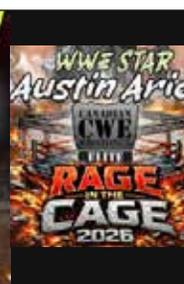




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SNOWMAGGEDON

Dave Pronovost of Pine Avenue East in New Liskeard did what most people were doing this past weekend, moving heavy snow that had arrived over the weekend and into this week after a massive snow storm hit the region dumping upwards of 50 centimetres or more of the white stuff. (Staff photo by Sue Nielsen)



DID YOU GET The Speaker THIS WEEK? Here are some of the stories in our March 18 edition...

- A mega snowstorm that arrived earlier in the week was responsible for shutting down most of Northeastern Ontario and the Temiskaming region.
- The Township of Coleman has announced a zero per cent tax increase for 2026.
- The New Liskeard Fall Fair Harvest Queen enjoyed her experience in Richmond Hill at the Ontario Association of Agriculture Societies conference.
- Local farmer Ron Bailey has released his third book called Smokey and other stories.
- Armstrong Township wants to be fully apprised of changes that the Ontario Northland Railway is making to rail crossings.
- Two local travellers had to adjust their travel plans due to bombing in Iran from the U.S. and Israel.
- The U18 North Bay Trappers skated away with the Great North U18 AAA Tournament of Champions top honours last weekend, hosted by the New Liskeard Cubs.
- The Get Active in Temiskaming series of walk/runs has been announced and it is a win-win for participants and three not-for-profit groups.

Horne Granite Report



Curling league results for the week of March 8-14 at the Horne Granite Curling Club.

Monday Afternoon - March 9

28 on the Lake over 5th Wheel Training Institute 8-5, Agnico Eagle taking on Co-operatives 6-4.

Tuesday Parolink Mixed League - March 10

Algonquin Variety over B&T Parts & Supplies, Breault's Heating and Cooling Ltd. over Brokerlink, Brownlee Equipment over Campsall Plumbing.

Wednesday Afternoon -

March 11

Desjardins Caisse Populaire over Grant Home Hardware 9-6, Phippen Waste Management over Riverfront Chiropractic Health & Orthotics all tied up at 6-6.

Thursday Open League - March 12

City of Temiskaming Shores over Fabrithane Industrial Products Inc., Gauvreau Pumps and Motors over Green Tractors Earlton, Interfor over Chevaliers de Colomb Conseil #8619, New Liskeard Lions Club over Rivard Bros Building Contractor, Loaves & Fishes Family Kitchen over Riverfront Chiropractic Health & Orthotics.

Friday Afternoon - Match 13

Miller Group over SLE Contracting 8-2.

LADIES' NIGHT

Ten teams participated in

the LaDonna House – Ladies' Night at the Horne Granite on March 11.

The teams played six ends of curling, followed by dinner by 28 on the Lake and then prizes.

Winning Teams: Team Pinard over Team Mathieu, Team Pedersen over Team Date, Team St. Louis over Team Koistinen and Team Christo over Team Boyce.

Winning Curlers: Rachel Cote, Ginette Cote, Donna Jones, Sue Harvey and Siobhan Christo.

Congratulations to all!

A big THANK YOU to Brooke and LaDonna House for their continued sponsorship.

Upcoming Events

Ladies' Night at The Horne Granite, Sponsored by 28 on the Lake, Wednesday, March 25.

The first 12 teams will be

accepted, so get your teams together if you want a spot!!

If you don't have a team, but are interested in playing, please let us know. Often there are teams looking for players!

Please register in advance by emailing info@horne-granite.com (provide the four names - first and last).

Deadline for registration is Monday, March 23, end of day.

Bring (carry in) clean shoes with a good grip, and wear warm stretchy clothing.

Brooms, sliders, delivery sticks and stabilizers are available.

Register at 5 p.m., orientation/practice to follow, six ends of curling to start at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner by 28 on the lake and prizes to follow.

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EDITORIAL

Impaired judgement

Premier Doug Ford is at it again with his obsession with promoting alcohol in the province of Ontario. The government is allowing people to bring alcohol to cultural or community outdoor events.

