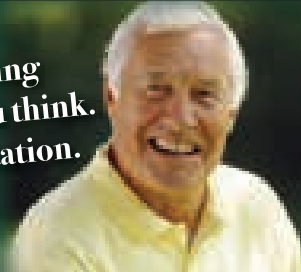


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Hopes for 2017



Sue Nielsen
Speaker Reporter

DISTRICT — With a new year comes renewed hope and optimism. The New Year presents itself like a blank page waiting for us to write our individual hopes, dreams, aspirations and goals for the next 12 months. We don't know what the future holds, but when we each take a look at our lives over the next few weeks perhaps we begin to create a plan for the upcoming year filled with all the best things a year can offer. What do we want to achieve as individuals? How do we want to improve our health and better our community? Because when we individually do better and find prosperity, we all collectively prosper. The following are the hopes and aspirations of some people in our region:

Brent Cecchini
 Temiskaming Detachment Ontario Provincial Police Inspector Brent Cecchini focuses on poverty and how we can all help each other.

"As members of one of the

most prosperous nations on earth, we as Canadians should be shocked at the level of poverty and misery experienced by most other countries to one degree or another. Because of this, we sometimes lose sight of what is going on around us.

"My hope this year is that all of us will look closely at the problems faced by members of our own communities and do what we can to give locally. It doesn't have to be financially; your time and effort to help individuals and groups who need it is invaluable and can contribute greatly to dignity and quality of life.

"We have an excellent network of volunteers and service clubs who contribute to the vitality and health of our communities. Have an honest look at your own situation and consider giving what you can to support someone in your neighbourhood or community. This is particularly important for parents in order to instill the value of volunteerism in our kids."

Gail Moore
 CJTT FM Station Manager Gail

Moore focuses on increased volunteerism, health and working together in our communities.

"My hopes and dreams are many and varied. For our community - I hope many new faces step up to volunteer. Millennials and Gen-Xers are starting to get involved in a bigger way - but there is a need for many more because there are numerous worthy causes and organizations. Giving your time and energy has its benefits - you meet new people, gain new skills, and it adds a little variety to your week.

"I wish we could make a vow to notice all the good things around us."

"I wish we could make a vow to notice all the good things around us. Too often we get into a mode of noticing all the things that could be better - instead, focus on what we have that is good. Remember this is a small community, and then think about how lucky we are to have

all the amenities we enjoy. Then, go beyond that and thank someone for making a difference.

"Personally, my hope is for good health for myself and those I love. This year, my daughter and oldest son both got engaged to wonderful people. This will make 2017 a very busy year for us. I look forward to being part of these major milestone events and to the next step in my life's journey - I've never really imagined being a mother-in-law."

Carman Kidd
 City of Temiskaming Shores Mayor Carman Kidd wishes residents would realize the benefit of living in South Temiskaming and promoting economic growth.

"I hope to work with our residents to extol the virtues, and benefits of living in South Temiskaming. Many visitors to our area fail to stay long enough to recognize how great this area is, to live and raise a family. Our waterfront is a largely untapped oasis, which I would like to work with groups to bring more and more people back to the beach. If we

remain positive about the future of Northeastern Ontario, I am confident that businesses will locate here, and our economy will thrive, in 2017."

Hailey McCue
 Timiskaming District Secondary School Cooperative student Hailey McCue has had a busy year trying to fit in a job, cooperative duties and applying to colleges.

"This year has been a roller-coaster of a year. Although this was a year of many firsts for me, such as my first interviews, first jobs and applying to colleges, it has no doubt been a very rough time for people all across the world. With many tragedies, controversies, and social issues arising in 2016 and leaving their mark on us, I hope 2017 will bring us unity, tranquility and comfort.

"In the New Year, I am expecting yet another roller-coaster year. With attending college and living away from home for the first time, I am wishing for a lot of strength and courage to be able to get

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 Thursday, January 5, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Temiskaming Shores Public Library

The Library will be Closed from Sunday, December 25 through Wednesday, December 28 for the Christmas holidays, and from Sunday, January 1 through Tuesday, January 3 for New Year's.
 Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Preschool Storytime Winter Session at the New Liskeard Branch

Preschool aged children accompanied by an adult are invited to attend this fun, social, interactive early literacy program. Come and join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and a good time!

This program will take place twice a month on Wednesdays from 11:15 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. at the New Liskeard Branch Library.

Dates are:

January 4 and 18

February 1 and 15

Drop in to join in the fun or contact us for more information.

Call 705-647-4215 or email us at newliskeard@temisklibrary.com

Snowshoes for rent at the Haileybury Branch Library!

The Temiskaming Shores Public Library, in partnership with the City of Temiskaming Shores Recreation Department and the Healthy Kids Community Challenge, is offering snowshoes for rent at the Haileybury Branch Library. Come in to pick up a few pairs for the family to try out this great outdoor winter activity! A \$20.00 cash deposit per pair is required.

Ancestry Library Edition Database

Ancestry Library Edition (ALE) provides unprecedented access to family history via documents that record the lineage of over 5 billion individuals. Records from Canada, the United States, and parts of Europe, including records such as census and voter lists, birth, marriage and death, military, immigration and emigration, family trees, newspapers and periodicals, directories and member lists, stories, memories and histories, court, land, wills and financial, reference materials and finding aids, pictures, maps, and atlases and gazetteers. This Database can only be accessed by the computers in the library so come in to try it out!

TumbleBookLibrary Online

TumbleBookLibrary is an online collection of ebooks for children in grades K-6. Existing children's books are animated using the existing illustrations and adding audio narration. The collection includes old time favorites such as The Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch, Diary of a Worm, How I Became a Pirate, Miss Malarkey Doesn't Live in Room 10, One Duck Stuck, as well as favourite fairy tales such as Jack and the Beanstalk and Old Mother Hubbard. To access, click the E-Resources tab on the library's website and scroll down to the TumbleBookLibrary information. Have your 14 digit library card ready to log in and enjoy this fun resource for kids!

PebbleGo Animals, Science and Dinosaurs

The award-winning PebbleGo Animals, Science and Dinosaurs databases from Capstone Digital Publishers offers information on hundreds of animals, science subjects and dinosaurs. Designed specifically for K-3 emergent readers, PebbleGo databases include activities, videos, pictures, lesson plans and articles on each subject. To access, click the E-Resources tab on the library's website and scroll down to the PebbleGo logo. Have your 14 digit library card ready to log in and enjoy this fun resource for kids!

To register or for more information about any of the Library's programs, call 705-647-4215 or 705-672-3707, see our facebook page, email NewLiskeard@temisklibrary.com or Haileybury@temisklibrary.com, visit our website at www.temisklibrary.com, or visit your Library Branch!

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 5, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.
 City Hall, 325 Farr Drive, Haileybury

REGULAR COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
 City Hall, 325 Farr Drive, Haileybury

The Pool/Fitness Centre Christmas Pool Schedule

The Pool/Fitness Centre will be closed on all Statutory Holidays including December 25th, 26th and January 1st. Please note, the facility will be closed as of 3:00 pm on December 24th and 31st
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 Facebook - City of Temiskaming Shores Fitness Centre

Pool Schedule - Saturday December 24th 2016 - Sunday January 8th, 2017

	Public Swim	Adult Swim
Mondays	10 am - 12 noon 1 pm - 3 pm	12 noon to 1 pm
Tuesdays	1 pm - 3 pm	
Wednesdays	10 am - 12 noon 1 pm - 3 pm	12 noon to 1 pm
Thursdays	1 pm - 3 pm	
Fridays	10 am - 12 noon 1 pm - 3 pm	12 noon to 1 pm
Saturdays	1 pm - 3 pm	
Sundays	1 pm - 3 pm	12 noon to 1 pm

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Monday Jan 2	An Awesome Community Minded Person	1 pm - 3pm
Tuesday Dec 27	The Greenhaus	1 pm - 3pm
Tuesday Jan 3	CMHA Cochrane-Temiskaming	1 pm - 3pm
Wednesday Dec 28	Doupe Bennett Lawyers	1 pm - 3pm
Wednesday Jan 4	New Life Integrative Health Centre	1 pm - 3pm
Thursday Dec 29	Friends of Perrin Funeral Chapel	1 pm - 3pm
Thursday Jan 5	Friends of Giant Tiger	1 pm - 3pm
Friday Dec 30	The Haileybury Legion Branch 54	1 pm - 3pm
Friday Jan 6	The City of Temiskaming Shores	1 pm - 3pm

Pool Admission Standards Policy

Children 6 or under	Two children to one guardian (2:1)
Children aged 6-9 who are non swimmers	Three children to one guardian (3:1)
Children ages 6-9 who are non swimmers with lifejackets on	Six children with lifejackets on to one guardian (6:1)

Pool Admissions

Family	\$12.50
Adult	\$5.00
Child	\$4.00

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you and your families from the Waterfront Pool/Fitness Centre

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(Until January 31, 2017)

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Pet Tags are available at the following locations:

- Animal Hospital
- City Hall
- Libraries (Haileybury/New Liskeard)
- Pet Value
- Pool Fitness Centre
- Temiskaming Veterinary Services
- Temiskaming Animal Care and Control

"NEW" - Cat tags now available!

