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Snow Queen Ella Moynes is surrounded by snowflakes during the Haliburton Heritage Ballet showing of The Nutcracker. See more on page 18. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Ice rescue training coming for firefighters

By Joseph Quigley

Highlands East firefighters will soon have a long-awaited opportunity to use community fundraised dollars to get ice-rescue training.

The Ontario Fire College will offer an ice-rescue course starting in February for the first time since 2014. The Highlands East fire department has awaited a fire marshall-

approved course to utilize \$18,562 raised via a GoFundMe campaign in 2017 after a cottager fell through the ice of Dark Lake.

Acting fire chief Chris Baughman said the fire department is municipally regulated as shore-based only but he would bring the matter to council once the course is in place.

"The money is still there for that purpose,"

Baughman said. "It would cover us to buy a basic kit to do the in-water rescue and the training for five to six firefighters. My intention year-after-year is to add a couple more firefighters to that list.

"It wouldn't cover the whole fire department but it would certainly give us a good start."

Ice-rescue training in the province was

complicated by a 2017 inquest into the deaths of Adam Brunt and Gerry Kendall, who died during such training. At inquest recommendation, the Office of the Fire Marshall and Emergency Management put ice and cold water rescue programs on hold.

But now the Ontario Fire College will offer a revised course, according to Ministry of the Solicitor General spokesperson Brent

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Long-awaited ice rescue training

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Ross. He said the course will be open to all firefighters across the province and will also take place at regional training centres.

Other local fire departments are also examining the course. Algonquin Highlands fire chief Mike Cavanagh said they will try to get the program approved to be available locally.

"As with our other training programs all County Fire Departments will be working together to deliver the required training to meet each department's needs," he said.

In the meantime, there is some inconsistency in which local fire departments can do ice rescues. Highlands East and Dysart et al are shore-based but Algonquin Highlands can do ice rescues, per respective municipal policies.

Cavanaugh said AH firefighters have trained using the old ice rescue standard for many years, which has let them maintain that training. But departments looking to get into ice water rescue have had to wait for a new program.

There are private courses around the province that have offered ice-rescue training while the Ontario Fire College lacked a program. Baughman said there are liability concerns with ice rescue and he wanted to wait.

"Without an approved training program, how can I guarantee they're getting the proper training if there's not a program to follow?" Baughman said. "I would rather wait for an approved course."



Top: Adiya Mills works on a craft Christmas tree during the event. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Rotary club brings community together

Hundreds gathered to skate, play and eat together at Haliburton Rotary's Community Christmas and Skating Party Dec. 6. The event was held at A.J. LaRue Arena and the Haliburton Legion. Families enjoyed the free ice skating, a shooting contest, crafts, a turkey draw and a special appearance by Santa Claus. (Joseph Quigley)

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William 'Bill' Davis pictured in civic robes. Photo submitted.

County says farewell to 'man of the people'

By Lisa Gervais

Family and community are remembering former County warden and Dysart reeve William "Bill" Davis this week.

He passed away Nov. 30 in Hyland Crest. His visitation and celebration of life and reception were held Tuesday and Wednesday.

Murray Fearrey, himself a long-time former County warden and Dysart reeve, delivered a eulogy yesterday.

He told *The Highlander* he "had the distinct pleasure" of spending many hours with Bill in their nearly 29 years on Dysart and County council, including when Bill served as warden.

Fearrey said he always found Bill's interests to be consistent.

"He loved Haliburton and Haliburton County and was dedicated to doing everything he could to make life better for its residents.

"Bill was an excellent communicator, he knew nearly everyone, and if he didn't know you, he would after he met you the first time."

Fearrey said Bill was not afraid of controversy.

"In fact, I think he reveled sometimes with the challenge, always with the intent of caring for people. His strength was advocating for the underdog, an admirable trait."

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said she was sorry to learn of Bill's passing.

"Bill's entire life was entrenched in community service and I was honoured to watch and learn from him in my early days

at the County table," she said.

She added that Bill had a long and dedicated history of community involvement and decision-making.

She said Bill "knew everyone, seemed to have 'been there' for everything we ever discussed, had a joke for almost any occasion and was just a really nice guy. There aren't many left like Bill."

Former *Minden Times* publisher and editor Jack Brezina said he will always remember Bill as a man of the people.

"Often, I would see him at the coffee shop, moving from table to table, greeting everyone and listening to their comments and suggestions. He didn't always agree with what they had to say, but he always made a point of letting people have their say."

Bill was also a paramedic for Dysart et al and dispatcher for the Ministry of Health.

The 78-year-old leaves behind his wife, Freda, three children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Daughter Sherry Mulholland said, "he was always there for us when needed. Even though it was sometimes a struggle, between he and my mom, they made a great home for us," she said.

Mulholland added that his dedication to the people he served was obvious to the family as they saw him leave dinners to check on a road or beaver dam or whatever it was someone called the house about.

When not serving the County, she said, "there are many fun memories of dad with us kids and his grandkids and great grandchildren. He was so proud of us all. But I was very proud of who he was and very proud to say he was my father."





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Lucien

Written & Performed by Marshall Button
Lucien, the opinionated mill-worker and New Brunswick's Blue-Collar Philosopher, has enjoyed a 25 year run since he first appeared in Fredericton, as part of a satirical Bicentennial revue, Maritime Mixed Grill. The show now plays like a comedic period-piece while also skewering contemporary issues. Lucien hearkens back to an era when jobs were plentiful, unions were strong and job security was not a dirty word. Marshall Button developed the character Lucien based on his experiences working in the paper mill in his hometown of Dalhousie, New Brunswick and is nearing 2000 performances of Lucien, from coast to coast in every Canadian province.

Performances July 22, 23 (7:30 p.m.), 24 (2 p.m. matinee).



