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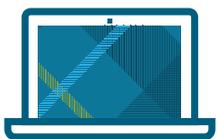
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MOVING ON: Jim Madder took over as Confederation College president on July 1, 2011, succeeding Pat Lang. He helped oversee major changes at the Thunder Bay school.

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LOCAL NEWS

Beyak in spat with Scheer over letters

OTTAWA

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

Sen. Lynn Beyak has denied being asked by Conservative Leader Andrew Scheer to remove a series of controversial letters from her website that agree with views on residential schools.

The Dryden senator, who last week was booted by Scheer from the Conservative Senate caucus, said there was no contact at all with the party leader.

“Contrary to his statement that he asked me to remove content and I refused, neither I nor my staff ever spoke with Andrew Scheer or anyone from his office at any time,” Beyak said in a release issued on Monday.

“Talking points from his office also declared: ‘Senator Beyak admitted that she intentionally posted racist correspondence about Indigenous Canadians to her Parliamentary website.’ That statement is

completely false. I would never say or do such a thing.”

Beyak drew the ire of Canada’s Indigenous community last year with a pair of inflammatory statements that indicated she believes some good came out of the failed residential school system and later suggested that Aboriginals should trade in their status cards for citizenship cards.

Scheer focused on one letter in particular, which suggested Indigenous people have milked the system for handouts and have become “well-schooled in getting media pity.”

Scheer, who has faced criticism for not acting sooner to kick Beyak out of the Conservative caucus, said last week he asked the senator to remove the content and when she did not do so, decided to remove her, saying racism will not be tolerated by the Conservative Caucus or party.

“To suggest that indigenous Canadians are lazy compared to other Canadians is

simply racist,” Scheer said, explaining his decision.

Beyak on Monday said she believes her website gives Canadians a voice for free speech and attacked the media for not focusing on alleged ethics violations by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau or former kidnap victim Joshua Boyle – now facing sexual assault charges – and his ties to convicted terrorist Omar Khadr’s family.

“Canadians can read and decide for themselves what is relevant and helpful for a fresh start for those Indigenous people who still suffer, and who live in hopelessness and poverty with inadequate housing and dirty water,” Beyak said.

“Discerning citizens don’t need government to tell them what is allegedly racist.”

Beyak reiterated spending more money to solve the problem won’t work, saying governments have spent billions over decades, adding that tactic isn’t working.



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LOCAL NEWS



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LEAVING OFFICE: Jim Madder's final day as president of Confederation College will be on Dec. 31, after six-and-a-half years.

Madder stepping down

EDUCATION
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Confederation College president Jim Madder is leaving his post at the end of the year.

Madder, who has served in the role for six-and-a-half years, informed the Thunder Bay school's board of directors on Tuesday morning of the decision, which he said was a difficult one to make.

"During this coming year, we will see several significant projects and initiatives completed, along with another year of our strategic plan," Madder said in a letter announcing his plan.

"With our progress in increasing student pathways and supports, advancing Indigenous and International learning, and developing infrastructure designed to position us for the future of post-secondary education, I feel that I have accomplished what I set out to in acting as your president."

Madder said he timed his departure to allow his successor to be involved with the consultation and development of the next strategic plan, scheduled to begin in 2019.

He added during his tenure the school, its students and its staff

have overcome plenty of challenges while celebrating many successes.

It's not easy walking away, he added.

"From the beginning, I have been motivated and impassioned by our students. Their courage, hard work and most importantly their ability to dream, affirms for us all that our collective future is in good hands. I encourage all of our students to keep dreaming," said Madder, who last year helped oversee the school's 50th anniversary celebration, as well as a strike that saw faculty walk off the job at all of Ontario's colleges.

"From the beginning I have been motivated and impassioned by our students."
JIM MADDER

"The success of our over 48,000 alumni from these past 50 years has certainly been an example of what can be achieved with a post-secondary education. We are honoured to have been a part of your journey and I am grateful for the many of you I have had the opportunity to meet."

He lists among his accomplishments the founding of the Centre for Policy and Research in Indigenous Learning, and new facilities, including the OPG Bio-Energy Learning and Research Centre, the Spruce and Cedar House residences, the SUCCI

Wellness Centre and the Sioux Lookout campus co-location with Sioux Lookout High School.

"These highlights only begin to shine a light on the incredible work we have been able to accomplish together. All of this work ultimately serves to increase access to education for learners of all kinds and support our students in achieving success in their studies and careers - our true purpose and priority," Madder said.

Board chairman George Patterson praised Madder for his presidential term.

"President Madder's vision and leadership have deeply contributed to the growth of Confederation College," said Patterson. "He has facilitated the expansion and renewal of Confederation College's infrastructure through several projects over the years. His true legacy though, will be defined by his commitment to providing access and success for all learners and by his cultivation of a long list of meaningful partnerships for the college."

Madder took office on July 1, 2011, taking over from outgoing president Pat Lang. His contract was renewed for a second five-year term in 2016.

A national search for his successor will begin shortly, school officials said.

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LOCAL NEWS

Kingsway, Hyde Park come together as one

EDUCATION
By Matt Vls - TB Source

Raeya Stewart headed back to school after the holiday break by moving in to her brand new classroom.

About 120 students from Hyde Park Public School, including Raeya and her Grade 1 classmates, shifted down the block on Tarbutt Street to their new home at Kingsway Park Public School as the \$6 million expansion officially opened on Monday.

"It's amazing," she said. "Now we're joined together with the Kingsway students."

The Lakehead Public School Board in 2016 approved consolidating Hyde Park, a kindergarten to Grade 3 school, to transform the larger Kingsway Park into a full kindergarten to Grade 8 elementary school. An initial target was for the transition to be completed for the start of the school year but that was pushed back when construction began in April. A revised timeline would have seen the merger completed in November but it was delayed until after the two-week Christmas break.

The addition of the Hyde Park students brings the school population of the expanded Kingsway Park up to nearly 375.

Kingsway Park principal Darren Lentz said staff members from both schools were heavily involved in preparing for the switch and made sure it was handled with care.

"We wanted to ensure they knew where they were going and they felt calm, cool and collected about where they were going and the change is big," Lentz said.

"For little kids, we as adults might look at the change and say it's a great new school but they've got ties to another place they know and love and we have to make sure we're adjusting to that, bringing them in and creating the same feeling they had at their old school."

