC, taking to the stage to speak to party faithful when it became apparent he had been re-elected, although his party fell short on the national stage.

Later, he told *The Highlander*, "any piece of legislation now is going to have multi-party support. In the last Parliament, there were lots of pieces of legislation that got two, three, four party support, it's not unusual."

He said the Liberals will have to be careful with confidence votes, such as the speech from the throne and the budget.

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Liberals to form minority government in Ottawa



Conservative MP Jamie Schmale fist pumps his son, Declan. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

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However, he does not anticipate those being torpedoed since the public does not have an appetite for another election following a string of federal, provincial and municipal elections.

"It will be a lot of give and take and we will see who the dance partners are at the end of the day ... there are pros and cons to minority parliaments for sure ... but Canadians expect us to work together and that's what we hope to do."

Forbes told *The Highlander*, "I'm delighted that the Liberals will be forming the next government. We know that we need a progressive government in this country to help move forward a lot of the great initiatives the Liberals have done over the last four years."

She said she was personally disappointed she "won't be the champion and the voice for HKLB. I actually believed that this riding deserved to have a voice with the government that is in power."

However, she said in adding up the Liberal, NDP and Green support (a combined 48.9 per cent) "we do have a very progressive riding ... so that to me is heart-warming. I believe that this riding really believes that we need to move forward in a progressive way."

Doyle told *The Highlander*, "Everybody says this riding will only ever stay blue – so what's the point, right? But we want change so we fight."

from the last election, finishing with 8.3 per cent compared to 2015's 3.99 per cent.

Candidate Elizabeth Fraser said it was higher than she was expecting and it "kind of warms my heart the response the Green Party has had in this riding."

For her personally, as a Carleton University student running in a federal election, she said it was "very challenging" and there were some rough patches but "overall it was a really positive experience."

She said she would consider running again in future.

As for the party taking three seats - its most ever - she wishes they'd done better since they had a strong platform, candidates and campaign.

"There's only so much you can do. I'm actually really excited there will be a minority government. I am looking forward to it."

Schmale said he thought the party platform of affordability resonated with HKLB voters. "It worked well at the doors here. People's heads started nodding and the pain was real."

The second-term MP said despite the riding being a Conservative stronghold, he and his team took nothing for granted. He said they knocked on doors and made phone calls.

"The last four years as the MP, I tried to get out to as many events as possible, making myself as visible, as accessible, as possible and I think that mattered. That way I was able to take the concerns that I was hearing on the ground to Ottawa and fight for people there."

He said it's a formula he will repeat, as well as "being the people's voice in Ottawa, not the other way around. Not being Ottawa's voice to the people and so I think that is something that is very important."

Asked how long he sees himself in office, Schmale replied, "I hope to keep doing it as long as the people want me to serve. I guess we'll re-evaluate eventually, but right now it's a great job. I love what I do. It's an honour to serve."

Affordability resonated with voters

"It just means we have a lot more work to do. Really, we know that we need improvements in this area and the Conservatives are not the ones to do it. So, we're going to keep holding them accountable, keep fighting them on a municipal level, on a provincial level, a federal level, every level until we get everything the people in this riding need."

The Green Party nearly doubled its vote



Family friend Brenda Hymus, who Schmale describes as his "adoptive mom" congratulates the newly-elected MP. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

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Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit tobacco control officer Lorne Jordan called vaping in schools an “epidemic” during a board of health meeting Oct. 17. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

School vaping becoming “epidemic” officer says

Local control officer calls for tougher rules

By Joseph Quigley

Vaping within the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge area has become an “epidemic” according to the health unit’s tobacco control officer.

In a presentation to the unit’s board of health Oct. 17, control officer Lorne Jordan said vaping has become “pretty much an epidemic” in schools and he has doled out 40 charges in recent months. He said provincial laws need to change to address it.

“We’re seeing it not only on school property but inside schools. Not just inside schools but inside classrooms. Students are vaping whenever the teacher turns their back,” Jordan said. “It’s a very inconspicuous device.”

Vaping is disallowed in the same places smoking is in Ontario, including enclosed public spaces. But Jordan said laying charges, including an approximately \$300 fine, is not having the same impact on vaping as it has historically with cigarettes.

“Normally, I charge a kid in high school, everyone in that high school hears about that charge within an hour and we get really good compliance for six months,” Jordan said. “[I have] not seen that same effect with vaping.”

Education campaigns and warnings about the short-term health risks and uncertain long-term risks have also proved ineffective so far, Jordan said. He added he thinks the solution is with provincial legislation to curtail advertising and flavoured vaping, used by a tobacco company-controlled

vaping industry.

“We really need stricter laws,” Jordan said. “This is like a godsend for the tobacco industry because they can get a whole new generation of young people addicted to nicotine through vaping.”

Another issue Jordan identified was courts reducing fines, with people subjected to them pleading financial hardship.

Minden Hills OPP Const. Christopher Henshall suggested the province be lobbied to impose bigger minimum fines for vaping in disallowed spaces.

“There are multiple avenues you can pursue to protect kids,” Henshall said. “Everyone in the high school age thinks you’re invincible.”

Board member and Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts proposed the health unit draft a motion for a future board meeting to ask the provincial government to toughen vaping legislation.

Vaping is making news due to recent cases of severe pulmonary illnesses and death associated with the use of vaping products in the United States.

“It is important for Canadians to know that vaping does have health risks and that the potential short and long-term effects of vaping remain unknown. Non-smokers, people who are pregnant and young people should not vape,” Health Canada said in a September information release.

Jordan said he is aware of one or two students in Northumberland County who have been hospitalized due to vaping.

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Cottagers push to protect portage right-of-way

By Joseph Quigley

The Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Association (KLCOA) is pressing Dysart et al to aid in maintaining the right-of-way for portage routes in the watershed.

KLCOA presented to Dysart et al council Oct. 22 about its efforts to research the history of the routes used by canoeists. The push is to ensure the public can continue to use these routes, even where they cross private property.

"We're committed to maintaining these routes," KLCOA vice-president Jim Prince said. "It's not just for property owners at Kennisis Lake, it's for the people in the county and it's also for visitors."

To that end, the association has "drilled down" into the legality and history of multiple routes, including articles dating back to 1909.

Routes examined include Lipsy Lake to Soap Pond and the Cat Lake to Cay Bay, where they found the private deeds included express rights for portage.

Prince said people in Lipsy Lake want to close the route out of concern for invasive species getting brought in.

"Fact of the matter is, they can't close it. It's legal," Prince said.

KLCOA plans to have an outreach program to ensure all interested parties know their rights and responsibilities with portage routes, including signage. It also

plans to research the Indigenous history of the routes and consider pushing for new municipal bylaws to protect them.

KLCOA asked Dysart council to recognize traditional rights of way, endorse its work, and consider collaboration with Algonquin Highlands to create a larger network.

Coun. Larry Clarke said consideration needs to be given to smaller lakes on portage routes to ensure boats travelling through are not carrying unwanted contaminants or invasive species.

"There's got to be some best practices, some training or something so people know how to clean your boats," Clarke said.

The KLCOA presentation did include a mock-up of a sign for portage routes, advising users to be responsible, respect rights of landowners and make sure vessels do not carry invasive species.

Coun. John Smith agreed with Clarke. He complimented the KLCOA on its research and its efforts to be mindful of smaller lakes.

"They want to protect a pristine lake and we commend you for the warning, the signage and so forth to alert people," Smith said.

Council voted to receive the presentation as information.

"Thank you for the presentation and your dedication to your lake and this project," Mayor Andrea Roberts said.



Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Association's Gino Ariano and Jim Prince present to Dysart et al council Oct. 22. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Information caboose surging at full steam

The Haliburton Information Centre attracted more than 2,000 additional visitors this year and is still going strong, according to staff.

Information centre workers presented to Dysart et al council Oct. 22. They discussed the success of the centre situated in the caboose by Head Lake Park. It had 7,438 visitors between May and October this year,

more than 2,000 over the previous three-year average of 5,239.

"We think it's because people are more aware that it's there now," ambassador Lorry Brandon said. "They know it's a good place to go for information."

"We would suggest that tourism is alive and well in Dysart," Brandon added. "It's just nice to be able to talk to people about what's going on. The personal contact is really, really important."

Mayor Andrea Roberts commended the

staff for their ability to give visitors a friendly first impression.

"We know the importance of that first impression when you go to a town," Roberts said. "I can't thank you enough."

Health unit seeks more needle disposal areas

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (HKPR) pressed Dysart et al council to make it easier to dispose of needles throughout the municipality.

The health unit presented to council Oct. 22 to discuss its safe needle disposal and harm reduction programming. The initiative aims to reduce some of the dangers of drug use by providing a safe place for people to dispose of needles.

Health promoter Angela Andrews said although the unit offers disposal at locales such as its office, it would like to see more options at municipal facilities, namely washrooms.

"We're looking at what more we can do to keep the community safe and how we can work better together with staff in Dysart to keep needles off the grounds and dispose of them safely," Andrews said.

Andrews identified potential to include wall-mounted disposal units in the library washrooms, park washrooms and perhaps the arena. She also recommended policy for parks and recreation staff on the safe handling of found needles.

Recreation program co-ordinator Andrea Mueller said the disposal containers would have use beyond harm reduction.

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"I do know of people in the park that have medical reasons they're using needles," Mueller said, noting insulin.

Council did not vote on the matter but Roberts said the idea could be considered at budget time.

Dog licencing coming to end

Dysart et al is planning to put an end to its dog licencing program.

Council voted Oct. 22 to have staff prepare an updated canine control bylaw for consideration which would exclude requirements for dog licencing and registration.

Staff recommended the change. Chief building official Karl Korpela said the municipality registers fewer than 100 dogs annually and the fees barely cover the cost of tags.

He further said as the municipality does not provide anything beyond the licencing, such as checking on vaccinations, there is not much point to it.

"It's kind of an outdated process," Korpela said. "We don't really do any other service for it."

He said dog tags once helped reunite lost dogs with owners. But with social media now helping people find lost dogs, he said that is no longer an issue.