Notice

Residents of the City of Temiskaming Shores Discarded Christmas Tree Collection Schedule

Residents of the City of Temiskaming Shores please take notice that residential discarded Christmas tree collection will take place by means of Public Work Crews, at random and as time permits. Christmas trees must be placed at curbside by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday January 27, 2017 in order to be picked up. Failing the above, landfill hours are as follows:

Tuesday though Saturday (closed Sunday & Monday)	Haileybury Landfill Site Firstbrook Line Bucke Twp.
	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Public Works Department wishes to convey its best wishes to the residents of Temiskaming Shores for 2017



Call for Applications

Position: Digital Creator Program Lead Internship
Application Deadline: January 22, 2017, start date on February 13, 2017

Location: Temiskaming Shores Public Library, New Liskeard and Haileybury Branches

Term: Full-time (1 year contract with potential of renewal) at \$18.75/hour

Job Description

Under the supervision of the Program Coordinator and Library CEO at the Temiskaming Shores Public Library, the Digital Creator Program Lead will be responsible for coordinating and executing the Digital Creator North project in Temiskaming Shores, Ontario. Program Leads will be required to create a welcoming space and develop responsive media arts programming for teens in the community.

Core Requirements (NOHFC program requirements)

- Be a university or college graduate who has graduated within the last three years from an accredited college or university in the Degree or Diploma program in Media Arts, Community Development, Non-Profit Administration, Education or related field.
- Position must be first-time employment in field of study
- Candidates can only participate in the internship program once and must be legally entitled to work in Canada.

Additional Requirements

- Well-organized, self-starter who is attentive to detail
- Excellent communication skills and comfortable communicating via various social media platforms
- Working knowledge of film and video equipment, digital and media technologies and software with willingness to expand knowledge based on teen interest
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Powerpoint) and technologically current with web-based programs and social media
- Previous experience with teen/young adults in education an asset
- Have a current passport by Spring 2017 and willingness to travel
- Ability to travel between library branches

We thank all applicants, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. The successful candidate will require a "Police Records Search Certificate" intended for the Vulnerable Sector.

How to Apply:

Please send your CV and cover letter (in a PDF attachment) to Kirsten Kosloski at mobilemedialab@gmail.com. Please reference "Digital Creator North Program Lead" in the subject line of email. No phone calls please.

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An American tree sparrow is one of several bird species found at backyard feeders in the Temiskaming region during winter months. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

Christmas Bird Count For Kids at the Marsh

Sue Nielsen
Speaker Reporter

DISTRICT — Are you wondering what kind of bird is visiting your feeder or want to learn more about birds?

Why not take part in the Hilliardton Marsh Research and Education Centre (HMREC) annual Christmas Bird Count for Kids 2017 on Saturday, January 7 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The cost is \$10 per participant for non-members and \$5 for members. Activities planned include a bird walk around the marsh, make a bird feeder, take part in bird banding, hold a bird, and enjoy a fireside snack.

This event is geared for students in Grades 4 to 8.

Advance registration is required, as a limited number of participants will be accepted.

Register at [CBC3Kids.hm-](http://CBC3Kids.hmrec@gmail.com)

rec@gmail.com or call 705-676-6705.

FILL THE FEEDER

If you love the marsh and want to support the programming why not take part in the Fill The Feeder fundraising campaign?

The Fill The Feeder fundraising campaign focuses on ten different projects that are ready to go but badly in need of funding to see them in action.

The projects include purchasing a Marsh truck, additional signage, improved trail system, widen driveway, improved parking, upgrades to the gazebo, accessibility, new washroom facilities, Motus tower and land purchases.

For those that donate to the

Fill The Feeder fundraiser your name will be entered into a draw for a chance to win some prizes.

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if you like and receive a charitable tax receipt also.

For more information go to <http://www.thehilliardton-marsh.com/fill-the-feeder>

Hopes for 2017

Continued from A Front

through that transition. My goal is to thrive and prosper throughout the year with grace and overall happiness. Above all, the success and well-being of my family and of my friends also enduring the same anxieties as me, is my number one wish for 2017."

Isabelle Minnette

Isabelle Minnette, Thornloe Crossroads Baptist Church member and organizer of the annual Bethlehem Walk, talks about the power of prayer and how we can help each other through the positives and negatives of life. She talks about travel and the importance of family.

"I think it's always a good thing we cannot know what a day or year will bring. The year 2016 has, as every year before it, brought a mix of positive and negatives to all around me. So, as I look forward to 2017, I am thinking of so many people who need our prayers to deal with what they live each day.

"My prayer for family and friends is for peace and comfort amid whatever life presents. Some right now are battling serious illness; some living with the ongoing grieving that loss of any sort brings; they all need extra strength for each day.

"And I would hope that we all, as individuals, communities and globally, could treat with love others who differ from us in any way.

"In the personal wish department for the year ahead, would be trips to see our far-flung family and to a friend's wedding in England, as much time as possible with our kids and grandkids, opportunities to connect with relatives and friends and lots of time to enjoy home and the outdoors around me. Oh yes, and the self-discipline to finish a family history project started too long ago!

"A good direction for the beginning of a new year is the oft-quoted poem written by Minnie Haskins early in the 20th century. I learned this part of it in French in high school, also many years ago!

And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year:

"Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown."

And he replied:

"Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God.

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A good year



Sue Nielsen

“There are years that ask questions and years that answer.”

Zora Neal Hurston

As we approach the end of 2016, I look back with a sense of gratitude.

I had a good year.

If you are a music fan, you may be saying the end of the year can't come fast enough as so many great artists were taken away -- the latest being George Michael.

And, of course, this is the year in politics that made idiots powerful.

When I look back over the year it all has to do with nature and the canoe.

The canoe was my source of grounding, my saving grace in a world that bordered on the ridiculous in terms of violence and human rights abuses.

I figured out a long time ago that I am big on passion, curiosity, expression and heart.

As I get older I realize who I am and who I don't want to be.

When the days were long I ran to my canoe and the lake.

I left fear, stress and anxiety on the shore and refused to let them in the boat let alone get their hands on a paddle.

They begged me to let them come along for the ride but I stood up to them, this has made all the difference.

I cannot fully describe the feeling I get when I push off from the shoreline in my canoe other than saying the word "magical".

Probably the single biggest

event of the year was my "vision quest" canoe trip to Algonquin Park in early October at the height of the fall colours.

It was a deliberate trip insofar as I was on a mission to challenge myself, to step outside my comfort zone, and engulf myself in silence.

Any way you slice a paddle through water, the trip was dripping with empowerment.

When I say empowerment, it is but a deeper sense of knowing my own truth in my own way.

And close-to-the-land learning involves thinking more critically about preserving and protecting our environment.

I've expressed the immense gratitude that comes with travel on water over and over again in this column.

It is with benevolence that I say thank you to my employers for allowing me to speak to you, the readers, each and every week.

I'd like to thank my co-workers who are some of the most professional journalists writing for a community newspaper found anywhere.

My gratitude extends a further lap around the lake when I think about actions in our communities that set us apart.

We've witnessed kindness in action with large-scale fundraising projects such as the Northdale Manor, Harder 4 Carter Skate Park, Bikers Reunion, Christmas Wish, 701 Canopy Project, Food Drives and the One Foot Forward Greyson Zubyck Memorial Fund.

Hope you all had a terrific year—welcome 2017!

EDITORIAL

Change is good!

When we talk about change, it is often with hesitation, but in most cases, change is good.

Certainly here at The Temiskaming Speaker newspaper we are experiencing some changes as our parent company, London Publishing Corp., expands its corporate reach in the South Temiskaming business region.

London Publishing Corp. acquired Phippen Signs, as you may know. The move will be completed in the early part of 2017.

This business merger will solidify growth at both companies while benefiting the region as a whole.

Many people in the community may have wondered how the newspapers, The Speaker and Weekender, will be affected by this move?

They won't be.

We will continue to produce award-winning articles for you, the literate reader.

While newspapers globally are going through changes, The Speaker and Weekender remain consistent in terms of community coverage.

We believe we live up to the best ideals that a community newspaper can offer its readers.

We don't pull stories off the web nor do we have the same front page as a dozen or so other newspapers across the North, we are boots on the ground producing original copy each and every week.

If you have anything to suggest or say about the newspapers, please don't hesitate to write to the editor, via a letter to the editor, and have your say.