The addition includes a brand new gymnasium with wood floor, four new classrooms including three connected kindergarten rooms. The transition also brought over the



EXPANDED: The new addition to Kingsway Park Public School has three kindergarten classrooms.

existing daycare program that had been hosted at Hyde Park, which has a separate entrance.

The new space also features a specialized culinary room, which will be utilized by grades 7 and 8 students in all public board elementary schools that feed into Westgate Collegiate and Vocational Institute.

"A lot of our academy programs have incorporated culinary into the programs and this is just going to expand that real-life, authentic, hands-on learning but also give

them practical skills they'll use throughout their lives," Lentz said.

"It's just going to create many more opportunities for our kids throughout the system."

As far as the transition, so far so good, Lentz said.

"I've literally not been in my office so no kids have been in my office all day. I've been wandering about the school, looking at the smiles and checking in with people. Everybody seems to be doing really well, kids and staff are doing really well."

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LOCAL NEWS

Spay and neuter clinic coming soon

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

The Thunder Bay District Humane Society hopes a new low-cost spay and neuter clinic will not only make affordable veterinary care accessible to the pets of Northwestern Ontario, but will also help ease the pressure on its local facility.

"In a month, our intake numbers are averaging minimum of 1,500 animals right now, which is very alarming," said Thunder Bay Humane Society executive director, Cassandra Nordal. "Maybe about 100 of those animals are spayed or neutered. So I think that is something that is obviously really important and that we need and should have had a long time ago."

Construction on the new low-cost spay and neuter clinic at the Rosslyn Road facility is expected to begin on Jan. 15 and will see three existing rooms repurposed into a prep room and a surgery room for the clinic.

"In our isolation unit, we are adding on dog kennels," Nordal said. "One of the biggest struggles we have in Northwestern Ontario is all the dogs that are coming in from our communities or our hoarding situations, we don't have enough space in our building, so we are adding on to that as well, so we are really excited about that."

The low-cost spay and neuter clinic has been in the works for the last three years, but Nordal said it has been something needed in the region for many more years.

A \$300,000 grant from Pet Smart Charities will cover nearly half of the cost of construction, fundraising efforts expected to cover the remaining cost.

"There are a lot of changes that are

going to be happening," Nordal said. "We are not-for-profit, and I think a lot of our community sometimes forgets that. We do not receive government funding and to bring in the spay and neuter clinic is a huge risk. We are obviously very excited, but with that constant fundraising, we are always going to need that help."

With the expansion, Nordal said several new staff positions will be created with grants from the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund and filled in the coming months, including a volunteer coordinator and a receptionist for the clinic.

"We are expanding, everything is getting bigger and better right now, but we are going to need extra hands," Nordal said.

The low-cost clinic will be available to anyone and while Nordal said she did not have the final specifics worked out on what the cost will be, she expects it will remain under \$200. The average cost for spay and neutering services in Thunder Bay is between \$400 and \$600.

Construction is expected to be finished in April, with the clinic becoming operational in early to mid-summer. During construction, the animals at the shelter will be transferred to shelters in Southern Ontario, and as of Jan. 8, the Humane Society is no longer able to take in any animals until further notice.

"Our dream and one of our missions and our values and our goals from day one was that every animal in Northwestern Ontario has that accessible veterinarian care," Nordal said. "I think this is something so huge for not only Thunder Bay, but the district as well. It's going to be a huge life changer here."



TAKING A PAWS: The Thunder Bay District Humane Society has stopped taking in animals until further notice while construction is ongoing.

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Thunder Bay Police Service's Wanted Wednesday program has been an unbridled success.

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Of the 175 people featured, 103 have either been arrested or turned themselves in.

That's 103 people who had legal issues they'd been avoiding who will now have their day in front of a judge or jury.

Take the latest batch of warrant evaders released last week.

One was facing charges of failing to provide a breath sample, another was wanted on assault and mischief charges, a third was sought for breach of probation and the fourth was charged with two counts of theft under \$5,000.

While some have accused the police of public shaming, it's not like the people featured on Wanted Wednesdays are wanted for jaywalking or shoplifting.

These are some pretty serious crimes and the victims, at the very least, deserve closure and maybe even restitution in some cases.

It clears a courtroom backlog and frees up police to deal with other issues.

The simple solution for those worried about appearing on Wanted Wednesday is to stay on the right side of the law or show up in court when scheduled.

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55 Plus Centre jobs cut

To the editor:

The 55 Plus Centre is a good thing. It consistently generates revenue for the Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay. The volunteer Board also generates revenue, last year \$100,000, which was reinvested into the purchase of computers, dances, equipment for activities, and the \$52K the Board contributes to the City operating budget annually.

More than 500 people daily visit the Centre, and about 30 volunteers assist daily. There is a partnership between the city and volunteers; the city needs volunteers to achieve success and the volunteers need the city to provide structure. Together, the Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre has set the standard for Seniors' Centres in Ontario.

Census figures from 2016 showed that there were 5.9 million seniors and 5.8 million youth, the first time there were more Canadians over 65 than there were 14 and under, and this trend is ongoing.

So, this year two full-time jobs were cut from the 55 Plus Centre to create other full-time jobs elsewhere in Community Services.

The first was the special events coordinator which was rolled into the community program developer, located at West Arthur Community Centre. Immediately one staff member daily was pulled from the 55 Plus Centre to support the community programmer so that she could go out into the community and do her job. It now takes two people to do one job.

The second position was the administrative assistant/office manager. This position provided an overarching coordination of roles, responsibilities and assignments for volunteers, and supported other existing staff.

An interim part-time staff person has been reassigned, but the continuous flow of information is now broken.

I feel that the councilors from the 1980s who had the foresight to design and implement this advanced example of enlightened cooperation to meet the mutual needs of seniors and the city must be turning over in their graves.

What about the seniors who volunteer every day in a multitude of capacities to make this community better?