Attendees at festivals will be able to drink their own alcohol in designated areas.

Ford says municipalities will have to pass bylaws allowing this kind of behaviour to take place.

The premise behind the promotion of drinking at outdoor events, sporting events and cultural festivals is that it promotes tourism and boosts economic activity in local communities.

But does the government

not realize that alcohol usage creates health problems, not to mention behavioural issues?

Apparently MADD Canada has denounced the idea to allow people to bring their own booze to events due to the possible increase in impaired driving.

The Ford government's continued expansion of alcohol access in Ontario, including the 2026 expansion to 8,500 new convenience and

grocery locations, has raised significant concerns among health experts regarding the potential for increased alcohol-related harm.

Ontario clearly needs a provincial alcohol strategy to deal with the harms of alcohol usage.

Alcohol related harms cost Ontarians more than \$7 billion per year, according to the Canadian Mental Health Association.

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Snowmageddon



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“Non nobis solum nati sumus.”

(Not for ourselves alone are we born) M. Cicero

I can't remember when we had a snowstorm as brutal as the one that hit us this week.

The Environment Canada orange weather alert said we would be receiving upwards of 50 to 80 centimetres of snow, coupled with high winds, then turning to rain on Monday.

That weather prediction was correct in every sense of the word, but the one thing they didn't say was all of Northeastern Ontario and the Temiskaming region would be shut down.

One business owner I spoke with said it was the first time in 20 years that he had to close his shop.

During the storm I was watching the Oscars on Sunday night listening to the wind howling outside my house.

I tossed and turned that night not knowing if I could get into work Monday as it is our deadline day for sports coverage.

When morning arrived I

looked out my front window to the "Great Wall of China" at the end of my driveway and waist high snow just to get to my car.

But out of the mayhem appeared a snow angel, my neighbour Rebecca Larocque. She fired up her snowblower and cleared the end of my driveway and around the sides of my car in such a wonderful act of kindness and generosity.

Thank you so much Rebecca.

I was then able to get my Sue-baru out of my yard after a few back and forth runs and finally arrived at the office.

I thought about a positive word to describe the storm and it was grateful.

A massive snowstorm via nature reminds us how interconnected we all are.

I was grateful for the reminder that we need one another and that we need to look out for one another in times like these.

I saw a man pushing a wom-

an on a tiny scooter out of a high snowbank and thought - that's gratitude in action.

However, there are still folks who are struggling to get their driveways and walkways cleared and get their cars unstuck. Help if you have the means.

A big shout out to all the public works crews in our area who were working their butts off plowing roadways this week.

Each community has its priority list of roads that get plowed first.

It was a wise idea for the Ontario Provincial Police to shut down Highway 11 for two days during the storm.

I did however read that a number of drivers didn't heed the road blockades and drove through them.

Duh!

March roared in like a lion and I hope we see that lamb soon.

Stay safe everyone.

Temagami Family Health Team

Submitted by Ellen Ibey

Good for You and Your Money!

Eating well is vital to our health but the cost of food can add up quickly! With a little planning, you can incorporate a variety of nutrient dense food, reduce food waste, and save money! Below are a few steps to help you get started.

Step #1. Make a plan. Plans help to reduce decision fatigue and offer a guideline to help you prepare for the meals ahead. When you have a plan, you will be less likely to spend money on fast food, convenience meals or other random grocery store items. If you're new to planning, start simple; using themes to help guide dinner plans offers an excellent starting point.

For example:

Themed Dinners

Monday – Meatless Monday
Tuesday – Breakfast for Dinner
Wednesday – Wraps
Thursday- Traditional/ Cultural
Friday – Family Favourites

Step #2. Shop your pantry, refrigerator and freezer. Look at the foods and ingredients you already have on hand and then look for recipes that use those foods and ingredients.

Step #3. Explore meatless options and "in season" produce. Legumes (beans, lentils, dried peas), eggs, tofu, peanut butter and canned fish offer great tasting protein at a good price! Vegetables and fruit are cheaper when they're in season.

Additional Tips!

