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SURE SIGN OF SPRING

Lorraine Jacques of Harris Township and her granddaughter Alissa Clairmont, 6, were out enjoying the spring weather April 17 as they walked along Dawson Point Road. Along the way they found some pussy willows which are a clear sign of the arrival of the new season. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

Workplace outbreak **THU** announces uptick in COVID cases

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Staff) -A COVID-19 outbreak has been declared at Green Tractors in Earlton.

declared the workplace outbreak at the farm and construction equipment supplier April 20.

It advised anyone who visited the business, located on Poupore Road, between April 12 and 19 to monitor themselves for COVID-19 symptoms.

"If symptoms develop, reach out to your local Assessment Centre for testing," it said in a bulletin.

"You do not have to go for testing if you do not have symptoms."

If you're unsure whether you

should be tested, contact the health unit for screening, at 1-866-747-4305, ext.7.

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SPEAKER'S

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The news came as the health The Timiskaming Health Unit unit announced seven new cases in Temiskaming – five in the south part of the district, one in the central part, and one in the north.

> As of noon April 21, the district was reporting 20 active cases. One individual was in hospital, and the rest were self-isolating.

> The latest numbers brought the number of local cases since the pandemic was declared a little over a year ago to 151.

> A total of 129 cases have been resolved, and there have been two deaths.

> Almost 11,800 doses of vaccine had been administered.



DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK?

- · We are getting closer to having at least half the population of the Temiskaming region vaccinated by the end of April, says the Timiskaming Health Unit.
- The annual Community Living Temiskaming South Walkathon is cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Town of Cobalt is reviewing its capital budget and is considering spending almost a million dollars (\$900,000) to build a new public works garage.
- The Lunch Truck will move a short distance away from its present location to the south

organizations that provide services to women in need in the region.

- The Latchford Fire Department has been asked to extend its auto extraction services to cover Coleman Township.
- · Englehart council has sold a vacant lot as a residential lot.
- The Temiskaming Hospital's Radiothon hits the airwaves in a virtual format April 22.
- A special book called





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end of the Horne Granite Curling Club.

- The Centennial Park in downtown Englehart will see some improvements if the town is approved for Canada Infrastructure Program funding.
- Walmart associates filled purses and donated them to

Haileybury Golf Club - A Century of Memories 100 ans de souvenirs commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Haileybury Golf Club.

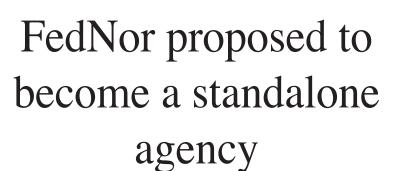


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Darlene Wroe Speaker Reporter

DISTRICT - Granting FedNor a new standalone status equal to that of other economic agencies in Canada is seen as good news for the North by Timmins-James Bay MP Charlie Angus.

FedNor is a tool of the federal government to support economic development in Northern Ontario.

Angus applauds the decision to allocate a new approach for FedNor. The announcement was made in the federal govern-

ment's 2021 budget released April 19.

The budget is giving FedNor the new status as part of the country's envisioned economic kick-start that will be needed to

CHARLIE ANGUS emerge from the pandemic.

> In a telephone interview, Angus said FedNor's past status has allowed it to get lost among the files of past federal ministers with the FedNor portfolio.

> He has been pushing for the change for several years.

> "The issues of the North are unique and we need better accountability and we need to know that FedNor is fully mandated to recognize the unique issues of Northern Ontario, so this is a very good first step," he said.

> The Liberal budget must first get passed to bring this change into being, but Angus, who is a member of the New Democratic Party, suggested that the budget would be passed.

> "There are some good things in the budget and some things I think the government really missed but we are in the midst of the biggest medical catastrophe in memory so deciding that we're going to bring a government down over a budget is not on."

> He expressed satisfaction that FedNor will receive its standalone status. "That's something I pushed for, and I'm glad the government is listening. That shows minority governments can work," he said.

He expressed the hope that FedNor will receive more staff as a result of the change in its status, and also hopes that it will be based in the North.



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The annual budget for FedNor has been about \$43 million, he said, although he noted that he has not seen recent figures for its economic spending.

The FedNor budget has fluctuated up and down over the years, he said, and "it has never been nearly enough. Last year FedNor played a staggeringly important role in getting Northern businesses through the pandemic." Community Futures was also active in assisting area businesses to stay in business in 2020, he noted.

He hopes the new format will result in better economic results for Northern Ontario.

Former Legion leader celebrates 96th

Darlene Wroe Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES Bun Eckensviller celebrated his 96th birthday on April 17.

