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DTSSAB bracing for possible rise in homelessness

Joe O'Grady

Local Journalism

Initiative Reporter

ENGLEHART - While homelessness is rising rapidly across the province, Timiskaming remains steady for now.

Speaking at DTSSAB's January 21 meeting, housing services manager Steve Cox said the number of homeless people in the district is "pretty consistent" at present, averaging about 25 to 30 people.

But board member Ian Macpherson cautioned there is no room for complacency.

"It's coming and we've got to stay on top of it," he said.

District of Timiskaming Social Services Administration Board (DTSSAB) vice-chair and Kirkland Lake town councillor Pat Kiely said the province is always "playing catch-up" when it comes to support for homeless people and those with mental health issues. He and fellow DTSSAB members were reacting to a new report proposing action to integrate housing and health infrastructure. The report, commissioned by the Ontario Service Deliverers Association and the Canadian Mental Health

side targeted investment in health — specifically mental health and substance use supports — "can better stabilize homelessness in Northern Ontario with an effective investment of approximately \$435 million per year, or about 1.3 cents on every dollar of Northern Ontario's GDP."

Board member and Harley Township Councillor Cliff Fielder said housing prices are "just going crazy" and continue to rise, with no sign of letting up, compounding the homelessness problem.

Board member Rick Owen, a Kirkland Lake town councillor, said

the current system is "very discriminatory" in failing to address mental illnesses in the same way as physical illnesses.

"If I break my leg OHIP pays for it. If I break my mind, I have to pay," he said. "Health care is health care whether it's mental or physical."

The report suggests housing instability and unmet health needs have "intensified rapidly" across Northern Ontario, with known homelessness rising by 37 per cent - from 5,930 people in 2024 to 8,142 in 2025.

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DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK?

Here are some of the stories in our January 28 edition...

- Cold weather didn't stop the hot energy of a local rally held last weekend to highlight the dangers of travel on Highways 11 and 17.

- Temagami Dry is popping back into the hearts and minds of Northerners with the impending launch of the beverage in February.

- DTSSAB is increasing its municipal levy by 4.49 per cent as outlined in the organization's newly passed 2026 budget.

- St. James Anglican Church in Cobalt is hoping for some divine intervention in the form of donations to help repair the over 100-year-old place of worship.

- The North On Tap Craft Beer Festival has chosen its fundraising recipients for the 2026 event.

- Team Baker is hoping to make a clean sweep at the upcoming U18 Canadian National Championships, being held in Timmins February 8-14.

- Hundreds of skaters are hoping to edge their way to podium finishes at the Skate the Shores event this weekend.

- The New Liskeard Cubs face off against their Northern rivals, the Timmins Majors, this Friday night at The Shep.



GARAGE FIRE

On January 24 at approximately 1:27 p.m., the Coleman Fire Department and the Cobalt Fire Department responded to a structure fire on Nipissing Road. Firefighters observed heavy smoke and flames coming from the garage upon arrival. The homeowner informed the firefighters there was no one inside the structure at the time of the incident. Coleman Fire Department Chief Don Laitinen was at the scene and said, "The cause of the fire is undetermined at this time." (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)

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Standings as of January 26:

	W	L	T	PTS.
Bioped	11	1	0	22
Temiskaming Thunder U19	11	1	0	22
TBK Construction	5	7	0	10
Three H	4	8	0	8
Temiskaming Thunder U16	3	8	1	7
Rosie's Gardens	1	10	1	3

Recent scores:

TBK 42 Rosie's 26
Thunder U19 57 Bioped 46
Thunder U16 53 Three H 33

Temiskaming Thunder Men's Basketball League

Standings as of January 26:

	W	L	T	PTS
KL Swampdonkeys	13	2	0	26
Blazers	13	2	0	26
Three H	11	4	0	22
MEHL	4	11	0	8
Kirkland Lake Basketball	3	12	0	6
Temiskaming Thunder	1	14	0	2

Week 15 results:

Blazers 70 Thunder 48
Three H 44 KL 33

Swampdonkeys over MEHL

Week 16 schedule:

