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LOCALNEWS

Youth, crime, time down says report

CITY HALL
By Jon Thompson – TB Source

Local youth crime appears to be tumbling, but those who are doing the crime are not necessarily doing the time.

The Thunder Bay Crime Prevention Council on Monday presented its Snapshot In Time report to city council. Along with the disclosure that domestic violence incidents in the city have doubled since 2004, the document expresses youth crime fell 30 per cent between 2014 and 2015.

Violent crime more prevalent

It also reinforced a reversal in a long-standing trend that showed violent crime has become more prominent than property crime. For the second consecutive year, more local young people per 100,000 were charged with violent offences than property offences.

Thunder Bay Police Deputy Chief Andy Hay said laying criminal charges

against youth is up to the discretion of the officer. That makes it unlike domestic assault, a crime for which charges are consistently pressed.

Hay pointed to schools handling issues in-house, holistic and restorative justice approaches to youth crime, and diversion programs as alternatives that are distorting youth crime statistics.

While he feels young people are anecdotally committing less crime, he recognizes the effect diversion is having on traditional crime indicators.

"When it says a 30 per cent drop, that's in charges. Did we actually drop 30 per cent in youth crime? Probably not," Hay said.

"It's an indicator that we're moving in the right direction but we're not going to rest our laurels on the fact that there's a 30 per cent recorded drop because that drop might not be 30 per cent."

The Snapshot In Time report illustrates relationships between risk factors and crime. Those include elements such as substance use, low education,

unemployment, mental health, low income and homelessness.

Crime Prevention Council co-ordinator Lee-Ann Chevrette expressed confidence diversion programs have a productive impact on those indicators, despite recognizing those programs aren't tracked as part of youth crime.

More programs needed

She praised youth hubs at the library as she cited youth surveys that have clearly called for more spaces like youth hubs and youth centres.

"I believe that perhaps what we're seeing in the significant drop from 2014 to 2015 and a few years before that may be the result of additional options as opposed to charging youth," Chevrette said.

"Different supports can help youth to address some of the issues they may be facing or some services to support them as opposed to bringing them into the criminal justice system, which further creates risk for them."



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OTHER OPTIONS: Crime Prevention Committee co-ordinator Lee-Ann Chevrette says she thinks police are looking at other options, rather than charging some youth.

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LOCAL NEWS



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WANT A DEAL: Members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 87 demonstrate on Monday outside of city hall.

City workers rally

Strike deadline looming, union can walk off job on Nov. 1

CITY HALL
By Jon Thompson - TB Source

Dozens of city workers demonstrated outside of city hall prior to Monday's council meeting as pressure mounts over a potential work stoppage.

One last collective bargaining meeting is scheduled for Oct. 31 between the city and the Canadian Union of Public Employees, the union representing 700 full time staff and 100 seasonal workers.

If that meeting fails to produce a contract, workers can legally strike or the city can lock them out at 12:01 a.m. on Nov. 1. Union representatives said the city is attempting to roll back

bargained gains from previous contracts.

"They are attacking some of our collective agreement language," said CUPE Local 78 president, Karen Martin.

Martin wouldn't elaborate on the specific gaps that are holding back a deal but pointed out the existing agreement ended on Oct. 31, 2014, making this the longest municipal workers have been without a contract.

A two-day meeting was cut short after only a day earlier this month when talks broke down.

"We want a fair deal -- no more, no less," Martin said.

The contract impacts both

indoor and outdoor services in revenue, provincial land tax, accounts payable, licensing and development services as well as roads, recreation, daycares, animal services, water and sewer.

The dispute comes amidst planning for a 2017 municipal budget that is deemed among the most difficult to balance in recent memory. Martin said her colleagues understand the pressure the city is under to deliver quality service for the tax revenue it receives.

"I've been working with (city manager) Norm (Gale) to help him with that stuff so we've been in contact quite a bit," Martin said.

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Violent sexual assault incident

Police seek video of Cumberland Street on Sunday morning

CRIME
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

A woman was violently sexually assaulted on North Cumberland Street early Sunday morning.

Police say the suspect is still at large.

In a release issued on Sunday afternoon, Thunder Bay Police say the female victim was walking in the 300 block of North Cumberland Street at River Street near Egan Street at about 4:40 a.m. when a man grabbed her, the attack lasting about a half an hour.

At this point the woman flagged

down a passing motorist who called police.

The woman was taken to hospital for treatment and later released.

The suspect is described as having a fair complexion, a medium build and standing about 5-foot-8.

Anyone with information is asked to phone police at 684-1200 or Crime Stoppers at 623-8477. Businesses or residents with video surveillance of the area between 3 a.m. and 4:45 a.m. are being asked to share it with police.

Police advise the public to exercise caution when out in public and to let people know when they'll be out walking in the community. They also advise carrying a cell phone and being aware of one's surroundings.

Police also ask the social media community to be respectful of the victim and her family.

N. Ontario may get 2 new political ridings

POLITICS
By Nicole Dixon – TB Source

Northern Ontario may have two more seats at Queen's Park.

The proposed far North Electoral Boundaries Commission could recommend increasing the number of seats from the North to 12 or 13 by splitting Ontario's two northernmost ridings. The two ridings likely to split would be the massive Kenora - Rainy River and Timmins - James Bay.

In an interview with CKPR Radio last Thursday MPP Michael Gravelle said this legislation will give the people in the province's far north the same opportunity to have their voices heard as other parts of the province.

"There's no question Kenora-Rainy River is a huge riding," Gravelle said.

"There are scores, literally, of First Nations communities and Northern communities in that riding and the same goes for Timmins-James Bay."

Having a strong representation of the Indigenous communities in the province is important, and it's a way to ensure their voice will be reflected in the representation they have.

Gravelle said it's about ensuring representation is there, their voices are heard, and there's a chance for those communities to express their point of view on the provincial legislation.

"I hope it's viewed positively by everyone," he said.

"I can't speak for any of the other MPPs that I know nor can I speak for the people in the remote communities other than to say this is an opportunity for their voices to truly be heard in a very direct way."



MICHAEL GRAVELLE

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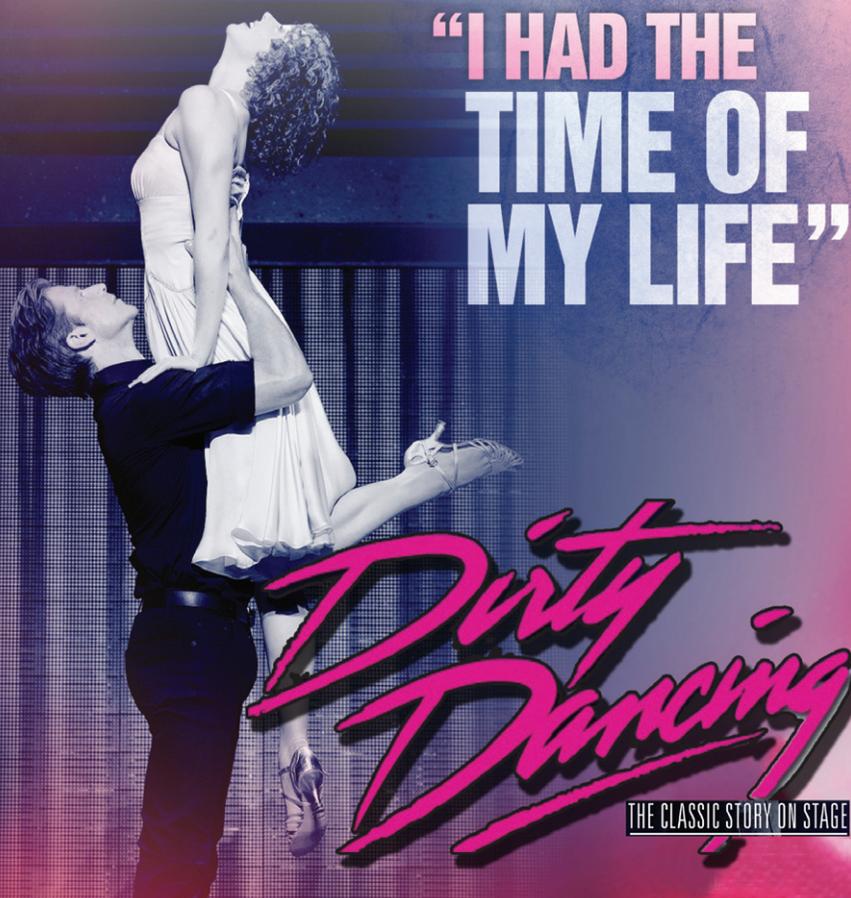
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LOCAL NEWS

