



Transit will continue to roll during switchover

Sue Nielsen
Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES — During the regularly scheduled Temiskaming Shores council meeting December 20, council was assured there would be no disruption of service during a switchover period when the new transit provider takes over.

Municipal transit services covers Temiskaming Shores and Cobalt.

In a staff report, manager of transportation services Mitchell McCrank said the city has reached a deal with DK's Temiskaming Taxi Service from New Liskeard to provide transportation services between the time Stock Transportation ends their contract on January 2 with Temiskaming Transit and when the new provider, Voyago, takes over on March 1.

"A taxi service will be made available for this period running the typical transit route or as required to get people to and from where they need to be," said the city in a press release December 21.

The city says during peak times there may be delays.

"It's been a hot topic lately," said McCrank.

"Since our last meeting there has been some positive steps in the right direction."

He said Voyago had been successful in recruiting new employees to fill driver positions and they now have nine fully qualified applicants at their disposal.

They are also seeking someone to fill the transit supervisor position.

Through weekly meetings, McCrank noted that Voyago is committed to working with the city to ensure transit services between January 2 and March 1 are successful.

During the switchover period there would be a slight change of service before Voyago comes on board due to licensing issues and setting up the new system.

He said transit bus passes and tickets would be used with the new taxi service and encouraged people to stock up on those items. Cash can also be used as a method of payment.

He wanted to assure the public and transit users that there would be transit service, it might have



DOWN TO THE LETTER

Santa Claus has his job worked out - down to the letter. He dropped by the Cobalt Paul Penna Public Library December 13 where he was able to meet with several of the Cobalt area children. Nash Ducharme, 3, of Cobalt, was one of those who had a chance to spend some quality time with Santa, and review his Christmas letter and wishes. (LJI photo by Darlene Wroe)

some hiccups along the way, but the city has done everything in its power to find alternative methods of getting people to their destinations.

"The taxi has a lot smaller vehicles and there are going to be a lot of different things, it is a step in the right direction and positive."

The city is asking riders to plan ahead as it will not be the service level they are used to.

The city says people could car pool or create ride-sharing programs with family or friends to help them get through the transition period.

Councillor Melanie Ducharme asked if the rates or methods of payment would change with the new taxi service.

McCrank said the city would pay a flat rate to DK's and riders would continue using passes, tickets and paying cash for rides as per already established transit costs.

He said more details about the new service provided by the taxi service for a limited period of time would be provided to the public as they

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Speaker delayed

The Temiskaming Speaker's December 21 issue was unfortunately delayed due to technical issues with the printing press.

Two sections were printed for Wednesday but the remaining sections, when available, will be provided at no charge to customers.


The Speaker sincerely apologizes for the inconvenience.



EQUIPPING FIRE SERVICES

Shoppers at a Christmas vendors' market at the Coleman municipal complex were invited to "fill the boot" for the Coleman volunteer fire department – represented by, from left, firefighter Richard Morrow, Captain Gerard Belanger and Deputy Fire Chief Daren Ridley. Donations and proceeds from the market, which drew 18 vendors from as far away as Kirkland Lake, were earmarked for new firefighting equipment. Costs can be high – Ridley said the cost to fully outfit a firefighter is about \$15,000. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)


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Remembering the Queen, as 2022 draws to an end

(The following is a 2022 holiday message from Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario)

This year as I reflect on the holiday season, I turn to the traditional messages of our late Sovereign.

Somehow she always found just the right words of comfort and joy. Her last holiday message began by saying: "Christmas can be hard for those who have lost loved ones."

Prescient words, indeed. Particularly so given the loss of our beloved Queen of Canada. We felt a profound grief upon her passing, reflecting how ever present and familial she was to us all.

In the months before her death, I was so privileged to crisscross Ontario to help communities celebrate her Platinum Jubilee.

We welcomed Prince Charles in Ottawa and then planted

trees and shared tea from Red Lake in the west, to Renfrew County in the east.

I was moved to hear Ontarians telling stories, one generation to another. These are moments I will always cherish.

As we move into a new year, we know there are challenges still to come – a pandemic that is not yet over; the existential threat of climate change that is becoming very real; and an unthinkable war.

But my hope and optimism remain strong.

We can hold fast to the sense of purpose that united us these past few years to build a more resilient and sustainable world.

We can encourage the building of bridges that connect, instead of walls that divide.

And we can draw strength from the unwavering civic spirit of Ontarians. Be kind to one another.

While change is inevitable, the Crown remains constant. We look forward to the coronation of our new King.

Whatever traditions and cultures you choose, I wish you a joyous holiday. Perhaps you'll join me for the New Year's Levee in the Lieutenant Gov-



ELIZABETH DOWDESWELL

ernor's Suite at Queen's Park.

May the year ahead bring you good health, happiness, peace and prosperity.

Stay clear of hydro power dams this holiday season

DISTRICT (Staff/Special) - OPG reminds the public to stay safe this holiday season and obey all warning signs, fencing and booms near its hydroelectric stations and dams.

Ontario Power Generation (OPG) says changing water currents and flows near our sta-

tions mean when the ice starts to form, it will be thin and not safe for recreation. Even ice that looks safe may not be. If you're enjoying the outdoors this holiday season, remember to stay clear and stay safe.

OPG operates 66 hydroelectric stations and 241 dams on 24 Ontario river systems.

Despite continued warnings, some people disregard signs and barriers, putting themselves at risk.

OPG works with the Ontario Provincial Police to enforce these warnings and police

could lay charges.

"The holidays can be a great time to enjoy the outdoors with family and friends," said Paul Seguin, OPG senior vice president, Renewable Generation in a press release.

"But water levels can change quickly and without warning, making ice conditions unpredictable and dangerous. Warning signs, safety booms, fences and barriers are there for your safety, no matter the season."

For more information about water safety, visit www.opg.com/watersafety.

Transit will continue

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approach the date the service will begin.

McCrank noted that Voyago might indeed start up their service before the March 1 deadline as they have been through similar transition periods before with other communities.

"They are committed to starting up their service as soon as possible when all their ducks are in a row. We have worked hard on this arrangement and hope to mitigate any disruptions in service," said McCrank.

Council unanimously passed a motion to enter into an agreement with DK's to provide temporary transit service.

Mayor Jeff Laferriere noted the transit information needs to be vetted before the Transit Committee and the Town of Cobalt for approval.

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10:00 P.M.

Christmas Day: 11:00 A.M.

Christmas Eve Mass at 10:00 P.M. will be live-streamed on our Facebook Page - www.facebook.com/omph.nl

Cobalt (9 Miller Ave.) Christmas Eve: 8:00 P.M.

NO registration required for the Christmas Masses, parishioners will be seated on a first-come, first-serve basis.



May you have a blessed and holy Christmas.

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The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid: for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!" Luke 2:10-14

Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

If you Wish to STOP Smoking...We Can Help!

The STOP with Family Health Teams (FHTs) Program has two goals:

1. To improve access to nicotine replacement therapy for FHT patients across the province of Ontario who wish to quit smoking; and
2. To increase capacity of health care practitioners in FHTs to provide comprehensive smoking cessation treatment to their patients.

Since the Temagami FHT started participating in this program it has supported many patients in their attempts to quit smoking by providing free nicotine replacement therapy and ongoing one-on-one support as needed.

Each participant enrolled in the STOP with FHTs Program is contacted via email and/or telephone survey for follow up at 3, 6 & 12 months post enrolment.

If you are a patient of the Temagami FHT and are a smoker who would like to quit or reduce the amount you smoke, please call (705) 569-3244 to enrol in our STOP Program.

The Temagami Medical Centre and Family Health Team is committed to keeping you as healthy as possible!



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Old Guys

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Yo...Still waiting on my Flippin G.I. Joe!