Well known throughout the area for his dedication to area veterans and the New Liskeard Royal Canadian Legion Branch 33 and its Pipes and Drums Band, his years as a hockey coach and chair of the New Liskeard Public Library, many people throughout the area view him as a member of their own family.

He served in the navy in World War II. and when he returned home he obtained training to take up a position as a machinist with Hill-Clark-Francis where he remained for 28 years. When that business closed he went to Wabi Iron and Steel where he held the position of maintenance foreman for another 21 years.

Born and raised in New Liskeard, he met his future League teams in the 1950s. In wife Evelyn Bailey at a dance in 1946. Evelyn grew up west of Earlton and the couple were married in 1947. They had two sons, Terry and Brian, who both live nearby. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren have also come along over the years.

Evelyn died April 19, 2013, but Bun continues to live in their home in New Liskeard, and is resolved to stay there for the rest of his life.

"Tomorrow I start on my 97th year," he said in an interview on the day of his birthday.

He said he has accepted the things he has to do in his senior years, such as turning in his driver's licence and selling his car.

His son Terry takes him shopping.

His neighbour comes in every morning and helps him with small things, such as getting his socks on, and then has a cup of coffee with him. He considers her and her family as part of his family, he said.



Bun Eckensviller turned 96 on Saturday, April 17. (Staff photo)

when he was a Pee Wee hockey coach for Travel and House the past, some young people

who benefitted from his support asked if they could call the couple Grandma and Grandpa, to which they agreed. Some of them still call him Grandpa, he said with a smile.



Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) Awareness FAST FACTS:

13-20% of Canadians (approximately 5 – 7.5 million individuals) are living with IBS

- it is more common in women, but still affects many men
- people of all ages have IBS, from young children to the elderly the primary symptoms are what are commonly referred to as the ABCDs
- of IBS Abdominal pain, Bloating, and Constipation and/or Diarrhea symptoms can come and go, so you might feel well for a while only to get
- symptoms again

Although each person has a unique IBS experience, this condition can significantly decrease a person's quality of life. Interestingly, only about 40% of people with IBS symptoms will seek help from a health care provider.

DIETARY AND LIFESTYLE MODIFICATIONS

The bowel responds to how and when a person eats, so it is important to eat regular, well-balanced, moderately sized meals rather than erratic, variable meals.

Some people find that dietary fats and the food additive monosodium glutamate (MSG) trigger symptoms. Some find symptoms worsen when consuming large quantities of liquids with meals. Others find that cooking vegetables and fruits lessens IBS symptoms, compared to when eating them raw. People with IBS might need to avoid or decrease consumption of caffeine, nicotine, and alcohol, particularly if the main symptom is diarrhea.

FIBRE

An important step in controlling the symptoms of IBS is to increase dietary fibre. Gradually increase your dietary fibre intake, allowing your body to adjust to the change, but make sure to increase the amount of water you drink as well.

It is important to note that for some IBS patients, a diet excessively high in bran fibre might trigger more frequent diarrhea, while other types of fibre could still be helpful. Consult your primary care provider or dietitian if you have any questions regarding fibre in your diet.

If you are a patient of the Temagami Family Health Team and would like to speak with our Registered Dietitian, please call 705-569-3244 to schedule an appointment.

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Source: GI Society - Canadian Society of Intestinal Research



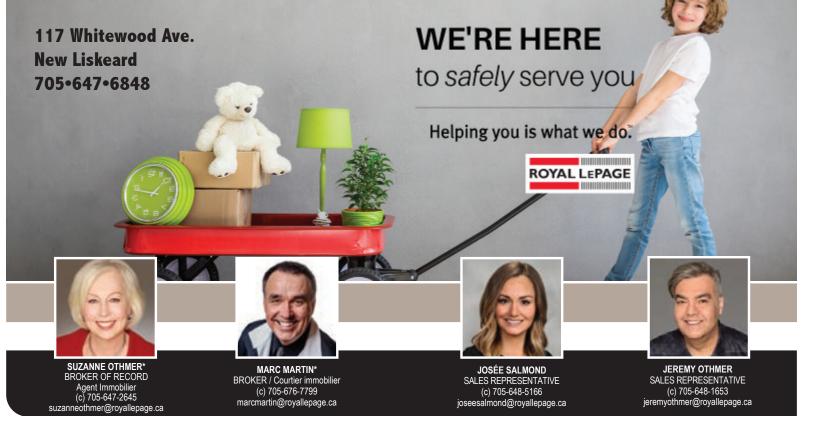
He will now be receiving home care in order to help keep things in order.