We take great pride in featuring the people who live, work and play in the South Temiskaming region on the pages of our newspapers.

Please give us a call if you have something you believe is newsworthy.

Thank you!

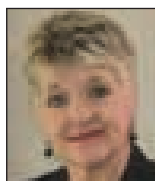
The Temiskaming Speaker would like to thank the businesses, schools, sport leagues, churches, service clubs, individuals and organizations for contributing to our weekly newspapers.

Without a doubt all the people featured in our papers exemplify the "U" in community.

It has always been our mandate to stand strong for the communities in our coverage area which stretches from Temagami in the south, to Matachewan in the north and over to the Quebec border and west to Elk Lake.

Thank you and have a blessed 2017.

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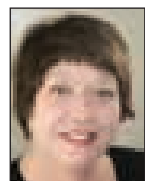
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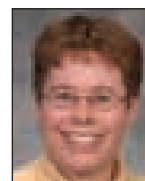
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Reveiwing 2016

WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2016

Shelley Anderson

Local woman among missing indigenous women

OTTAWA/COBALT -- The federal government has officially announced the launch of an online survey to guide the design of an inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women and girls.

The announcement was made January 5.

In mid-December 2015, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) released a comprehensive report on missing and unsolved murdered indigenous people in OPP jurisdictions.

The report also noted the cases of missing indigenous persons. That list included the case of Shelley May Anderson who went missing in the late summer of 2009.

Ms. Anderson, then 50, had been living in Cobalt for a short period of time when she disappeared. She had lived in the Timmins area most of her life.

WEEK OF JANUARY 15, 2016

On average, five per cent of population uses food banks

DISTRICT -- On average, about five per cent of the population here and across Canada turn to food banks for assistance.

Food Bank Canada issued a statement that 1.7 million people across Canada turn to food banks. That's out of a population of just over 35 million people.

Those who regularly turn their thoughts to the need of fellow residents for food assistance, both locally and internationally,

generally agree that the need is probably higher than that five per cent figure.

In some areas the need is higher. The Cobalt Coleman Latchford and Area Food Bank has figures showing that ten per cent of its catchment area turns to the food bank for assistance.

STATO trail gets \$150,000

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- An extension of the STATO trail has received a \$150,000 leg-up from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

In a recent funding announcement, the foundation said the multi-use South Temiskaming Active Travel Organization trail fosters "more active lifestyles."

Hospital integration moving forward

ENGLEHART -- The pace of integration at the Englehart and Kirkland Lake hospitals has surprised even their new integrated chief executive officer.

Gary Sims, who took over the post at the end of November, had considered it "quite reasonable" to expect the process to take two, three or even five years.

"Instead, what I'm met with is a strong willingness to embrace the change," said Mr. Sims in an interview last week.

The hospitals share other key personnel, including a chief financial officer and chief nursing officer, and payroll is now integrated.

WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2016

\$1 million

Heritage Fund supports city water

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JANUARY

The Tri-Town Ski and Snowboard Village had a very successful opening weekend January 23-25 with approximately 150 enthusiasts hitting the slopes. Alexis Beaulac was shrouded in snow as he landed one flip after another while his fellow snowboarder Seth Pannell, in the background, waited his turn to do the same thing. (Staff photo by Steven Larocque)

\$500,000



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Our fundraising efforts include plans for a new chalet and a tubing hill!

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Temiskaming Speaker \$21,828.38	#1 Auto \$1,800.00	Kenworth \$1,000.00	Breault's Discount Warehouse \$100.00
LUV IT Events \$1,800.00	Pete's Small Engines \$1,000.00	Ramsay Law Office \$1,000.00	TJ Adthead Electric \$500.00
(Kara Johnston & Tanya Langford Paquette) \$250.00	MERK Graphic Design \$300.00	Kemp, Elliot and Blair \$1,000.00	Pedersen Construction \$1,000.00
Willard Bus Lines \$600.00	Amber's \$1,500.00	Leisure Inn \$200.00	James Lathem Excavating \$3,300.00
Clean Scene Dry Cleaners \$500.00	Brent Wood \$1,788.00	OK Tire \$250.00	Steve Nychuk Excavating \$2,150.00
Zante's Bar & Grill \$300.00	JPL Storage \$1,000.00	Waterfront Inn \$500.00	Brownlee Equipment \$500.00
CJTT 104.5 FM \$2500.00	Pat & Donna Desmarais \$1,000.00	Julie Bedard Loach \$250.00	Koch Farms \$2,150.00

DONATIONS (beginning January 2014)

T. Damiani \$200.00	Temiskaming Foundation \$7,450.00	Kemp, Elliot & Blair \$500.00	Trudel Equipment \$200.00
J. Birtch \$250.00	Dr. Steve Goddard \$1,000.00	Dr. Quen Lee \$2,000.00	Ontario Sports and Recreation \$7,457.00
Phippen Waste Management \$500.00	TIME Ltd \$1,000.00	Sonia Dallaire \$100.00	Community Fund \$64,000.00
Rotary Club \$500.00	New Liskeard Lions Club \$9,000.00	Findlay's Drug Store \$500.00	Campsall Plumbing \$100.00
Active 1 Source For Sports \$500.00	Pedersen Construction \$1,000.00	Bumstead Trucking \$2,000.00	In Memoriam Donations \$70.00
Mar's Accounting \$250.00	Frog's Breath Foundation \$100,000.00	Rivard Bros. LTD \$1,000.00	5th Wheel Training Institute \$100.00
EXP Services \$750.00	Township of Armstrong \$300.00	Investors Group - Jody Currie \$500.00	Club Lions D'Earlton \$1,000.00
Holiday Inn \$300.00	Dr. Colleen & Don Davies \$1,000.00	St.Cyr & Associates \$1,000.00	Waterfront Inn \$500.00
Desjardins \$250.00	Rotary Club of Haileybury \$250.00	SMC Canada \$1,000.00	Temiskaming Shores Lioness Club \$100.00
Tench Insurance \$1,043.00	Wilson Chevrolet Buick GMC \$1,000.00	Wabi Iron & Steel Corp \$500.00	Chartrand's Your Independant Grocer \$250.00
Smith Law Team \$2,500.00	Century 21 \$1,300.00	Trudy Armstrong & Family \$1,000.00	Yvon Champoux Inc. \$1,000.00
Dr. Stacy Desilets \$1,000.00	The Brick \$1,500.00	Telus Go2Jo Mobility \$10,000.00	Club Richelieu \$500.00
Dr. Steve Sears \$3,000.00	Neil Law Office \$500.00	Marc Dessureault \$200.00	Miller Paving \$1,000.00
Dr. Glen Corneil \$3,000.00	Brownlee Equipment \$1,500.00	(The Speaker Survivor Challenge) \$200.00	In Memoriam - Heinz Dittman \$3,300.00
Jody & Nicole Currie \$2,000.00	Tench McDiarmid Insurance \$1,788.00	New Liskeard Fire Department \$250.00	Trillium Mutual Insurance Co. \$2,150.00

FUNDRAISERS

Get Active In Temiskaming 2013 \$949.01	New Liskeard Lions Dragon Boat Event \$1,230.00
Family Day Sliding \$1,734.00	Get Active in Temiskaming 2015 \$1,589.00
Halloween 2014 \$4,881.00	Halloween 2015 \$7,457.00
Little Ceasers Pizza Kits \$1,010.00	ATV Raffle \$5,078.00
Xmas Bartending Services \$3,235.00	Halloween 2016 \$6,306.00
NYE Bash 2015 \$9,677.00	Get Active in Temiskaming 2016 \$1,784.00
Swag Sales (t-shirts, toques, stickers) \$1,540.00	End of Season Banquet /Auction 2016 \$14,362.00
End of Season Banquet/Auction 2015 \$14,684.00	NYE 2016 \$9,291.00

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE - LATCHFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE.

- Doors open at 8pm. DJ Dan Allaire. Ticket \$20 per person in advance or \$25 at the door. Advance tickets at the Latchford Post Office at 705-676-2305, Perry Livingston at 705-676-2079 or Peter Davies at 705-647-6622.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 31 - New Year's Eve Party with Just Fiddling Around at 8:00 pm at the Grand Boulevard Restaurant in Earlton. Come and join us to celebrate the New Year. For more information please contact JP at 705-563-2898.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4 - Diners Club for Seniors 60+ at 5 p.m. at the Golden Age Club in Cobalt. Call Timiskaming Home Support 705-672-2254 to register before 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan 3rd, 2017. Seating Limited.