Bombardier layoffs not a local concern

Union official says 7,500 cuts worldwide won't impact city plant

LABOUR
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The president of the union local representing workers at the city's Bombardier plant says plans for major layoffs announced by the parent company should not impact the Thunder Bay workforce.

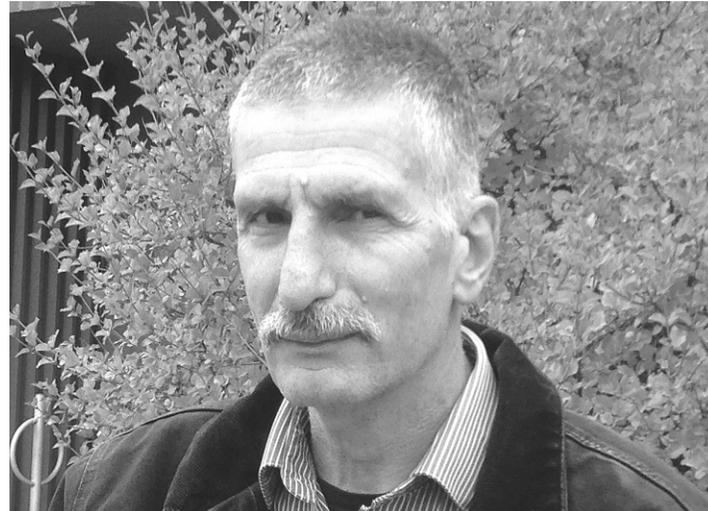
Unifor 1075's Dominic Pasqualino said the 2,000 job cuts slated for Canada – out of a total of 7,500 worldwide between now and 2018 – likely won't be local.

"What we do have planned are some layoffs as the Rocket line is winding down," Pasqualino said on Friday.

"But we're actually planning to speed up the bi-level and the (light rail vehicle) line and they're doing some infrastructure changes in the plant right now. I would say by February or March, most of these people will be hired back."

The Rocket line construction, a 480-car contract, is scheduled to come to a close by the end of December.

The company on Friday announced it was going to slash its employee total worldwide as part of a five-year



NOTHING DRASTIC: Unifor Local 1075 president Dominic Pasqualino said Bombardier layoffs locally were already planned and he expects many to be hired back next year.

turnaround plan to cut \$300 million in expenditures by the end of 2018, confirming some of the layoffs would be offset by strategic hiring in key areas, including its rail division.

Pasqualino said it's not out of the question the employee totals in Thunder Bay could rise, depending on the workload.

"They may even be adding extra shifts," he said.

At present there are 30 workers on lay-off notices. Another 80 are scheduled to go by year's end.

Pasqualino said the company has a commitment in place to fill the already-delayed Toronto Transit Commission order in a timely

fashion. "And you can't build the cars without manpower. That's why I suspect, if anything, this line will speed up."

Bombardier's Marc-Andre Lefebvre said the company still plans to build a second series of subway cars starting in 2017 in Thunder Bay.

"We've reassured all of our customers that throughout all of this we will have all of our human and material resources on deck to honour our commitment. That is not changing at all," Lefebvre said, reached by phone on Friday in Montreal.

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Editorial

EDITORIAL

Rink plan could work

A proposed recreation master plan unveiled last week is likely to have a lot of people up in arms, especially rural residents in Neebing Ward.

The plan suggests the city should close Neebing Arena, replacing the ice time with extra ice surfaces at Port Arthur Arena, and later, Delaney.

The idea makes some sense.

Yes, a neighbourhood rink would be lost, but the building would be repurposed for use by the community.

And it's not like residents in the area would have far to travel to find another rink for their kids to play hockey.

That's assuming the local organizations can get their scheduling puzzle together. With both the Tournament Centre and Fort William First Nation Arena boasting twin pads just around the corner, the travel inconvenience could be minimized.

The benefits of concentrating rinks in fewer locations has plenty of upside. Parents might have less traveling to get multiple children to games or figure skating lessons.

Maintenance costs could be reduced as well, with fewer staff and administration needed to look after two or three surfaces in one location.

The downside is the cost. Rinks aren't cheap. They cost millions of dollars to build.

But in the long-term, the budget savings just might make it much more cost-friendly than rinks all over town.

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Plebiscite question soon

To the editor:

The Concerned Taxpayers of Thunder Bay are bringing forth a plebiscite question on the proposed Event Centre.

We are hearing loud and clear that the public wants a chance to have their say now more than ever on this very controversial and expensive proposal.

The public is much more informed now on the city's troubling financial position.

The Concerned Taxpayers of Thunder Bay will be holding a news conference soon with more details.

Raymond A. Smith- Chairman
The Concerned Taxpayers of
Thunder Bay

Proof is in the ID

To the editor:

In his letter in *Thunder Bay Source* on Oct. 20 Marco Walther seems displeased the election workers don't require him to prove his citizenship.

That is not how it works Marco. To get on the voter's list you have to prove citizenship.

The workers have that list. All they need at that point is ID to prove you are the person on the list.

Hope this clears things up.

Tony Gallo,
Thunder Bay

Road work frustrations

To the editor:

Since the road work on Cumberland Street has been ongoing since our construction season, otherwise known as not winter, began.

Is it really feasible to suggest that such work be staggered to avoid chaos?

Like Angie Muzzi, I have had to pay out for repairs to my vehicle due to the continued disgrace that Cumberland has been all spring, summer, and fall.

Every day my daycare-Tim's run has been not an adventure, but a frightening journey into the unknown.

I have seen the route to be taken to travel east change multiple times over a single day, and it is frequently difficult to judge just which is the correct path since the traffic cones are so covered in mud and grime that they show no reflective powers to assist drivers.

My greatest sorrow is for those living and having businesses along Cumberland who have suffered this situation for far too long.

Hopefully the project will be completed before the snow flies. To have to contend with mud, ice and mayhem is more than most of us can stand.

Liz Powell,
Thunder Bay

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Trump followers off base



LEITH DUNICK

RANDOM THOUGHTS

The irony of the alt-right movement in the United States is its followers want government to interfere in the free-market economy, long the hallmark of right-wing politics.

In turning to Donald Trump, who has promised to tear up trade deals and force American companies to bring manufacturing jobs back to the United States, those in the alt-right are calling for more, not less, government interference; more rules and regulations.

It's a group that prides itself in paying its own way, decries government handouts and claims Hillary Clinton supporters (Bernie Sanders' too) are only voting for Democrats because they want "free stuff."

They decry the welfare state, all too happy and content to leave the less

fortunate behind, but when the free market reaches its natural conclusion – businesses seeking ways to cut costs and maximize profits – they cry foul.

