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SECOND KILLING OF 2018: Thunder Bay Police had a heavy presence on McLaughlin Street on Monday morning, the scene of a homicide in the East End neighbourhood.

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World Baseball Cup generates \$6.3M

CITY HALL By Matt Vis - TB Source

ast summer's U18 Baseball World Cup had a multimillion dollar economic impact on Thunder Bay.

The 10-day tournament, held in Thunder Bay last September, brought \$6.3 million in activity to the city, organizers outlined in a final report presented to city council on Monday night.

Thunder Bay International Baseball Association executive director Warren Philp said when broadened out to across the province and country, the total economic impact of the event was more than \$9 million.

Monthly passenger volume through the city's airport exceeded 80,000 for the first time, with the tournament a significant contributing factor.

Twelve teams played a total of 50 games at both Port Arthur Stadium and Baseball Central with 32,000 tickets sold, culminating in the championship final with the United States downing South Korea.

"Twenty-six games were broadcast live around the world, primarily to Asian audiences," Philp said.

"We were seen on highlight packages on Sportsnet and I believe on TSN. A

highlight reel was shown during a Blue Jays game at the Rogers Centre on the Jumbotron. Thunder Bay had lots of exposure."

In addition, numbers provided by the WBSC show total online viewership of 12.9 million from 207 countries.

One of the most significant differences between last year's tournament and when Thunder Bay previously hosted in 2010 was the inclusion of Japan, which did not participate eight years ago.

Philp said two Japanese television networks broadcast every one of the national team's games live.

"Them being here in 2017 made a huge difference in terms of eyeballs on this event from a global perspective," Philp said

Preparations for the tournament, which required fields to meet Major League Baseball standards, resulted in significant enhancements and upgrades to the playing surfaces at both Port Arthur Stadium and Baseball Central.

Reg Galbraith, the baseball association's facilities director, said those improvements leave behind a legacy.

"The facilities we have now meet most of our national standards," Galbraith said. "It's going to give us the opportunity to bid on some more projects."



GOING PLACES: Canada's Noah Naylor is expected to be a high-round selection in the Major League draft this June.



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INVESTIGATING: Police hold the scene at a McLaughlin Street residence after a murder took place there on Monday.

Police seek suspect in city's 2nd murder

A 63-year-old man was killed at a McLaughlin Street home

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

31-year-old man wanted for sec-And-degree murder is on the

Upon arrival at a home in the 500 block of McLaughlin Street in the city's East End, police say they found a 63-year-old man deceased. A 25-year-old woman was also injured in the early-morning incident.

Police say they are searching for Charles Norman Casmey of Thunder Bay, who is wanted on both the murder charge and assault causing bodily harm.

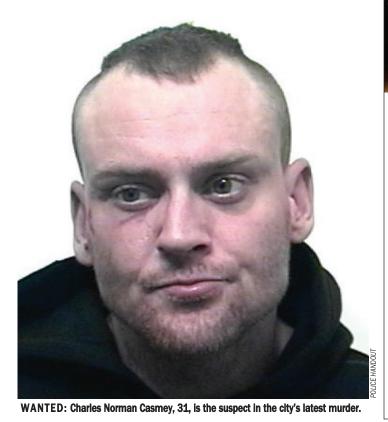
He is considered armed and dangerous.

Police advise the public not to interact with the suspect and to call them if Casmey is seen in public.

It's Thunder Bay's second homicide

Anyone with information on his whereabouts is asked to contact police at 684-1200 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Tips can also be left at www.tipsubmit.com.



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Elliott looking at Heritage Fund

PC leadership hopeful says she'll clear red tape to ensure full use of NOHFC monies

POLITICS
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Unlike two other Progressive Conservative party leadership hopefuls, Christine Elliott is not promising to double the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation budget to \$200 million.

But she's not ruling it out.

Elliott, who finished runner up to Patrick Brown when the PCs sought to replace Tim Hudak at the helm of the party after twice failing to win the premiership, last Thursday said she'd consider all possibilities should she win the race and dethrone Premier Kathleen Wynne and the Liberals on June 7.

Regional importance

It's got to be what's best for the region, said the 62-year-old, who served as deputy party leader under Hudak from 2009 to 2016.