Every Brilliant Thing

by Duncan Macmillan

with Jonny Donahoe

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Highlands East raises landfill fees Passes by 3-2 council vote

By Joseph Quigley

Highlands East council narrowly approved an increase to landfill tipping fees by a 3-2 vote Dec. 10.

They approved the hikes as part of a new fee bylaw. The increases include bulk garbage going from \$20 to \$25 per cubic yard (yd3), sorted construction materials going from \$30 to \$40/yd3 and unsorted construction materials going from \$50 to \$80/yd3. Fees were also added for brush at \$20/yd3 and \$10 per bundled shrink wrap.

Mayor Dave Burton, Coun. Suzanne Partridge and Coun. Cam McKenzie voted in favour while Deputy Mayor Cec Ryall and Coun. Ruth Strong opposed it.

"Current landfill tipping fees have been in place for several years," environmental supervisor Stewart Hurd said in a report. "Due for review and possible increases in order to promote better sorting of waste material and minimize contamination and extend the life expectancy of our landfills."

Other fee adjustments include an added \$5 for mattress and box springs, from \$10 to \$15. A \$10 fee per unit on non-CFC appliances has also been waived and they are now accepted free



Highlands East Mayor Dave Burton at the Dec. 10 council meeting.

Photo by Joseph Quigley.

of charge. Household garbage, scrap metal, recycled material and tires are also still free.

Ryall said he understood contamination is an issue but he expressed concern people would bypass landfills and dump elsewhere if fees increased.

"The cost of getting this out of the ditches is not good, considering most of the time it's on municipal property," Ryall said, later adding the people he represents do not support higher fees.

Strong agreed.

"On side roads, I have seen that," she said.

Hurd reported that Highlands East tipping fees are lower than its neighbours. For example, Dysart et al charge \$25/yd3 for bulk waste in packer trucks, \$50/yd3 for brush, \$50/yd3 for sorted construction material and \$100/yd3 for unsorted.

The new fees bylaw also adds a \$1,350 deposit fee for the purchase of a shore road allowance.

Coleman out in Minden Hills Arena project proceeding

By Lisa Gervais

Despite Minden's director of community services leaving the township in early January, CAO Lorrie Blanchard said the arena project will move ahead.

During a closed session meeting Dec. 5, Mark Coleman officially resigned. He will join the Municipality of Brockton Jan. 6.

In an email to *The Highlander*, Blanchard said, "we'd like to thank Mark for his years with the township, his hard work and dedication, and his commitment to the community."

She said a plan for his replacement would be determined by council in the near future "although council would like to assure the community that the arena project will move forward with the continued support and hard work of the project committee."

Coleman did not respond to a request for an interview, but a press release from the Municipality of Brockton announced his hiring.

In it, they quote Coleman as saying, "My diverse leadership skills, education and extensive experience will benefit and support Brockton



Minden Hills director of community services, Mark Coleman, is leaving the township. *File.*

by helping to facilitate and promote healthy, active lifestyles to all residents, businesses and visitors while furthering the quality of life and economic well-being of the community."

Coleman has been Minden Hills' director of community services for five years. Prior to that, he was the parks, recreation and trails manager in Algonquin Highlands.

The Brockton release quoted Mayor Chris Peabody as saying, "I am very pleased, on behalf of Brockton council and staff to welcome Mark as the incoming director of community

services. Mark's municipal experience and management background in recreation along with project planning and community relations will make him well positioned to lead this department."

Deputy Mayor Lisa Schell said she was saddened to receive Coleman's resignation.

"I have worked with Mark over the past five years and he has always been professional, efficient, and dedicated to his job. His resignation is a true loss to Minden Hills and I'm sorry to see him go." She wished Coleman well in his new position.

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Why discuss governance at lower-tier?

I find it odd that Highlands East recently debated the composition of its council.

As reported in last week's *Highlander*, council discussed whether to upend its ward system to make the deputy mayor an elected position.

While the intent is good - after all, the public would get its say versus a political appointment - there are problems.

As pointed out by CAO Shannon Hunter, it would result in a six-person council because of the current ward structure. That can be problematic when it comes to tie votes.

Some suggestions included: electing all councillors at-large and realigning boundaries. This prompted at least one councillor to say he's worried his ward would be scrapped altogether.

In Algonquin Highlands Monday, during a projects and priorities meeting, Deputy-Mayor Liz Danielsen - who doubles as warden of Haliburton County - raised the issue of electing the deputy-mayor at-large there.

Only Highlands East and Algonquin Highlands appoint their deputy mayors. In Dysart et al and Minden Hills, they are elected.

Again, there was talk about how it would affect wards, since there are two councillors in ward two in AH. Would they, too, have to go to a larger council?

Again, I tend to agree with Danielsen that electing, as opposed to appointing, the town's deputy mayor is the right thing to do.

The problem I am having is with timing. Why now?

The County of Haliburton is about to put out a request for proposals for a contractor to do a services delivery review. It's hoped that RFP will be filled by mid-January with a report due by June of 2020.

The County ethos is that they need to figure out who will deliver services first before moving onto a governance review. CAO Mike Rutter and Danielsen have made the rounds of lower-tier municipalities to update them on the process.

Rutter has told all four that Michael Fenn, who recently led the regional reviews for the province and has a distinguished career as a civil servant and consultant, is lending them a hand.

Rutter said Fenn, who's also a Dysart et al property owner, was the one who observed that best practice in good governance is

summarized as 'form follows function.'

That means once decisions are made about the best way to organize and deliver individual services, or to make policy in specific areas, then it will be clearer who should be responsible and how they should go about managing, governing and financing them.

Once the service delivery review is complete, County Council will be in a much better position to decide on an appropriate governance model, Rutter has said all along.