Council will decide on the updated bylaw to confirm the end of the licences at a later date. (Dysart et al news compiled by Joseph Quigley)



Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes, Pine Ridge District Health unit promoter Angela Andrews presents about a need for additional needle disposal sites in Dysart et al. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

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Left: Phil Mardimae talks about the new seniors housing complex in Haliburton during a developer panel at the Haliburton County Housing Summit Oct. 18. Right: Minden Hills Housing Task Force chair Bob Carter speaks to the audience. *Photos by Joseph Quigley.*

Developers, advocates search for housing solutions

By **Joseph Quigley**

Developers, politicians and advocates gathered to find solutions to housing at a forum Oct. 18.

More than 30 people attended the event at the West Guilford Community Centre. The summit featured presentations and discussions about how organizations could work to address the lack of affordable housing in Haliburton.

Aging Well, CARP Chapter 54 and Places for People organized the event. Places for People vice president Fay Martin said it led to important conversations.

"Wherever you have people who don't usually talk to each other, talking to each other, you usually get the ingredients for progress and I think we accomplished it," Martin said.

One of the focal points of the day was a panel of mostly private developers talking about different projects they are working on in Haliburton county.

Developer Bill Switzer discussed building a series of semi-detached housing units through a private-public partnership in Minden. He credited the efforts of the Minden Hills Housing Task Force for helping the development make progress. He said he hopes to finish it in three years.

"We hope that we will set up a formula that can be transported to other areas," Switzer said. "It's not that difficult to do, but people like me, you need a roadmap. And there is no roadmap right now on how to do this."

Minden Hills Housing Task Force chair Bob Carter spoke about the difficulties posed by the lack of housing and said

private developers are not focused on affordable developments.

"There's not a line of developers who are waiting to come into Haliburton to build housing," Carter said. "If we want this done, we're going to have to do it ourselves."

The day wrapped up with a series of group discussions on what actions need to happen to implement different housing models.

"The conversation was very robust. People were not necessarily ready to stop," Martin said. "There was a very good quality of engagement."

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said she wants to keep the conversation going.

"There's definitely a lot more housing being developed ... but there remains huge gaps and hurdles, too much confusion, a

wee bit of misinformation and definitely not enough options," Moffatt said in a Facebook post. "We need to do better."

Martin said she would like to see the summit lead to something in the vein of the Minden Hills Housing Task Force at the county-level.

She further said the county needs to address development hurdles and incongruencies across the different townships.

"There needs to be someplace where people can talk about what's happening, what needs to happen and being part of helping to make it happen," Martin said. "Now would be a really good time to have those conversations and begin to harmonize those bylaws."

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Put first-past-the-post out to pasture

So, now that this federal election is over, it's time to revisit the first-past-the-post system.

Put very simply, the system allows voters to select a party representative in each riding. The individual with the highest number of votes wins a seat in the legislature, even if they do not receive the majority of votes. Once all the winners are tallied, the party that receives the most seats gets to hold power in government. Naturally then, one of the biggest complaints about the system is that a candidate doesn't need more than 50 per cent approval to win a riding.

What did that mean on Monday night?

According to Fairvote.ca, it means the Liberals have 34 more seats than the Conservatives, despite the Conservatives getting 1.5 per cent more votes than the Liberals.

Under proportional representation, the results would have been about 116 Liberals, 117 Conservatives, 57 NDP, 22 Greens and 26 Bloc, rather than 156, 122, 24, 3 and 32 respectively.

It can be argued the winners are the major parties, the Liberals and Conservatives. The losers are the NDP, casting 16 per cent of

the vote but only getting seven per cent of MPs. Even worse for the Greens, casting six per cent of the vote, but only having three MPs. Regions also suffer, particularly out west but also the Atlantic provinces.

It's past time for first-past-the-post to be put out to pasture.

Liberal leader Justin Trudeau made electoral reform one of his election issues in 2015. However, he abandoned it. In 2018, he told CBC news he'd look into it again if other federal party leaders agreed to an alternative.

Under preferential voting, or the ranked ballot system, options on the ballot are ranked and they must have more than 50 per cent of the vote to win. First preference votes are counted and if no option has exceeded 50 per cent, the last place option's votes are redistributed based on their second choice. The process is repeated until one option has more than 50 per cent of the votes.

NDP Leader Jagmeet Singh has said he likes a mixed-member proportional representation system. A bit more complex, it allows voters to select a party they support and a second vote for a candidate in their riding. With this system, there is

usually a threshold of support that has to be achieved in order to get a seat.

According to Fairvote.ca, the country voted 34.4 per cent Conservative and got 36 per cent seat of the seats. Not bad. The Bloc got 7.7 per cent of the vote and nine per cent representation. Also, not bad. The nation voted 33 per cent Liberal but got 46 per cent of the seats. Suspect. It voted 15.9 per cent NDP to only get seven per cent of representation in the House. Not good. The Greens got 6.5 per cent of voter support and one per cent House representation. Scandalous.

Now that we have a Liberal minority government, it's expected that the parties have to play in the sandpit much better than they did over the past four years. This would be a perfect time to strike an all-party, non-partisan, committee to look into electoral reform in the country. It's the right thing to do. It's the fair thing to do. And it should be done in time for the next election.



By Lisa Gervais

Working together

Well, the election is over and as the dust settles, perhaps it is time to think seriously about an issue that each of the political party leaders touched on during the campaigns and debates: climate change.

All the leaders except Maxime Bernier, leader of the People's Party of Canada, acknowledged, to some degree, that the changing climate is posing a threat to our well-being in Canada and to the world. Each presented plans to deal with the consequences of climate change if they were elected to lead this country. The plans offered a variety of courses of action. The assessments of most proposals still left Canada far short of the Paris greenhouse gas targets. The Green Party platform was the only party to put forward a plan to meet and exceed those targets. But the chance Elizabeth May's party would garner enough votes to form the next government was slim at best.

According to polls, the majority of Canadians put the environment at or near the top of their concerns going into the election. Despite the ever stringent claims of the climate change deniers, there is a real and growing worry that if some action is

not taken now, the consequences for the planet could be catastrophic. Leadership, at the federal level and filtering down through the province and municipalities, needs to address the problem in a co-ordinated fashion.

May has broached this idea and a letter to the editor in last week's edition from John Gibb also suggested it: since five of the party leaders at the federal level at least acknowledged the problem, it makes sense that an all-party special committee of parliamentarians be struck to help sort this out and quickly. The voters have handed the Liberals a minority government, which by its nature encourages across the aisle co-operation. The prime minister should immediately invite the other political parties to join a non-partisan group to put this country on track to creating a workable plan for a made in and for Canada solution.

The problem is bigger than any one leader or party or ideology. The leaders acknowledged that, by including climate change plans in their platforms.

So, from all those ideas, a conclave of our elected MPs and outside experts should be able to find a way forward we can and

should support.

We elected these people to govern the country and solve its problems.

Well this is probably the biggest problem Canada has faced since the Second World War. It deserves immediate, non-partisan problem solving. So my advice, for those on their way to Ottawa, is to put away their politics and grandstanding, stop the senseless bickering and get down to business. You have identified the problem. Roll up your sleeves and start working on it. This is why we sent you to Ottawa.

With this kind of consensus and leadership at the national level, one can hope everyone in the country will quickly get in step, from individual Canadians to municipal governments and provincial jurisdictions. To do otherwise would be a dereliction of our shared responsibility to our nation and future generations.



By Jack Brezina

CORRECTION

In the Oct. 17 edition of The Highlander, the football player centred on the cover was identified as Ethan Coles. In fact, the player was Desi Davies. The Highlander apologizes for the error.

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Eye on the street: *What are your thoughts on the election results?*



Amanda Glazer

Wilberforce

I was not surprised by the Liberals win. I was impressed with the rise in some of the other parties and they deserve the recognition of a well fought campaign.



Anabelle Craig

Tory Hill

Really glad that the Green Party managed the seats that they did.



Emma Mitchell

Haliburton

I was hoping the Green Party would get more seats, but I'm okay that the Liberals won.



Brigitte Gall

Minden

All I can say is I was impressed with the Green Party candidate and she changed my mind about who I voted for.



Maddy Davidson

Plattsville

As a student I sure hope Trudeau will listen to the students of Canada and allow us to be excited about our new journey instead of losing sleep over how to afford it.

By Hannah Sadlier

PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



Pumpkins and a sunflower enjoy the late fall sun at Abbey Gardens. *Photos by Lisa Gervais.*

Environment Haliburton!

Carbon taxes, the climate emergency and the federal election

Confused by all the conflicting information and political messaging about the use of carbon taxes to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and fight climate disruption? You're not alone.

Three of the four political parties with the largest popular support - the Liberals, the NDP and the Green Party – support one form of carbon tax or another claiming that “putting a price on carbon pollution” is an essential part of any serious effort to drive emissions down. The Conservative Party, on the other hand, argues that carbon taxes drive up the cost of everything, slow economic growth and don't actually generate any reductions in carbon emissions.

So, who's right? Are carbon taxes an essential part of fighting the climate emergency or an ineffective, economy-killing tax on everything?

Unfortunately, real discussion and debate about whether or not carbon taxes can or

should be an effective part of any serious climate action toolkit, as well as other possible alternative or complementary approaches, are lost within a media space dominated by narrow, wedge-issue political sloganeering.

In January 2019, more than 3,500 economists from the United States, across a wide range of political stripes, including 27 Nobel prize winners, wrote an open letter of support for a carbon tax as the “most cost-effective lever to reduce carbon emissions at the scale and speed that is necessary.” Climate scientist James Hansen has put forward a “Fee and Dividend” model that redistributes an equal share of all the dollars collected from the tax in a monthly payment to every citizen to assist people to make the transition to the new low-carbon economy.

In terms of real life on-the-ground Canadian experience, we have the example of British Columbia's carbon tax, in operation since 2008 and often touted as being both effective at reducing emissions and good for the economy.

The Pembina Institute, a non-partisan clean energy think tank from Alberta, says that the BC carbon tax, which by law requires revenue from that tax to be offset with equivalent cuts to personal and business income taxes, has reduced emissions by 14 per cent while the economy has grown by 26 per cent.

On the other hand, even some supporters of carbon taxes have been highly critical of the design and impact of the BC carbon tax, arguing that a close examination of the facts reveals a failure to deliver the emission reductions Pembina and others have claimed, along with negative impacts on lower income families.

Marc Lee, an economist with the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA) and a strong supporter of carbon taxes as a means of reducing emissions, says that pro-carbon tax advocates are doing their cause serious disservice.

