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Music plays on through COVID-19

The Haliburton County Folk Society did not let COVID-19 stop it from sharing music as it kicked off a live-streamed concert series from the Dominion Hotel April 11. Albert Saxby performed in the empty facility, broadcast live on the society's Facebook page. Next show is April 25 with Cassidy Taylor (*Joseph Quigley*).

Albert Saxby performed with no public spectators, to adhere to social distancing protocol. The video of his concert has more than 1,000 views.
Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Long-term care homes guard against virus

COVID-19

By Joseph Quigley

Highland Wood family council chair Trina West said it was hard at first to connect with her mother in the long-term care home during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I would see her every day, and then all of a sudden, you're just cut off cold," West said. "They set up the ability to video chat with her, so that was very helpful because that way, I could actually see she was okay and provide some relief. But with all the unfortunate goings-on with the other

long-term care homes, you do nothing but worry."

Local long-term care homes have implemented additional safety protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to their vulnerable residents. So far, they have been successful, with no cases reported in those

homes. But outbreaks have appeared in 93 long-term care homes across the province, including the Pinecrest Nursing Home in Bobcaygeon, which has had 29 deaths to date.

Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Carolyn Plummer said they have

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The Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes, Pine Ridge District Health Unit has issued an order that anyone diagnosed with COVID-19, is considered a probable case, or has had contact with a confirmed case must self-isolate in their home for 14 days. Anyone in violation of the order could face a fine of up to \$5,000 per day.

"The Health Unit has heard from many people that there are others who have returned from travel or been confirmed to have COVID-19 and are seen outside of their home, shopping or visiting friends," medical officer of health Dr. Lynn Noseworthy said. "This order allows the health unit to ensure those people are isolating and not spreading the virus to others in the community."

Health Unit staff are continuing to contact area residents who have tested positive for the virus, as well as anyone who has had contact with those individuals. The health unit noted self-isolation means not leaving the home at all or having any visitors, except as permitted by the health unit. People in self-isolation should arrange to have necessities delivered to them.

If a person with COVID-19 is homeless, or where their home is otherwise unsuitable or unsafe for isolation purposes, they will be accommodated in an isolation facility to be determined. (Joseph Quigley)

Homes can separate and isolate residents

COVID-19

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been proactive in their response, including active screening and taking the temperature of staff before shifts, wearing masks well before it was mandated by the Ministry of Health and reducing or eliminating instances of staff working across long-term care sites or between hospitals and long-term care. Staff are also changing clothes when they come into work, including shoes.

Directors of care for Highland Wood, Michelle Douglas, and Hyland Crest's April DeCarlo, assured families April 6 that they are also screening new admissions to the facility and isolating them for 14 days as a precaution. Residents also have their temperatures taken twice daily.

"Please know that our staff and management team will continue to take every possible step to protect residents during this distressing time," Douglas and DeCarlo said.

One issue that emerged at Pinecrest was its size. CBC News reported there was not enough space to separate sick residents into different rooms from healthy ones until some had passed away.

But that is not an issue at HHHS, Plummer said.

"Our homes are set up a bit differently from Pinecrest Nursing Home. We have the ability to separate and isolate residents if the need arises," she said.



Highland Wood and other long-term care homes are limiting entry. *File photo.*

Extendicare Haliburton declined a request for an interview but released a message April 7 detailing its response to COVID-19, including screening for staff and residents, limited entry and wearing protective equipment.

"The care and safety of our residents, clients, patients, team members and families are our top priority," Extendicare national director of infection prevention and control Lyn Fabricius said in a letter. "We take the COVID-19 situation very seriously and we are following Public Health Authority

directives to ensure everyone's safety."

West commended HHHS staff for their efforts.

"The family members of the residents want to express their deep and sincere appreciation to the staff for their service and for taking such good and loving care of their residents," West said. "It is truly remarkable and clearly evident how much these people care, and we want to acknowledge that and express our gratitude to each and every one of them." (With files from Lisa Gervais)

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HHHS has made Haliburton its COVID-19 site, while Minden is being designated for other health care issues. *File photo.*

HHHS responds with unprecedented action

COVID-19

By Lisa Gervais

As the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases rose to six in Haliburton County as of press time April 15, the Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) has responded with a series of unprecedented initiatives to tackle the pandemic on a local level.

In its weekly community update, released April 10, HHHS announced the expansion of the acute care unit in Haliburton to 21 beds, from 15, for COVID-related needs.

They have also created a new, nine-bed, acute care unit in Minden for non-COVID-19-related admissions.

"Together, these 15 new Acute Care beds and the separation of our sites will help us be as prepared as possible for the anticipated increase in patients caused by COVID-19," HHHS CEO Carolyn Plummer said.

In an interview with *The Highlander* April 14, Plummer conceded both moves have not been sanctioned or funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care but, "funding is something that's going to be sorted out at a later date. I know it's not unique to us. All hospitals are either establishing additional in-patient beds within their walls or in some cases setting up field hospitals."

Plummer said while they're asking residents with respiratory symptoms, such as cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing and fever, who want to go to an emergency department to go to Haliburton - and those without respiratory symptoms to Minden, "no emergency will be turned away from either site."

The HHHS president added that they are talking to regional hospitals several times a week. She said it isn't a case of Haliburton and Minden hospitals not handling COVID-19 patients and immediately shipping them out of town to Lindsay or Peterborough, for example.

"At this point, all hospitals have been instructed that they need to be prepared to care for COVID patients."

She said it is about managing capacity. So, for example, if someone comes to a local hospital in acute distress, their job is to stabilize them and transfer

them to a hospital with an intensive care unit. However, she said the Haliburton hospital can handle patients with moderate symptoms. In some cases, those with mild symptoms are sent home to self quarantine and heal.

"We all have to be ready to provide the care for these folks but we're trying to do it in a way that makes sense given the nature of resources we have at each of our individual hospital sites," Plummer said.

She added that HHHS has sufficient testing equipment and ventilators for now. She said the assessment centre that opened March 31 has had an increase in volume. "At this point, it seems to be working okay. If we do need to increase capacity, we will look at that." She said they are monitoring the number of people going to the centre, and calls for appointments.

With news that the virus can be spread by shoes, Plummer said staff are changing clothes and shoes when they enter and exit any HHHS facility. They don a new pair of scrubs and footwear for their shifts. When they leave, they change out of them and HHHS has laundry facilities so staff are not wearing clothing home.

HHHS further announced a partnership with the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre to supply separate accommodations to any staff who would prefer to stay there after their shifts, or because they're working extra-long hours and commuting. Plummer said the accommodation would not be used by staff who have to self-isolate.

The CAO acknowledged community support, and thanked the public for offering to bring staff food, but said HHHS cannot accept food donations.

"If you, or someone you know, wishes to donate food, we encourage you to reach out to our local food banks (Central Food Network, Minden Food Bank, and Haliburton 4C's Food Bank) to support local families in need during this difficult time."

