



SKATE AWAY

You could almost hear Joni Mitchell's classic Christmas song River playing in the background as Cody Vo na, 12, skated on Bay Lake at Latchford with dogs Charlie and William. Cody, from Woodstock, was here just before the lockdown was declared visiting his grandmother, Patricia Foreman. She said she couldn't recall a time when the lake had been so smooth and perfect for skating in the eight years she has lived at her Murphy Mill Road home. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)



Broadband, planning on Temagami agenda in 2021

By Jamie Mountain
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

TEMAGAMI - Broadband and cellular improvements and finalizing various planning initiatives are expected to take leading roles in Temagami in 2021. Temagami Mayor Dan O'Mara said the municipality hopes to "have some good news" when it comes to rectifying its broadband and cellphone issues in January.

"I continue to work with the other 15 communities in our area to seek approval of some of the newly an-

nounced government funding," he noted in an email interview.

"Applications are due in early January."

Work also will continue on finalizing the town's Service Delivery Review, Waste Management study and Strategic Plan.

"We plan on setting out some council priorities for the remainder of council's term," said O'Mara.

"Work will continue to finalize our review of our Official Plan."



DAN O'MARA

TEMAGAMI DRY FUTURE

When it comes to economic development, O'Mara says Temagami hopes to have a new plan in place as to what it - as a community - is going to do with the Temagami Dry trademark.

"A small (ad hoc) committee has been set up and will be bringing something back to council, hopefully later in January," he said.

The municipality purchased the trademark from Fortier Beverages of

Cochrane in 2020 for \$7,500 thanks to donations from people within the community.

O'Mara is hopeful that owning the trademark will provide the town with different economic development possibilities.

WORKING COLLABORATIVELY

Continuing to meet and work with Temagami First Nation and the Temagami Anishnabai "on a number of matters of joint interest" will also be a priority for Temagami in the new year, said O'Mara.

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DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK?

Here are some of the stories in our December 29 edition...



- The Mayor of Temiskaming Shores says 2020 was a challenging year that's "gone by very quickly," but the municipality was still able to complete some major projects.
- 2020 was the year of the coronavirus and for everyone their lives changed in big or small ways.
- A truck was left on weak ice on Lake Temiskaming last week and when it broke through a lot of manpower was required to extract the vehicle.
- Things are looking up for the Chariton Legion with repair work expected to begin after Christmas.
- Our editorial calls for "a better, stronger, more appreciative year."
- Latchford is looking at getting funding to improve internet service with fibre optics.
- Some of the, admittedly few, sports highlights in the region are talked about in the editor's column.
- The Mayor of Latchford takes a look ahead to 2021 in his municipality where several projects are on tap including the development of a business/industrial property.
- Temiskaming Shores Councillor Danny Whalen has been re-elected as FONOM president.
- The chair and vice-chair at District School Board North East will return for another term.
- The Speaker looks back on several months from 2020 to remember how we reported on area events.



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Rebekah Lodge in Englehart celebrates 100 years

Darlene Wroe
Speaker Reporter

ENGLEHART - Northern Beacon Rebekah Lodge #212 of Englehart celebrated 100 years in 2020.

Associated with the Independent Order of Oddfellows, the Englehart Rebekah Lodge now has approximately 32 members.

Many of the women who are members of Lodge are daughters of women who were members prior to them, noted Noble Grand Theresa Hall.

Members of the not-for-profit non-denominational fraternity work as volunteers in the community.

“We base our values on the women of the Bible,” said Hall.

“The Rebekah creed is basically to do kind acts quietly and without ever looking for credit.”

Lodge #212 owns its own building on 4th Avenue in



The Rebekah Lodge in Englehart celebrated 100 years in 2020. The Town of Englehart congratulated them with a plaque. From the left are Englehart Mayor Nina Wallace; Noble Grand Theresa Hall; Conductor Dorothy de Champlain; district deputy president Brenda McLean; vice-Grand Darcy Hebert; Right Supporter of Vice Grand Gayle Brownlee; and Englehart councillors Jason deLeeuw, Doug Metson, and Jerry Mikovitch. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

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Englehart.

An advantage of that is that the members are able to use the building as a centre from which they can provide catering services, both inside and outside their building, Hall explained.

“We do other fundraising events and we give away most of the money we make.”

The hall owned by the Rebekah Lodge is also rented out “just to help pay the bills or just to raise funds to donate to other clubs.”

Schools, the library, hospitals, the museum and the Girl Guides are some of the organizations which might benefit from fundraising over the years, she continued.

Fundraising monies may also be donated to head office projects. Individuals who are ill may also benefit from their kindness with some food, for example.

The Lodge also maintains a small garden at the cemetery.

As with other organizations, the Rebekah Lodge in Englehart has had a challenging year, and has now extended its meeting suspensions further into the new year as it waits out the pandemic.

The hall is still available for rent, but most of the organizations that use it are not expected to be holding meetings for the foreseeable future, Hall commented.



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"We plan on continuing the work with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to finalize a new land use agreement as it relates to the Temagami Access Point and landing," he noted.

"The plan is to establish a joint corporation to take control of the Access Point, and manage it accordingly."

LAND USE

O'Mara said a new area that the municipality is now starting to pay attention to is the need for additional land for housing lots and for the industrial park.

He said Temagami is seeing a lot more interest in people looking for space in Temagami and "we need a plan to address this."

"We also are seeing interest from businesses looking to establish (themselves) in Temagami and we hope to see something come of this in the new year."

In terms of the budget, O'Mara said that the town hopes it can keep its rates down and find a way to deal with some of the pressures it faces.

"Dealing with the Au

Château projected increase in municipal levy will be one of those challenges we will have to face," he said.

Au Château is a long-term care home in Sturgeon Falls.

O'Mara explained that municipalities in Nipissing were required years ago to be part of a long-term care system, however, Temagami ended up supporting the home in Sturgeon Falls as opposed to North Bay.

"We do not have any residents in the home but are still required to support the home financially," he said.

"We have been dealing with the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care about this and want this changed."

DEALING WITH COVID

O'Mara acknowledged that 2020 was "an interesting year" for the municipality.

He said that dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic will still create issues for the town but that they "hope this pandemic can end soon into the new year."

"The sooner the better," he said.

"We hope we can remain COVID-19 free."

When the pandemic hit in March, he said Temagami

and council became "quite focused" on dealing with it.

"Meetings were cancelled and everything seemed to be put on hold until we found new ways to operate under the new conditions we faced," he noted.

"The use of Zoom eventually did allow us to move forward. A lot of our focus in 2021 is following up on some of the things we started doing later in 2020."

From an operating standpoint, O'Mara said Temagami is "holding our own" and that hopefully it will end the year with a small surplus.

"One positive thing that did emerge is the work our Emergency Control Group Coordinating Committee has done," he said.

"Since March this group has been meeting regularly and has been monitoring COVID-19 as it relates to our municipality, 43 regular bulletins have been sent to date and they now have an extensive email listing that can be used for getting information back to our community members. As mayor, I want to thank everyone who has been involved with this work."

Looking back at 2020

FROM THE JAN. 3 ISSUE:

Casey looks forward with new administration

CASEY TOWNSHIP — Casey Township looks forward to a new year with Jordan Kemp at the helm of the administrative department.

Kemp is the clerk-treasurer for Harley Township, which provides administrative services for the townships of Casey, Hudson and Kerns.

He takes over the position from long-time municipal administrator Michel Lachapelle, who will remain for a few months as a municipal consultant.

Kemp has served as economic development officer for the four municipalities for the past three years.

Kemp officially took over his new position in early December of 2019.

Restrictions considered for Cobalt snowmobilers

COBALT — Concerns have been raised in Cobalt about snowmobiles driving along sidewalks in the downtown area, and also snowmobiles

driven noisily through residential areas late at night.

The issue was discussed at Cobalt's committee-of-the-whole meeting Tuesday, December 17.

An official complaint was read at the meeting, and discussion followed in which chief administrative officer Brian Walker said that the current by-law would have to be amended to restrict snowmobiles from being driven in the downtown area.

Blue-green algae reports on the rise

EARLTON — It may be greenish blue, red or brown. It may give off a heavy ammonia smell, float atop the water surface like a pea soup like soap-scum, or even be spotted below the ice.