EDITORIAL

Shining our light

Here in the Temiskaming region we control, for the most part, our own destiny.

Small town rural Northern Ontario could very well be encapsulated by viewing the South Temiskaming region.

We know 98 per cent of the North is made up of communities of 3,000 people or less.

The medieval villages springing up across the northern part of the Temiskaming region have been cause for concern.

Particularly when we in the north realize we have to work together to survive and we recognize that, when we work well together, the sky is the limit.

When we take a step back and look at the good work being done in our communities, we are shining brightly.

From the sizeable donations to local hospitals and charities, to the countless volunteer hours put in, we take care of one another.

Simply dedicating a portion of our time to others offers a sense of personal empowerment that has a ripple effect of goodness in our communities.

And isn't that a great thing to be known for - being kind, compassionate and caring as a region?

As we celebrate the Christmas holiday season, may there be plenty of moments that take your breath away.

And may you all enjoy a time of good health with even deeper love and peace.

Buy that minor hockey ticket, support that hospital fundraiser, donate to a local food bank, it all matters.

When people support their community a special joy is realized because quite frankly, it feels good to give.

Thank you to all the community supporters!

Christmas at Grandma's house



Sue Nielsen

It's getting closer to the big day when friends and family gather to share a holiday meal and relaxing time together.

It's a time to disconnect from the vitriol and negativity that permeates discussions about politics, religion, sex, and health and especially those on-line discussions.

When I was a child, my best Christmas memories involved our family, my mother and father and us four kids when we went to my Grandma Smith's for turkey dinner.

In the early days, Grandma had a big old wood stove in her kitchen that she fired up to cook the turkey and all the trimmings.

A visit to Grandma's during the holidays was as anticipated as a visit from Santa himself.

She'd coax that old woodstove up to baking tempera-

tures for her fabulous pies, homemade bread and cookies, too.

If Orpha let you take the poker in your hands and lift that heavy lid from the top of the wood stove to put more wood in, you were in her good books.

I did that job and I loved every minute of it.

It was a wonderful learning experience for a child to understand the wonders of a wood stove, but also the dangers of wood heat.

To this day, I love wood stoves. There's something eternally warm and welcoming about them.

Grandma's kids would meet up on Christmas day at her Helen Street home.

Grandma had a huge heart and she loved with a love that was more than love.

She treated all of her children

and grandchildren with deep love and respect.

It's safe to say, Grandma was everything to us kids.

She had a way of making us feel so important.

She would let the girls go up into her bedroom and play with her costume jewelry and put on her hats.

Grandma loved hats and wore them with pride to church on Sunday's.

My Grandma, Orpha Church Smith, passed away at 101 years and I miss her to this day.

She arrived in Cobalt in 1909 and was featured in author Deborah North's book called The Sterling Women of Cobalt.

Years have passed and attempts have been made to gather the family together, but it was never the same as when we were at Grandma's house.

Both my parents have passed away now, but when I think back to Christmases at Grandma's house, I am filled with warm feelings of the love we shared together.

Grandma's spark, her fire and

her warmth and love helped to shape our lives and values.

Her wood stove reflected her pioneer spirit that I admired so much in her.

I smile when I recall how Grandma's heart gave off more warmth than her big old wood stove.

It's been years since Grandma left us, but we will always remember the love!

Merry Christmas, Joyeux Noel everyone!

Have you booked your Christmas party?

The holiday season is nearly upon us!

Are you responsible for organizing a lunch, happy hour or dinner for your colleagues? Are you looking for the perfect place to finally celebrate the festive season in person?

There are plenty of local hangout spots to laugh, dance, drink, sing and eat in good company. Consider the number of guests, your budget and what you want to do to find the perfect spot to celebrate.

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RECREATION UPDATE
Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre

- Pool schedule is available on our website: www.temiskamingshores.ca/poolschedule/
- Evening and Public Swims available throughout the winter.
- The slide is **OPEN**
- **Holiday Hours**
 - Dec 24th - 8am to 4pm
 - Dec 25th - Closed
 - Dec 26th - Closed
 - Dec 27-30 - Regular Hours
 - Dec 31st - 8am to 4pm
 - Jan 1st - Closed
 - Jan 2nd - Regular Hours

Parks, Trails, and Greenspaces

- All outdoor facilities are **CLOSED** for the season
- Trails and parks are not maintained by City staff throughout the winter.

Arenas

Please note: As work continues on the new vestibule at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena, please enter the facility through the side entrance as indicated. Signage is in place. The Shelley Herbert-Shea Memorial Arena will be **CLOSED** from December 21st to January 2nd.

Public Skating

- Join us for some free public skating this holiday season!
- Tuesday Dec 20th, 6pm - 7pm, DSMA
 - Wednesday Dec 21st, 6pm - 7pm, DSMA
 - Thursday Dec 22nd, 6pm - 7pm, DSMA
 - Friday Dec 23rd, 12:30pm - 1:30pm & 5pm - 5:50pm, DSMA
 - Thursday Dec 29th, 11:20am - 12:20pm, DSMA
 - Tuesday Jan 3rd, 12pm - 1pm, SHSMA
 - Wednesday Jan 4th, 4pm - 5pm, DSMA
 - Thursday Jan 5th, 5pm - 6:30pm, SHSMA
 - Friday Jan 6th, 12:30pm - 1:30pm & 5pm - 5:50pm, DSMA
 - Saturday Jan 7th, 7:30pm - 8:30pm, SHSMA

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12 TIPS FOR HOLIDAY FIRE & CO SAFETY

TIP #1 MONDAY DECEMBER 12	Use the proper lights when decorating and check for worn or damaged cords. You don't need to be Clark Griswold to shine bright with lights this holiday! Consider using LED lights and hang your outdoor-rated lights with nail-free clips. Cut your loss and toss damaged strings – an electrical fire is a sure bet for a lousy holiday.
TIP #2 TUESDAY DECEMBER 13	Keep decorations away from candles. Fires caused by holiday decorations and open flames from candles are all too common this season. Battery-operated candles are a great alternative, but if you must light up, put candles in sturdy containers and always blow out when you leave the room. Keep candles away from children, pets and anything that can burn.
TIP #3 WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 14	Install and test smoke alarms. 'Tis the season - literally! Fatal fires are at their highest rate during the holidays. When seconds matter, a working smoke alarm is the gift of time in the event of a fire. An alarm on every storey, tested monthly, and batteries replaced annually, is probably the best gift you can give your family this season.
TIP #4 THURSDAY DECEMBER 15	Install and test carbon monoxide alarms. Unlike gingerbread, carbon monoxide is odourless. Unlike your uncle's ugly Christmas sweater, it's invisible. Carbon monoxide (CO) is a deadly gas that can cause flu-like symptoms. A CO alarm alerts you to a potential CO emergency with four beeps and is the best way to protect your family from The Silent Killer.
TIP #5 FRIDAY DECEMBER 16	Water fresh trees daily. Falling needles are your tree's way of telling you it's drying out and is a fire waiting to happen. If you are decorating with a real tree, avoid being a statistic and water your tree daily. Be wary of heat sources near the tree including furnace vents and non-LED lights.
TIP #6 SATURDAY DECEMBER 17	Check extension cords for damage and use them properly. Getting wound up in the holiday spirit? Don't "overextend" your outlets! Extension cords are a temporary solution and if more outlets are required, have them installed by a licensed electrician. Fire and electric shock are not on anyone's list this season - avoid overloading a circuit and never run extension cords under a rug.
TIP #7 SUNDAY DECEMBER 18	Use candles with care. Consider using battery-operated flameless candles for your holiday decorating and celebrations. If your celebration requires the use of real candles, always keep an open flame away from anything that can burn including curtains, decorations, or paper. Keep lighters and matches away from children and douse any used matches before putting in the garbage.
TIP #8 MONDAY DECEMBER 19	Prepare and practise your escape plan with everyone in your home. Santa needs one way out of your home – you need two. Give your family the gift of peace of mind with a home fire escape plan and have two ways out of every room, if possible, to ensure your loved ones are prepared for the worst so you can focus on the best: festive cheer!
TIP #9 TUESDAY DECEMBER 20	Look while you cook. Holidays are stressful enough but when 17% of fires in Ontario are cooking-related, it's important to remember to slow things down in the kitchen. Fires caused by cooking mostly happen when the stove is left unattended so be mindful when cooking and never leave the kitchen while using a stovetop.
TIP #10 WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 21	Keep heating sources away from anything that can burn. Baby, it's cold outside! Staying warm this Winter Solstice means practising fire safety. Space heaters, wood stoves and fireplaces are all great ideas until an accident happens. Keep at least one metre (3 feet) distance between your heat source and combustibles, like paper and fabrics.
TIP #11 THURSDAY DECEMBER 22	Smoke outside. Lit cigarettes are Ontario's number one cause of fatal fires. This season, have all smoking done outside using deep, sturdy ashtrays. Never flick your butt – a lit butt might be the difference between a holiday to remember and a holiday you'll never forget.
TIP #12 FRIDAY DECEMBER 23	Be aware of lithium-ion batteries. Receiving a new toy or device during the festive period can be exciting, but if it has a lithium-ion battery, it can also add potential risk to your home. Always monitor the toy or device when it is charging; read the manufacturer's instructions for safe charging and do not exceed the recommended charging time.