And while there has been a positive response to HHHS's call for additional staff, Plummer said they are still looking for healthcare professionals. She said they have had people apply with no direct care experience. They're helping out as observers and screeners at entranceways.

"We're still certainly looking for frontline, maintenance and housekeeping staff."

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Violence escalates during pandemic isolation

COVID-19

By Lisa Gervais

The YWCA Peterborough Haliburton - which operates the women's shelter in Minden - said support and crisis services for women experiencing violence are still available.

In an April 9 press release, they said they have implemented COVID-19 screening assessments, disinfecting, physical distancing, and isolation practices since shelters, safety planning, referrals and ongoing support are more important than ever.

"Staying at home is causing increased risk of harm to women who are now trapped and have fewer opportunities to get help," they said. "Here and around the world, women who have been able to escape abusers or call for help report that the violence escalated during periods of pandemic isolation. Calls to women's shelters and crisis lines are increasing."

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one and the type; the person has threatened to hurt you, your children, your pets or themselves; drugs (and what kind) and, or alcohol is involved and there is a protection order - a peace bond or family court restraining order.

The YWCA's 24-hour support and crisis line is available and answered by skilled, empathetic staff at 1-800-461-7656 or text 705-991-0110 if you would like to: speak with someone about your options; are wondering about services in our communities that are still available; are concerned about your safety and your children's safety; are ready to leave and wonder if there's a safe place to go or you would like to find out more so you can refer a friend or family member

"Crossroads Shelter and HERS - Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace are essential services for women and children fleeing violence in Peterborough and Haliburton County. We continue to provide reliable, confidential support, resources, safety and information around the clock," the release stated.

Their offices are closed to the public and staff who usually work at their Simcoe Street office, Women's Centre of Haliburton County and Centennial Crescent Housing Community are working remotely and will



The Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace continues to operate during COVID-19. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

continue to provide assistance by phone (Peterborough: 705-743-3526, Haliburton: 705-286-6442), text (705-991-1591) and email (info@ywcapeterborough.org) during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.).

They continue to accept donations online or by phone at 705-743-3526 and thank those who have offered support.

For ongoing updates and information, visit ywcapeterborough.org, or follow them on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

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Local food banks are managing with an increased demand during COVID-19. *File photo.*

Increased demand at food banks

COVID-19

By Joseph Quigley

Local food banks are reporting spikes in demand in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic but say they are managing for now.

Both the Central Food Network and the Haliburton 4Cs Food Bank reported more people have needed their services in the past few weeks. The Minden Food Bank could not be reached for comment before press time.

Central Food Network operational and administrative director Tina Jackson said March was one of their busiest months outside of the usual peak of December. They served 105 households, 16 per cent more than February.

"It has been incredibly busy," Jackson said. "We served almost 240 individuals in March, which is pretty high for us."

Food Banks Canada has raised concerns about the impact of COVID-19 on food banks across the country, with increased demand, strained operational capacity and drops in volunteers. The federal government

responded by announcing \$100 million towards food banks April 3.

But Haliburton 4Cs Food Bank manager Judy MacDuff said for them, the increase has not been as high as expected, with about 10 new people in the last few weeks of March. She credited it to government support programs like the Emergency Response Benefit.

"I know people have got it and that may be why we aren't seeing the numbers we thought we'd see. But this (pandemic) is not half over," MacDuff said.

The volunteer base is holding up as well, she added.

"We're still able to look after the people we have and the donations. Right now, we're in okay shape," she said.

Food banks have also had to adapt by disallowing public entry to their facilities, instead providing hampers for pickup.

Jackson said there are reduced quantities of food at stores, which has required some adaptation as well.

"We would normally have a lot of our volunteer shoppers that clip coupons, watch the sales, go into local grocery stores to really stretch

our dollars," Jackson said. "Given COVID-19, that's not a safe option and because many of the grocery stores are struggling to get the quantities of food in order to meet demand, we're very mindful ... What that has resulted in is having to establish contacts with food distributors."

Still, both food banks are anticipating the demand to get higher in the weeks to come. Jackson said they are expecting a 15 per cent increase, and "time's going to tell" on how well they'll manage.

"We're definitely going to be here and we're definitely going to do everything we can to meet needs. We have many donations which we'll stretch as far as we can," Jackson said. "High hopes that we'll have the support we need from various levels of government in order to continue to be there."

Food banks are looking for cash donations. Donations can be made through respective food bank websites at mindenfoodbank.org, haliburton4cs.org and centralfoodnetwork.org.

"Thank everybody for all the support we're getting," MacDuff said. "We really appreciate it."

County briefs

Contact North offers online courses

Contact North said its services continue to be available to help people find, and register in, online programs and courses to improve their skills.

"It is an ideal time to take online programs and courses to upgrade your skills and acquire new skills in preparation to return to work or get a new job when our economy returns to normal levels of activity," Robin Brushey, online learning recruitment officer, said.

She said while the local online learning centre in Haliburton is closed due to the Government of Ontario's mandatory closure of all non-essential

workplaces, staff are working from home offices and are available to support students.

Students can get help over the phone, via Zoom, e-mail, text messaging or Facebook messenger.

There is information on available online programs and courses; help registering in their chosen online programs and courses; information on available financial aid options and referrals to other support services within the community or at their chosen educational institution.

Contact Robin Brushey, online learning recruitment officer, serving the Muskoka Haliburton territory, at 1-855-699-6330 or e-mail at muskokahaliburton@contactnorth.ca.

PARN hires new ED

Charles Shames has been named the new executive director of PARN.

PARN deals with HIV, substance use and mental health issues. It extends into Haliburton County.

Shames has been serving as PARN's interim executive director since January 2020.

He returned to Peterborough in 2016 to coordinate the Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes, Northumberland Drug Strategy.

Shames replaces former PARN executive director Kim Dolan who took on the executive director role with the YWCA Peterborough Haliburton in February 2020. (*County briefs compiled by Lisa Gervais*)

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A need-to-know basis

When we posted updates April 12 and 13 - on the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Haliburton County - we had a number of our Facebook followers complain that not enough information was being provided.

While most understood that patient names could not be given for privacy reasons, they wanted to know in what towns the virus had struck and whether people were in long-term care homes, had been affected in the community or if they had been travelling.

Some weren't happy with the paper, others with the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit, which is updating the number of cases on its website, but not providing any other information.

The only thing the health unit did tell us in the early days was when we had our first case, a man in his 80s who was recovering. There's been nothing since.

However, let's not presume that reporting numbers is all that the local health unit is doing. No doubt they are doing contact tracing investigations. In other words, they're finding out about anyone who has been in contact with the infected patients and advising them of best, next steps.

Since our numbers of cases is relatively low - six as of press time - it remains fairly easy for health officials to keep people, who

have potentially been exposed, healthy.