1. Plan to use leftovers. Think about how you can use leftovers. If you're cooking roast chicken with rice and vegetables for Sunday night's supper, then make chicken sandwiches for Monday's lunch. On Tuesday, use the bones to make a chicken soup and add in any leftover vegetables and rice.

2. Make extras. If ground beef is on sale, make two batches of lasagna instead of one. Serve one batch for dinner and freeze the other batch in meal-sized portions for another time.

Please contact the Temagami Family Health Team at 705-569-3244 for support in achieving your healthy and/or to book an appointment with the team's Registered Dietitian.

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This article is adapted from UnlockFood.ca



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Hog Line Report

With Angus McStone

The 82nd Annual Blarney Open Bonspiel is set to go March 20-21 at the Haileybury Curling Club (HCC).

Entry fee is \$360 per team, guarantee of three games, pizza Friday night, dinner Saturday night and Blarney Cream.

Theme for this year is "Made in Canada."

Get your best red and white out for Canada's rockin' game. Email entry to info@haileyburycurlingclub.ca or call Shawn at 705-288-7823.

Looking for two teams to round out the draw.

Afternoon Open Curling Tuesday Afternoon Open Curling results for March

10:

Welcome to Temagami Curlers today as several enthusiastic curlers joined our afternoon group and all are charged up after witnessing the playoffs from the Brier, and Sign Guy made a return to the observation lounge.

In the feature game, C. Camsell is down one with hammer coming home and is heavy on his first leaving M. Stevens an out for pressure but is light leaving Camsell the same draw for the tie. No draw to the button today. B. McMullan and R. Caldwell trade wicks and ticks and double run backs, but McMullan prevails. M. Bonney piled it on to take T. Blair out

of the "W" column. And in a triumphant return from a long vacay, W. Olsen gets the gift from P. Gordon for coming back to the roaring game.

Curlálaí an Lae: R. Caldwell.

Afternoon Open Curling results for March 12:

Three great games, two down to the wire between the sheets.

Camsell is up one coming home, but T. Blair isn't able to find anywhere to draw to and Camsell wins again. B. McMullan is up one coming home with after five ends of back-and-forth singles and M. Bonney put the old Bonnie and Clyde robbery of two to take the win. In an all-lassies

affair, D. Robitaille and J. Blair play cat and mouse for the first three, then Putch busts it open and puts it on cruise control for the win.

Curlálaí an Lae: D. Montigny.

Wednesday Night Men

Wednesday Night Men's Draw results for March 11.

The barn was almost back to its raucous self tonight with the return of a couple of characters but without another.

On the pebbled ice, the return of Huff and Puff the Brush Brothers were the ace in the hole for S. Burnett as he runs the M. Stevens threesome out of rocks in the 8th for the win. Meanwhile, T. Eckensviller has

a date with destiny taking on the F. Chenier foursome and hands the youngsters the first defeat in a long while. B. McMullan surged back into the win column with deft combinations of hits and draws to overwhelm L. Fleury. In the battle of the Hearn's, K. Hearn betters his cousin B. Hearn in a 3-on-3 matchup, and finally, S. McLean is down two without coming home and P. Gordon half buries his first for shot stone leaving a teaser peeking out from behind a guard but McLean is thin and light on the slash and Gordon sashays into the win column. *Continued on Page 7.*



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Hog Line Report

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Standings as of March 13: P. Gordon 6-0, S. McLean 5-2, B. McMullan 4-2, K. Hearn 3-3, T. Eckensviller, B. Hearn, S. Burnett and F. Chenier all tied at 3-4, L. Fleury 2-4, and B. Culp 1-6.

In the Men's Draw, the final night of the season will be April 1, with makeup games and grudge matches on the schedule to round out the

season. Details to be announced.

Thursday Night Open

Thursday Night Open Curling results for March 12:

Couple of close ones and one not so much, but still great entertainment, although some of the seats emptied early.

Martin puts it all together and draws B. Culp into sub-

mission. C. Camsell is down three coming home with hammer and makes the incredible cross-house double for three and a tie with A. Savoie and off to tiebreaker draw to the button. Camsell throws first, and it comes to rest just short of the pin and he's giddy over it, but Savoie delivers his own dandy to cover the pin and throws the first loss in a while to Camsell.