It's blue-green algae, and the subject of a rising number of reports in Northeastern lakes.

Whether that reflects more "blooms" — the name given to the rapid population increases in the algae— or heightened public awareness, "we're seeing a lot more of it," said Brent

Trach.

FROM THE JAN. 10 ISSUE: Paper of Record available at library

TEMISKAMING SHORES — Temiskaming Shores Public Library chief executive officer Rebecca Hunt is excited about a new service which the library now offers.

The library now has access to the Paper of Record, which the public can use.

The digitized database provides access to numerous online newspapers and the library has now purchased a subscription.

Hunt says the new service "is especially valuable because it has the Temiskaming Speaker digitized from 1905-2001. That's incredibly valuable for people who are doing genealogy research and searches of local history of the area."

Cold cash coming for winter roads

BEAR ISLAND — The province is once again providing cash to maintain ice roads in Northern Ontario.

Thirty-one First Nations and

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A WALK IN THE WOODS

Five-year-old Vince Proulx and mom Josée Barriault paused for a photo before heading down the trail for a nature hike at Kap-Kig-Iwan park. The December 12 outing was the first of what will be regular winter visits to the park by the EarlyON centre in Englehart. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

15 Festive Quarantine New Year's Eve Ideas to Ring in 2021

New Year's Eve 2021 will look a lot different than last year's celebration. Instead of heading out for a night on the town, many of us will be settling in for an evening on the couch. An in lieu of ringing in 2021 with dozens of friends and family members, our guest lists will be limited to the people who live in our households. But just because your 2021 holiday is different does not mean it cannot be just as festive and meaningful as years past.

This year, holidays are even more important than ever. The past number of months have been challenging and New Year's Eve is the perfect day to reflect and reset. Before the clock strikes 12, grab a glass or mug of your favorite beverage and get ready to celebrate with these festive quarantine ideas:

- Make a New Year's Brunch
- Put up some glittery decorations to ring in 2021
- Make a scrapbook – 2020 was a year to remember!
- Get dressed up – just because you are staying home does not mean you have to wear your PJs
- Take some pictures – everyone loves a good photo booth. Buy some props and set them up in front of a DIY backdrop. To make one in a pinch, tape silver or gold wrapping paper to the wall.
- Write down your resolutions – since you are staying home, you will have extra time to work on your New Year's resolutions – try to include health and self-care in there.
- Play a game – there are plenty of games to play on Zoom
- Make your favorite beverage
- Make a memory jar – Every time something incredible happens, write about it on a piece of paper and put it in the jar. On New Year's Eve 2022, you can open the jar and take a walk down memory lane.
- Make a festive dinner
- Watch a movie. Light a few candles and settle in with some snacks for a cozy holiday you will remember
- Bake a delicious dessert - after a year like 2021, we all deserve a treat!
- Make a toast – Raise a glass to all the incredible experiences you will have in the New Year
- Make some noise – get some festive New Year's noisemakers and get loud
- Watch the ball drop – to encourage social distancing, the Times Square ball drop will go virtual this year. The event will still feature performers and speakers just like it has in years past.

What is most important this holiday season is that you and your loved ones stay safe and healthy.

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Reference: <https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/g34704057/quarantine-new-years-eve-ideas>



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EDITORIAL

Much to be thankful for

It is safe to say the year 2020 has been one of the most challenging years we have faced.

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed all of our lives in one way or another.

In a year that's been hard everywhere, our region faced those challenges with determination.

The pandemic delivered a one-two gut punch to our economy, there were businesses hard hit by the lockdowns with less demand for some goods and services.

Schools closed, then online learning began to take shape and then in the fall children went back to school.

And just before Christmas, Premier

Doug Ford enacted strict lockdown measures in an effort to get control of the virus.

Still, with all the challenges of the pandemic, there is much to be thankful for.

We thank the essential services workers and the health care providers.

We are thankful for the educators who faced piles of trials with smiles, albeit tired ones.

Yes, there were many disappointments when people could not gather or go about normal daily routines.

It's been a difficult year for the Temiskaming region, but at some point the pandemic will end.

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Canoe Q&A



Sue Nielsen

It's been a strange year to say the least.

We've experienced some rough waters and a few storms in terms of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In my own way I've tried to paddle through this year with a positive outlook.

When it was clear the pandemic wasn't going to just be a two or three week occurrence, I told myself I was going to keep my boat afloat, point my bow forward and keep my paddle in the water.

I was also going to do all the things the public health officials asked of us - wearing masks, social distancing, washing hands and avoiding travel outside the region.

Sitting in a canoe and paddling the pristine waters of this region might have been the safest place to be during the pandemic.

It certainly was the most peaceful.

Being on the water is natural medicine anytime, but during the stress of a pandemic, it was the magic elixir I needed.

Paddlers know travelling in the backcountry is perfect preparation for any pandemic.

You must prepare for every emergency possible from encountering a bear (bear spray) to emergency medical situations (first aid kit) and finding your way through dense bush to a portage location.

And yet there is no better feeling than coming through a storm, soaked wet, tired and sore to finally arrive at your campsite.

We will get to that peaceful campsite eventually as the pandemic plays out.

So here's a little question and answer session I will share with you:

Question: Who got you into canoeing?

Answer: Wild Women Expeditions

Q: What do you paddle?

A: A 16-foot Kipawa fiberglass canoe and a Scott 16-foot Prospector.

Q: Dream canoe?

A: Swift 14-foot Prospector

Q: Favourite trip?

A: Five-days in Killarney Provincial Park hearing wolves howling.

Q: Dream trip?

A: Paddling the Nahanni River in the Nahanni River Reserve

Q: Favourite paddle?

A: My Teal cherry wood made right here in our region

Q: Preferred canoe colour?

A: Red

Q: Canoe mentor?

A: Becky Mason

Q: Favourite canoe event?

A: Temagami Canoe Festival

Q: Favourite backcountry meal?

A: Steak on the fire with baked potatoes

Q: What does the canoe mean to me?

A: Everything. It represents, freedom, health, peace of mind, strength and everything Canadian.

The most important lesson I've learned from a canoe is to slow down and appreciate the world around me.

Since the very beginning of the pandemic we have been "in the same boat" and maybe now is a good time to remember the wise words of Indigenous author Richard Wagamese, "The most profound truth in the universe is this: we are all one drum and we need each other."

Paddles up everyone!



Timiskaming-Cochrane MPP looks back on 2020

With John Vanthof

Although the year 2020 started with concerns and predictions of possible COVID-19 restrictions, everything changed in March when Ontario went into a complete lockdown.

It was uncharted territory for all Ontarians and eight months later, protecting ourselves from the virus has become the new normal. Looking towards the future, the development of a vaccine is moving forward and the chief medical officer of Health for Canada is projecting that a large percentage of the population will be vaccinated before the end of 2021.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted each region of the province in a different manner. Although Timiskaming-Cochrane's case counts have remained low, our public health officials continue to encourage the wearing of masks, hand washing, social distancing and being overly vigilant in all situations.

In our region, forestry, mining, and agriculture were declared essential services so job losses in those sectors were held to a minimum. Unfortunately, the healthy and thriving tourism industry in Timiskaming-Cochrane was dealt a major blow when the Canada-US border closed. Closing the border denied many tourist camps access to their entire customer base and many of those same small, independent operators did not qualify for Federal or Provincial COVID-19 relief programs. Many small retailers, restaurants and service industry businesses were hard hit with the shutdown but many managed to develop creative revenue streams to keep themselves operating.

SOME GOOD NEWS

Fortunately, some sectors of our business communities are experiencing a banner year - home renovation, leisure products and real estate are all experiencing a huge increase in sales because people are grounded and cannot travel.

Constituents have asked me for my perspective on the Premier's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the first wave, the Premier did a creditable job, and for many, he exceeded expectations. He listened to health experts and as a result, most Ontarians (with the exception of long term care) managed the initial wave, the shut down and closures with understanding and resilience.