So, why in the world would Highlands East or Algonquin Highlands council be discussing internal organization reviews?

Following the release of the services delivery review report next summer, County Council will have to decide if they will do their own organizational review in-house, or tender for a governance review. We would hope they would select an outsider.

In the meantime, there is no point in Highlands East, Algonquin Highlands, or any other local council discussing governance.



By Lisa Gervais

Environment Haliburton!

Climate emergency and political hypocrisy

By Terry Moore

Special to The Highlander

We know more about how earth's climate and other biogeophysical systems function to support all life on the planet than any previous generation in history.

Following ratification of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in 1992, climate scientists became progressively more insistent about the need to dramatically lower human-caused greenhouse gas emissions to avoid triggering climate chaos.

On Nov. 24, the UN issued yet another scientific warning to world leaders, just as the 25th Climate Summit in Madrid, Spain, was about to begin early this month. This report calls for a whopping annual 7.6 per cent cut in emissions for the next decade in order to keep global average temperature increases below 1.5 degrees C over pre-industrial levels.

Despite the clarity of this and previous calls for dramatic cuts, greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise at an average annual rate of 1.5 percent.

The voluntary emission reduction pledges under the Paris Agreement lock in at least 3.5 degrees C of warming which scientists fear will trigger irreversible changes to our climate system putting the lives of tens of millions of people at serious risk.

Yet, instead of digging us out of our collective climate-change hole, our political and economic leaders are busy digging it deeper.

The huge and growing gulf between science and politics is what the young climate activist, Greta Thunberg, zeros in on whenever she gets an opportunity to speak truth to power.

Addressing the world's political and economic elite at the Davos World Economic Forum last January, Thunberg responded to her host's praise for giving delegates hope by telling them, "I don't want your hope ... I want you to panic. I want you to feel the fear I feel every day. I want you to act. I want you to act as you would in a crisis. I want you to act as if the house is on fire, because it is."

In Canada, the House of Commons passed a motion on June 17 declaring that ... "Canada is in a national climate emergency which requires, as a response, that Canada commit to meeting its national emissions target under the Paris Agreement and to making deeper reductions in line with the Agreement's objective of holding global warming below two degrees Celsius and pursuing efforts to keep global warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius."

The next day, the Trudeau government gave final approval for its Trans-Mountain

Pipeline Expansion Project (TMX), tripling capacity to ship tar sands bitumen to the west coast and enabling a huge increase in Canada's carbon emissions.

Federal government climate scientists and other experts agree that building the TMX guarantees that Canada will fail to meet its 2030 Paris emissions target let alone achieve the "deeper reductions" called for in Canada's emergency declaration.

The hypocrisy of our political leadership is breathtaking and we are still being told that Canada can extract ever-increasing amounts of unconventional fossil fuel, build more pipelines to ship and burn that carbon and help save the climate, all at the same time.

The young people striking against climate change and their supporters within the growing climate justice movement no longer believe the hollow words spoken by political and economic leaders or that solutions can be found within our existing economic and political system.

As Greta puts it, "We cannot solve a crisis without treating it as a crisis ... and if solutions within the system are so impossible to find, then maybe we should change the system itself."

Next month we'll take a closer look at what's meant by the climate justice movement's call for "System Change, Not Climate Change."

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Eye on the street: *What is your favourite community event this time of year?*



Heather Black

Burnt River
“Ladies Night. I worked it and it was an amazing night!”



Karen Hamann

Haliburton
“Ladies Night.”



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“The Haliburton Christmas parade.”



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“Christmas parties. You get to learn a lot about people and have a great time.”



Cindy Nesbitt

Minden
“Ladies Night. It’s nice to see the ladies coming out and being festive with friends and family.”

By Hannah Sadlier

SANTA BREAKFAST



Left: Santa was up bright and early to make it for the 9th annual Santa Breakfast at Camp Wanakita. Top right: Families gathered from across the county to enjoy a wonderful morning of great food, company and fun. Bottom right: Aubranna Davidson, Hailey Davidson, Mitthias Malette, Dylan Davidson and Logan Malette show off their Gingerbread people. Photos by Hannah Sadlier.

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Highlander health

Hospital board news

Roof failure leads to deficit

Finance committee chair David O'Brien said Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) is still running a \$205,000 deficit, due in large part to the Highland Wood roof situation in 2019.

He said the roof failure, which resulted in an evacuation of residents and staff last spring, required unbudgeted spending.

He said HHHS is in discussions with the Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) about the budget shortfall but noted that LHINs are in flux due to provincial government changes to new Ontario Health Teams, which "muddies the water a bit."

O'Brien said they would be working to try to balance the budget by the March 31, 2020 end of fiscal year.

He said that without the Highland Wood situation, HHHS "would be in pretty good shape as a corporation."

CEO Carolyn Plummer added it's been six months since residents returned to the facility and HHHS is doing a formal debriefing this week via focus groups. They want to know what they did well and where they can improve if a similar situation ever happens in future, she said.

Youth Wellness Hub progressing

Plummer said the Youth Wellness Hub is closer to an official opening.

She said appropriate occupancy permits have been received to enable service providers to offer individual supportive services on the lower floor of the building.

She said services are being added incrementally beginning with mental health and primary care.

"All core component services (mental health and addictions, primary care, housing, employment, justice) must be in place prior to an official opening which is anticipated for early 2020."

She added that HHHS mental health service staff have begun to provide counselling, case management, and support two days per week.

"The Hub is already very active with youth accessing drop-in programs three afternoons per week. HHHS and



Foundation members gather for the Cash for Care draw. Left to right: Peter Oyler, Greta LaRiviere, Eric Recalla, David Coulson, David Blodgett, Glenn Scott, Cathy Mac, Lisa Tompkins. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

the high school offer transportation from the Hub across the County to support access," Plummer said.