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Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. –
City Hall, 325, Farr Drive

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Emailed questions will be received until the second Question and Answer Period. Questions received after this time, will not be read aloud at the Meeting. Note: Correspondence sent to the Mayor and Council may be included in a Council agenda/package, and become part of the public record.

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For further information, contact Kelly Conlin

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REGULAR LIBRARY HOURS:

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CHRISTMAS HOURS:

Saturday, December 24: 10-2	hours
Sunday, December 25: Closed	Saturday, December 31: 10-2
Monday, December 26: Closed	Sunday, January 1: Closed
Tuesday, December 27: Closed	Monday, January 2: Closed
Wednesday, Dec. 28-Friday, December 30: Reg.	Tuesday, January 3: Regular hours

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Monday through Thursday: 8-8; Fridays: 8-4
Saturdays and Sundays: 10-3

Christmas Hours: The College will be Closed from December 24-January 2

Libby Training Seminars

Temiskaming Shores Public Library is hosting demonstrations on how to borrow ebooks and audiobooks through the Libby app, on Saturday, January 7 and Saturday, January 21 from 10:00-11:30. During each seminar our staff will walk through a tutorial with those in attendance and answer any questions relating to Libby as they arise. This is a free event which features information for both new and experienced users.

Patrons are recommended to bring their own device and library card so they can practice along with the session. Preregister at the library in person or by calling 705-647-4215. We recommend only preregistering for a single seminar as both days will cover the same information.

Snowshoes

If you have a library membership, try checking out a pair of snowshoes and hitting some of our beautiful trails this winter! The library has a wide selection of sizes so the whole family can snowshoe together!

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.

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Find these resources and more at www.temisklibrary.com.

Mobile Wifi Hotspot Lending program

Need internet access? Check out a portable wifi hotspot to stay connected! The library has received funding through the Timiskaming Health Unit's Digital Divide grant program to add five new devices to our collection. Library members 18 and older may borrow a hotspot for three weeks, for free from the library--there are no fees and the data is provided by the library. The hotspots will work anywhere in the region where there is a cellular connection. Contact the library for more information!

CO₂ Sensor Lending Program

Curious about the air quality in your indoor spaces? The library has a CO₂ Sensor lending program, thanks to a donation by Rise of three Aranet4 Home Air Quality monitors. CO₂ is a gas that is produced when people exhale. As more people remain in a room, CO₂ levels increase quickly if there is not enough fresh air coming into the space. High indoor CO₂ levels can cause tiredness, headaches and other symptoms, and indicate that a space is not well ventilated. High CO₂ levels can also facilitate the spread of airborne infections such as COVID-19. The devices are not CO (Carbon Monoxide) detectors and are not life safety devices. Contact the library to learn more!

Gadget Helper

The library's gadget helper program provides one-on one help to people in learning to use their tablets, cellphones and laptops. Contact the library and let our staff person know what you would like to learn. Currently we offer weekly 45-minute timeslots on Thursdays. In the past, the gadget helper program has helped patrons with topics from learning to navigate the basics of a new device to downloading ebooks and accessing online resources and even troubleshooting hardware and software issues.

For more information about any of these programs please call us at 705-647-4215, email us at info@temisklibrary.com or pop into the library and speak to one of our friendly staff members.

Christmas holiday Schedule December 25th To January 7th 2023

Water slide
To ride the water slide you must be at least 42" (107 cm) tall and able to comfortably swim 3 meters unassisted. Flotation devices cannot be worn on the slide and jewelry must be removed. Parents cannot 'catch' children at the bottom of the slide. The waterslide will be available during evening and weekend public and family swims.

Hot tub
Children under the age of 12 are not allowed in the hot tub unless accompanied and supervised by a person who is 16 years of age or older. Pregnant people are encouraged not to use the hot tub

Adult Swims
During Adult swim, adults 18 years of age and older may enjoy the pool and hot tub. Lap and leisure swimming is permitted. Adults may have to share lanes and follow lane etiquette. The capacity for the adult swims is 10

Lane Etiquette
Share the pool! Prior to entering a lane, speak with all other swimmers to ensure they are aware you will be sharing the lane with them. Maximum of 4 people per double lane (1/2 pool). Splitting a double lane is only allowed when lane is only occupied by 2 swimmers and they both agree to split the lane – otherwise circle swimming will be required. Counter clockwise, circle swimming is required when more than 2 people are sharing a lane. If you need to pass a swimmer, please wait until you are at a wall to do so. Do not tap their foot to pass. If taking a break, please rest in the corners. To avoid bumping into another swimmer, please ensure to occasionally look at other swimmers. Please speak to the lifeguards if you have any other questions or concerns.

Public Swims
Adults and children (please follow the age admission policy) may enjoy the pool and hot tub, the slide will be made available during evening and weekend public swims.

Age Admission Policy
Children under 6 years old – Regardless of swimming ability, children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is at least 16 years of age and responsible for their direct supervision, with a maximum of two children per parent/ guardian and must be in bathing attire and within arm's reach of the child(ren) at all times in and out of the water.

Children aged 6-9 who are non swimmers - Non swimmers who are ages 6-9 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is at least 16 years of age and responsible for their direct supervision, with a maximum of three (3) children per parent/guardian and must be bathing attire and within arm's reach of the child(ren) at all times in and out of the water.

Children aged 6-9 who are non swimmers and wearing CSA approved lifejackets - Non swimmers who are ages 6-9 wearing CSA approved lifejackets must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is at least 14 years of age and responsible for their direct supervision, with a maximum of Six (6) children per parent/

guardian and must be in bathing attire and within arm's reach of the child(ren) at all times in and out of the water

POOL RULES AND GUIDELINES
No cells phone or personal electronic devices on pool deck or changerooms. Parents/care givers are encouraged to swim with their children and to remain unplugged. Cells phones may be used on the last day of swim lessons and during private rentals.

Alert Staff of any medical problems, (heart condition, epilepsy, etc)

Do not swim if suffering from COVID 19 symptoms, a cold, flu, bacterial or viral infection, communicable disease or severe skin condition. Do not enter the pool if you currently suffer from diarrhea or have had diarrhea within the last two weeks.