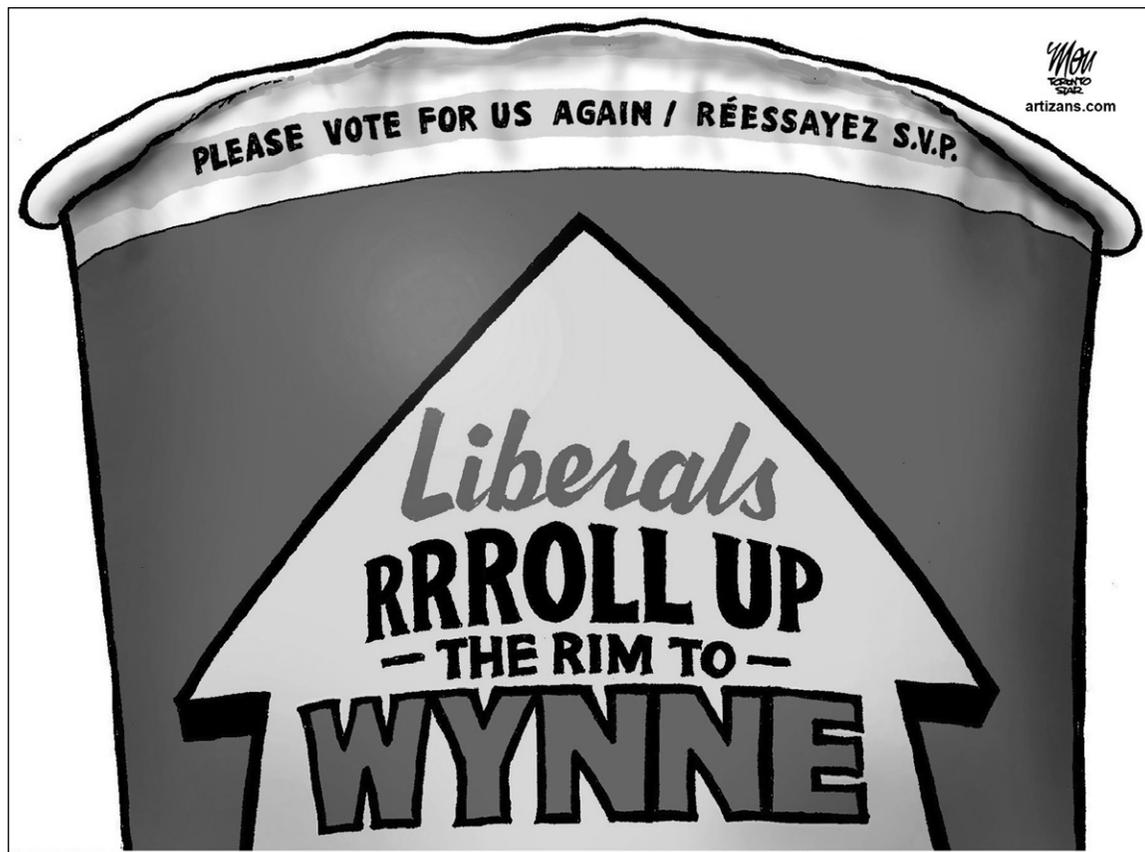
How about you can spend 50 to 60 years as a senior? Seniors are a stabilizing element in society.

Volunteerism provides individuals with a function which is necessary for self value and enhances longevity.

If you agree that the city should rethink destroying a good thing, call your councillor.

The 55 Plus will present a deputation before the budget committee on Thursday, Jan. 11 at 6:30 p.m. at city hall. Please come out to show your support.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Thank you for your consideration,
That \$52,000 we contribute annually to operating budget would pay one of those salaries.

*Lorelle Stein
President of the Board of Directors
55 Plus Centre*

City spends too much

To the editor:

To maintain the status quo, Thunder Bay city hall is proposing to increase taxes by \$6.64 million in 2018.

If I recall, this proposed increase is a few hundred thousand dollars more than the increase for last year. At the end of the third quarter last year it was projected the city at year-end may end up with a favourable variance of \$2.8 million on the tax-supported side. So was it necessary to increase taxes that much last year when such a favourable variance is expected?

Also, was it necessary last year to raise taxes to cover one time expenditures that amounted to about \$1.3 million?

Well how about taking the cost of those one-time expenditures off our tax bills for 2018. Remember it was a one time expenditure, so how many times over do we have to pay for it?

This reminds me of the hospital debenture that we are still paying for, eight years after it was paid off.

The 2017 BMA Municipal Study lists the municipal burden for Thunder

Bay (taxes and water and wastewater costs) as a percentage of household income at 5.3 per cent and is considered high when compared with 101 other municipalities in Ontario.

There aren't nearly enough crutches in the world to support the \$6.64-million proposed tax increase for 2018.

*Henry Wojak,
Thunder Bay*

ISIS program dangerous

To the editor:

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau: In light of your recent decision to rehabilitate returning ISIS terrorists, I believe I speak for the vast majority of Canadians when I say that this idea is utter lunacy. This on top of your bewildering decision to give Omar Khadr \$10.5 million dollars.

Maybe the Americans did treat him badly. Maybe he deserved it.

Maybe his rights under Canadian law were violated. Mr. Prime Minister if ever there was a case for use of the Not With Standing Clause, Omar Khadr is it.

Now you want to bring home ISIS fighters and somehow fix them.

We have veterans in this country that gave their very limbs, not to mention their psychological well being fighting to stop terrorist organizations like ISIS.

Now you are going to bring these people back to live and work next to them. What an insult.

These rehabilitation programs you plan

for your traveling terrorists will no doubt consist of millions of dollars in housing, training health and education opportunities. All while our veterans, our seniors and less fortunate go without.

All you are going to get from these programs are warm healthy well educated terrorists.

I and countless other hard working taxpayers in this country have no doubt that we are going to wake up one morning to find that one or more of these deviants has committed some sort of barbaric act resulting in the deaths of dozens and the maiming of hundreds. It will change this country forever.

I believe I echo the sentiment of millions when I say that this is too important an issue to leave up to you and your government to decide.

You are asking Canadians to bet their very lives that your rehab ideas will work. It is our children that could end up blown to bits in some shopping mall, concert, or night club.

You do have the right to make any proposal you like, no matter how stupid.

Some things however need to be decided by the Canadian people. If you insist on pushing forward with these plans than it must be put to a vote.

Canadians demand you call an election immediately to decide whether you should have the right to push forward with your ISIS programs and other policies regarding Islamist extremism in this country.

*Malcolm Rogerson
Thunder Bay*

Perspective

New faces needed

Municipal politics could use a little fresh blood in 2018

OPINION
By J.R. Shermack
Special to TB Source

This is an election year in Thunder Bay but don't worry – there is still time to launch a successful campaign for public office.

Some potential candidates are widely expected to run and many of these will be running again.

Other previously unsuccessful and several spoilers and longshots may also be contemplating a run.