The second wave of COVID-19 presents a different story. The pre-pandemic Premier seems to have returned. More reactive than proactive and more concerned with business interests than the plight of people, the most tragic example is long-term care. There are long standing issues in our system that were brutally exposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. While other provinces prepared for the second wave by hiring and training personal support workers to manage the anticipated crisis, the Ford government hesitated, announcing action plans but failing to implement them. As a result, long-term care homes are being ravaged by the second wave of COVID with overworked staff and less of them.

The Ford government recently passed legislation which makes it difficult for families to assign



JOHN VANTHOF

fault to long-term care facility operators or hold the provincial government accountable for tragedies that happen to their loved ones in long-term care. This was the most cynical piece of legislation I have witnessed in my nine years as an MPP, and for me, this atrocity is emblematic of the biggest weakness of the Ford government. The Premier is well known for saying "the buck stops with me," but in fact his actions prove the exact op-

posite. The NDP has put forward a detailed plan on what should be done to improve our long-term care system, with the emphasis of removing profit from the system.

Locally, although our offices were closed to the public, our caseload actually increased substantially. We are available through telephone, email, and by appointment. Everyone's stress level increased with the pandemic and for people who were facing large challenges before COVID, those challenges have multiplied many times over.

COVID-19 drew back the curtains on many dark corners. Lack of mental health services coupled with an increase in addiction related issues are proving to be a challenge across the province but especially in rural areas like ours.

INTERNET

One issue that came to the forefront during the pandemic is lack of access to high-speed internet for many rural residents. As virtual learning and virtual medical appointments became a necessity due to the pandemic, lack of internet moved from an inconvenience to a major obstacle in many people's lives. All levels of government have announced funding for better services but funding announcements do not guarantee results. I introduced Bill 226 - The Broadband is an Essential Service Act, and it has passed second reading and moved to committee. The goal of Bill 226 is to ensure that every Ontarian has access to useable, affordable internet by 2030.

Currently, one of our most important issues is winter road maintenance. We continue to push government to improve the level of maintenance. Our issue is not with the contractors or the operators but with the contracts themselves. The NDP maintains that the management of road maintenance should be returned to the Ministry. The current government is unwilling to make that change but we will continue to lobby for improved services within the parameters of the current contracts.

On a personal note, as the legislature has been operating on a socially distanced schedule, I feel it is my duty and a form of due diligence to refrain from visiting public places and events in the riding. So, if you are wondering where I am, I am playing it safe for the good of my riding and my family. Going to local events is the nicest part of being MPP and both Ria and I really miss meeting and greeting everyone, all across the riding.

The year 2020 has been a very challenging one for everyone but although Christmas was different this year, the spirit has not diminished. On behalf of my family, and staff, I hope you had a Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year.



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Service and Information Update No. 6
Coronavirus Disease - COVID-19

For Immediate Release
December 23, 2020

The health and safety of residents and staff is the Township of Coleman's top priority as the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve. The Township is committed to doing our part to help slow the spread of the virus.

The Province of Ontario has imposed a mandatory lockdown beginning on December 26, 2020 until January 8, 2021 to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Please see below for a list of service level updates. Essential services including road safety, emergency fire response services, weekly waste collection, bi-weekly recycling collection and water treatment/distribution continue to operate as normal.

Municipal Complex:

The Municipal Complex will be closed to the public from noon on December 24, 2020 until further notice. We will await additional information from the Province of Ontario and will inform the public of changes as it becomes available. Residents can still call the office at 705-679-8833 for assistance as the office will be staffed beginning on January 4, 2021.

Landfill Site:

The Landfill site will be closed on December 26, 2020 (Boxing Day) and will resume regular hours on December 29, 2020.

The Township of Coleman is working with community partners to monitor the situation regarding COVID-19, and continues to respond accordingly. The Township encourages everyone to take all reasonable precautions, and to stay informed by only sharing information from official sources.

For all Township of Coleman service level updates and for additional information, please visit the Township's website at: www.colemantownship.ca/covid-19.

For further information, please contact:

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Council Meeting: The next Regular Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will take place electronically. Details of the meeting will be posted in advance of the meeting.

Coleman Holiday Hours:

1. The Municipal Office and Public Works Department will be closed from Thursday, December 24, 2020, beginning at 12:00 noon until further notice as we await additional details on the Province of Ontario's mandated lockdown.
2. The Municipal Waste site will be closed Saturday, December 26, 2020 and will then resume regular hours;
3. No Change to the Garbage or Recycling Collection Schedules.

Municipal Waste Site: Hours of Operation

Tuesday and Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed: Statutory Holidays
All garbage deposited at the Municipal Waste Site is subject to applicable tipping fees.

Garbage: A maximum of three (3) regular sized garbage bags of household garbage will be picked-up weekly. Please ensure your garbage is out by 7 am.

Recycling: Next collection date is Tuesday, December 29, 2020. Reminder to residents - All recyclable material must be bagged in clear bags (30" X 32"), with the exception of cardboard. All cardboard must be flattened for pick up. Please have recycling out before 9 am to ensure pick up.

Municipal Office: The municipal office will be closed to the public from noon on December 24, 2020 until further notice. You can still call the office starting on January 4, 2021 for telephone enquiries.

Building Permits are required for all construction in the Township of Coleman. Please allow sufficient processing time for your application.

By-law Enforcement: To report a property standards issue or if you want to report some illegal dumping, please contact Pete Gilboe at 705-648-3750.

Animal Control: For emergency animal control services, please contact the Animal Control Service Provider at 705-648-4583.

A reminder to Coleman Residents now that Winter is here, in accordance with By-law 12-15, as amended, it is an offence to deposit snow on or across a township road, on township or other private property that doesn't belong to you. It is also an offence to deposit and/or re-deposit or move snow in such a way that interferes with or obstructs normal visibility or obstructs vehicular and pedestrian traffic on the street and to deposit or re-deposit snow in a way that encroaches on the cleared portion of the street. We thank everyone in advance for your assistance and cooperation.

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Looking back at 2020

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the Town of Moosonee will receive some \$5.8 million to build and maintain 3,160 kilometres of temporary road running from Lake Temagami access point to Bear Island.

Temagami First Nation has been awarded \$18,367 for the road running from the Lake Temagami access point to Bear Island.

“The winter roads network is an economic lifeline for our Far North communities,” said Greg Rickford, minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines and minister of Indigenous Affairs, in a news release.

FROM THE JAN. 17 ISSUE: Heritage building-Fate of NL library sparks concern

TEMISKAMING SHORES — As the city prepares to relocate the library to new quarters, the board overseeing a local museum is raising concerns over the fate of the existing New Liskeard library building.

The library at the corner of Whitewood Avenue and Wellington Street is regarded by current and previous residents as “the centerpiece of the town,” wrote Margaret Villneff, president of the Little Claybelt Homesteaders Museum board, to Temiskaming Shores council.

It was built in 1911 with the help of the American industrialist philanthropist Andrew Carnegie.

It’s one of only 125 Carnegie Libraries in Canada and one of three in Northeastern Ontario, Villneff wrote.

Todd Mitchell Memorial

Tournament January 17-19

ENGLEHART — It should be a busy weekend of hockey when the seventh annual Todd Mitchell Memorial Hockey Tournament takes place January 17-19 at the Englehart and Area Community Arena Complex.

It’s held in memory of Mitchell, who was involved with the Englehart Minor Hockey Association and the adult hockey leagues.

He passed away in 2013 and the tournament was started the following year as a tribute to his passion for the game of hockey.

FROM THE JAN. 24 ISSUE: Encouraging newcomers to stay and play

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

And once they are 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.

New board of directors for TSACC

TEMISKAMING SHORES — 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 Royal Bank as board members.

Fund picks up hospital calls

TEMISKAMING SHORES — A new nurse call bell system is one of the upgrades coming to Temiskaming Hospital.

The 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.

FROM THE FEB. 7 ISSUE: Naloxone kits under consideration for city firefighters

TEMISKAMING SHORES — City firefighters will be carrying



BACKPACKING FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The Temiskaming OPP recently took delivery of a timely donation. Constable Chris Furino accepted five backpacks – stuffed with winter wear, snacks and hygiene supplies – from eight-year-old Briele Thornton, centre, and Thierry Thornton, 10. The Temiskaming Shores siblings went shopping before Christmas with their grandfather Don Lamothe of Coleman, with the goal of helping people in need through an emergency. Collecting gifts for others had been a Christmas tradition in her family, said the pair’s mother Jasmine Lamothe-Thornton. She described this year’s shopping spree as “an incredible learning experience for them both.” (Staff Photo)

medication that can temporarily reverse an opioid overdose.