"What I would like to do first is look at the fund. From what I understand, people find it very difficult to access," said Elliott, who was married to former federal Conservative finance minister Jim Flaherty until his 2014 death

"There's some money in the fund



IN TOWN: Conservative leadership candidate Christine Elliott speaks last Thursday.

that actually doesn't get used because people can't be approved for it. So I want to take that apart and look at what the problems are so people then get access to it. Then if it needs to be increased, which I suspect it might ... then I would certainly increase the funding."

Elliott, up against Caroline Mulroney, Doug Ford and Tanya Granic Allen made plenty of promises during a campaign stop at Thunder Bay's Thyme Restaurant, in front of about 65 supporters.

First and foremost she promised to get the Ring of Fire moving, something Elliott said the Liberals have failed to do during 15 years in power at Oueen's Park.

The time is now, said Elliott, currently serving as Ontario's first patient ombudsman, appointed by Liberal Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Eric Hoskins.

"I think we actually need to do something about it, rather than just talk

about it, which is what the Wyne Liberals have done," she said. "We need to get action with all the parties involved, including the Matawa First Nations, as well as the developers as well as the people in the municipalities," Elliott said.

"This is a huge issue for Northern Ontario. It's a \$60-billion project. It creates 5,500 jobs and \$2 billion annually for government revenues. It's vital that we do it so we need to get the parties together and start building the roads."

No carbon tax

Elliott, who spoke to the gathering for about seven minutes before visiting with individual supporters at the two-year-old south-side eatery, received her biggest applause when she promised to reverse Ontario's carbontax plan and offered up she'd be willing to fight Ottawa's plan to implement one country-wide, following Saskatchewan and Alberta in opposing the idea.

"I think we cannot just sit by and let Justin Trudeau tell us what we have to do in Ontario. I think there are questions as to the constitutionality of what he's proposing and I think we fight back for Ontario. That's where I'd want to start."

The Ontario Progressive Conservatives, who have yet to choose a candidate in Thunder Bay-Atikokan, will choose their new leader on March 10. Mulroney was here on Tuesday. Neither Ford nor Granic Allen have indicated plans to visit the city.



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ENGINE'S OFF: Nicki Wilberforce says air pollutants from idling are having an impact on people's health.

Physician calling for tougher idling bylaw

City council directs administration to prepare a report

CITY HALL By Matt Vis - TB Source

Alocal doctor is urging city council to put up a stop sign against idling vehicles.

Citing health concerns of air pollutants from motor vehicles, physician Nicki Wilberforce appeared before Thunder Bay city council on Monday evening to call for a bylaw to limit vehicles running for only 60 seconds while parked.

"Part of it is looking around the neighbourhood and seeing the number of idling vehicles in streets, parking lots, the hospital parking lot, shopping centres and other workplaces," Wilberforce said, adding idling can produce unnecessary emissions of greenhouse gases like nitrous oxide, carbon monoxide and sulphur oxide.

"These air pollutants are associated with all sorts of health effects, especially in the more vulnerable population of the children and elderly and also those who spend a lot of time outside either for work or leisure."

Thunder Bay currently has a fiveminute idling restriction that was implemented more than a decade ago, city manager of development and emergency services Mark Smith said.

"Generally speaking, the concerns relating to idling at the time linked more to noise as an annoyance. It was not adverse health effects driving the concern of the day," Smith said.

"That bylaw is now getting long in the tooth. Engines have evolved and

the needs of an engine in terms of warming up are very different now."

Wilberforce said modern vehicle engines only need to run for 30 seconds to warm up and excessive idling can damage cylinders, spark plugs and the exhaust system.

Toronto and Burlington each have municipal bylaws limiting idling to only one minute. Other

Ontario municipalities with shorter times include Guelph, Kingston, Waterloo, Oakville and Mississauga, which all have three-minute restric-

Coun. Ian Angus noted the city already has challenges enforcing

current bylaws.

"That bylaw

is now

getting long

in the tooth."

MARK SMITH

"We don't have a horde of men and women going around with tickets in their hands, checking on things today, let alone with that," Angus said.