Green advisory group

Chair of the new green advisory group, Irene Odell, said a small number of hospital staff, board members and physicians, have been kicking the initiative off behind the scenes with a goal of making HHHS environmentally-responsible and reducing its carbon footprint.

She said they want to educate the leadership team and staff about the link between climate change and health.

Reducing single-use plastic at HHHS facilities is just one small goal.

Odell said they'd reached out to the high school and students had designed a logo for them that is featured in the Winter 2019 newsletter.

Ontario Health Team update

Plummer said efforts are continuing towards developing a Haliburton Highlands Ontario Health Team (HHOHT).

She said at the last meeting, the group reviewed and identified guiding principles. She said they also discussed population and health services data. She said they're needed to help assist the HHOHT to prioritize its areas of focus in its early stages,

"and to help inform evaluation of the effectiveness of its services and strategies in meeting the health service needs of the community."

She said they've formed working groups and will provide an update to the Ministry of Health in the new year.

Revised ethics policy approved

Plummer said the board has approved a revised ethics policy for the organization, as well as two ethics frameworks and processes that can be used to help guide decision-making in challenging situations.

She said the process can be used in any department by any staff member. She added an ethics consultation process is also available and can be accessed not only by staff but also by clients and families by contacting info@hhhs.ca or 705-457-2527.

"Training has been provided to staff by way of a 'travelling road show' in which staff have had the opportunity to identify ethical situations and talk through the process of using one of the frameworks to help make decisions," she said, adding there'll be more training in the new year.

She said the ethics committee had grown and now includes staff from across the organization, a physician, a board member, and a community member.

(Hospital board news compiled by Lisa Gervais)

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Health unit approves of new vaping limits

By Joseph Quigley

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is happy about new restrictions on vaping promotion but would like to see the province go further.

Ontario announced Oct. 25 it would limit the promotion of vaping products to specialty vape and cannabis stores, which are only open to people aged 19 and over. Places like convenience shops and gas stations, which sell vape products, will be unable to promote them. The new rules come into place Jan. 1, 2020.

Health promoter Jennifer Valcamp said it is a positive change, as vaping threatens the progress made to de-normalize the use of tobacco in public places.

"When youth, in particular, now go into the convenience stores and gas stations, those products won't be prominent," Valcamp said. "They won't be in their faces, which then minimizes their exposure and reduces the influence for them to buy those products."

The health unit has expressed concern about the prevalence of vaping in local schools. It has led the unit's board of health to ask a letter be drafted to the province asking for more restrictions.

Valcamp cited a University of Waterloo study which found a 74 per cent spike in

teen vaping use between 2017 and 2018, from 8.4 per cent of youth to 16 per cent.

Deputy Premier and Minister of Health Christine Elliott said this is a first step to help curb increases in youth vaping.

"Restricting the promotion of vapour products in retail stores will help prevent youth from being exposed and influenced by promotion in retail settings," Elliott said.

Valcamp said she thinks the province should go even further.

"Restricting marketing not only within stores but also billboards and other signage," Valcamp said. "Flavour ban limiting nicotine content. Putting on clear content labels and warnings about health risks and the addictive nature of nicotine as well."

Meanwhile, the health unit is working to educate students, Valcamp said.

They are working with a new program called Not an Experiment from the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit. The resource provides escape room activities for schools to teach kids about vaping risks.

"[It] talks about addiction and it talks about the industry and tactics the industry is using to get youth interested, in purchasing and potentially hooked," Valcamp said. "We already have schools that have been sort of on a waiting list for us to come and do things."

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Highlander environment

Student, beekeeper celebrated as enviro-heroes

By Joseph Quigley

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust recognized a student protestor and a beekeeper as this year's enviro-heroes Dec. 5.

The community celebrated high schooler Jürgen Shantz and apiarist Ron Lofthouse at the organization's annual holiday open house.

The awards recognize people who have made a major contribution to the protection and sustainability of natural resources and the environment.

Shantz led a strike from high school for several weeks to spur action on climate change, in the vein of famed protestor Greta Thunberg.

"It's nice to be recognized for something you worked hard for," Shantz said. "I felt crappy about the state the planet was in and how everyone was reacting to it."

"We need citizens, especially young people, to participate in making this world a better place," Mayor Andrea Roberts said in a letter about Shantz read during the ceremony. "I have no doubt that he will go on to great things in his career and personal life."

Ron Lofthouse has kept bees for more than 50 years and promoted the practice through workshops. He said the last beekeeper on record in the County of

Haliburton before he moved here 10 years ago was in 1841. Now, approximately 50 have registered.

He said with the bee population struggling, he wanted to help make whatever difference he could.

"It's important to have more beekeepers," Lofthouse said.

"Our county requires better pollination than what it has had from wild bees and other pollinators."

"We know the dire consequences we will face if they do not survive," chair Mary Lou Gerstl said. "The work that Ron Lofthouse does has greatly helped at bringing attention to the wonderful and fascinating things."

Lofthouse is still promoting beekeeping, with his next workshop planned for Feb. 29.

"We have to create more crops from more arable land to feed our planet. That requires the help of the bee," he said.

Meanwhile, Shantz said he is taking a step back from climate change protests to focus more on his schoolwork in his graduating year.

But he added he hopes to be part of the protests in the future, once he gets into university.

"It's just something you can't ignore," Shantz said. "You have to acknowledge it and do something about it."



Haliburton Highlands Land Trust chair Mary Lou Gerstl hands an enviro hero award to student Jürgen Shantz. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

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In addition to new director positions, HHHS is accepting applications for community members on its Finance and Quality Committees.

