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Network provides shelter when there is no warming centre

Darlene Wroe

Local Journalism **Initiative Reporter**

TEMISKAMING SHORES - A network of community partners in New Liskeard are on alert when cold weather hits and they set off a call-out to homeless people to go to certain locations in the community where they can keep warm during the day.

Even though there is no official warming centre in the city, the partners open their doors so they can to try to ensure people have a place to go.

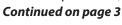
New Liskeard Salvation Army Lieutenant Robbie Donaldson is the co-chair of the Community Safety and Wellbeing Housing and Homeless Pillar, which he says is a passion for him.

Previously, when stationed in Kirkland Lake, he was involved with helping with the establishment there of Hope Haven - the six-bed transitional house for men, which he said has been very successful.

Now in New Liskeard for three years, Donaldson is one of the main people involved in collaborating to make spaces for people to keep warm during cold

"The theory is that hypothermia sets in at 0 to -5 (C) temperatures," he explained during an interview at the Salvation Army in New Liskeard.

He said that while hypothermia continues to be a problem as the temperatures drop further,









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DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK?

Here are some of the stories in our February 5 edition...

- Desjardins Ontario Credit Union has advised the Township of Armstrong it will close its branch in Earlton on February 21.
- · American tariffs could cause economic chaos in Northern Ontario if implemented.
- The Temiskaming Municipal Association has endorsed a highway safety plan with a list of suggestions to make Northern roads safer in the long haul.
- It was his wartime mettle that earned World War II veteran Rayburn Johnston from Coleman Township the King Charles III Coronation Medal.
- Latchford has plans to make Family Day and the March break a fun time in the best little town by a dam site.
- · Timiskaming District Secondary School students are that much more knowledgeable about search and rescue efforts after taking outdoor training sessions.
- The Isaac Walker-Dupont Family Fun Fishing Fundraiser hopes to hook plenty of anglers to take part on Family Day Weekend.
- Three Special Olympic athletes and a coach from this region will be heading to the Provincial Championships in Brantford this coming July.



MAKING THE ROUNDS

Just a little over a month after getting her first pair of skates, Janika Goodyear was improving with each lap of the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena. The three-year-old from New Liskeard was accompanied by mom Vanessa Ménard, at left, and aunt Stéphanie Ménard at a public skating session on February 2. (Staff photo by Diane Johnston)





New Liskeard Salvation Army Lieutenant Robbie Donaldson is pictured here at the food bank at the Salvation Army building on Whitewood Avenue. (LJI photo by Darlene Wroe)

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"it's at those damper, colder temperatures where hypothermia is more problematic and causes more of a burden on the emergency departments."

He said collaborators in the New Liskeard area are all aware of the weather.

"When it is appearing that it's going to be frightfully cold, mostly I would contact Zack's Crib and make sure we have coverage for the hours of the service gap."

COVERING THE GAP

That service gap is the hours between the closure of Zack's Crib, which closes its doors in the morning hours, and the opening later in the morning of locations like the Temiskaming Shores Public Library or participating businesses. There is also the evening period where

a warming place may be required, which would be the hours when the library and participating businesses close at the end of the day, and the hour when Zack's Crib opens later in the evening.

Once arrangements have been made, "we spread the word," said Donaldson.

Donaldson and others will reach out to individuals who may need shelter and let them know what is planned.

They are also asked to tell others, he said, "and the word spreads like wildfire."

The collaboration between the groups at the moment uses existing programming, facilities and funding streams, said Donaldson.

THE IDEAL

Other places have dedicated hubs and it would be ideal to have one for this area, he commented, but on a smaller scale.

However, such a hub would need a building, trained workers such as social workers, case workers and trauma-informed caregivers, he outlined. Such a centre would be more than a warming centre, and would be open throughout the year, he stated.

Dedicated funding would be required to pay staff and provide the services yearround

A group of service agencies are looking at the possibilities, he noted.

At this time a ByName list is used to allow partners to be aware of the individuals who are homeless, he explained, and it is used to coordinate individuals with case workers "who will help them work through from being unsheltered to sheltered."