"Woe is me," they say, more often than not with racial undertones.

The alt-right believes its been abandoned by government, who spend too much time lining their own pockets and cozying up to the Wall Street elites.

Of course they have.

For decades, Ayn Rand's *Atlas Shrugged* in hand, it's the system Republicans and the rest of the right touted as the best in the world. As an aside, didn't the business owners in the right-wing bible attempt to build their own elite-type utopia?

But I digress.

Just how do they think Trump can possibly intervene?

Even if he manages to rewrite the trade deals, the fallout is likely disastrous.

If manufacturers are forced – and good luck with that – to bring their factories back to the United States, they're not going to want to pay more

than minimum wage to employees. They're used to paying pennies a day for labour.

Will the alt-right turn to unions in an attempt to get what they believe they deserve? That would be alien to everything for which the conservative movement stands, would it not? Then again, these aren't your parents' Republicans.

Consumers are also used to rock-bottom prices. They'll revolt if costs start to rise.

If Trump manages to slap tariffs on goods being brought into the country, abandoning free-trade deals like NAFTA in the process, does he not expect other countries will do the same? What would that mean to American manufacturing and exports?

My guess is a lot of the actual well-paying jobs sustaining a significant chunk of what's left of the middle class would disappear and never return – at least until Americans realized the disaster that is Trump's economic policy and vote him out of office in 2020.

Perspective

How sweet it is

Canada is down to one candy cane maker across the country

OPINION
By J.R. Shermack
Special to TB Source

Nate Montreuil, four years old, and his three-year-old sister Abby have to be two of the luckiest kids in Canada.

They live right across the street from the old American Can factory in Hamilton.

The good news is, the plant changed hands back in 1961 and ever since then it has been a candy factory.

Their mother takes them shopping at Karma Candy once a week and sometimes people just walk over and give them sweets.

Can you believe it – when I was a kid I had a sweet tooth, but the thought of living near a candy factory never even occurred to me.

It's a dream come true, not just for kids but for any serious candy lover.

At the Karma Candy factory, located in the middle of residential Hamilton, there is a push to increase production by 30 per cent.

You may not have noticed anything last Christmas, but across the country there was a troubling shortage of good quality candy canes.

Manufacturing has been on the downswing in Ontario for years and recent plant closures have put the Canadian candy cane supply under pressure.

There are fewer and fewer candy canes being produced in North America and right now Karma is the

only cane maker in all of Canada. But Karma worked through the financial difficulties and now they have the market all to themselves.

To meet demand this factory makes candy canes nine months of the year, employing hundreds of workers.

Nobody wants another Christmas without canes, but only this one Canadian factory is left to supply the entire country.

Imagine a Christmas tree without candy canes and think of the thousands of mall Santas desperately looking for another supplier.

Cane consumers have other less savory options – perhaps bacon, gravy, pickle or wasabi candy canes from Archie McPhee in Mukilteo, Wash.

The bacon are described as “sweet and intriguingly meaty”.

There are also handmade, artisanal candy canes available at some craft markets around the country but that's about it.

Other than that, the only alternative is those mass-produced Chinese candy canes which are in endless supply.

But due to shifting sensibilities about buying Canadian, many savvy sugar lovers crave the Karma cane, made in Hamilton using a traditional recipe.

Of course that recipe is no secret and includes mainly peppermint flavoured sugar which is melted, striped, rolled and shaped into canes.

At Karma, that process is repeated

30 million to 40 million times a year.

I can't remember a Christmas without candy canes, but I never knew where or how this quaint tradition started.

Apparently around 1670 in Cologne, Germany, the choirmaster was having trouble keeping the children quiet during the Christmas service.

As the story goes, he hired a local candy maker to bend sugary sticks into small shepherd's hooks for the children.

The sweet tasting treats were originally white to symbolize the absence of sin – colour and flavour were added much later.

Their popularity spread all across Europe and they eventually made their way to North America in the mid 1800s.

Once Santa got his first big shipment of candy canes they were loaded in the sleigh and given to happy kids all over the world.

Karma would like to keep the tradition alive, but that's not all they do.

They also make lollipops year round, a couple million Easter bunnies and seasonal molded chocolate for Valentine's Day and Halloween.

But Nate and Abby Montreuil don't need a special occasion – for these two kids every day is Christmas.

Even Santa gets his candy canes from the factory across the street – how sweet it is.

WARMING UP



COLLECTING COATS FOR A CAUSE: Thunder Bay Police officers and volunteers with the Zone Watch Program held their annual winter clothing drive on Sunday. More than 300 coats were donated by the community during the single-day drive.

This week in history:

Port Arthur town hall

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Bridge fire cause still undetermined

THUNDER BAY
By Gary Rinne - TB Source

The cause of the fire that damaged Thunder Bay's James Street swing bridge three years ago will remain a mystery.

The Office of the Fire Marshal confirms it has finished its investigation and has been unable to determine how the October 29, 2013 fire began.

Carol Gravelle, a spokeswoman for the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, on Monday said investigators have completed their probe "into the origin, cause and circumstances of the fire ... The cause has been classified as undetermined."

Gravelle said the final report was completed in April.

The bridge remains closed to vehicular traffic, but trains resumed using it a few days after the fire.

The City of Thunder Bay and CN Rail are embroiled in a court case over whether the railway is responsible for doing the necessary work to get the bridge fully reopened.

The chief of the Fort William First Nation was surprised to hear how the investigation concluded, saying he hadn't been told about the findings.

"I don't get it," said Peter Collins, after learning about the investigation's conclusion during a



UNDETERMINED: The cause of the James Street Bridge fire will remain a mystery.

phone interview with tbnewswatch.com.

"I don't get it. You know the fire started from something or someone..."

PETER COLLINS

"You know, the fire started from something or someone, so it's very disheartening to say the least that they haven't found the cause of that fire."

Collins added "almost three years later, they're still dealing with the issue."

Residents of the First Nation continue to detour via Chippewa Road in order to travel to and from Thunder Bay.

IN BRIEF

Arrests made in dog killing

The Thunder Bay Police Service assisted Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals officers with laying criminal charges against two Thunder Bay residents in relation to an investigation into the death of a dog on the city's south side.

The investigation began on September 18, 2016 when the Ontario SPCA received a report of a deceased dog located near the Northwood area.

A post-mortem was conducted on the dog and her death was deemed suspicious.

As a result, the Ontario SPCA executed a search warrant at a residence in Thunder Bay.

The TBPS Uniform Patrol and Criminal Investigations Branches assisted with the warrant that was executed at 9:00 a.m. on October 20, 2016.

The male and female who reside in the home were arrested and charged with the Criminal Code offence of Killing an Animal.

Doug Mitchell, 57 years old appeared in court last Friday. He was remanded into

custody.

Marlene Finlayson, 40 year old was released on a Promise to Appear with a future court date.

Hydro merger in play

Thunder Bay Hydro has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Kenora Hydro Electric Corporation to explore the possibility of a merger between the two regional power providers.

"A number of Ontario LDC's are currently exploring or undertaking consolidation in order to achieve economies of scale and enhance their capability to serve customers in an industry that continues to become more complex," said Thunder Bay Hydro president and CEO Robert Mace in a release issued last Friday.

The two utilities will now begin a process of analyzing the potential advantages and feasibility of how their customers, municipal shareholders and other stakeholders might benefit through such a merger.

LOCAL NEWS

Ambitious recreation plan revealed

THUNDER BAY
By Jon Thompson – TB Source

Consultants will advise the city to achieve a balance over the next decade between city-wide and neighbourhood use of municipal recreation facilities.

