



Come North

Encouraging newcomers to play and stay

Diane Johnston
Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES – How do you persuade newcomers to “Come North?”

And once they're here, how do you get them to stay?

Those questions are at the heart of a three-day conference to be held at Riverside Place in Temiskaming Shores February 11 through 13.

The city is hosting the Northeastern edition of Come North – A Population Growth Strategy for Ontario's Northern Regions.

While other areas of the province are “growing and growing and growing,” the Northeast is not, said Temiskaming Shores economic development officer James Franks.

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FOR THE LOVE OF FOOD

Chartrand's Your Independent Grocer (YIG) owner Don Chartrand donated over 200 food bags to New Liskeard Public School East Wing students on Tuesday, January 21. The donation program is called “Raise a Food Lover” encouraging children to eat healthy and to encourage youth to learn to prepare foods with their family. Previous donations went to St. Patrick School in Cobalt and Ecole publique de Navigateurs in New Liskeard. From the left in the back row are YIG social media administrator Tiffany Johnson, Don Chartrand, YIG front-end manager Bonnie Cote and NLPS child and youth worker Kelly Howard. In the front row are Elsie Desmarais, Emma Loranger (in front), Claire Sayeau, Sophie Piette and Lilly Koistinen. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK?

Here are some of the stories in our January 22 edition...

- The Elementary Teacher's Federation of Ontario is now taking part in rotating strikes between the province and their union.
- Want to avoid the whooping cough? Then take advantage of the Temiskaming Health Unit's immunization clinics by appointment only at its three locations in the Temiskaming region.
- Englehart High School student Molly Malette could be chosen for a Loran Award scholarship worth up to \$100,000.
- The Ontario Trillium Foundation has made some funding waves giving the City of Temiskaming Shores \$150,000 for a new splash pad.
- Nastawgan Trails Inc. invites adventurous souls to hear Adam Shoalts, explorer extraordinaire/author speak tomorrow night at the Hudson Community Hall.
- The TDSS Saints wore a hockey halo after winning their second January Classic Hockey Tournament last week.
- Ryan and Amber Sayer will both be competing at the Northern Ontario Curling Association Men's and Scotties Provincials, respectively.
- Bring your pocket change to support the Sandra Schmirler Foundation and the Temiskaming Hospital Care Close to Home Campaign purchase of an infant bed.
- Our C Front this week features a story and photos on the 25th annual ACFO (Association canadienne-francaise de l'Ontario) Awards luncheon.



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*NOFIA is hosting the Northern Ontario Ag Conference in Sudbury on February 12 & 13, 2020. Visit our website or contact NOFIA for further information.

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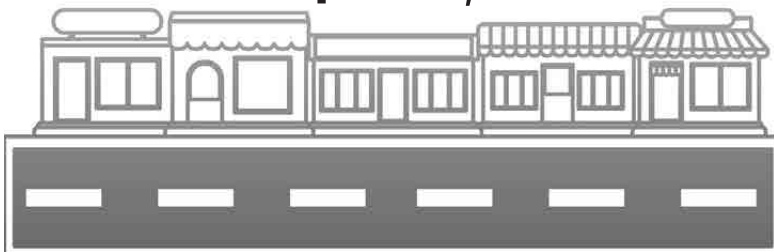
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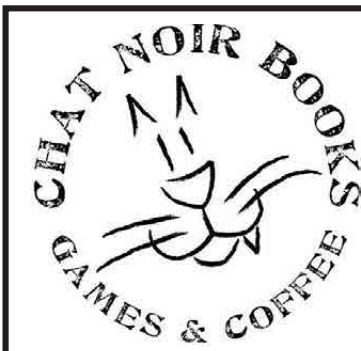
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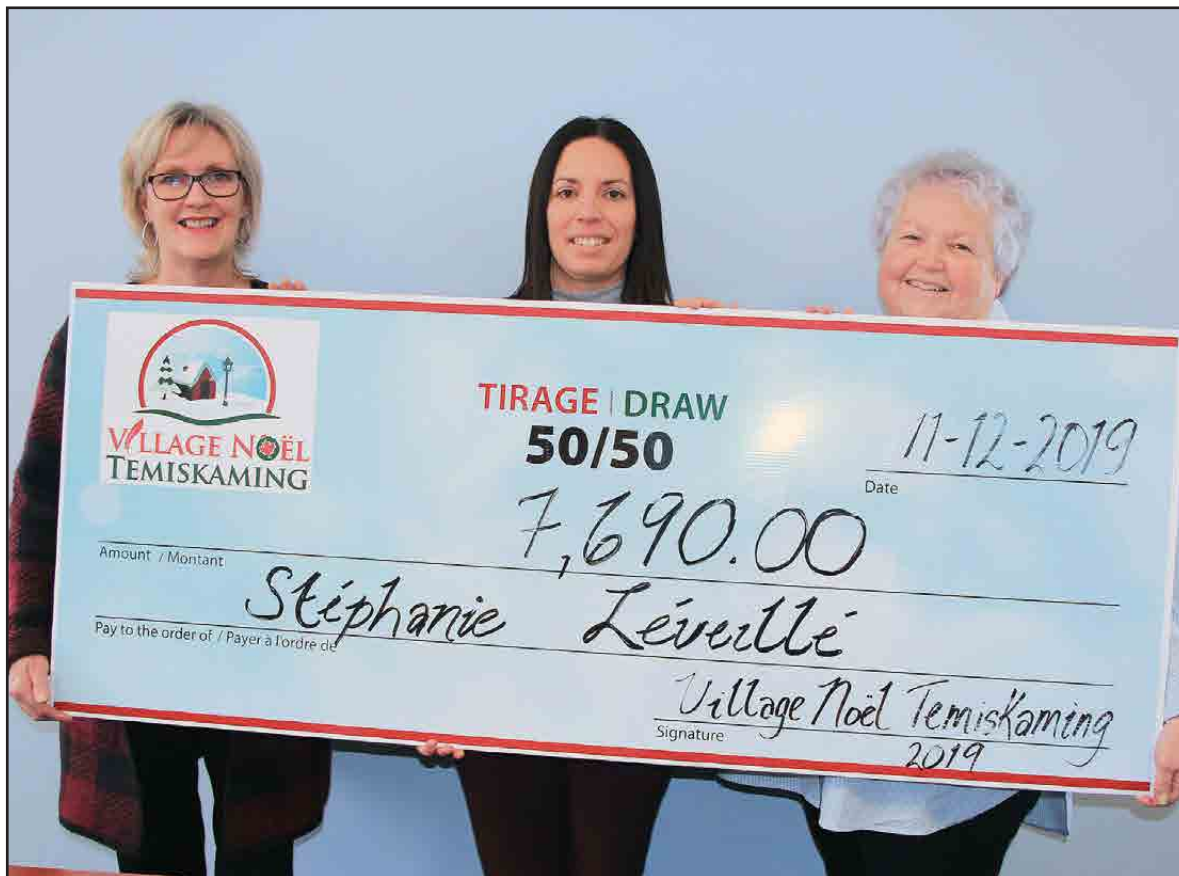
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IT TAKES A VILLAGE