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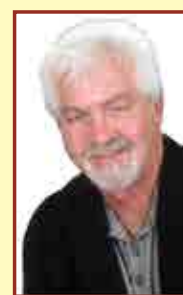
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(Submitted by Mike Hamilton)



The Storm novice line up before a game earlier this year. They competed out of town this past weekend. File.

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#2 LAYNE ROBINSON

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#3 MIKAYLA SISSON

Mikayla uses her speed on the forecheck, to pressure the opposition into making numerous mistakes. She can be a force both killing penalties and even strength. Mikayla always seems to find the right spot at the right time. Although she didn’t find the scoresheet, she was an important part of the team’s win over Douro.



The Storm novice compete at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton earlier this year. They were on the road this past weekend. *File.*

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Ridgewood Ford-Haliburton County Chiropractic Novice
Dec. 7 vs. Newcastle Stars. Players of the game: L. Rowe, J. Manning, B. Harrison

Haliburton Timbermart-Castle Cottage Country Building Supplies Atom
Tournament in Norwood Dec. 7-8. Won the A Championship
Game 1: Storm 1 vs. Norwood 0
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Goals: V. Logan, E. Burk, D. Davison
Assists: E. Mueller (2), B. Hartwig
Game 3: Storm 4 vs. Norwood 2
Goals: V. Logan (2), D. Davison, M. Scheffee
Assists: E. Perrott (2), E. Mueller, L. Gruppe
Game 4: Storm 2 vs. Valley Storm 1
Goals: E. Burk, D. Davison,
Assists: D. Davison, B. Hartwig

Joanne Sharpley’s Source for Sports-Dollo’s Foodland Pee wee
Dec. 8 Storm 3 vs. Almaguin Ice Devils 1
Goals: P. Simms, N. Morrison, I. Lee
Assists: M. Prentice (2), C. Manning (2), K. Card

The Peppermill Steak & Pasta House - McKecks Place Bantam
Tournament in Norwood December 7-8
Game 1: Storm 1 vs. Millbrook 3
Goals: K. Brannigan
Assists: C. Coles
Game 2: Storm 2 vs. Oro 4
Goals: C. Fowler, K. Brannigan
Assists: G. Hutchinson, K. Hall
Game 3: Storm 3 vs. Leafs 0
Goals: K. Brannigan, K. Hall, A. Boylan
Assists: K. Brannigan
Game 4: Storm 2 vs. Leeds 3 (lost in a shootout)
Goals: C. Coles, K. Brannigan
Assists: M. Wilson

LOCAL LEAGUE

Tom Prentice & Sons-Docs of Haliburton LL Major Novice
Dec. 7 vs. South Muskoka. Player of the game: B. Hutchinson

GJ Burch Construction-Carquest Minden LL Atom Blue
Dec. 8 Storm 2 vs. South Muskoka 6

Dewayne Simms Construction-TD Canada Trust LL Atom Yellow
Dec. 7 Storm 6 vs. Huntsville Davicor 2
Goals: I. Borgdorff, J. Casey (3), E. Rowe, T. Mulock
Assists: R. Gordon, Z. Prentice (2), E. Decarlo, E. Rowe, J. Casey, I. Borgdorff (2)

Canadian Tire LL Pee wee Blue
Dec. 7 Storm 2 vs. Almaguin Ice Devils 1

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Dec. 6 Storm vs. Parry Sound Dohertys
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HHOA fighting for Haliburton Gold

By Joseph Quigley

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) is navigating how to manage its Haliburton Gold trout program with less direct government support.

The HHOA discussed the topic during its annual general meeting Dec. 8. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) staff have previously managed egg collection for the association's hatchery program but the practice is set to end next year.

President Eric Christensen said the change puts a lot on the generally older volunteers of the association.

"You're asking people that on average are 65 years of age or more, to hop in a boat in the middle of the night to do that work," Christensen said. "It's strenuous work ... You're putting

a lot of senior people at risk."

The HHOA fish hatchery has stocked the heritage species Haliburton Gold lake trout for years with provincial support. Due to cuts, the MNRF moved to pass responsibility for collecting the eggs to the HHOA. It originally planned to do this in 2019 but pushed the move back to 2020 instead.

However, the HHOA is trying to stop that. They want local MNRF staff to continue helping, even if at the HHOA's expense.

"We are in negotiations with the local office to work through how we can make that happen," Christensen said.

Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters Community Hatchery Program Coordinator Matt Burley spoke at the meeting. The association provides support and helps allocate

grant funding on behalf of the MNRF.

Christensen asked Burley about directing provincial grant dollars towards hiring MNRF staff. Burley said contractors could be hired – which other hatcheries have done – but that would not result in any extra funding.

"We don't give them any more money than what the formula allows for," Burley said. "You would have to use the money you're allocated for operational."

But the Community Hatchery Program is offering new training materials, including video guides.

Still, Christensen said they will use the year they have to try to maintain MNRF staff support.

"It's very important," he said. "The technical advice and everything is very important to have."

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Highlander events



Santa Claus arrives in Wilberforce

Hundreds gathered in Wilberforce for the annual Santa Claus Parade Dec. 8. Dozens of community groups, fire departments and businesses made their way through the township on Loop Road to celebrate the holiday season (*Joseph Quigley*).