(Games are Thursdays at Ecole secondaire catholique Ste-Marie)

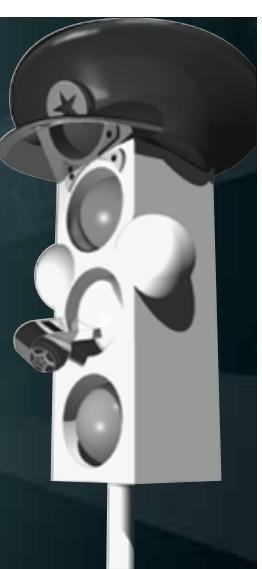
7 p.m. Three H vs. Thunder

8 p.m. Swampdonkeys vs. Blazers

9 p.m. KL vs. MEHL

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Monday, February 2, 2026

Monday, February 23, 2026

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MUNICIPAL BUDGET – PUBLIC MEETING

Section 290 (1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 states that a local municipality shall prepare and adopt a budget including estimates of all sums required during the year for municipal operations.

Notice is hereby given of Council's intention to adopt the 2026 Municipal Budget for the Township of Coleman. A Public Meeting to consider the adoption of the Budget will be held on **Monday, February 23, 2026 at 6 p.m.** in the Township Council Chambers at 937907 Marsh Bay Road.

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Do you have your 2026 Dog Tag yet?

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* NEW * RECYCLING SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE: GFL Recycling has made changes to the recycling schedule for Coleman Township.

January 29, 2026

February 12, 2026

February 26, 2026

EDITORIAL

The speech heard around the world

Canada's Prime Minister, nomic Forum.

Mark Carney, earned a rare standing ovation in Davos, Switzerland at the World Eco-

Many politicians around the world, political commentators and ordinary Canadi-

ans showered Carney with praise for his speech.

The content of the speech spoke to the middle powers across the world that are trying to deal with the threats from aggressive super powers like the United States, Russia and China.

It was a call to resistance, a call for nations to stand together against fascism, aggression and economic tariffs.

Without a doubt the speech

revealed how a thoughtful, intelligent leader thinks about the world order.

The speech was a defining moment in Canada's history and not bad for a kid from middle Canada, raised with no silver spoon in his mouth by hard working parents.

When one person can speak for 16 minutes on the world stage and captivate his audience to the point of a standing ovation we can see countries across the globe

are wishing they had a leader like Carney.

This in stark contrast to American President Donald Trump's rambling incoherent speeches.

Carney has shown the world and us his public persona and his quiet intelligent demeanour. As Canadians, we can put aside our partisanship and be proud to be Canadian.

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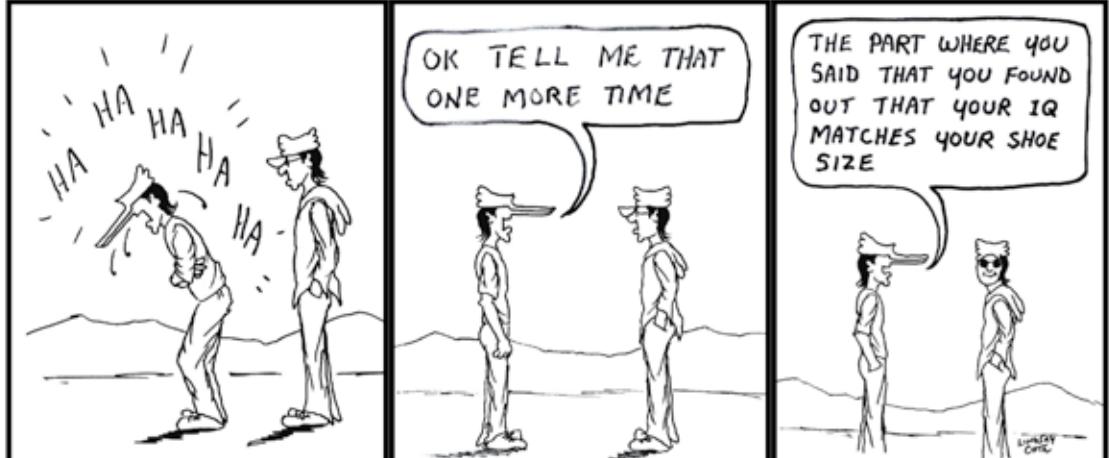
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Simple act of kindness



Sue Nielsen

It's -25 C, there's five feet of snow on the ground and the sky is a dull grey colour.