Finally, P. Gordon and S. McLean lock horns and it's close after three but the fourth is the turning point and Gordon throws it into cruise control to win the battle of the ice guys.

Standings after six draws: C. Camsell leads at 5-1, followed by P. Gordon and A. Savoie at 4-2, B. Culp and S. McLean at 2-4 and C. Martin at 1-5.

Temiskaming Thunder Men's Basketball League

Final regular season standings:

	W	L	T	PTS
KL Swampdonkeys	18	2	0	36
Blazers	16	4	0	32
Three H	14	6	0	28
MEHL	7	13	0	14
Kirkland Lake Basketball	4	16	0	8
Temiskaming Thunder	1	19	0	2

Week 2 playoff results:

KL Swampdonkeys 53 MEHL 36

Blazers 43 Three H 36

Thunder 57 Kirkland Lake Basketball 56

Week 3 Playoff Schedule:

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

7 p.m. MEHL vs. Blazers

8 p.m. Swampdonkeys vs. Blazers

Euchre Results

HUDSON Euchre

Bid euchre from the Hudson Hall on March 10:

First: Liz Bloetjes 294

Three-way tie for second:

Rolly Lachapelle 234

Joyce Tertstra 234

Terry Brazeau 234

Moon Shots:

Fran Gaudet

Andy Brunet

Betty Gray

Everyone is welcome Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m. at the hall.

NORTHDALE EUCHRE

Northdale Manor bid euchre results from March 14:

First place – Stuart Smith

Second place – Sue Miron

Third place – Rolly Lachapelle

Moon Shots:

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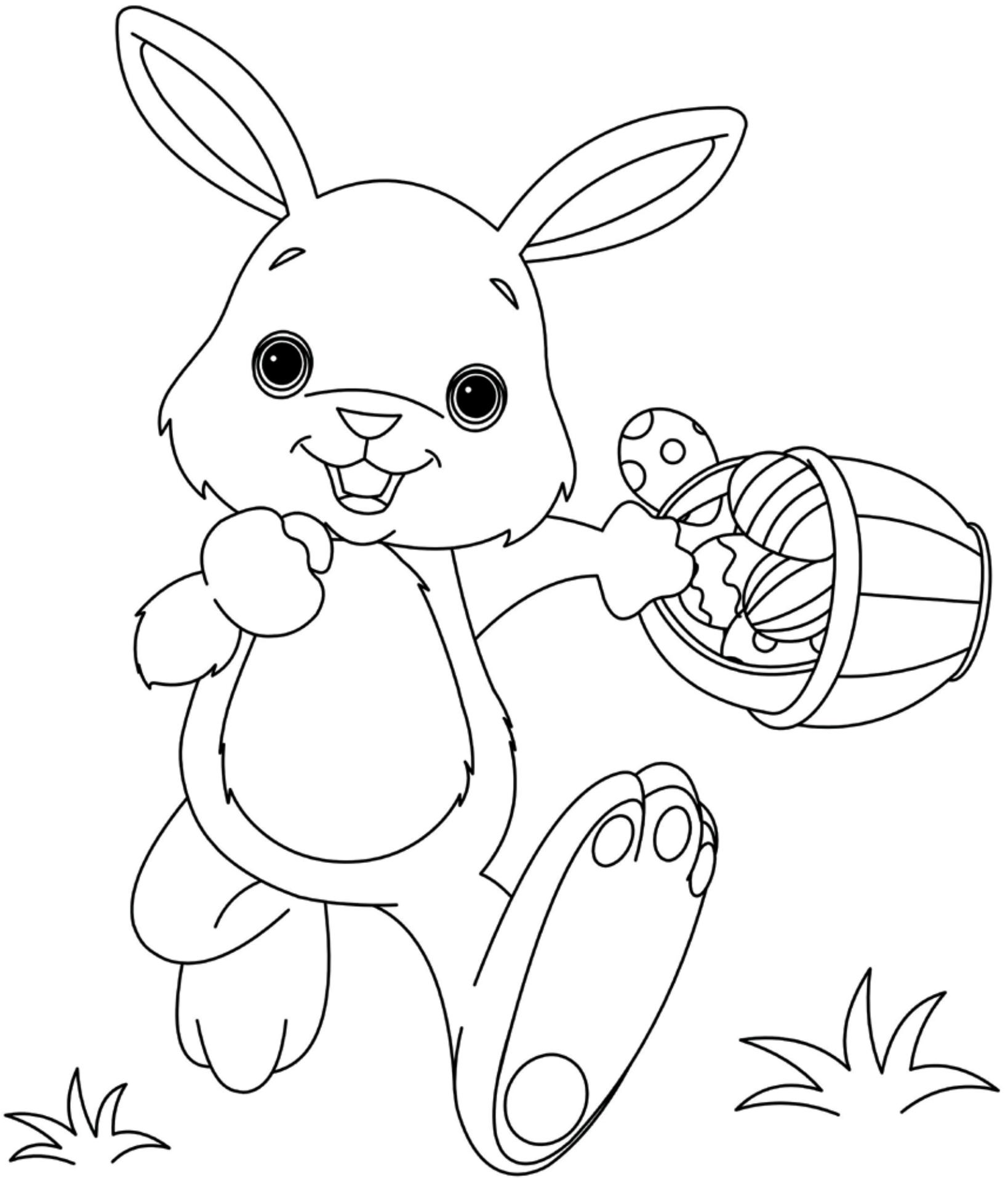
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9. Move back and forth
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14. Age of note
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16. Sprinkles
18. Seed
19. Mermaid's home
20. Word before park or song
24. Radiance
28. Auto repairman
31. Fizz water
32. Skating-rink surface
33. Discard
35. Obtained
36. Females
38. Chopper field
40. Just fair: hyph.
41. Lazy person
42. "_____ the King's Men"
44. Fiend
48. Begs
53. BLT spread
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56. Agenda
57. Watch secretly
58. Spicy
59. Decade numbers