He says “The impact of the (BC) carbon tax has been overstated by people who love carbon taxes, and it's annoying that the tax has generated so much uncritical praise.”

At the same time, Lee argues that ...” (A) well-designed carbon tax can be the engine of a green industrial revolution — it can propel climate action from public and private sectors because it raises the cost of emitting carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases, and provides the revenues needed to make public investments that reinforce climate action”.

Reducing political debate about the role of carbon taxes in fighting the climate emergency to a carbon tax wedge-issue, undermines efforts to get on with the really tough job of weaning ourselves off fossils fuels fast enough to avoid climate catastrophe.

The good news is that the growing climate justice movement understands that debate about how we address the climate emergency is just beginning and is too important to be left in the hands of whatever party wins on October 21.

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Algonquin Highlands council sticks with landfill closure

HHLPOA: "What are we, chopped liver?"

By Lisa Gervais

Property owners in the Halls and Hawk Lake area packed the council chambers in Algonquin Highlands Oct. 17 to protest a decision to close the Hawk Lake landfill in 2021.

Halls Hawk Lake Property Owners Association (HHLPOA) president Peter Dadzis and Mo Janson appeared before council last Thursday with a number of their members in the public gallery.

Despite the show of force, and a survey saying 92 per cent of respondents want a transfer station instead of a closed dump, the council stuck to its July 18 decision.

Dadzis raised "four key points" with councillors.

First, he claimed there was minimal consultation with the public.

But Mayor Carol Moffatt said she flagged the future of the landfill when she attended the HHLPOA annual general meeting in the summer, telling them there would be an upcoming agenda report. She said she also emailed the association July 8 with a heads-up but heard nothing back.

Dadzis said with a decision as big as this, there should have been more direct discussion with the association. He felt it was rushed but Moffatt replied closure plans had to go to the province two years in advance.

Dadzis then said the group did not think there were cost savings in closing the landfill. He said there would be additional costs to Algonquin Highlands to handle the higher volume of vehicles and material going to the alternate Maple Lake landfill site.

"Our ask of council is that increased manpower, longer operating hours, on-site maintenance costs at Maple WDS (waste disposal site) and cost accounting rules need to be more precisely identified to provide a

comparison to the annual operations cost of a Hawk WDS transfer station," he said.

But a number of councillors, specifically Lisa Barry and Jennifer Dailloux, who sit on the environmental committee, told him and the gallery the decision was not based on money. They said there would be environmental gains based on consolidating at Maple Lake. One of the big issues, they said, has been people dumping things they should not be dumping at Hawk Lake. They also argued the township is trying to divert waste from landfills and grappling with a worldwide drop in recycling markets.

Moffatt added it was a bigger-picture decision about efficiency and consolidation of services, something the Ontario government is demanding.

The delegates third point was about safety and the environment. Dadzis said there'd be increased traffic on roads going to Maple Lake. He added, "the entry road into Maple WDS has tight blind turns and a blind hill."

Councillors said they were confident their public works department could manage traffic and safety issues.

Dadzis' said it's a 13-minute drive from Hawk Lake landfill to Maple Lake and the added drive would mean "213,900 kms of travel distance, adding 7.3 metric tons of carbon emissions per year based on a vehicle getting 8L/100km and 214,800 minutes of travel time. How is this helping our local environment?"

Councillors rebutted that it also meant fewer large trucks driving to Hawk Lake to operate the landfill or to haul waste and recyclables from it.

Dadzis also addressed what he called property owners' "disenfranchisement." He noted 210 of 310, or 75 per cent of property owners, are water-access only.

"The overwhelming sentiment is that having the Hawk WDS, as a transfer



Peter Dadzis and Mo Janson, of the Halls Hawk Lake Property Owners Association, plead their case for a transfer station to Algonquin Highlands councillors on Oct. 17.

Photo by Lisa Gervais.

station, is the only real benefit they receive for their tax dollars."

But Dailloux, waving the 2019 township budget in the air, invited the delegation to come to the next round of budget meetings to see the number of services the township supplies its residents.

Moffatt said she understood the group's concerns but said council has to make decision in the best interests of the municipality. She said this decision was "just one piece of the puzzle."

She added that people already have to go

to Maple Lake to drop off numerous items, with Hawk Lake only taking household waste. She said there will now be more staff at Maple Lake to make sure people are dumping appropriately.

Deputy mayor Liz Danielsen was not at the July meeting, but said, "we've made a difficult but reasonably good decision. Sometimes it's just better to rip off the Band-aid."

After the meeting, Dadzis said he was disappointed.

"What are we? Chopped liver?"

Future of Irondale landfill discussed

Council will soon have to make a final decision about the future of the Irondale landfill site, but it so far appears that there is an appetite to make it into a transfer station.

In a report to the Oct. 10 committee of the whole meeting, director of public works Travis Wilson said consultant GHD is estimating that after slope work is complete, there will be 247 cubic metres of remaining capacity.

"It is anticipated that the landfill operations should cease in early 2020," Wilson said.

"With the closure of the landfill operations, the township is able to design the site to either become a transfer station or to close the site," he said.

He noted that residents of Highlands East also use the site, with that township paying rent to Minden Hills.

Wilson told council the estimated cost to perform slope flattening and apply final cover and hydro-seeds is \$150,000 to \$200,000. The estimate for design and construct of a basic transfer station is \$75,000.

Mayor Brent Devolin said steps should be taken to make it a transfer station, to continue to service the area. Wilson indicated it could be as simple as backing a truck in for people to dump their waste, not as developed as the Ingoldsby site.

Wilson said if it was closed it would be a "stretch" to drive all the way to Scotch Line. Coun. Jean Neville asked about the number of Highlands East vehicles using the site and whether that township had been consulted. Wilson said he would return to council with more information.

Township to do zoom inspections

Council awarded a single source tender to

Infratech Sewer and Water Services, from Sudbury, to have a look into its sanitary and storm sewer system.

The estimated cost is close to \$113,000.

Wilson said the work will ensure the township "really has a broad picture of what we have underground."

He said it would be confined to the village of Minden.

Focus on youth retention

Economic development, destination and marketing officer Emily Stonehouse said the township is working with two students via U-Links and Trent University on a youth retention project.

"Staff met with the students and U-Links to discuss project priorities and desired outcomes for Minden Hills, and the students are able to start research in October, to complete the project by April, 2020," Stonehouse said.

Minden Hills news

She said it will include interviewing Minden youth, doing surveys and comparison to other rural communities.

New snowmobile trail

It looks like sledders will have a new trail in Minden Hills in the next four to five years.

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association's (HCSA) plans to use the unopened road allowance between Concession 12 and 13 of Snowdon, between the Hydro Corridor and Kendrick Creek Lane, for .4 km, met little resistance at the Oct. 10 meeting.

Planner Ian Clendening said the HCSA made route changes to appease landowners including the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust.

They will prevent ATV use with gates, and as a result, they won't have to bring in fill or disrupt Blandings Turtle habitat, Clendening said. (Minden Hills news compiled by Lisa Gervais)

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Local elementary teachers held a strike vote Oct. 16. *File photo.*

Local teachers participate in strike vote

By **Joseph Quigley**

Local elementary teachers held a strike vote Oct. 16 in the wake of stalled negotiations between their central bargaining unit and the province.

The Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO), which represents teachers, occasional teachers and designated early childhood educators, has called on its locals to hold strike votes across the province amid collective agreement negotiations with the provincial government, the Ontario Public School Boards' Association and the Council of Trustees' Associations.

The ETFO also filed for a conciliation

officer to help the process Oct. 16 and said negotiations have come to a "virtual standstill."

Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) teacher local president Karen Bratina said more than 650 people attended the local strike vote, where they were provided information about the bargaining process. The results will not be disclosed until November after all the ETFO locals have voted.

"I'm very confident that teachers at Trillium Lakelands will have given a strong mandate," Bratina said.

The ETFO collective agreements expired Aug. 31. ETFO said in an Oct. 16 press

release that the province seeks up to 2.5 per cent spending reduction in the education sector. As part of that, ETFO said the province wants teachers and occasional teachers to agree to up to \$150 million in collective agreement strips.

"I would say that is the greatest threat to our world-class education in Ontario, the cuts," Bratina said.

Another issue Bratina identified is increasing violence against teachers. A University of Ottawa study found 54 per cent of elementary educators reported they experienced physical violence in the 2017-18 school year.

"The violence in our schools continues to

grow because there's a lack of supports," Bratina said.

The Ministry of Education could not be reached before press time.

Local bargaining between TLDSB and its teachers will also soon take place and will not await central bargaining, Bratina said. She added teachers are circulating a survey to create a preliminary submission, which will be presented to TLDSB in November.

Bratina said she could not predict how local bargaining will play out.

"It's my hope that locally, we will be able to come to a fair agreement," she said. "Like central bargaining, locally we just want what's best for our members."

Around the County news

Hawk Lake Road Bridge gets municipal funding

The County of Haliburton roads committee recommended pre-approving \$1.25 million in its 2020 budget Oct. 9 to rehabilitate the Hawk Lake Road Bridge.

The bridge on County Road 13 was originally built in 1925. The county plans to make several improvements, such as increased load-bearing capacity.

The project will be primarily funded through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, with the federal government contributing 50 per cent of the cost and the province contributing 33 per cent.

"This kind of funding ratio I love," Coun. Brent Devolin said.

The committee also recommended accepting a tender bid from Scarborough-based McPherson-Andrews Contracting Limited, for \$922,105. The difference in the bid amount versus the budgeted total is for contingency and prior engineering work.

The road will be closed during construction. Work is scheduled to begin in mid-May 2020 and finish in June.

Making EMS more consistent

The county's four townships are preparing a new mutual assistance agreement.

The county emergency services committee recommended an emergency management assistance agreement for council approval. The agreement details how townships can request aid and how costs are taken care of by the assisted municipality.

Director and chief of paramedic services Tim Waite said the agreement will help the townships better co-ordinate emergency management training and problem-solving.

"What we're trying to do is create some consistency in emergency management right across the county," Waite said.

The agreement will require ratification from county council and all the lower-tier townships.

Hike Haliburton success

Hike Haliburton 2019 was the most successful one ever, according to municipal staff.