Waah!

Doesn't the world feel heavy these days with all the things happening in Minnesota and yet another person has been shot by ICE?

As I drive around our region, I see the cattails hanging heavy with frost and if you listen long enough, you can hear the subtle sound of winter birds.

Few things bring me as much comfort as I receive from birding.

By simply observing birds, taking photos of them and being outside in nature, it is the salve to the troubles of the world.

While winter is a welcome season for some, it can be challenging for others.

I must tip my hat to all the folks who have backyard feeders and who keep them full during the coldest days of our winter.

It has been bitterly cold lately and keeping feeders

topped up with seed and providing fatty sources like suet balls will help our feathered friends survive the harsh winter we are having.

When someone places a bird feeder in their yard, they recognize the struggle birds have to survive.

That is a beautiful thing, a simple act of kindness recognizing all living things need a little help now and then.

Don't forget that fruit, nuts and eggshells are also welcome additions to a bird's diet.

Please do not feed birds bread as it has no nutritional value for them.

Birding is a low-cost way to promote mental health when the days are dark.

When I find birds in a beautiful, snowy landscape I feel a sense of joy.

Finches appear to be the highlight of winter birding in our area of late and according to the Finch Forecast, this is an irruptive winter.

Irruption is when large numbers of birds venture

away from their typical range when food sources are scarce. They move to areas where they can find food sources and, in our region, it seems to be working for them as the Temiskaming grocery store is well stocked with a variety of seeds.

The evening grosbeaks, pine grosbeaks and common redpolls seem to be plentiful this winter, while black capped chickadees, blue jays, woodpeckers and nuthatches are also a delight.

Even though I am a huge fan of winter birding I look forward to when the first warblers arrive in late April and early May to fill our forest with colour and song.

On a slightly different note: I pay tribute to long-time Temiskaming Speaker employee J. P. Cloutier, who passed away on January 18. He was a good man and will live on in our hearts. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.

Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Foods that Can Lower your Blood Pressure

Have you ever heard of the DASH diet? DASH stands for Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (high blood pressure). It's a way of reducing blood pressure through changes in what you eat. It focuses on fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean meats and low-fat dairy.

Green leafy vegetables: Eat spinach, broccoli, kale, or collards for a potassium boost. The mineral helps flush sodium out of your body and relaxes your blood vessel walls. Recommended daily serving: 2-3 cups (raw leafy vegetables)

Berries: The pigments that give blueberries, strawberries, and blackberries their rich colors also come with a benefit for your blood vessels: anthocyanin. It can help artery walls become wider and more flexible to lower your blood pressure and improve your heart health. Recommended daily serving: 2-3 cups (fresh or frozen)

Yogurt: Calcium is a key player for good blood pressure because it helps your blood vessels tighten and relax when they should. Recommended daily serving: 2-3 cups (yogurt or milk)

Fatty Fish: Another good source of calcium is bone-in fish, like canned salmon or sardines. Oily fish are flush in omega-3s, the fatty acids that boost health and help your heart. Recommended daily serving: 3-6 ounces (fish, lean meat, poultry)

Seeds: Unsalted seeds are a source of vital minerals like magnesium, which helps control your blood pressure and relax your blood vessels. Recommended daily serving: 1 to 1.5 tablespoons

Garlic: Garlic can add more than just flavor to your dishes. It may also have a hand in boosting your nitric oxide levels, which dilates blood vessels. Recommended daily serving: 1-2 cloves