A lot of these nominees seem very familiar and it is widely believed that in this town, name recognition is everything.

Let's call this group "the recognizable's".

Will this finally be the year when you need more than just a last name to be re-elected – things like vision, courage and determination come to mind.

Given the social turmoil and strife in our city, some local recognizable's may prefer to keep their names out of the news altogether.

Incumbents and repeat candidates have some explaining to do about recent headlines.

A sampling – Mayor Keith Hobbs (and his first lady) charged with extortion; Teens die in city waterways; Police Chief on trial for obstruction of justice.

Etc. etc. etc. – What's the deal with that?

While it is unfair to blame elected politicians for everything, this all happened on their watch and some

have been sitting and watching for years.

For our part, this community also seems content to sit back and watch (and re-elect) while lamenting the lack of community leadership.

In some cases where our city should have been saddened and dismayed by outrageous headlines, we shrugged indifferently.

Those in elected office while these events unfolded are recognizable but they will need more than last names to be part of the solution.

Our community faces huge challenges as well as tremendous opportunities going forward and our tired, old approach isn't effective.

Local citizens running for public office deserve respect for being an active part of the democratic process in Thunder Bay.

But there is no tenure in elected office – winning one election does not earn you a bye for the next one.

Repeat candidates need new ideas and innovative plans, not lawn signs printed with last names.

It has worked in past elections and I'm sure some recognizable's will put their names, and nothing else, out there again this year.

Will we fall for it again? - And what will it take to de-throne a recognizable?

But first, let's not throw out the baby with the bath water – there are lessons to learn.

As recognizable's retire from public office they should be thoroughly wrung out to glean any

remaining insights, hopes and dreams.

After that, let's encourage bright, young local people of all backgrounds to consider taking a leadership role in the community.

Social media makes running for public office accessible to anyone who can use it effectively to re-energize diverse, young voters.

Don't be disheartened by the myth of name-recognition or the misbelief that it takes money to launch winning campaigns.

Laura Olin, social media director for Obama 2012, showed how to re-energize young voters using the might and power of the internet.

The tools she employed on a global scale are readily accessible to everyone and they are equally powerful at the local level.

Our community harbors thousands of well-informed, media-savvy young adults, a huge cohort of voters and potential candidates.

It is misguided to think we can thrive in the 21st century without the talent, creativity and vision of motivated, energized young voters.

The recognizable's also have access to these powerful tools but aging baby boomers are no match for millennials – there's the big advantage.

Personally, I will not be running again this year – I think we have enough aging baby boomers already.

Some are becoming very recognizable.

BATTLING A BLAZE



FRIGID FIRE: A Silver Springs Road trailer was destroyed by fire last Thursday.

LEITH DUNICK

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Rosslyn man wins \$1M on Lotto Max

Marnie Comegan has played the lottery for the past 25 years

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

A Rosslyn man who has been playing the lottery for a quarter of a century has hit a million-dollar jackpot. Marnie Comegan of Rosslyn on Friday was revealed as the winner of a Max Millions prize from the Dec. 22 Max Millions draw. He also won \$20 on another Lotto Max selection on the same ticket and \$2 on his Encore selection bringing his total winnings to \$1,000,022. "I went to the ticket checker at first and couldn't believe what I was

seeing," he said in a release issued by OLG. "I proceeded to give the ticket to the retailer, who confirmed the ticket was a winner." He quickly ran outside to share the news with his wife, Christine. "I said 'I won a million dollars!' and she said 'no you didn't.'" He then showed his wife the validation slip to prove it. "We were so excited," Comegan said. "It was very emotional for us and our family. We called our children right away to tell them the wonderful news." The winner plans to pay off his mortgage and invest in his family's future. "We are also planning a trip to beautiful Hawaii," he smiled. "I am looking forward to enjoying this win." He purchased his ticket at Metro on Governor's Road in Dundas.



LUCKY LOTTO PLAYER: Marnie Comegan says a trip to Hawaii and paying off his mortgage is in his future after his \$1-million win.

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LOCAL NEWS

Wednesday warrant drop successful

POLICE
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

A weekly program that no one wants to be featured on is being called a success by police and is expected to continue into the new year.

Thunder Bay Police Service said Wanted Wednesday, which features images, names, and charges of four individuals with outstanding bench warrants every week, had a 59 per cent success rate, with 103 of the 175 people featured on the program either arrested or turned in.

“The program in my opinion has been very successful,” said Thunder Bay Sgt. Greg Stein. “We have been able to execute a fair number of warrants and I think we are going to continue with the program. It seems to be working.”

Wanted Wednesday was first launched in February 2017 and according to Stein, the purpose of the program was to work with the public on behalf of victims to ensure people who have committed crimes are dealt with by the justice system and to possibly prevent additional offences from taking place.

It was also meant to serve as a possible deterrent, encouraging people who do not want to be featured in the program, to turn themselves in.

“We do have people who turn themselves in who have commented that they don’t want to be on Wanted Wednesday,” Stein said. “If that happens, that is a success I believe. It’s always easier for everyone concerned to turn themselves in and have their matters dealt with.”

“I was really hoping that more people turned themselves in,” Stein continued. “I realize there are a lot of people dealing with mental health issues, or addictions issues, so that may prevent them from turning themselves in.”

Stein added that sometimes the only way for people, or families, to receive help is through the police, which is why he believes the program can be beneficial to people in those kinds of situations.



GREG STEIN

Wanted Wednesday was not without controversy, however, with some online comments claiming it is a form of public shaming.

“We do get some heat about it, that we are doing harm to people,” Stein said. “Trust me, we have exhausted every avenue, we’ve sought our legal counsel and got information from them, we’ve looked at other programs around the country and we believe we are doing the right thing for our community.”

There have been other bumps along the road throughout the year, including individuals being featured who may have passed away or are undergoing medical treatment. Stein said in those cases, the individual was removed from Wanted Wednesday immediately.

Thunder Bay Police may also be looking into other initiatives that are being done in cities across Canada, including posting pictures of people wanted for crimes.

“We have, unfortunately, no shortage of cases in the city and we don’t know who some of these people are,” Stein said. “It is something we will have to talk to our legal counsel about and perhaps explore, but it’s another avenue for the police to partner with the community.”

For now, Wanted Wednesday will continue in 2018, Stein said, with the hopes that more people will either turn themselves in, or be arrested and begin to move through the justice system.