JAN 10TH - FEB 8TH - The Respect He Desperately Needs, The Love She Most Desires - Enhance your marriage, pre-marital and opposite gender relationship. Video series by Dr. Emerson Eggerich. Jan. 10th - Feb. 28th, 2017 @6:30pm - 8:30pm at Salvation Army Church, 260 Whitewood Ave., New Liskeard, ON. Register: Call

Richard and Gaetane Males: **705-647-5718** or **705-790-5619** or email r.males@outlook.com

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017 - The Temiskaming Treasurer Guild will have its meeting on Thursday, January 26, 2017 from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Salvation Army's meeting room on 260 Whitewood Ave New Liskeard. The Canada 150th Quilting Bee project will be presented at this meeting.

JAN 30TH - FEB 1ST - ATTENTION ALL CATTLE FARMERS - Steve Kenyon Workshop on year round grazing. Jan 3th - Feb 1st, 2017 in New Liskeard. Contact NOFIA to register & with payment information at (705)647-4782 or email nofia.on@gmail.com. Only 14 spots available.

TEMISKAMING HOSPITAL AUXILIARY GIFT SHOP - check out our selection of jewellery, scarves, purses, baby gifts, variety of giftware. all proceeds from sales go toward purchasing equipment, patient comfort items, etc. in hospital.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS The "Just for today" group holds N.A. meetings on Sundays and Thursdays at 7 pm, in New Liskeard on 70

Wellington street at St Paul's United church. We welcome new comers. Very simply an addict is a man or woman who's life is controlled by drugs. This is a place where addicts come to share their experience with other fellow addicts. As long as you have the desire to stop using or drinking you are in the right place and are always welcome at these meetings. ONE DAY LONGER, ONE DAY STRONGER

THE TEMISKAMING HOSPITAL AUXILIARY: The Temiskaming Hospital Auxiliary is recruiting volunteers to work in the hospital gift/tuck shop. If you have 2 hours of time to spare as a volunteer, either morning, afternoon or evening, please contact the Auxiliary President Diane Vachon at 705-647-8066 or Penny Graydon at 705-647-5870. This is a rewarding way of giving back to the community.

NEW - COMMUNITY FUND FOR CANADA'S 150TH - A small grants program run by community foundations to support local initiatives related to Canada's sesquicentennial. For more details on the Fund and to learn how and

when to apply, visit www.communityfoundations.ca/CFC150 or contact The Temiskaming Foundation at 705-647-1055 or tff@ntl.sympatico.ca. There will be 2 rounds of grants. The first round of applications will be accepted until October 14th, 2016.

EVERY 2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAY - Hudson Young at Heart - Adults 55 years and over meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 12 noon for potluck lunch and activities. Located at the Hudson Hall. Everyone welcome! For more information, call 705-647-9670.

EVERY TUESDAY - ATTENTION KNITTERS: - If you would like to knit for third world children, your help would be appreciated. We meet every Tuesday afternoon at 1:30pm at the Community of Christ Church on Niven St., New Liskeard. Yarn and needles are available. All are welcome. Contact Donna Caldwell at 705-647-6056.

HARD OF HEARING? DEAF? OR ANYONE - interested in taking a local Speech (Lip) Reading course, free of charge? 1 evening of 2 hours per week for 10 weeks. **CALL 1-800-718-0436 TO REGISTER.**

EVERY MONDAY

Temiskaming Community Choir At Community Hall 7-9pm.
Temiskaming Area Roller Girls, practices 7-9pm. 705-676-6163.
Duplicate bridge upstairs at the Community Hall New Liskeard 1:15 pm on Mondays. No partner needed.

EVERY TUESDAY

EVERY TUESDAY - ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Meet at 8pm at the Englehart United Church (next to the post office).
The Temiskaming Palette & Brush Club Painting sessions are from **1:00 - 4:00 every TUESDAY AFTERNOON**. Club room is in the Halleybury Arena at 400 Ferguson Street. Jeannine at 705-672-1028

EVERY 2ND TUESDAY

HILLIARDTON RECREATION will be having a Euchre Card Party every 2nd Tues. night starting Nov 8th @ 7PM at the Hilliardton Community Hall.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets on **WEDNESDAY EVENING St. Paul's United Church, New Liskeard. Weigh in begins at 5:30 PM.** For more information contact Bonnie @ 705-647-1609.
ENGLEHART AND DISTRICT PIONEER CLUB - 11:45am. 705-544-2435.

PIPE BAND BR 54 LEGION, 7pm. 705-672-5669.
TEMISKAMING AREA ROLLER GIRLS, PRACTICES 7-9pm. 705-676-6163.

THE MUSICAL JAM EVERY WEDNESDAY - from 7 pm til 10 pm at The Grand Boulevard in Earlton. Come listen and dance to country music or bring your instrument to plug into our system. Always some 15 players to entertain you.

EVERY THURSDAY

The Temiskaming Shores Heart of the North Duplicate Club meets every Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Community Hall, New Liskeard. Newcomers welcome.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets on **THURSDAY MORNING New Liskeard Legion Hall, New Liskeard. 10am.** For more information contact Christine @ 705-628-2019.

1ST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

M.S. SUPPORT GROUP MEETING @ New Liskeard Arena lobby from 1-3 pm

2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

THE CHARLTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. Regular monthly meetings are the **2nd Monday of every month** Info @ 705-544-2818 or 705-544-2980

3RD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

TEMISKAMING LIONESS LIONS CLUB. New members are always welcome. Come join this group of ladies at the Lions Den (below the Community Hall in NL) the 3rd Monday of every month at 7 pm. For more info contact any Lioness or 1-705-647-4921 or 1-705-676-6777.

4TH MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Temiskaming Hospital Auxiliary REGULAR MEETING 4TH MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH at 2 pm in the boardroom at the hospital. Everyone Welcome!

2ND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Coffee House Musical Jam - 7:00PM - 10:00PM - St Paul's United Church Auditorium - 70 Wellington St. New Liskeard. All musicians welcome, young and old of all abilities, all music - country, rock, gospel, jazz - Family, friends & anyone who appreciates the fellowship of music makers and their sound! For info contact Steve Teal at 705-647-5737 or email coffeehouse2tues@outlook.com

EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Fibromyalgia support group meet every second Tuesday of each month at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Church from 1pm-3pm. Contact Christine at 705-628-2019 for more info

2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Golden Age Club: General membership meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month @ the Golden Age Hall, 22 Argentite St. Cobalt. 1 - 2 pm. Annual membership is available at a cost of \$15. For further information, call 705-679-5525 & leave a message.

3RD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

WOMEN OF ALL AGES from Kerns and Hudson Townships are invited to the Milberta Community Women meetings every 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Programs include guest speakers and fun activities. Call Audrey for more information at 705-647-6205

LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

ALL LADIES WELCOME TO DROP IN FOR TEA AND FUN - the last Thursday of each month. 1:30-3:00. The Salvation Army, 260 Whitewood 705-647-4115.

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TEMISKAMING SHORES – The Northern Ontario Heritage Fund has come up with \$1 million to offset the cost of a major project linking the New Liskeard and Dymond water systems.

The city is now hoping that FedNor will deliver \$1 million, said Temiskaming Shores Mayor Carman Kidd after council met in January.

WEEK OF JANUARY 29, 2016

Reading buddies

City library part of Northern research study

TEMISKAMING SHORES – Temiskaming Shores Public Library is one of six taking part in a study evaluating the impact of libraries in the North.

“We’ve very excited for this project,” said Rebecca Hunt, chief executive officer and head librarian at the city’s library.

The two-year project will try to identify the impact of libraries in rural Northern Ontario by measuring the return-on-investment.

It will take into account, she said, the library’s role in factors such as improving literacy in the community, increasing access to computers, and social inclusion.

Public libraries in small and rural communities are under financial pressure from shrinking budgets and declining populations, she said.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5, 2016

Highway classification part of maintenance review

EARLTON – The ministry is working through recommendations in the recent Auditor General’s report to improve winter road maintenance, says a senior staffer with the Ministry of Transportation’s office in North Bay.

“We’re working on all of them at various levels within our organization,” Kevin Morphet, manager of operations at the ministry’s Northeastern regional office, told Temiskaming Municipal Association members.

But while some measures have already been implemented, Mr. Morphet said other issues are taking longer to address.

They include the classification of highways, which determines maintenance standards.

It’s an issue under discussion by a working group within the ministry, he said.

At this time, classification is based primarily on average daily winter traffic volumes.

But the working group is looking “at a host of parameters” that could be considered, he said.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12, 2016

Short film explores Grey Owl’s legacy

TEMAGAMI – A Temagami story has hit the small screen – the very small screen.

The Path of Grey Owl is a 10-minute documentary filmed in 2015 in and around Temagami, Bear Island and Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park.

It was posted to YouTube in January 2016.

ACFO-Temiskaming names Volunteer of the Year and Youth of the Year

DISTRICT -- Debbie Demers of Armstrong Township was named Volunteer of the Year by ACFO (Association canadienne-française de l’Ontario) Temiskaming region at the organization’s 21st annual brunch held Sunday, January 21.