Each year Village Noël sells 50/50 tickets in order to raise funds to benefit one lucky person and the event itself. Village Noël ticket seller Deborah Murray went to the Temiskaming Hospital selling tickets and hospital employee Stéphanie Léveillé won the 2019 prize of \$7,690. She said some of her winnings would be spent on Christmas for her three children and some put away for safekeeping. From the left are Village Noël committee member Lois Weston-Bernstein, Léveillé and Village Noël committee chair Réjeanne Massie at the Temiskaming Shores and Area Chamber of Commerce office. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

New board of directors at TSACC

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Staff) — The Temiskaming Shores and Area Chamber of Commerce (TSACC) elected a new board of directors on January 14 at the Chamber's boardroom.



TSACC represents 320 businesses in the South Temiskaming region.

They welcome new members Ben Fairfoull of Ransacked and Tap That Bar and Kitchen and Jenny Adshead of the Royal Bank as board members.

The new board of directors and executive for 2020 are as follows:

President: Paul Crombeen of Kemp Pirie Crombeen
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well of Alvin Caldwell Sand and Gravel Ltd.

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ey of Northern College, Dan Dawson of Victim Services Temiskaming District, Rollie Allaire of Rollie Allaire Holistic Life and Wellness Coach, Fairfoull and Adshead.

The Chamber thanked Patrick Smits of A and B Digital Printing for his contribution as a director.

To contact any of the directors or the Chamber office call 705-647-5771.

Kindergarten Registration



Visit a DSB1 school on January 28!

www.dsb1.ca/kindergarten



A FOUNDATIONAL LIFT

Temiskaming Hospital has added a new patient lift, improving patients' mobility and easing the physical strain on hospital workers, thanks to a \$1,800 donation from the Temiskaming Community Foundation's community fund. Pictured above are, from left, Temiskaming Hospital Foundation manager Lesley Kaross, hospital CEO Mike Baker, and community foundation board members Peter Graydon and Rebecca Hunt. The Temiskaming Community Foundation have granted almost \$17,000 to the hospital and its foundation this year through a variety of funds, including the Three H Furniture Fund, the Hartley and Dorothy Houston Community Fund, and the Kiwanis Club of Cobalt Fund. The latter also supported the Temiskaming Hospital's Local Northern Ontario School of Medicine group. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

Province seeking public health feedback

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Staff/Special) – Do you have views on the future of public health services in Timiskaming?

The province has launched a couple of avenues for the public to offer feedback.

The Temiskaming Health Unit is taking advantage of an in-person consultation session to be held in Timmins late next month.

It's also encouraging the pub-

lic and organizations to make their voices heard.

Comments may be forwarded by completing a survey. It's found at the end of a discussion paper, "Public Health Modernization," on the Ontario Ministry of Health's website, www.health.gov.on.ca.

The deadline for submissions is February 10.

The provincial government announced plans last year to

modernize the public health system.

It originally proposed consolidating Ontario's 35 public health units into ten.

But no decisions on that final number or on their boundaries have been made.

In the fall, the province announced the appointment of Jim Pine as advisor on public health and emergency services consultations.

Encouraging newcomers to play and stay

Continued from A Front

"We know there are already issues in the job market, and that's only going to get worse," he said.