Unsalted pistachios: Unsalted tree nuts can be a great source of healthy fats that help your heart. But for high blood pressure, your best pick is pistachios. They seem to have the strongest effect on lowering both your top and bottom blood pressure readings. Recommended serving: 1-2 cups per week (nuts)

Olive Oil: Protective antioxidants in olive oil improve blood vessel health and help them stay elastic. Recommended daily serving: 2-3 teaspoons (oil, may or salad dressing)

Dark chocolate: Dark chocolate (at least 50% to 70% cocoa) can give you a boost of a plant compound called flavanol. This antioxidant can make your blood pressure drop a notch. Recommended serving: An occasional nibble

If you are a patient of the Temagami Family Health Team and would like to have a consultation with our registered dietitian to discuss the DASH approach to reducing your blood pressure, please call the office at (705) 569-3244.

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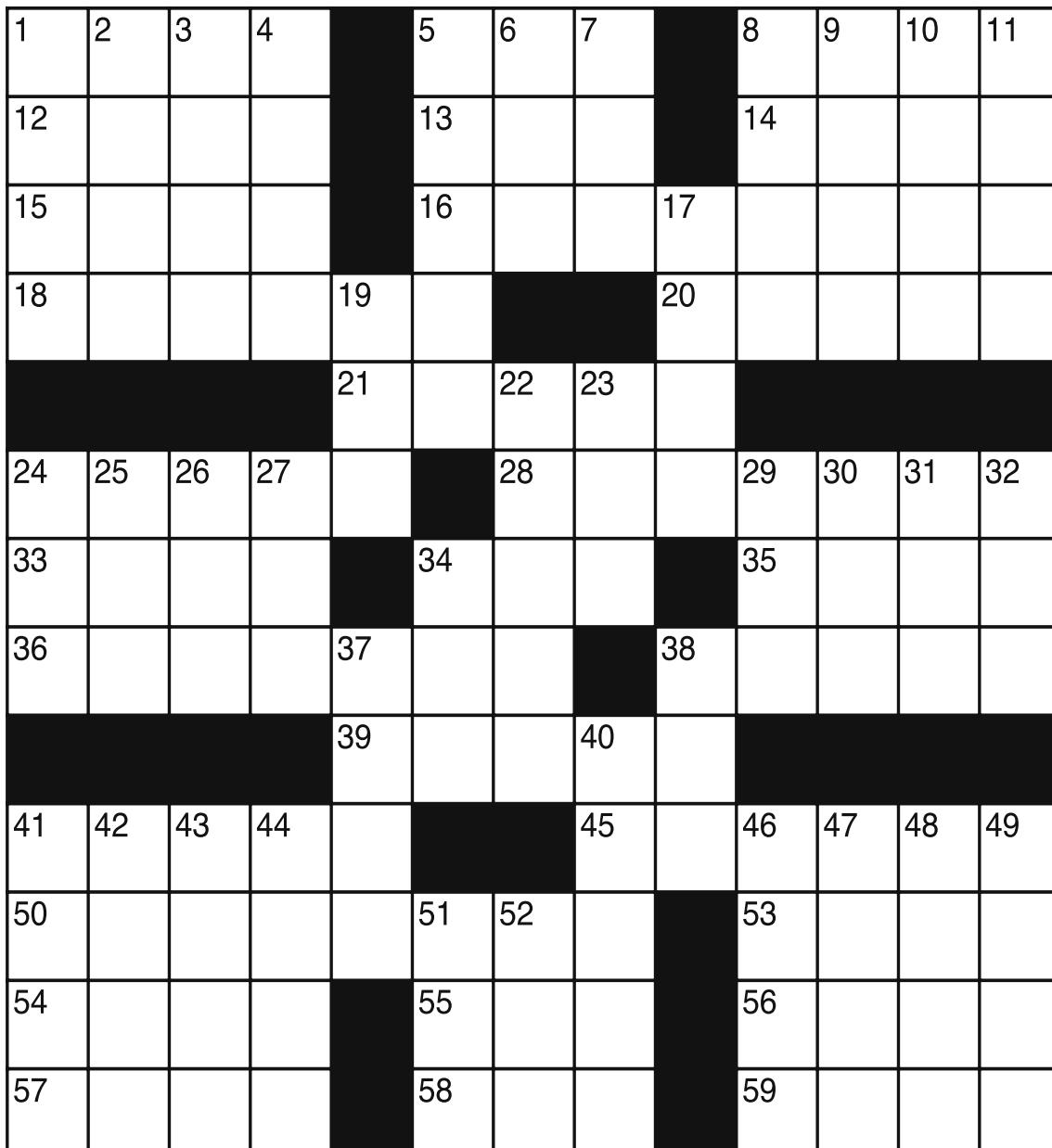
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5. Legume
8. Depressions
12. Camp helper
13. Heidi's mountain
14. Mayberry youth
15. Misstep
16. Most transparent
18. ____ of fish
20. Trait carriers
21. Kind of brick
24. In front
28. Guest
33. Housetop
34. Tabby
35. Skirt type
36. Cigarette choice
38. Haste
39. Develop
41. Personal interest
45. Kitchen tool
50. Washes
53. Yellowfin, e.g.
54. Teen skin problem
55. Brief farewell
56. Scoundrels
57. Handbag
58. Track action
59. Quiet down