Sierra Planning and Management representatives released a presentation of their working recreation master plan draft on Wednesday night as the company named facilities it feels ought to be sacrificed for those the city should improve.

It begins with advising city council to install a second ice surface at Port Arthur Arena as it suggests closing the Neebing Arena. The next rink to double its ice pad would be Delaney Arena.

Sierra director Jonathan Hack explained the recommendations as a hub-and-spoke model for facilities that are used within a city-wide network.

"If you look at arenas, I think it's fairly certain for the majority of use, whether

you live in the north or south, east or west, you're prepared to go to whichever facility is going to give you the ice," Hack said.

"Closing a facility only happens if you successfully plan for and invest in twinning another facility so overall, you have a better value for money. It's not about dis-investment. It's about investment, then having some re-purposing that needs to happen."

New facilities

One of the most stark examples of re-purposing will come in the draft's recommendation to open three splash pads modeled on the one at Prince Arthur's Landing. One of those, which could range between a sprinkler and a wading pool, would replace Dease Pool. Dease has been a neighbourhood fixture for a century, but would cost \$2 million to

replace. Increased resources could then be committed to the city's existing indoor pools as well as Art Widnall Pool.

Even excluding Boulevard Lake, Hack pointed out, most of the city would still be able to access a pool within a five-minute drive.

When it comes to neighbourhood focus, the plan will recommend city staff be committed to all 12 community centres and boards be established to ensure programming at the centres reflects the needs of the community.

"A lot of these centres rely on volunteers and what it is, is trying to establish a level of service," Hack said.

"They are city-owned facilities, by and large, and as such, the city has a responsibility to make them work more effectively for the taxpayer. All these centres create deficits and those deficits need to be accounted for."



JONATHAN HACK

portion of the population."

The recreation master plan will also address rising and falling trends in sport where there will once again be winners and losers. In light of Confederation College phasing out the city's only indoor tennis courts at The Bubble, the plan will recognize the sport as one that's on the rise. It will recommend increasing space for indoor tennis as well as replacing baseball diamonds with soccer pitches, complete with installing artificial turf.

"I think everyone would agree that baseball, in every community I've worked in over the last 15 years, baseball is on the decline," Hack said.

"On soccer, I think we're hearing pretty loud and clear, let's get two, three, four additional field surfaces in the best location, which appears to be Chapples Park, as long as we can understand the cost of doing it there."

Sierra will present the draft plan in full to city council on Nov. 14.

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LOCAL NEWS

Sex exploitation occurring locally

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By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

The sexual exploitation of women and children is a growing global problem, and one this city is not immune to.

That's according to Major Karen Puddicombe of the Salvation Army Anti-Exploitation Task Force.

Puddicombe and the Anti-Exploitation Task Force held a sexual exploitation awareness forum Monday that saw police, health-care workers, and various agencies come together to discuss the issue on both a global and local level.

"It is here," she said. "We want to pretend that it is not in my backyard. We want to believe that no way, not in Thunder Bay, not in our high schools, not in our elementary schools, it's not happening here. It's big city stuff."

Puddicombe said it is time to face reality and accept that people in the community face sexual exploitation and it's time to start having a conversation about it.

"Sexual exploitation is basically an individual being exploited for the gain of another," Puddicombe said.

"There is a level of exploitation that takes place within an everyday realm for many high school students, many people in our community, who allow themselves and, to many degrees, are coerced into a position of exploitation."

The forum included several guest speakers addressing issues involving human trafficking, prostitution, and pornography.

Writer and journalist, Victor Malarek, author of *The Natashas: Inside the Global Sex Trade* and *The Johns: Sex for Sale and the Men Who Buy It*, provided a global perspective on sexual exploitation during his keynote talk.

According to Malarek, there is one reason alone that sustains prostitution around the world: demand.

"If it wasn't for men demanding sex from prostituted women and because they have money in their pockets and they can do what they want," Malarek said in an interview.

"It's men who fuel the sex trade and men who fuel the pornography trade and it's time that men, good men, got up and said that enough is enough this is not a manly thing to do."

Malarek said paying for sex is massively prevalent among men from all walks of life.

He added that justifications used to defend the sex trade are meaningless because 96 per cent of women who are prostituted never wanted to be in that life.

"For me, the hope is people will discuss this and not buy into any of the: prostitution is the oldest profession," he said. "Prostitution is the oldest oppression. That's all it's ever been and that's all it will ever be."



DOUG DIACZUK

ONLINE ISSUE: Victor Malarek says the Internet has exponentially grown the sex trade.

The prevalence of sexual exploitation today, particularly for young people still trying to understand sexuality and relationships, is due largely to living in the age of the Internet.

"The Internet has exploded the sex trade and exploded prostitution," Malarek said. "Many of the women who are involved in pornography, especially this triple X stuff, which has nothing to do with sex and everything to do with violence and degradation of a woman. It has taken prostitution into an explosion. Men watch it and then men want it."

Bridget Perrier, co-founder and First Nation educator for Sex Trade 101, shared her story of being lured into prostitution at the age of 12.

Perrier said there is a lack of services for prostituted women and she believes that services should be survivor-run. She added that more pressure needs to be put on local police services to conduct 'john busts.'

"It's not the girl who is selling herself that is the problem, it's the man who's buying her," Perrier said.

"Women don't choose to be prostitutes, prostitution chooses them based on what they have been through, like childhood trauma, mainly sexual abuse, and divorce."

Puddicombe said she hopes the forum will start a conversation on the local level and bring this issue to the forefront in order to help young people build strong, healthy relationships.

"Not ones that are going to suck them into a vortex of exploitation," she said. "It's the knowledge is power, and if we can give the power to a young person, we can perhaps start to curb some of this in the future."

"I think what we need to do is rally together and say our girls and our women are not for sale in Thunder Bay," Perrier said.



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Model trains roll into town

THUNDER BAY
 By Nicole Dixon - TB Source



SCALE SIZE: Plenty of model trains were on display this past weekend at the Thunder on Rails show.

For many adults, like Brian Thom, getting a train set as a child was the highlight of their youth. The model train enthusiast has been hooked on model trains ever since he received his first train set more than 60 years ago. Thom joined many other enthusiasts this weekend as they showed off their model railway layouts at the Thunder on Rails Model Railway Show, a charity event supporting the Metro Lions Club, which was held both Saturday and Sunday at the West Community Centre.

"It's my hobby, and it has been my hobby for most of my life," Thom said. "It has all different kinds of aspects, the scenery, the wiring, you tend to pay more attention to things and how they are built and how to build them."

Thunder on Rails gave the community an opportunity to check out hand-built model railway layouts. The two-day event featured a variety of intricate layouts on different scales of model railroad. Thom said a lot of work and time goes into creating model railway sets. "It will take several weekends just to do the track work, the wiring, and building the

box," he said. "After that the process is a little slower, because you are getting into the scenery, the buildings, and all that is over a long period of time." He added that people are always adding

and altering aspects of the layout, so the set is always changing. Thom said the most important part of Thunder on Rails is helping the charity, and promoting the hobby in hopes of getting more youth interested.

Flu clinics draw huge lines

HEALTH
 By TB Source staff



PRECAUTIONS: Medical officer of health Janet DeMille wants people to get a flu shot this year.

Flu season is back and officials in the Thunder Bay district hope people take the vaccination seriously. Hundreds of area residents did just that Thursday, as the first free clinic opened its doors to the public at the Boys and Girls Club. "Flu virus changes every year, so from season to season there could be variations in what we call the circulating strain," said medical officer of health Janet DeMille. "The types of influenza that circulate in our communities and in the country can change from year to year that's why it's important to get immunized every year."