At the same time, declining populations threaten the maintenance of schools and existing services.

The newcomers envisioned by conference organizers may be from remote First Nations, neighbouring rural communities or urban centres, other parts of Ontario or Canada, or anywhere in the world.

The conference is targeting local service providers who can help new arrivals get established.

The list includes federal, provincial, Indigenous, municipal and private sector leaders; funding agencies; schools, colleges and universities; hospitals, health care providers and social service agencies; neighbourhood and faith groups; service clubs; sports associations; and community-minded individuals.

Newcomers themselves are also invited to share their experiences and recommendations.

Guest speakers will attend from the Northern Policy Institute and the Far Northeast Training Board. Representatives of Sault Ste. Marie and Smooth Rock Falls will also be on hand to outline their roles as "welcoming communities," both big and small.

But Franks said the discussions by participants themselves are the central focus of the conference.

The goal is to increase awareness of the existing resources to attract and retain newcomers.

But the conference also wants to develop a plan for the region's population growth.

Attendance at the conference is free, and help may be available to offset travel costs for participants coming from a distance.

Attendance is capped at 100 to 120.

For further information, go to www.comenorth.ca.

A similar exercise for Northwestern Ontario will be held in Thunder Bay February 18 through 20, hosted by the Lake of the Woods Business Incentive Corp.

Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Eye Health and Diabetes

Eye disease is a common complication of diabetes, which can lead to blindness. If you have diabetes, you are at increased risk of developing eye disease. However, there are things you can do to help keep your eyes healthy.

Reduce your risk of eye disease

Eye exams can give you an indication of how diabetes is affecting your overall health. Controlling blood sugar, blood pressure and cholesterol will help to prevent or delay the development of eye disease. Be sure to:

- Work with your health care provider to control your blood sugars, blood pressure and cholesterol
- Avoid smoking
- Maintain a healthy weight through healthy eating and exercise
- Have an eye exam with an optometrist or ophthalmologist every year

Eye disease caused by diabetes

Eye disease due to diabetes is the leading cause of preventable blindness in people between 30 and 69 years of age. Diabetes can cause damage to the blood vessels in the retina, the light sensitive tissue at the back of the eye. Rapid changes in blood sugar levels can also cause sugar to leak into the lens of the eye, causing swelling and blurred vision.

What can you expect from your screening eye examination?

Your optometrist or ophthalmologist will dilate your pupils with eye drops to get a good look at the back of your eye. Dilation can cause blurry vision for several hours, so someone should be available to drive you home from your exam.

Is there a cost for people with diabetes to have a screening eye examination?

In Ontario, the cost of an eye exam by an optometrist or ophthalmologist for people with diabetes is covered through OHIP, regardless of your age. You do not need a referral to see an optometrist for an eye exam. Your optometrist will usually provide a report to your primary care provider, however, just to be sure, please ask that a copy of the consultation report be sent to your health care provider so it can be added to your medical record.

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Please join us on January 29 at Riverside Place, 55 Whitewood Avenue West, from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. for a special donor appreciation event.

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Burns on the beach

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Sue Nielsen

Address to the Haggis
-Robbie Burns

staying home on my last day in Scotland.

I planned on organizing all my gear to be fully prepared for my flight the next morning.

While we were enjoying a nice breakfast together, David checked out a short tour to the Robbie Burns Birthplace Museum.

They felt I should get ready to go right away.

Och, it was tempting, but I declined preferring to enjoy time with my child.

In the long run we found out the museum was shuttered for repairs and would be open sometime in 2020.

Robert Burns - Scotland's most famous bard - is worshipped around the world for his literary contributions.

From his *Auld Lang Syne* to his *Address to the Haggis*, Burn's writing is linked to Scottish culture.

The Scots describe him as a working class guy who liked his W's-words, women and whiskey.

I am partial to the modern era bawdy bard, the alpha Scot himself, Sir Billy Connolly.

Schools in our region often celebrated Robbie Burns Day but that's gone the way of the dodo bird.

The only lasting Robbie Burns Day tradition left standing around this shire is the Hailybury Legion's Robbie Burns Day supper.

Good on ya Legionnaires!
“La breithe shona duit” (happy birthday in Gaelic) Robbie Burns!

My daughter Whitney informed me she and her husband David, who live in Scotland, are attending an event called “Burns on the Beach” celebrating Scotland's national poet, Robbie (Rabbie) Burns on January 25.

They will enjoy a bonfire, a dram or two of good Scottish whisky, dance in a *ceilidh*, read his poems and feast on Scotland's national dish, haggis at Ayr Beach.

On January 25 the Scots celebrate the birthday of Rabbie Burns (1759), otherwise known as the bard of Ayrshire on Robert Burns Day.

This is when Scots and Scottish wannabees in Scotland gather around the haggis, play the pipes and dance.

While I was in Scotland at the end of last October, I toured many historic locations.

The kids felt that mother should see as much of the country as possible while I protested at times saying, “I will be back.”

On the last day of my visit, my daughter called in sick to work as she had a stomach illness.

We determined she might have gotten ill from eating shellfish on the Isle of Mull.

Both her husband David and I had eaten the haddock but she had the shellfish.