Report Discharges (vomit, blood, feces) immediately to staff for cleaning. Water contamination may result in long and costly pool cleaning and shutdown.

No spitting or spouting of water or blowing of nose in the water.

Limit your stay in the sauna or whirlpool to no longer than 10 minutes at a time. Please consult a doctor if you have epilepsy, diabetes, high blood pressure, heart conditions or are pregnant prior to using sauna or whirlpool.

Clean swimming apparel is required in the pool.

Take a cleansing shower before every swim to avoid carrying dirt, bodily secretions, bacteria or residue from hygiene products into the pool.

Use washroom facilities before swimming, especially children.

Children who are not toilet trained must wear waterproof diapers.

Ensure children and/or adult diapers are properly secured and changed regularly to prevent over saturation and leakage.

Person(s) under the influence of intoxicants will not be allowed into the facility. Consumption of alcohol and/or drugs on the premises is not permitted.

POOL SAFETY
Know your limitations. Be aware of deep areas.

PFD's are available for use free of charge.

No running on pool deck.

Feet first please. No diving in the pool. The shallow end is .9m and the deep end is 1.98m.

No wrestling or rough play.

Report faulty equipment to staff

No prolonged breath holding or breath holding games.

The bigger float boards are for the shallow end only.

Children under 12 years of age may use the hot tub under direct supervision with a parent or guardian 16 years of age or older

All children wanting to use the large slide must pass a swim test, and be at least 3.5 feet/1.07m/106 cm tall

The use of cellular phones, personal

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Merry Christmas!	Closed	Public Swim 9:00-10:00	Public Swim 9:00-10:00	Public Swim 9:00-10:00	Public Swim 9:00-10:00	Public Swim 10:30-12:00
Happy Holidays!		Public Swim 10:30-11:30	Public Swim 10:30-11:30	Public Swim 10:30-11:30	Public Swim 10:30-11:30	Happy New Year!
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			Public swim 6:00-7:00			
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	Adult Swim 12:00-1:30	Adult Swim 12:00-1:30	Adult Swim 12:00-1:30	Adult Swim 12:00-1:30	Adult Swim 12:00-1:30	Lap Swim 12:00-1:00
	Public Swim 2:00-3:00 Sponsored by Temiskaming Metis Community Council	Public Swim 2:00-3:00 Sponsored by Legion Branch 54	Public Swim 2:00-3:00 Sponsored by Healthy Kids	Public Swim 2:00-3:00 Sponsored by Temiskaming Shores Lioness Lions Club	Public Swim 2:00-3:00	Public Swim 1:30-4:00
	Public Swim 4:30-6:15	Public Swim 4:30-6:15	Temiskaming Northern Loons 3:45-7:00	Public Swim 4:30-6:15	Temiskaming Northern Loons 3:45-7:00	Pool Rental 4:15-5:15 * Pool rentals include 3 lifeguards and are for up to 65 people*
	Lap Swim 6:30-8:30	Lap Swim 6:30-8:30	Lap Swim 7:15-8:30	Public swim 6:30--8:30	Public swim 6:30--8:30	

digital assistants, and digital cameras in the change room, washrooms, whirlpool and pool are prohibited. Special considerations may be made during private swim rentals.

Aquatic Wheelchair is available upon request

If we experience an unexpected increase of patrons during a swim time, the use of the slide may not be

guaranteed.

Remove shoes before entering change rooms or pool area.

Finish eating and drinking before entering change room.

Plastic water bottles are permitted on deck

No open or glass containers are allowed in the change room or pool area.

Protect your belongings by securing them in a locker. *Lockers are not available at this time*

Do not bring valuables to facility.

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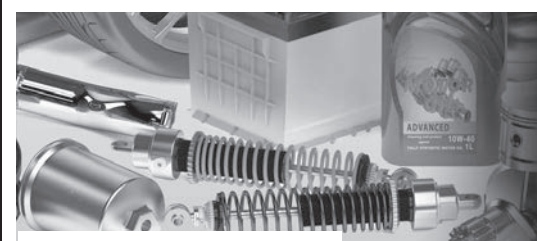
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Significant step toward passenger rail service

Darlene Wroe
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

NORTH BAY - The provincial government has announced that it has purchased three train sets for the passenger rail service provided by Ontario Northland.

The announcement was made by Ontario Minister of Transportation Stan Cho December 15, at an official visit to the Ontario Northland headquarters in North Bay with Ontario Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade Vic Fedeli, Ontario Minister of Northern Development Greg Rickford, Ontario Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry Graydon Smith, and Minister of Mines George Pirie.

The announcement was hailed as “a significant milestone in bringing back the Northlander passenger train.”

“This is a significant step forward in bringing back the rail service that Northerners deserve,” said Cho.

The target date for the service, should it be reinstated, is still years away.

“The reinstated Northlander train will provide a safe and reliable transportation option for Northern communities, especially in the winter months. This purchase demonstrates

real progress, as we continue to take concrete steps to build a better transportation network for the North.”

The three train sets each include one locomotive and three passenger cars, Ontario Northland stated in a press release.

“This purchase is a key next step to support the province and Ontario Northland’s ambitious target of a mid-2020s in-service date for reinstating Northeastern passenger rail,” said Chad Evans, interim president and CEO of Ontario Northland.

“The rail service will provide passengers more access to safe, reliable transportation options when travelling between Northern Ontario and Toronto.”

The Northeastern rail corridor will improve road safety for travellers by reducing the volume of personal vehicles on highways and decreasing the risk of accidents on highways, Ontario Northland continued.

“A connection to Cochrane will serve an additional 5,300 residents with rail travel, for a total of 176,000 residents. This rail connection to Cochrane will enable higher ridership and provide a connection to our Polar Bear Express service to Moosonee.”

Answers for Crossword Puzzle

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HOROSCOPE

WEEK OF DECEMBER 25 TO 31, 2022
The luckiest signs this week:
Pisces, Aries and Taurus

March 21 - April 19

ARIES You may have to entertain unexpectedly. You'll put your heart and soul into pleasing your loved ones. You may feel fatigued and come down with a cold.

April 20 - May 20

TAURUS You'll be helpful at upcoming parties. You'll throw an impressive party for your loved ones. Everyone will have fun if you get involved in the entertainment.

May 21 - June 21

GEMINI Go in on lottery tickets with your family; luck could be on your side. You may also complete an important project with the help of your loved ones. You may arrange a spontaneous trip.

June 22 - July 22

CANCER
If there's tension between certain family members, you'll be able to calm them down by opening up or getting creative. Your organization skills will come in handy and will impress your family.

July 23 - August 22

LEO You'll bring together family and friends. You'll successfully unite two families and some people who don't always get along. You'll take care of all the details.

August 23 - September 22

VIRGO It's your turn to entertain and have your loved ones over for the holidays. Even when you're a guest, you'll offer to help serve and clean up because you need to feel useful.

September 23 - October 22

LIBRA You relish gatherings and enjoy any form of celebration, big or small. You'll make a spectacle of yourself with some crazy antics and an attention-grabbing speech.

October 23 - November 21

SCORPIO Someone from another country will attend your family get-together. You'll be eager to learn more about their culture and share yours. You'll enjoy new and exotic foods and music.

November 22 - December 21

SAGITTARIUS You'll be the life of the party and manage to keep people amused. The jokes will come thick and fast. Be careful when driving at night.

December 22 - January 19

CAPRICORN There are always extra expenses at this time of year. You'll be generous and warm the hearts of those in need even if you don't know them. You'll also treat yourself.

January 20 - February 18

AQUARIUS You won't miss a party. You need to move, dance, let go and, above all, be with your loved ones. You'll come up with fun and engaging games.