Wilberforce responded that she would recommend this bylaw, if ever implemented, to be enforced just like any others.

"I think it would still have to be complaint driven." Wilberforce said.

"I do think there are going to be a lot of people who are not going to be charged with this bylaw but I'm hoping there would be enough education around the bylaw that it will help decrease the amount of idling."

Some municipalities have also included temperature exemptions into their bylaws. Wilberforce suggested a new bylaw to not be enforced below

freezing as a starting point.

"I'd be happy to have it lower but 0C would probably be the best place to start," Wilberforce said.

Council unanimously directed city administration to prepare a report outlining anti-idling options.





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Editorial

EDITORIAL

PM's cringey trip to India

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's recent trip to India was a misstep, at best

While the idea of fostering trade with the world's second-most populous country is a smart plan, Trudeau's execution was a little off base.

First and foremost, someone in the PMO's office needs a lesson on how to Google.

Sikh extremist Jaspal Atwal was invited to a dinner with the prime minister at the Canadian High Commission.

The same Jaspal Atwalwho in 1986 shot a Punjabi cabinet minister visiting Vancouver.

The invitation to the Dehli dinner was quickly rescinded, but the damage had already been done. Sikh separatism is a sticky issue in India to begin with, and the invitation stoked those fires further.

The trip got off to a rocky start, with no meetings scheduled with high-level leaders in the Indian government, in what many news outlets around the world terned an official snub.

To top it off, everywhere Trudeau went, he and his family were garbed in traditional Indian clothing.

It was more than a bit over the top. It was insulting.

Would Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrive for a visit to Canada wearing an Aboriginal headdress and Roots sweatpants?

Not in a million years.

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Snow removal redundancy

To the editor:

find it funny. Our street, everyone pretty much does the sidewalks in front their homes anyway yet the sidewalk guy will come three times in one day.

Once the snow melts he is guaranteed to come a few times as well. Go where it's needed dude.

Ballo Calcio, Thunder Bay Via Facebook

Rain tax helps sewers

To the editor:

When people complain about having to pay a rain tax they really should be encouraging the city to develop more of these projects so less water makes it to the stormwater system.

Shaun Ellitorpe, Thunder Bay Via Facebook

Assisted suicide an issue

To the editor:

The latest decision of the Liberal Party has the echo of Auschwitz war camps.

My Ukrainian ancestors are probably turning over in their graves.

They are demanding all medical doctors to perform euthanasia. What kind of dictatorship are we living under where our constitutional rights are ignored?

Why don't the doctors have a choice and we as taxpayers should also have an input. This whole situation is abhorrent.

When we had a shortage of doctors, they brought in nurse practitioners to help with the patient overload.

When the good doctors refuse this culture-of-death, clinics will close and they will move elsewhere.

Who will be left to help patients?

The remaining doctors will be the ones who accept euthanasia. Are they to be trusted with your lives?

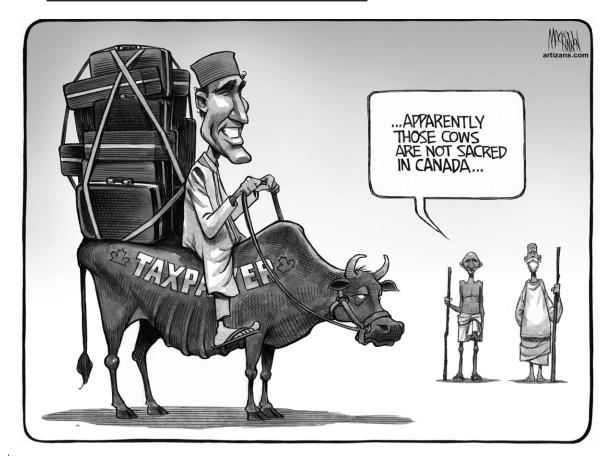
Maybe the Liberals will order the nurse practitioners next to euthanize.

Is this political party that depraved and ruthless?

Where is the democracy in all of

Edith MacNeil Neebing

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



FedNor funding works



The potential for economic growth in Northwestern Ontario is unlimited. We live in a unique part of Canada and face unique challenges. That being said, we are also afforded unique opportunities. There is no better way to identify those challenges and opportunities than by talking to those directly affected.