Top: Santa Claus waves from his float. Middle: The Wilberforce Curling Club sweeps the way for their float to advance in the parade. Bottom: Nathan Payne and Christopher Payne look out from one of the fire trucks in the parade. *Photos by Joseph Quigley.*



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Master of Ceremonies: Brigitte Gall


Judges: Andria Cowan, Sandra Dupret, Barr Gilmore, Barb Schofield

Volunteers, both front of house and in our dressing room and green room: Ashley McAllister, Stephanie Black, Heather Beggs, Chris Lynd, Caitlin Luck, Candice Mintz makeup, Andrew Mansfield, Pat Martin, Karen Robertson, Renee Woltz, Greg Gillespie, Tammy Rea from the Community of Making for videography and screen projection, Lights donated by Haliburton Folk Society and operated by Tasha Ferguson. Runway DJ Greg Luck with help from Seamus Lynch. Dave Muenzel from HSAD for stage setup. Michelle Harris and Peter Colpitts of Colpitts Design for props, Artists in the Schools & Community and community youth for the amazing backdrop, Canoe Radio, Amber Lynch ticket sales. Photography by Amy Black, Hannah Sadlier.

And of course to our audience a huge thank you for your support of the arts in the Haliburton Highlands!

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Ballet dances in Christmas

Haliburton's Heritage Ballet performed its annual production of The Nutcracker at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion Dec. 6-7.

Left: Alyssa Morissette performs a dance as Harlequinade during the opening scene of the show. Top right: Jayson Leslie, performing as Godfather Drosselmeyer, shows a bag of toys to the children in the opening scene. Bottom right: The snowflakes dance in formation.

Photos by Joseph Quigley

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Public Welcome
Meetings are held at 9:00 AM in the
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Dec 12 – Combined COTW
& Council Meeting
Jan 30 – Combined COTW
& Council Meeting

For Council, Boards & Advisory
Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca. Note: Council
meetings are reduced to one (1) for
the months of December and January

Christmas Food & Toy Drop Off

In support of the Annual Minden
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Program**, donations of non-
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dropped off at the following locations:

- Municipal Administration Office,
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- Minden Hills Fire Department,
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Donations will be accepted until
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Winter Parking

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Season's Greetings

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MUNICIPAL HOLIDAY HOURS

Administration Office
Dec 16th to Dec 23rd 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
CLOSED Dec 24th at 11:30 AM to Jan 1st, 2020

Cultural Centre/Agnes Jamieson Gallery
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Minden Hills Community Centre
CLOSED Dec 24th at 11:00 AM to Dec 26th
Dec 27th to Dec 30th – Call for Hours
Dec 31st 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM
CLOSED Jan 1st

Community Services Department Administration Office

Dec 16th to Dec 20th 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Dec 23rd 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
CLOSED Dec 24th at 11:30 AM to Jan 1st, 2020

Regular hours resume Jan 2nd

Call for Committee Members

The Township of Minden Hills is looking for volunteers to participate as members on the **Minden Hills Community Centre Fundraising Working Group**.

- If you, or someone you know,
- enjoy being involved in an interactive volunteer committee, and/or
 - want to be part of a historic, community based project for Minden Hills, and/or
 - have fundraising experience, and/or
 - administrative skills

please complete and submit an Advisory Committee Application Form in person, by mail or email to:

Minden Hills Community Centre Fundraising Group Application
Clerk's Department, 2nd floor
Township of Minden Hills, 7 Milne Street, PO Box 359, Minden, ON K0M 2K0
or email: sprentice@mindenhills.ca

This is an open call for applications until membership is filled.

For more information, please contact Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services at mcoleman@mindenhills.ca. Application Forms are available online at <https://mindenhills.ca/advisory-committees-2/>.

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IN MEMORY OF

Weisz, Gloria Blanche

Peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay, Ontario, on December 5, 2019 at the age of 89 years. Cherished wife of the late George Michael Weisz (1987). Beloved mother of Linda Arlene Weisz, Georgina Marie Kernohan and Jeffery Raymond Weisz and predeceased by Gloria Ann Weisz. Gramma to Jeremy (Helen), Katie, Erin (Aaron), James, Meghan and Renee. Great-grandma to Ava, Isabella and Harrison. Survived by her devoted sister, Lois Mae Bell, sisters-in-law Anne Weisz and Katharine Corrión. Predeceased by her parents Jay and Blanche Jeffery and her brothers and sisters-in-law Glenn & Ilene, William & Shirley, Donald & Evelyn and Elton & Rachel Jeffery. Survived by many nieces and nephews. Born and raised in Leamington, Ontario; resided in Weston, Ontario and Kitchener, Ontario.



In Loving Memory of Margot Ziörjen

Of Minden who passed unexpectedly on December 4th, 2019 lovingly surrounded by her family.

Margot will always be in the hearts of her family. Her husband of almost 60 years, Gino Ziörjen (deceased 2017), her sister and niece Christiane and Dawn St. Aubin of Mississauga, and her children Thomas Ziörjen (deceased 2012) of Sechelt B.C., Jacqueline Ziörjen

of Minden and Corry Ziörjen of Bracebridge. Oma will be missed dearly by Allana, Andrew and Zac, Matthew and Tristan and her great grand-baby-bear Rhea.

Margot was an incredibly strong, proud and determined individual who approached new adventures and learning with tenacity and fearlessness. She believed that you could do anything. Margot was a driving force with Dr. Jamieson to fundraise and build the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. Margot will also be remembered for her years of contribution to the Minden Times, her countless hours of prepping flowers and arrangements for the Minden Fair and the Horticultural Flower Show, and most recently her enjoyment of being part of the Minden Writers Group.

Margot was classy and refined, fastidious and thrifty, whimsical and quirky. Margot appreciated the minute details and beauty in nature. She worked tirelessly in her gardens stopping to smell each and every flower, forever looking for faeries and gnomes. Margot is certainly on her next journey tending to gardens, smelling the flowers, and dancing with those ever elusive faeries.

A heartfelt thank you to Nurse Tracy from Haliburton, and the amazing team of nurses and doctors at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay, particularly Dr. Shepard, for their exceptional care and effort during Margot's hospital stay.