DOWN

1. Revel
2. Agitate
3. Emend text
4. Cried
5. Went back and forth
6. Wing of a building
7. Copy
8. Fables
9. Straightforward
10. Sharp-witted
11. Puts
17. Epochs
19. Tyke
22. Egg shapes
23. Nipped
24. Certain limb
25. Gardening device
26. Long, long time
27. Rearward, on a boat
29. Elf
30. Gift for Dad
31. Keats work
32. Do away with
34. Against
37. Attention
38. Look
40. Mad
41. Narrow piece of wood
42. Tex-Mex fare
43. Uncle's spouse
44. ____-jerk reaction
46. Write with acid
47. Hawaiian cookout
48. Partners for odds
49. Hives
51. ____ and flow
52. Bread grain

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Week of February 1 to 7, 2026

 **ARIES**

Even if you tend to shy away from attention, you'll find yourself in the spotlight this week. A particular situation will push you to overcome your shyness. In return, you'll receive words of admiration and be able to express your gratitude.

 **TAURUS**

If your children have already left home, you may consider selling your house to gain more freedom. On the other hand, if your relationship is still in its early stages, the idea of moving in together may soon feel like the next natural step.

 **GEMINI**

You'll engage in many discussions this week. At work, you'll expand your client base while strengthening team spirit among your colleagues. Your advice is valued and could lead to a notable improvement in your financial situation.

 **CANCER**

Your financial situation could create a lot of tension this week. However, an expert could help you find a suitable solution. This will ease some of the pressure and give you the chance to enjoy a well-deserved break.

 **LEO**

You'll be bursting with energy this week. You'll feel capable of moving mountains! You'll throw yourself into a new professional or personal project that will give you a deep sense of accomplishment and satisfaction.

 **VIRGO**

You'll need solid support in both your professional and personal life. You'll readily offer help to a loved one this week. However, be careful and make sure others don't take advantage of your generosity.

 **LIBRA**

This week will be filled with tension. This atmosphere will encourage you to take better care of yourself, especially through physical exercise. Since keeping your morale up matters too, treat yourself to a few indulgences to lift your spirits.

 **SCORPIO**

Unexpected events could cause delays this week, but spacing out your appointments could help you minimize your stress. This is also a good time to consider starting your own business.

 **SAGITTARIUS**

Your friends may invite you on a fun getaway. Nothing will revitalize you more than a brief change of scenery, especially if you live in the city.

 **CAPRICORN**

You'll soon go through an emotionally intense period that will prompt you to evaluate your friendships. Opportunistic actions will push you to reaffirm your values. If you respect yourself, you'll attract more authentic and sincere relationships.

 **AQUARIUS**

You'll feel a lot of pressure to make an important decision this week. If you want to make the right choice, gather all the necessary information and weigh the pros and cons. Give yourself the time you need.