FedNor, the government of Canada's economic development organization for Northern Ontario, has done just that. In April 2017, FedNor was tasked with developing an economic development strategy to address the specific needs and issues important to the residents, communities, and businesses in Northern Ontario. To help prepare the strategy, FedNor undertook a series of roundtables, meetings and online engagement that was aimed at reaching stakeholders from every corner of the region. The consultations took place from June to November 2017.

A comprehensive overview of the feedback FedNor received during its

engagement has now been put into a report.

The report, called What We Heard (http://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/fn04500.html), is now available online and will serve as an invaluable tool to guide future public and private sector investments and activities in the region.

In the report, participants identified similar needs and issues that are common in many communities throughout the riding. As I have said in the past, we need to focus on modernizing our infrastructure if we want to compete in today's global economy. High-speed broadband internet is a must in the 21st century. We also need safe, reliable roads and airports to transport our goods and fully connect the North.

One of the unique challenges for us in the North is that a 'one size fits all' approach to regional economic development clearly will not work. This is a key consideration being taken in the development of the strategy for Northern Ontario.

It is important that the individual characteristics and challenges of the various communities throughout the riding are taken into account.

Through the consultation process, 12 key common areas of action emerged that will be the driving force behind the

Prosperity and Growth Strategy for Northern Ontario (PGSNO). These areas are infrastructure, diversification and self-sufficiency, Northern image, rural and remote communities, timely and effective support, shortage of human resources, Indigenous participation, building on regional strengths, Indigenous enterprises, technology adoption, and access to support for innovation.

Just last week, I was happy to announce close to \$1 million in funding from FedNor to support the operations of Patricia Area Community Endeavours Inc. (PACE) (http://www.pace-cf.on.ca/article/welcome-to-patricia-area -community-endeavours-1.asp) located in Dryden.

Federally funded, not-for-profit organization is dedicated to small business growth and community economic development, which is just one example of how the federal government can help to grow and diversify the economy in Northwestern Ontario.

I was pleased that Northerners stepped up to have their voices heard, and that FedNor is listening.

By making the right investments and engaging in a collaborative effort between government, businesses, and stakeholders, I'm confident a prosperous and diversified economy will succeed in Northwestern Ontario.

Elections sabotaged

Social media ploys are taking away people's free vote

By J.R. Shermack **Special to TB Source**

ree elections around the world are being held hostage by the nefarious use of social media.

Facebook will likely be subject to increased scrutiny and regulation as will their unsuspecting customers.

Social media platforms are being used as pawns by the Russians as they advance their game of cyber warfare.

We don't know exactly how Facebook is involved but even if they are as innocent and gullible as they claim, they were major enablers.

Their corporate response was lacking in sincerity and they have since been exposed as very insensitive, to say the least.

Russia is meddling in U.S. elections and American democracy is only one of many under cyber-

Also Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Finland, Bosnia and Macedonia in the past ten years.

British officials believe Russia interfered with their 2015 elections - so does Germany, France, the Netherlands and Norway.

Apparently there is a "troll factory" in Russia that is behind all the meddling and recent American indictments spell out the detail.

According to reports the Russians are determined to undermine future elections and create uncertainty and distrust among voters.

They are effectively playing "catch me if you can" by manipulating social media platforms under cover of the darkest recesses of the

The Americans appear to be sitting ducks and their next election is already under siege.

Here in Canada we have a false sense of security about our own election process but we have no reason to be complacent.

There is an important Federal Election next year and as improbable as it sounds, somebody may be trying to hack our democracy too.

According Canada's Communication Security Establishment it is "very likely" that outside groups will attempt to influence our 2019 election.

Two specific threats were identified - first, someone may hack into your on-line profile and take control of your persona.

Nobody wants to have their persona hacked by the Russians, or anybody else for that matter.

But once the Russians come ahacking you may not even know you are being used as a pawn to undermine Canadian democracy.

Will you like that?

The second threat is the widespread use of lies and misinformation targeting special interest groups.

Social media platforms are designed to be used exactly as the Russians do it and there is no way to filter out evil intent.