Director of tourism Amanda Virtanen reported to the county tourism committee Oct. 9 about the event. She said based on the number of hikes, participants and sponsor satisfaction, the event fared well.

A full report on the festival will be presented in November.

Seniors facility getting off the ground

After months of effort working through regulatory hurdles, developers are ready to start construction on a massive new seniors housing complex in Dysart et al.

Council held a special meeting Oct. 9 and passed a bylaw to remove a holding provision over the property at 1 Sunnyside St. Gardens Retirement Inc. is preparing to

build there.

"Holy moly, away you go," Mayor Andrea Roberts said after the bylaw passed.

The development was held up by the holding provision, in place due to an Ontario Municipal Board ruling from a different proposal several years ago. The municipality and developers have worked for months to fulfill the legal requirements to lift the provision.

The bylaw comes with conditions before occupancy, relating to plans for a water system. Township planner Jeff Iles said the province is looking at whether an environmental assessment will be necessary. Project consultant Greg Bishop said developers are awaiting official word from the province as to what will be required of them.

"It's not an issue with anything regarding the water, it's how we deal with these approvals," he said.

Bishop said construction will take 16 months.

(Around the County news compiled by Joseph Quigley)

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Haliburton Highlands Secondary School council met Oct. 8. *Photo by Joseph Quigley.*

School news

Literacy results improve

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) principal Chris Boulay credits a collective classroom effort for improvement in Grade 10 literacy test results.

The school saw a nine per cent improvement amongst first-time takers who passed the test in 2019, going from 60 per cent in 2018 to 69 per cent this year.

Boulay reported it to the school council Oct. 8.

"That highlights the efforts collectively across all our classrooms in the literacy initiatives," Boulay said.

The pass rate was a three-year high for the school. It was close to the 71 per cent board-average pass rate in 2019, though further from the provincial rate of 80 per cent.

The school tracked closely to the province in terms of Grade 9 math test results. For academic math, 85 per cent of HHSS students met or exceeded provincial standards, a four per cent decrease from 2018. But it

was close to the provincial average of 84 per cent and the board average of 86 per cent.

For applied math results, the school was at 46 per cent – a 17 per cent drop from 2018. The board had 57 per cent of students meet math standards this year, while the province was at 44 per cent.

Open house pushed to the spring

The high school will not have a fall open house with parent-teacher night Oct. 17 due in part to the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) strike threat.

With CUPE support staff preparing to strike Oct. 7, the school was preparing to close down. Although CUPE called off the strike after a deal with the province, Boulay said an open house did not work logistically.

"To welcome our entire public for an open house, we need about two weeks time to ensure teachers are prepared, to get their classrooms prepared,"

Boulay said.

Instead, the school will look to have an open house sometime in the spring.

Cell phone policy

New provincial rules on cell phones in classrooms will not make a significant difference at HHSS, according to Boulay.

The province is introducing new restrictions Nov. 4 on cellphones and other mobile devices. The restriction will prevent the use of such devices in the classroom, except for educational purposes as directed by an instructor, medical purposes or special education needs.

Boulay said it is not much different from how cellphones are currently used in classes across the Trillium Lakelands District School Board.

"The ministry's stance provides a little bit more teeth perhaps with regard to supporting schools and districts with a new cell phone policy," Boulay said.

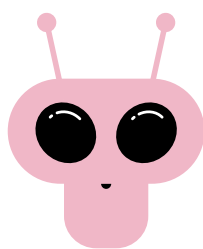
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HCDC continues to lead the way in Ontario

By Lisa Gervais

The Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) continues to be the most active lender of the 61 community futures development corporations in Ontario, outgoing HCDC board chair Peter Fredricks told the annual general meeting Oct. 10 at the Red Umbrella Inn.

"This past year, we disbursed over \$4.6 million in loans, claiming the largest investment fund of the 268 community futures development corporations in Canada," he added.

He attributed the success to collaboration with governments, their agencies, business associations and institutions such as the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, Fleming College, the Business Development Bank of Canada and colleagues in Eastern Ontario.

Fredricks said they continue to support community economic development initiatives, the growth of new and existing businesses and the creation of sustainable jobs in Haliburton County.

The chair added the federal government is continuing to zero in on innovation. Consequently, HCDC is always looking for ways to encourage innovation in the county, including the commercialization

of new products or services, application of new processes, new technology or methodology, creation of new markets or implementation of new ways to collaborate and communicate.

He said the aim is to make businesses more nimble, effective, profitable and sustainable, creating new wealth, new jobs and contributing to community economic development.

One of the real success stories has been the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator, which is now into its ninth year. It's now called the Haliburton LaunchPad. It's created 26 full-time, six seasonal and seven part-time jobs.

"With the addition of renting 'hot desks,' the incubator continues to support new and existing businesses through providing high-speed internet," Fredricks said.

The HCDC is celebrating its 34th year. It has been one of change with the Eastern Ontario Development Program ending as of March 31, 2019, after 15 years. It's been replaced by the Rural Innovation Initiative Eastern Ontario, funded by FedDev. The local stream provides non-repayable contributions from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

Executive director Patti Tallman said "our combined support through loans, the




Outgoing chair Peter Fredricks delivers his message at the HCDC AGM at the Red Umbrella Inn Oct. 10. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Eastern Ontario Development Program, and the Local Initiatives Program has enhanced our community's capacity to change, impacting 228 jobs this year."

Program and operations coordinator Autumn Wilson shared the success story of Cottage Care Rentals, just one local

business that has been helped by HCDC. She said owners Cheryl McCombe and Don Critchley are "living to work and loving it" as their business just continues to grow.

Retiring directors Margaret Risk and Linda Middleton were thanked and Peter Smith named 2019-2020 board chair.



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Highlander arts



Top: The cast and crew of Brotherhood. Bottom: A newspaper clipping from The Globe about the 1926 tragedy. Photos submitted.

Bringing the best of Canadian and international movies: HIFF

By Lisa Gervais

The tragic story of a mass drowning on Balsam Lake in the 1920s will headline the 13th Haliburton International Film Festival (HIFF) when it hits the stage of the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion Nov. 1-3.

Brotherhood will be Saturday night's feature film with writer and director Richard Bell and a few members of the cast attending. The popular movie will also be screened as a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. after the HIFF wrap party.

The film is based on the story of a group of teenage boys attending camp in 1926. In a war canoe, on the way to Coboconk, they are hit by a freak summer storm and capsize in the middle of the churning lake. Over the ensuing 17 hours, 11 die while four survive.

Bell, on the phone from Vancouver, said he first came upon the story in 2006 when he saw a snippet in a newspaper about an 80th anniversary commemorative mass in Kirkfield.

"I thought to myself that would make a great movie."

However, he was working on another project at the time and a couple of years passed.

"But my brain kept going back to the story of these boys holding onto this canoe in the middle of this lake," he said.

He began researching, and eventually hired a research assistant. He couldn't find anything on the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, where the boys went to school. But once he found the lake name, he was able to locate newspaper microfiche clippings from around the world.

"That's when the events of the story came alive" for him. He said it was like finding buried treasure.

He thinks the film will resonate locally "since camping and canoeing is in the DNA of Ontarians."

In addition to telling a compelling story, he set out with a theme in mind.

"For me, the film is really about a study of boyhood and masculinity and boys turning into men. I think it's also relevant to today because I think there are a lot of moms and dads who just don't know how to raise boys today because there's so many conflicting messages about what a boy should be."

Asked what he would like a teenaged male in the audience to take away from the story, he replied, "anything that inspires a kid to look up from his

phone, or turn off his phone or get off his phone and return to the outdoors ... inspire him to think a little less about himself and more about his tribe."

He screened the movie in Kirkfield in July. The cast came and threw flowers in the lake. He said many people on Balsam didn't even know about the tragedy. One lady had lived there 40 years, with a view of the area the boys drowned, and was haunted to learn of the tale.

Bell said he's looking forward to bringing his labour of love to the HIFF audience. He said it took nine years to make the film and he sometimes visited the graves of the dead in Toronto "to give them an update."

"I will go anywhere where they receive me with open hearts and excitement," he said of his story.

Festival organizers said they waited until the last minute to be able to bring the best of the best films from around the world and Canada to this year's festival.

VIP Passes are \$60 for all seven films and the wrap party. Individual tickets are \$10 and will only be available at the door, as available, one hour before show time. See hiff.ca for more.

THE LINEUP:

Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. *Menteur ~ Compulsive Liar* - Simon is a compulsive liar. His family and colleagues organize an intervention but it turns into a confrontation and Simon denies everything. The next day, he wakes up in a reality where all his lies are proven facts.

Nov. 1 at 8:30 p.m., *Woman at War* - Halla, a 54-year-old independent woman, known as "The Woman of the Mountain," secretly wages a one-woman-war on the local aluminum industry. As her actions grow bolder, from petty vandalism to outright industrial sabotage, she succeeds in pausing the negotiations between the Icelandic government and the corporation building a new smelter. But right as she begins planning her biggest and boldest operation yet, she receives an unexpected letter that changes everything.

Nov. 2 at 10 a.m. *Honeyland* - A triple Sundance award-winner, *Honeyland* offers a visual feast and a poignant lesson in human misbehaviour. Haditze Muratova is the last of the Macedonian wild beekeepers and lives alone with her ailing mother on a farm. She survives by selling small-batch honey in a Skopje market, a mere four-hour walk away. Her peace is happily broken with the arrival of new neighbours, their herd of cattle and seven kids. She optimistically shares her one golden rule with the interlopers: take half the honey for yourself, but leave half for the bees. Sumptuously filmed over three years, this extraordinary debut fable imparts a timeworn message about humankind's true place in the natural order.

Nov. 2 at 1:30 p.m. *Antigone* - Winner of Best Canadian film at TIFF and Canada's entry for Oscars' best international feature film category, *Antigone* is a modern-day re-imagining of the Greek tragedy that jolts viewers out of complacency. Writer/director, Sophie Deraspe, transposes Sophocles's classic to contemporary Montreal, and makes its principal characters a family of immigrants trying to start anew after their parents' murder. Relative newcomer Nahéma Ricci plays the young hero determined to do whatever she must to keep her family from falling apart.