"I've lived a very good life and a full life," he commented. "I have been to a lot of places and I have done a lot of volunteering."

He reflects on the pleasure in past years of going downtown, sitting and having people come by and asking, "How are you doing today Bun?"

Many of those people had been in the Branch 33 Pipes and Drum Band, he said.

There were also the youth



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EDITORIAL **Protect NOSM**

We all know by now Laurentian University is in a real mess.

About 160 or more English, French and Indigenous programs have been cut and 100 staff have been laid off since the university filed for creditor protection on February 1.

This was the first time that a university has ever filed a bankruptcy claim in the province.

Without a doubt many in the Temiskaming region may have attended the university over the years or have children who attended or are currently enrolled.

But we must keep in mind a further danger from the fallout of Laurentian's financial woes.

We know The Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) was formed as a solution to the doctor shortages in the

north.

It is a stand-alone entity maintaining independent finances, administration and a board of directors.

NOSM must not rely on Laurentian University and Lakehead University to grant its degrees and millions of dollars in funding tied up with Laurentian must be forwarded to NOSM.

While the Laurentian University debacle is still unfolding, the government should be taking steps to protect NOSM.

NOSM has produced hundreds of medical professionals, with more than half of those graduates practicing in the north.

NOSM must then be granted university status, thus making it our medical university for the north.

NOSM is a success story any way you look at it and it must remain that way.

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Thank you volunteers

This week marks National Volunteer Week in Canada (April 18-24). There is great value in the selfless

actions of those who choose to help others.

Volunteers are a special breed

and the Temiskaming region punches above its weight in terms of our volunteer power.

We would like to extend a big thank you to all the volunteers across the region in service clubs, sports organizations, hospitals, churches, food banks, schools and elsewhere that work together toward a common purpose.

You are making a positive impact and your work is appreciated.

Stay well and safe!

Hot spots

Is anyone confused about the latest Ontario COVID-19 lockdown measures?

Join the club.

I watched a TVO program last week explaining the COVID-19 hot spots in the province of Ontario.

It seems the vicinity of Pearson International Airport has the highest concentration of workers in the province. Over 50,000 people go to work in factories and in service industry jobs in that region on a daily basis. They cannot stay home because they have no sick days. And yet Premier Doug Ford refuses to bring in sick day protections. One worker gets sick and brings the virus home to family and friends and on and

hot cakes in the premier's backyard and yet he won't take the necessary measures to shut it down or help low and middle income wage earners stay home when they are sick.

This is the same premier who continually stands at a podium telling the people of Ontario that he cares about them and calls us "friends" over and over again.

Paid sick leave and efficient vaccine delivery in and around the GTA will help to stop the spread of the virus and yet Ford closes playgrounds, golf courses, overnight camping on crown land and on and on. It seems there was a backlash from people in the GTA who were stuck in tiny apartments with their kids during the school break, so he retracted the

closed playgrounds order.

Public health officials were left scratching their heads at Ontario's decision to close outdoor recreational facilities noting the science says COVID-19 transmission outdoors is extremely rare.

Which begs the question: who should be making the important decisions about the COVID-19 pandemic - politicians or public health officials?

The premier also told us to stay home or else the cops would get us, ha, ha. Some police forces have informed Ontarians they would not be arbitrarily doing the premier's ry and heartache that we've all dirty work in stopping average citizens.

down Pearson Airport with hundreds of flights a day coming into the province?

Sue

Nielsen

Drivers at the Quebec and Manitoba boundaries with Ontario are now subject to spotchecks, yet international travellers can fly in and out of the province?

To be fair, Premier Ford has asked Ontarians not to fly during the pandemic but people are not listening, and it can't be easy managing a pandemic.

Despite all the suffering, wor-

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The virus is spreading like

Southern Ontario is a complete hot spot if you ask me. When will the premier shut

had to endure during this pandemic, most of us continue to comply with the latest pandemic protocols to help keep everyone safe in our region.



Friday, April 23, 2021 WEEKENDER

It's not about winning at all costs

Dear editor,

We, as Canadians, are the his cabinet of curiosities. electorate of Canada. We appoint our representatives of political parties to govern this nation. Our trust is placed in the politicians that are elected. Our Prime Minister, the leader of the governing party, and the members of the House of Commons. The Prime Minister, the elected House of Commons and the appointed Senate are the Parliament of Canada.

It should be noted that senators are appointed by the Governor General of Canada on the advice of the Prime Minister. In other words, members of the Senate are appointed on a partisan (in favour of a political party or faction) basis and cannot function properly when controlled by a self-interested political party. The function of the Senate becomes redundant and is now symbolic in nature only. To paraphrase, the Senate has been reduced to a fraternity of penny loafers and flatulence - the madam members are excluded.

