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Armstrong council gives nod to Firehouse Training

Darlene Wroe

Local Journalism
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ARMSTRONG TOWNSHIP - Armstrong Township council has given its nod of approval to the fire department to contract the company Firehouse Training to provide certification training for its firefighters.

Certification is required before July 1, 2026, or firefighters cannot continue to provide services after that date.

Fire department leaders met with Armstrong council April 30 to outline the reasons they feel that contracting Firehouse Training to provide certification training is the best option for the department.

Training officer Alaya Robert said that although in-house training appears to be the cheaper option, it has serious limitations, logistical issues, and would be far less reliable and less efficient.

"We've spoken to other departments trying to go this route (of in-house training) and they're struggling," said Robert.

Because of those the challenges, she said that contracting Firehouse Training would be worth the investment.

"It offers a complete training program with certified instructors with real-world full-time firefighting experience," she said.

Firehouse Training would come to the community, she continued.

"It takes place over three weekends throughout the year."

She said in-house training "might appear cheaper but only if we ignore the time, the stress, the risk of failure, and the potential consequence of an under-prepared team."

Approving Firehouse Training is "the most effective, reliable way to meet a provincial mandate to keep our team safe and to ensure our firefighters are trained to the highest possible standard."

DRAWN FROM RESERVE

Funding of \$40,300 plus HST has been approved by council to be withdrawn from the reserve for the fire department, which is included in the township's budget.

This will provide certification training for 13 firefighters.

"There's no price tag that can be placed on proper

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THIS WEEK?**
Here are some of the
stories in our
May 14 edition...

- Wind turbines are causing some discussion in Kerns and Hudson Townships.
- Cobalt approves its 2025 municipal budget with a 6.5 per cent increase to ratepayers.
- New Liskeard's Eric Campsall is the longest serving Lions Club member in the world.
- Ecole Assomption in Earlton is asking people to open their hearts and wallets to support a mega Open House fundraiser on May 22.
- The ice on Lake Temiskaming has broken up almost a month later than it did in 2024.
- The 2025 Rockin' On Canada Day event is fast approaching with the return of the fireworks display on the July long weekend.
- A huge copper wire theft has occurred in Coleman Township valued at \$100,000.
- The Temiskaming Art Gallery's latest exhibition to hang on the curved walls of the gallery is called "People of the Watershed."
- The Gord Zubyck Memorial Relay Meet was another huge success, albeit a chilly one.
- Taylor Dupuis has returned to the area to manage the Haileybury Golf Club for the summer after playing hockey in Germany.



BRAVERY PREVAILS

Goalie Gryphon Trahan is mindful of Team Bravery's Teayn Perry-Martin's presence in front of the net, while Destiny Pender-Nietlispach (left) helps to defend a shot coming from the point during a Timiskaming District Secondary School House Competition. Team Bravery prevailed over team members from the Loyalty, Strength and Honour houses at the school in a fun day at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena. Points for each house are collected throughout the year from various competitions and spirit days. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

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DATE WITH A BOOK

Alexia-Rose Grégoire had a literary offering for visitors to her booth at the Timiskaming District Secondary School Mother’s Day Vendors Market, held on May 10. She sells Date with a Book which is a book (all genres-fiction, non fiction, poetry, etc.) wrapped in a paper bag with a pen, stickers and more. Over 40 vendors took part in the event. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

Armstrong council gives nod

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training when it comes to fire-fighter safety,” said Robert.

She said the Armstrong fire-fighters are dedicated, capable and passionate.

“They’ve put in the work and they deserve to receive training from professionals who can come and help take us to the next level.”

Councillor Reynald Rivard questioned what is in the fire department reserve and was advised by chief administrative officer Dan Thibeault that the reserve had around \$87,000 at the end of last year.

While council approved contracting Firehouse Training, they also requested a written outline from the fire department for their reasons in choosing the service over providing in-house training, or using the Ontario Fire College.

Thibeault noted that council had the authority to override its requirement for obtaining

three quotes when contracting out for services. Incentives to firefighters taking part in the program were also discussed, but council has asked to have that subject brought back to council for review at a later date.

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Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

May is Bladder Cancer Awareness Month

DID YOU KNOW?