DeMille recommends the vaccine for children as young as two years old, adults over the age of 65, pregnant women and anyone who works with those who could be at risk. Resident Anita Fraser has seen what can happen when you skip the flu shot.

"I had a brother who didn't get his, had H1N1 and ended up in the hospital," Fraser said. "The antibiotics they gave him caused a massive autoimmune response, and he is crippled now with severe rheumatoid arthritis in every joint because he didn't get the flu shot."

Fraser took her brother's experience seriously and has received the annual shot every

year for the past five years. Wendy Zeman said people believe you get sick after the flu shot, but that's not the case. "You've already got the bug in you if you get sick, and it's there for us to get protected against all those bad critters, so why not," Zeman said. Zeman added that she has always gotten a flu shot and in turn has never fallen ill from the flu. "Occasionally people do get sick after being vaccinated, but according to Dr. DeMille the vaccine still works to mitigate the symptoms. "There's other viruses that actually cause symptoms similar to the flu, and the influenza virus vaccine won't protect against those," DeMille said. "For some people, what actually might happen is that they will get the flu vaccine, but they will get sick with something else but they will call it the flu." DeMille said people can still get influenza even though they've had the vaccine, but it's usually milder in nature.

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Ah, retirement. The golden years. Time to kick back and enjoy a little well-earned rest and relaxation.

Not so fast. For many older Canadians, their later years are filled with financial worry, and much of it is self-inflicted. Here are four key mistakes retirees make that can leave them living on financially shaky ground.

Investing too conservatively

I still remember my golf instructor stressing the importance of hitting through the ball instead of to the ball. Something similar can be said about investing in retirement.

It would be a mistake to think of your retirement date as something you invest to, after which you shift dramatically into an ultra-conservative investing mode.

Play it too safe with your nest egg and inflation will wreak havoc on your hard-saved money.

With the odds increasingly stacked in favor of living a long life, it's important

to continue investing in a way that you're likely to at least outpace increases in the cost of living.

That usually means maintaining some level of exposure to equity. One way financial advisers suggest minimizing the fear of stock market investing in your later years is to develop a healthy cash savings account before retirement.

More specifically, they recommend having one-to-two years' worth of living expenses in savings.

During times of market decline, the idea is to withdraw from that savings account for living expenses instead of drawing on your investment account, thereby giving your investment account time to recover.

Investing too aggressively

Of course, the opposite is true, as well. You don't want to hit retirement, realize you don't have enough in your RRSP or TFSA, and try to make up for lost time by investing like you're a 20-year-old with plenty of time to ride out the market's ups and downs. The time-tested principles of asset allocation still apply. A good advisor will really ask the right questions to construct the appropriate asset allocation of a cash/stock/bond mix accordingly.

Carrying too much debt into retirement

Ideally, you want to retire your

mortgage by the time you retire from your job. Having to continue paying on what for most people is their single largest expense can be burdensome. Today, more seniors than ever are still making payments on their homes. Some of it was for their kids or grandkids.

If you still have mortgage, student loan, or credit card debt, it can be helpful to your sanity and your solvency to delay retirement until such debts are paid off.

Keeping the Bank of Mom and Dad open

According to a recent study, 68 per cent of parents age 55 or older have provided some form of financial support to their adult children in the past five years.

That support included helping to make their rent or mortgage payments, pay their cellphone bills, cover their car payments, or some other bill.

Many other parents stand ready to help and another study showed nearly 50 per cent of parents said they'd be willing to put off their retirement if their adult children needed financial help. Some 25 per cent said they would take on debt, and 20 per cent said they'd raid their retirement accounts if necessary.

However, in their classic book, *The Millionaire Next Door*, authors Thomas Stanley and William Danko said many

parents mistakenly assume that soon after providing some financial help, their adult children will be financially self-sufficient.

Instead, they found that recipients of so-called "economic outpatient care" all-too-easily become dependent on such help, making it bad for the adult children and their parents alike. Far better, they said, to "teach your children to live on their own."

No mulligans

My golf instructor didn't let us take do-overs, or "mulligans," during practice rounds. He said it was a bad habit. After all, there would be no second chances in a game, especially if you are having a friendly wager on the game.

The same can be said about managing money in retirement. When we get older, we simply won't have time to recover from financial mistakes. So take these lessons to heart as you plan for a financially secure retirement.

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from Fred error. But there have also been many occasions when my nemesis, Murphy of the above mentioned Law, has tossed in the banana peels upon which my endeavours have slipped. Does the breakdown or screw up call for an "oops" if the blame is to be laid at my feet or have I been "Murphed"?

The chainsaw not willing to co-operate actually began two weeks ago. I had bought it used and it had worked perfectly for a couple of months. Two weeks ago I was full of trust that the machine would work so I put it into the cart I pull behind our quad and drove to the beginning of one of our trails that was now difficult through which to walk let alone ride a horse.

The young poplar and tag alder had been forced by ice to bend over creating a tunnel. With the chainsaw it is an easy job to cut and remove thus opening the space through which one could travel.

On that occasion two weeks ago, the saw would not start no matter what I did. "Seems odd," I thought that it would flood so soon.

I waited and looked about even walking uphill just to look at the surrounding forest that was once field but over the years has grown in with pine and spruce.

I tried starting the saw again and again nothing. Dang! Came all the way out here and my tools don't work.

So I drove back to Casa Jones and stumped into the house for a cup of coffee.

When I emerged a half hour later I thought that I'd give the chainsaw another go and surprise! It fired up. By then the day had waned sufficiently that I knew my wife, Laura, would be home soon so I put off the trail-clearing task for another day.

The next week she and I went on

another part of the trail to do some more clearing and the chainsaw started up right away. So we slowly worked our way from one end to the other of this particular trail removing overhanging trees and cutting up for firewood those trees felled across the trail. T'was a profitable day.

Friday of this past week I remembered that I had left the first bit of trail-clearing undone. So I threw the chainsaw into the trailer and off I drove.

Getting the machine to work was a repeat of the first time I'd gone there. Oh well, maybe if I drive to another part of the trail network where I knew of some downed trees, the saw will behave and work will get done and my day won't have been wasted. Nope. Wouldn't go. I'd been "Murphed" I concluded.

So the saw is in the shop where they do magical things to resurrect recalcitrant machines.

Speaking of Murphy, Laura and I were driving to town Saturday evening to attend a play in which our daughter was performing. We passed the farm of Rudy, our hay supplier who has been slowly erecting a new hay-storage barn. I say slowly because he is doing the job all by himself.

Rudy reads this column and knows about me and Murphy. We have joked about this unfortunate relationship.

Well, on seeing Rudy perched up a ladder some twenty or thirty feet above ground trying to secure a roof strut in place, I ventured to say that perhaps I should offer my help sort of like some nurse holding the scalpel for the surgeon but, in this case, the hammer or whatever tool Rudy might require when he is perched on high.

"No!" shouted Laura, "Rudy won't want Murphy anywhere near his land!"

Ah well, Rudy, I did offer.

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Stress at Halloween can be frightful



kids months in advance. This, however, is a waste of time unless you just want to see how many times they can change their mind before October 31st.

I used to try to get inspiration from television shows. Their costumes always looked great. Mine looked like I'd dressed out of the donation bin at the Sally Ann. It was a mixed array of odds and ends that might look like something if you squinted, tilted your head to the left and were prepared to continually answer the question, "Now, what are YOU supposed to be?"