For its part, Facebook has

launched the Canadian Election Integrity Initiative as a way to eliminate meddling in 2019.

It sounds impressive but they appear to have abdicated their own responsibility and are counting on end users to police themselves.

According to Facebook a little training and due diligence will stop the Russians in their tracks.

I doubt it but one question springs to mind - who in the world would want to meddle in Canadian elections anyway?

Canadians themselves don't even bother to meddle in their own elections and the low turnout at the polls is proof of that.

A former Canadian Spy Agency director claims the Russians are trying to upset the global geo-political balance in their favor.

Canada has limited international influence but we are a major player and enjoy a favourable reputation among world leaders.

The P.M.'s compassion, his pleasant manners and his flashy socks have also created an envious international reputation.

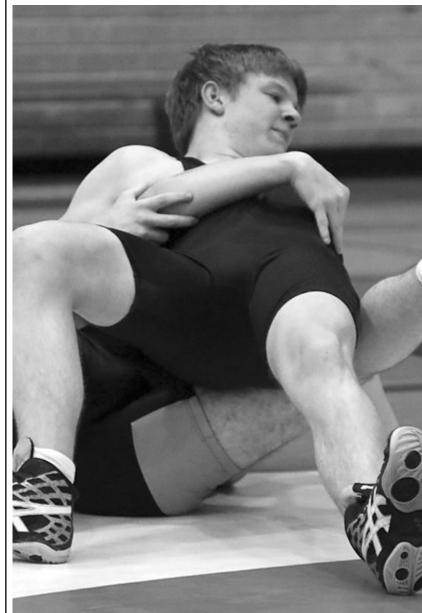
Maybe the Russians don't care for our quaint, Canadian ways and they want to knock our P.M. down a few notches.

They say the Russians are coming to meddle with our election (they may already be here) and mess with our democracy.

They are relentless and sometimes it seems that resistance is futile.

Have we seen the last of free elections?

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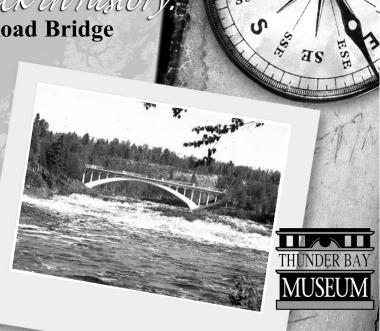
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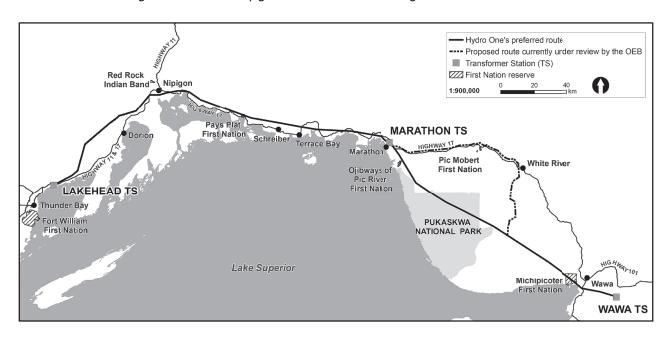
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LOCALNEWS

Police warn of fraud

Immigrants targed in scam

CRIME By Leith Dunick - TB Source

ity police are warning the public Cabout a sophisticated case of fraud targeting immigrants to Canada.

In a release issued on Wednesday, police say a complainant reported a pair of simultaneous calls from people purporting to be a Canadian immigration agent and a police detective, the perpetrators going as far as setting up a caller ID indicating it was the Thunder Bay Police Service on the phone.

According to the complainant, the socalled immigration agent informed him there had been a complaint made about him and a warrant may be issued for his

Moments later he got a second call, the caller ID showing the police depart-



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ment's 684-1200 number, the caller informing him that a warrant would be issued if a certain amount of money wasn't paid. After hanging up

began asking for banking informa-

immigration officer

tion to pay for legal advice through their

The complainant instead called the actual police to report the incident.

Police confirmed it was an attempted fraud.

"Citizens must be cautious when speaking to unknown people who call your home. This sense of urgency should be the first clue and send up huge red flags that a fraudster is attempting to have money sent or banking information provided before individuals can really think about it," said police spokeswoman Const. Julie Tilbury in the release.