Temiskaming Shores council has approved an agreement with the Temiskaming Health Unit that outlines the distribution of

naloxone to firefighters and its use.

It’s primarily intended to protect volunteer firefighters from accidental exposure to the powerful drugs when they respond to emergencies, explained Fire Chief Tim Uttley when the idea was first presented to city council last month.

Opioids are a family of drugs most commonly prescribed for pain relief and sometimes to treat addictions.

Raising awareness for Ontario beef

EARLTON — Beef Farmers of Ontario (BFO) is pushing to ensure customers have a positive awareness of Ontario Beef.

The Beef Farmers of Temiskaming heard BFO representative Katherine Fox say that efforts are being made to create a positive voice to promote Ontario beef.

Speaking at Le Grand Boulevard in Earlton recently, Fox noted that there are challenges at this time in the face of new protein competition, but efforts continue to be in touch with con-

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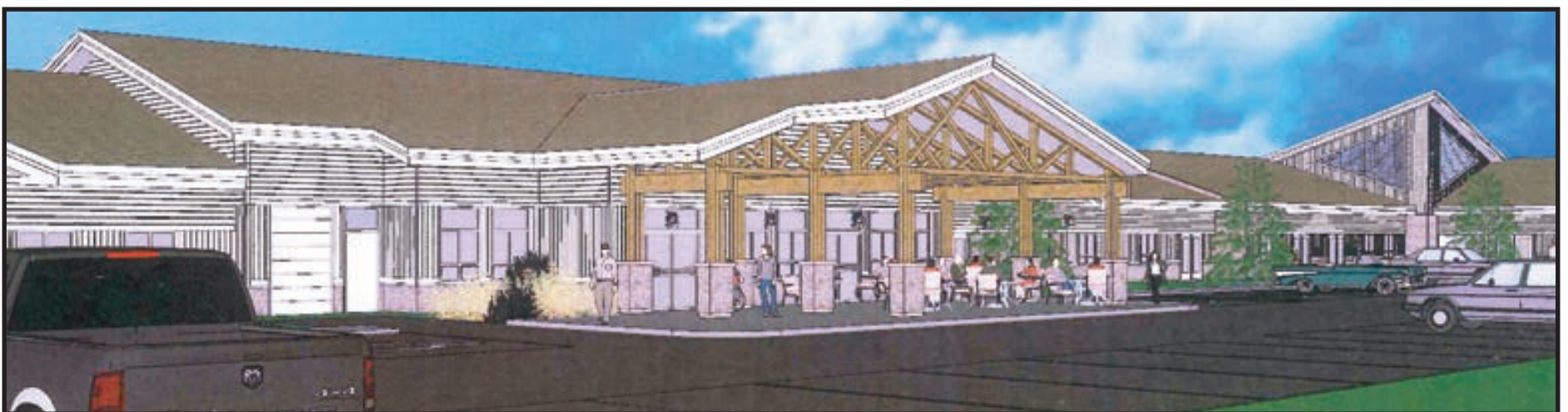
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sumers, including restaurants and retailers.

“We want them to feel good about Ontario beef,” she said.

New municipal building Evanturel’s number one goal

EVANTUREL TOWNSHIP — The number one objective for Evanturel Township in 2020 is to get its municipal office and garage rebuilt, says Reeve Derek Mundle, in spite of the November 11, 2018, fire that destroyed the municipal complex, vehicles and equipment.

FROM THE FEB. 14 ISSUE:

Increased water capacity in Cobalt

COBALT — The Cobalt water treatment plant is working exactly as it was designed to do, says exp professional engineer Alex O’Beirn.

He was speaking at the Cobalt committee-of-the-whole meeting Tuesday, February 4.

The town’s water treatment plant had been taken offline for a day the week before to finalize upgrades that have been taking place at the site over the past few months.

Valves, pumps, the pressure release system, low-lift pumps, high-lift pumps and other components have been undergoing upgrades to ensure the plant is working at its best capacity and most importantly, to ensure that the town could fight a major fire while still providing water to the

rest of the community.

Free fishing through Family Day weekend

DISTRICT — Families are invited to fish for free on Family Day weekend.

From February 15 to 17, Canadian residents of all ages can enjoy fishing in Ontario without having to purchase a license or carry an Outdoors Card.

There will also be free fishing events on Mother’s Day and Father’s Day weekends.

Bunker needs repairs for wall leak

COBALT — Cobalt seems prepared to step in to resolve a water leakage at the Bunker Military Museum.

At the town’s committee-of-the-whole meeting on February 4, council heard that the museum was seeking the town’s support to cover the cost of a temporary repair of the area that is leaking from outside the building.

Chief administrative officer Brian Walker reported that he had been given an opportunity to sit in on one of the museum’s meetings when he learned about the ongoing problem the museum has been encountering with the leaking wall.

FROM THE FEB. 21 ISSUE:

Exploring challenges, successes in attracting newcomers

As Northern Ontario’s population declines and ages, its workforce will also shrink.

One of the solutions - and



COOL FRIENDS

Kloe Johnston, at left, and Liam Goddard took advantage of a professional development day January 31 to try out the ice at the Shaver Park rink in North Cobalt. It was the first time this winter that the Temiskaming Shores nine-year-olds took to outdoor ice. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)

the subject of a conference that wrapped up in Temiskaming Shores last week - is encouraging newcomers to settle in the region.

“We’re talking about population growth,” said Charles Cirtwill, president and CEO of the Northern Policy Institute.”

New electric vehicle charging station coming soon

TEMISKAMING SHORES — Plans are being developed to construct an electric vehicle fast-charger station in New Liskeard before the end of 2021.

Hydro One and Ontario Power Generation announced the launch of their Ivy Charging Network on February 14, during the official opening of a new charging station in Huntsville at

150 Hanes Road.

FROM THE FEB. 28 ISSUE: Cobalt investing in municipal upgrades

COBALT — Cobalt council has agreed to get new doors placed on municipal buildings in the town.

“This is a solid investment that will last for years,” commented

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Cobalt Councillor Doug Wilcox at the regular meeting of council Tuesday, February 18.

Chief administrative officer Brian Walker noted that the town, like other municipalities, is required by the provincial government to meet criteria for accessibility to municipal buildings. The deadline for these objectives is in 2021.

Radiothon raises a hearty sum for new ECG machines

TEMISKAMING SHORES — Do donors to the Temiskaming Hospital have a heart?

On February 8, they proved they do, raising \$27,355 during a five-hour on-air fundraiser on CJTT to purchase new electrocardiogram (ECG) machines.

More donations were made in the ensuing days, raising the total to just under \$30,600.

Fourteenth gathering of Building Ties

SAINT-BRUNO-DE-GUIGUES — Building Ties Temiskaming met for the fourteenth time on Monday, February 24.

Building Ties Temiskaming has been meeting for several years with the goal of creating better understanding among the communities which live and work around Lake Temiskaming, and explore opportunities in working together more closely.

FROM THE MARCH 6 EDITION:

Armstrong looking to get gym in shape

ARMSTRONG TOWNSHIP — Armstrong Township council wants to have an ad hoc committee set up to oversee the installation of new flooring in the municipal gym, located at the Earlton Arena.

The concept was discussed at the township's regular council meeting Wednesday, February 26, and draft terms of reference for the committee have been prepared. They are expected to be adopted at the Wednesday, March 11, meeting.

Township clerk-treasurer Amy Vickery-Menard said the draft terms of reference have now been reviewed and outline the dates of the proposed committee.

Englehart Winter Carnival offers games and more

ENGLEHART — Englehart will once again be putting their heart into the season.

The annual Englehart Winter Carnival runs Friday, March 6, to Sunday, March 8.

The three-day event includes a snow sculpture contest and residential and business window-decorating contest.

There will be plenty of opportunity for friends to get together, meet, catch up and enjoy the many activities that are planned.