Not as easy as it looks

What the younger me failed to understand is that most TV show costumes involved a special-effects designer, three seamstresses, several fittings, hundreds of dollars in material and a professional make-up artist to get just right. Meanwhile,



DRESSING UP: Finding the right costume for halloween can be frightfully stressful.

the majority of us opened our closets the night before, sighed heavily, and then raided our dad's dress shirts to do "the pirate-thing" for yet another year. That is, if we

could jimmy a wire hanger and some tin foil to make a sword that we'd lose before the night was over.

The characters on today's shows always seem to have such great innovative ideas for their Halloween costumes too. Sometimes they were simple like The Office's "3-Hole Punch" Jim. Or classic like Parks and Recreation's "Rosie the Riveter" Leslie. Or clever like Friends' "Sputnik" Ross.

Is pop culture the way to go?

Meanwhile, I check out the local party store and find three Wonder Womans, (Women?), a Princess Fiona (no relation), and every slutty version career choice out there including nurse, librarian, and crossing guard. Of course, this year will likely also be filled with Trumps and Hillarys.

Of course, some TV costumes are just too complicated for the real

world anyway. In fact, many fail to take into consideration a few basic facts of life. Most importantly, how will you go to the bathroom? Will it take a village to raise your hemline above the toilet bowl?

And can you drive in it? Or even fit in your car? Or is some assembly required in the bushes before you make your grand entrance?

There's a lot of pressure to find just the right combination of creativity, humour and realism in today's costume. Couples have broken up over this. And television isn't going to help.

Meanwhile, this year I'm keeping it simple. I'm going to borrow a pipe and a plaid deerstalker cap to hand out candy while my dogs snarl and bark in a darkened front window like the Hounds of Baskerville.

I wonder if anyone will come to the door.



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ThunderCon celebrates geekdom

Costumed attendees show up in droves for annual convention

THUNDER BAY

By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

Whether you want to bring your very own character to life, embody your favourite movie or comic book character, or just like dressing up, cosplayers in Thunder Bay have found a place of their own at ThunderCon.

ThunderCon, the two-day convention celebrating everything geek wrapped up on Sunday at the Valhalla Inn. Like last year, one of the most popular aspects of the convention was the costumes dedicated fans created to the delight of people of all ages.

Charlie Castle of Castle Cosplay in Toronto was one of this year's special guests and cosplayer judge and he said the many different genres and characters on display by local cosplayers blew him away.

"It's amazing," he said. "There's such amazing local talent. I've never been to Thunder Bay, so I didn't know what to expect but in the judging, the judging was so hard. The detail that people put into their costumes is just amazing."

Fun with costumes

Cosplay refers to costume play and is a staple at comic and fan conventions. According to Castle, cosplay is on the rise because of the growing popularity of superheroes in film and comics.

"I think when the first Iron Man movie came out and all those super hero movies it was such a snowball effect," he said. "You can find conventions like



THE DROID THEY'RE LOOKING FOR: A fully functioning R2D2 unit was a not surprising hit at ThunderCon, held last weekend.

every other week. It's become a huge industry."

At ThunderCon, there was an assortment of characters on display, from elves to stormtroopers to knights in full suits of armor.

Katie Arpin, who was dressed as a blood elf priest, said cosplay is one of her favourite forms of expression.

"I think it gives you another ability to

express yourself," she said. "I'm not a very good drawer or painter, but I like to be able to glue things together and be another character, an alter ego for a day. That's really cool to me."

Arpin has been dressing up for the last three years, but this is her first convention experience. While at ThunderCon she was constantly being asked for her photo.

"It's fun," she said. "It's nice to see everyone dressed up, no matter how extravagant. There's a lot of good vibes here."

People of all ages were donning handmade costumes and stepping into the shoes of their favourite superhero or fantasy character. Tonya Muchano, who made ThunderCon a family event last year, was back again this year with a

zombie, a stormtrooper, and Morpheus from the Matrix.

"We started going last year when it first started and we just love it," she said. "I always love an opportunity to get dressed up. It's fun for the kids and it's really exciting to have something like this in Thunder Bay."

Imagination time

Muchano added that the kids especially like the opportunity to create their own costumes and see all their other favourite characters come to life in front of them in other cosplayers.

"I love that they have this here," Muchano said. "There's no where else in a small radius where you can go and get a con like this."

Arpin agrees that ThunderCon is a great addition to Thunder Bay, and not just for fans of comics or fantasy or sci-fi. For Arpin, the success of conventions like ThunderCon shows that geeky isn't a bad word anymore.

"I think it's normal," she said. "I think they are normalizing cosplay and being geeky. It's normal for someone to be able to play board games and dress up and go to movie premiers and be first in line. People don't judge you as much anymore and as time goes on it's just going to be second nature for everyone, not just for us."

Castle added that cosplay and conventions are growing right across the country and after his first time at ThunderCon, he thinks it too will continue to grow.

"I loved it," he said. "I think this is going to get bigger and bigger. For a second year con, it was really successful. I think eventually going to outgrow this venue."

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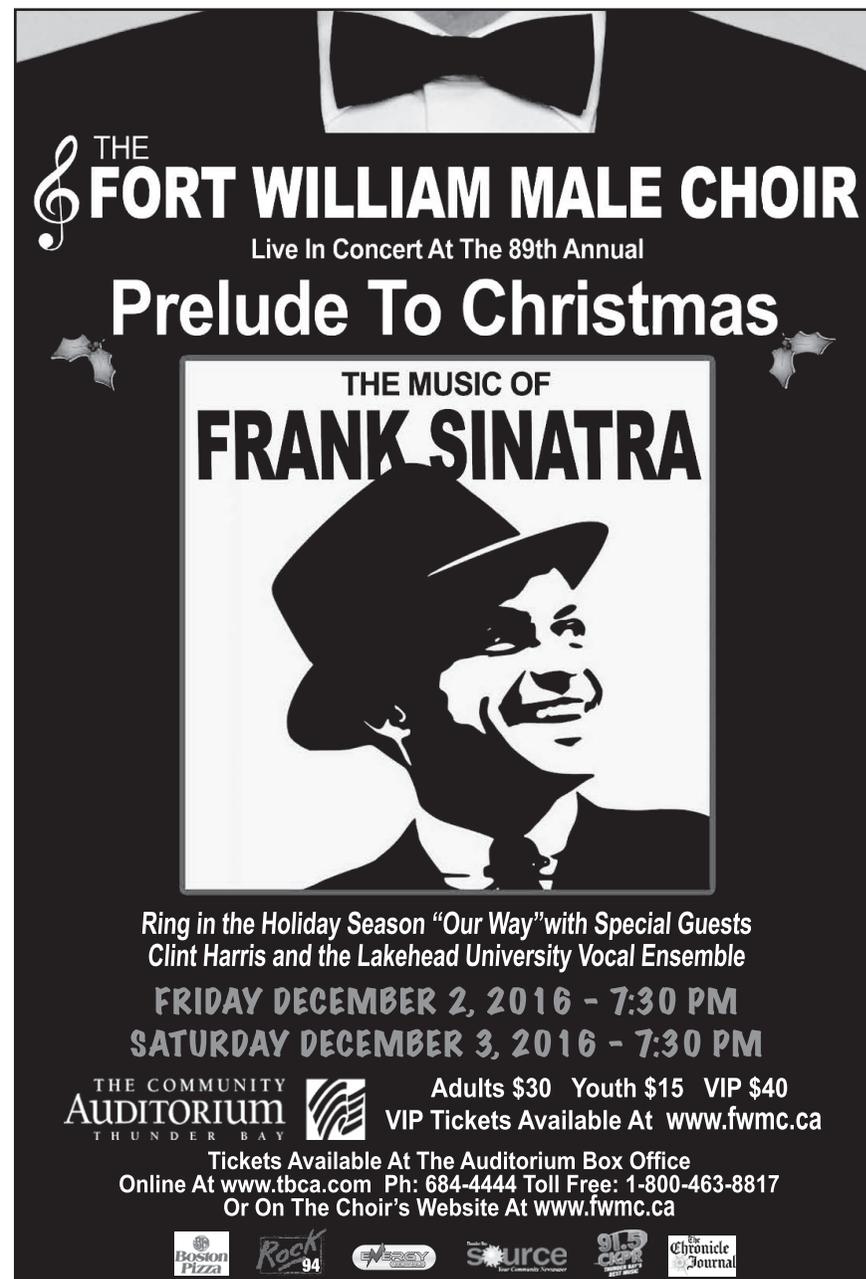


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THE HUNGER IS UPON US: The Hunger is returning to downtown Port Arthur for its 11th year and is expected to draw thousands of ghouls, ghosts, monsters, and more.