 **PISCES**

At work, you'll be flooded with urgent tasks that demand your attention. Although this may cause some stress, the hustle and bustle could become a springboard for growth. You may suddenly be given an opportunity for advancement, which will benefit your career.

Lions score two wins and a tie on weekend

TEMISKAMING SHORES (Staff) – The New Liskeard Lions are back on the road this weekend after a successful outing away from home January 24-25.

The U18A team posted two wins and a tie Saturday and Sunday and get back to action January 30 and 31 with a pair of games in Temiscaming, Quebec, against the Royals.

LIONS 4 TRAPPERS 4

New Liskeard wrapped up the busy weekend by playing the North Bay U16AA Trappers on Sunday evening, January 25, at the Pete Palangio Arena in North Bay.

The Lions led 2-1 after the first, the game was tied 3-3 after the second and both teams added single tallies in the third.

Scoring for New Liskeard were Jackson Smith with two, Yoakim Gingras and Alex Harvey with singles.

Earning assists were Robert Burnett, Aiden Gervais, Justin Guimond, Kaleb Lafond, and Smith.

LIONS 4 STING 1

The Lions started the day in Sturgeon Falls where they beat the West Nipissing Sting 4-1.

New Liskeard scored three times in the first and once in the second. The Sting scored their lone goal in the middle frame.

Scoring for the visitors were Harvey with two, Quinton Pigeau and Smith with singles.

Assists went to Guimond, Eli MacInnis-Polson and Jackson Smith.

LIONS 8 STING 1

The Lions began the weekend with an 8-1 win over the Sting on Saturday, January 24.

Again, a big first period sent the Lions on their way scoring five times and adding three more in the second.

Goals came from Lincoln Boulianne, Gingras, Austin Glover (two), Harvey, Kaleb Lafond, and Pigeau (two).

Earning helpers were Kian Wilson, Ben Paquin, Jayden Meunier, MacInnis-Polson (three), Guimond (two) and Burnett.

New Liskeard's next home games are scheduled for February 7 at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena. Game times are 12:40 and 6:30 p.m. against the U18A West Nipissing Sting.

ASK THE EXPERTS

DTSSAB bracing for possible rise in homelessness

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The report projects homelessness in Northern Ontario will more than double over the next 10 years, from 8,142 in 2025 to 16,900 in 2035 under a "steady economic scenario."

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Hearst

1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, January 27

Kapuskasing
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Smooth Rock Falls

1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Monday, February 2

Cochrane
10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Iroquois Falls

1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 4

Englehart
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

New Liskeard

1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 5

Kirkland Lake
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Matheson

2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Friday, February 6

Timmins
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OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH'S CHILDREN'S PROGRAM takes place at the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass, the first and second Sundays of the month. Children from JK to Grade 4 are invited to go to the parish boardroom at the start of Mass, where they will hear the Gospel in a way they can understand and take part in a craft connected to the message. They will return to the church after the offertory collection.

KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS AND WOULD LIKE COMMUNION? The Visitation Committee of Our Mother of Perpetual Help 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 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.

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH welcomes you to Sunday services at 70 Wellington St. in New Liskeard, beginning at 10:30 AM. This Sunday, please join us when our worship leader will be Aaron Palmer. Next Sunday, February 8th, please join us when our worship leader will be Jennifer Moorlag. For more information on our services and outreach programs, please contact the Church Office at 705 647 4171 and check out our Facebook page at facebook.com/stpaulsnewliskeard

EVERYONE IS WELCOME AT TEMISKAMING PENTECOSTAL 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.

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

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

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS services begin at 11am focusing on the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ. The Chapel is located on Beautiful Lake Temiskaming at the junction of Hwy 11-B, Lakeshore and 980 Edward Street, North of Haileybury. All are welcome.