February 19 - March 20

PISCES Avoid staying up too late. Otherwise, you won't be able to stay up to welcome the New Year. You may have to catch up on a few hours of sleep or risk getting sick.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Nautical call

5. Briny expanses

9. Burglarize

12. Evening garment

13. Foot component

14. Great fury

15. Hammer or drill

16. Poured

18. Dance instruction

19. Consume text

20. Like

23. Dinner breads

27. Bolted

30. Chick's sound

32. Chime

33. Cautions
35. Spin

37. Legal matter

38. Grew older

40. Fueled

41. College paper

43. Saw

45. Lanky

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56. Expel

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61. Makes mistakes

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DOWN

1. Creative pursuits

2. Owl's cry

3. Double reed

4. Shrill barks

5. Brother's sib

6. Menu item

7. Estate unit

8. Clip sheep

9. Border

10. Mined matter

11. Cot

17. Embrace

21. Prone

22. Butte's cousin

24. Page

25. Not punctual

26. Husky's load

27. Compete

28. Exclamation

29. Famous loch

31. Quarry

34. Domain

36. Keats offering

39. Brilliance

42. Bread ingredient

44. Ignorant person

46. Contribute chips

48. Rotten

49. Continually

50. Back talk

51. Distinct period

52. Sloe ____ fizz

53. Weird

54. Carpenter insect



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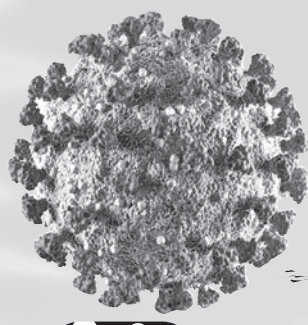
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Feeling sick? STAY HOME! Vous vous sentez malade ? RESTEZ À LA MAISON !

Other viruses are co-circulating with COVID-19 in our communities.

Staying home when we're sick is key to slowing down community transmission of all infectious diseases. Regardless of what you're sick with, plan to stay home until your respiratory symptoms have improved for at least 24 hours. If you've been experiencing gastrointestinal symptoms, stay home until they've improved for at least 48 hours.

Read more: <https://www.timiskaminghu.com/90518/I-think-I-have-COVID-19-What-should-I-do>

D'autres virus co-circulent avec la COVID-19 dans nos communautés.

Rester chez soi quand on est malade est essentiel pour ralentir la transmission communautaire de toutes les maladies infectieuses.

Quelle que soit la maladie dont vous souffrez, prévoyez de rester à la maison jusqu'à ce que vos symptômes respiratoires s'améliorent pendant au moins 24 heures. Si vous avez des symptômes gastro-intestinaux, restez chez vous jusqu'à ce qu'ils s'améliorent pendant au moins 48 heures.

Pour en savoir plus : <https://www.timiskaminghu.com/90518/Jai-des-symptomes-Que-dois-je-faire>



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 - Participating pharmacies also carry COVID-19 vaccines: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/vaccine-locations>.
- Réservez en ligne à <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/rendezvous-vaccin> ou appelez 866-747-4305, poste 6.
 - En raison de la disponibilité limitée, des rendez-vous sont recommandés aux cliniques des SST pour les 12 ans et plus.
 - Les pharmacies participantes offrent également des vaccins contre la COVID-19: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/emplacements-pour-la-vaccination>.

Clinics for people aged 12+ (1st, 2nd, & booster doses) | Cliniques pour les 12 ans et plus (1re, 2e et doses de rappel)

Wed., December 21 mercredi 21 décembre	Kirkland Lake - THU Office	9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 - 4 p.m. 9 h 30 à 12 h et 13 h à 16 h
Wed., December 21 mercredi 21 décembre	New Liskeard - THU Office	9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 - 4 p.m. 9 h 30 à 12 h et 13 h à 16 h
Wed., January 4 mercredi 4 janvier	Kirkland Lake - THU Office	9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 - 4 p.m. 9 h 30 à 12 h et 13 h à 16 h
Wed., January 4 mercredi 4 janvier	New Liskeard - THU Office	9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 - 4 p.m. 9 h 30 à 12 h et 13 h à 16 h

For the full clinic schedule, visit | Pour l'horaire complet des cliniques, visitez www.timiskaminghu.com/90513/COVID-19-Vaccine



SNOW ART

Lisa Robert created her own snowman December 16 on Wellington Street in New Liskeard. The region had an overnight dusting of snow combined with mild temperatures, perfect for snow sculpting. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

Olivia and Noah head top-10 list

TORONTO (Special) - In a few years' time, the typical school may boast even more Olivias and Noahs.

They remained the most popular baby names in Ontario in 2021.

Olivia's been at the top of the girls' name list for 12 consecutive years, and Noah's been the leader among boys' names for the third year running.

Ontario recently released its list of the most popular baby names for the previous year.

Among girls' names, Olivia was followed in second place by Emma, and then Charlotte, Amelia, Ava, Sophia, Isla, Evelyn, Mia and finally Ella, making her first appearance on the top-10 list.

Among boys' names, Liam was a close second to Noah. They're followed by Oliver, Jack, Benjamin, Theodore, Lucas, William, Ethan and Leo.



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Driving under the influence: effects, detection and consequences

The holiday season is in full swing, and celebrations of all kinds abound. However, amidst the merriment and festivities, it's important to remember you should never get behind the wheel if you're intoxicated. Here's what you should know.

EFFECTS Many of the skills required for safe driving, such as sound judgment, acute concentration, impeccable co-ordination, pronounced visual acuity and quick reflexes, are impacted by drug and alcohol use. Consequently, being under the influence can result in speeding, driving off the road, swerving into oncoming traffic and dozing behind the wheel.

DETECTION Police officers use their training as well as what they see, hear and smell to determine if a driver has drugs or alcohol in their

system. Plus, they can take a breath sample to determine a motorist's blood alcohol level. Police may also issue a standardized field sobriety test (SFST), which typically requires the driver to walk in a straight line, stand and turn or stand on one leg.

CONSEQUENCES If you're caught driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol, you could have your licence suspended following your arrest, even before being convicted.

Once convicted, the severity of your sentence will depend on your background and the circumstances surrounding your arrest. For instance, you could receive a hefty fine and jail time if you injured or killed someone.



To avoid collisions and other serious consequences of getting behind the wheel while under the influence, make sure you drive responsibly.

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CHURCH SERVICES & more...

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY MASSES are celebrated at Our Mother of Perpetual Help on Sundays at 9:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.. Sunday Mass at 11:00 A.M. is live-streamed on our Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/OMPH.NL>.

SUNDAY MASS is celebrated at Saint Patrick's Parish in Cobalt on Saturdays at 5:00 P.M.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish has weekday Masses on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 11:00 A.M. Saint Patrick's Parish has a weekday Mass on Wednesdays at 11:00 A.M.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP'S CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: To reach out to our sick and elderly parishioners we have introduced a monthly celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick for those in need of God's healing grace. Our next communal celebration will be on **Tuesday, December 20th at 7:00 P.M.**

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will hold four Masses celebrating the Nativity of our Lord. They will take place on **Saturday, December 24th at 6:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M.** as well as **Sunday, December 25th at 11:00 A.M.** Saint Patrick's Parish in Cobalt will have a Mass on **Saturday, December 24th at 8:00 P.M.**

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will celebrate the New Year with Mass on **Sunday, January 1st at 11:00 A.M.** Saint Patrick's Parish in Cobalt will celebrate the New Year with Mass on **Saturday, December 31st at 5:00 P.M.**

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

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.

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH welcomes you to join us for our special Christmas Eve Service, December 24th at 8 p.m. We welcome Family and Friends to celebrate with us the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the true meaning of Christmas. The St. Paul's Congregation wishes all, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, Blessed New Year. **Regular Church Services will commence again on Sunday January 8th, beginning at 10:30 a.m.** For more information on our services and outreach programs, checkout our Facebook page at <facebook.com/stpaulsnewliskeard> or phone 705-647-4171.