Nov. 2 at 4 p.m. *The Guilty* - This sleek, well-acted, and intelligently crafted, high-concept thriller is about police officer, Asger Holm, who is demoted to desk work. He expects a sleepy beat as an emergency dispatcher, but that all changes when he answers a panicked phone call from a kidnapped woman who then disconnects abruptly.

Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. *Brotherhood* (and Nov. 3 at 2 p.m.)

Nov. 3 at 10 a.m. Haliburton Production

Nov. 3 at 11 a.m. *And The Birds Rained Down*. Three elderly hermits live deep in the woods, cut off from the rest of the world. While wildfires threaten the region, their quiet life is about to be shaken by the arrival of two women. A poignant meditation on the possibilities of living outside modernity, the film is a tribute to the need to live independently and on one's own terms — and to those courageous enough to pursue this.



Brotherhood writer and director Richard Bell. Photo submitted.

Ready for winter

Keeping heat in and pockets full

By Lisa Harrison

Space heating accounts for about 62 per cent of a typical home's energy use each year, according to Hydro One. Choosing an energy-efficient heating system and following expert tips for proper system maintenance, ventilation and air quality management can help you lower that number and stay healthy.

Hydro One, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations offer several steps to achieve these goals for your home or cottage each year.

Begin with having a certified technician conduct a heating system tune-up. This preventative measure can help you spot potential issues before they become big problems.

Run your system to listen for noises such as popping, knocking or clanging, which could be signs of loose or worn-out parts. In such cases, call the technician for an inspection.

Check furnace filters monthly and replace disposable filters or clean permanent ones every 90 days. Clogged filters force your system to work harder and they reduce air quality.

Your system should be cleaned every three to five years, ideally by a certified technician. If you do it yourself, start by turning off the power to your system. Remove all air duct covers and clean the grates with a brush. Use your vacuum hose to clear the ducts.

Consider replacing your heating system if it's more than 10 years old, is unusually noisy, needs major parts replaced or has required more than one maintenance call per year. Other signs of old age include dry or dusty air and poor heating in rooms served by the system. The latest models are more reliable, use less energy and are quieter, according to Hydro One.



These additional tips can help you reduce your system's workload.

Test for air leaks throughout your home or cottage, including the attic, by holding a lit incense stick next to windows, doors and hatches. Small leaks will draw the smoke in, and strong leaks will blow it away. Applying caulking and weather-stripping in these areas can reduce your heating (and cooling) needs by up to 20 per cent.

Don't forget to check wall outlets as well. Indoor and outdoor switch plates can be a big source of air leaks and these can be handled by installing pre-cut foam gaskets.

Clear all indoor and outdoor air vents. Ensure your heating vents and air return vents are not blocked by furniture, appliances or other objects. Set ceiling fans to run clockwise to help push warm air downward.

Vacuum electric baseboard heaters. When you're away from the house or cottage, close the flues on wood stoves, furnaces and fireplaces.

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Staying on the road this winter

By Lisa Harrison

Winter driving can be especially challenging in cottage country, making it even more important for us to keep our vehicles and driving savvy in top shape.

Winter vehicle care should begin in the fall, according to the Canadian Automobile Association (CAA). Brushing up early on safe winter driving practices is also a good plan.

To prepare your vehicle, consider starting with a checkup by a licensed technician, especially if you plan to take long road trips. Ensure you're following the winter maintenance recommendations in your vehicle's manual.

Test your battery, which should measure 12.6 volts or above when fully charged, and 13.7 to 14.7 volts when running. You may want to use a block heater when the temperature drops below -15° to reduce engine stress and heat the cabin faster.

Winter tires are recommended because all-season tires lose elasticity at around -7°C, reducing road grip.

Top up your windshield washer fluid (rated for -40°C) and carry extra. Keep

your gas tank at least half full to help prevent gas line freezing and enable you to run the vehicle for warmth for short periods if you get stuck.

When preparing to travel even short distances, check the weather and road conditions. Give yourself extra time or postpone the trip if necessary.

Tell friends or family about your plans, including estimated arrival time. If you're travelling with others, designate someone to manage the phone, GPS and any other distractions.

Ensure your phone is fully charged and keep a charger in your vehicle. Carry an emergency kit in the vehicle. Kits are available from the CAA and many retailers. Content examples can be found at caa.ca/winter-driving/winter-driving/emergency-kit.

Clear all snow from your vehicle, including the roof, to enhance your visibility and avoid endangering other drivers with blowing snow and ice.

Adjust your driving to the conditions; for example, drive more slowly, signal well in advance, and allow extra braking room. The CAA also recommends leading by example: if another driver behaves aggressively,

give them space and avoid them.

Even the best drivers can become stuck. If that happens, turn on your hazard lights. Generally, you should stay with your vehicle. According to the CAA, it's safer than standing by the road and rescuers can find you more easily. The CAA cites one exception, which is if your vehicle is in a dangerous position (for example, hidden behind a bend or poorly visible), and you believe you'll be in more danger there. In you leave your car, stay well away from the road and watch the road continuously to stay safe.

Don't overexert yourself by trying to push your vehicle out. You can run the engine long enough to keep the vehicle from getting too cold, but first ensure the tail pipe isn't blocked and check for exhaust system leaks that would allow carbon monoxide (known as the "silent killer") to seep into the cabin.

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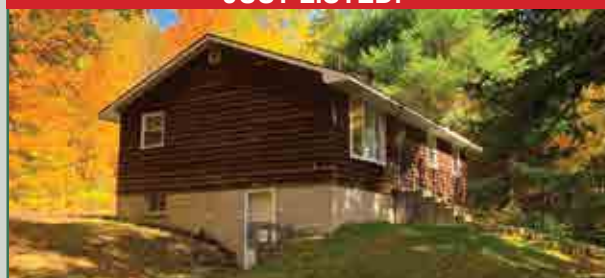
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Their first game Friday night was against the Brampton 45's. The local boys put up a good fight but spent a lot of time in the penalty box, resulting in a 5-0 loss.

On Saturday morning, the Storm tried their best against the Woodville Otters but were defeated 3-0.

In the afternoon, they played the Douro Dukes, finally scoring their first goal by #18 Braeden Robinson, assisted by #14 Tyson Clements and #21 Ty Mills.

In the evening, the team played a tough game against the Frontenac Flyers, resulting in a couple of injuries and another heartbreaking 2-0 loss.

On Sunday afternoon, the boys came out strong and played an excellent game against the Bancroft Jets to win the "C Championship" 3-2.

It was a nail biter with a great first goal scored five minutes into the first by #9 Tim Turner assisted by #27 Jacob Mitchell.

The second goal was scored by Robinson and assisted by Mills just two minutes later.

The Storm held the Jets off until the third period when they scored their first goal just a minute into the period followed by their second goal to tie the game.

The Storm put another goal in the net with just 1:17 left in the third to put them in the lead. The third goal was scored by Robinson assisted by Clements.

Goalie Darian Maddock played excellent all weekend making many great saves. (Submitted)



Tyson Clements #14 goes to the outside of this Woodville Otters player. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

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Cash for Care kicks off

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation has kicked off its Cash for Care lottery with some date change announcements. For the first time, there'll be an early bird draw in December and the final draws will take place on Valentine's Day, said HHHSF executive director Lisa Tompkins. She added that the total prizes are still \$25,000. The Foundation's Carol Simmons said the first draw for \$1,000 is Dec. 5; another draw for \$1,000 on Jan. 15 and draws for \$1,000, \$2,000 and \$20,000 on Feb. 14. Simmons is pictured at the Dorset arts, crafts and antiques fair this past weekend. (Lisa Gervais)

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Highlander environment



Left to right: Patricia Arney, Ontario Trillium Foundation; Leora Berman, The Land Between, Honorable Norman Miller and Muskoka District Chair John Klinck. Photo submitted.

The Land Between gets \$500K grant to help species at risk

By Lisa Gervais

The Land Between has been awarded a \$500,000 grant by Environment Canada.

Founder Leora Berman said the bioregion and the charity is one of only 15 areas across Canada chosen under the Community-Nominated Priority Places program.

Recently, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Catherine McKenna announced that, this year, the federal government is investing up to \$7.6 million in 52 projects across the country.

Berman said they received special attention in the media release issued by Environment Canada.

It said that, "One of the projects under the Community-Nominated Priority Places program targets The Land Between bioregion. It covers almost three million hectares, from Georgian Bay to the Ottawa Valley. This project (in collaboration with 10 partners) is expected to benefit 57 species at risk, including the little brown bat, the eastern (Algonquin) wolf, and the golden-winged warbler."

Berman said in a Sept. 24 media release that, "as a grassroots and non-government

charity, we are very honoured to be awarded this capacity. We take this opportunity seriously and will work to ensure it translates into meaningful solutions and protection of our natural capital-wildlife and biodiversity to benefit all."

She said they would focus on the Algonquin Wolf in particular, and hold talking circles. The grant extends until March 2021.

Meanwhile, the Land Between is also sharing results of its successful Blue Lakes program. It received an Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant of \$73,900 in 2018.

"The result of this year's research and experience has shown us that there is a strong need and desire for the program across most lake associations," Berman said. "This is because the Blue Lakes program has the potential to create shared values across lake communities and protect the environment and resources that we love, and all while buttressing property values."

She said the program is based on the well-established Blue Flag Program, which is an ecolabel provided to marinas and beaches around the world to recognize their environmental stewardship.

An ecolabel is a seal or label that assists

the market to identify products or services as being less harmful to the environment than others. Ecolabels help consumers make environmentally responsible choices and encourage improvements and set standards. The Blue Flag program began in 1987 and 40 years later it has been adopted by more than 3,000 beaches and marinas in 36 countries.

Berman said Blue Lakes, like Blue Flag, is a voluntary program that seeks to balance recreation with conservation. The Blue Lakes, however, focuses entirely on behaviours and creates a standard of excellence for individuals to strive for.

"The Blue Lakes ecolabel program provides a template for action and education. It is a label and a portfolio of tools, resources, and activities that can be tailored to each lake's needs. For instance, the program provides educational opportunities, forums, and in-kind support for naturalization or lake-wide projects to improve lake health. The program also provides access to a comprehensive database and app that tracks lake health."

To find out more, or contact The Land Between charity, visit thelandbetween.ca or email Berman at info@thelandbetween.ca

Land Trust gets money for Discovery Days

By Lisa Gervais

Thanks to a grant from the TD Friends of the Environment, The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust can fund its Discovery Days programming, help support land stewardship on its properties, and spend money on special projects in 2020, the organization says.