ACFO-Temiskaming also honoured Alaya Robert of Armstrong Township as its Youth of the Year.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19, 2016

At the pumps

Gas prices spark call for investigation

TEMISKAMING SHORES – As prices for crude oil and at the pump fall, city council wants to know why they haven’t declined by the same degree on the Highway 11 corridor.

Temiskaming Shores council said prices in Northeastern Ontario “have remained consistently above the average.”

In a resolution February 16, council said prices in other neighbouring jurisdictions are 10 per cent to 20 per cent lower.

City council asked provincial and federal officials to review the discrepancies and provide a rationale.

Council also asked the federal Competition Bureau to launch an investigation.

Jake Englehart awarded ‘16 Order of the North

ELK LAKE – A railway developer and an oilman is the latest recipient of the Order of the North.

The honour, a posthumous award recognizing a significant contributor to Northern Ontario, went to Jacob “Jake” Lewis Englehart.

Mr. Englehart, born in 1847, was a founder of Imperial Oil and chair of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission during its expansion in the early 1900s.

He becomes the second recipient of the order, which is awarded by the Jack Munroe Historical Society of Elk City.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26, 2016

Allan Wright

Former Speaker publisher-general manager dies at 93

TEMISKAMING SHORES – The Temiskaming Speaker’s long-time former publisher and general manager, Al Wright, passed away at the Temiskaming Hospital on Wednesday, February 24 at the age of 93. The family notes “he died after a lengthy

illness and he died on ‘Speaker Day’ (referring to the day The Speaker is published.)” He was a newspaper publisher, World War II veteran, New Liskeard School Board trustee, Ontario Community Newspaper’s Association Board of Directors member, community volunteer and devoted father.

Spring bear hunt expanded

DISTRICT -- The provincial government has announced an expansion of the spring bear hunt pilot program.

In an announcement Friday, February 19, the provincial government stated the pilot program is being expanded to gather more “information to assess concerns voiced by northern communities about human-bear conflicts, and to support economic growth and tourism in the north.”

The spring bear hunt pilot program will be expanded an additional five years to 2020.

BEST FEATURE PHOTO

EARLTON – The photo of children in Earlton beating the heat at that community’s unveiling of playground equipment first appeared on the front page of the July 31 2015 edition of The Weekender. It was entitled “Slippin’ and Slidin’ on a Sunday.” The photo was taken by Speaker Senior Reporter Steven Larocque. The photo received an Ontario Community Newspaper Award in the “Best Feature Photo” category and is a finalist in that organization’s Better Newspaper Competition. The other newspapers nominated in this category are the *Hamilton Mountain News* and the *Norfolk News*.

Bikers Reunion story featured in documentary video

TEMISKAMING SHORES – A documentary video that took three years to complete has been released featuring the New Liskeard Bikers Reunion, from its humble beginnings to last year’s event when a total donation of \$1 million was realized to help local cancer patients in the Temiskaming region.

The media company, Sawmill Creative, produced the documentary called *The Story of the Bikers Reunion*. They are a Gravenhurst, Ontario company owned by co-creators Jacob Barkey and Kyle McDougall.

WEEK OF MARCH 4, 2016

Silver City finances

Cobalt urged to build reserves and increase revenues

COBALT -- Basing his presentation on the financial status of Cobalt at the end of 2014, Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing municipal advisor Bryan Searle attended Cobalt council recently, and outlined a high need for the town to build reserves and increase revenue flows.

Board appoints new director

NORTH BAY – The acting director of the region’s French public school board is now in



Emma Loranger and Avery Henderson were part of the Tinkerfairies group helping to bring *Animation on Ice* to life at the Haileybury arena on February 21. The Haileybury Figure Skating Club’s annual carnival had the rink packed with family and friends watching the dozens of young skaters showcasing their burgeoning skills. (Staff photo by Steven Larocque)

the position permanently.

Simon Fecteau has been appointed director of education at the Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est de l’Ontario (CSPNE).

The board is one of four

French-language public boards in Ontario, and oversees 14 schools from Hearst to North Bay and Sturgeon Falls. They include École publique des Navigateurs in Temiskaming Shores.

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Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Our Year in Review...

As we wrap up another incredibly busy year, the Temagami Medical Centre and Family Health Team (TMCFHT) continues to demonstrate its commitment to collaborate with community partners and agencies to improve care transitions and continuity of care to ensure that care is provided in the right place at the right time by the right provider and in the most cost effective manner possible.

As the hub for health care services in the community, the TMCFHT has continued to build upon the frameworks and foundations that have been put in place. As our team continued to grow, we worked diligently at developing and implementing programs and services that were aligned not only with our strategic plan, but also with Ontario’s Action Plan for Health Care.

Significant areas of focus for our team in 2016 have been:

- The enhancement of our Falls Prevention Program that includes tablet technology for falls self-risk screening on an annual basis;
- The development of an instructional Foam Rolling for Chronic Pain Management video;
- The addition of a new Massage Therapist using space at the medical centre;
- The launch of a Community Needs Assessment on behalf of the Temagami and Bear Island Service Providers’ Collaborative;
- The development and launch of a Grief Support Program; and
- The recruitment of a new Nurse Practitioner (NP) to fill a retirement.

The Team continues to build strong relationships with organizations from our local community, the health care community at large, the NE LHIN and the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care with the goal being to improve our patients’ journey across their continuum of care.

With 2017/2018 upon us, we look forward to developing and implementing new programs and services, embarking on new challenges and exciting new opportunities and building new partnerships that will enable us to continue to work towards a more accessible and even higher quality of primary health care in our community.

As we look back on what was achieved this past year, we couldn’t be more proud of the outstanding work of our dedicated and talented team of health care professionals, support staff, students, volunteers and board members. Thank you all for your passion, persistence and innovation – truly the foundation of our organization.

The Temagami FHT would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe holiday!



Temagami

Family Health Team

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Mr. Fecteau was named acting director in June 2015, following the resignation of Roch Gallien.

WEEK OF MARCH 11, 2016 "Best New Festival" honours Festivals & Events Ontario recognizes Village Noel Temiskaming

TEMISKAMING SHORES — During the Festivals & Events Ontario (FEO) Annual Conference held in Markham, the Best New Festival Award was given to the organizers of the Village Noel Temiskaming (VNT) event.

The second 2015 VNT was held November 26-28, 2015 in the downtown core of New Liskeard with over 200 volunteers greeting thousands of visitors from both sides of Lake Temiskaming and further afield.

Established in 1987, FOE is the voice of the festivals and events industry in Ontario, boasting a membership of 575 festivals and event planners, including some long-standing, prestigious events such as the Stratford Festival.

Attending the FOE Annual Conference, representing the City of Temiskaming Shores was cultural coordinator Courtney Tresidder.

New lease agreement for Cobalt buildings

COBALT -- Cobalt council has directed its chief administrative officer to prepare a lease agreement for all non-profit corporations using municipal buildings. **Englehart Winter Carnival a blast!**

ENGLEHART — The Englehart Winter Carnival, held over the course of three days (March

3-6) was "well attended", said Englehart Recreation Manager Sara Osborne.

In past years the winter event had been organized as a week-long activity.

WEEK OF MARCH 18, 2016 "Exigent financial circumstances"

Cobalt withdraws support from Earlton airport

COBALT -- Cobalt council has withdrawn its financial support and participation from the Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport.

At its regular meeting Tuesday, March 15, Cobalt council voted four to one in two votes: not to support the development of a new airport authority to take over the airport ownership and operation; and also to withdraw continued financial support for the airport operation.

Councillor Sue Nielsen opposed both decisions, while Councillor Rochelle Schwartz was absent from the meeting.

WEEK OF MARCH 24, 2016 Pedersens add NEOHA title to the list

TEMISKAMING SHORES — The Pedersen Pee Wees, Northern Ontario Hockey Association champs, added another title to their list.

On March 19 the Puckhounds hosted the Timmins Double-A North Stars at the Haileybury Arena and Recreation Centre to decide the North Eastern Ontario Hockey Association (NEOHA) crown.

Pedersens swept the Stars in a best-of-three playoff.

WEEK OF APRIL 1, 2016



MARCH

In a few sunny places in Temiskaming, some hardy early spring flowers were already appearing out of the ground. For Gerry Verreault of Dymond Township, she, as were many grandparents in the district during March Break, was blessed with visiting grandchildren. From left, Joline Sinder, 8, of Barrie, Keira Waite, 6, of New Liskeard, and Maya Gervais, 4, of Barrie, were out enjoying a walk with their grandmother. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

Hwy. 11 Evanturel cautious about four-laning

EVANTUREL TOWNSHIP -- Evanturel Township council is supportive of the push for four-laning of Highway 11 through the region, but their support is conditional on the opportunity for local input.