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1. Obstruct
2. Rant
3. Eternally
4. Affection
5. School of whales
6. Diver's necessity
7. Narrow escape: 2 wds.
8. Variety
9. Itty-bitty
10. Painter's work
11. Pump purchase
17. Falls behind
21. Owns
22. Tortilla dish
23. Bogged down
25. NBC's peacock, e.g.
26. Skunk feature
27. Light-bulb word
28. Fail to hit
29. Mountain feedback
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34. Dessert item
37. Skyrocket
39. Punctual
43. Evil look
45. Storm wind
46. Baseball's Nolan
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Week of
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- ARIES**
Your honesty will bring hidden issues to light but may also cause some tension. An unexpected revelation will prompt reflection and doubt. The new moon's influence will cause a truth to be revealed, opening the path toward greater clarity.
- TAURUS**
Even if your finances are strained, solutions will appear. You'll have the chance to revisit a pet project or redecorate your home, rekindling your motivation and sense of hope.
- GEMINI**
This week promises to be lively and full of twists and turns. You may need to confront certain people to restore harmony. Even if you value peace, clear boundaries will help you rebuild trust and respect.
- CANCER**
Your intuitive and creative abilities will grow this week, giving you a more spiritual outlook and fresh perspectives. Your empathy will intensify. Your artistic or inspiring side may start to shine.
- LEO**
You may be unexpectedly inspired by a social media message that opens up new perspectives. A supportive friend will play a crucial role in helping you achieve something great, boosting your confidence and driving your pursuit of happiness.
- VIRGO**
Your schedule may become overwhelming if you take on too much. Space out your appointments to avoid stress and last-minute chaos. Treat your time like a precious resource. Use it wisely to regain balance and peace of mind.
- LIBRA**
You'll have the sudden urge to radically transform your life. A return to school or a career change could bring you closer to your true calling and pave the way for a more fulfilling, purposeful future.
- SCORPIO**
Your emotions could overpower your logic this week, influencing your decisions even as you try to stay rational. Accepting your feelings and daring to step outside your comfort zone will guide you toward change that aligns with your path.
- SAGITTARIUS**
This week will highlight the need for balance in all your relationships. Whether at work, in love, with relatives or friends, you'll need to negotiate skillfully, make compromises and adjust your expectations to preserve harmony and happiness.
- CAPRICORN**
A disagreement or confusing situation at work could spark thoughts of a career shift. Before making a move, take a step back, weigh your options carefully and seek advice from loved ones.
- AQUARIUS**
You'll shine brightly this week, attracting the recognition you deserve. This recognition will boost your confidence, self-esteem and self-worth, setting the stage for meaningful change in your future.
- PISCES**
A move may be on the horizon, especially if your current home feels too big. This change could mark a new chapter in your life. In romance, positive changes could strengthen or rekindle your relationship.