Anyhoo, I was more than happy with the fact she was

TINY CONSERVATIONIST



This black-capped chickadee is a common bird found at backyard feeders. This one was at a feeder in Coleman Township recently. They don't migrate like other birds, preferring to tough out a northern winter with survival techniques such as regulated hypothermia enabling the bird to regulate its body temperature and conserve energy. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

EDITORIAL

Do the math

The Doug Ford government and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF) have been locked in a battle over cuts to education for a number of weeks.

The OSSTF members have staged one-day job actions in this region and further afield since their contract ran out, hoping to put pressure on the government to get back to the bargaining table and get a deal done.

The educators are hoping to settle a number of outstanding issues including increasing class sizes, capping wage hikes and mandatory e-learning.

The uncertainty for families across the province when these walkouts will hit their region is unsettling for many and causing childcare headaches.

Many families have had to scramble for childcare when the walkouts occur.

Sometimes the left hand doesn't know

what the right hand is doing!

Last week the Ontario government via the Education Minister, Steven Lecce, issued a declaration the government would pay for childcare for parents affected by the teachers' actions.

These childcare subsidies are expected to cost a staggering \$48 million per day.

Does this not sound ridiculous and hypocritical?

Get back to the bargaining table and settle with the teachers, who if granted their wage increases would amount to \$200 million for the next three years.

Perhaps average citizens in the province may not understand the complexities of labour contracts and negotiations. However, they certainly can do the math in their heads and determine the province's latest childcare subsidies are wasteful and unrealistic.

Water safety

There is a huge pressure crack that has opened up on Lake Temiskaming in recent days.

Perhaps there is more than one?

Snowmobilers, anglers and others using the lake for recreation purposes need to know about open water and its dangers.

And it is important that snowmobilers visiting the region know about the changing ice conditions on area lakes as well.

Visitors to the region may not be aware of the latest ice conditions so passing on the word about area waterways is a good thing.

Stay safe and have fun!

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LETTER TO EDITOR

Paper and plastic

re: Is this the year? (Weekender editorial January 17)

Well, this is the year I write my first letter to the editor!

Congratulations to the Temiskaming Speaker/Weekender for bringing forward the disturbing topic of plastic water bottle use and single-use plastics.

Please consider continuing this leadership by revisiting the practice of wrapping the Temiskaming Speaker and the Weekender in plastic bags. Though it is more steps for the delivery person, perhaps it is necessary to return to the old practice of placing the paper at the door thereby taking a step forward towards addressing plastic use.

Respectfully submitted,
Paule Corneil
New Liskeard

Fund picks up hospital's call

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Special/Staff) – A new nurse call bell system is one of the upgrades coming to Temiskaming Hospital.

The new system, which links the patient to the nurse and the nursing station, is being funded by a \$753,000 grant from the provincial Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund.

“Technology and functionality have changed dramatically since our current system was installed over 20 years ago,” said hospital CEO Mike Baker in a news release announcing the funding.

“Replacing this aged system will bring many enhancements to both the patient and care provider experience. It moves forward our digital platform.”

The hospital said the new call system will increase integration of information and improve workflows, ensuring patients receive safe care and clinicians have the information they need, where they need it.

It will also be able to integrate with new “smart” beds.”

The new beds offer features to improve patient safety by preventing falls, reducing the risk of pressure injuries, and providing continuous monitoring of heart rate and respiratory rate.

They include, for example, a system to reduce the body from sliding when the head of the bed is raised; a feature that elevates the knees when the head is elevated; and motion-activated night-lights to guide patients back to bed.

They're also designed to be more comfortable and to alert medical staff when help is required.

Together, the new call system and Smart beds will have “an immediate impact on patient and staff safety,” said Erin Montgomery, the hospital's chief nursing executive and director of patient services, in the release.

Funding for the new beds is not, however, covered by the recent infrastructure renewal funding.

The hospital notes that fundraising is continuing under the Temiskaming Hospital Foundation's Care Close to Home campaign.

For further information or to donate, see www.temiskaminghospitalfoundation.org or call 705-647-1088 ext. 2030.



ON ICE CLASS

In a fun, friendly holiday season match-up, Temiskaming District Secondary School staffers and past graduates and current students faced off against each other at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena. Goalie Dante Comeau (left) is pictured with players Caitlyn Campbell (middle) and Mya Phippen. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

KL resident appointed to Northeastern Catholic board

TIMMINS (Staff/Special) – A Kirkland Lake resident will fill the vacant trustee seat representing Englehart and Kirkland Lake on the Northeastern Catholic District School Board.

The board announced the appointment of Stan Skalecki to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of former board chair Rick Brassard.

Skalecki will serve the remainder of the term, which runs until the fall of 2022. He was the sole applicant for the post.

He took the oath of office at the board's annual organizational meeting December 2.

At that time, Timmins trustee Glenn Sheculski, who represents the Timmins and Moosonee areas, was elected board chair for 2019-2020.

Also running for the chair's seat was Timmins trustee Colleen Landers, who had been serving as interim chair.

Acclaimed to another term as vice-chair was Timmins trustee Fred Salvador Jr. He too represents the Timmins and Moosonee areas on the board.