The Land Trust announced its successful grant application Oct. 7.

"We are excited to develop our new Land Trust Discovery Days series and are thrilled that TD funding has allowed this important program to continue in 2020," said HHLT board member Joan Duhaime.

Land Trust Discovery Days are a series of eight events held through the year designed to engage and educate people of all ages. Programs focus on learning about specific species, land and species conservation and providing people with an understanding of the importance of land conservation in Haliburton County, Duhaime said. She added that many of their events are held on HHLT properties.

TD Friends of the Environment has provided funding to HHLT for many years.

Duhaime said the board is very grateful.

Some TD funding in 2019 was used to work towards the opening of Barnum Creek Nature Reserve. That funding supported trail mapping, kiosk construction and the creation of a Barnum Creek brochure. TD has also funded new interpretive signage which visitors will soon find at Dahl Forest.

See haliburtonlandtrust.ca for more information.



Haliburton Highlands Land Trust board member and discovery days committee chair, Joan Duhaime joins HHLT board chair Mary-Lou Gerstl at Nature's Place in Minden in 2017 to promote the upcoming Discovery Days. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

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Highlander community

'The Growcer' unveiled at Abbey Gardens

By Lisa Gervais

Abbey Gardens unveiled The Growcer Oct. 19.

It's a year-round hydroponic fresh leafy green production system in a 40-foot insulated shipping container.

Operations director Heather Reid said it can grow up to 230 pounds of vegetables a week.

Financial support for the \$230,000 project came from the Haliburton County Development Corporation (\$100,000), the Laidlaw family (\$41,000), and a private investor who offered a six-year loan.

Reid told *The Highlander* it's the first of its kind in Haliburton County and one of only 14 units across the country, most in northern communities.

"This is a big deal for us," Reid said.

"Introducing capacity to grow fresh vegetables 365 days a year on our grounds will result in a significant ripple effect of innovation opportunities for the Haliburton Highlands," she added in a press release. "We plan to showcase this growing system to provide local, fresh food in our community and be a demonstration site for this technology."

The Growcer needs potable water and electricity to run and can operate in between -52C to +35C temperatures. It has a remote monitoring system providing information about what's going on inside at any time.

Reid added they will be launching a community-supported agriculture or CSA program in December, offering fresh greens



Jamie Laidlaw, Patti Tallman of the Haliburton County Development Corporation, Heather Reid of Abbey Gardens, Corey Ellis and Alida Burke of Growcer and John Patterson of Abbey Gardens at the launch of the Growcer Oct. 19. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

to area restaurants as well as individuals.

"As a not for profit, we envision this initiative as part of our sustainability model financially. It also serves our mission to increase awareness and access to local food and innovative technologies. Our goal at Abbey Gardens is to enhance the food

sector in our county and region."

The press release said "the implementation strategy for this initiative has been developed to avoid market disruption locally. This will make it possible to offer a fresh product in the off-season that is not already available and to augment Abbey

Gardens' outdoor gardens in the heart of the harvest season.

People can contact Reid directly if interested, heather@abbeygardens.ca

See more about The Growcer at the-growcer.ca

SIRCH celebrates making a difference for 30 years

By Joseph Quigley

As SIRCH Community Services executive director Gena Robertson spoke to a crowd of people helped by her organization over its 30 years, she reflected on its impact.

"Programs, groups, training and social enterprises all serve as a vehicle for people to positively impact other people," Robertson said. "All those ripples from every positive action reach far beyond our program and far beyond the time it occurs in."

Dozens of people impacted by SIRCH gathered Oct. 17 to reflect on and celebrate its 30th anniversary. People joined together at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home to recognize all of the social services SIRCH has offered.

SIRCH began in 1989 as a parent support program named the "Supportive Initiative for Residents in the County of Haliburton," which was quickly shortened according to the charity. But Jim Blake, who has served as a SIRCH staff person, said another name was informally considered.

"Someone came up with the idea, why don't we have it stand for 'So it really can happen,'" Blake said, via a pre-recorded interview played at the event. "A brilliant underpinning of what SIRCH is all about. If you think it and you believe in it and you put energy into it, it really can happen."

SIRCH has kickstarted hundreds of programs over the years, from cooking

training to kindergarten preparedness to parenting programs and many more. It also started other programs that it divested itself from, such as Volunteer Dental Outreach in 2011 and a community hospice program.

Liz Kerlie participated in the Community Action Program for Children, which provides services to families with young children. Kerlie said the programming SIRCH offered made a tremendous difference in her life and helped her towards a college degree.

"I can honestly say I would not be where I am today without the help of SIRCH," Kerlie said. "Because of SIRCH, my future and my family's future is exceptionally brighter."

SIRCH board of director president Barb Fawcett commended Robertson for her work.

"A young woman returned to the County she grew up in with the vision of making the community a better place for all," Fawcett said. "We love you and are grateful always. You touch our lives and the lives of those who came to know SIRCH as a place of refuge, healing and strength."

Robertson said she was humbled and grateful to hear people talk about what SIRCH has achieved. She credited its longevity to its flexibility in delivering programs.

"Our mandate enables us to go where we need to," she said. "We're not in a box."



SIRCH executive director Gena Robertson and board chair Barb Fawcett cut the cake at the organization's 30th anniversary celebration Oct. 17. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Highlander community



The Santa Claus Float. Photo submitted.

Organizers making Santa parade safer

By Lisa Harrison

As Santa and his elves prepare for Christmas Eve, organizers of the Haliburton Village Santa Claus Parade have been working to enhance the parade experience for spectators.

The Highland Street event has flourished for decades, managed by the Downtown Haliburton Business Improvement Area (BIA) with the help of the Haliburton & District Lions Club, Dysart et al, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and volunteers.

The parade switched from Sunday afternoon to Friday evening in 2006, enabling organizers to add more fun and festivity with a tree lighting ceremony and carol singing at the Village Barn. Santa received a new sleigh in 2004 and it was

refurbished in 2016.

Spectators now enjoy about 40 parade entries each year including floats, bands and marching and dancing groups, said Jim Frost in an interview. Frost is the parade coordinator and chair of the Lions' parade committee.

This year's changes are intended to improve parade safety protocols, said Frost. The changes were developed following the death of four-year-old MaCali Cormier last year in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. The girl reportedly was running alongside a moving float during that town's Santa parade when she fell under the float's wheels.

Frost was among the many who grieved for the child's family and for the town.

"I can just imagine what it would do to a community for something like that to happen ... I thought, 'We've really got to

do something to be proactive on this'."

With the BIA's blessing, Frost looked into the tragic incident to see whether existing Haliburton safety protocols could be improved.

He found suggestions that cars parked on both sides of the Yarmouth parade route had reduced visibility and narrowed the parade path, and that having volunteers walk beside floats could help keep onlookers from getting too close.

The Haliburton parade has had a no-parking zone along the main section between Maple Avenue and York Street for many years, said Frost. The municipality provides barricades and traffic cones and OPP officers direct traffic at the Highland/Maple and Highland/York intersections.

Also, float entrants are asked not to throw candy from the floats but instead to have

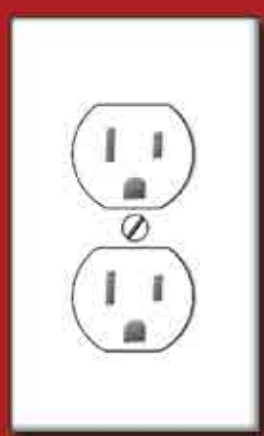
volunteers walking alongside to hand it directly to onlookers.

This year, the no-parking protocol has been revised to extend the zone east to the Pine Street starting point, said Frost. Float entrants are now asked to provide volunteers to walk on both sides of their float to help keep spectators back, and the "no-throw" protocol for candy distribution has been further emphasized.

The parade will take place Nov. 22 with the theme "Peace on Earth." Events begin at 6 p.m. with the tree lighting and carol singing, followed by the parade at 6:30 p.m.

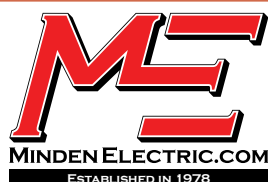
Frost is looking forward to another successful evening.

"We're always pleased at the support we get in the community. It's terrific the way people come out."



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Highlander sports



Red Hawks girls field hockey team celebrates after winning the Kawartha Championship Oct. 15. *Photo by Joseph Quigley.*

Hawks hockey falls in COSSA shootout

By **Joseph Quigley**

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks girls field hockey soared to the regional championships but lost in a tight-game after a shootout Oct. 22.

After a run to Central Ontario Secondary School Association (COSSA) championships, the team fell to the St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School Saints in the semi-finals 1-0.

Coach Steve Smith said the team took the game to double overtime where they managed to score, but the goal was called back. A five-player-a-side shootout followed, which did not go Haliburton's way.

"The girls carried most of the play throughout the game. Unfortunately, we couldn't put the ball into the net," Smith said.

The team had a successful run to

make it to COSSA, winning a pair of 1-0 games to take the Kawartha Championships Oct. 15. The team had to go to two extra 7.5 minute periods versus the Crestwood Mustangs in the final. Bella Smolden scored the eventual game-winner in the first period and the team successfully held onto the lead the rest of the way.

"Nerve-wracking," Smith said about the Kawartha championships. "If I had hair, I would have pulled it out."

Goaltender Danaya MacDuff, who had two shutouts at Kawarthas, said her team put up a strong defence in front of her.

"They're doing really good. They have shown so much improvement," MacDuff said.

Emma Casey, one of two co-captains, said communication was key to the team's success.

"We did a good job with

communicating with each other, which is something we've been working at all season," Casey said.

The team making it back to COSSA was a return to form after they lost at Kawarthas in 2018. The last time the team won at COSSA to make it to provincials was 2016.

Smith credited the program's success to community support.

"It has a lot to do with our community members that come and help. With former players that come and help on their reading weeks," Smith said. "The program is strong. It will continue to be strong as long as the league continues to be a league."

"We want to compete, we want to play well and we want the girls just to represent themselves really well."

"We're just a very good team," MacDuff said. "I'm proud of all of them."