Cobalt Library outlines needs and changes

COBALT — The Paul Penna Library in Cobalt is carefully controlling its budget, while keeping an eye on its future needs and possible future changes in patron traffic.

Library board president Liz Cooper and treasurer Georgette Saxton were at the Cobalt Town council meeting Tuesday, February 18, to outline their 2020 budget, and to discuss the library's ongoing activities and services to the community.

While there are several capital projects the library can identify, including the roof that is starting to "show wear and tear" other smaller needs were noted.

FROM THE MARCH 13 EDITION:

PDAC attendees advised to check for COVID-19 symptoms

TEMISKAMING SHORES — Anyone who attended the PDAC convention in Toronto earlier this month is being advised to keep an eye on their health for symptoms of COVID-19.

The advice from the Sudbury Public Health Unit came after one case was discovered this week.

While the public investigation into the case is ongoing, it is known that the individual man, in his 50s, attended the recent Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) convention in Toronto last week.

The Sudbury and District Medical Officer of Health is advising anyone who attended the convention to monitor their health for two weeks.

Exhibition discusses balance in nature

COBALT — Kirkland Lake artist, public performer, sculptor and poet, Cesar Forero, is attempting to raise environmental awareness.

A recent exhibition at the Mezzanine Gallery in Cobalt, titled *Constrain and Balance*, speaks to the public about finding ways to live life while using less.

No injuries in Highway 11 truck fire

LATCHFORD — No one was injured when a tractor-trailer pulling a load of lumber caught fire Wednesday evening, February 26, south of Latchford.

The driver was able to pull the vehicle onto a snowplow turnaround point along the highway near Roosevelt Road, after becoming aware that a fire had broken out, Latchford Fire Chief Mike Beaupré said.

The Latchford Volunteer Fire Department was called to the scene just before 9 p.m. and used fire retarding foam spray to douse the fire to keep it from spreading further.

The police state the fire started

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12. Knowledge
15. Forest forager
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20. Hold it!
21. Group of actors
22. Louisville Slugger
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56. Ship deserter
57. Sediment
59. Hose shade
61. Campaign event
64. Small bag
66. Valley
67. Crevice
70. _____ butter
73. Guitar's ancestor
74. Newspaper section
77. Speech holder
81. "_____ Night Long"
82. Minty herb
83. Sills or Sutherland
84. Bambi's mother
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87. Assist a burglar
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 9. Mosque priest
 10. Quit, as a job
 11. Picnic insect
 12. Barbecue choice
 13. Growing out
 14. Gunpowder ingredient
 24. Constellation member
 25. Wound remainder
 26. Slangy negative response
 28. Come close
 30. Tanker
 31. Era
 32. Following
 34. Mock
 35. Hit hard
 36. Chop up
 37. Brave man
 40. Neither good nor bad
 41. Bestow
 44. Ancient Mexican
 46. African plain
 48. Parcel (out)
 50. Pipe instrument
 58. Medieval serf
 60. Default result
 62. Instruct
 63. Sheet of cotton
 65. Despot
 67. Fracas
 68. Measuring device
 69. Geography book
 71. Suspect's out
 72. Not once
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Horoscopes

CAPRICORN

Time will be in short supply, and you won't be able to ignore any of your responsibilities. Your boss might also ask you to come into work when you were supposed to have time off.



AQUARIUS

A getaway might be planned at the last minute. You'll also be incredibly excited about the idea of a new learning opportunity. For example, you might seriously consider going back to school.



PISCES

You'll head into the new year feeling very emotional. In both your personal and professional life, you'll face new challenges that mark a kind of new beginning.



ARIES

Watch out: it wouldn't be surprising if a misunderstanding with someone close to you disrupts your routine. You'll need to take special care when dealing with certain people, and you'll feel like you're walking on eggshells.



TAURUS

You can't put off cleaning any longer. The holidays are over, and you need to move on to serious matters. At work, you'll land the position of your dreams following the unexpected departure of a colleague.



GEMINI

Now's an excellent time to embrace self-care and learn to respect yourself. You'll also discover something you're passionate about and take the first steps to steer your life in that direction.



CANCER

Whether you have time off or not, you'll spend the week with your family or at least at home. Use the next few days to reassess your decor and move around some furniture to help clear your mind.



LEO

You're facing a lot of pressure or too much stress. It's hard to find balance. When you want solitude, you'll be surrounded by people, but when you're alone, you'll be wishing your friends were around.



VIRGO

You'll take the opportunity to return or exchange items in stores. You'll also come across a bunch of great deals, and you'll decide you can afford to treat yourself.



LIBRA

If you're still off work, take the opportunity to spend time outdoors with family or friends. You'll also feel the need to move. Even if it's a solo trip, you'll go on an adventure to satisfy your intrepid spirit.



SCORPIO

You'll be easily confused and distracted. You'll start to feel a buildup of fatigue. Try to take advantage of your days off to get enough rest. You might also have too much on your plate.



SAGITTARIUS

The party continues! There will be plenty of occasions to celebrate, and you'll be invited to all of them. At work, you'll feel overwhelmed by a large and demanding group of clients.



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FROM THE MARCH 20 EDITION:

Cobalt council considers responses to COVID-19

COBALT — Cobalt council spent the larger portion of a three-hour council meeting Tuesday, March 7, making plans for the immediate response to COVID-19, and also preparing responses if-worst-case-scenarios occur.

In an upstairs meeting at the community hall where more space was available, council met with approximately eight feet between the chairs around the table.

While the media were allowed to be present, the public was not.

The meeting began with chief administrative officer Brian Walker outlining plans for staff, such as emphasizing employees should stay home when they are ill. The outline has been prepared with the assistance of Wishart Law Firm with the town's arrangement.

Chamber annual dinner cancelled

TEMISKAMING SHORES — The Temiskaming Shores and Area Chamber of Commerce announced they have cancelled their Annual Chamber dinner for May 7.

“This event typically gathers over 250 people from the business community and the decision to cancel the dinner has been made in the interest of public safety,” said chamber business manager, Lois Weston-Bernstein.

However, the Chamber is still accepting nominations for their Business Awards.

They will decide how to present those awards at a later date.

At-risk individuals encouraged to self-isolate

DISTRICT — Vulnerable residents across the district and Ontario have been recommended to self-isolate for 14 days.

The suggestion was first issued Monday, March 14, when Ontario Medical Officer of Health, Dr. David Williams, announced enhanced public health measures to help contain the spread of COVID-19.

“All persons over 70 years of age and individuals who are im-

munocompromised are advised to self-isolate for a period of 14 days,” said Dr. Williams.

FROM THE MARCH 27 EDITION:

Practising fire safety amid COVID-19 prep

TEMISKAMING SHORES — Firefighters too are taking steps to protect themselves from COVID-19 and enable them to continue serving the communities.

In Temiskaming Shores, the need to maintain physical distancing has limited or cancelled meetings, said Fire Chief Tim Utley in a news release this week.

Fire stations are now closed to the public, public education events have been suspended, and certain fire inspection activities have been cancelled.

“As an emergency response agency, we must be ready and prepared to respond and the Temiskaming Shores Fire Department is doing everything we can for our residents,” he said.

Provincial recognition for Charlton beef producer

TORONTO — A Temiskaming beef producer has demonstrated environmentally winning ways.

Paul De Jong, owner-operator of Charlton Angus Cattle Company, is the 2020 recipient of The Environmental Stewardship Award.

The award recognizes the outstanding environmental stewardship of an Ontario beef farmer.

Brethour and Hilliard will share administrative services

BRETHOUR/HILLIARD TOWNSHIPS — Brethour and Hilliard Townships have struck a deal to share administrative services. The agreement will come into effect on Monday, March 30.

The two municipalities, led by Hilliard Reeve Laurie Bolesworth and Brethour Reeve David Wight, have been negotiating on a shared services agreement for the past several months.

The agreement will see Hilliard clerk-treasurer Vaughn Finch assume the clerk duties for both municipalities. Aaron Veley, who is a new staff member, will serve as financial administrator for the two townships.



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SERVICES

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TAOIST TAI CHI- Classes are cancelled until further notice. For more info and updates contact us at www.taoistaichi.org

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CITY BULLETIN

Temiskaming Shores Public Library

The library is closed to the public, except for booked curbside pickup times. Please call the library at 705-647-4215 or check our Facebook page or website at www.temisklibrary.com for more information.