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Metis man relates in bestselling book

Darlene Wroe
Speaker Reporter

NEW LISKEARD - Metis author Jesse Thistle visited New Liskeard recently to share his experiences as a drug addict and homeless man, and his road to recovery.

Thistle has roots to Timiskaming First Nation and Temagami First Nation.

He now lives in Hamilton and is a PhD candidate at York University where he teaches.

He was named in 2019 as one of the most influential people in Toronto.

Thistle's new book, *From the Ashes*, was on the bestseller list and is available at Chat Noir.

Thistle related that he is descended through his mother from the Cree people of north Saskatchewan. Her ancestors had been part of the Louis Riel rebellion that fought colonialism and lost.

His father was from Cape Breton and of Scottish descent and had been victim of the Highland clearances.

Thistle explained these kinds of traumatic experiences in history lead to ongoing cyclical family experiences which impact future generations. Intergenerational trauma appears more frequently in Indigenous families, he said.

Eventually, Thistle went to live with his father's parents.

Thistle said his father was also a victim of the ongoing intergenerational problems that occur as a result of traumatic historic events which impact families. His father began experimenting in drugs, and was eventually murdered in 1982, although the family didn't know he had been murdered.

The family had little contact from his mother.

"To us she was a great mystery far away. She once tried explaining over the phone what kind of Indian we were," he said, but he couldn't understand her at the time.

When asked about his parents during his teens, he said they were dead and he was Italian.

He began going to night raves and using drugs.

Eventually he moved to Vancouver to stay with his brother who worked with the RCMP. That didn't work and Thistle spent 11 years as an addict and homeless man.

His life began to turn around in 2005 when he fell off a building



Metis author Jesse Thistle

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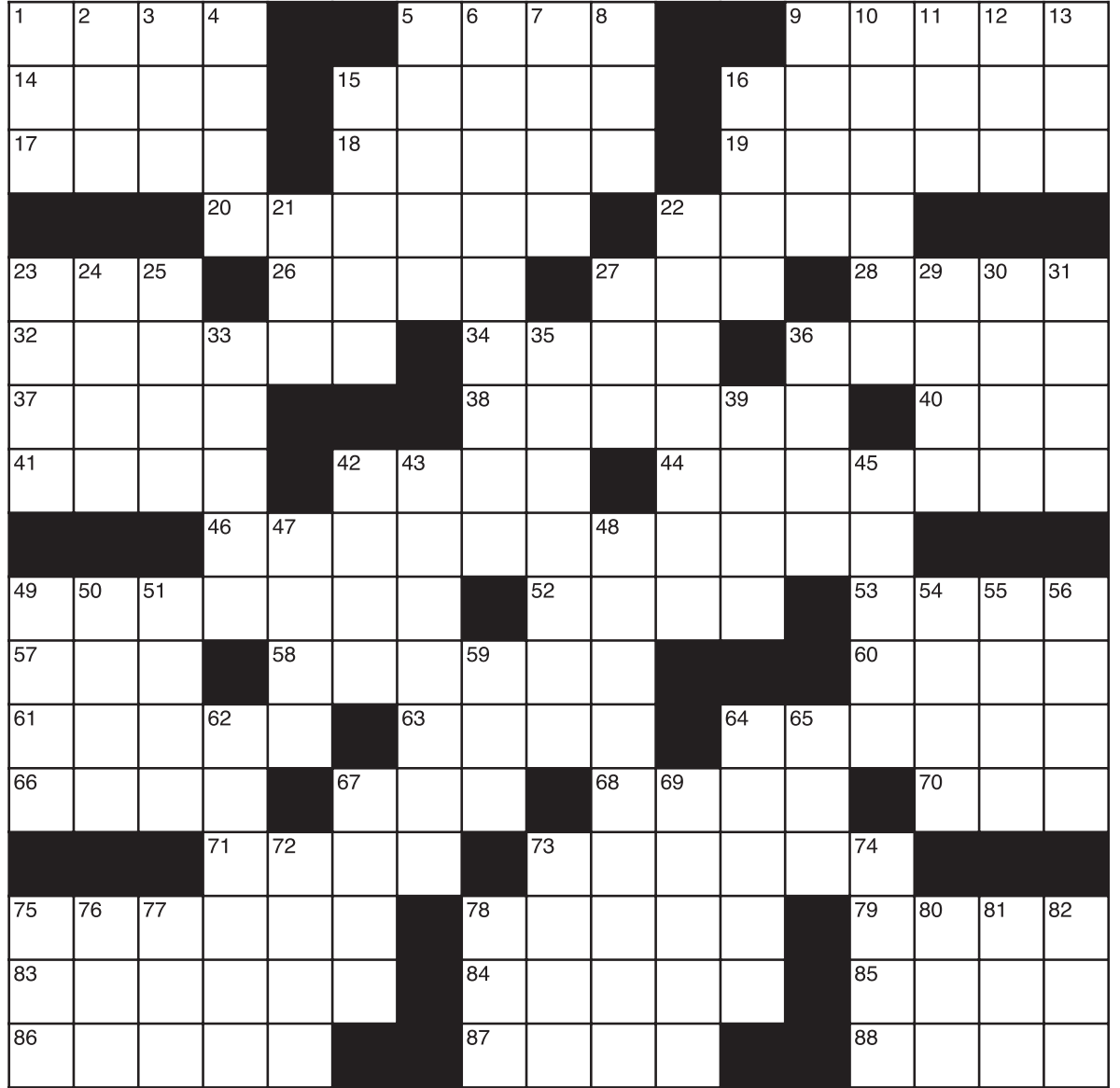
ACROSS