- There are more than 80,000 Canadians living with bladder cancer
- Bladder cancer is the fifth most common cancer in Canada
- 8,700 Canadians will be diagnosed with bladder cancer this year
- The biggest warning sign of bladder cancer is blood in the urine
- Smoking is a common risk factor, as are age and work related exposure to specific chemicals

SYMPTOMS:

The most common symptom of bladder cancer is blood in the urine. The colour may vary from pale yellow-red to bright or rusty red. Blood may always be in the urine, or it may come and go. Sometimes the blood can only be seen with a microscope or found with other urine tests.

Other symptoms include:

- The need to pee often (also called urinary frequency)
- An intense need to pee (also called urinary urgency)
- Trouble peeing
- A burning sensation or pain when you pee
- Back, pelvic or groin pain

Because the disease may have progressed unnoticed, it is critical to see a health care provider once you begin to experience symptoms. Since many symptoms are similar to other medical conditions, bladder cancer is often misdiagnosed as, for example, a urinary tract infection. If you are concerned, ask your health care provider for a referral to a urologist to rule out bladder cancer.

If you are having symptoms, please call to schedule an appointment with your primary care provider. It may very well not be bladder cancer, but these symptoms could be the result of a urinary tract infection which will also need to be diagnosed and treated accordingly.

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EDITORIAL

Victims and Survivors of Crime Week

How many of us know how to support a friend, family member, co-worker or acquaintance if they have had a crime committed against them or been the victim of a tragic circumstance?

Each year in Canada and in this region, scores of people are victims of crime and tragic circumstance.

Who is a victim?

A victim is any person whose life has been affected by a criminal act or traumatic circumstance, regardless of severity. Victims are those whose personal rights have been violated by criminal, violent or aggressive act(s). Victims are also the family and survivors of those who have been traumatized as a result of

crime, and/or tragedy.

Sometimes those who have been at the receiving end of crime or unfortunate incidents do not tell their stories. When a person does reach out for help, thank goodness we have Victim Services of Temiskaming and District to help them in the Temiskaming region.

Victim Services promotes awareness, support and hope for survivors of crime and tragic incidents. During Victims and Survivors of Crime Awareness Week (May

11-17) this is a perfect time to acknowledge the important work done in our community by Victim Services of Temiskaming, who are greatly assisted by the Temiskaming Ontario Provincial Police, Emergency Medical Services personnel and various social service agencies. They provide essential help for survivors of crime and also something that is not measured on paper, but in the heart, hope for people who need it at the most challenging time in their lives.

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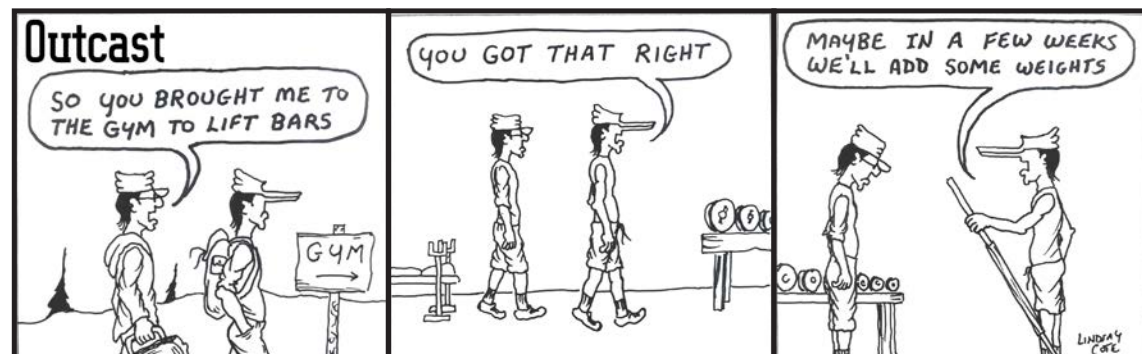
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Things can change on a dime. One minute you are here, the next minute you are gone.

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Hard lessons about life don't come easy and they have a way of bringing you to your knees.

I recently lost my brother David Brydges from a massive heart attack.

It was a sudden and shocking passing to say the least and I am still in shock and will be for a long while.