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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 Palm-er. Next Sunday, March 29th, please join us when our worship leader will be Eleanor Katona. 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 PEN-TECOSTAL CHURCH - Feel free to attend any Sunday at 10:30 a.m. The church is located at 583472 West Rd. in Haileybury. For information about other things that are happening at the church visit the website at Temiskaming.church or call 705-672-2020.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH invites all to come & worship Saturday morning at 453 Marcel-la St in Haileybury. Study time is 10am and divine service at 11am. Prayer meeting Tuesday at 5:30 pm. Everyone is Welcome. 905-730-0751 (Kevin)

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, 65 Wellington St New Liskeard welcomes you to their worship service at 11:00 am Sunday mornings. Rev. Bob McCarty officiating. For more information please see our facebook page or visit our website at firstbaptist-nl.ca

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, new liskeard, invites all to our neighbourhood friends and fun gathering. February 14th, 2026, 1pm – 3pm. There will be games, snacks and a chance to win a door prize. So bring your family and your friends for a free fun filled afternoon and enjoy!

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 AT-TEND 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

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.

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.

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

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

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GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH OF ENGLEHART will be meeting every Sunday morning at 10:30am. We invite you to our worship services or our weekly bible studies and prayer meetings. We offer ministries for children, Jr. and Sr. High groups and monthly fellowships. Please contact Pastor Steve Crosby at 705-544-8339 or visit goodshepherdenglehart.yolasite.com

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. Monthly 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 Ndongji, 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.

NOTICES / COMING EVENTS

THE TEMISKAMING FESTIVAL OF MUSIC is back again for its 91st year of musical competition promoting local talent in music and performance. The annual festival this year will run from April 20th to April 24th. Mark your calendar, and attend this event of strings, piano, vocals, bands and voice amplified, a new category to sing with backing tracks. We encourage everyone to experience this long running, live event and support local music. For further details check out the Temiskaming Festival of Music website at: t-f-m.ca.

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TEMISKAMING COMMUNITY PASTURE is Accepting Nominations for the 2026 Pasture Season. Nominations must be received by the secretary Carol by MARCH 31, 2026. To obtain forms please call Carol at 705-647-6161.

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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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FUN NIGHT AT THE HAILEYBURY LEGION EVERY SUNDAY starting at 1-4 p.m. Bring a partner and play some crib. Covid protocols will be followed.

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.

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Saturday of every Month from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. All are welcome.

THE COFFEE HOUSE SUPPORTING & PROMOTING LOCAL CANADIAN MUSICIANS AND THEIR MUSIC. On Tuesday April 14th, please join us at The Coffee House and enjoy the Musical Stylings of many of your favourite local musicians and entertainers including, Sierra Jessi, The Deep Water Project, Black Hat Trio, Stephen Ward, Leia Weaver, Nelson & Friends, Marley Jackson, Daniel Allaire with Leo D'Hondt & Wesley Gravel, Braydon Muir, and Sons of Sasquatch 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: coffeehousenewliskeard.ca

MUSIC JAM EVERY 2ND AND 4TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH STARTING SEPTEMBER 12TH at the Sacred Heart Church in the basement from 1:30pm until 4pm. Come to play, sing or dance to country music. Bring your friends.