At their regular council meeting Wednesday, March 23, Reeve Derek Mundle said the township does not want an expanded highway to bypass its highway commercial businesses (southeast of Englehart). "It's a good thing for safety, but we wouldn't have highway commercial if we didn't have a highway."

Councillor John Simmons commented, "It seems like quite the request when you can barely maintain the potholes" that are located on the existing highway.

The City of Temiskaming Shores is spearheading a petition to have the highway four-laned through the region.

If highway bypasses were created though, other communities that could be impacted could be Englehart, Dymond Township, Latchford, and Temagami.

WEEK OF APRIL 8, 2016 Coleman councillor heading TMA

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- A Coleman councillor and former president of the district's mu-

nicipal association has returned as head of the organization.

Lois Perry was acclaimed president of the Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA) at its annual meeting in Earlton March 31.

The role of the association is to be "the common voice" for Temiskaming's municipalities, said the newly named president earlier this week.

WEEK OF APRIL 15, 2016 City flush with hopes for sewer upgrades

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- The city is digging deep for equipment that will go deep in an attempt to prevent costly

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897798 Gillies Lake Rd., Coleman - \$499,900 MLS# TM162452 Awesome 2 year old home, 3 beds, 2.5 baths, full finished walkout basement. Over 900' of waterfront. Bright & open with cathedral ceilings. Custom kitchen with huge island and granite counters. Master bed with beautiful 4 pc ensuite, walk-in and patio door. Hardwood floors throughout. In-floor heat with outdoor boiler suitable for a garage. Showcases like a designer home, truly inspiring!

North Cobalt - Large lot with room for all your toys!!



59 King St., North Cobalt - \$197,500 MLS# TM163091 3 Beds, 1.5 baths, full finished basement. Wired, insulated and heated 20x22 garage. Central air. Nice gazebo overlooking 2 more sheds and private backyard! Interlocking stone driveway...



Coleman Twp.

MLS# TM162195
 —2 Lots consisting of 40 acres. Road access from Portage Bay Road (just passed Loon Lake). Asking \$64,900

11 Unit Investment Property



255 Rork Ave., Haileybury - \$750,000 MLS# TM162275 11 Unit apartment building for sale! Solid financials with opportunity for more. Well built with all brick exterior. Large 150' x 100' lot. Coin operated laundry facilities on site. Invest for success!

Haileybury - Nicely Renovated!



430 View St., Haileybury \$188,000 MLS# TM161884—3+1 Beds, 2 full baths and full finished basement! Beautifully treed lot offers you some privacy on the rear patio. Long list of renovations including bathrooms, furnace, flooring and paint to name a few!

Building lot - Bass Lake



877630 Bass Lake Rd., Coleman - \$180,000 MLS# TM162349 2.1 Acres Waterfront building lot. Paved road, hydro, 300 feet of frontage.

Motivated! - Earlington - Comes with all the bells and whistles!!



New Price - \$239,000! WOW!!

67 - Tenth Avenue, Earlington - \$265,000 MLS# TM162864 Motivated sellers. All brick, 13 yrs old, 4 beds, 2 baths, double lot (132'x115'), heated double garage, 20x40 deck, 8 person hot tub, finished basement, Jacuzzi jet tub, a/c, and so much more!

13 Acres! - Hwy 11 Thornloe



331284 Highway 11, Thornloe, \$299,900 MLS# TM162681—3 Beds, 2 full baths and 20x43 shop! Long list of renovations including bathrooms, furnace, flooring and decks to name a few! Mature maples, pond, 2 storage containers...very well kept!

Building lot - Bass Lake



877440 Bass Lake Rd., Coleman Twp. - \$149,900 1.6 acres. Landscaped and ready to build on! Private area, last on this road!

Earlington - 1,900 square feet!



52 Ninth St., Earlington - \$219,900 All brick bungalow on double lot! 4 beds, 1.5 baths, oversized living room and foyer entrance! Nice wide hallways and huge unfinished basement...lots of potential with room for everyone here!

Large Size Your Living! - Evanturel Twp.



333116 Highway 11, Evanturel Twp, now \$290,000 MLS# TM161779 3,400 Square Feet! 5 Bedroom home with 3 full baths and 30x30 attached garage! Beautiful custom kitchen. Large deck...and more!

Building Lot - Elk Lake



396 Fourth Street - Elk Lake - \$5,900 MLS# TM153048 Cheap, flat, cleared building lot featuring South-West exposure. 66' x 132'. On town water.

Why pay rent? Englehart



71 Eighth Ave., Englehart \$129,900 MLS# TM161490 3 Beds, 1 bath. Bright, clean, well kept with many updates including electrical, flooring and kitchen. Nice backyard with detached garage...priced to sell!

Hilliard - 9 Acres, 50x100 Machine shed!



231289 Dairy Lane, Hilliard - \$299,900 MLS# TM160716 Approx 9 acres, 5 beds, 1.5 bath, 50x100 machine shed, 44x120 Quonset, 2 barns, 2 storey garage...storage galore!

Lot 11 & 12 Arnold Dr., Haileybury



\$37,500 Arnold Dr., Haileybury. MLS# TM161375 Nice building lot on upscale street. 100' x 100'. Utilities at the road. A rare find!

Cobalt—Well maintained!



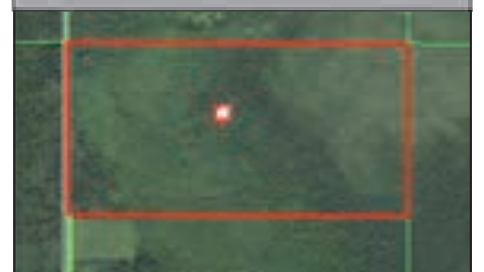
21 Trailer Park Rd., Cobalt, \$48,900 MLS# TM162250 2 Beds, 1 baths, many updates including flooring, bathroom, paint and more. Private lot, carport, shed!

1 Acre - Henwood Twp. (Unorganized)



Henwood Rd. 4 - just off Hwy 65 West - \$24,900 MLS# TM160379 330' x 132'. Partly treed, flat lot with 2 entrances to Henwood Rd. 4. Cheap taxes and few building restrictions!

Hudson - Building lot on Twin Lakes Rd!



Twin Lakes Rd., Hudson Twp. - \$55,000 80.50 acres. Building lot on Twin Lakes Road. Hydro and phone at paved road!

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Horoscopes

CAPRICORN

You'll be a gracious host during your upcoming celebrations. You'll flawlessly organize an incredible Christmas party for your loved ones. The more you become involved over the holidays, the more fun you'll have.



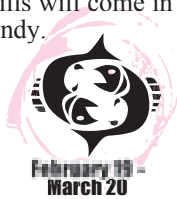
AQUARIUS

Luck will be on your side. Try to get as many of your family members as possible to buy a lottery ticket together. You could also plan a project, such as a family trip with loved ones.



PISCES

If there's tension in your family, use your tact and sensitivity to defuse the situation and to clear the air once and for all. Your organizational skills will come in handy.



ARIES

You have the unique ability of rounding up family as well as friends. During the holidays, you'll successfully reunite two families that don't always get along thanks to your remarkable and unprecedented generosity.



TAURUS

There's a good chance you'll be hosting more than one party, but you'll still take great care of those closest to you. Even as a guest, you'll generously offer your help to serve and clean up.



GEMINI

You'll enjoy large gatherings this year. You'll be the life of the party thanks to a few gestures or remarks that draw a great deal of attention.



CANCER

A person of a different nationality will be at one of your next holiday parties. You'll be open to discovering a new culture, and to introducing your palate to some new international flavours.



LEO

You'll be an absolute chatterbox, and the driving force behind people having a good time. The jokes will keep coming. Be careful while driving.



VIRGO

This time of year always involves spending more money than usual. Your generosity warms the hearts of those who truly need it, even if you don't know them.



LIBRA

You'll be on the lookout for parties and festivities. Dancing and moving about is just as important as a change of scenery and having good people around you. Your suggestions live things up.



SCORPIO

Get to bed early when you can. Catching up on some sleep or getting rid of that pesky cold will help you keep up with friends and family as you celebrate Christmas.



SAGITTARIUS

You'll make considerable efforts to get everyone together, even at the last minute. You'll reunite the entire family and devote yourself to making the moment a memorable one. Fatigue and a cold could set in.



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1. Shark features
5. Elope
9. Altercation
12. Place to rejuvenate
15. Favorite
16. Nanking nanny
17. Arab garment
18. Demure
19. Moreover
20. On the ____ of the moment
21. Forbid
22. Lemon quaff
23. Giggle
25. Finalizing legal word
27. Slip
29. Tilted
32. Pastoral
35. Young hellion
38. Small whale
39. Small barrels
42. VHS alternative
43. Animal enclosure
46. ____ deck
48. ____ point
49. Berg
50. Motive
52. Colorful fish
54. Annually
57. Seurat trademark
59. Plates on fish
63. Ocular orbs
65. Dollop
67. Lifted with effort
68. In-between
71. Jug
73. Thin, light fabric
76. Pasture measure
78. Stevedores do it
80. Narrow inlet
81. « ____ You Experi-

enced?»