Our current Right Honourable is a seasoned politician with the astute qualification of having been a part-time drama teacher. He continues to obfuscate and pontificate while rarely answering what should be simple questions. As Plato once opined, "One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors."

Any questions raised, regarding failures or follies, are met with a response of "Uum, Uum, and Uuh" as our Right Honourable digs deep for workable mea culpas. What a dilemma for our

man in charge and, indirectly,

The federal governing party must refrain from their political games, scandals, ethnic committee investigations and focus on the here and now and the ballooning federal deficit and their inept attempt to curtail the pandemic - in particular, the procurement and distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine. This, in itself, is an example of their bureaucratic myopia and the resulting impact is unforgiveable.

This governing party must be reminded that political arrogance is the fertilizing manure of the vineyard of error.

Perhaps, voters will act accordingly in the next federal election. We must consider bringing back self-respect and honour to the job elected officials should enjoy doing while being both eloquent and true to their electorate. Politics should be about character and transparency and never about winning at all costs much like a sport. Remember, the ugliest truth is still better than the prettiest lies.

In conclusion, I end with a smidgen of hyperbole: our leader can always find a job as a television evangelist and hawk squeezable packets of "mineral water." The man would truly I tipping fees. find his calling.

> Thank you, J.D. McNamara New Liskeard

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Council Meeting: The next Regular Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will take place electronically. Details of the meeting will be posted in advance of the meeting. Anyone interested in listening in on the meeting can call the Office for details

Municipal Office: The Office is closed to the public until further notice. This is to minimize non-essential travel and in-person visits to the office to help keep staff and the public safe and to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. The Township continues to encourage the use of internet payments through your financial institution, or by mailing cheques to the Municipal office. Residents can call the office at 705-679-8833 for assistance as the office is staffed during this time.

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

Spring Clean Up Week: In the interest of health and safety, please maintain physical distancing practices, including from Township employees. Landfill Site: The amnesty program (no tipping fees) at the Coleman Landfill site will occur from Tuesday, May 25th, 2021, to Saturday, May 29th, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Vehicle access within the landfill site will be restricted to support physical distancing. Names and addresses

from those depositing material will be required. <u>Curbside Collection</u>: Collection of bulky items will occur from Wednesday, May, 26th, 2021 to Friday, May 28th, 2020, Please have waste set out for collection no later than 7:00 a.m. on May 26th; no return trips will be made.

- All small or loose materials must be securely bagged or bundled/tied appropriately to facilitate efficient collection.
- No brush or construction material will be collected.
- As outlined in the Clean Yards By-law, No. 12-06, no Freon containing appliances will be collected, unless the Freon Gas was removed by a qualified technician and the appliance has been tagged

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

- Recycling: Next collection date is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4, 2021.
- 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 or other by law infraction, please contact the
- municipal office or Pete Gilboe directly at 705-648-3750. Animal Control: For emergency animal control services, please contact
- the Animal Control Service Provider at 705-648-458
- Burning Permits are required effective April 1st, 2021
- The permit is **NOT** valid between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day
- except with special permission Daytime burning is prohibited.
- Streetlights: Anyone who notices a street light out is asked to please report the pole number of the light to the office.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF COLEMAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING **BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

PCL 22184 SEC SST PART OF LOT 12, CONCESSION 5 374060 HWY 11B **TOWNSHIP OF COLEMAN**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Coleman will hold a public meeting on the 10th day of May, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 937907 Marsh Bay Road, Coleman, to consider a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act.

DUE TO THE ONGOING COVID-19 PANDEMIC THE PUBLIC MEETING **WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY.** Should you want to participate in the ■ meeting, please contact the Township at 705-679-8833 to receive meeting details

The purpose of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is to rezone the property located on PCL 22184 SEC SST, Part of Lot 12, Concession 5,

- 374060 Highway 11B, Cobalt, ON, Township of Coleman from Commercial/
- Industrial (CM1) Zone to Rural Special Exception 1 (RU-1) Zone in order

Mr. Patrick Cormier CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Coleman 937907 Marsh Bay Road

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to permit both residential and commercial uses on the property, and to