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Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Physical Activity and Mental Health

Physical activity is not just beneficial for maintaining a healthy body, but also for improving mental health. Research shows that exercise is one of the most effective tools to manage mental health issues like anxiety and depression. Even modest levels of physical activity or low-intensity exercise are beneficial.

Reduces stress and anxiety

Physical activity is a natural stress reliever. When you exercise, your body releases endorphins, which are feel-good chemicals that help reduce stress and anxiety. Regular exercise can also help reduce the levels of cortisol, the hormone that is released during stress. By reducing cortisol levels, exercise can help calm the mind and reduce feelings of anxiety.

Improves mood

Exercise can improve mood almost immediately by increasing the production of serotonin and dopamine, two chemicals in the brain that are associated with feelings of happiness and well-being. Regular exercise can also help reduce feelings of fatigue and improve energy levels, which can have a positive impact on mood.

Boosts self-esteem

Regular physical activity can help improve self-esteem and self-confidence. When you exercise, you are setting goals and achieving them, which can give you a sense of accomplishment and pride. Exercise can also help improve body image, which can lead to a more positive self-image.

Enhances cognitive function

Exercise has been shown to improve cognitive function, including memory, attention, and processing speed. Exercise increases blood flow to the brain, which helps supply oxygen and nutrients to the brain cells.

Reduces symptoms of depression

Regular exercise has been shown to be as effective as medication for treating mild to moderate depression. Exercise increases the production of endorphins and serotonin, which can help improve mood and reduce feelings of depression. Engaging in exercise can also help increase social interaction and reduce feelings of isolation which can have a positive impact on mental health.

Physical activity is an important aspect of maintaining good mental health. So, whether it's a daily walk, a yoga class, or even just moving more, incorporating physical activity into your routine can have a positive impact on your mental health.

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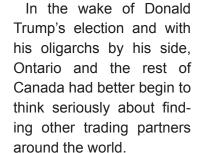
EDITORIAL

Time to make new friends

The election of Donald Trump in the United States and then his obsession with imposing tariffs on Canadian goods and services

has been cause for concern.

It will affect the forestry sector and the agricultural industry of the North.



Canada has one third of its international trade with the U.S., and the message should be clear: we will seek trade partners around the world in the wake of all the unfair tariff talk.

Eighty per cent of the oil produced in Canada is shipped south of the border where they refine it and sell

Thousands of jobs in the oil sector could be at risk due to a proposed oil tariff.

With such uncertainty in Washington it is a perfect time for Ontario and Canada to seek out ways of diversifying our markets where our goods and services can be sold without a trading partner pulling the rug out from underneath us.

To their credit, both Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Ontario Premier Doug Ford have both talked tough about the tariffs.

Trudeau slapped back with a tariff package targeting billions of dollars in U.S. imports, while Ford has cancelled the Elon Musk Starlink internet service op-

All this tariff talk has Canadians on edge and some have even booed when the American national anthem is being sung at sporting events.

This isn't who we are.

United However, the States was our friend and best ally, and with Trump in office we see a schoolyard bully mentality that has no understanding of diplomacy or has any economic acu-

It will be an interesting in four years for us and the world as this presidency plays out its term of office.

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Much ado about nothing



Sue Nielsen

When Indigenous elders give advice to their people in times of upheaval, they say slow your reactions down. Responding to every new reality can wear you out and leave you feeling fearful.

I see people being manipulated into states of anxiety and fear since Donald Trump announced the socalled tariffs on Canada and Mexico.

This manipulation comes via social media mostly.

We learned the tariffs will be cancelled for a month after our prime minister spoke with Trump this week.

I have seen overreaction before (Y2K) but this tariff threat takes the cake.

There are people using the tariff threats as a means of stirring up fear to promote themselves and their political careers.

Shame on them.

The great leaders of any country inform rather than inflame and they bring the temperature down on largescale events, not ramp it up.

I was proud of the Canadian leaders who did stand up to Trump.

I saw a recent social media post where a woman asked a politician what the average person could do to ward off Donnie and his policies.

Meanwhile it is -35 C and there are people standing in line at food banks and sleeping on the cold hard ground in our communities.

How about we start there by contacting local politicians and ask them to create policies to help the homeless, the addicted and the poverty stricken, many of whom are our neighbours, friends, coworkers and even family members.