But you know we have received the kindest, most valuable gifts from people since David's passing.

The open arms, the hugs, kisses, food brought to the house and the kindest words of comfort have come from so many people that it has made a huge difference in our lives.

I love hugs and I am a hugger. My mother was a hugger and her mother was a hugger.

One woman I met while I was going into a local grocery store opened her arms and held me so tight I felt her heart beat.

It was beautiful and I was totally uplifted afterwards.

It felt like she was holding my pain for a brief moment in her heart and there is something in hugs that exude empathy and love.

Thank you Patti.

Never underestimate the power of physical touch to another human being.

Or a kind word or two expressed in a card, online message or in a telephone conver-

sation.

I don't pretend to have all the answers about the complexities of grief and human nature.

I love the Mary Oliver poem, *Wild Geese*, in which she writes, "Tell me about despair, yours, and I will tell you mine. Meanwhile the world goes on."

Maybe we are meant to feel pain of loss, but not to let it debilitate us, but to rise up in honour of another person, whom we loved and lost.

And she writes in that brilliant poem, "You do not have to walk on your knees for a hundred miles through the desert repenting."

In this way we truly honour our loved ones when we rise stronger from the grief that has brought us to our knees. It isn't easy and it may take a lifetime, if it happens at all.

Grief is a very personal jour-

ney.

I would like to send my deepest condolences to the family of Cobalter Bill Fraboni.

When I was 19 I was headed to Prince Edward Island to visit my brother David, who was living there at the time.

Bill had come home to visit family in Cobalt and was heading back to Nova Scotia, where he was stationed with the Canadian Navy.

He offered me a ride to PEI and I accepted and we made great travelling companions driving non-stop (except for food and bathroom breaks) for over 23 hours until we arrived at the ferry station to the Island.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR
A taxing situation

Dear editor,
As a legal resident of Canada and an expat American, I wish to call attention to a quiet crisis that I, along with many other expat Americans, face every year when tax season approaches.
The Association of Americans Resident Overseas estimates that more than a million Americans live in Canada. Expats like me may work in Canada and contribute to Canadian society, but the United States government still requires us to pay taxes.
The crisis is that many expats like myself experience great difficulty in filing their U.S. taxes. Many of us require the assistance of Low-Income Taxpayer Clinics, funded by the U.S. However, except for one clinic in Washington State, none can adequately serve expats and their complicated returns. The result is tens of millions of dollars in unfiled or misfiled returns.
Furthermore, expats who experience difficulties filing returns face heavy fines and seizure of their funds - a nightmare for expat families with tight budgets.
I am currently navigating through this nightmare scenario from my home in Ontario. Handling this crisis requires long afternoons on hold while waiting to speak with an official, dozens of letters and emails (to which the US government can take weeks to respond), and the discomfort of knowing that not more than 600-kilometres miles over the border, I am considered a scofflaw.
Given President Trump's efforts to reduce the staff at the Internal Revenue Service, it is apparent that my fellow American expats and I will continue our uphill battle.
Sincerely,
Gabriel Morrow, Englehart

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MOTHER'S DAY TEA

Haileybury Curling Club volunteers hosted a first time Mother's Day tea fundraiser on May 10 with 40 people in attendance. From the left are the volunteers who served tea, sandwiches and baked goods: Stephanie Osborne, Mary-Lou Lauzon, Jennifer McLean, Bev Gordon, Diane Robitaille, Melissa Eckensviller and Ashley Caron. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