 Individual and group support Sexual assault counselling account for existing lot area and building location. ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal • Support and Advocacy representation either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed By-law • Accompaniment (court, lawyer, Police, etc.) Amendment. ENSEMBLE, NOUS POUVONS METTRE FIN À LA VIOLENCE FAITE AUX FEMMES ■ IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a Service téléphonique offert jour et nuit public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Coleman before the proposed By-law Amendment is passed, the person or public • Hébergement de courte durée pour les femmes et les enfants body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of Soutien individuel et de groupe pour les femmes et les enfants Coleman to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. Counseling pour les victimes d'agression sexuelle IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Coleman • Soutien et intervention before the proposed By-law Amendment is passed, the person or public • Accompagnement (tribunal, avocat, police, etc.) body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND MATERIAL about the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment will be available for inspection during regular office hours at the Township Office, 937907 Marsh Bay Road, Coleman Township, telephone 705-679-8833 or email <u>toc@ontera.net</u>. DATED at the Township of Coleman this 16th day of April, 2021. 1-888-871-9090 Pavilionwc.com Coleman Township, ON P0J 1C0

Two charged for COVID violations

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Special) – On April 20, 2021, shortly after 10 p.m. members from the Temiskaming detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a call for an unlawful gathering at a residence on Jaffray Street in the City of Temiskaming Shores.

Further investigation revealed that there were people in contravention of the recently implemented stay-at-home order under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA).

As a result, two residents of North Bay, a 46-year-old and a 53-year-old, have been charged with:

• Adult Individual – fail to comply with a continued section 7.0.2 order, contrary to section 10(1) of the Reopening Ontario Act (ROA).

The OPP is doing its part to support the Ontario government's Health Emergency Declaration to limit the transmission of COVID-19.

It is important that the public understands that there are consequences for individuals who defy the EMCPA and the ROA orders that are in place.

Charlton-Dack sets terms to take theatre waste

Darlene Wroe Speaker Reporter

CHARLTON-DACK - The Municipality of Charlton and Dack has proposed an agreement to the Town of Englehart which would see Charlton-Dack accept the waste from the demolition of the former Palace Theatre at its landfill.

Englehart approached the municipality about the project at Charlton-Dack's April 7 meeting.

"They're predicting 60 loads (of waste)," Charlton-Dack public works superintendent Jon Schenk said.

All the material will have to be buried, he told council.

The Charlton-Dack landfill has a lifespan estimate of 40 years and the Palace Theatre debris is expected to consume at least 1.7 years of the landfill's lifespan.

Councillor Debbie Veerman said that, in arriving at a cost for accepting the waste, the municipality has to consider what the cost would be to the municipality to extend the landfill's site by two years.

Englehart has its own landfill site in Ingram Township but that site requires refuse to be stacked to extend its lifespan, Charlton-Dack Reeve Merrill Bond noted.

"I want to help them but it has to be cost efficient for us," said Veerman.



Englehart and Charlton-Dack are working on an agreement whereby Charlton-Dack would take the debris from the demolition of the Palace Theatre building in Englehart into their landfill. (Staff photo)

Council also noted possible risk to the municipality's excavator if that were used in the project.

Council agreed that the town will have to provide the equipment and supervisor

for the work that needs to be done, and it must be completed under Schenk's direction. Charlton-Dack is offering an agreement with a cost of \$9 a cubic metre for 60 loads, and \$18 a cubic metre for addition-

be al loads.

The 60 tri-axle load estimate is expected to be 20 loads of construction waste or garbage; 30 loads of rubble; and ten loads of concrete and bricks.



Cobalt Camp Refinery

INVITATION – FIRST COBALT VIRTUAL INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE

First Cobalt is pleased to invite interested people to an information Virtual Open House. The purpose of the Open House is to review the key components of the Cobalt Camp Refinery Closure Plan. This information session will be held on:

May 5, 2021 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm ET Via a Webcast and Conference Call

Please join the meeting online via the webcast or by dialing in using the conference call details

Webcast: http://bit.ly/FirstCobalt_MineClosure



Conference Call: Local #: 416.915.3239 or Toll-free #: 1.800.319.4610

ABOUT THE COBALT CAMP REFINERY PROJECT

First Cobalt owns North America's only permitted cobalt refinery located in Bucke - Lorrain Township, ON on Silver Centre Road. The company is currently advancing its plan to recommission and expand the Refinery to produce battery-grade cobalt sulfate for the North American and European electric vehicle market. Our updated feasibility study estimates production of 25,000 tonnes of cobalt sulfate per year at a capital cost of US\$60M (CDN\$80M). Our recently completed Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) demonstrated our strong Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) mandate, with projected carbon emissions that are 50% lower than our benchmarked peer refiners.

On May 5, 2021, the public is invited to a Virtual Information Open House. Representatives from First Cobalt will give a brief review of the project and highlight the work completed regarding a new Mine Closure Plan surrounding its operation. First Cobalt will be applying for the Mine Closure Plan and Financial Assurance in the coming weeks.