It seems to me that our health unit is being as transparent as possible in what is a tricky situation.

After all, doctors must adhere to the Hippocratic Oath, which states, "respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know."

I think doctors, and the health unit, believe - as do we - that a decision to reveal the identities of people infected would be disastrous with horrible ramifications.

For example, would you seek out medical assistance if you thought your name was going to be splashed around the community?

What if your name got out, and your employer found out, and decided to lay you off?

To those who are demanding more information, I would ask you to put yourselves in the shoes of one of the six confirmed cases in Haliburton County. How much of your personal information would you want revealed?

Further, if we happened to know that there was a confirmed case in the town we live in, what would be the reaction? Some would certainly be more vigilant. They would ensure they follow the prescribed

protocols even more vigorously. Others might simply panic unnecessarily.

Knowing we have half-a-dozen cases in our County should have us all raising the ante when it comes to following guidelines for preventing COVID-19.

In other words, just because you want to know who has the coronavirus, or where they live, or how they got it, doesn't entitle you to know that information.

You can be assured that if there is an outbreak in a long-term care home or a village, you will be informed.

As numbers continue to climb, it's possible locals will start reacting to the spread of the coronavirus in much the same way as the seasonal flu, which affects hundreds if not thousands of us each year, and kills some.

We hope people will concentrate on personal protection (better and more frequent hand-washing and avoiding crowds) and less on who has the virus, where they're from, or how they got it - in the days and weeks to come.



By Lisa Gervais

Good for you

Guest column by
Dr. Diane Duff RN

On March 23, 2020 Prime Minister Trudeau scolded Canadians: "Go home and stay home!" This blunt admonition was meant to help Canadians understand the dangers of social gatherings and unnecessary interactions with people beyond the individuals they live with. But did he really mean we need to stay indoors at all times?

There is no evidence that not leaving the house will reduce the spread of COVID19. However, Canadians must understand just how contagious this virus is so they will not be tempted to go to the store unnecessarily, play basketball, hang out in groups of people they do not live with, or visit areas already busy with lots of other people.

I have friends who literally have not left their houses in over three weeks in an attempt to keep themselves and others safe. While the sentiment is commendable, if COVID19 restrictions go on until the summer, they may develop health issues related to sedentary living. People in my social networks are admitting to becoming "couch potatoes" and over-eating and over-

imbibing out of boredom. Additionally, there is evidence that social confinement can exacerbate interpersonal issues between family members and even precipitate domestic violence.

Safe physical distancing is really the message we need to get out there. Do not congregate with others outside of your household. If you do encounter other individuals during your activities, maintain a distance of at least six-feet between you and the other person. Cross the road; step aside on the sidewalk; wait for someone to cross the footbridge before you start across; and take your turn going into a store.

There are many health benefits associated with exercise and being out and about in nature with an abundance of fresh air. Psychologically, it relieves stress, improves resiliency, and increases feelings of wellbeing. Cognitively, physical activity improves thinking and productivity. Physiologically, exercise reduces cardiovascular disease, obesity, and actually improves our immune systems making us less susceptible to disease.

So, get out by yourself, with your

roommates, household family members, or even go for a walk with a friend, but if you do not share a household, you must maintain a physical distance of two meters. Choose a nearby route at a quiet time. Ride a bike, go for a hike, walk the dogs, take the kids bird watching, do some gardening, or fish from the riverbank with a friend. We are blessed in our counties with an abundance of things to do in the great outdoors and the space to be able to do them safely.

However, if you are sick with cold or flu like symptoms, stay home and physically distance even from household members. Wash your hands, use disinfectants on communal surfaces such as doorknobs and light switches, cover your coughs and sneezes, and try not to share common spaces. Do the COVID19 online self-assessment <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/#q0> or call Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000 for advice. If you have household contact with a family member who is sick, stay home, self-monitor for symptoms of the illness, and self-isolate for 14 days.



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Editorial opinion

EYE ON THE STREET

With social distancing, we have stopped Eye on the Street for now.

LETTERS

Help during quarantine

Dear editor,

When we were on our way home from Florida to Wilberforce a number of our neighbours offered to help us with getting groceries since we would be in quarantine after we arrived.

Whatever we needed, they offered to get for us. This was so wonderful. At least three neighbours extended this offer to us. Another neighbour told us that our local grocery store (Foodland) would take orders by email and deliver them directly to our home. This would be done by food bank volunteers.

When we arrived home, we sent in our list and then got our delivery a day later. We are so happy and lucky to have such helpful and caring neighbours.

In addition, we highly commend Foodland (along with the food bank volunteers) for helping our community in such difficult times. Thank you Foodland staff, food bank volunteers and thank you neighbors.

Barbara and Alex Kosny
Wilberforce

People, not birds, causing problems

Dear editor,

So, once again, it's the pigeons and seagulls that are causing so much pollution downtown. (*The Highlander*, April 2, 2020, Pigeon explosion in Minden Hills)

Funny that people can litter the streets, roadways and water with their garbage. That's okay but those birds are such a problem.

The human race has crapped on and destroyed this planet beyond repair and nature is going to remedy this real soon.

L. Lackner
Haliburton

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Guenter Horst captured this image of a sunset over Haliburton County recently.

Reader begins prayer circle

Dear editor,

These are difficult times with fear surrounding COVID-19. While it is not my intent to impose my beliefs on anyone, I do believe in the power of prayer and in the power of group prayer. It is with this in mind that I submit this letter. I will be saying the following prayer every evening at 8 p.m. If anyone wishes to join me, thank you. I truly believe that together, we can make a difference.

"God/Creator, please bless those who are in any way connected to, or associated with, COVID-19. Watch over and protect all medical personnel and frontline workers, lending them courage, strength and confidence. Bless and protect those provide us with essential services.

Comfort and support everyone dealing with this virus and with the potential loss of a loved one. For those processing a loss, comfort them in their grief. Help them find peace in their hearts and a reason to go on. For those suffering with COVID-19, please keep them under a blanket of calm. Give them strength and courage. Relieve their physical symptoms and take them to a safe place in their minds where they find peace, comfort, and relief from loneliness and fear. Ensure all are tenderly and compassionately cared for, and bless all caregivers, always, and in all ways. Pave the way for all those suffering financially, those who are not sure from where their next meal will come, and those simply frozen in fear. Help them find the support they need and keep their spirits up. Give them a reason to believe in the goodness of their fellow man.

Watch over and guide our world leaders,

their advisors, and all those who influence them in any way. Help them to work together to make decisions that are for the highest good of all, and the well-being of our planet.

Help us all to take COVID-19 seriously, to adhere to the protocol set for our country, provinces and communities, and to do everything within our power to stop the spread of this virus. Help us to realize the importance of keeping in touch with family, friends and neighbors – providing comfort simply by listening.

As our faith is being tested, help us remain strong and hopeful. Help us replace fear with love, faith and trust, and watch over us as we look for ways to safely be there for one another.