“If we didn’t have the need for the program, we wouldn’t have the program,” Stein said. “If you don’t want to do the time, don’t do the crime. If people make bad decisions and have charges outstanding, turn yourself in.”



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Emergency fund started

College looking out for students in unforeseen circumstances

EDUCATION

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

Students in need at Confederation College have another avenue to get financial help.

The Thunder Bay school and its student union have partnered to create a student emergency fund of up to \$30,000 to provide financial grants when unexpected issues arise.

SUCCI primed the fund with a \$10,000 donation, while the college will match money collected from staff payroll donations through its bread and butter campaign, up to \$10,000.

“We proposed the creation of a student emergency fund which would be a grant program to provide funds to students in unforeseen circumstances,” said Thomas McDonald, the student union’s administrator of wellness and diversity.

“We know there are funding mechanisms in place, but they don’t necessarily cover all the things that just happen.”

Examples of situations that might qualify for a grant could be a blown transmission in a vehicle a single parent living outside the city uses to commute to daycare and school each day, or it could cover an emergency flight after the unexpected death of a loved one.

The school’s financial aid department will assess each claim and decide whether or not



GIVING BACK: Confederation College’s Thomas McDonald (from left), Jim Madder and Dana Levanto.

to give out the money.

The college’s commitment will come from money left over from its recent 50th anniversary campaign.

Dana Levanto, the school’s manager of advancement and alumni services, said when they realized they had a surplus it was a chance to help students in need.

“We felt it was a wonderful opportunity to pay it forward, pay it back to the community by agreeing to match whatever’s been given to the bread and butter fund,” she said.

Students were the obvious choice to receive the money, Levanto added.

“The community has been such a great supporter of ours. The college has been such an integral part of everything that happens in our community, and of course the lifeblood and the pulse of that is our students,” she said.

“Everything that we do here is for our students and our future students.”

The two-week effort, part of the school’s Stock the Bank campaign, will also be used to collect food to line the shelves of Confederation College’s emergency student food bank.

The campaign runs through Jan. 19.

Jan-U-Hairy raising money for brain cancer

THUNDER BAY

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

Natacha Ruberto was just 29 years old when brain cancer cut her life short in December 2012.

A mother-of-two with a lifetime ahead of her, she never got the chance to see her children grow up and they were deprived of her love and guidance.

But her legacy lives on.

Her mother Joanne and cousin Jackie decided to do something to both create awareness of brain cancer and help find a cure for the disease, which doesn’t get the publicity that other forms of cancer get in the media.

Borrowing from the Movember concept, they created Jan-U-Hairy, a campaign that encourages women to stop shaving their legs during the year’s first month, collecting pledges to put away their razors. Men can also participate, collecting pledges and then shaving their legs at month’s end.



JOANNE RUBERTO

“I wanted to put my energies toward something positive instead of saying it’s been a year and (going through) the Christmas doldrums,” Joanna said on Friday, launching this year’s independent campaign at the Barton Street offices of the Canadian Cancer Society.

“So we decided that the ladies would let the hair grow on their legs and

collect money for brain cancer research.”

About 13 people took part in the inaugural year, and last year they raised about \$8,000.

While Jan-U-Hairy isn’t the charity’s largest fundraiser of the year, smaller, self-driven campaigns have a huge impact, said Maria Cabral, the Northwestern Region director at the Canadian Cancer Society.

“We call them independent fundraising campaigns because people come to us with an idea. Everyone’s got a cancer story. Everyone’s been affected by cancer. These are the most meaningful, when someone turns a tragedy, the death of a loved family member into an event to raise funds and awareness for other people,” Cabral said.

This year’s Jan-U-Hairy goal has been set at \$10,000. For more information on how to participate, visit their Facebook page.



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Farmer Fred and Murphy

When things go awry, it is always difficult to determine why and whose fault it was. Of course, I like to blame Murphy (of Murphy's Law). But lately I'm not so sure.

Murphy is no stranger to me. Even before we moved onto this property to run a horse-riding business (closed in 2012), all kinds of mishaps, mechanical breakdowns, usually at the worst and most inconvenient times, plagued me. Over the years of scribbling this column I have detailed some examples of Murphy's menace.

And I am not alone. I meet folks who chuckle, and tell me that they have been there too. It has been a relief to know that Murphy is egalitarian in spreading his devilment.



FRED JONES
RURAL ROOTS

It has been powerful cold, it has. And three weeks early, too. Traditionally we get the square-tire-concrete-seat condition mid-January. This winter it began in late December and kept on

giving us "face-icles" (my son's term) into the new year. So, how could I be naive enough to think that when the thermometer registers minus 30 every morning with a high, if we are lucky, still in the twenties? Hah! Selective memory is how.

Logic (Captain) would dictate that when the temperature is frigid outside exacerbated by freezing winds, the chances of something breaking are great. Murphy loves this kind of weather. Plenty of occasions to spread his malignancy. Like on this past Saturday.

This past Saturday I drove truck with trailer in tow to fetch four hay bales from my hay supplier. The fetching went without mishap. It was when I started up Big Red, my aged tractor, that trouble loomed large. In extreme cold weather, it is always 'touch and go' whether or not Red will start. Red did. Immediately. A good sign that the rest of the operation, the removing of the bales from the back of the trailer and stowing them in the barn would also transpire without mishap.

I climbed on board, backed the beast out of the shelter, and stuck the spear into the first bale. Then I reversed Red now carrying heavy round, hay bale and we trundled over to the barn. So far, so good. Into the barn the bale was deposited and then... Red's engine died. What the...? I tried restarting Red and the engine roared into life and then died. Maybe should check to see if I have fuel. The tank wasn't empty. Two more attempts to coax Red into life failed. Now what?

Well, the fuel level was low so I headed for the tractor shelter and grabbed the diesel fuel container, trudged back to Red, dumped the entire 25 litres into the fuel tank, and checked to see how much the machine drank. The level read that the tank was half-full. Still Red's engine would start only to immediately die. Was the fuel line blocked?

I walked to Casa Jones and whined about my/Red's fate. I freely admit that Laura, my wife, is a heck of a lot wiser than me. "You left the level of fuel low in the tank so condensation has formed and with these extremely cold temperatures, ice has formed in the fuel line, I'll bet." She bet correctly.