Please attend our virtual information session to learn more about this project. Comments and input from area residents will help us better understand and address any concerns or suggestions that may impact this project and/or your community. Your input is considered in the final submission of the amendment documents.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: MARK TREVISIOL INFO@FIRSTCOBALT.COM OR 416.900.3891

Official stone and flower proposed for Latchford

By Jamie Mountain Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

LATCHFORD – An official stone and flower has been proposed for the Town of Latchford.

Mayor George Lefebvre told council at its regular meeting April 15 that a stone, known locally as "Temiskaming Rising Stone," had been found within the boundaries of Latchford and had been offered to the town by Reiner Mielke.

Mielke informed Lefebvre that they were dendrite

stones and that there were "many more of the stones" where they came from.

Lefebvre asked council in their open discussion period at the April 15 meeting about naming dendrite as Latchford's official stone as he found them "to be very attractive in appearance and a simple gesture, such as proposed, creates a positive image of Latchford and council at absolutely no cost to the ratepayers of Latchford."

"Reiner said his thoughts were to bring them and leave them at the museum to sell them as souvenirs," explained Lefebvre.

"They're very patterned and very unusual, in my opinion. I was just thinking it doesn't cost anything, it gets us a little attention, mostly positive."

Lefebvre said if council wanted to name it as Latchford's official stone, a resolution would have to be passed at a future meeting.

"Discuss among yourselves and I really do believe that it gives that little bit of positive vibration and it doesn't cost a cent, which is the nice part of it," he noted.

"If you want to think about it, we can put it on the agenda for next meeting."

OFFICIAL FLOWER

Lefebvre also brought up that there is "a very unique flower" that grows in Latchford, a multi-petalled wild rose that he said he passed out to the ladies in attendance when the town unveiled plaques at the log-lifter at the dam site.

He said he "just jokingly referred to them as the rose of Latchford" and that a few people had believed him.

"They went and put that (information) on the Friends of Latchford Facebook group and I'm just thinking that we can follow up to the Latchford stone with a Latchford rose and get a little more positive, free publicity," he said.

"So I want you to think about that, too, because that will be on the same motion. Hopefully next meeting, which will be in May, the roses would be in bloom and we would be able to have samples of them."

Your turn is coming soon.

Ontario's COVID-19 vaccine plan is helping to stop the spread and save lives. Thousands of people







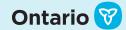


across the province are getting vaccinated every day.

As vaccinations continue, we need to stay the course to protect those we love. Wear a mask. Wash your hands. Keep your distance.

Find out when, where and how to get vaccinated at **ontario.ca/covidvaccineplan** or call 1-888-999-6488 for assistance in more than 300 languages.

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City firefighters upgrading online training

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Staff) – Technology upgrades are coming to the Temiskaming Shores Fire Department to help its members continue training despite pandemic restrictions.

The department is receiving up to \$7,000 from a one-time pandemic provincial fund intended to help municipal fire services deliver training and virtual inspections.

The department has found it challenging to provide effective training in the current COVID-19 environment while enabling its 70 firefighters to feel safe and protect their families, said Fire Chief Steve Langford in his application for the grant.

He said it'll use the grant to improve its existing in-house training and implement a virtual training classroom.

"This will allow our instructors the flexibility to provide training programs from any of our three stations (including work from home), while allowing our more vulnerable members the ability to participate and join these sessions safely from home.

"The technology would also allow our members to join a virtual session from any one of our three stations."

It will purchase four laptop computers, three projection screens, four video-conference systems and one projector.

The grant is "well deserved," commented Mayor Carman Kidd when city council met April 6.

Ministry controls use of Jake brakes

ENGLEHART (Staff) - Englehart has no control over whether truckers are using Jake brakes on the highway, and the matter falls under the responsibility of the Ministry of Transportation.

That was the position of Englehart clerk-treasurer Shawn LaCarte in responding to a letter from a resident requesting a bylaw be put in place to control truckers from using Jake brakes within town limits.

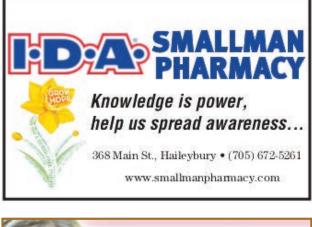
The resident could send a letter to the Ministry requesting that truck drivers not be allowed to use them in town limits, LaCarte suggested.

Vicki Macdonald wrote to the town that there has been "a noticeable increase of the use of Jake brakes since Tim Hortons has opened. What with the hospital right by the highway it seems odd that the use of Jake brakes would even be allowed as they would be very disruptive."