For this I am truly grateful."

Noni Richardson
West Guilford

This is a time of tremendous stress and hardship for many of us as we grapple with this sudden change in our reality. The fact that much of the world has shut down in order to slow the spread of this virus, is stunning. Because I realize that many readers are reeling, I have been reticent to write about the role climate change and environmental devastation have played in this pandemic. However, Joel Makower, chairman and executive editor of GreenBiz Group says, "This is exactly the right time to be talking about climate change. In fact, we need to be talking unapologetically about climate, the clean economy, renewable energy, resilient food systems, sustainable mobility, the circular economy and the sustainable development goals with more vigor than ever."

I want to acknowledge that people who are struggling with how to pay their bills or feed their families might not have the energy to think about larger issues, such as

global warming during this difficult time. However, there are those for whom this crisis offers an opportunity to reflect on our current predicament, how we got to this point and where to go from here.

Many of the root causes of climate change also increase the risk of pandemics, says Dr. Aaron Bernstein, the interim director of Harvard University's Center for Climate, Health, and the Global Environment at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. He's also a pediatrician at Boston Children's Hospital and is on the frontlines of this pandemic.

Dr. Bernstein says that, "deforestation, which occurs mostly for agricultural purposes, is the largest cause of habitat loss worldwide. Loss of habitat forces animals to migrate and potentially contact other animals or people and share germs."

We understand that this particular virus became deadly when it mutated from one that affected certain wild animals to one

that could move from animals to people and then between people. And our appetite for world travel made it a pandemic. But industrial animal agriculture is also implicated in the spillover of infections from animals to people. Eating less meat and changing the way livestock are raised could decrease the incidence of infectious disease while lowering greenhouse gas emissions.

The environmental devastation that has occurred as a result of extractive industries, unsustainable agricultural practices and our lack of respect for healthy ecosystems have created conditions that are ideal for bugs such as SARS, Ebola and COVID-19. The best way to prevent the next outbreak of disease in humans is to understand that all living things and ecological health are inextricably linked. We just can't mess with Mother Nature. Richard Ostfeld, a disease ecologist at the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies says, "we are messing with natural

systems in certain ways that can make them much more dangerous than they would otherwise be. And biodiversity loss is one of those. Climate change is another."

So, while many are sitting at home looking for ways to keep busy, why not contemplate what an economy that puts people before profit might look like; an economy that respects the environment rather than trampling it. We are now at a crossroads.

There is an opportunity to start fresh with a trend towards more sustainable agriculture, renewable energy, and a reduced emphasis on consumption. Could we implement universal access to education, health care and a guaranteed living wage? I believe we should use this momentous time to re-evaluate what is most important. Something to think about while we are couch bound.

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Local municipalities are keeping boat launches open for now despite some concern about potential abuse. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Townships keep boat launches open Monitoring for misuse during pandemic

By Joseph Quigley

The County's four townships are keeping municipal boat launches open for now despite public concern about the possibility of people flouting social-distancing rules.

Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills have all said they are keeping boat launches open for now. But other jurisdictions across the province have made the call to close them due to the pandemic, including the neighbouring City of Kawartha Lakes.

Local municipal leaders have said they are closely monitoring boat launches. Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said the issue has been frustrating. She added the municipality sought clarification from the province regarding its order to close all outdoor amenities, and were told boat launches are considered essential only if they are used for transportation to primary residences, not recreational purposes.

"I'm currently engaged with people who are actively challenging or looking for

ways around the order, and with the warmer weather coming the entire situation is only going to get worse. Many years' experience - and a wee bit of cynicism - tells us that even if we put up ropes or barricades, people will move them," Moffatt said.

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said it is on their radar, but launches have not had any activity with lakes still frozen over. He noted it is also important emergency responders have access to boat launches.

"We've been monitoring and will continue to monitor," Devolin said. "If it becomes problematic, then we'll respond."

Highlands East Mayor Dave Burton said in his years, he has not seen boat launches as a place where people congregate. He said the municipality is considering closing launches but added it will be difficult to enforce.

"It's going to be a bit challenging. Not that we can't do it, but it just takes a lot of staff time," Burton said. "It's a big decision and I don't take it lightly."

Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Robert said the municipality will continue to monitor the

situation, adding many launches are remote and allow only one vehicle at a time, so physical distancing is possible.

"It's important to note that marinas are deemed non-essential and they can not do boat deliveries at this time. The only people that could launch a boat is someone who has it stored at their own home," she said.

The County and local doctors have asked seasonal residents to stay home during this time to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Moffatt said many feel closing boat launches will restrict cottagers from being here, but she noted the authority to exclude people from their own properties falls on the province.

"There are too many moving parts and conflicting jurisdictions here," she said. "The real shame is that instead of folks willingly working with us to do the right thing for the entire community, we have to spend time figuring out how to barricade and enforce. Marina owners are being hassled about the provincial order of their closure, and people are debating the definition of residency."

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Community groups spring up to help with virus

COVID-19

By Lisa Gervais

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues - and the Ontario government has extended all emergency orders until May 12 - community groups continue to spring up to help people in need.

One of them is the Neighbours Helping Neighbours (NHN) support network.

Bonnie and Greg Roe, who live on the Ritchie Falls Road, began the initiative about a month ago.

They started by emailing, and dropping off flyers in people's mailboxes, to connect.

"We just wanted to set up a support network to help each other should anyone need it or if stricter measures were to be put in place," Bonnie Roe said.

She added they have since decided to expand to the broader community.

"We have more than 25 volunteers (and counting) currently ready to assist. Physical distancing and health protocols will be used at all times."

Volunteers are picking up shopping or take-out food. They are also working with the food banks to pick up and deliver food boxes for those who cannot drive, or wish to minimize their exposure, in the community.

"Since grocery stores are receiving so many pickup orders, NHN can help by shopping and delivering on a short turn around. We encourage prepayment if possible and cash is accepted when necessary," Roe said. They said items can be left on people's doorstep and payment for purchases arranged.

She said other services include: offering a friendly phone call or email and assisting with any urgent chores or needs, all for free. She added that university-aged students are part of the volunteer force, and some people are willing to help with those outdoor chores.

As well, they are collaborating with Tekrider to share volunteers for pick up and delivery of personal protective equipment to their respective drop-off locations.

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Another group that has emerged is the Haliburton Caremongers.

The goal of this group is also to organize the Haliburton County community on the grassroots level to ensure vulnerable community members have access to food, healthcare, and other necessities.

It is also for the redistribution of resources in the case that stockpiling prevents people from accessing basics.

You can also post requests for aid, and or support, on their Facebook page (Caremongers Haliburton).

The recently-created haliburtoncares.ca website also offers information to the public who may need assistance.

"It is so very heart-warming to see, as a community, how everyone is coming together for the better good in this COVID-19 crisis," Roe said.