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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

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HAILEYBURY & DISTRICT BAPTIST CHURCH extends a warm welcome to all. Worship Sunday at 1:30pm with Pastor Adam Kubias. Accessibility ramp. Call the church (705) 672-5855. Montly potluck on the last Sunday. www.haileyburybaptist.ca

ÉGLISE CATHOLIQUE STE-CROIX - La communauté chrétienne Ste-Croix est une paroisse francophone accueillante qui rassemble les catholiques de Haileybury, North Cobalt, Cobalt et des environs. Elle est engagée à prolonger la mission de Jésus dans tous les aspects de sa vie. Les paroissiens et notre pasteur, Père Ghislain Ndondji, o.f.m. sont heureux de vous accueillir pour les messes dominicales le

samedi soir à 19h et le dimanche matin à 10h. Également, la paroisse offre la messe sur semaine, le mardi à 16h30 et le mercredi, jeudi et vendredi à 9h30. L'église est située au 341 Sutherland Way, Haileybury - 705-672-3296. Bienvenue à tous!

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

MARRIAGE COUNSELING - Love for a Lifetime a free service of the church of Christ online at www.bibletalk.tv with Mike Mazzalongo. If you do not have access to internet and want to check it out call Mike or Judy Tinney at 705-648-3893.

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ext. 226, 227 or 228

NOTICES / COMING EVENTS

LADIES AUXILIARY from branch 54 haileybury is back in the kitchen on friday January 30 for our monthly shop and stop. Join us this month for breaded pork chops, with mashed potatoes and veggies, includes salad, coffee or tea and dessert. Serving starts at 5:00 pm for only 18.00 each Bring your family and friends for some quality time and good food. And we do the clean up so you can socialize. And enjoy a night off. 373 Broadway street in Haileybury

ZUMBA CLASSES in New Liskeard. I'm Fabienne Blain Zumba Instructor. Come and join me in the New Year starting January 6th at Ecole Catholique St-Michel and January 8th at the New Liskeard Public School West Wing both at 6h30 pm First class is free. For more information join my Facebook Page : Zumba with Fabienne or my Facebook Group : ZUMBA WITH FABIENNE

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out and give it a try any-time. Sessions are held Tuesdays and Fridays from 10-11 am at 33 Niven St in New Liskeard. Check out www.taoisttaichi.org for more information. Email us at Newliskeard@taoist.org if you have any questions.

FUN NIGHT AT THE HAILEYBURY LEGION EVERY day of every month from

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Service Administrator (Full-Time Seasonal)



Earlton RV Limited is seeking a Service Administrator to support daily operations in our service department. This customer-facing role involves phone communication, work order handling, payment processing, and general administrative support.

Key Responsibilities

- Answer inbound phone calls professionally
- Create, update, and close service work orders
- Process customer payments
- Follow up with customers to ensure satisfaction
- Coordinate information between customers, technicians, and service staff
- Maintain accurate records across multiple systems
- Assist with general service department administration

Skills & Qualifications

- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Reliable attendance and punctuality Strong attendance and reliability with a valid driver's license and vehicle.
- Comfortable answering phones and dealing with customers
- Strong computer skills and ability to use multiple systems
- Good organization, attention to detail, and time management
- Ability to multitask in a fast-paced environment
- Professional and customer-focused attitude

Assets (Not Required)

- Bilingual (French/English)
- Previous service administration or customer service experience
- Experience with work order or point-of-sale systems

Schedule

Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
Alternating weekend shifts
Full-time seasonal position

Compensation & Benefits

\$20-\$22 per hour, based on experience
Health insurance benefits
Group RRSP program
Supportive team-oriented work environment

How to apply

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11:30 am to 1:30 pm. All are welcome. **1:30 pm. All are welcome.**

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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.

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- Thursday - Weekender delivery
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Embroidery Technician

Promotional Marketing Company seeking technician with basic computer skills and textile experience to perform garment decoration tasks such as embroidery, heat transfer and vinyl cutting.

Should be able to work in a dynamic and energetic environment, willing to learn and take on different activities during the day.