Please join the family on Saturday, December 14th between 1:00 - 4:00 pm at Of Sound Body, 114 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden, for a gathering and celebration of Margot's life with a small tribute at 2:30pm.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0.



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In Memory of

Lynda Mae LaPorte

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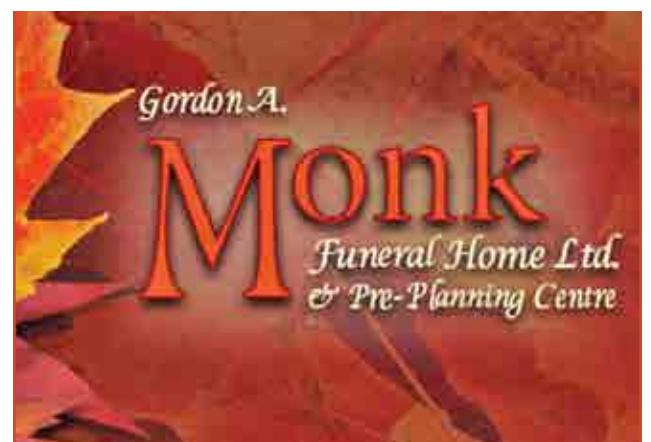


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- Across**
- 1 Vegetarian's main course, maybe
 - 6 "Barf!"
 - 9 Ex-Pied Pumpkin singer Ulrich
 - 14 "___ All Ye Faithful"
 - 15 It may be drawn in a pub
 - 16 More broad
 - 17 Comedian?
 - 19 Leg of a military march
 - 20 Brayer
 - 21 Beds: Fr.
 - 22 Alligator kin
 - 23 Slow time for a suturing medic?
 - 25 Poke about in the shops
 - 27 Wall clock batteries
 - 28 "Pas" partners in French negatives
 - 29 "Yeah, I ___" ("Suuure")
 - 30 Said "aw"
 - 32 Like a roofer planning a job?
 - 37 And others, in a footnote
 - 38 "___ seen the light!"
 - 39 "The Piano" pianist
 - 41 "___ Ba Yah" (campfire song)
 - 42 Calms, as a storm
 - 45 Billy Crystal movie about a priest who abandons his flock?
 - 48 Lays down the lawn again
 - 49 ___ conniption (flips out)
 - 50 "Takin' Care of Business" rockers
 - 53 Secret line to the audience
 - 54 Shampoo for those with lavish tastes?
 - 56 Meeny-mo link
 - 57 Its mbrs. get free towing
 - 58 Bitty bits
 - 59 Author Madeleine L'___
 - 60 Summer setting in B.C.
 - 61 Lead-in to -glycerine

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- 1 Bat man Sammy
 - 2 Cries from a frustrated Frankfurter
 - 3 A bunch
 - 4 Chicoutimi chum
 - 5 Make Fluffy furniture-safe
 - 6 "___ Walrus" (Beatles)
 - 7 Good breeding
 - 8 Goalie-turned-politician Dryden
 - 9 Ceremoniously admits to office
 - 10 "Strike up the band!"
 - 11 They raised Cain
 - 12 Summon on the beeper again
 - 13 Singer Cara and others
 - 18 Give a good smack to?
 - 22 Raccoon resembler
 - 23 "Roger that"
 - 24 Toronto-born Corey of "The Lost Boys"
 - 25 Air rifle ammo
 - 26 Preparing for opening night
 - 30 Potato prov.
 - 31 Archie's "Dingbat"
 - 33 Unaided vision
 - 34 Market floods
 - 35 Favour a foot
 - 36 Some, on the Somme
 - 39 Letter-shaped home
 - 40 Completes a take-out order?
 - 42 Ark landing site
 - 43 Ich bin, du ___, er ist ...
 - 44 "Neat" simile words
 - 46 Logician friend of Einstein
 - 47 In the lead
 - 50 Parking spot?
 - 51 Russian ruler, once
 - 52 Very, prissily
 - 54 "Angel dust"
 - 55 Québec law