With all the hysteria whipped up about the Trump tariffs, let's keep calm and take care of our own.

Maybe we can't stop the tariff threats but we can all do something small - call an elected official and voice your concerns about inflammatory posts, do things in your own community to help others.

Kindness is not the result of being kind it is the result of doing kind things.

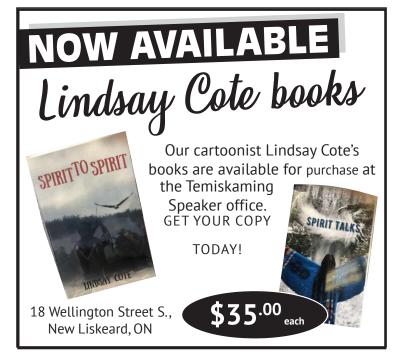
The absolute worst thing I have seen lately is a young child comes on the radio in a commercial talking about the Ford government taking billions from the school system to give to his big business buddies.

Do not use children to fight adult political battles. They have enough to worry about without involving them in issues that are way above their level of understanding.

I am against those school board cuts but let the adults in the room fight that battle, do not put that burden on the shoulders of children.

If we hone in on what's within our control - let's build stronger neighbourhoods, stronger communities, support local initiatives to help the poor and stress above all a humane approach to our lives.

Finally, there are less than 43 days until spring arrives on the wings of birds.





A.J. Davey named ACFO Youth Personality of the Year

Sue Nielsen Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES — They have been involved in the community sharing their time and talents since the age of five.

A.J. Davey, 17, is a Grade 12 student from Ecole secondaire catholique Sainte-Marie (ESCSM), accepted the L'Association canadiennefrançaise de l'Ontario (ACFO) Youth Personality of the Year Award at the annual ACFO luncheon, held at Riverside Place in New Liskeard on January 19.

Davey has been volunteering since the age of five, including completing 500 hours at the secondary school level.

"When I found out I had won the award I said 'whoah.' I thought there would be someone else that had done

more meaningful volunteering than me," said Davev in an email interview.

"I knew I had done a lot but I was really surprised to hear the

Over the years Davey has volunteered at Village Noel Temiskaming, at the Paula Davey Dance Studio, Small Pond Theatre, **NEOFACS** Angel Program, the Northdale Manor, Open Studio Libre, Centre de santé Témiskaming, One Light Temiskaming, the Temiskaming Lodge, at Ecole catholique St-Michel and

Davey is humble about the work they have done to benefit others.

And that trait of being humble and ready to help out whenever needed is rare these

Davey is also immensely proud of the francophone community and its vibrant was able to be there."

"Considering I come from a completely English family, I learned the meaning of francophonie through how difficult it was to get a job or do something important with your life without knowing the French language. I want more people to learn French so that they have the same opportunities as bilinguals."

mentioned nicest thing that was said upon receiving the ACFO Youth Personality of the Year Award came from Cochrane-**Timiskaming** MPP John Vanthof.

"It was congratulations from John Vanthof, who has been my political idol for forever. I was so happy that he was there considering Mr. Anthony Rota and Mr. Charlie Angus could not attend. I was surprised he

Receiving the award makes Davey feel recognized by others for what they have

done in the community and at school.

"I feel like I did this volunteer Continued on page 7



ACFO Temiskaming president Annik Boucher, left, presented the Youth Personality of the Year Award to A.J. Davey, 17, on January 19. Attendees at the ceremony at Riverside Place in New Liskeard heard that Davey's years of volunteerism started at the age of five. (Staff photo by Steven Larocque)



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A.J. Davey named **ACFO Youth**

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work to help others, but it is always nice to be recognized by others for what you do."

What volunteer role are they most proud of?

"Probably the North Eastern Ontario Family and Children Services (NEOFACS) Angel Program, which I have been a part of for many years and it just warms my heart that the community gives so much to help people they don't even know."

Davey said that if there was any advice to be passed on to other teens looking to help out in their community it would be to network, meet people and talk with them.

"I network, I talk to people and I get involved. All your need is the push to start volunteering and I would recommend starting with Open Studio Libre, they are often looking for volunteers," said Davey.