- Candidate should have great attitude, commitment to customer service, excellent communication and organization skills, punctual and dependable.
- Should be comfortable using a computer and learning new programs
- Detail oriented

Please email resume to Arianna Halpin - promo@northernontario.ca



NOTICES / COMING EVENTS

THE COFFEE HOUSE SUPPORTING & PROMOTING LOCAL CANADIAN MUSICIANS AND THEIR MUSIC. On Tuesday February 10th please join us for our Special Valentine's Day Edition at The Coffee House and enjoy the Musical Stylings of many of your favourite local musicians and entertainers including, Glenn Scott, Ian & Martin, Jessica Lemay, Wayne Potts, Jean-Pierre Rivet & Random Chants to name but a few. 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 to keep the musical legacy of our musicians alive for years to come. 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 web site: coffeehouse-newliskeard.ca

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Seasonal Parts Person – RV Dealership



Season: Late March – October

We are hiring a motivated Seasonal Parts Person for our busy RV season, running from late March through October, with the opportunity for call-back employment. This position includes benefits and RRSP packages.

Wage: \$19–\$22 per hour

Duties Include:

- Assisting RV technicians
- Receiving, stocking, and organizing parts
- Providing customer quotes and support
- Working as part of a team

Requirements:

- Reliable attendance with valid drivers license and vehicle
- Strong communication skills (French & English preferred)
- Ability to lift 50–75 lbs.
- organized, and team-oriented
- Available to work alternating weekends during summer months

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RV Technician – Full-Time



Schedule: Full-time, with occasional weekend work

Benefits: Health benefits, RRSP program, on-the-job training

About the Role

We're looking for a motivated and reliable RV Technician to join our team. This is a great opportunity for someone who enjoys hands-on work, problem-solving, and learning new skills. Experience is an asset, but we're willing to train the right person.

What You'll Do

- Perform maintenance, repairs, and inspections on RVs
- Troubleshoot electrical, plumbing, and mechanical issues
- Assist with installations and upgrades
- Maintain a clean and safe work environment
- Provide excellent service to customers and team members

What We're Looking For

- Strong attendance and reliability with a valid driver's license and vehicle
- Willingness to learn and take direction
- Positive attitude and good work ethic
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a team
- Mechanical aptitude is an asset but not required

What We Offer

- Competitive starting wage: \$20–\$25 per hour (depending on experience)
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BID EUCHRE EVERY TUESDAY AT 1:15 at the Hudson Hall. For more info call 705-647-6684.

NEW BID EUCHRE Legion Hall, Haileybury, Wednesdays, 1:00pm

EUCHRE EVERY MONDAY AT HAILEYBURY LEGION 1pm Don't need a partner, Everyone welcome. For more info call 705 647 6684.

BID EUCHRE is played at 1 p.m. every Saturday at the Northdale Manor. Players

are welcome. Please use the parking lot entrance.

BREAKFAST IS BEING SERVED at the Haileybury Legion Saturdays and Sundays from 8am until noon. Eggs done your way or

pancakes. Bacon or sausage, home fries, toast, coffee or tea and juice for only \$12. Come join our friendly dining atmosphere with your friends and family. Vendors also

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OBITUARY



Delia MacAlpine

It is with profound sadness we announce the passing of Delia MacAlpine. She passed away peacefully at Temiskaming Hospital on January 19, 2026, in her 85th year.

Delia was the devoted spouse of Roy Nowry of 20 wonderful years. Also loving wife to Neil MacAlpine (predeceased).

She was proud mother to Leslie (Patricia), Cathy (Rudy), Bridget, Dolly, Melody (Dave), Neil Junior (Angie). She was stepmother to Debbie (Dave), Kathy (Darryl) and Wayne (Lynn). She was a wonderful sister to Jim, Loretta, Brenda and Evison, and brothers predeceased - Allan, Lyle and Dave.

She was a loving mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and great-grandmother to many. She was greatly adored and loved by all.

A special thanks to Doctor Matt Scott and all the doctors, nurses and wonderful staff for their kindness, caring and compassionate care.

A celebration of life will take place in the summer with date and details to be announced.

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Caldwell at 705-647-6056.
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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