Enter Drake. Again. Drake is a heavy machine mechanic whose lady-fair rides horses with Laura. I called Drake who, fortunately, was home and piteously called for help. Drake and lady-fair showed up. He worked his mechanical magic and eventually got Red's engine to start and stay running (Bless his heart).

"At the shop, we always keep the fuel tanks full when we leave for the day. We also add a fuel-line antifreeze when we fill them and we never have this problem, he chimed. Okay, point taken.

I drove to our local store and filled the two containers with diesel and bought a couple of fuel-line antifreeze bottles, drove home and filled red's tank to the top.

So, was it Murphy or me and my lack of awareness, not-to-mention lack of memory? I blame both Farmer Fred and his nemesis, Murphy. But know ye this, Murphy: I won't forget Drake's advice about keeping the fuel tank full ever again. Murphy doesn't care. He has an unlimited supply of banana peels for me.

Show Me the Money draws are under way

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunlick - TB Source

A little extra cash comes in handy any time of year.

Post-Christmas, unexpected money can have even more of an impact as people attempt to pay off credit card bills and other expenses associated with the holiday season.

For three local residents, those cash dreams came true on Friday, when their names were selected during the inaugural Show Me the Money Raffle early-bird draw, capturing the

first \$1,875 of a planned \$100,000 giveaway in support of Our Kids Count and the Kiwanis Club of Westfort.

Jason Molcan took home the top prize of \$1,000, while Glen Lindberg grabbed \$500 and Amanda Maronese won \$375. The tickets of all three winners have been returned to the draw for a shot at future prizes.

"The Kiwanis Club does a lot of things in partnership with Our Kids Count," said Allan, president of the Westfort Kiwanis Club.

"We've supported the rent at the Westfort site, which enables programs to take place in

that community. We work with them on a community breakfast and also support some of their counseling programs. The funds raised from this draw will enable us to continue on supporting these events, as well as supporting other groups and organizations in the Thunder Bay community that work to make the lives for children better."

Similar draws will be held on the first Friday of each month, with a \$5,000 draw on March 2, a \$10,000 draw on June 1, a \$20,000 given away on Sept. 1 and the grand prize of \$50,000 delivered on Dec. 7.

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Exhibit converges on Indigenous art

Thunder Bay Art Gallery focusing on local artwork

THEATRE

By Linda Maehans - TB Source

Visually stunning jumps to mind. For the works of four Indigenous artists currently on display at Thunder Bay Art Gallery.

Converging Lines: Recent Art from the Northwest features one artist per wall and/or floor-space, leaving ample stillness through which the viewer can travel in whatever direction he or she chooses; in wonder gaze at the next work/story before him or her. Crisp lines, vivid power. The bright creativity of Shaun Hedican, Cree Stevens, Kristy Cameron and Elliot Doxtater-Wynn springs from impressive forebearers: Norval Morrisseau, Roy Thomas, Ahmoo Angeconeb.

I decided to head diagonally across the gallery to a gently gleaming sculpture; curved densely solid beautifully quiet piece Cree Stevens calls *Wiigwaas with Antler*.

Natural materials

Her materials: antler, copper, birch bark, iron pipe. The bed for this lovely old-and-new shape is (I think) wild rice.

"Wiigwaas is the Anishnaabe (Ojibwe) word for birch bark. I don't speak the language, but as I learn more about materials used in my culture and by my ancestors," explains Cree, "I try honour these materials from our Mother the Earth; give them a new purpose when used in a contemporary way."



LOCALLY PRODUCED: Fortify This One, by Cree Stevens, will be on display as part of Converging Lines - Recent Art from the Northwest.

On the wall a 122 x 122 centimetre mainly acrylic-on-wood panel is called *Fortify This One*. We don't know if the

fearless warrior with "blindfold" is female or male. At first I thought female because of the lips. Then considered the

lines: the hair tucked as it is into its necklace of crimson droplets; creamy vertical curtains like a prison, or a

lookout. Finally tried to fathom those antlers vs the expressionless stance. With no eyes to go by, I stand my ground. Could be either male or female. What do you think?

The artist was asked about her creative process.

"For me each step is intuitive. I'm always surprised by what I come up with. Instead of sketching in a book, I visualize; imagine all the possibilities in my head; go with what feels right.

"Yes, sometimes I return to older pieces.

For example, I took a textile element from my first wearable art piece (2015); improved on its birch bark aspect to birth the new *Wiigwaas Shawl* for this exhibit."

Intriguing style

Cree's revised shawl (140x221 centimetres) is malleable. Various paints and gels on canvas, close up it truly is birch bark and moss, with copper accents.

We want gently to touch the textures (but don't). At a distance, it's as if we're looking at an autumn forest bed during a hike.

Copper Moozwehkan.

"Elmer Baxter gifted me these antlers. A close family friend who's known me all my life. A hunter, trapper, fisher, he is happiest in the bush; similar to my father who passed over to the spirit world last year. A way for me to honour two important male figures in my life."

Converging Lines: Recent Art from the Northwest is up until Feb. 25.

You can meet all the artists for a panel discussion and reception on Sunday, Jan. 21, at 2 p.m.

Copper, by the way, is an excellent conductor of electricity.

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IN THE bay

CountryFest at risk of not returning

Organizers say they need more sponsors to keep event running

MUSIC
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

A popular local country music festival could be at risk to return for a third summer. CountryFest organizers say rising financial costs to stage the privately owned and operated event, which drew 6,000 attendees in 2017, could prove to be too much of a barrier to hold it again in 2018, adding they're looking for additional sponsors and holding out hope they can make it happen. "We are currently in the process of hiring a sponsorship co-ordinator to help us find new sponsors and avail-

able financial support in order to make CountryFest possible," organizers wrote in a release issued on Thursday. "Sadly, it is difficult to find sponsors interested in supporting a fairly new event, and at the same time finding companies that are willing to partner with the event on a long-term basis. We need the support of our community, local business and our patrons to make this event a yearly undertaking." Unlike Marina Park, where much of the staging is in place during the summer months, the set-up at the Murillo Fairgrounds requires renting a stage, a generator, sound and lighting and hiring a crew to ensure it all runs smoothly. "This along with artist fees pushed our festival to over a half million dollars in expenses," the release states. Last year's event included the musical talents of Brett Kissel, Tim Hicks and Doc Walker, to name just a

few, on the bill. Organizers with Encore Entertainment added without finding more sponsors, the only way to hold the event this summer would involve a significant increase in ticket and camping prices, a direction they'd rather not take. "Of course, increased ticket prices could hamper our ability to sell tickets which increases our risk, as artists and rental agreements all require large non-refundable deposits funded solely by ticket revenue. With that, we are quickly running out of time looking for support from our community and local businesses to help us reach our goal of hosting CountryFest No. 3," organizers said. Proceeds from the event support both the Fort William Rotary Club and Wilderness Discovery. For more information, visit www.murillocountryfest.com.