"I remember (reading to seniors) when I was younger and it really warmed their hearts."

Davey is of course grateful for the recognition from ACFO, but there is one person that they are especially grateful to.

"My mom, especially, she's taken me to my volunteering activities and supported me."

Davey has plans to use the \$500 Club Richelieu award to help attend Carleton University where she plans on studying political science.

Network provides shelter

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Last month in the district there were 24 people whose names were on the list, he said.

That number "goes up and down because people are getting housed, or they move to another district." He emphasized that number is for the entire district, and not just Temiskaming Shores.

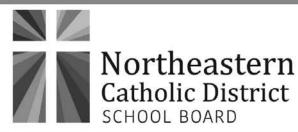
The issue comes under the jurisdiction of the Ontario Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, he stated.

In the meantime, Donaldson said the Salvation Army is in need of volunteers for its food bank and thrift store, and other tasks, which in turn can help everyone who is struggling to stay housed.

People can also help by showing respect to those who are unhoused, he said.

"They're your neighbours."

For many people, we are all one job away from being homeless ourselves, he said.





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Board forecasts electrical system improvements

TIMMINS (Special/Staff) - The region's English public school board credits a new partnership with improving the safety of its schools' electrical systems and saving money.

In a media release, District School Board Ontario North East said it faced challenges in updating its aging infrastructure to meet current safety standards and improve energy management.

It hired CircuitIQ, which is based in Sudbury, to map power systems in its facilities.

The board said the collaboration provided it with comprehensive circuit mapping and streamlined reporting.

As a result, it said it achieved significant savings in safety compliance, operational efficiency and costs.

"First and foremost, it's about safety," said Lesleigh Dye, the board's director of education, in the release.

CircuitlQ highlights the board's story on its website. In a short video, board officials said up to 15 per cent of the 500 work orders staff responded to each month were related to electrical

The board said an audit was made of electrical services in all its facilities - which span 165,000 square metres and everything was labelled.

It said maintenance teams now have immediate access to precise circuit data, reducing time and resources spent on electrical issues.

Over the long term, it expects energy savings and a decrease in emergency service calls.

ASK THE EXPERTS

Learn more from those who have the answers!





CHALLENGING THE STIGMA

Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) addiction and mental health workers Jessica Paterson (left) and Alyssa Castonguay were in the lobby of the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena during the January 24 New Liskeard Cubs game. They had a booth set up to provide resources on mental health services and how to challenge the stigma surrounding reaching out for help if someone is experiencing mental health issues. The Cubs themselves supported the January 22 CMHA and Bell Let's Talk Day initiative about raising awareness of mental health when the Cub coaches wore blue toques on the bench during the game. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

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TAURUS

If you're going somewhere that's hard to find, precise directions will be essential to avoid wasting a lot of time. A GPS navigation app will be your best friend.



Nobody likes feeling deprived, but it can motivate you to seek solutions. You'll be ready to act once you figure out how to gain financial freedom.



CANCER

Exciting activities abound, bringing a whirlwind of commitments that will fill up your schedule. However, you'll skillfully organize all your tasks and meet all your deadlines.



LEO

A cold is often your body's way of telling you it's time to slow down and recharge. If you're feeling stressed, take some time to unwind with relaxation and meditation.



VIRGO

You'll be in a leadership role, and your team will look to you for guidance. You'll have plenty of opportunities to showcase your management skills. Embrace the position you've earned and assert your authority with confidence.



LIBRA

As you juggle family and professional commitments, you won't have much spare time or any time to devote to your own activities. You'll also have to organize professional or social gatherings.



SCORPIO

At work, your productivity will catch the attention of your superiors, who will feel compelled to offer you a raise to secure your longevity with the company. You'll have every reason to be proud!



SAGITTARIUS

You may be faced with existential questions this week, which may prompt you to seek a more enlightened outlook on life. In your relationship, loyalty and dedication are highly valued.



CAPRICORN

You'll find common ground with those around you after a conflict. Your wisdom will be crucial in this situation. Quick action will be needed to stop things from getting worse



AQUARIUS

This week will be full of professional challenges. Set realistic expectations to ensure your success matches your efforts. Keep an eye out for potential friction with colleagues who may be jealous of your achievements.