However, she added, "what concerns me are those people who do not have internet, are isolated and may not know about the support we can offer and all of the other amazing supports in the County."



Bonnie Roe and her husband Greg have initiated Neighbours Helping Neighbours.
Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Rails End Gallery cancels Art and Craft Festival

COVID-19

By Joseph Quigley

The Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre has cancelled its signature Haliburton Art and Craft Festival for 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Executive director/curator Laurie Jones made the announcement April 11, citing concern for the health and well-being of festival-goers. The annual three-day event, now in its 57th year, attracts thousands of visitors and normally runs at the end of July in Head Lake Park.

Jones said it is a significant loss for the artists and for Haliburton. She said tourism impact studies indicate the festival usually brings in more than \$1.4 million to the local economy.

"It brings so much into the town," Jones said. "I am really going to miss the artists."

Jones said the gallery board of directors had a special meeting and decided upon the cancellation, based on the information available about the impact of COVID-19 stretching for months to come. Other spring and summer festivals across the province have begun announcing cancellations as well.

She said they wanted to ensure artists knew well in advance.

"It's their livelihood," Jones said, adding drawing out the decision would leave artists in a tenuous position. "Were we to have continued, they'd have to create product and then potentially no event."

Jones said the cancellation is a pretty big financial hit for the gallery, as it usually accounts for a third of annual revenue. However, she noted there is an associated decrease in expenses.

"We'll have to be creative about how we recoup it," Jones said. "We're a charity and there are some federal programs that are rolling out that are going to be helpful."

Despite the cancellation, Jones said they want to highlight each festival artist on their website, which they do every year.

"I'll have to expand that and also speak to artists to see what they need from us."

Jones said artists were appreciative of the early warning, adding the gallery wants to ensure the festival remains one of the best in the province in the years to come.

"We really want to preserve this festival's place in the galaxy of high-quality, well-run, friendly festivals in the province," Jones said.



Alannah Kemp tests out a tin-can banjo at the 2019 Haliburton Art and Craft Festival.
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The Haliburton School of Art and Design will not run its summer programming this year. Photo by Joseph Quigley.

Fleming cancels all Haliburton summer programming

By Joseph Quigley

Fleming College has cancelled all of its summer programming at the Haliburton School of Art and Design due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The college announced the move April 8, halting more than 300 week-long and weekend courses at the school which run between May and September every year.

College vice president of academic experience Tom Phillips said based on the information available, it is unlikely it would be possible to run the hands-on art courses in the summer.

"The Haliburton summer school is very much face-to-face, very much hands-on, the nature of it," Phillips said. "Everything in the world going on is a clear indication that ... being face-to-face in a condensed environment in say, June, July, August, is very unlikely."

Torontonian Rhoda Payne has attended Fleming's summer school for more than 14 years and taught

a course about upscaling art last summer. She said the cancellation was understandable, but it hurt.

"Still devastating for everyone I've spoken to," Payne said, adding she was looking forward to teaching for her second year. "I'm so disappointed that I won't get to do that again."

Like many post-secondary institutions, Fleming has had to adapt to online and alternative learning to finish its winter and spring semesters. Though nothing has been announced for summer, Phillips said there would be some exploration of alternatives.

"We are still looking at possibilities of something online," Phillips said. "We're doing that across all our programs. We're looking at ways we can connect people without having face-to-face contact. We are exploring that, it's just a matter of finding what could be done and then devoting some resources to it."

Payne said it would make sense to try out classes through online meeting software like Zoom.

"I'm becoming comfortable with Zoom, as I'm sure most people are. I think it's entirely possible that we could teach and take courses and get critiques and do all kinds of things with technology," Payne said. "It'd be great to give it a shot."

Phillips said staff are preparing different delivery scenarios for the fall semester, including the possibility of returning to face-to-face learning.

"We're developing contingency plans and things in place if that were not true. We're convinced that there will be face-to-face contact in the fall at some point. The probability of that is very high," he said.

Payne said the loss of summer programming is significant for the Haliburton township.

"I'm heartbroken for the town of Haliburton to not have the masses of people that come into the school in the summer," Payne said. "It helps, I'm sure, the economy and it's just a wonderful environment. It's heartbreaking."

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OPP news

Drug bust in Dysart

Police arrested and charged five people April 9 after finding approximately \$23,000 worth of cocaine at a Dysart et al property as part of a months-long investigation.

OPP reported executing a warrant at an address on Hutchings Road, including officers from Haliburton, the City of Kawartha Lakes and the central region. In addition to the cocaine, they also uncovered a small quantity of crystal meth, \$7,100, four restricted firearms, one prohibited firearm and a side-by-side UTV valued at \$5,500.

"There is a significant opioid crisis across the province," Sgt. Jason Folz said. "Small towns everywhere are dealing with the rippling effects of the crisis; oftentimes other seemingly non-related offences are related to the crisis including (but not limited to) property crime, violence and other prohibited substances offences. This is a profoundly complex issue."

It is the second major drug bust involving Haliburton so far this year, with 13 County residents getting arrested and charged Jan. 30 after police raided a massive cocaine ring that sprawled between Haliburton and the GTA. One of the people charged in that case was also charged April 9.

All of the people charged April 9 were released on undertakings and are scheduled to appear at court in Minden July 8.

Mother, daughter attacked by dogs

OPP said a six-year-old child is at a Toronto area trauma centre with critical injuries after being attacked by dogs in Dysart et al April 12.

In a media release issued April 15, OPP said they, and emergency crews, were called shortly before 4 p.m. to an address on Gainforth Road to assist with a serious dog bite complaint.

They said the child and her mother were walking near their home when they were attacked by two Saint Bernard dogs. The child's bites were extensive and she was flown by Ornge air ambulance to Toronto. The mother's injuries were listed as non-life threatening and she has been released from hospital.

Pending the outcome of the ongoing police investigation, the animals have been placed in quarantine outside of the community by order of the health unit.



OPP executed warrants on April 9, arresting and charging five people with drug-related infractions. *File.*

Motorcycle safety reminder

Despite daily reminders to stay home and avoid non-essential travel, recent motorcycle sightings on OPP-patrolled roads suggests that some motorcyclists may not be taking the message seriously.

With warmer temperatures, the OPP is reminding people about the unique risks posed to this vulnerable road user class, which may include additional risks due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Among the 27 motorcyclists who died on OPP-patrolled roads last year, 10 were reported as being not at fault. Unfortunately, over the past five years (2015-2019), 178 motorcyclists died in preventable collisions, many of whom were also reportedly not at fault.

"This data sends a clear message to drivers of other vehicles about the need to be extra vigilant when sharing the road with motorcyclists. As motorcycles are not as visible as other vehicles, all motor vehicle drivers need to be mindful of this when changing lanes, turning and merging into traffic," OPP said in a media release.