BIG CROWDS: CountryFest drew an estimated 6,000 fans to the Murillo Fairgrounds.

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Golden Globe awards wage silent war

There's more than one response to the #MeToo movement

Sunday night's Golden Globes was a decidedly different show. Known for its party atmosphere, the Golden Globes are typically the place where anything can happen.

However, after months of Hollywood scandal and finger-pointing, the first award show of 2018 was not exactly somber, but definitely more sober affair.

For weeks leading up to the show, celebrities have claimed that this year's ceremony would be about something more than just silly awards. It would celebrate a change in the industry and honour those fighting to make every workplace more fair and equal for everyone. It



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would also promote the "Time's Up" movement which is also a legal fund for those who cannot afford to take legal action.

That's a lot to promise for a three-hour award show hosted by a late night comedian.

The majority of attendees wore a uniform of black in solidarity with the victims of sexual harassment and abuse in the workplace.

Unfortunately, critics called it

hypocritical and the dress code "tokenistic."

Ironically, a small handful of women who chose to wear colour were put on the defensive for their lack of solidarity with the cause.

Some stars left their significant others and family members at home, choosing instead to bring female activists from outside the Hollywood community.

However, actress Rose McGowan's public attacks on Meryl Streep for what she considers her complicity in Weinstein's reign of terror actually lead one social media user to claim that Streep "accessorizing with an activist (was) so pathetic."

Actors such as Salma Hayek and Ashley Judd, who were some of the

first to speak publically against Harvey Weinstein, were also invited despite not being nominated for anything. Yet, some viewers still condemned the award winners for not singling out these women during their acceptance speeches.

More and more, the response to Hollywood's response to the issue seems to be creating a women's war on other women. The Old Boy's Club supports men. But the Women's Club is just being used to bludgeon other women – women who are simply trying to make things better in their own way.

Yes, the #MeToo movement and Time's Up have unified women. But they've also created a mindset that there's only one acceptable response

to this issue.

Not so. If women want to dress in unity, they should. If they want to promote an issue at a publicized event, they should.

But if their hard work is honoured with an award, they should be free to thank whomever they wish.

Oprah Winfrey's powerful Golden Globes speech about "a new day" coming for women was the highlight for many.

For me, it was Meher Tatna, president of the Hollywood Foreign Press, gracing the stage not in funeral black, but in a glorious, flowing red gown.

A supporter of Time's Up, Tatna said that women should be able to wear what they want.

"If we restrict this just because some men cannot control themselves, this is a huge step back. ... This symbolizes our freedom and our new strength."



MEHER TATNA

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 - 18 Latitude (abbr.)
 - 19 Open
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 - 22 Master of Landscape Architecture (abbr.)
 - 23 Deteriorate
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 - 28 Family relative
 - 31 Malay canoe
 - 32 Pharmaceutical
- Chemist (abbr.)**
33 Sicilian resort
34 Shriveled
36 Tacoma's sound
37 Rhine tributary
38 Garnet
39 Health maintenance organization (abbr.)
41 Rhone tributary
43 War Shipping Admin. (abbr.)
46 Brand name in electronics
48 Old World bird
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 - 2 Killer whale
 - 3 Asia
 - 4 Permit
 - 5 Sicilian volcano
 - 6 Paper fastener
 - 7 Peaceful
 - 8 Friend (Fr.)
 - 9 Interfering
 - 10 Dubious
 - 11 Boring tools
 - 16 Great (Ger.)
 - 20 Snatch
 - 22 Cat's cry
 - 24 Lower intestines
 - 25 Certified Public Accountant (abbr.)
 - 26 Leftover table scrap
 - 27 Sponge
 - 28 Coy
 - 29 Compass direction
 - 30 Pistol
 - 32 Lexical
 - 35 Public Health Service (abbr.)
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LEITH DUNICK

NEW ROLE: New head coach Ryan Thomson (second from right) directs traffic for the Lakehead Thunderwolves last Friday.

Thomson triumphs

BASKETBALL

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

It took Ryan Thomson just two games to find the win column.

It's a good sign for a newly installed men's basketball coach, whose team had lost all 11 contests heading into Saturday night's game against the visiting Guelph Gryphons.

Led by veteran guards Mor Menashe and Nick Burke, as well as a defence that held the Gryphons to 29 fewer points than they did on Friday night, the Lakehead Thunderwolves finally earned their first win of 2017-18, trouncing Guelph 87-67.

Menashe put up a game-high 23 points, including 4-of-7 from beyond the arc, while Burke dropped 22 points on the Gryphons, hitting 10-of-14 shots from the field.

Both were happy to put an end to the Wolves season-long slide and kept their slim hopes of a second-half playoff rally alive.

But that's down the road. For now Menashe said they're happy to bask in victory No. 1 and worry about No. 2 when practice rolled around on Monday.



MOR MENASHE

"Obviously we had a long time without a win, actually from the beginning of the regular season. It feels great. It feels so sweet. It feels like three wins," Menashe said.

"That's how I feel. I feel like we won three times tonight. I'm very happy for the guys and I'm happy for the new coaching staff. It was important for us, for our confidence to get going."

Given the state of the OUA West standings, Menashe isn't ruling out the win spring-boarding the Wolves into post-season contention.

Last place Lakehead (1-11) remains six points behind Windsor (4-8) and Algoma (4-8) for the sixth and final playoff berth in a division in which only the Brock Badgers have a winning record.

"In our division everything is still very close between all those teams. This win is very important to our progress."

Burke said it might have been a first half to forget, but he's hoping it'll be a second-half to remember.

"We start the year off 1-1 and got our first W. We're moving in the right direction. I thought that me and Mor played well in the backcourt. It was a

team effort."

Thomson showed a willingness to give his entire team a chance to show their stuff and it paid off.

Noel Jones, Mike Theodore and Kache Kopec came off the bench to score eight points apiece in a game that saw five lead changes in the opening quarter until Quincy Johnson drained a three-pointer that put LU in front for good, breaking a 7-7 tie.