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

CHURCH SERVICES & MORE...

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

PAROISSE ST-JEAN BAPTISTE D'EARLTON Nous sommes heureux de vous accueillir pour la messe dominical les dimanche à 11h. L'Église et notre bureau sont situés au 31 - 10ième rue ouest, Earlton. Pour autres informations composez le 705-563-2220 ou par courriel à pstjeanbaptiste@gmail.com.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH wishes to extend an invitation to join weekly services held every Sunday at 51 Wellington St. North, New Liskeard at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor George Paraskevopoulos officiating. The church is now fully accessible with an outside ramp & inside hydraulic lift elevator. We are also pleased to have completed our improvements to air quality in the building with the addition of air exchangers and Hepa air cleaners. For more information about the church and our ministries, call 705-647-8401 or visit our website www. presbyteriannewliskeard.ca

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH COMING EVENTS - December 2024

SUNDAY MASS is celebrated at Our Mother of Perpetual Help on Sundays at 10:00 A.M. and 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 FREE CHILLI DINNER AND LIGHTING OF OUR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: On Sunday, December 8th at 5:00 P.M. in the OMPH Parish hall, we will host a free chilli dinner. We will turn on the Christmas lights at 5:00 P.M. and then have a chilli dinner. A Christmas Sing-A-Long will follow.

DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will be hosting days of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday of Advent. **Friday, December 6th and Friday, December 13th and Friday, December 20th from 11:30 A.M to 12:30 P.M.**

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP ADVENT PENITENTIAL MASS will take place on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:00 P.M. There will be a Mass for Reconciliation followed by individual confession. Two priests will be available. Come and be reconciled with God this Advent!

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 17th at 7:00 P.M..

TIME FOR YOU AND ME: Is a group from Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish that is open to everyone wanting to make a difference helping others in our Church, our community and our world! Join us from **1:30 P.M. to 2:30P.M. on Wednesday, December 18th.**

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will have two Masses celebrating the birth of our Lord. They will take place on December 24th at 8:00 P.M. as well as on December 25th at 11:00 A.M.. Saint Patrick's Parish in Cobalt will have a Mass on December 24th at 5:00 P.M..

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

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

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.

CHURCH SERVICES & MORE...

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH OF ENGLEHART meets every Sunday morning at 10:30am. We invite you to our worship services or our weekly Bible study and prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7 pm. 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.org

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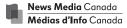
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Job Duties:

- · Provide prompt and courteous customer service.
- · Work collaboratively with prospects to understand their requirements.
- Conduct professional and engaging sales presentations.
- · Answer questions and make product suggestions based on a comprehensive understanding of the product line.
- Offer additional products/services related to the sale.
- · Maintain and expand the company's prospect database.
- Emphasize product/service features and benefits, quote prices, discuss credit terms, and prepare sales order forms and/or reports.
- Generate sales leads and initiate prospect calls.
- Establish ongoing rapport with existing and potential customers.
- Investigate and troubleshoot customer service issues.
- Effectively communicate brand identity.
- Uphold a code of ethics, integrity, and passion at all times.

Requirements:

- 3-5 years of direct work experience in Sales/Marketing.
- Strong knowledge of the marketplace.
- Demonstrated ability to convert prospects and close deals while maintaining established sales targets.
- Strong problem identification and objection resolution skills.
- Ability to build and maintain lasting relationships with customers.
- Exceptional listening, verbal communication, and presentation
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- Self-motivated, with high energy and an engaging level of enthusiasm.
- Ability to work individually and as part of a team.
- High level of integrity and work ethic.
- · Professional demeanor and selling style.

If you are a passionate and results-oriented individual with a commitment to excellence, we invite you to apply for this exciting opportunity. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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If this position sounds like the career you have been looking for, we invite you to submit your application to:



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Career Opportunity

The Corporation of the Town of Englehart **Public Works Equipment Operator**

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Position Overview:

Under the direction of the Public Works Superintendent the Public Works Equipment Operator is responsible for maintenance and repairs of roads, sidewalks, facilities, properties and infrastructure including water and sewer lines, parks, playgrounds and cemeteries. Duties include operation and maintenance of the Municipal Arena Complex, including the Arena Banquet Hall. The Public Works Equipment Operator operates various equipment, including heavy equipment.