Motorcyclists can enhance their safety by: wearing highly visible clothing; properly positioning their motorcycle on roadways; reducing low light and night riding; not taking chances or making risky maneuvers; riding at the appropriate speed and never in excess of the posted limit and never riding after consuming alcohol or drugs.

"Just because motorcycle season is here, it does not change the obligation we all have right now to stay at home as much as possible. For those who do use motorcycles for essential travel, the last thing they should do is take extra risks because of lighter traffic or out of worry that they may not get much recreational riding in this season. As we all try to get through the tough weeks ahead, we expect no less than safe, defensive driving on the part of Ontario motorcyclists and other drivers," OPP said.

Off-roaders should avoid risk

With two adults and one youth having lost their lives in off-road vehicle incidents so far this year, the OPP and Ontario

Federation of All-Terrain Vehicle Clubs (OFATV) are appealing to off-roaders of all ages to avoid behaviours that pose serious risks to their safety.

"The OPP and OFATV cannot stress enough that driving free of alcohol and drugs and wearing a helmet during every ride will go a long way to keeping off-road vehicle drivers and their passengers safe," the OPP said in a media release.

They added with the size and horsepower of off-road vehicles having increased over the years, it is important that parents take research-backed manufacturers' recommendations seriously to ensure children and youths are driving an off-road vehicle that is safe for their age, weight and skill level. Adult supervision is also recommended so that families can enjoy the sport and ride safely together.

The OPP and OFATV strongly recommend having your child complete a safety course, such as those offered by the Canadian ATV Safety Institute, and Canadian Safety Council to ensure good habits and safety are learned from the outset.

(OPP briefs compiled by Lisa Gervais and Joseph Quigley)

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Highlander news

County libraries breaking into online sphere Board discusses digital future

By Joseph Quigley

The Haliburton County Public Library Board is allowing the library to continue its upped online services as it navigates through the COVID-19 pandemic.

The board held a special meeting over a Zoom call April 8, the first public meeting with local councillors since last month. They discussed how the library was faring with its online and remote services and whether they might continue beyond the pandemic.

Library CEO Bessie Sullivan said programming such as daily online storytime has been popular, attracting thousands of views.

"Over the last three weeks we have taken as many services as possible online," Sullivan said. "That's been a fairly frantic, busy process."

That has included expanding its online collection with discounted offerings from publishers such as online Canadian daily newspapers, offering remote library card renewals and signups, and other live-streamed programming.

The extra programming costs have been \$9,062 so far, Sullivan reported, but that's been offset by three employees requesting leave. To maintain the online programming in the months to come, Sullivan said it will require about half the staff.

"We are so far behind in terms of our ability to deliver a lot of online services," Sullivan said. "What we have done in the last three weeks is probably where we would have wanted to be, prior to this, if we had staff capacity."

Board member Carol Moffatt said there is a chance to maintain some of the expanded online offerings in the future, though it would take more resources.

"Everybody agrees, there's probably a really exciting opportunity – pending money of course – to continue to reach out to people with the online stuff," she said.

However, board members also discussed the limitations and the potential for layoffs once inventory work is finished. Sullivan said there were some overtime hours as people worked to get the online programming set up, which board member Liz Danielsen said she was concerned about.

"We have to be careful we're not offering more than we can manage," Danielsen said. "While I appreciate every effort that's being made – and it sounds like there are really fabulous opportunities here – we do need to pace ourselves."

Board member Lynda Buch said public expectations must be managed. When libraries eventually re-open, she said it would be impossible to keep the same level



Haliburton County Public Library program and outreach co-ordinator Nancy Therrien reads *Aliens Love Underpants* by Claire Freedman for a video March 20. *File photo.*

of online programming that is running right now. Vice-chair Andrea Roberts said the library should keep numbers to determine how valuable it is to keep some programming running.

Moffatt said, for now, it is best to maintain the programming as everyone adjusts during the emergency.

"I would like us not to be too concerned so much about people being annoyed if online program opportunities fall by the wayside after the fact," she said. "We're

doing that with municipalities, we're making changes to operations that are not going to be continued or sustainable after the pandemic."

Board members also decided to put off library advocacy work and strategic planning.

"We're going to have new ways of doing things," Roberts said. "It may alter the whole conversation about how we want to go in the next five years."

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Township Service Provision Reductions

A reminder that all Township facilities remain closed to the public, until further notice. Administrative call answering services will remain available between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM Monday to Friday, 705-286-1260 listen carefully to the full message and follow the message prompts or admin@mindenhills.ca.

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We are asking the public to restrict inquiries to Township priority requests only and please understand that it may take longer to reply to messages as Staff handle increased phone and email inquiries.

We are also asking the public for their patience during this time and to observe our request to contact the Township for municipal related inquiries by the following methods only: Telephone: 705-286-1260 listen carefully to the full message and follow the message prompts

Email: admin@mindenhills.ca

Please do not call or email the various Departments or their related extensions or submit inquiries through the Minden Hills website Contact Us form.

If you are aware of anyone who is not adhering to the Government's order which prohibits organized public events and social gatherings of more than five (5) people, or who are not practicing appropriate physical distancing; you are encouraged to contact your local police department or the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or online by visiting opp.ca/reporting.

For a complete list of all Township service provision reductions, please go to: www.mindenhills.ca/covid-19-information/

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Minden Hills Staff and Council would like to thank all the Committee and Board members, the Fire Department and all the individuals who volunteer their time to assist in the many Township events and programs throughout the year. Your continued commitment and enthusiasm in helping develop our community is greatly appreciated. Minden Hills wouldn't be the wonderful place it is without all of you!

And to all those who have been volunteering or assisting others in various ways during this uncertain time, we want to say THANK YOU! Your caring and thoughtfulness, while maintaining safety measures to help reduce the risk of COVID-19, are greatly appreciated. Your actions have such a positive impact on so many in our community.



Arena Project Construction Site Closed

Based on the interpretation of the government's announcement made Friday, April 3, 2020 by Premier Ford, the Minden Hills Arena project is no longer classified as an "essential service".

In order to abide by the government restrictions being implemented in the effort to control the spread of COVID-19 and to protect workers and the public, McDonald Brothers Construction (MBC) have closed the site to all activities effective Monday April 6, 2020.

The site will remain closed until further notice.

For a complete list of all Township service provision reductions, please go to: www.mindenhills.ca/covid-19-information/

Spring Thaw Reminder

A reminder that springtime is typically the time of year when periods of precipitation historically occur. Property owners are reminded to be aware of and monitor their situation, as each can vary depending on: distance from watershed(s), distance from an unaffected accessible road, height of land, property saturation levels; and the availability, number, size and type of sump pump, etc.

Visit <https://mindenhills.ca/emergency-fire-services/flood-information/> for more information.

Tax Due Date Extension

The tax due date for the 1st installment of the 2020 interim tax billing is **extended to April 24, 2020**, without penalty or interest.