She said the increasing number of Jake brakes being used is becoming "very annoying and disruptive to hear them when trying to sleep." She can no longer have her windows open in the summertime, she said.

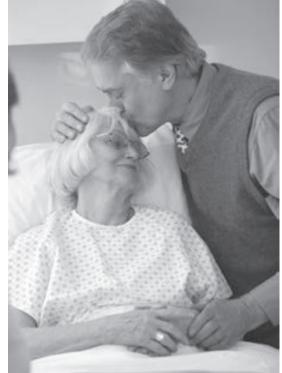


Join the fight against cancer





Cancer is the leading cause of death in this country, with some 30 per cent of Canadians dying from one type of cancer or another. In April, Daffodil Month, the Canadian Cancer Society asks the public to spare a thought for all those who are affected by this disease and to do something concrete in the fight against cancer.



Despite progress — the survival rate is now at 63 per cent — more Canadians die of cancer than any other disease. That's why funding activities are organized throughout the month of April to help prevent cancer and fund research; it's so that one day we can win the battle against this disease that kills 210 Canadians every day.

You can contribute to the fight against cancer by purchasing a bouquet of daffodils, which are a symbol of renewal, hope and courage. You can also wear a daffodil pin as a sign of solidarity with those who are fighting for their lives; you'll be doing so along with all their families, and with the families of those who have lost their battle. You can also donate

time or money or help raise funds.

Lastly, you can fight against cancer by taking care of your health and minimizing your risk of developing this disease. Even though you have no control over your age and your genes, you can control other risk factors, such as smoking, alcohol use, physical inactivity, chronic stress and sun exposure.

To learn more about cancer visit www.cancer.ca.



NORDIC NEWS

Message from our president:

season to say the least at the Temiskaming Nordic Ski Club (TNSC).

With COVID restrictions, lockdowns, groomer issues and a shorter season than most of us have seen for a long time, the club faced quite a few challenges this year. I would like to thank our members and users for their patience.

The groomers did a magnificent job with the equipment they had. The repairs on the Piston Bulley took much longer than anticipated, but we hope we will have a groomer that will serve us for many years to come.

The list of volunteers is long. I want to thank each and every one of them for giving their time and effort this year. I am proud to be a part of this team.

See you at the AGM in May. AGM

The AGM is tentatively scheduled for May 19 at 7 p.m. to be held at the Chalet. Due to COVID restrictions limited seating will be available (on a first come first served basis). We will provide a further update closer to the event.

KILOMETRE CHALLENGE

As part of its "COVID challenges" for this ski season, Cross Country Ontario ran a Kilometre Challenge from January 1 to March 31. For a relatively small club, Temiskaming Nordic had considerable success in the Kilometre Challenge.

The club finished ninth overall of 32 participating Ontario clubs, with a total of 20,748 km skied by club members. The club's success was not due to a few individuals but to the contributions of many participants. We had 113 participants, which was the sixth highest number of participants of all Ontario clubs. Thank you to all club members who participated and tracked their kilometres skied. Tenta-

tively we are planning a cele-Well this was a different bration next winter to recognize this accomplishment.

CHALLENGE SKI 2021

Despite the pandemic restrictions and early arrival of spring, we were able to hold a successful Challenge Ski. Members could choose to participate in the challenge any day from March 14 to 31, with the majority choosing to ski on Saturday, March 20.

Many thanks to the groomers, who managed to keep the trails in good condition despite the weather conditions. Special thanks to Barrie Story, who arrived at the club bright and early on March 20 to ensure the best skiing possible for the participants. In total, 17 people participated. Here are the results:

14 km: Brigitte D'Hondt.

25 km: Jean-Francois Blain, Bev Foley, Myles Desilets, Louise Pigeau, Noé Pigeau, Erin Little.

26 km: Taya Schaffer, France Laurin.

30 km: Lynn Gibson, Jason Desilets, Kerry Schaffer.

35km: Isaac Desilets.

40 km: Sarah D'Hondt.

50km: Ian Schaffer. 57 km: Anthony Story.

60 km: Maria Story.

Kudos to Ian Schaffer and Isaac Desilets who double-poled 20 km and to 11-year-old Taya Schaffer, who double-poled an amazing 26 km. If you are not familiar with the term, double-poling means that skiers propel themselves primarily using their upper body (and poles), with minimal use of their legs.

Anyone who skied 25 km or more will have their name engraved on a plaque, which will be displayed in the chalet.

Congratulations to all participants!

RETURN OF RENTAL SKIS

Due to the stay at home order, the return of rental skis will



be delayed to May. A further current stay at home orders are update will be provided once lifted.