Hours of Work: 40 hours per week (some evening and weekends in accordance with shift schedule) Must participate in weekly on call rotation.

Compensation:

- 2025 rate \$26.61 \$30.65 per hour, plus shift premiums as
 - OMERS pension plan and group benefit package

Qualifications:

- Secondary school diploma or equivalent.
- Must possess or willingness to obtain, a valid driver's license Class DZ
- Must possess or willingness to obtain ORFA Basic Refrigeration Certificate
- St. John's Ambulance First Aid/CPR Certificate.
- Must be willing to take necessary training as required or mandated by the Employer.
- Ability to operate a variety of equipment (trucks, loader, back loader, sidewalk plow) competently and safely.
- Experience in the repair and maintenance of roads, ditches, culverts, and water and sewer lines.
- Able to handle the required physical aspects of the position.

How to Apply:

Qualified candidates are invited to submit their resume and cover letter in confidence by February 14, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. to the attention of Ryan Vickery, Public Works Superintendent

Emailed to rvickery@englehart.ca

or dropped off at:

Englehart Town Hall

61 Fifth Avenue, Box 399, Englehart, ON POJ 1H0

We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those under consideration will be contacted. Accommodation for candidates with disabilities are available upon request.

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NOTICES / COMING EVENTS

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BID EUCHRE is played at 1 p.m. every Saturday at the Northdale Manor. Players are welcome. Please use the parking lot entrance.

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BID EUCHRE EVERY TUESDAY AT 1:15 at the Hudson Hall. For more info call 705-647-6684.

CRIB AT HAILEYBURY LEGION EVERY SUNDAY 1pm Need a partner. Everyone welcome. For more info call 705 647 6684.

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

NOTICES / COMING EVENTS

Friday, February 7, 2025

For Haileybury: THE HAILEYBURY ANGLICAN CHURCH located at the corner of Rorke and Browning is offering Soup's On (free soup and a bun) the second Monday of every month from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. All are welcome.

For Cobalt: ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH located on Prospect Ave. in Cobalt is offering Soup's On (free soup and a bun) the fourth Saturday of every Month from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. All are welcome.

NEIGHBORHOOD FRIENDS & FUN EVENT Saturday, February 8th from 1-3pm at First Baptist Church, New Liskeard. All are welcome to come to enjoy some card and board games, snacks, and maybe get a prize! Spread the word and looking forward to seeing you soon!

THE TEMISKAMING BULLS EYE CLUB will be holding its ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING at I:00PM ON FEBRUARY 22, 2025 in the HUDSON HALL HWY 65 WEST. All members and interested persons welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE VAL-ENTINE TEA Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish Hall - 81 Maple St. New Liskeard. February 15 12:00pm to 2:00pm. Come join us for tea/coffee, sandwiches, and dessert. Check out our Raffles, Bake and White Elephant Tables. Everyone is welcome!

SWEET'ART CAFE is on February 9th at Temiskaming Art Gallery (325 Farr Dr) from 1-4pm. Desserts for sale by Temiskaming Palette and Brush Club, live music and cafe drinks. This is a fundraiser for the Temiskaming Art Gallery and the reception for the current exhibit. Come meet the artists!

THE COFFEE HOUSE SUPPORTING & PROMOTING LOCAL MUSICIANS AND THEIR MUSIC. On Tuesday February 11th please join us for our Valentine's Day Edition at The Coffee House and enjoy the Musical Stylings of many of your favourite local musicians and entertainers including, Steve Benoit, The Mud Dogs, Amanda & Julien. Camrvn Mills. Kirk & Rov. Off The Beaten Track, Wayne Potts, Dan Raimondo, and Random Chants. Please join us the second Tuesday of every month at St. Paul's United Church auditorium, 7 - 10PM at 70 Wellington St. in New Liskeard. Please consider donating to The Coffee House Fund. For further information contact Brian Matheson at 705-647-5671 or email: coffeehouse2tues@outlook.com Follow us on Facebook, Instagram & YouTube at: the coffee house new liskeard www.coffeehousenewliskeard

TEMISKAMING ART GALLERY'S first exhibit of the year will be Creative Cultivation by the Palette and Brush Club. It opens on January 13th and runs until February 21. The gallery is open Monday-Friday and now has later hours on Tuesdays. You can find the gallery in city hall on 325 Farr Drive.