82. River dams
84. Fourscore and ten
86. Varnish ingredient
87. Bail
88. Vision
93. The whole shebang
95. Make ____ of
97. Bring home the bacon
100. Astonished
101. Gambling cube
102. ____ constrictor
103. Covered walk
104. Beat with a stick
105. Eton letter
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108. Wiggly

DOWN

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2. Tarry
3. Eat
4. Flavoring berry
5. Dads
6. Band's need
7. Finnish bathhouse
8. Recoil
9. Hindu queen
10. Sash
11. Auto polisher
12. Maimed
13. Whale group
14. Sure, matey!
24. Chair or street
26. « ____ Lively» (Sinatra film)
28. Abrade
30. Black or Coral
31. Turkish coin
33. Eroded
34. «L.A. ____»

35. Doubtful
36. Patriarch, e.g.
37. Malayan boat
40. Sentimentality
41. Morsels for dipping
44. Paltry
45. Acted
47. Inner shoe
51. Up-to-date
53. Sunken fence
55. Ash product
56. Coniferous shrubs
58. License plate
60. Type of hill
61. « ____ in My Heart»
62. Moistureless
64. Thickened, as pudding
66. Weary by dullness
68. Animal's throat
69. Hot diamonds
70. Trained, as soldiers
72. Author Jaffe
74. Occupy a rocker
75. Expresses in words
77. Geologic period
79. Roomiest
83. Underwater aid
85. Below, to a poet
87. Put out the first card
89. Eatery
90. Gawk at
91. Swimming place
92. Like an omelet
93. Shaping tool
94. Taradiddle
96. Surface a lawn
98. Future fish
99. Senate negative

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sewer problems.

Temiskaming Shores is purchasing a 2015 sewer vacuum-flusher truck, at a cost of \$369,000, and associated components, for another \$35,000.

Goal to grow the economy Rota says Liberal Party "laying a base"

DISTRICT -- Nipissing-Timiskaming Liberal MP Anthony Rota says the Liberal Party's first budget is one which is "based on getting the economy to grow."

He told The Speaker that the Liberal government is encouraging growth in the short-term that also builds a base for growth in the long-term.

"We are laying a base," he said during an interview at his office in New Liskeard.

WEEK OF APRIL 22, 2016

Rota supports draft bill on medically assisted death

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- Proposed legislation on medical assistance to die "is well balanced," says Nipissing-Timiskaming's Liberal MP.

Bill C-14 "does take into consideration many of the concerns that I have," said MP Anthony Rota in a telephone interview from his Ottawa office.

"It's never an easy topic to deal with, but I think the legislation itself is sound, and I think I'll be supporting it. It makes sense."

The proposed legislation was introduced April 14. It details who is eligible for medical help in dying, and proposes safeguards -- such as requirements for medical opinions, a waiting period, and informed consent -- during the process.

"A first step"

Water agreement between Englehart and Charlton-Dack

ENGLEHART/CHARLTON AND DACK -- The Town of Englehart and the Municipality of Charlton and Dack have reached a water agreement, and are now only waiting for a signature from the Ontario Ministry of Environment to make it official.

The water agreement will mean a simplification in the process of providing water in the Charlton and Dack subdivisions of Clarksville and Bradley on the west side of the Town of Englehart.

Province backs off seniors' drug increase

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- The province has backtracked on a controversial proposal that would have raised drug costs for some seniors.

The Liberal government recently announced that it was "pausing" plans to increase the annual prescription drug deductible to \$170 from \$100 for seniors not deemed low-income.

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care announced the change in an April 4 media release, citing feedback over the

past month from "seniors and representative organizations."

WEEK OF APRIL 29, 2016

"Costs rising astronomically"

Municipality questions future with spiralling hydro charges

CHARLTON-DACK -- Charlton-Dack chief administrative officer Dan Thibeault has prepared a graph regarding electricity costs at the Charlton water treatment plant. The graph shows an alarming trend of soaring electricity rates, even though the kilowatt usage remains steady from 2015, and has dropped from 2014.

Collège Boréal ranks first in most categories

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- The Collège Boréal campus in New Liskeard is small, but part of a larger network of campuses and offices across Ontario.

All campuses are celebrating an announcement made Wednesday, April 20 about its standing among colleges Ontario colleges.

College president Pierre Riopel said in a telephone interview with The Speaker that the announcement was "historical," because "this is the first time that a college had the number one status in four of five" categories.

Highest graduation rate Northern College proud of performance indicators

DISTRICT -- Northern College, with campuses in Haileybury, Kirkland Lake, Timmins and Moosonee, are proud of the fact that they have the highest graduation rate amongst all Northern Ontario English language colleges.

In a recent press release from the college, they said Northern College's graduation rate was 87.1 per cent, also higher than the provincial average of 83.6 per cent.

WEEK OF MAY 6, 2016

Takeoff clearance requested Municipalities asked for airport authority support

ARMSTRONG TOWNSHIP -- About three dozen area municipal representatives and interested individuals gathered at the Earlton recreation centre on



APRIL

Jim Johnston, at right, described the pasture-based approach to sheep and beef production to an attentive audience. The Hudson Township farm of Mr. Johnston and Wanda Cook was a stop on a four-day visit to Temiskaming by the Advanced Agricultural Leadership Program. The class of about 30, coming from across Ontario as well as Quebec and Alberta, also toured the Elk Lake Planing Mill and a land clearing research site east of Elk Lake. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

Saturday, April 30 to hear details about the pros and cons of creating an airport authority for the Earlton-Timiskaming Regional Airport.

WEEK OF MAY 13, 2016

Nine solar projects approved in district

ARMSTRONG TOWNSHIP/DISTRICT -- Endura Energy Project Corp., a subsidiary of UGE International Ltd., announced it will be developing and constructing eight 600-kilowatt ground-mounted facilities in Temiskaming, and a 300-kilowatt rooftop facility at the Earlton arena. The projects will be developed and engineered in partnership with Soventix Canada.

Algonquin Regiment marches forward in Haileybury history

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- Soldiers, cadets and citizens braved a cold rain on Saturday morning in Haileybury, May 7, to mark two important events.

Members of the Algonquin Regiment were in town as the City of Temiskaming Shores granted the Freedom of the City designation to the unit, which then participated in the rededication of the Haileybury Cenotaph.

FREEDOM

The granting of the Freedom of the City by a municipality is one of the most esteemed honours to bestow on a military

unit, said the city in a press release.

The tradition began in fifteenth-century England. Armies that endangered cities would have to convince a chief constable of their friendliness before being allowed inside a town's walls. Once it was determined a military unit was trustworthy, they would be granted The Freedom of the City and allowed entry.

Board ONE grad rates a provincial low

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- For the second consecutive year, District School Board Ontario North East ranks last in the province in terms of high school graduation rates.

In 2015, only 65.6 per cent of the board's high school students graduated within five years. That's well below the provincial average of 85.5 per cent.

The board was also at the bottom of four-year graduation rates -- 46.1 per cent of its students graduated, compared to 78.3 per cent in Ontario as a whole.

Above average numbers Ontario Northland trial route

NORTH BAY -- Customers are showing their appreciation for the Ontario Northland's decision to pick up the east to west bus route connecting Sudbury and Ottawa.

The six-month trial period was started at the end of January, and is now showing an av-

erage monthly ridership of over 700 customers, says marketing and communications director Rebecca McGlynn.

WEEK OF MAY 20, 2016

New Liskeard couple picks up \$1 million prize

TEMISKAMING SHORES -- A New Liskeard couple celebrated their silver anniversary with a \$1 million lottery win.

July and Richard Belanger marked their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary May 18 as winners of a Guaranteed \$1 Million Prize from the Lotto 649 draw May 11.

WEEK OF MAY 27, 2016

Seeking improvements for non-urgent patient transfer

NORTH BAY -- The North East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) is still working on creating a system for Northeastern Ontario that would provide a non-urgent patient transfer service for patients in the region.

Although, locally, the Temiskaming Hospital is happy with its current arrangement of contacting the land ambulance service first, or the private non-urgent transportation companies if land ambulance is not available, and providing funding for the private transportations if needed.

WEEK OF JUNE 3, 2016

Concerns raised to focus voice for Temiskaming

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DISTRICT -- At the Thursday, May 26 meeting of the Temiskaming Municipal Association (TMA), which took place in Armstrong Township, new chair Lois Perry (Coleman Township councillor) raised a concern that member municipalities Temiskaming Shores and Kirkland Lake are also members of the Northeastern Ontario Municipal Association (NEOMA).