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21. Scoop out water
22. Former Italian currency
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28. Desire
29. Changed hue
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32. Old
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Week of
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Your trust in a friend is starting to crumble. You'll have more clarity this week to identify who in your life is genuine and who is just taking advantage of you. This will help you reconnect and spend time with those who truly bring you joy.
- TAURUS**
It will be up to you to take charge and plan a major project. You'll also have a chance to showcase your talents and skills in front of a large audience. This could increase your chances of getting a promotion.
- GEMINI**
You'll feel a strong urge to travel this week. In your haste, you'll reach out to your travel agent to ensure you have the perfect summer vacation lined up. You might also consider some training opportunities.
- CANCER**
Your attention may be preoccupied with strong emotions this week, and you may feel overwhelmed with a desire for change. Sometimes a small refresh, like buying new clothes or getting a new haircut, can bring just the right amount of satisfaction.
- LEO**
Your emotions will fluctuate this week. It's up to you to bring your loved ones together and enjoy some pleasant moments. You may also find joy and satisfaction at your place of work.
- VIRGO**
Prepare for a busy week at work with plenty of tasks on your plate. If you stay carefully organized, you'll easily tackle your ever-growing workload. Avoid the temptation to procrastinate.
- LIBRA**
You'll face challenges that drive you to outdo yourself. You have the potential to achieve something remarkable this week, a feat that's sure to fill you with pride.
- SCORPIO**
Happiness is within reach at home and with your loved ones. Take this opportunity to bring your friends and family together for a pleasant meal as you welcome better weather.
- SAGITTARIUS**
Now is the perfect time to make much-needed changes. You might secure the financial support required to pursue new projects, like travel or professional training.
- CAPRICORN**
Make time for physical activity this week to take your mind off your worries. If your relationship is still in the early stages, you may be overcome with affection and feel ready to take the next step. However, you may be worried about losing your independence.
- AQUARIUS**
By taking action, you'll achieve success. You're someone who builds dreams with confidence. If you plan to move this summer, start packing now to avoid last-minute stress later.
- PISCES**
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McWednesdays raise \$13,315 for Englehart, KL hospitals

KIRKLAND LAKE (Special) – When it comes to a recent donation from McDonald’s Kirkland Lake, Blanche River Health Foundation says, “I’m lovin’ it.”

The foundation recently received \$13,315 from McDonald’s Kirkland Lake.

The funds come from McWednesdays, when 10 per cent of all sales on the last

Wednesday of each month are donated to the Blanche River Health (BRH) Foundation.

This year’s donation is up 22 per cent from the initiative’s proceeds in 2024.

“Healthcare is at the heart of every thriving community, and McWednesdays has become a powerful way to give back,” said McDonald’s owner

Darrell Doucet in a media release.

“We’re thrilled to see how our customers’ patronage translates into better healthcare resources for their families, friends, and neighbours.”

The funds will be used to purchase equipment and upgrades for hospitals in Englehart and Kirkland Lake.

“This incredible initiative

led by Darrell Doucet is a

shining example of community spirit and corporate responsibility,” said Barbara Effenger, vice-president, corporate services, and CFO

at BRH.

“It’s partnerships like this that enable us to bridge gaps and meet critical healthcare needs,” said Nancy Prince, a director at the foundation.

Regional economic development project launching

Diane Johnston
Speaker Reporter

TEMISKAMING SHORES – The search is on for a new regional economic development officer who will work in the Temiskaming Shores area.

FedNor has agreed to fund a regional three-year economic development project, with the city’s contribution

set at \$48,000 over that period.

Discussions to date have outlined that the position will cover the South Temiskaming area, from Englehart to Temagami, said Mayor Jeff Laferriere in a recent interview.

According to the job posting, the economic development officer “will be responsible for enhancing

partnerships within mining, immigration, forestry, tourism and with First Nations.”

“This is a unique opportunity for the right candidate to work closely with local decision makers both within the municipality and within the greater community on strategic initiatives to increase tourism in the City and area,” it read.

Public notice: bridge repair

As part of the Matabitchuan Generating Station (GS) Redevelopment project, **Ontario Power Generation** will be replacing the bailey bridge at Matabitchuan GS.

The updated construction & access schedule is outlined below:

May 5 - 9	Bridge closed
May 12 - 30	Access available - minor delays possible
June 2 - 6	Bridge closed
June 9 - 26	Access available - minor delays possible

The bridge replacement work is necessary to ensure the reliability and safety of the structure.

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GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH OF ENGLEHART meets every Sunday morning at 10:30am. We invite you to our worship services or our weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday at 6 pm with Bible study Wednesdays 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

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

ST. 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

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Wellington St., New Liskeard. Worship Service 11:00 am Sunday Morning. Every Tuesday the church will be open for prayer at 12-1 pm and 3-4 pm. Bible study on the gospel of Mark on Wednesdays from 1:30-2:30 pm. All are welcome. Pastor Amos Bohoussou officiating. For more information, call 705-647-5026.