Hunger for Halloween

HALLOWEEN

By Linda Maehans - TB Source

Get ready! This weekend The Hunger 11 transforms our north downtown core into a spectacularly ghoulish and boo-tiful landscape of fearless frolicking and fearsome fun.

But take heed. It's only two nights before the actual knell of All Hallows Eve sounds. This from a certain Count D whose closed-lip smile, no teeth showing, doesn't quite reach his strange amber eyes. He speaks softly. "Oh, I think you'll remember this particular Halloween party long after it's over." When asked where he could be reached for further comment, the Count bowed, leaped onto the ledge of an open window and, with swirl of black cape with red silk-lining, vanished into thin air. I'm not making this up.

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DINNER DISCUSSIONS: Shelly Antony, Malube, Daniela Vlaskalic and Martin Sims rehearsing for *Disgraced*, opening on Oct. 31 at Magnus Theatre.

Decidedly up for discussion

THEATRE

By Linda Maehans - TB Source

How does that universal adage go? At dinner parties avoid topics of religion, politics and money. That is, if you wish to be invited back.

When the adage is ignored, in certain circles does everyone still go home happy? That's another topic decidedly up for discussion. When Magnus' second curtain of the season rises next week, I think we'll find out. Or at least go home wanting to discuss it with someone.

Disgraced by Ayad Akhtar earned the playwright a Pulitzer in 2013. It's billed as "a tale about the stories we tell our friends, the secrets we tell our lovers and the lies we tell ourselves to find our place in the world." Given these times of 2016, I know you and I are both thinking 'how timely'.

The play involves a dinner party in New York City; it's 2011. We are in the home of an ambitious American lawyer and his spouse whose artwork has (currently) gravitated toward Islamic culture. (note: "currently" is my own opinion; taboo broken already). The guests are an equally successful couple: a gallery curator who happens to be Jewish, and his African-American wife who also works for a law firm in the Big Apple.

Actress Malube as Jory exudes grace and beauty. I ask about the qualities (I think) any good lawyer needs: brains, savviness about human nature and no qualms about manipulation if that's what it takes to win. (another taboo broken). "I don't agree, necessarily, about the tricky-manoeuvre assumption you make," countered Jory. "Being a lawyer is something I am very passionate about. So naturally I'm good at it." Her genuine smile sweeps me away.

Shelly Antony as Amir proffers a different smile: high-voltage confidence. He leans in, eyes twinkling, to point out how handsome he is. Utterly charming. Then, serious, "I've always been drawn to the law; good with words and can put forth a convincing argument. Justice? Absolutely! The desired outcome for each and every case. Presently I'm with one of the biggest firms: corporate law, mergers and acquisitions. Leibowitz, Bernstein, Harris." That smile again. "I'm hoping to add Kapoor to that. Socially? Oh I'm extra fortunate to have such a beautiful, witty and talented wife, who brings me to galleries and foreign films!" Amir's dark eyes are twinkling again.

Daniela Vlaskalic as Emily is beautiful. Enthusiastically she describes her artistic leanings these days. "My art right now is really influenced by Islamic tradition, and the Andalusian period. Mostly paintings and mosaics. My dinner tonight? Well, a Spanish salad followed by pork tenderloin of course. And dessert is coming with my guests, so we'll have to see."

Martin Sims as Isaac is, in a word, intense. No smile; but the most keen hazel eyes. "There's so much exciting art happening in New York. You can't eat it but it feeds you." Nicely said. "You must come visit my gallery, see for yourself."

As should audiences go see *Disgraced* for themselves. It opens Monday, Oct. 31.

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Tigers top Saints, look to lock up third place

FOOTBALL

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

When the high school senior football season started, Cayden Boucher was almost an afterthought in Mike McNally's offence.

But with star running back Darien Fuchs down and out for the season, unless the Westgate Tigers manage to win their way into the championship final, Boucher has risen to the occasion to provide his team yet another weapon out of the backfield.

Boucher rushed for 142 yards and a pair of touchdowns on Friday to lead the Tigers (2-3) to a 25-7 triumph over their south-side rival St. Patrick Saints.

McNally couldn't be more pleased with his effort.

"He came out of nowhere and played like a superstar," the veteran coach said after the win, which entrenched the Tigers in third place and closer to their goal of a rematch against the Churchill Trojans, who needed a late rally to secure a win over Westgate earlier this season.

Boucher opened the scoring with a 23-yard run up the middle eight minutes into the contest, then with the Tigers up 10-0 thanks to a Cameron Maki field goal, he ran one in from 10 yards out to give the Tigers a 17-0 lead at the half.

"Our o-line was doing an awesome job today. They opened up those holes and you could just shoot through the line. It was a big gap and it was easy to run right to the end zone," Boucher said.

The Saints (1-3) had trouble getting



BLOCK AND TACKLE: Westgate's Keegan Stoger (top) is hauled down last Friday night by St. Patrick Saints defender Brendan Chomut at Fort William Stadium.

their ground game going, abandoning the pass in the opening half. But quarterback Eric Nisioiu got the ball rolling in the third, tucking and running for a 51-yard scamper that set up a 25-yard scoring strike to Cody Baraniuk, the Saints pulling to within 10.

But the Tigers weren't done yet.

Quarterback John Czupryna connected with receiver Anthony Ciafangna on passes of 40 and 31 yards that brought the ball deep into St. Patrick territory, then kept the

drive alive on a bad punt snap, running for 18 yards and a first down.

Hunter MacKenzie finished off the drive with a two-yard plunge into the end zone for a 24-7 lead.

"To come out tonight and play a game from the first play all the way to the end, that's big for us," McNally said.

"Our big thing now is to try to stay healthy. We're pretty thin in numbers. Playoffs have been our focus all season. We knew this was a huge one."

Thunderwolves sweep Toronto

UNIVERSITY HOCKEY

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The Lakehead Thunderwolves got the last laugh on Saturday night.

The Wolves and Toronto Varsity Blues traded goals twice in the opening two periods, but Carson Dubchak didn't leave the host squad much time to tie the game a third time.

The veteran Thunderwolves

forward netted the game-winner with 1:36 to go in regulation, earning Lakehead a 3-2 win and a two-game sweep of the Varsity Blues.

Cody Alcock opened the scoring midway through the first, only to have Toronto's Josh Hanson tied it on the power play early in the second.

Brennen Dubchak earned the Wolves their second lead of the night at the 5:58 mark of the

middle frame, but once again with the man advantage Toronto (0-3-2) climbed even, Charlie Connell potting his first of the season at 11:53.