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.

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT TEMISKAMING PEN-TECOSTAL CHURCH - Feel free to attend any Sunday at 10:30 a.m. The church is located at 583472 West Rd. in Haileybury. For information about other things that are happening at the church visit the website at temiskaming.church or call 705-672-2020.

FR. WAYNE MILLS is available to hear confessions and give out Communion by appointment. Please call the office at 705-647-5035 to make an appointment.

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.

TOMSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Invites you to worship services on the third Sunday of the month at 10:00 a.m. PLEASE NOTE that mask wearing is mandatory.

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

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

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

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.

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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

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.

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

LA PAROISSE CATHOLIQUE 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

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Euchre Friday Nights at 7pm at the Hudson Hall.

TEMISKAMING COMMUNITY CHOIR is pleased to present **Christmas Time**, a joyful seasonal concert on **Sunday, December 18 at 2 pm** at **Paroisse Ste Croix** in Haileybury. Free will offering and non-perishable food bank donations gratefully appreciated.

THE COFFEE HOUSE - THE 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 7:00PM - 10:00PM - St. Paul's United Church Auditorium 70 Wellington St. New Liskeard. All musicians welcome, young and old, of all abilities, all music- country, rock, gospel & jazz, Family, friends & anyone who appreciates the fellowship of music makers and their sound. For information contact Brian Matheson at 705 647 5671 or email coffeehouse2tues@outlook.com.

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RUBBER BRIDGE IS PLAYED AT 1:00 PM, FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAY. Location is the church hall of **Haileybury Anglican Church.** Call 705-672-3700 for information.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE resumes on **Jan. 5, Every Thursday at 7:00 pm** in the Lions Den (entrance behind Community Hall). Partners will be available, if needed. Call 705-647-7198 or 563-2996 for information.

ATTENTION KNITTERS: If you would like to knit for children in the third world, we could use your help. Join us on Tuesdays at 1:30 pm at the Community of Christ Church on Niven St., New Liskeard. Just bring knitting needles size 4 or 41/2mm. Yarn and needles are available. All are welcome! For more information, call D. Caldwell at 705-647-6056.



Take care of your feet this holiday season

(NC) From running around searching for last-minute gifts to standing for hours at parties, the holiday season is hard on your feet. Here are some tips to give your feet the help they deserve:

Practice proper foot hygiene

When is the last time you actually scrubbed your feet? Many people think normal shower run-off sufficiently cleans their feet, but that's not always the case. Next time you're in the shower, give your feet the attention they need with a sponge or loofah and some dedicated soap time.

Avoid wearing tight-fitting shoes

While you might be tempted to sport a pair of chic heels or sandals that don't fit quite right, wearing ill-fitting shoes can cause a host of serious problems. From general foot pain to bunions, tight-fitting shoes are not worth the damage. When trying on a new shoe, ensure your toes do not feel pinched, and stay away from footwear that require a "break-in period."

Give yourself a foot massage

Not only will regular massages or reflexology sessions help to ease stress, but they are also good for your health and the health of your feet. They boost circulation, which supports healing and keeps your muscles and tissues healthy. They're a good reason to treat yourself and kick your feet up this weekend.

Get fitted with orthotics

Without the right cushioning and support, your feet and shoes may not help absorb the everyday shock of repeatedly hitting the ground, which gives you tired, achy feet and fatigued lower body muscles. Getting customized orthotics that are matched for the unique geometry of your feet, like Dr. Scholl's Custom Fit Orthotics, can make a big difference. They're clinically proven to provide immediate and all-day relief of five lower body pains.

You can find more information or get fitted for orthotics where available at a local kiosk. They'll be rolling out across the country in the next few months.

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Notice of Annual General Meeting The Temiskaming Shores & Area Chamber of Commerce

will hold their

Annual General Meeting and Election of Board of Directors

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

at 5:30 PM at the Chamber of Commerce Boardroom

Chamber Members are invited to submit nominations for the Board of Directors, before Friday, January 27, 2023 to the Chamber Office.

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- Minimum three years experience.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, both written and verbal.
- Strong initiative and ability to work well under limited supervision.

This is an entry level position that can lead to more senior roles for the right individual.

Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. Grant's Fuels offers a comprehensive benefit package as well as a company RRSP pension plan.

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Electra supports critical minerals fund

DISTRICT (Staff) — The Ontario government is investing in the critical minerals sector by launching a two-year, \$5 million Critical Minerals Innovation Fund.

This fund is expected to en-

courage research and development of new technologies.

This fund may be particularly helpful to the Electra Battery Materials Corporation, based in Temiskaming Shores.

“We applaud the govern-

ment for their foresight in launching this new fund,” said Electra president and CEO Trent Mell in a press release.

The fund is designed to support Ontario-based innovation helping to build supply chains

for clean technologies, including electric vehicles, by connecting mineral resources in the north with the manufacturers in the south.

Minister of Mines George Pirie says the government’s goal is to supply the province, country and allies with the minerals needed to meet climate goals and transition to a cleaner, sustainable economy.

The Critical Minerals Innovation Fund is expected to stimulate exploration, mining smelting and processing of

critical minerals within Ontario.

This will enable companies to extract critical minerals from mine tailings and waste sites across the province.

The Ontario government sees this new fund as a vehicle to assist companies to thrive and grow with made-in-Ontario solutions that will be developed through this fund.

Applications for the Critical Minerals Innovation Fund are now being accepted.



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Advice and solutions for debt difficulties

OTTAWA (Special) - Canadians have sources where they can find advice and solutions they can trust to help with their debt.

The Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy (OSB) and the Canadian Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals (CAIRP) have websites that provide important tools and information to help consumers deal with financial difficulties.

When seeking help to deal with debt, here are some things to consider:

Beware of unregulated, unlicensed debt advisors that claim to be authorized to assist

you with insolvency options. Some charge hundreds or even thousands of dollars for services they are not licensed to provide, or for unnecessary services offered before, during or after a consumer proposal or bankruptcy filing.

Watch out for high-pressure sales tactics or unrealistic promises to quickly solve your debt problems or to fix your credit score. Signs may include high fees, high interest rates, delayed payments and advisors encouraging you to make further advances on your credit card or take out a high-interest loan to pay their fees.

Meet with a Licensed In-

solveny Trustee (LIT). LITs provide independent, unbiased advice about the options to deal with debt.

The OSB has a directory of LITs and LIT firms. Insolvency services are available across the country, even in remote locations.

A trustee may recommend non-insolvency options such as talking to your creditors, consolidating your debts, establishing and following a budget or a Debt Management Plan (DMP). If needed, they would refer you to a reputable credit counselling agency, for example, to access DMP services.

If your financial situation

is more serious, an LIT may recommend an insolvency option such as a consumer proposal or bankruptcy. LITs are the only professionals authorized to administer these government-regulated insolvency options.

Ask for a free consultation. First consultations with an LIT may be free, so those facing debt problems can get advice with no commitment and no up-front fees.

Most importantly, be a well-informed consumer by consulting reliable sources for information, asking questions, and seeking a second opinion. This can help you avoid paying

for unnecessary services or fees.

“Those faced with desperate financial situations are susceptible to false promises of a quick solution to their debt problems. Anyone considering a consumer proposal or bankruptcy should meet with a Licensed Insolvency Trustee first,” says Elisabeth Lang, Superintendent of Bankruptcy.

“LITs are the only federally regulated professionals who can provide debt relief options such as bankruptcy and consumer proposals. LITs are bound by a Code of Ethics and required to explore all debt relief options to help debtors find the best solution for their needs,” she said.