She noted that NEOMA is “the Cochrane district equivalent to the TMA.” and the goal is for the district to speak with one voice.

Cobalt Mayor Tina Sartoretto also commented that “it’s important for Temiskaming to speak as one voice.” She noted there are several organizations including the TMA, the Temiskaming Mayors’ Action Group (TeMAG), NEOMA, and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM). She questioned, “Who speaks for Temiskaming? How do we speak with one voice?”

**Group effort
Tri-Town Ski & Snowboard
Village Citizen of the Year
recipients**

TEMISKAMING SHORES — When a team works well together they are able to accomplish great things.

The team of volunteers who breathed new life and energy into the Tri-Town Ski & Snowboard Club has earned themselves a CJTT FM Citizen of the Year Award for their selfless efforts.

**Pillar of the community
CJTT FM Posthumous
Lifetime Achievement award
for Morley Shepherdson**

DISTRICT — When you define someone who has been a “pillar of the community” words like upstanding, rock, supporter, tower of strength, dedicated and leader come to mind.

Morley Shepherdson was all those things and more.

For a lifetime of dedication to his community where he improved life for the residents of South Temiskaming, Morley Shepherdson was given the 2015 CJTT FM Posthumous Lifetime Achievement Award during the May 27 Temiskaming Shores & Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Business Dinner.

**Darlene Bowen receives CJTT
FM Lifetime Achievement
Award**

DISTRICT — When Darlene Bowen received her 2015 CJTT FM Lifetime Achievement Award at the May 27 Temiskaming Shores & Area Chamber of Commerce Business Awards dinner, she emphatically stated in her acceptance speech that her efforts were all about improving her community, not just one specific community, but the greater community of South Temiskaming.

The award is presented to a person whose multi-faceted ap-

proach to volunteerism has resulted in a lifetime of enhancing the quality of life for residents in the community of South Temiskaming.

WEEK OF JUNE 10, 2016

**Housing proposed for former
New Liskeard school**

TEMISKAMING SHORES – A city business owner is proposing to put the “house” back into “school house.”

Mike Da Silva wants to convert a vacant school on Lakeshore Drive in New Liskeard into a 40-unit apartment building.

“I hope that we can do this,” Mr. Da Silva told Temiskaming Shores councillors June 7.

The former École catholique Sacré-Coeur school closed in 2014.

**Positive attitude and courage
Marie Denis celebrates 100
years**

HAILEYBURY -- Marie Denis (Marie-Rose Boucher Denis) reached her 100th birthday on Wednesday, June 15.

The Temiskaming Lodge resident lived independently until age 98, and her health is such that she lives free of medication.

Love, courage, and faith are used to describe the life of Mrs. Denis as she looks forward to the occasion of her birthday.

WEEK OF JUNE 17, 2016

Energizing talks at city hall

TEMISKAMING SHORES – The city has received a payback for investing in new technology.

Temiskaming Shores has been awarded almost \$14,900 from Hydro One and the Independent Electricity System Operators after installing energy saving equipment.

WEEK OF JUNE 24, 2016

Takeoff

**City endorses airport
authority**

TEMISKAMING SHORES – The city is the final municipality to board a proposal to create an airport authority for a one-year phase-in period.



MAY

The Heart & Stroke Big Bike rolled through the downtown streets of New Liskeard on May 3 powered by employees of Food Basics and friends who support research into heart and stroke disease with donations totalling \$3,300. Heart & Stroke Area Manager Dan Ingram said the goal was to raise \$6,000 with three rides taking place in Temiskaming Shores, and then the bike is off to Timmins. Riders in communities across Canada help raise funds for those who are affected by heart disease and stroke, Canada’s Number One killer. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

Temiskaming Shores council endorsed the new entity that would take over the Earlton Timiskaming Regional Airport from Armstrong Township.

**Sharron Graydon wins
Influential Women of
Northern Ontario award**

TEMISKAMING SHORES — She’s energetic, focused, hard-working and successful and she earned an award for her dedication to her community.

New Liskeard McDonald’s Restaurant co-owner and community activist Sharron Graydon won the Most Influential Woman of Northern Ontario Award 2016 (in the category of Influential Community Trailblazer) presented annually by *Northern Ontario Business* at the Best Western hotel in North Bay on Monday, May 30.

For 19 years the Influential Women of Northern Ontario Awards has profiled and honoured women who have contributed to economic wealth and growth across the North.

WEEK OF JUNE 30, 2016

**City turns down
accommodations study**



JUNE

Local Tae Kwon Do students staged a Kick-a-Thon Saturday, June 4, in New Liskeard. Alex Wight, left, a first degree black belt, performed a high flying spin attack on black belt Caleb Acland during one manoeuvre. About 15 students raised \$1,330 for the Bikers Reunion based on performing some 5,000 kicks over a three-hour timeframe. (Staff photo by Steven Larocque)

TEMISKAMING SHORES – The city won’t fund a study into the potential for new visitor accommodations.

On June 21, Temiskaming Shores council discussed commissioning a \$10,000 accommodation development potential study that would be available to prospective developers.

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YEAR IN REVIEW JULY TO DECEMBER 2016*

Did you get *The Speaker* this week? Here are some of the stories in our December 28, 2016 edition...

- They say all good things must eventually come to an end. And so it was with the 2016 New Liskeard Bikers Reunion.
- The Top Ten new stories of 2016.
- The year 2016 was the final year for the operation of the Haileybury Public School.
- For his tireless drive, compassion and selfless devotion as lead organizer of the New Liskeard Bikers Reunion, Barry Phippen is The Temiskaming Speaker’s Personality of the Year.
- Our B-front this week features a story and photos on the best of sports in 2016.
- Our C-front this week features the Faces of 2016.

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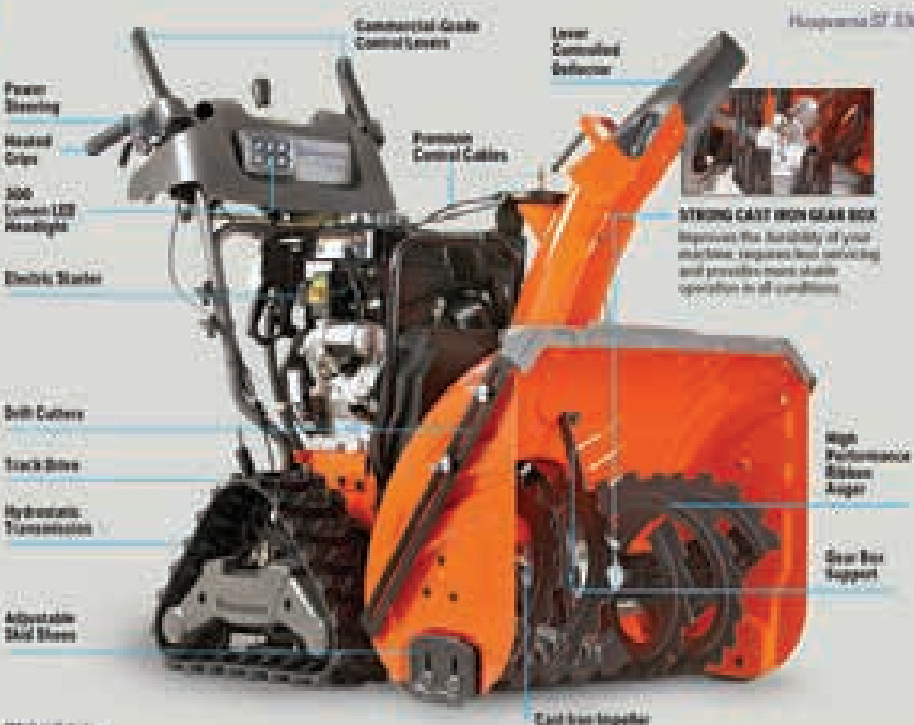
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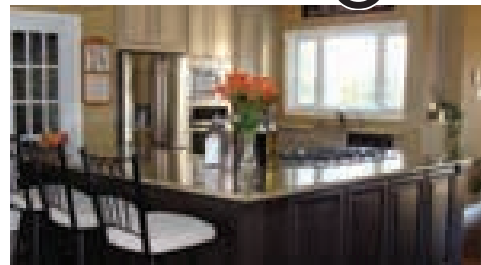


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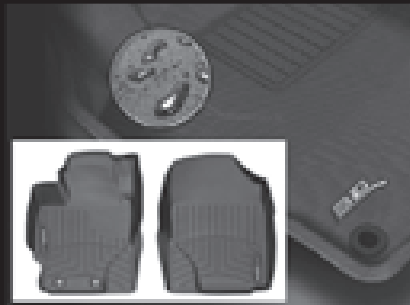
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