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2019-10-16		
1.	Skylar Pratt	204
2.	Jeffrey Coulson	159
3.	Sarah Hudson	154
4.	Kim Buie	151
5.	Brodie Mason	148
6.	Casey Heley	146
2019-10-09		
1.	Kim Buie	249
2.	Emily Boccitto	201
3.	Skylar Pratt	187
4.	Jason Kitchener	183
5.	Brodie Mason	168
6.	Catlin Peacock	160
2019-10-02		
1.	Skylar Pratt	234
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Oct 31 – Regular Council Meeting
Nov 14 - Committee of the Whole Meeting

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

Note: Council meetings are reduced to one (1) for the month of December

Seasonal Safety Tips From The Minden Hills Fire Department

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3. **HALLOWEEN TIP:** Provide children with lightweight battery operated flashlights or glow sticks to carry for lighting as part of their costumes.

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Family Halloween Party

The Township of Minden Hills Annual Family Halloween Party is Friday, October 25th at the Minden Community Centre from 7-9 PM. Games, Music & Snacks. Prizes for best individual & family costumes! Admission by cash donation (no canned goods please). Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Highlander sports



Red Hawks football lose out at home

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School senior football team braved rainy weather as they battled against the top-seeded Thomas A. Stewart Griffins in Haliburton Oct. 16. The Red Hawks competed but were beaten by the undefeated Griffins 31-0. The team will wrap up its season with a final home game Nov. 1.

Left: Red Hawk Camden Marra evades a tackle. Right: Talon Dakin (#35) and the Red Hawks defence celebrate after forcing a turnover near their end zone. *Photos by Joseph Quigley.*



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Four-town mixed bonspiel

The Haliburton Curling Club hosted its first four-town mixed bonspiel of the year this past Saturday, Oct. 19. The four teams were Minden, Bobcaygeon, Haliburton and Fenelon Falls. "We always have fun, interactive bonspiels with ladies' teams and men's teams but have not had the four towns meet for a mixed bonspiel," Mary Hillaby said. The day involved two, eight-end games with lunch between. (Lisa Gervais)

Dave and Chrissie DeLyzer, along with Wanda Stephen of the Haliburton team, follow a rock up ice. *Photo by Lisa Gervais.*

Highlander events



An amazing end to the 2019 Haliburton Concert Series

The Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion was full of music and laughs Sunday afternoon as the Haliburton Concert Series closed its 41st season. Special guests Mary Lou Fallis & Peter Tiefenbach shared their talents and amusing show with classics such as Clair de lune, I Attempt from Love's Sickness to Fly and many more. Tickets for the 42nd Haliburton Concert Series are already available. *(Hannah Sadlier)*

Top: Fallis & Tiefenbach performed lots of classics, and premiered a new piece called Ode to a Star (Homage to Canada). Bottom: Fallis & Tiefenbach weren't showing any signs of stage fright, as they prepared back stage for their Haliburton performance. *Photos by Hannah Sadlier.*

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Highlander events



Opa! for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary

Saturday marked another successful fundraising dinner for the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary. This year diners were taken to Greece. "We are happy to make it to 15 years. In the past 14 years we have been able to raise \$145,000, and we are looking forward to raising even more tonight so that we can purchase more beds," said Tracey Lear. "We have been able to purchase five so far and have nine more to go." (Hannah Sadlier)

Dancers from Heritage Ballet were all smiles as they donated their time to help serve at A Taste of Greece. Photo by Hannah Sadlier.

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OCTOBER 29TH - 7pm at the Haliburton Highlands Museum
Halloween around the World

OCTOBER 30TH - 7pm starting from the Rails End Gallery. Haliburton Village Ghost Walk

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*All events are free unless otherwise noted.
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Highlander events



Fall fun at Abbey Gardens

Mother Nature cooperated with Abbey Gardens this past Saturday, Oct. 19, delivering plenty of sunshine and warm temperatures for its seventh annual Fall Festival. Families flocked to the fun event, enjoying everything from pony and wagon rides, outdoor games, a pumpkin patch and pumpkin painting, children’s storytelling, a sunflower maze, chickens and fun photo opportunities. Farmers’ market vendors were also on site and there was music and pizza at Haliburton Highlands Brewing. *(Lisa Gervais)*

Left: Chloe Bryant and dad Kevin Bryant make their way through the sunflower maze. Right: Mischa MacKinnon is all smiles as she attends the fall festival. *Photos by Lisa Gervais.*

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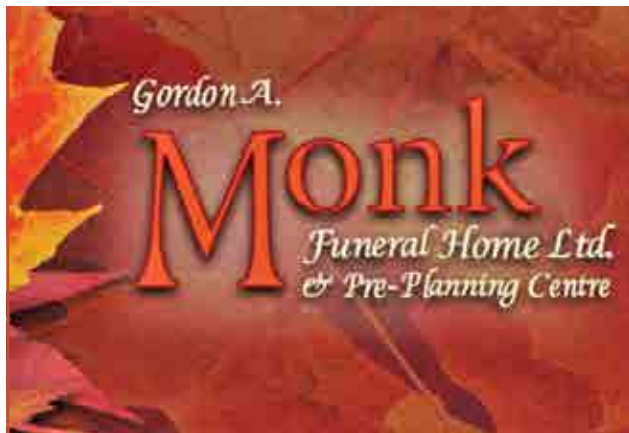
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CONTACT: For additional information please contact the Operations Manager Adam Thorn, athorn@algonquinhighlands.ca or by phone at (705) 489-2379.

OBITUARIES



Beverley 'Bev' Hunt (Resident of West Guilford, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Saturday morning, October 19, 2019 in his 83rd year. Beloved husband and best friend of Catherine Hunt (nee Cannon) for over 18 years. Loving son of the late Bert & Annie Hunt. Predeceased by his sisters Shirley and Colleen. Also remembered by his many nieces, nephews and his brother-in-law Cliff Davison. Bev was a Trustee with the Maple Lake United Church for many years. He was involved in the Pistol Club in Haliburton County and loved to hunt, fish, target practice and bowl. Bev met Cathy late in life and married at the age of 64. They shared many happy years together.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends and family are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118 Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Thursday morning, October 24, 2019 for Funeral Service at 11 o'clock. (Visitation one hour prior). Reception to follow in The Community Room. Private interment Maple Lake United Church Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Kawartha Lakes Humane Society would be appreciated by the family.



Thomas 'Tom' Barbour (Resident of Coboconk, Ontario)

Peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay after a long illness on Thursday morning, October 17, 2019 in his 68th year. Beloved husband of Donna Barbour (nee Greig). Loving father of Curtis (Cristina) and Taylor (Katy). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Stella, Harold, T.J. and Hunter. Dear brother of Kerry, Peter and Tim. Predeceased by his brother David and sister Suzanne. Also lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. Tom & Donna owned and operated Coboconk IGA/Foodland in Coboconk for many years. Tom enjoyed hunting, fishing and most of all his family.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call at **CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN, COBOCONK** 12 Elizabeth St. Coboconk, Ontario on Friday afternoon, October 25, 2019 from 4-7 p.m. Funeral Service on Saturday morning, October 26, 2019 at 11 a.m. Interment later St. Thomas Anglican (Balsam Lake) Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to Christ Church Anglican Coboconk or Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation Lindsay would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **COBOCONK COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 6644 Hwy. #35, Coboconk, Ontario (705) 454-3913.



In Loving Memory of

Kathleen (Kay) Rosser (nee Stanhope)

87 of Haliburton passed away October 14, 2019 surrounded by her family.

Kay was born in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan and came to Ontario as a young adult. She often recounted the story of how it was "love at first sight" when she and Aubrey Rosser first met. They were married for 43 years until he passed away in 1997.

Kay is survived by her daughter Lorraine (Kevin) Clarry of Haliburton and son Mark (Ann) Rosser of Brampton. Predeceased by her eldest daughter Deborah (Michael) Burns.

She will be missed by her 5 grandchildren Jonathon (Tonya) Burns, Mark (Michelle) Burns, Laura Burns, Ashley (Matt) Barrows, Grant Rosser and her 6 great-grandchildren Audrey and Owen, Max and Benjamin, Georgia and Hunter.

A special thank-you to the staff at Highland Wood for the wonderful care, compassion and kindness shown.

Family and friends are invited to a Memorial Service on Saturday, October 26 at 2 pm at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1017 Wigamog Rd., Haliburton.

Arrangements entrusted to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



NO CHEATING! SOLUTIONS FOR OCTOBER 24

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Across

- 1 Start to a kindergarten song
- 5 Dog chain pendant, maybe
- 10 Baseball two-outers: Abbr.
- 13 Spitting beast
- 15 Gallows ring around the collar
- 16 Ending for ball and Wall
- 17 Bernie Madoff's scheme
- 18 * "Get lost!"
- 20 Bricklayer's trough
- 21 Animal that ironically ate a Canada 150 tulip display
- 23 Zellweger of "Jerry Maguire"
- 24 * Take in two same-aged siblings
- 27 Project overseer: Abbr.
- 28 Become compost
- 29 Checks for errors
- 32 "Oh, I get it," jokingly
- 35 Around, date-wise
- 38 "The Jungle Book" python
- 39 * Bout of an Asian-sounding illness
- 43 "Aw, give ___ rest!"
- 44 Shoelace tip
- 45 Votes in favour
- 46 Fill with horror
- 48 Word from the Yiddish for "salmon"
- 50 Verb action receiver: Abbr.
- 51 * Trump line on TV, and elsewhere
- 58 Summer ermine
- 60 Hue for a nude drawing
- 61 Suffix with ranch
- 62 * Cheque from the CRA, maybe
- 64 Machu Picchu resident, once
- 66 Absorbed, as a loss
- 67 "That is ___" ("I mean")
- 68 Not share, as news
- 69 Hood howdies
- 70 Witherspoon of film
- 71 Classic board game whose track includes this puzzle's theme answers (see asterisks)