Meetings

All Council, Committee of the Whole, Public, Advisory Committee and Local Board regularly scheduled meetings have been suspended until further notice.

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COACH'S MESSAGE

REP ATOM

The Atom Rep team had an amazing year. Each child should be proud of where they started to where they are now.

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Our season ended in the second set of playoffs against Wasaga, but they fought to the very end of the third period.

Each tournament we were in throughout the year allowed everyone to come together and build new friendships.

I'm hoping every child gained knowledge this year, as well as new friends.

Everyone played their positions, were flexible with changes and encouraged one another. The goal tending was always on point and everyone was so supportive of our goalies.

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Coach Brandon Logan





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In Loving Memory of Lynda Hahn

Passed away peacefully at home in Minden on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at the age of 72.

Beloved wife of Jay. Dear mother of Zach and his wife Dawn, loving nana to Leah. Dear sister of Richard and his wife Clair.

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

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



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Alfred Madill (Resident of Gooderham, Ontario)

Unexpectedly at home on April 13, 2020 surrounded by family in his 83rd year. Loving husband to Luella Madill (nee Hogan) and devoted father to Mary Ann (Charlie). Alfred is affectionately remembered by his grandchildren Jordan, Riley, and Megan. He is predeceased by his brothers William, Walter, Ross, Gordan and his sister Ruby.

Private Visitation, Graveside Service & Reception

A private visitation, Graveside Service, and reception were held. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209



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We are working diligently to keep the funeral home sanitized, so it will continue to be a healthy & safe environment for our families that are in need of our services.

In order to comply with the mandate at present time, we ask that if you need our assistance and/or require our services, please feel free to contact us at the funeral home and make an appointment, either by telephone or email.

We appreciate your understanding in this trying time.

Sincerely,

Kirsten L. Monk &
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Closing Date: Friday, May 1, 2020 at 3:00 pm (ET)

Proposal and submission documents can be found at
www.algonquinhighlands.ca

In response to the rapidly evolving COVID-19 pandemic, the Township of Algonquin Highlands office is closed. Please leave proposals in the drop box at the entrance to the main office at 1123 North Shore Road.

For further information contact:
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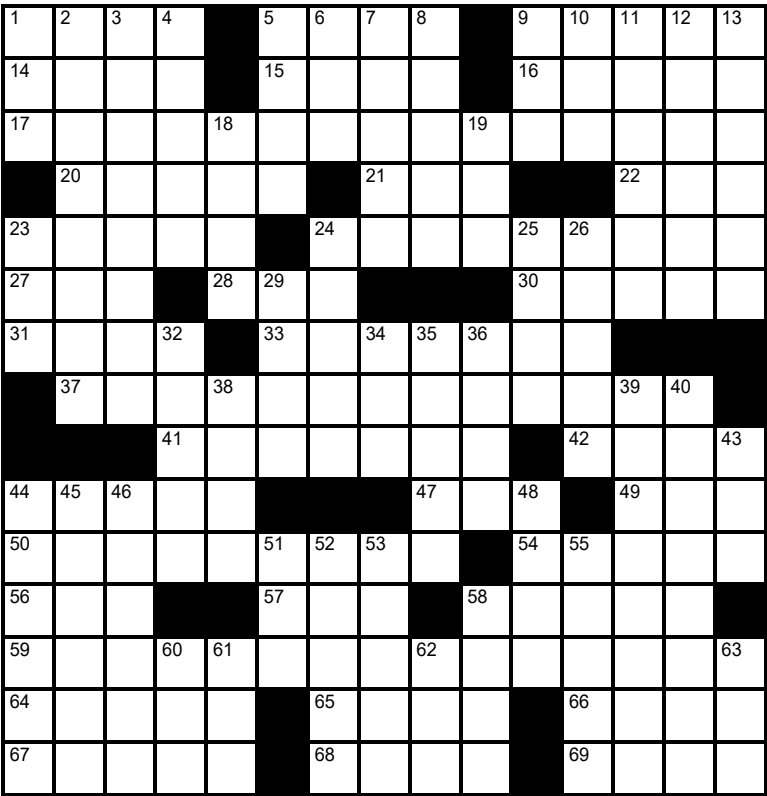
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by Barbara Olson

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- Across**
- 1 Spruces' juices
 - 5 Skipped town
 - 9 Canada's ___ Lake Accord (1987)
 - 14 Can be viewed now
 - 15 "Who Can ___ Now?" (Men At Work)
 - 16 ___-Canada (Esso rival)
 - 17 Act without forethought
 - 20 Square root of nine
 - 21 Him: Fr.
 - 22 Surface for a Zamboni
 - 23 Cosmetics purveyor Adrien
 - 24 Do a chore with a needle and a light bulb, maybe
 - 27 Yin/yang principle
 - 28 Secret place?
 - 30 Rodeo loop
 - 31 "Butt out!" letters
 - 33 Archie Andrews and Alfred E. Neuman commonality
 - 37 Does prep work for a seafood bar
 - 41 From Sochi, say
 - 42 Paint with a sponge
 - 44 Work ___ (gallery piece)
 - 47 Tee or tank
 - 49 Certain pollutant, for short
 - 50 Gaga over
 - 54 They're taken by daredevils
 - 56 W.W.II military zone
 - 57 Hack (off)
 - 58 Nouveau ___ (opposite of old-money)
 - 59 Be a "creative" bookkeeper, say
 - 64 "___ up!" (diner cook's call)
 - 65 Barenaked Ladies ballad girl
 - 66 Swimming competition
 - 67 Flautist's chances to breathe
 - 68 Metaphorical do-or-die time
 - 69 Stick shift vehicles: Abbr.



- Down**
- 1 Little sibling?
 - 2 Coin holders in cars, maybe
 - 3 Reject as frivolous
 - 4 [Bore me to tears!]

- 5 You might blow it while marching
- 6 Printer paper size: Abbr.
- 7 Virus named for a Congolese river
- 8 Raise an objection
- 9 U.S. speeding ticket stat
- 10 Extra-wide shoe size
- 11 Right-and-wrong course
- 12 Pains in the neck
- 13 "God willing"
- 18 Prefix with prompter
- 19 10-year anniversary gift
- 23 Convenience store cash box?
- 24 Prepare to leave Vancouver's Wreck Beach, maybe
- 25 Thin cut
- 26 Equipped like a dinghy
- 29 Constructions like Noah's
- 32 Plants that inspired Velcro
- 34 "___ look like your maid?"
- 35 Sheraton alternative
- 36 "... should come ___ surprise"
- 38 Words before deal or rug
- 39 Felon's list of "achievements"
- 40 Taken in by a scam
- 43 Air rifle ammo
- 44 Words with "the money" or "the road"
- 45 When many sci-fis are set
- 46 Not on the same page
- 48 "Proper" partner
- 51 Club sandwich cousin
- 52 Was vocally impressed
- 53 Overturn
- 55 Long-range WMDs
- 58 Donald's lawyer since 2018
- 60 Be gifted?
- 61 Med. drama settings, often
- 62 Winnipeg-born actress Vardalos
- 63 T.O.'s Yonge and Bloor

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Contact North Services available by phone, e-mail, text, Zoom and Facebook. Contact Robin 1-888-699-6330 or muskokahaliburton@contactnorth.ca.