Library Hours

December 30: 10-4—By appointment
 December 31: Closed
 January 1: Closed
 January 2: 10-4—By appointment
 January 3: Closed
 January 4: 10-4—By appointment
 January 5, 6, 7: 12-6—By appointment
 January 8, 9: 10-4—By appointment

Curbside Book Pickup Service

Our Curbside Book Pickup Service is in full swing! Call the library at 705-647-4215, email us at newliskeard@temisklibrary.com or use our online catalogue at www.temisklibrary.com to order your books. When they are ready for pickup a staff member will arrange a time for you to pick up your books in the lobby of the library. Not sure what you want? Call us for help! All returned items will be quarantined before being put back on the shelf. Remember that it is still mandatory to wear a face mask when entering the lobby to pick up your books.

Relax with an eBook or Audiobook!

With your library card, access thousands of ebooks and audiobooks on **Overdrive**. Download titles to borrow for 14 days. Items are automatically returned so there are no late fees! Go to the library website at www.temisklibrary.com and click on the OverDrive button.

Interactive Fun for Children on the Eresources page of our website!

Designed for children K-3, **PebbleGo Animals, Science and Dinosaurs** has fun information, videos, and pictures for children. The easy to navigate site allows children to learn about a variety of topics. Login with your library card.

If your children want to read, **TumbleBookLibrary Online** is a great place to go! The online collection of ebooks are suited for children in grades K-6. Existing children's books are animated and have audio narration. The collection includes 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 fairy tales such as Jack and the Beanstalk and Old Mother Hubbard. Use your library card to log in.

Learn Something New!

The **Hobbies and Crafts Reference Centre** offers detailed "how-to" instructions and creative ideas to meet the interests of virtually every hobby enthusiast with articles, videos, and more! Subjects Include: Arts and crafts, Collecting, Home and garden, Indoor recreation, and Kids' crafts. Have your 14 digit library card number ready to log in and start crafting!

Want to brush up on a language or learn a new one? **Mango Languages Online** teaches actual conversation skills for over 50 languages. With helpful feedback, you can learn at your pace, wherever you are. Create an account with your library card. Find these resources and more at www.temisklibrary.com.

Council and Committee MEETINGS

No meetings Scheduled

For further information contact Kelly Conlin
 705-672-3363 Ext. 4116 or kconlin@temiskamingshores.ca

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. – Virtual Meeting

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 19, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. – Virtual Meeting

January Council meetings will be held electronically. Residents are encouraged to watch the live-streamed meeting on the City's Facebook page. In addition, the open portion of the meetings, will be recorded and available for public viewing on the City's webpage following the meeting.

For further information, contact Logan Belanger
 705-672-3363 Ext. 4136 or lbelanger@temiskamingshores.ca

CITY INVOICE ALTERNATE PAYMENT OPTIONS

For your convenience, the City website has a Payment Portal located on the home page providing you with an online payment option.
www.temiskamingshores.ca

Click on the Payment Portal located in the bottom right corner of the home page and follow the instructions.

NOTE:

Payment Portals cannot be utilized to make Tax Payments.

Tax Payments made in the Payment Portals will be refunded to the taxpayer and a \$25 service fee will be applied to the tax account.

For inquiries regarding these matters, please contact the Corporate Services Department at 672-3363 or email to finance@temiskamingshores.ca

NOTICE PET OWNERS PET TAG LICENCE RENEWAL FOR 2021

Effective 2019, the City changed its Pet Licencing program to a permanent tag that is renewed annually. The fee for tag renewal is \$10 if paid by December 31, 2020. After this date, the renewal fee increases to \$20. If your pet has a tag that has a year identified (2018 and prior), then you need to get a new permanent tag, for a fee of \$20. New or replacement tags are available at the following locations: Pet Valu, Temiskaming Animal Hospital, Temiskaming Vet Clinic, K-9 Doggy Daycare, Animals First or City Hall.
Please be advised that Tag Renewals can only be done at City Hall.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Provincial Offences Office is now open to the public.

Note: Courts remain cancelled until **January 22, 2021**. You will be advised of your next court date in writing. Please do not attend City Hall or Northern College in Kirkland Lake for your court dates.

We now offer online payments at www.temiskamingshores.ca/poa. Payments will also continue to be accepted by telephone at 705-672-3221, email at poa@temiskamingshores.ca or by fax to 705-672-3200 or can be left in the drop box at the front entrance of City Hall, 325 Farr Drive, Haileybury.

If you currently have a suspended driver's license, your fine can be paid at Service Ontario located at 280 Armstrong Street, New Liskeard, Ontario or 10 Government Road East, Kirkland Lake, Ontario or pay online at serviceontario.ca

An Order made by the Chief Justice pursuant to s. 85 extending timelines for applying for reopenings (s.11), when a fine is due (s. 66) and when a fine goes into default (s. 69) is in effect until December 1st, 2020. If you do not respond by December 1st, 2020 you may be deemed not to dispute the charge and a justice may enter a conviction for the offence.

You may verify the status of your ticket at: <https://www.justiceservices.jus.gov.on.ca/POA/screens/poa/POASC001.xhtml>

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What municipal buildings are closed to the public?

- City Hall - 325 Farr Drive – CLOSED effective December 24th (phone calls only)
- Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena – CLOSED effective December 24th
- Shelley Herbert-Shea Memorial Arena - CLOSED
- Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre - CLOSED
- 200 Lakeshore – Public Works Office - CLOSED
- Dymond Fire Hall Administrative Office - CLOSED
- Riverside Place - CLOSED
- New Liskeard Community Hall – CLOSED
- Dymond Community Hall – CLOSED

When is City Hall open for phone calls?

December 24: 8:30am 4:30pm December 25 to January 3: Closed January 4: 8:30am to 4:30pm

Is the Library open?

Effective December 24, 2020, the library will be closed to the public, except for booked curbside pickup times. Please call the library at 705-647-4215 or check the Facebook page or website at www.temisklibrary.com for more information.

Library Holiday Curbside Book Pickup Hours:

December 24: Closed
 December 25, 26 and 27: Closed
 December 28: 10-4 Curbside Pickup—appointment is needed
 December 29: 10-4 Curbside Pickup—appointment is needed
 December 30: 10-4 Curbside Pickup—appointment is needed
 December 31: Closed
 January 1: Closed
 January 2: 10-4 Curbside Pickup—appointment is needed

How long will buildings/facilities remain closed?

Currently, all facilities are tentatively scheduled to reopen on January 9th, 2021 pending Provincial direction.

Where can I get a bus pass?

You can purchase a bus pass online at www.temiskamingshores.ca or make an appointment at the Library by calling 705-647-4215.

Can I get a refund for cancelled hall or facility bookings?

Yes, we will be providing full refunds for all rentals affected by the closures. Please contact Patti at phughes@temiskamingshores.ca

I have a membership to the Pool and Fitness Centre, will it be extended?

Yes, we will be extending all memberships at the Pool and Fitness Centre by the duration of the closure. Please contact pfcc@temiskamingshores.ca if you have any questions.

Is public transit still operating?

Yes, the buses are still operating. Holiday Hours of Operation are as follows:
 December 24: Last bus leaves Cobalt heading North at 5:00pm.
 Last bus leaves Walmart heading South at 6:20pm. December 25: No Service
 December 26: No Service
 December 27 to 30: Regular Service
 December 31: Last bus leaves Cobalt heading North at 5:00pm. Last bus leaves Walmart heading South at 6:20pm.

Will my garbage and recycling still be picked up?

Yes, garbage and recycling curbside pick-up is still operating. Holiday Hours are as follows:

Collection scheduled for Friday December 25, 2020 will take place on Monday, December 28, 2020.

Collection scheduled for Friday January 1, 2021 will take place on Monday, January 4, 2021.

Pick-up times may vary during the holiday season.

Is the landfill still open?

The Haileybury Landfill will be open to the public with normal hours of operations (Tuesday – Saturday, 8:30am – 4:30pm).