Down

- 1 First Greek letter
- 2 Partner of sweat and tears
- 3 "No problemo!"
- 4 Noncombat area: Abbr.
- 5 Being carted behind
- 6 "___ say!" (parent's exhortation)
- 7 Transit currency
- 8 Suffix with lip- or amyl-
- 9 One of four-on-the-floor
- 10 Faring not too badly
- 11 Card shark's look
- 12 Bygone blade
- 14 Have as a goal
- 19 Prefix meaning 2-Down
- 22 Roughriders, on a scoreboard
- 25 They play for pay
- 26 Sheltie's shelter, for short
- 30 Fink
- 31 Luxury New York retailer
- 32 "What ___ mindreader?"
- 33 Very controversial topic
- 34 Political platforms?
- 35 Sports org. that banned contact in practices
- 36 "Terre" in "la mer"
- 37 Wagon trail?
- 40 Computer in "2001"
- 41 Definitely not just another pretty face
- 42 Approach the runway
- 47 Open a little
- 48 Nessman on a TV sitcom
- 49 "He's in a class ___ own"
- 52 Good for something
- 53 Wrist-to-elbow bones
- 54 Colour over
- 55 Prefix meaning "straight"
- 56 The ___ Good Feelings
- 57 "Death Be Not Proud" poet
- 58 Not go along with?
- 59 Four: Prefix
- 63 Oiler to a Flame, say
- 65 Goose egg in soccer

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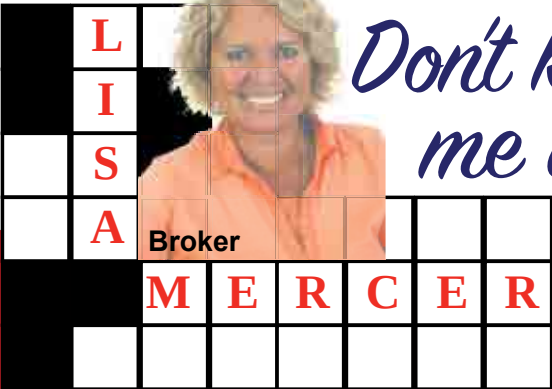
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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Thursday October 24

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, at Wilberforce Legion. Board games, crafts, and guest speaker Alzheimer's Society: How to Keep Your Brain Healthy. Cooking: cinnamon raisin muffins. For more info call 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2744 x 2922.

Friday October 25

1 – 2 p.m. – Pumpkin Makeovers or Dress up your pumpkin, hosted at Minden and Haliburton Library branches.

7 – 9 p.m. – Family Halloween Party at Minden Community Centre

7 p.m. – Hali Halloween double feature movie night, at Haliburton Highlands Museum. halihalloween.com

7:30 – 11:30 p.m. – Scaryaoke, at Minden Legion club room. Wear your costume, and join in the fun! Must be 19 years of age or older.

Saturday October 26

9 a.m. – noon – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, at Minden United Church. Colouring, board games, guest speaker Alzheimer's Society: How To Keep Your Brain Healthy, and learn to cook cinnamon raisin muffins. For more info call 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2744 x 2922.

10 a.m. – noon – Visible Voices pop-up art activity: Reinventing Ties, with Carol Kilby, at the Haliburton library. Contact us at visiblevoicesstudio@gmail.com to

register and receive a list of suggested materials. Space is limited. Admission by donation or pay what you can.

Noon – Hali Halloween parade, at Haliburton Legion. halihalloween.com
3 – 6 p.m. – Ollie & Ray Strong, in the Clubroom of the Haliburton Legion.
50/50 draw at 6 p.m., \$5 cover charge for non-members.

Sunday October 27

9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Sunday Breakfast at the Haliburton Legion. Enjoy a great breakfast for only \$6. Eggs, bacon or sausage, pancakes, hash browns, toast, juice, tea or coffee.

1 p.m. – Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library, 14th annual Gala and Silent Auction, at Pinestone Resort. Featuring award-winning Canadian playwright, author, columnist, film maker and lecturer Drew Hayden Taylor. \$25 cash or cheque only, available at Master's Book Store in Haliburton or The Book Nook at the Minden Library.

2 – 4 p.m. – St. Paul's Anglican Church "Country Gospel Show", with the Country Hot Flashes, and featuring Don Stiver and Ed McDowall. \$15/ticket, limited seating, door prize draw. Tickets available at thrift shop, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. To reserve tickets call Wendy 705-286-1225 or Linda 705-286-1544.

7 p.m. – Hali Halloween – A Paranormal Evening, at Haliburton Highlands Museum. halihalloween.com

Monday October 28

1 – 4 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, at Haliburton United Church. Colouring, games, learn how to make your own jewelry, and cook cinnamon raisin muffins! For more info call 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2744 x 2922.

7 p.m. – Two-bit Threesome & Friends

concert, live at Lochlin United Church.

7:15 p.m. – A Gift of Music, at Minden Community Centre, featuring The Shout Sisters, Nancy Ward, and Gord Kidd. No admission fee, hosted by the Baha'i Community. For more info contact Pat at 416-606-9657 by phone or text.

7:30 p.m. – Hali Halloween – trivia night at McKeck's Tap & Grill, Haliburton. halihalloween.com

Tuesday October 29

7 - 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, at the Haliburton High School gym. Cost is \$2, racquets are available. Contact Jennifer at 705 749 3787 or Jbcoates@xplornet.ca for further info.

7 p.m. – Abbey Retreat Centre Speaker Series - An Invitation to the Art and Science of Mindfulness: Experience the moments unfolding: join Dr. Wanda Bowman Taylor and Gail Sauer ND for a cozy, fireside chat on transforming our world, from the inside out, with the cultivation of mindful awareness.

7 – 8:30 p.m. – Hali Halloween – Halloween around the world, at Haliburton Highlands Museum. halihalloween.com

Wednesday October 30

7 p.m. – Hali Halloween Ghost Walk, York St., Haliburton. halihalloween.com

Thursday October 31

3 – 8 p.m. – Trick or Treat at the Museum, at Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Explore Minden's heritage village after dark – if you dare! Self guided lantern tours, great for all ages.

Friday November 1

7 - 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, at the Haliburton High School gym. Cost is \$2, racquets are available. Contact Jennifer at 705 749 3787 or Jbcoates@xplornet.ca for further info.

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Monday: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.

Tuesday: Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7pm

Wednesday: 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

Thursday: 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

Friday: 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

Saturday: 50/50 Draw 4 pm draw-tickets are \$1 each available from noon onwards

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

MINDEN BRANCH

Monday- every second week rug hooking; **Tuesday** - seniors art classes 10 a.m., bid euchre 1 p.m.;

Wednesday, meat draw noon; Calorie Counter 5:30 - 6:30. **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 6:56 p.m.

Saturday - Meat Draw 5 p.m.

Karaoke Live with Fred and Linda from 7 to 11

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Oct 25 Community Care Lunch noon. Everyone 55+ welcome. Call Denice Butler to book 705-448-8865. Wing night 6-9 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m.

Oct 26 Meat draw 2 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. SHARP. If you come, offer to help sell tickets.

Oct 28 Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome

Oct 30 Fun darts 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome

Upcoming events:

Nov 11 Remembrance Day at the Cenotaph 10:45 a.m. Lunch at legion for a donation

Nov 16 Veterans dinner

Having an event? Book our hall and have the L.A. cater for you. They do a great job. Want to get involved? Call or drop by the legion 705-448-2221 if you can help.

What's on

Mystery writer to speak at library Friends' gala

By Lisa Gervais

A former child psychologist and author of three mystery series is the guest of the Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library (HCPL) this Sunday.

The Friends hosts its 14th annual gala and silent auction Oct. 27, at the Pinestone.

Readers might know Barbara Fradkin for penning the award-winning Inspector Green series, the more recent Amanda Doucette series and the Cedric O'Toole series for emerging and reluctant adult readers.

Fradkin stepped in after Drew Hayden Taylor had to pull out due to a scheduling conflict.

However, HCPL CEO Bessie Sullivan said she is hardly second fiddle.

"No, not second fiddle at all. We had her in our back pocket because we had hoped she would come for 2020. She very graciously offered to get us out of our jam.

"I'm excited about this. The novel by her that I just read took place on Georgian Bay, so kind of local even."

Fradkin's most recent book, *Prisoners of Hope*, is set in Georgian Bay.

Fradkin told *The Highlander* she is also excited about coming to Haliburton and honoured to have been asked.

She said she'll talk about the writing process.

"One message that I plan to address is the power of setting in novels, and I will probably use the *Prisoners of Hope* to illustrate it.

"And another message related to this, I believe strongly in telling our own Canadian stories, so the settings I choose and the stories I tell are always distinctly Canadians."

The author said she will also talk about the importance of libraries, both in her own childhood and even now in researching her stories.

"The internet can complement but can't



An image from last year's Friends' gala, featuring Carol Off. *File*

replace the depth of information available in books. As a child, I was dropped off at the library by my very busy working mother and I browsed the shelves at will for at least an hour, picking up any books that looked interesting. Now, once I know the theme of my next book, the first thing I do is check the catalogue of the Ottawa Public Library to see what books it has on the topic. Just last week I signed out a pile of books."

The gala and silent auction is the Friends' biggest fundraiser of the year.

The money goes towards purchasing things such as extra copies of e-books, the Evergreen Award nominee titles, large print books and technology for programs.

There are more pressures on the library budget than ever before, and fundraising events such as the Friends' gala, are increasingly important Sullivan said.

"As to the budget, the Haliburton County Public Library has never been able to expand our collections budget to include eBooks and special collections like book club sets, award listed books, and large type.

"The Friends of the library are instrumental in funding these collections and technology like laptops and iPads. The technology allows us to conduct group sessions to teach people how to do things like download eBooks or audiobooks. The Friends fund what we call enhancements to our operating budget."

Doors open at 1 p.m. and Fradkin speaks at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each and are available at Masters Book Store in Haliburton or at the Book Nook in the Minden library branch, or call Joan at 705-457-1789 for tickets and more details.

Also coming up:

Keith Beasley, star of the "Great Canadian hunting and fishing show" on CTV and youtube will be talking about his adventures around the world on Sunday, Oct. 27 at 6 p.m. at the Cardiff Community Centre. The event is hosted by the Bancroft branch of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and is free.

A musical evening featuring The Shout Sisters, Nancy Ward and Gord Kidd, Monday, Oct. 28 at 7:15 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre. Hosted by the Baha'i Community of Haliburton County, to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Birth of the Bab, one of the prophet-founders of the faith. Light refreshments will follow the musical presentations; the event is free.

FAMILY

Halloween Party

Friday October 25th
7-9pm
Minden Community Centre

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