This week, we recognize all our volunteers during National Volunteer Week whose selfless contributions help make Temiskaming Hospital a better place. We couldn't do it without you. Thank you.







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 Soutien et intervention Accompaniment (court, lawyer, Police, etc.)
Accompagnement (tribunal, avocat, police, etc.)

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Answers For Crossword on 4b Horoscopes

CAPRICORN

Stress can be contagious, but you'll enjoy the opportunity to be around others. You'll make progress at work by getting the job done as part of a team. You'll appreciate the peace and auiet



TAURUS

It's never easy to please everyone, but somehow you'll manage to pull off

AQUARIUS PISCES All of your activities make time management a must. A lot of responsibilities will

Some friends will invite you to go on an outing or vacation in the near future. You might get closer to your spiritual side; a pilgrimage would be an enriching adventure.



CANCER

This will be a stressful week You'll be cheered on by at the office. You're strong a large group of people, both at work and in your though, and you'll manage

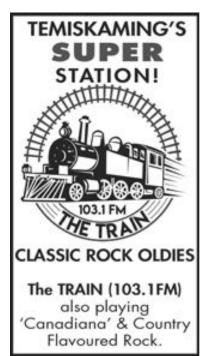
ARIES

You'll feel a strong urge to make changes in your life. You might be getting bored of your daily routine; a few transformations will help make life more exciting.



LEO People will gather in your home this week. If you have young children, don't

57. Rent



55. Ifs, ____, or buts

56. Subtraction term

40. Hymn finales

- 42. Approving votes
- 44. Send

36. Choose

37. Begins

- 45. Teen skin problem _
- 46. Advanced,

as money

- 47. Mineral spring
- 48. Cargo weight
- 50. Actor's hint

a miracle. At work, you'll be able to complete a task or close a deal that you thought was impossible.



VIRGO You'll have plenty to talk about this week. You might run into friends you haven't seen in a long time. One thing's for sure, you'll chat with people for hours on end.



to handle any mess that comes your way with tact and a bit of empathy.

LIBRA

You'll spend a lot of time

in stores, even if it's just

to spruce up your summer

wardrobe. Your friends will

persuade you to splurge,

leaving a big hole in your

budget.

fall on your shoulders. You'll

also have a realization about

January 20

February 18

GEMIN

your career.

community. You'll stand out from the crowd, and you'll be surprised to find that others put you on a pedestal.

be surprised if they invite several friends to join in on activities you planned.



SCORPIO

you'll propose a number

promising initiatives. You'll

successfully bring together

several people to complete

Feeling enthusiastic,

of good ideas and

a major project.

SAGITTARIUS

Don't turn down an invitation to go to a spa or anywhere else that'll help you relax. In order to restore your vitality, you need to take time to recharge your batteries.





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29 Hudson Bay, Kirkland Lake
2 - 3 bedroom units with attached garage
hardwood floors in living room TM210005 \$105,000

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long term tenants • steel roof TM210802 \$189,000.



92 Second Avenue, Englehart
\$184,500 TM210590
2 bdr • 1 1/2 bath • fenced yard
full rec• 1 1/2 car garage & shed

50 Fifth Avenue, Englehart • 3 bedroom • Full lot • Numerous upgrades TM210501 **\$129,000**

72A Third Avenue, Englehart
3 bedroom • 1 bath • detached garage • central air TM210778 **\$80,000.**

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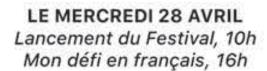
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2 MAI Pièce de théâtre de la troupe Grouille ou Rouille, 16h T'as tu du talent toé ?

ACTIVITÉS SCOLAIRES

de la maternelle à la 3° année, Le petit gnome et la Bande des Cinq avec Lorraine Hacquard et Annette Beukelman

de la 4^e à la 8^e année Bill Bestiole : Les créatures du jurassique et Kalimba 2 : Ça déménage ! avec Carolyne Mailhot

> REPORTÉE AU SAMEDI 29 MAI Samedi en famille, 9h à 17h

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28TH Opening ceremony, 10 a.m. Challenging my French, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29TH Virtually est né Quiz, 10 a.m. Duck Race, 11 a.m. Rebus, 1 p.m. Bingo with the Rotary Club, 2 p.m. on Eastlink channel 10

FRIDAY, APRIL 30TH to SUNDAY, MAY 2ND

Theatre play presented by the troop Grouille ou Rouille, 4 p.m. T'as tu du talent toé ?

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4th to 8th grade Bill Bestiole, The Jurassic creatures and Kalimba 2 : Ça déménage ! with Carolyne Mailhot

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