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What's on

DECEMBER 2019 • EVENT LISTINGS			ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS
Thursday December 12 10 a.m – 2 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors. Free Drop-in, at Wilberforce Legion. This week: board games, tech time & makers space, celebrate the season with Christmas potluck and gift exchange party!.	Haliburton High School gym. Cost is \$2, racquets are available. Contact Jennifer at 705-749-3787 or Jbcoates@xplornet.ca for further info.	Haliburton. Free for kids ages 4 – 8 (JK – Grade 3). Songs, games, crafts, treats, and a new book for every child. Space is limited, registration is required. Please call 705-457-9399.	HALIBURTON BRANCH 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 <i>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.</i>
11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Lunch Is On Us – at SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria St., Haliburton. Free of charge, eat in or take out. Bring your friends, or make some new ones. For more info see sirch.on.ca/lunchisonus	Saturday December 14 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Wrap It Up! Student exhibition at Haliburton School of Art & Design, the Great Hall. Featuring ceramics, photo arts, artist blacksmithing, drawing & painting.	7 p.m. - Essonville Historic Church Annual Christmas service, will be held at 1284 Essonville Line. Special music together with congregational carol singing in a candle and lantern illuminated historical setting will be included. A warm welcome awaits you.	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.
Noon – 2 p.m. – Adult Only Public Skating at AJ LaRue arena in Haliburton \$2/person	11 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Santa at Lockside Trading Company, for wishes and pictures. All proceeds go to Jacks Journey and MPS II Research Fund.	Tuesday December 17 2 – 3 p.m. – Free Adults/Seniors Only Public Skating at Wilberforce Arena	KINMOUNT BRANCH Wednesday - Darts 7 p.m. Friday - Bingo - Starts at 6:56 p.m. Saturday - Meat Draw 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14 - craft and bake sale from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. upstairs.
4:30 – 7 p.m. – Moms+ (MomsPlus) drop-in program for expectant mothers, new moms, and moms with small children, at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden. An informal place for moms to bring their small children, to come enjoy tasty foods, make crafts and meet other women.	Sunday December 15 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Public Skating at AJ LaRue arena in Haliburton \$2/person	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.	WILBERFORCE BRANCH Dec. 13 C. C. lunch. To book, call Denice Butler 705-448-8865. Everyone 55+ welcome. Wing night 6 - 9 p.m. Jam session 7:30 p.m. Dec 14 Meat draw 2 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. SHARP. If you come out, offer to help sell tickets please Dec 16 Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome Dec 18 Fun darts 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome
Friday December 13 1 – 4 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors. Free Drop-in, at Highland Hills Pastoral Charge, 21 Newcastle St., Minden. This week: walking club, colouring, tech time & makers space, celebrate the season with Christmas activities & snacks.	11 a.m. – 3 p.m. – Santa at Lockside Trading Company, for wishes and pictures. All proceeds go to Jacks Journey and MPS II Research Fund.	Wednesday December 18 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Public Skating at AJ LaRue arena in Haliburton \$2/person	Upcoming events Dec 31 New years dance. Tickets on sale now \$20. Featuring D.J. Isla. Buffet, spot dances, party favours.
4:30 – 6:30 p.m. – Holiday Singalong, with the Ukuladies, at Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre.	11:15 a.m. – “Come Adore Him” cantata by Haliburton United Church choir, directed by Melissa Stephens, at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. at Pine St. Haliburton.	Thursday December 19 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Lunch Is On Us – at SIRCH Central, 2 Victoria St., Haliburton. Free of charge, eat in or take out. Bring your friends, or make some new ones. For more info see sirch.on.ca/lunchisonus (until Feb 27, 2020)	<i>Having an event? Book our hall and have the L.A. cater for you. They do a great job.</i> <i>Want to get involved? Call the legion 705-448-2221 now if you can help.</i>
7 - 9:30 p.m. – Pickleball, at the	12:30 – 2 p.m. – Free Public Skating at Wilberforce Arena	Noon – 2 p.m. – Adult Only Public Skating at AJ LaRue arena in Haliburton \$2/person	
	3 – 4:30 p.m. – 2nd Annual Haliburton Lions Children's Christmas Party, at Haliburton United Church, 10 George St.,		

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Students prepare for an upcoming performance of The Breakfast Club. Photo by Hannah Sadlier.

The Breakfast Club comes to Haliburton

By Joseph Quigley

The cast of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's drama class production of The Breakfast Club sees their school reflected in the teenage dramedy.

Students will perform a school-made stage adaption of the famed 1985 film Dec. 15-17.

The cast spoke to how the narrative's story about troubled youth in different cliques coming together during one Saturday detention remains relevant.

"It was extremely similar to the way our school functions," Abigail Kauffeldt, who will be playing a gender-swapped version of the geek Brian Johnson, said. "(Haliburton) seems like this average high school, but

there's so much more than what the public might see."

Kauffeldt describes a stressful preparation as the class is also readying for another production in January. They will perform The Rocky Horror Picture Show Jan. 12-14.

"It's been sort of a challenge to struggle between who gets on stage each day," Dakota Sawyer, who is performing as teenage rebel John Bender, said.

But the students said they relish in being part of the dramatic arts.

"You end up connecting with the people," Trista Greer, playing the popular girl Claire Standish, said. "You can be yourself and it's a relaxed environment."

"It's a lot different than say, Math or English. You just sit there and just stare and

be this person you're not," Sawyer said. "In drama, you can be yourself and everyone knows it's just you. There's no judgement."

The show is rated M and will contain some coarse language. It is not recommended for children.

The Breakfast Club will play at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at 7 p.m. Dec. 15-17, with an extra 2 p.m. matinée Dec. 15. The Rocky Horror Picture Show will run at the same time Jan. 12-14, with a Jan. 12 matinée. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the door or the school's main office.

"Come and support the youth who enjoy the arts, because it's what this community is about," Greer said.

Time to Wrap It Up for the semester

By Lisa Gervais

A flurry of activity is happening in the studios of Haliburton School of Art and Design as students are busy preparing for Wrap it Up, the end of semester art exhibition hosted by current students in full-time certificate programs.

The one-day show will take place Dec. 14 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

"Wrap it Up provides an opportunity for emerging artists to gain exhibition experience and showcase their many talents," said organizer Erin Lynch.

She added the culminating exhibition will feature a variety of media from fall semester students, including painting and drawing, artist blacksmithing, ceramics and photography.

Artists will be available to discuss their works and answer questions.

Select works will be available for purchase.

The exhibition is free and open to all.

"Join inspiring students for light refreshments as well as the opportunity to explore the unique and stimulating space that is the Haliburton School of Art & Design," Lynch said.



Students will be sharing their work this Saturday at Fleming College for the annual Wrap it Up exhibit. File.

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Sunday December 22, 2019

Christmas Lessons and Carols
St. George's, Haliburton, 9:30 a.m.
St. Margaret's, Wilberforce, 11:30 a.m.

Monday December 23, 2019

Quiet Christmas Service
St. George's, Haliburton, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

Christmas Eve Services
St. George's - Lessons and Carols, 4:00 p.m.
St. George's - Carol Singing, 9:45 p.m.
- Service begins at 10:00 p.m.
St. Margaret's - Wilberforce, 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Morning Service

St. George's, Haliburton, 10:00 a.m.

Regular Service Times

St. George's, Haliburton - Sunday at 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.
St. Margaret's, Wilberforce - Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

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