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RUBBER BRIDGE will be played on the second and fourth Wednesday at 1:00 PM, at St. John and St. Paul Anglican Church hall in Haileybury. Partners are not required, and call 705-672-3700 for information.

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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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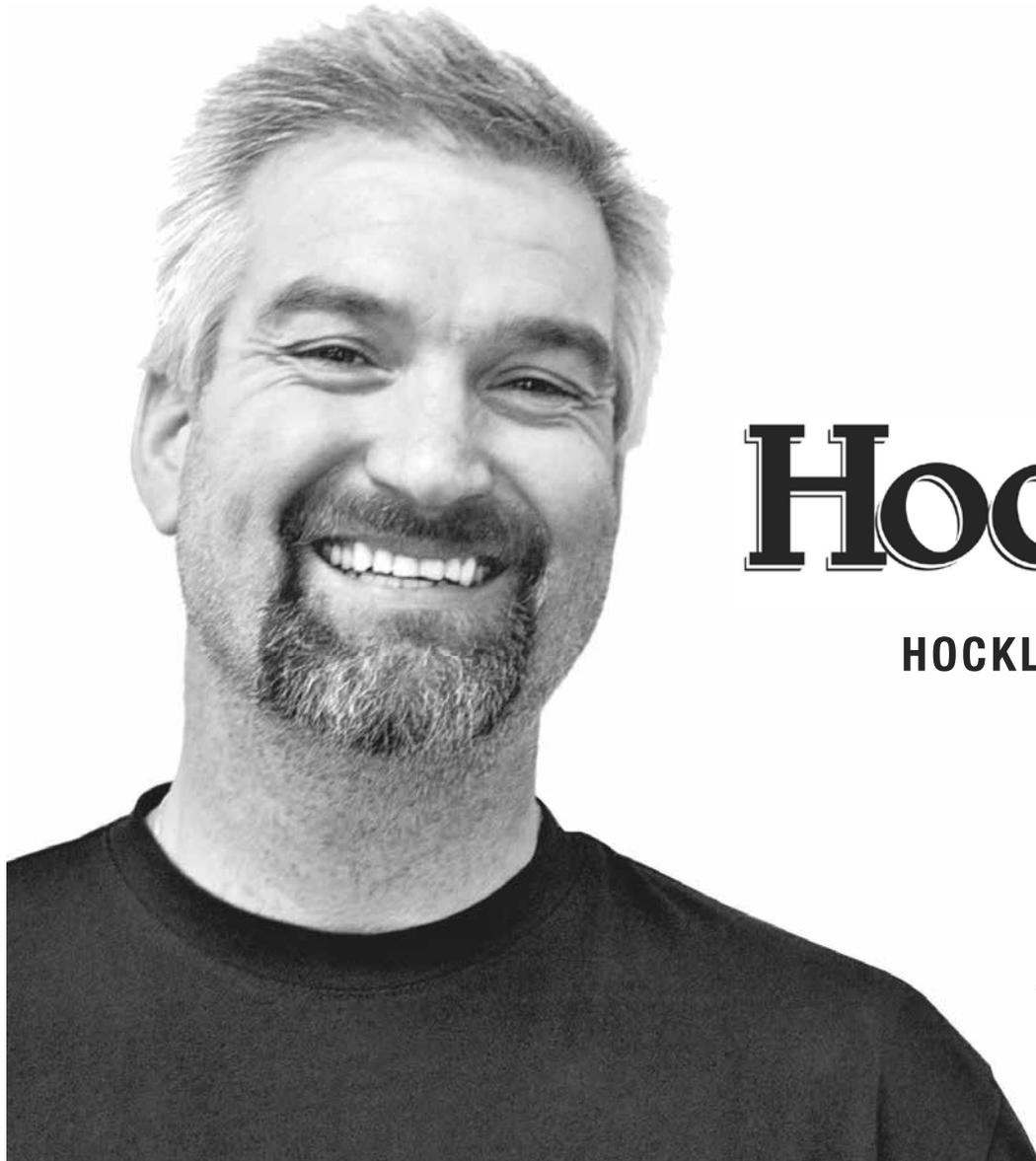
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