Lactation Support-La Leche League Canada, Temiskaming Shores is offering peer support for lactating families during pregnancy, postpartum, and beyond. We can provide free breastfeeding/chestfeeding support by email, text, and at 5 in-person meetings per month. For more information, visit https://www.lllc.ca/temiskaming-shores

COUNTRY NIGHT FOR 4H" A SPE-CIAL BENEFIT CONCERT IN SUP-PORT OF OUR LOCAL 4H CLUB will be held Saturday February 22nd. featuring a lineup of local entertainers, including Steve Benoit, Alex Wight, Glenn Scott, Dan & Friends, Myriam Benard Lafontaine, Brigid Wilkinson, Ian & Martin & Random Chants. "Country Night for 4H" again this year includes their fundraising "Bake Sale". "Country Night for 4H" Saturday February 22nd, 7: pm at the Classic Theatre in Cobalt. Tickets for this concert available from any 4H Club member, Chat Noir, or contact The Classic Theatre.

LE GRAND JAM - We have started our weekly jam session again. 1 pm til 4 pm. At Le Coeur Du Village in Earlton. Join us to play, dance and meet up with friends

TEMISKAMING TREASURES QUILT GUILD meet the *last Thursday of every month at 1:30 pm* at the St. Pauls & St. Johns Hall (506 Rorke Ave., Haileybury). Welcome to all interested in quilting. For more information please contact Linda at 705-647-5812.

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MUSIC JAM EVERY 2ND AND 4TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH at the Sacred Heart Church in the basement from 1:30pm until 4pm. Always good entertainment. Come to play, sing or dance to country music. Bring your friends!

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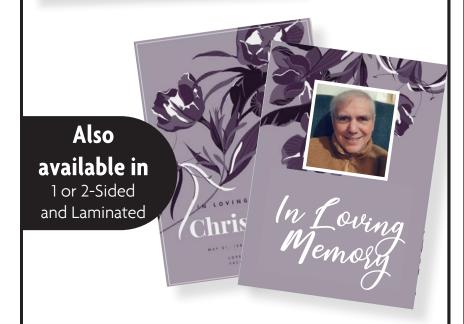
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> The session runs from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at St. Jerome School in Kirkland Lake.

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City library goes fine-free on many materials

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Special/Staff) - For the past year and a half, forgetful borrowers have enjoyed a break at the Temiskaming Shores library.

For 18 months, the library issued no fines if some materials were not returned by their due date.

It's now making the finefree experiment a permanent part of its collection.

"We believe libraries should be spaces where everyone feels welcome," said library CEO Rebecca Hunt in a media release announcing the policy.

"By going fine-free on many items, we're removing barriers that may have prevented some members of our community from using the library.

"Our mission is to provide access to resources and learning opportunities for all, and this policy is a major step forward."

The fine-free pilot ran from July 2023 to the end of December 2024.

During that time, the library charged no late fees when some materials books, audiobooks, DVDs, magazines and puzzles were not returned on time.

The library found that other Ontario libraries that

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have gone fine-free identified a number of benefits.

People who had once avoided the library due to overdue fines were more likely to return and borrow materials. The return rates often went up, and the elimination of fines fossupportive environment.

During the pilot project,

items marked "permanently lost" decreased from the previous 18-month period. The number of items that were returned late remained about the same, as did the number of materials circulated by the library.

"Libraries are about postered a more inclusive and sibilities, not penalties," said Hunt in the release.

"We want to be a resource Hunt said the number of for every individual and family in our community. This initiative reinforces our commitment to breaking down barriers and fostering lifelong learning."

The library will continue to charge fees for items that are lost or damaged.

It also encourages users to return items on time so others can enjoy them. It also uses a system of automated emailed reminders.

Answers for Crossword Puzzle on page 9





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