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.

COMMUNITY OF CHRIST invites you to attend Sunday morning family worship services at 33 Niven Street in New Liskeard at 10:30–11:30 each week. All are welcome. Enduring principles of our church include the worth of all persons, unity in diversity and the pursuit of peace. Weekly themes are posted on our Facebook page “Community of Christ - New Liskeard Branch”. Communion service is the first Sunday of each month. There is a volunteer knitting group for third world Tuesday afternoons.

HAILEYBURY & DISTRICT BAPTIST CHURCH extends a warm welcome to all. Worship Sunday at 1:30 pm with pastor Adam Kubias. Accessibility ramp. Call the church (705) 672-5855. www.haileybury-baptist.ca

EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT TEMISKAMING 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.

CHURCH SERVICES & MORE...

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH COMING EVENTS - April 2025

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish' Easter Triduum schedule begins with Holy Thursday on April 17h at 7PM This is the Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10PM. Good Friday, April 18th at 3PM Service of the Word and Veneration of the Cross. Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 19th at 8PM. Easter Sunday, April 20th, we will have Masses at 10AM. For more information, please contact the office at 705-647-5035.

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE: Saint Patrick's Parish in Cobalt's Easter Triduum schedule begins with Good Friday, April 18th at 3PM Service of the Word and Veneration of the Cross. Easter Sunday, April 20th, we will have Mass at 11AM. For more information, please contact the office at 705-647-5035

DAYS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will be hosting days of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday of Lent (**until April 11th**) **from 11:00 A.M. until 12PM, followed by Mass at 12:10PM.** All are welcome to come and spend some quiet time with the Lord in prayer. For more information, please contact the office at 705-647-5035.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Each Friday, during the Season of Lent (**until April 11th**) OMPH will be celebrating the Stations of the Cross at **7PM.** We encourage you to come out and participate in this traditional devotion. For more information, please contact the office at 705-647-5035.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT SAINT PATRICK'S: Each Friday, during the Season of Lent (**until April 11th**) St. Pat's will celebrate Stations of the Cross at 11AM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS AND WOULD LIKE COMMUNION? The Visitation Committee is a group of men and women who commit themselves to comfort and care for the sick and lonely of our Parish by making regular visits to them. Members of the Visitation Committee bring Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass on a regular basis. If you know of someone who would like a visit or Holy Communion contact Judy Walsh at 705-679-3349 or the office.

SUNDAY MASS is celebrated at Our Mother of Perpetual Help on Sundays at 10:00 A.M. Sunday Mass at 10AM 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..

LIVE-STREAMED MASS: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish live-streams their Sunday Mass on 10AM. On their Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/OMPH.NLParish>.

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

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

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

SERVICES

AA Meetings held in **Englehart. 62 Fifth Ave. (St.Pauls Church) every Tuesday night at 8 p.m.** Everyone welcome! If you would like additional information please call 705-544-0286.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS: To be held at various dates, times & locations. For more information, please call Shelby at 705-648-5315.

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Resumes will be accepted until May 23rd, 2025 by mail, fax or email and can be addressed to Krystle Seymour, Clerk-Treasurer.

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Fax: 705-647-6373
Email: admin@hudson.ca

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NOTICES / COMING EVENTS

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.

THE TEMISKAMING COMMUNITY CHOIR presents their **Spring Concert at 4pm Sunday, May 25th at the L.B. Eckensviller Community Hall.** There will be guest soloists and ensembles as well as the **Casual Jazz band** accompanying the choir. Free admission - Food Bank donations and Free Will donations to the choir will be enthusiastically received.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE will be played every Monday at 7:00 PM at the Northdale Manor. New players are welcome and partners will be available. Please use the parking lot entrance. Call 705-647-7198 for information.

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TEMISKAMING ART GALLERY’S exhibit **‘People of the Watershed’** is in town from the McMichael Canadian Art Collection. It features photographs by John Macfie and was curated by Paul Seese-quasis. It opens **April 22 with a reception on April 27th from 1:30-3:30pm.** The gallery is open Monday-Friday and until 7pm on Tuesdays. You can find the gallery in city hall on **325 Farr Drive.**

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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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