John Fountain Electronics Open by appointment only. Call 705-286-2536.

Canadian Tire Closed for in-store shopping but other options available. Curbside pickup hours: Mon - Sat: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sun: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Phone orders: 705-286-4400. Email orders: Mon - Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. joannec@cantire682.com.

Neighbours Helping Neighbours Volunteer group picks up groceries or takeout food, provides a friendly call or email, or helps with urgent chores. Email Bonnieroe08@gmail.com or call 705-286-2414.

Hyland Taxi Reduced hours. Sunday -Thursday 7 a.m. – 9 p.m. and Friday - Saturday 7 a.m. – 12 a.m. If transportation is needed outside hours, arrangements

must be made the day before by calling 705-457-1777.

County Automotive Open for repair only. Drop off only. Call 705-457-1411 or email countyautomotive@hotmail.com. Minden Electric Emergency electrical calls only by telephone 705-286-2946 and by email to carla@mindenelectric.com. Hours 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Generator Solutions Temporarily closed to public but staff still available at monica@generatorsolutions.ca or telephone 705-286-1003 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday - Friday.

Bernstein's General Store Not open to walk-ins. Call Marty at 705-457-1777 or email bernsteinsgeneralstore@gmail.com to order for curbside pick-up. FedEx drop offs available by appointment only 705-457-1777. FedEx pickups – you will be called to arrange curbside pickup

Lockside Trading Company Free virtual interior design and online shopping at lockside.com. Open daily 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at 1-888-714-0484 or by appointment, or email shop@lockside.com, 24/7.

Sunny Rock Bed and Breakfast closed until July 1. Taking reservations into the summer and beyond. 705-286-4922, sunnyrockbb.ca.

Sew What! Free washable fabric facemasks for anyone who needs them. Call or text 705-457-8764.

Edilicious Teamed up with Nourished to offer a falafel meal deal on Saturdays. Delivery available. Contact Nourished at 705-775-0525 to order.

Step of Grace Conditioning Studio Open with on-line training. Call 705-457-6749 or 416-707-1966.

SIRCH Free frozen take-out meals Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at 2 Victoria Street, Haliburton.

Abbey Gardens Open Wednesday to Saturday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Follow on Facebook for updates on operations. Call 705-754-4769 or email info@abbeygardens.ca for free delivery.

McKee Security Open for business with enhanced protective tools for employees and public. Call 705-457-2156.

Northern HVAC. Open for business and fully operational within the HVAC spectrum with new regulations for public safety. northernhvacco.ca. 705-489-2001.

Transat Travel Working remotely and can access calls and emails. pcc22ha@transat.com or 705-457-3290.

Kegel Heating & Cooling Open for emergency services and installations. 705-341-9170. kegelheatingandcooling.ca.

Masters Bookstore Closed to walk-in business. Place orders at mastersbookstore.ca, by phone 705-457-2223, or by email mastersbook@bellnet.ca. Pick-up/delivery will be arranged. Royal Lepage Trillium Team Working from

home and checking phone messages and emails regularly. trilliumteam.ca.

Haliburton Dance Academy Livestream classes. info@haliburtondanceacademy.com.

Walkers Heating & Cooling Systems Open 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. for phone and email inquiries. No walk-in appointments. walkershvac.com For 24/7 emergency service call 705-457-2375.

Minden Wine Store Closed.

Minden Subaru Open by appointment only. Service: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. Sales: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 705-286-6126.

County Sign & Display Closed to walk-in traffic but continuing to produce and supply signage. countysign@interhop.net. 705-286-6650.

Haliburton Legion Closed. Contact office Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 705-457-2571.

Up River Trading Co. Closed.

Haliburton Auto Closed.

Tails and Trails Offer doggy daycare and pet sitting. Open with regular hours. Call 705-935-8245 to find out what measures they are taking to avoid human contact.

Highlands Medical Supplies In-store personal shopping no longer available. Available to take your orders by phone or email. Pre-paid orders can be delivered or via a "Pick-Up Box". Call 705-457-9355 (Mon - Fri 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.), Email: info@highlandsmedicalsupplies.com. Weekend/after hours: 705-455-2705 (urgent only.)

Hawk River Construction Open for business but closed to public. Payment, statements and invoices through email or mail.

The Pregnancy Care & Family Support Centre Closed to face-to-face client interactions. Staffed regular hours (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Friday 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.) and available by phone or text (705-457-4673) or email (hope@haliburtonpregnancycentre.ca). If anyone (including non-clients) needs diapers, formula or baby clothing, contact them and arrangements will be made for pick-up.

Castle Antiques and Cafe Closed.

Stone 21 located at Pinestone No longer offering takeout.

The Cookhouse Restaurant Haliburton Forest only takeout. Order ahead by calling 705-754-1729.

South Algonquin Diner Open for take-out daily from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Call 705-448-1168.

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Abbey Gardens Food Hub open for retail shopping and take-out food only. Pre-orders welcome by calling 705-754-4769 or ordering online

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Mill Pond Restaurant Takeout lunches. Call 705-489-3353.

John E. Francis Fuels Office closed but operating business as usual by phone or email. Invoices will be mailed or emailed, not delivered by drivers.

McKeck's Open for take-out and online ordering. Mon-Sat from 12-7 p.m. Menu at mckecks.ca/menu. Call 705-457-3443.

Hudson Henderson Insurance Brokers Open for appointments not walk-ins from Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Pet Valu Haliburton store operating with reduced hours Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m, and Sunday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

WRD Cottage Rental Agency Open as usual but working remotely. Call 705-457-9434 or email to fran@ontariocottagerental.com.

Molly's Bistro Bakery Open 7 a.m. - 3 p.m., Wednesday - Sunday. Takeout or frozen carry-home cuisine. Call ahead for order. 705-268-6988.

Fleming CREW Employment Centre Providing service via phone and email. Office at 49 Maple Ave closed to public. Call 705-457-2020 or email flemingcrew@flemingcollege.ca.

Courtney @ Bruce's Barbershop Closed until further notice.

Pine Grove Point 4445 Elephant Lake Road, Harcourt. Open Sun - Thurs 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Fri - Sat 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Variety Store open for essential needs and the Pizza & Snack Shack open for take-out orders.

Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre Closed. Posting images from current exhibition on Facebook.com/railsend.

Riverview Furniture Open with regular business hours via email or phone for furniture/flooring needs.

Lacey's Hair Design Closed. All appointments will be postponed. To rebook call 705-457-9888. or click the Phorest link on Instagram page.

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