Devin Green made 35 saves to earn the win, as the Wolves improved to 3-2-0 on the season. They didn't get their third win last season until January.

Fourth-place Lakehead remains on the road this weekend when they take on Concordia (4-1-0).

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Vikings take Fall Classic

Hammarskjold edges out Westgate in tourney final

BASKETBALL

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

When the week began, it was the Westgate Tigers that ruled the senior girl's high school basketball roost.

But second place wasn't where the defending champion Hammarskjold Vikings wanted to be.

On Wednesday they knocked the Tigers from the ranks of the unbeaten, dropping them 52-48 to leave both teams with one loss in the Superior Secondary Schools Athletic Association standings.

On Saturday they did it again, capturing the Tiger Fall Classic with a 30-26 win on Westgate's home court, doing it with just six players in the lineup - and only five who saw action.

The Vikings leapt out to a 10-point advantage in the first half, but the host side wanted no part of a lopsided loss, cut the lead to three at the half and had a chance to take the lead late in the fourth quarter only to see Kayla Gallo's go-ahead three-pointer start to drop before bouncing harmlessly away.

The win took everything the Vikings (7-1) had and more, said forward Sydney Charles, who collected baskets in each of the first three quarters, finished with six points and was named a tournament all-star.

"It's crazy, considering we had such good players last year we were kind of nervous about it this year, but we pulled it through," said Charles, adding the team's confidence levels have been boosted with the pair of wins.

"We were super determined and super



ON THE BALL: Madison Wigwas (left) works her way past Westgate's Megan Rubin last Saturday.

confident coming into it."

Tournament most valuable player Madison Wigwas said the win was that much more special because of the shortened bench.

"Considering we only had five players, six of our players, it's really good to come out and win this tournament," said Wigwas, who put up seven points for the Vikings, who led 21-15 at the half.

"It was really tough. We only had one sub. It was hard work. We switched up our defence. But it was really fun."

Hammarskjold took a 12-6 lead into the second quarter and extended it to 10 on back-to-back buckets by Charles and Alison Brough, who led all scorers with eight.

But a Megan Rubin free throw brought it back to a one-possession game with less than two minutes to go at the half before Charles

pushed it back to six in the final minute of the second period.

Wigwas spun and fired midway through the third to give the Vikings a seven-point lead again, but Keana Zyla and Brianne Walford went back-to-back and the lead was three after three.

It took the Tigers (8-1) more than five minutes into the fourth before they registered a bucket, but it was a big one, Samantha Read draining a trey that pulled Westgate within two, 28-26. Between the two teams, only two baskets from the field were recorded in the fourth.

"Basically we've just got to keep a positive mind set. We let it get in our heads a little bit, knowing we lost last game. Obviously we can compete with these guys easily. We've just got to keep it up," Read said.

Under 16s coming in February

SKIING

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Ideally, representatives from Alpine Canada would like a little more elevation for a championship course than Loch Lomond Ski Area is able to offer.

But, after touring the site on Thursday, director of domestic sport Dusan Grasic said the hill will more than suit their purposes to host the return of the 2017 U-16 national championships that will bring the country's top 14- and 15-year-old racers to Thunder Bay from Feb. 21 to 25.

"It's actually perfect for slalom and giant slalom," Grasic said, moments after making his final inspection of the facility.

"We are challenged with vertical distance on the Super G, but it has features where if we're a little bit creative we can build features into the terrain, do it in two runs and actually close the gap for the vertical lack that

we have."

Despite not nearing the height of more well known facilities in Alberta and Quebec, choosing Thunder Bay and Loch Lomond is also good for the sport and its growth, Grasic added.

"We would like to promote skiing across the whole country. Thunder Bay has a strong ski club and a strong ski community," he said, adding there almost certainly will be future Olympians in the field. "We would like to be present in every part of Canada."



DUSAN GRASIC

Spots will also be set aside for local skiers, though Grasic said several will likely earn their way into the field on merit.

Gwen Binsfeld, president of CADS Ontario, said the site is a perfect fit for disabled athletes, who have to be able to unload their gear, get to the chairlift and then ski down the hill.

"Coming down the hill for our athletes is usually the easiest part of their day. It's often

more challenging getting from the parking lot. This facility is ideal for us. We can just drive in, unload and get onto the chair," Binsfeld said.

"That goes for the First Experience (program) as well as the high level athletes."

Binsfeld said in addition to the competition, her organization goes out of its way to introduce the sport to disabled athletes in the community, something they plan to do in four month's time.

CADS hosts para-alpine events every two years, in conjunction with the U-16 event.

"It's been successful in some places, not so much in others," she said. "But we're happy to get into as many integrated (events) as we can, because it takes the same number of crew to get out and host a race for 20 athletes that are para as it does for 170 athletes that are able-bodied."

Alpine Canada awarded the event, which will also include a para-alpine component, to Ontario. Just two bids were submitted, Collingwood, Ont. being the other community to express interest.

Falcons finish perfect regular season

FOOTBALL
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The St. Ignatius Falcons might be unstoppable. The junior football squad put on yet another gridiron clinic on Thursday evening, scoring four first-quarter touchdowns en route to a 55-0 win over the Westgate Tigers to put a cap on a fifth straight undefeated regular season.

Anthony Gojsic scored from one and three yards out and Nick Bruni and Aaron Puskas each returned interceptions for scores to pace the four-time defending champion Falcons to their 29th straight win at Fort William Stadium.

Quarterback Jordan Maki had a 53-yard scoring run and kicked a 30-yard field goal and Alex Gingras added a 42-yard rushing touchdown for St. Ignatius, who will take on the winner of the Churchill-Westgate quarterfinal on Nov. 3 in the Superior Secondary Schools Athletic Association semifinal.



PICK SIX: Aaron Puskas returns an interception for a 27-yard score last Thursday.

Matt Hakala also scored from 36 yards in the fourth, as the Falcons spread out their roster and gave the reserves some

valuable playing time.

The Falcons are right where they want to be, said Bruni.

“We’re coming in with the mentality that every team has a target on our back. So we work hard in practice every week expecting a win – and we got one and finished off a good regular season,” Bruni said.

“We’re all trying to be the classiest guys we can. We’re led by a good group of coaches when we’re up this big.”

The Tigers, who got 29 yards rushing from Brendan Hall, can take solace in the fact the Falcons have rolled over the entire league this season, outscoring their opposition 170-7 en route to a 4-0 record.

St. Ignatius coach Mike Savioli said the game was a chance to prep everyone with some game action.

“It was an opportunity for guys who maybe haven’t seen a lot of playing time to get in and for them to get some real game action. Hopefully this helps prepare us for the playoffs,” Savioli said.

“We have a week off next week. There’s a lot of preparation to come.”

They know they can get the job done

and stretch the winning streak to 31 – grabbing a fifth straight title along the way – but aren’t taking anything for granted.

“It’s a very talented group. On offence, when you have balance and you can throw and pass, in junior football that puts you at a tremendous advantage. We also have team speed. The key for us is staying focused, getting better and challenging ourselves.”

Hammarskjold 15, St. Patrick 14: The Vikings (3-1) spotted the Saints a 14-0 lead, but squeaked out the win after Gavin Perkins connected with Ethan Porter on an eight-yard scoring strike with 1:48 to go in the fourth. Matt Sacino had a 50-yard TD run for the Saints (2-2), who also got a one-yard major from Payton Littleford. Caleb Perzan got the Vikings on the board late in the second, running one in from four yards out. Hammarskjold's Ryan Laukka led all rushers with 144 yards. The two teams will meet on Nov. 3 in the SSSAA semifinal

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