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With Doug Edwards



decorate. My daughter came along the other day to ask about setting up the tree. I can no longer get in the cupboards so she rummaged till she found the Christmas things she remembered from the past, setting up the tree with its lights and the Baby Jesus in the manger scene.

Christmas is about love, especially for children. The best present you can give them is that they are cherished for who they are. No gift is greater. Did you ever watch children after the gifts are open play with a cardboard box? The true gift comes from the heart.

There once was a story about two poor people by O. Henry called The Gift of the Magi. The wife had long golden hair that she was proud of, the husband had a pocket watch, his only

possession. Christmas was coming and the husband decided to sell his watch to get hair combs for his wife. The wife decided to have her hair cut off to buy her husband a watch fob. True love can never be replaced. The meaning of the season is to be with family, enjoy life in its fullest. It's not about the cost of the present, it's the remembrance of that special gift. I still recall the first gifts Norma gave me – a pen engraved with my name on it, a Bible and a knitted sweater. Yet to all who received him, to those who believe in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

Merry Christmas to one and all from Doug and Norma.




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Lucien Beaudoin

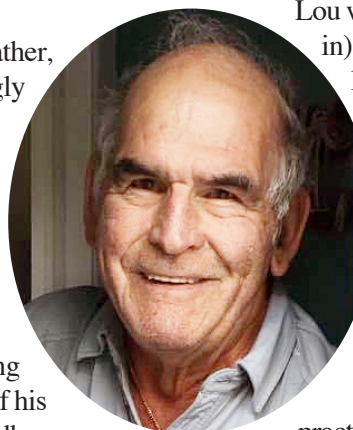
It is with very heavy hearts that we announce that our beloved father, Lucien Beaudoin, passed away peacefully at home surrounded lovingly by his children at the age of 89, in the city of New Liskeard, Ontario.

In his early years, Lou worked at Canadian Tire and then went on to work for many years excelling in the parts department at Wilson Chev Olds and Armstrong Motors. With such a vast knowledge of vehicles, customers would often come in with their respective parts and without having to look up a part or item number, he knew just what they needed.

Lou took up many hobbies, one of which was woodcarving creating beautiful and meticulously detailed painted loons gifted to members of his family, which we will all dearly treasure. You can also find several birdhouses at the New Liskeard golf course that he specially handcrafted to house the swallows. He had a fond love of nature and thoroughly enjoyed feeding the wild birds and other critters who knew where to find a secret stash just for them, keeping a flawless yard with green grass and trimmed hedges.

Spending many hours and miles in his cars cruising down the quiet country roads was one of his favourite pastimes, one that started early taking his kids for road trips to look for blueberries and pin cherries. He absolutely loved a good game of golf and he played up until he was no longer physically able.

Lou was most known for his love of the blueberry patch and without fail could be found in the fields of Guerin as the blueberry season kicked off, and would be there picking every last blueberry up until the start of frost. An impeccable basket of blueberries picked for each and every loyal customer "without stems or leaves" he would say. He was so proud in his ability to provide baskets upon baskets to his loyal customers and even continued to do so this year. Picking blueberries with our Dad, Grandpa and dear friend had not only become an annual tradition, it is one of many cherished moments we will all fondly miss.



Lou was predeceased by his parents Oscar and Jeanne Beaudoin (nee Gosselin); his brothers Andre, Hector, Gerard; his sister Marie Rose; and his beloved infant son Pierre.

He is survived by his sisters Lucille, Claire Nardini (late Egidio), Jean Carlton (late Ed), Denise Bastien (Denis) and sister-in-law Alice Beaudoin (late Hector); his beloved children Paul (Paula), Perry, Diane and Angela Seamans (Blake); adored grandfather to Melanie Louie (Justin), Tanya Miron, Valerie Gomes (Carlos), Luc Beaudoin and Payton Beaudoin; treasured by his great-grandchildren Kaius Louie, Ava and Evan Gomes and lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews.

He was not a man of many words, however he was a deeply kind soul, practicing and demonstrating many acts of kindness to those less fortunate. Digging in his pockets and giving his grandchildren shiny coins or a crisp bill gave him immense joy. He was sharp-minded, quick-witted and never missed a moment to scoot around town to pop up and surprise you, just to then scoot off like he was never even there ... this made him chuckle to no end.

On behalf of our entire family, we wish to say thank you with sincerest appreciation and gratitude to all of the incredible health care, palliative and home care teams that were so dedicated and compassionate in assisting us in caring for our father, without you his wishes to be surrounded by family and peacefully in his own home would never have been made possible.

Cremation has taken place at Lakeview Crematorium, Haileybury. Arrangements entrusted to Buffam Leveille Funeral Home 705-672-3122.

A graveside service will be held at the New Liskeard Catholic Cemetery in August 2023, with formal details to follow.

Donations can be graciously made to The Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Canadian Cancer Society.

Online condolences accepted at www.buffamleveille.com.

Bob Purbrick

We are saddened to report the death of Robert George (Bob) Purbrick on Monday, December 12, 2022, in his 82nd year.

Bob will be forever missed by his wife of 42 years Ethel (nee Blackburn) and his four stepdaughters, the MacPherson girls: Kerrie (David Gatchell, New York), Bonnie (Richard Schubert, Creemore), Heather (Calgary) and Jaye (Tarik Dean, Las Vegas). He will also be missed by his canine companion Buddy and all the "grand-dogs."

He was predeceased by parents Hilda and Jim.

Growing up on a farm in the Thornloe area, Bob learned all the skills that a boy on a farm needed to know, AND earned Grade Six in Piano from the Royal Conservatory of Music. He was a shy boy who early on discovered the magic of HAM radio. He built his own set and was soon able to communicate with HAM operators around the globe. This passion was the basis of many lifelong friendships. In those early days, his HAM call was VE3 DWX. He later adopted the call sign VE3 CTT to honour a mentor.

As a young man, Bob headed off to Toronto where he worked for a time as a TTC driver before signing on as a technician with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. In the '70s he moved back to Northern Ontario to be near his aging parents, and joined Peters' Garage in Englehart as co-owner and mechanic.

Little did he know when a friend asked him to look at a problem dishwasher in a rental property that his life would be forever changed. The tenant was Ethel and before long, Bob became a frequent visitor to the little house on Ninth Avenue. Daughter Heather asked Bob early on what his intentions were toward her mother. As it turned out, his intentions were honourable and the two married June 14, 1980. Bob, an only child, became part of a large, boisterous family and over the next four decades bore the chaos and confusion with good grace. Imagine his parents' surprise when



their only child delivered four adult grandchildren!

Over the years, Bob and Ethel enjoyed many driving vacations to Alaska, Western Canada and Las Vegas. They loved to pack up the RV and hit the open road for destinations near and far. The Bounder was home for many memorable weekend camping trips to places like the Earlton Steam Show.

Bob remained shy all his life, but once the ice was broken was happy to chat knowledgeably about an incredible range of topics. He was a gifted photographer and loved trains and steam-powered equipment. He was an active volunteer with the Earlton Steam Show, and the Committee to Restore the 701. He was a great neighbour, always ready to lend a hand and routinely put in long days clearing snow and hauling firewood. Above all, he was a devoted partner to Ethel. Once Ethel moved to Teck Pioneer Residence, Bob endured endless COVID swabbings to enable twice weekly visits and was an enthusiastic participant in the famous Sunday morning family ZOOM calls. These visits were the highlight of each week for both of them.

The family invites friends to join in a Celebration of Bob's life at 11 a.m. on Sunday, December 18, 2022, in the Chapel at Teck Pioneer Residence, 145A Government Road East, Kirkland Lake Ontario.