- 1. Roster
- 5. Dateless
- 9. Scots landowner
- 14. Black, in poems
- 15. Balance
- 16. Help to pay for
- 17. Dagger
- 18. Tea choice
- 19. Make angry
- 20. Wasp
- 22. Satchel
- 23. Native mineral
- 26. So long, in Soho
- 27. Wear
- 28. Pip
- 32. Straightforward
- 34. Having little money
- 36. During the time that
- 37. Hearing-related
- 38. Disinclined
- 40. Down yards
- 41. True-to-life
- 42. Have courage
- 44. Within _____ (sound range)
- 46. Filled with fear
- 49. Locker room oration
- 52. Kitty builder
- 53. Style
- 57. Sooner, to a bard
- 58. Responsible
- 60. Crazy
- 61. Surreptitious one
- 63. Nothing
- 64. Broken-limb support
- 66. Convey orally
- 67. Frigid
- 68. Pinnacle
- 70. By birth
- 71. A la _____
- 73. Oblique
- 75. Rather than
- 78. Wedding site
- 79. Right of north
- 83. Docket
- 84. Duty
- 85. Money exchange fee

- 86. Sonata section, often
- 87. Pawn
- 88. Gray wolf

DOWN

- 1. Rosy color
- 2. Kimono sash
- 3. Rocky hill
- 4. Egyptian symbol
- 5. Redolence
- 6. Disassemble
- 7. Gobs
- 8. Command to oxen
- 9. Eye of a camera
- 10. Anew
- 11. «Cybill» role
- 12. Cloth scrap
- 13. Pigment
- 15. Herring
- 16. College official
- 21. No RX needed
- 22. Accurate
- 23. Garlic feature
- 24. Holy procedure
- 25. Silk from Assam
- 27. Hart's mate
- 29. Essence
- 30. Mock butter
- 31. Camper's dwelling
- 33. Elaborate display
- 35. Including everything
- 36. «The Way We _____»
- 39. Rice wine
- 42. Pastrami purveyor
- 43. With suspicion
- 45. Baiting leader
- 47. Pedestrian's sign
- 48. Not flexible
- 49. Termite, e.g.
- 50. Coastal bird
- 51. Orange rind
- 54. Cut of meat
- 55. Teenage woe
- 56. Log
- 59. Purchase
- 62. Praline nut
- 64. Learned
- 65. Animal's enclosure
- 67. Theory
- 69. Metallic sound
- 72. Mass calendar
- 73. Certain choir member
- 74. Wild duck
- 75. «Cheers» setting
- 76. Conscious being
- 77. Swamp
- 78. Fire remains
- 80. Previously
- 81. Bro or sis
- 82. Also



Horoscopes

Answers For Crossword on 6b

CAPRICORN

Your circle of friends will get bigger. At work and in your personal life, you'll be very chatty at the beginning of the week, which will allow you to place yourself on the forefront and make some important deals.



December 22 - January 19

AQUARIUS

Before making a big purchase, be sure to check your budget and make certain the thing you want is something you need. With a little patience, you'll be more satisfied and get a better price.



January 20 - February 18

PISCES

Expect a hectic week that includes some unforeseen expenses. Happily, a raise will more than make up for it and will also ensure you're looked after in your old age.



February 19 - March 20

ARIES

A few steps back are sometimes needed in order to gain momentum and accomplish something amazing. Notably, you'll be inspired to create a masterpiece.



March 21 - April 19

TAURUS

Your friends will suggest some fun activities or even a vacation. A stroke of genius will allow you to solve part of your financial problems, even if the solution is a bit complicated.



April 20 - May 20

GEMINI

Your popularity will help you plan an event that brings many people together. At work, you'll organize an urgent meeting that'll be such a success it may turn into a party.



May 21 - June 21

CANCER

You'll be inspired by a life-changing voyage or class. You'll make enchanting discoveries that guide you toward a new form of spirituality.



June 22 - July 22

LEO

Emotions will run high this week, which should inspire you to have a more active social life. A type of spiritual awakening will guide you toward new goals.



July 23 - August 22

VIRGO

You have to make an important decision, but not before thinking carefully. Changes may be necessary in order to achieve your goals.



August 23 - September 22

LIBRA

It'll be a busy week at work, but that won't stop you from making sure the house is clean. You need a tidy environment in order to be happy.



September 23 - October 22

SCORPIO

Your self-esteem will go up a notch, encouraging you to accomplish things you didn't think possible in your professional and personal life. You'll have the chance to make yourself look good and be recognized by your peers.



October 23 - November 21

SAGITTARIUS

Whether you're single or not, you'll fall in love at first sight, which will take over everything. You'll hear about a birth in the family, bringing great joy to all around you.