The first-year coach was glad to get the win out of the way.

"All the credit to those guys" Thomson said. "We talked about some things at (the morning) shoot, and they did a good job working on those things we worked on and just trusted in what we're trying to preach. Them buying in and seeing results will just accelerate the buy-in," Thomson.

Kopec hit his first of two three-pointers to stretch the LU lead to 20-12 after one, which the Wolves upped to 10 at halftime.

They pulled away in the third and kept the pedal down in the fourth.

"I'm proud of those guys and I'm happy they're having some success. Hopefully they keep rolling and keep working. We're just working to get better," Thomson said.

Lakehead takes on Western this weekend on the road.

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STRONG SEASON: St. Louis goalie Carter Hutton is second in the NHL behind Marc-Andre Fleury in goals against average.

Hutton heating up

Solid play has earned Blues back-up plenty of starts lately

NHL

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

Carter Hutton's road to the National Hockey League wasn't an easy one.

After spending four seasons in the NCAA ranks, he was signed by the Philadelphia Flyers and quickly found himself on the bench, an emergency back-up goaltender.

Just as quickly he was sent back to the minors.

It happened again in San Jose, and once more in Chicago before he finally managed to play in an NHL contest, suiting up for the Blackhawks on the final day of the 2012-13 campaign.

The following year Hutton wound up in Nashville, where he started a three-year stint as Pekka Rinne's understudy.

Then, prior to last season, he signed as a free agent with the St. Louis Blues, where he was brought in to spell starter Jake Allen from time to time.

His two-year, \$2.25-million deal seems like a bargain today, one of the best values in the NHL.

Last season Hutton made 30 appearances, finished 13-8-2 with a 2.39 goals against average and a .913 save percentage.

He's been even better this season.

Hutton, who turned 32 last month and recorded a team-record 48-save shutout over the Winnipeg Jets, second behind Vegas Golden Knights goalie Marc-Andre Fleury with a 1.81 goals against average and a whopping .941 save percentage.

He's also 8-3-1 in his dozen appearances in 2017-18.

"I'm just trying to be the best possible back-up I can be when I play and get a chance to get in there," Hutton said in a recent exclusive interview with tbnewswatch.com.

"It's good practice habits. I'm working hard with Dave Alexander, our goaltending coach, to stay sharp so when I get in there I'm effective," he said.

"It's kind of been the role I've been in for a few years now, so I'm just trying to be the best I can in it."

It's not easy sitting for long stretches, but he's accustomed to the role, Hutton added.

"You deal with it. Some stuff you can't control when you play. But at the same time I can control my habits when I prepare and take care of myself and those lead to success right there."

Hutton is more concerned with team goals than individual ones, knowing the Blues are in the thick of the Stanley Cup hunt, sitting in second place in the Central Division at 25-15-2, a point behind the Winnipeg Jets.

Still, he's hoping to be able to contribute to the team's success when he does make his way between the pipes.

"My role is huge and those games are huge," he said. "You need to pick up points whenever I

get to play. For our team, I think it's our final five plays. We can grind teams down and wear them down throughout 60 minutes, so I think if we stick to that game plan and play as a five-man unit, we're really effective in this league."

For his career, Hutton has a 54-35-15 record with nine shutouts and a 2.43 goals against average.

"I'm just trying to be the best possible back-up I can be when I play and get a chance to be in there."

CARTER HUTTON

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Grant pours in 41, Wolves edge Guelph

BASKETBALL
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

If the OUA hasn't taken notice of Leashja Grant yet, Saturday was her coming out party.

Grant torched the Guelph Gryphons for 41 points in just 27 minutes of court time, adding 16 rebounds for her 12th straight double-double performance as the Lakehead Thunderwolves completed a weekend sweep with a tightly fought 64-62 win at the C.J. Sanders Fieldhouse.

The Bahamian native added a steal and a pair of blocks for LU, who improved to 8-4 with the victory, tying them with McMaster for second place in the OUA west, a win behind the top-ranked Windsor Lancers.

It was the first 40-point performance for the Wolves since Jylisa Williams turned the trick two seasons ago, a

much-needed boost to an offence that got just 11 points from the team's other four starters combined.

It also made up for a disastrous 0-for-18 night from three-point territory, a rough night for a team that normally prides itself on its ability from beyond the arc.

Grant said the key to her success against the Gryphons (5-7) was her teammates.

"It was pretty phenomenal," she said. "I just want to give a shout-out to the coaching staff and my teammates for getting me open that good. I didn't do it by myself," she said.

It was Grant who keyed a third-quarter comeback, helping to erase a seven-point, 38-31 halftime deficit, scoring four quick baskets to cut the Guelph lead to two, her 11 points in the quarter good for a one-point LU lead after three.

The Gryphons Ivana Vluadinovic gave the visitors one final lead early in the fourth, firing a shot over a foul-challenged Grant, but Guelph's 52-51 advantage was short-lived, Grant burying a pair of free throws for a one-point lead.

Guard Rachel Webber, whose five steals helped keep the Gryphons honest, said it was fun to watch Grant at work.

"There's not a lot you can say about her. She's an unreal player. She dominates the game inside. She can shoot a 15-footer and she can find us sometimes. It's a game I haven't seen in a long time," said Webber, who finished with five points and three assists.

Coach Jon Kreiner joked his star guard "did all right."

"She put us on her back a little bit and she worked as hard as she could," said Kreiner, impressed with her

ability to hit high-post jumpers with ease.

"But we were also moving the ball better in the second half."

That opened up space for Grant to operate, Kreiner said.

As good as she was, the Wolves might not have won the game if it weren't for Webber.

"Rachel is a super woman. She put on her super-woman suit and not only got some big steals for us, but contained and kept people in front of her," Kreiner said.

Up six with two minutes to go, the Thunderwolves offence went flat, allowing Skylia Minaker to even things at 62-62 with 35 seconds to go. But Grant came through at the line with a pair of free throws that proved to be the difference.

Lakehead heads to Western for a pair next weekend.



DOUBLE THREAT: Leashja Grant leads the OUA in both scoring and rebounds.

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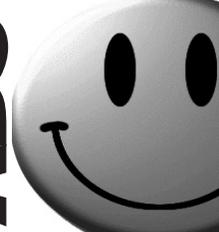


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