Holiday Hours are as follows:

December 25 - 28: Closed December 29 - 31: 8:30am – 4:00pm January 1: Closed

The City requests that all residents that utilize the landfill practice physical distancing and attempt to bring the appropriate payment to mitigate the exchange of cash. To assist in calculating payment please visit the City's website for the most up to date Tipping Fee Schedule. Note: 1 half ton truck load is approximately equal to 2 cubic yards.

How can I pay my taxes?

Payments by cheque for taxes and other items can be dropped off in the drop box located to the left of the front doors at City Hall (325 Farr Drive) or at the Pool & Fitness Centre (77 Wellington Street).

Tax Payments can be made utilizing interac banking. Your property tax roll number is your account number. The account number will be 15 digits starting with 010, 020 or 030 depending on where your property is located, example 010009123450000, do not include any spaces or decimals.

Pre-authorized payment plans, monthly or installment, are also available. Please email finance@temiskamingshores.ca for more information.

If you any other questions regarding payments, please email finance@temiskamingshores.ca.

Are there still POA Court dates?

Should you require assistance call our office at 705-672-3221 or email poa@temiskamingshores.ca. Our staff is available to assist you.

If you wish to pay your fines an online payment portal is available at www.temiskamingshores.ca. Select Online Payments and follow the directions for the Provincial Offences Office Speeding/Traffic/Infractions.

Payments can also be dropped off into the drop box at the building's front entrance at City Hall, 325 Farr Drive, Haileybury, Ontario. At this time, we are not accepting cash payments.

If you currently have a suspended driver's license, your fine can be paid at Service Ontario located at 280 Armstrong Street, New Liskeard, Ontario or 10 Government Road East, Kirkland Lake, Ontario or pay online at serviceontario.ca

If you are dropping off Extension of Time to Pay forms or Reopening documents, these can be left in our drop box located at city hall or emailed to poa@temiskamingshores.ca. There is an Order made by the Chief Justice pursuant to

s. 85 extending timelines for applying for reopenings (s.11), when a fine is due (s. 66) and when a fine goes into default (s. 69). The extension is granted until February 25, 2021. Unless your matters went into default prior to March 16, 2020, the applications are not considered urgent.

Courts are cancelled until further notice. You will be advised of your next court date in writing.

The Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre will be closed until January 9th. All memberships have been extended to account for the closure. All pool rentals will be rescheduled or refunded. Swimming lessons that were scheduled to start on January 5th or 7th will start the following week.

All Age Friendly programming has been paused and will return on the week of January 11th. All participants signed up to participate in Age Friendly programming beginning the week of January 4th will be contacted.

All municipal halls are closed until January 9th. All rentals will be contacted to rescheduling or refund their booking.

Both the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena and the Shelley Herbert-Shea Memorial Arena are closed from December 24th until January 9th. All rentals during this time will either be refunded or rescheduled.

Outdoor rinks and the skating path at the Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre will be open weather dependent. No team sports shall be played at any outdoor recreation facility as per provincial mandate.



**IT'S EASY TO GET DISTRACTED
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Cooking is the leading cause of fires during the holidays.

This holiday season, **always stay in the kitchen while cooking.**

If you must leave, **turn off the stove.**

For more information about fire safety during the holidays, contact your LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT.



Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management
ontario.ca/firemarshal

For More Information Call 705 672-3363 Write to The City of Temiskaming Shores, P.O. Box 2050, Haileybury, ON P0J 1K0 or Visit our Website: www.temiskamingshores.ca

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CITY BULLETIN

HOLIDAY SEASON WASTE COLLECTION
Please Note

Due to the holiday season, waste collection scheduled on Friday December 25, 2020, will take place on **Monday, December 28, 2020.**

Waste collection scheduled on Friday January 1, 2021, will take place on **Monday, January 4, 2021.**

pick-up times may vary during the holiday season

By-law/Property Standards Officer
Competition No. 2020-025

The City of Temiskaming Shores is currently seeking a Full Time By-law/Property Standards Officer within the Corporate Services Department. The By-law Officer is responsible for all duties of a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer to enforce Municipal By-laws including but not limited to traffic and parking, signs, fences, and property standards.

The successful candidate will possess the following qualifications and education:

- Completion of a College Diploma Program or certification in a related discipline (e.g., Law Enforcement);
- At least two years of related experience;
- Vulnerable Sector Check is a requirement of this position; and
- Valid Class G Ontario Drivers License and clean driver's abstract is a requirement of this position.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their resumes quoting **Job Competition No. 2020-025** no later than January 3rd, 2021 by regular mail or email to:

Shelly Zubyck; Director of Corporate Services
P.O. Box 2050; Haileybury, Ontario P0J 1K0
szubyck@temiskamingshores.ca

The City of Temiskaming Shores appreciates the interest of all applicants however, only those selected for interviews will be contacted. The City of Temiskaming Shores is an equal opportunity employer that provides equality of opportunity for employment without discrimination, consistent with The Ontario Human Rights Code. The City of Temiskaming Shores is committed to providing accommodations in all parts of the hiring process. If you require accommodations, we will work with you to meet your needs.

Equipment Operator
Competition No. 2020-024

The City of Temiskaming Shores is currently seeking a Full Time Equipment Operator within the Public Works Department. The Equipment Operator is part of a team responsible for the operation of dump trucks, loaders, sanders and street sweepers, as well as, for the maintenance and repairs of City roadways, and general labour duties.

The successful candidate will possess the following qualifications and education:

- Minimum Grade 12 or equivalent;
- Valid Province of Ontario Class DZ license;
- Three (3) years of related experience; and
- Ability to understand and comply with written and oral instructions including Health and Safety Regulations.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their resumes quoting **Job Competition No. 2020-024** no later than **January 3rd, 2021** by regular mail or email to:

Shelly Zubyck; Director of Corporate Services
P.O. Box 2050; Haileybury, Ontario P0J 1K0
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CHURCH SERVICES & more...

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH wishes to extend an invitation to join weekly services held every Sunday. 51 Wellington St. North New Liskeard, 10:30am, Pastor George Paraskevopoulos officiating. Now fully accessible with an outside ramp & inside hydraulic lift elevator. For more information, call 705-647-8401 or visit our website www.presbyteriannewliskeard.ca

THORNLOE CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH- Corner of Hwys 11 & 562, 15 minutes north of New Liskeard. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. for all ages. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening 6:30. Everyone is welcome. Pastor Curtis Greenwood 705-622-4860. For more information www.thornloecrossroads.ca .

THE SALVATION ARMY TEMISKAMING COMMUNITY CHURCH & COMMUNITY SERVICES - 260 Whitewood Ave., New Liskeard. Invites you to join Sunday worship service at 10:30am. All are welcome. Online recordings available at Temiskaming Salvation Army on youtube.com or on Facebook at The Salvation Army Temiskaming Community Church. Due to Covid-19, Emergency foodbank protocols have changed. Call 705-647-4115 Wednesday from 10am-12pm for intake interview and appointment for the afternoon. No walk-ins please.

ST. PAUL & ST. JOHN ANGLICAN CHURCH, HAILEYBURY Is now open for services every Sunday at 11 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Wellington St., New Liskeard. Worship Service 11:00 am Sunday Morning. All are welcome. Pastor Stephen Speer officiating. For more information, call 705-647-5026.

BIBLE READING GROUP- Read a scripture, listen to a scripture. For time & place call Judy Tinney at 705-569-2572.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELPS SUNDAY MASSES will be on Sundays at 9AM and 11AM. Registration is required to attend these Masses. To register call the parish office at 705-647-5035 on Wednesdays from 9AM to 12PM and 1PM to 4:30PM. Sunday Mass will continue to be live on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/OMPH.NL/

OMPH celebrates weekday Masses on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 10:30 A.M. on a first come, first serve basis

St. Pats Parish celebrates a weekday Mass every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M.

St. Pats Parish celebrates weekend Masses on Saturdays at 5PM. Parishioners are welcomed on a first come, first served basis.

MARRIAGE COUNSELING - Love for a Lifetime a free service of the church of Christ online at www.bibletalk.tv with Mike Mazzalongo. If you do not have access to internet and want to check it out call Mike or Judy Tinney at 705-569-2572.