Please be advised all guests will need to provide proof of COVID vaccination and be tested for COVID before entry - please allow at least 30 minutes for this process. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

Bob's long-time canine companion Buddy now has a new home - with lots of space to run - with Bill Laurila. For those who wish to make a memorial donation in support of the Kirkland Lake Animal Control organization, cheques may be sent to Advocates for Northern Animals, 3 Dunfield Road, Kirkland Lake ON P2N 3P4 or e-transfer to tbarbe@hotmail.com "in memory of Bob" in the comments.

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Denise Brennan

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Denise Brennan on Monday, December 19, 2022, at the age of 88.

Denise passed away at Tri-Town Extendicare surrounded by her loving family.

Denise was predeceased by her husband Joseph Brennan, brother Roger Landriault, sisters Rolande Breault and Danielle Fournier and her parents John Landriault, Bernadette Blais and her stepmother Rita Landriault.

Loving mother of Mike (Pina), Rick (Lynn) and Steve (Lorraine).

Cherished grandmother to Andrew, Madeline, Melissa, Alex, Courtney, Chelsea, Amy as well as the great-grandmother to Eli and Logan.

Denise was also a member of CWL (Catholic Women's League) for over 60 years.



We will miss her dearly and will treasure our memories of Denise, but we know that Joe will be so happy to have her join him.

Visitation and funeral will be held in New Liskeard. Visitation hours will be from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. on December 28 at the Timiskaming Funeral Cooperative (Perrin Chapel).

The service will be held at 11 a.m. at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Church on December 29.

Thank you to Dr. Don Davies and the staff at Tri-Town Extendicare for your utmost care and compassion. Words can never express our gratitude to each and every one of you.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Timiskaming Funeral Cooperative, formerly Perrin Funeral Chapel (128 Whitewood Avenue West, New Liskeard, ON P0J 1P0).

Condolences may be made at www.timiskaimngfc.com.

Dianne Hamelin

It is with profound sadness that the family announces the death of Dianne Hamelin of Cobalt at the age of 65. Dianne died peacefully in the comfort of her home on Thursday, December 15, 2022, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on March 14, 1957, to the late Edmond Lagrandeur and the late Evangeline Robillard.

Dianne will be remembered as a very caring, compassionate and devoted person who worked many years as a social worker at the Pavilion Women's Centre. After her retirement, Dianne found more time to do the things she loved such as camping and boating, but her greatest love was any time spent with her family. Dianne had a heart of gold and would always put the needs of others before her own. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. Her presence will be sorely missed by all those fortunate enough to have known her.

Dianne is survived by her loving husband Roger Hamelin, her three sons Jefferson Keyes (Candice Dupuis), Daniel Bérubé and Jason (Alicia) Martin. Di-



anne is the cherished grandmother of Elizabeth, Jazlyn, Damien, Julie, Lucas, Sylar, Peyton; step-grandmother to Damien and Katrina and great-grandmother to Ava. Dianne is also survived by her stepfather "Papa Jim," siblings Norm (Pearl) Lagrandeur, John (Joanne) Lagrandeur, Jeanne (Lloyd) Henry, Lynn McLean as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family members.

Dianne was predeceased by her parents, her father- and mother-in-law Marcel and Doreen Hamelin, her sisters-in-law Lucille Prieur, Carole Hamelin, by her brothers-in-law Bob McLean, Scott Symons, Richard Hamelin and Maurice Hamelin.

The family of the late Dianne Hamelin received family and friends at the Buffam Leveille Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, from 2-4 p.m.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions can be made to Diabetes Canada <https://crm2.diabetes.ca/site/donation>.

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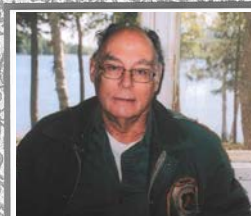


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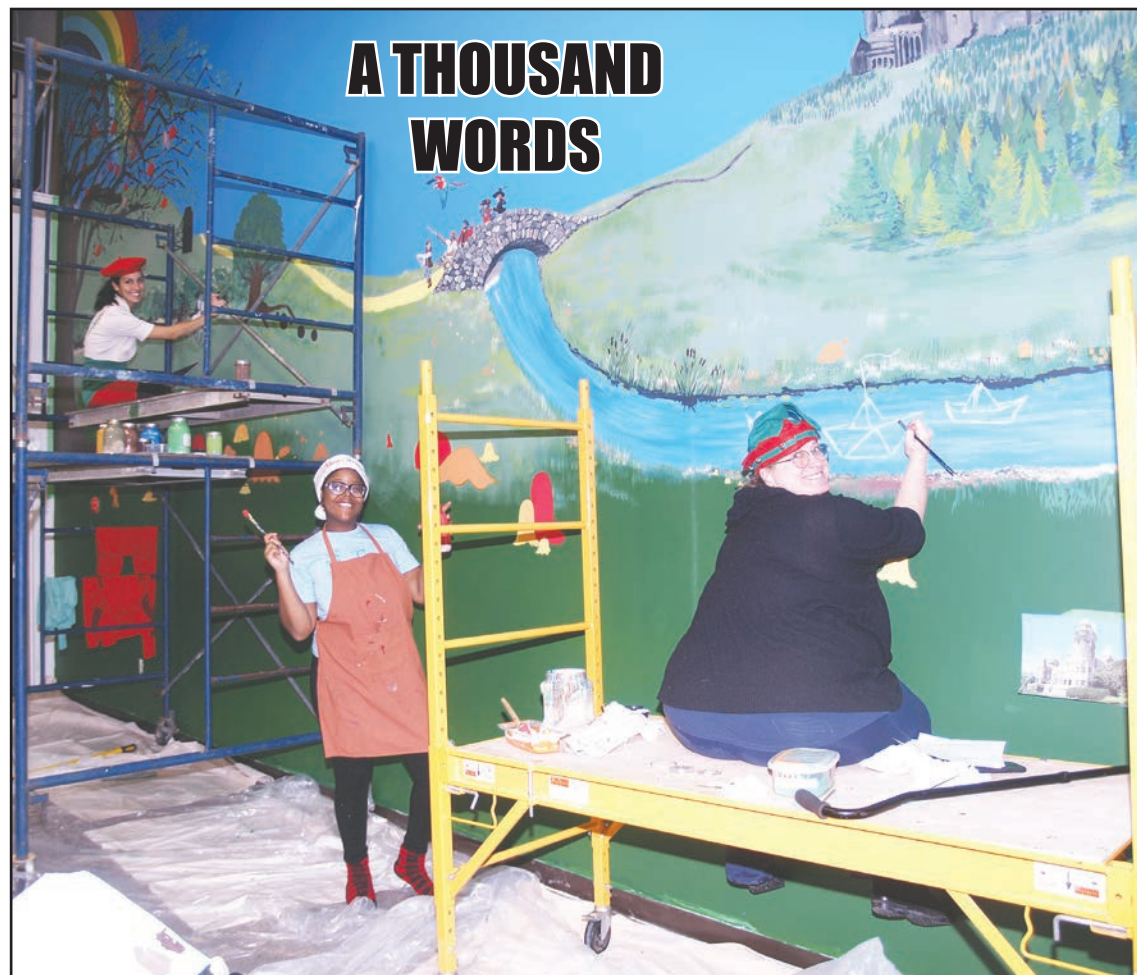
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The Cobalt and Area Young Artists Collective is creating a mural across the east wall of the Cobalt Paul Penna Public Library. The project, which is taking place in the children's section of the library, is "incorporating characters from children's literature," explained project leader Jennifer Pereira (left). The goal of the project is "to bring a little spirit to the library," she said. Also working on the project are Sabrina Somersall (centre) and Victoria Starchuk. The group has been working together on similar projects over the past two years. (Staff photo by Darlene Wroe)

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