November 22 - December 21

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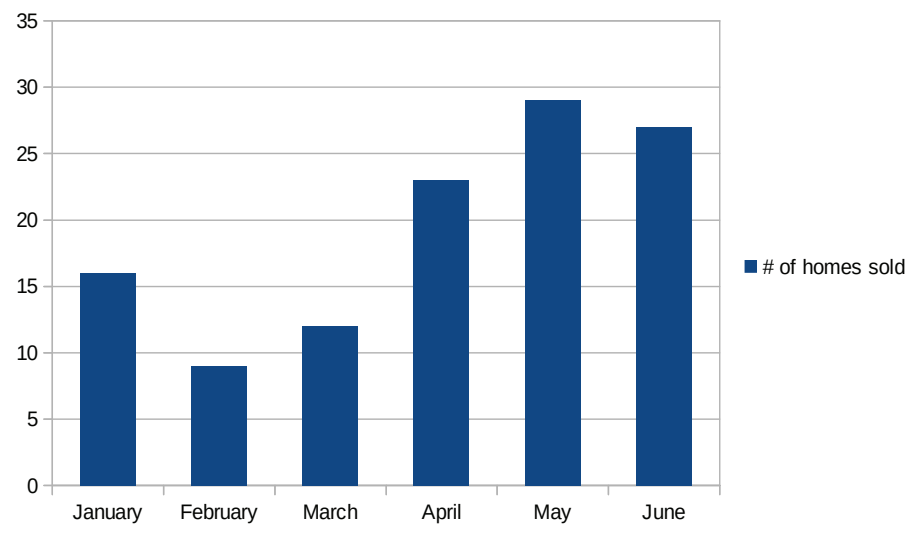
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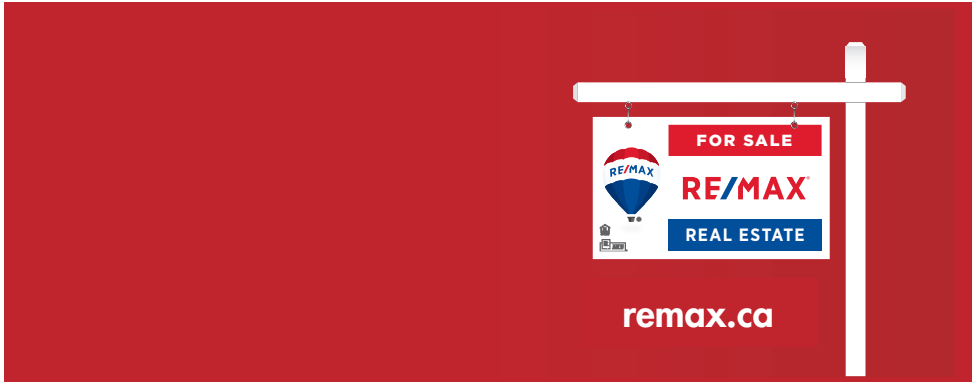
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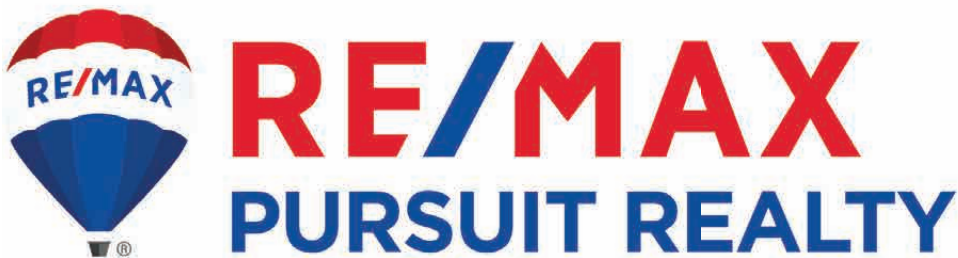
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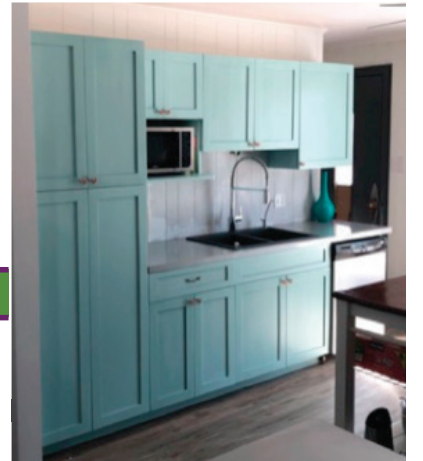