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH OF ENGLEHART will be meeting every Sunday morning at 10:30am. We invite you to our worship services or our weekly bible studies and prayer meetings. We offer ministries for children, Jr. and Sr. High groups and monthly fellowships. Please contact Pastor Steve Crosby at 705-544-8339 or visit goodshepherdenglehart.yolasite.com

TOMSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WILL WORSHIP AT 10:00 A.M. ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH BEGINNING JULY 19th UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. UPDATES MAY BE FOUND ON FACEBOOK: TOMSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

OWE NOTHING TO ANYONE except to love one another for he who loves his neighbour, has fulfilled the law... Love does no harm to a neighbour, therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. Romans 13:8;10. Free bible lessons online at www.bibletalk.tv or call Mike or Judy Tinney at 705-569-2572 church of Christ.

EARLTON GOSPEL HALL WELCOMES YOU TO OUR WEEKLY SERVICES Sunday at 10 a.m. Breaking of Bread Communion, 11:30 Gospel, 12:15 Sunday School. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer meeting. 3 miles west of Earlton on Church Road.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH invites all to come & worship Saturday morning at 453 Marcella St in Haileybury. 705-242-4848. Officiating Pastor Ivan Uriegas. Study time is 10am and divine service at 11am. Prayer meeting Tuesday at 5:30 pm. Everyone is Welcome.

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH in Englehart invites everyone to Sunday Mass at 9am.

SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S EMMANUEL COMMUNITY CHURCH (formerly Emmanuel United Church, Englehart) at 10am, every Sunday. Minister: Rev. Elaine Lush. All are welcome.

ST. JAMES, COBALT - corner of Nickel and Prospect St. Sunday 9am.

HAILEYBURY & DISTRICT BAPTIST CHURCH extends a warm welcome to all. Worship Sunday at 11am with rev Fred Knutson. Accessibility ramp. Call the church (705) 672-5855. www.haileyburybaptist.ca

ENGLEHART BAPTIST CHURCH - Corner of Second St., and 7th Ave. Family worship & bible based teachings every Sunday beginning at 10:30am. Stay for lunch! Bible study & prayer every Wednesday at 7:30pm. Everyone welcome. To reach the Pastor Rudy Kaufmann please call 705-544-0065 or 705-647-7697

LA PAROISSE SAINTE-CROIX nous invite à prendre conscience et réfléchir sur notre relation personnelle avec Jésus Christ par les 7 sacrements offert par l'église catholique : le Baptême, la Confirmation, l'Eucharistie, la Confession, l'Onction des malades, l'Ordination et le Mariage. Par ses sacrements, une alliance est établie entre Dieu et nous dans nos cœurs, comme l'annonçait le prophète Jérémie (31, 31-34) : « Je mettrai ma loi, au fond de leur être, je l'écrirai sur leur cœur. Ils seront mon peuple, je serai leur Dieu ». Tél : 705-672-3296 / Adresse : 341 Sutherland Way, Haileybury, ON

PAROISSE SAINTE-CROIX SUR FACEBOOK: Consultez notre page Facebook sur facebook.com/Paroisse-Ste-Croix et restez au courant des derniers événements de notre paroisse catholique. **PAROISSE SACRÉ-COEUR CATHOLIQUE DE NEW LISKEARD** – Nous sommes heureux de vous accueillir pour les messes dominicales les samedis à 16 h et les dimanches à 10 h. Nous offrons aussi la messe le mardi, mercredi, jeudi et vendredi de chaque semaine à 9 h à l'exception du 4emardi de chaque mois. Cette messe a lieu à 19 h. L'église et notre bureau sont situés au 116 Dymond Cres. Certaines adaptations et modifications ont été mises en place pour la protection de toutes et tous. Pour autres informations composez le 705 647-5045 ou par courriel apsacrecoeur@personainternet.com. Pour le bulletin de la semaine consultez notre page Facebook (facebook.com/Paroisse-Sacre-Coeur).

ÉGLISE CATHOLIQUE SAINTE CROIX de Haileybury est maintenant ouverte pour les messes à 30% de la capacité de l'église. Tout en respectant les conditions sanitaires exigées par le gouvernement d'Ontario ainsi que les directives diocésaines, nous vous invitons à nos célébrations dominicales samedi à 19h (7h) et dimanche à 10h et durant la semaine le mardi à 16h30 (4h30) et le mercredi, jeudi et vendredi à 9h30. L'église Sainte Croix est située à 341 Sutherland Way, Haileybury – 705-672-3296. Bienvenue à tous!

Communiqué de PRESSE 11 juin 2020 Le diocèse catholique de Timmins se réjouit grandement de l'annonce faite par le Premier ministre de l'Ontario sur l'ouverture des églises le 12 juin prochain. Les prêtres et le personnel des paroisses ont reçu à cet égard un Protocole diocésain qui vise à assurer un environnement sécuritaire pour les fidèles, à respecter la dignité des célébrations liturgiques. Les messes dominicales reprendront les 20 et 21 juin. Les fidèles peuvent s'adresser à leur paroisse pour connaître les modalités d'accès à l'église. Press Release June 11, 2020 The Roman Catholic Diocese of Timmins is very pleased with the announcement by the Premier of Ontario regarding the reopening of churches beginning on June 12. Priests and parish staff have received in this regard the approved Diocesan Protocol which aims to ensure a safe environment for the faithful as well as the respectful celebration of the liturgy. Sunday masses will begin on June 20-21. The faithful can contact their parish for the timetable of the celebrations.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH COMING EVENTS - December 2020 WEEKEND MASSES:

Our Mother of Perpetual Help celebrates Sunday Masses on Sundays at 9AM and 11AM. Because of COVID restrictions, please register to attend these Masses by calling the office (705-647-5035) on Wednesdays.

Saint Patrick's Parish celebrates Sunday Mass on Saturdays at 5PM. They welcome parishioners on a first come, first serve basis.

Sunday Mass at 11AM at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish is live-streamed on our Facebook page, http://www.facebook.com/OMPH.NLParish

Our Mother of Perpetual Help will host advent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday of Advent (December 4, December 11 and December 18) from **11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.** All are invited to come and spend some time with our Lord this Advent. **Please phone the office (705-647-5035) to register to attend Adoration.**

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES will be celebrated at **Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish on Thursday, December 24th at 6:00 PM, 10:00 P.M., and on Friday, December 25th at 11:00 A.M. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** for these Masses as COVID protocols limit the number of parishioners who can attend Mass. **Please register beginning on Thursday, December 10th by email (omphoffice@gmail.com) or phoning the office at 705-647-5035 from 9AM to 4:30PM.** We will not accept registrations before December 10th.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS will be celebrated at **St. Patrick's Parish in Cobalt on Thursday, December 24th at 8:00 PM. Registration is not required for this Mass.** Parishioners will be welcomed on a first come, first serve basis.

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS: To celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, and to begin the new year, **St. Patrick's Parish in Cobalt** will be celebrating a New Year's Eve Mass on **Thursday, December 31st at 5:00 P.M.** OMPH will be celebrating Mass on New Year's Day at 11:00 A.M. Registration is not required for these Masses. **Parishioners will be welcomed on a first come, first serve basis.**

OMPH IS NOW ON FACEBOOK: Check our new facebook page at facebook.com/OMPH.NL and stay up to date on the latest happenings in the http://www.facebook.com/OMPH.NLParish.

WEEKLY OMPH E-BULLETIN: If you would like to receive the weekly e-bulletin from Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish, please email omphoffice@gmail.com. Stay in touch with all the latest news and events on a weekly basis.

PARISH WEBSITE: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish has updated its parish website. It contains information about the Parish, the weekly bulletin and a host of other useful information and links. Check out the website at www.ourmotherofperpetualhelp.ca.

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Our brewmaster, Andrew Kohlen, threw away a successful career in logistics to pursue his dream of reconnecting with the brewing roots of his family. This carried him to the UK's prestigious Brewlab in Sunderland, England, where he procured the alchemy that would drive his signature brewing style.

He took what he could from there and ventured to Scotland, Cornwall, and ultimately to Krefeld, Germany, working in the same brewery that had belonged to his ancestors. He came home to Canada for Hockley.

You could call it dumb, but we call it destiny.



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