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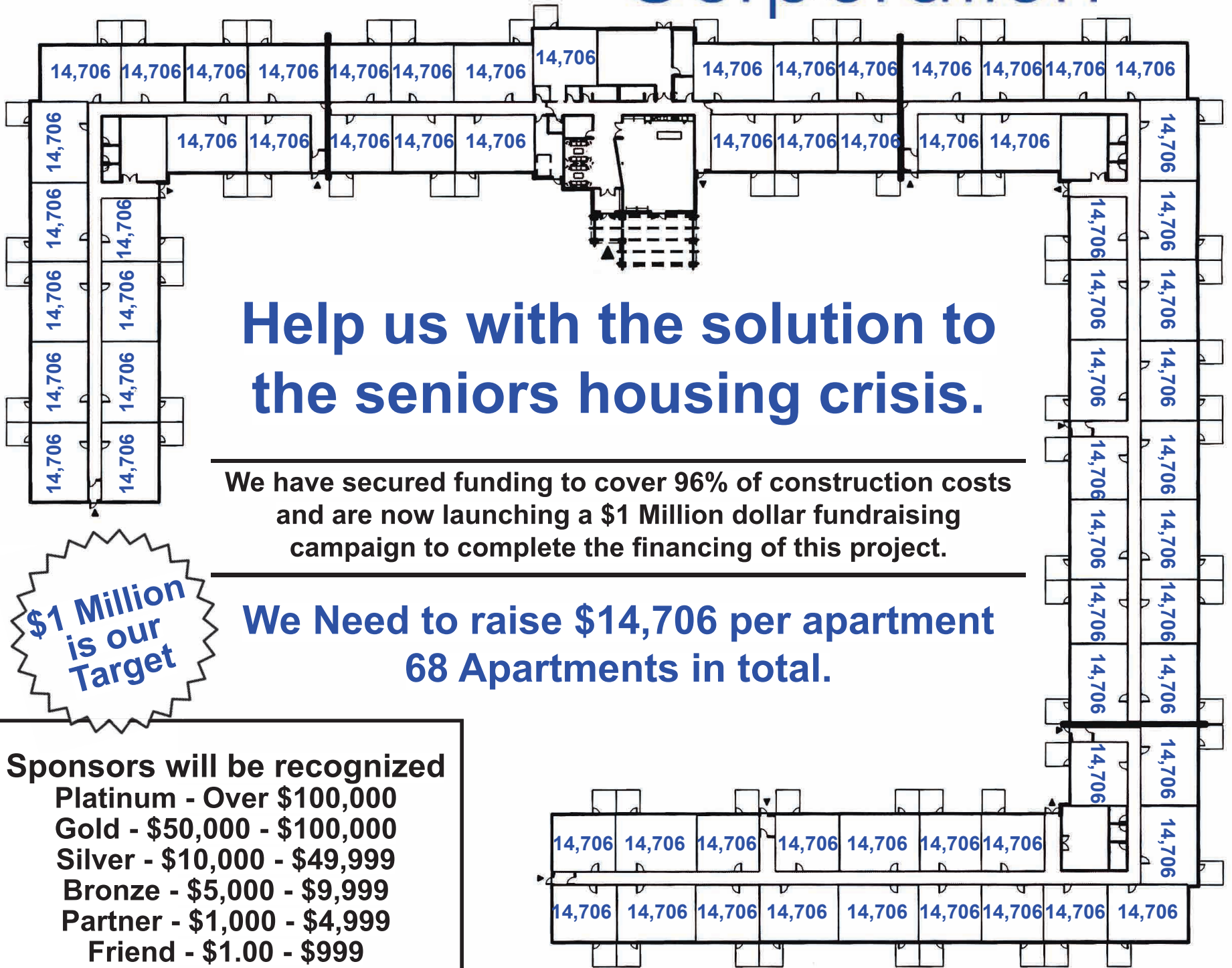
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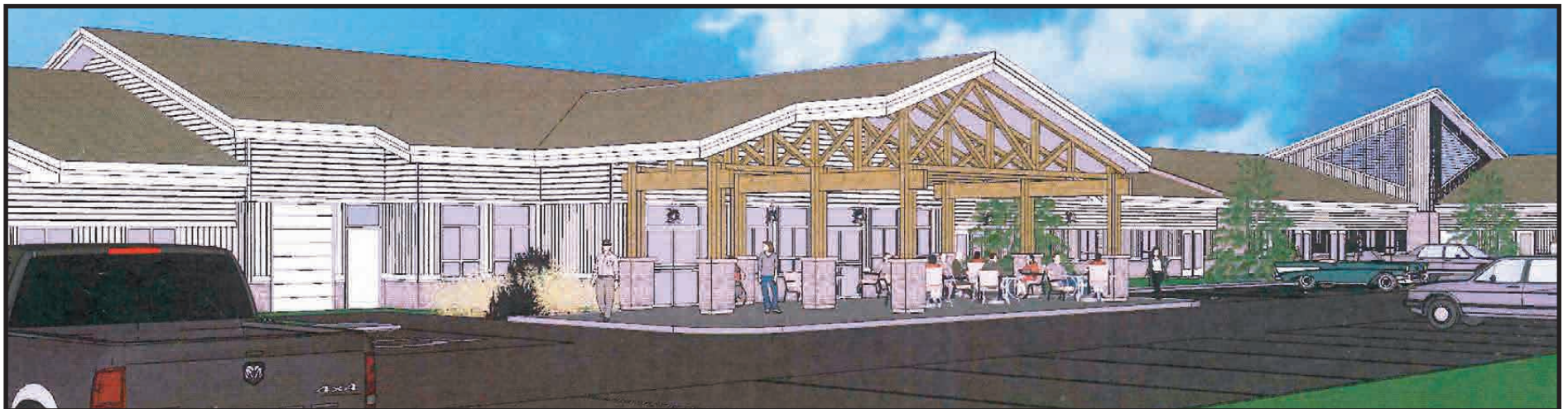
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