"The way technology has opened up the world, it has allowed for these criminals to have access to anyone right in the comfort of their own home either by phone or over the Internet.'

Tilbury stressed police don't work with organizations that demand compensation to avoid being arrested, adding they encourage people to simply hang up the phone.

"That is your right."

Necan sentencing scheduled for April

Nicholas Necan, who was convicted of second-degree murder for the death of 60-year-old George Gerard, will learn in April how long he is to remain in custody before applying for parole.

A sentencing hearing has been scheduled for Apr. 9, where Justice Fregeau will determine when Necan will be eligible for parole. A second-degree murder conviction carries with it an automatic life sentence of 25 years, with parole eligibility as early as 10 years.

Necan was found guilty by a jury on Feb. 16 following a seven day trial in a Thunder Bay Courtroom. The court heard that on the afternoon of Jan. 28, 2016, Necan was seen in Gerard's room at the Casablanca apartment complex violently assaulting him with a piece of wood.

Mac's suspect jailed

City police were searching for a man armed with a baton who robbed a

May Street convenience store Sunday morning.

According to Thunder Bay Police Service, officers responded to reports of a robbery at Mac's Convenience Store on the 300 block of May Street around 10:15 a.m. Police say the man was armed with a baton.

While driving to the store, an officer located a man matching the description of the suspect.

The man was detained while officers attended the store to speak to the

complainant and view video footage of the incident.

Police arrested the suspect at 10:30 a.m. He was searched and a baton and cash were discovered.

The 24-year-old Thunder Bay man was charged with robbery. He was remanded into custody following his court date.

Staal's infant dies

Carolina Hurricanes captain Jordan Staal and his wife Heather are mourning the death of their infant daughter Hannah.

The National Hockey League team on Sunday issued a brief release.

"The thoughts and prayers of the entire Hurricanes organization are with Jordan and Heather Staal on the loss of their infant daughter, Hannah. We ask that you please respect their family's privacy at this time."

Staal missed the Hurricanes most recent games, tending to what the team termed a personal matter.

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Transform your tiny home with these tips

any homeowners want to freshen up their homes with a series of renovations, but must get creative with their use of small spaces. It's a common dilemma, especially with the uptick in condo living in recent years.

Here are some tips for your tiny home reno:

Maximize your organization. When planning a small home renovation, using your space efficiently should be top of mind. Whether you are making space to store shoes in a non-existent foyer or reorganizing the kitchen to create a better flow, the best fixes are often multipurpose. For example, use a shelf to store your shoes to save floor space, and consider attaching hooks to hang coats, purses and other accessories. In the kitchen, try hanging a grid from the



ceiling to hang pots and pans, to save on drawer and cabinet storage.

Invest in appropriate appliances. If you are trying to revamp a 600 square-foot studio apartment, you may want to stay

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Coldest night returns

THUNDER BAY By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

t was far from being the coldest night of the year, but the warmer temperatures did not take away from opening people's eyes to the struggle some of the most vulnerable people in the community face on a

"I'm walking for those people who are homeless and hungry and hurting," said Peter Viitala. "We are out there walking in the evening in the cold, like homeless people would be. And that's not an easy thing in the middle of winter and that is what homeless people are doing right now. We are becoming aware a little bit of what it's like to be a homeless person."

More than 300 people participated in the 6th Annual Coldest Night of the Year Walk on Saturday. Walks were held across Canada to raise awareness about vulnerable populations who may be living on the

Organized by Grace Ministries in Thunder Bay for the last six years, the walk is also meant to serve as a fundraiser for Grace Place, which provides meals and shelter to people living on the street.

"Over the past five years, we've raised more than \$300,000 and that has allowed us to purchase a building, put in a commercial kitchen at Grace Place, and repair the roof," said Grace Ministries Pastor, Gary Macsemchuk

Fundraiser

This year, Macsemchuk expects the walk will bring in more than \$70,000, which goes a long way in supporting programming at Grace Place on Simpson Street. According to Macsemchuk, Grace Place serves more than 45,000 meals

"For the coldest months we have an out of the cold program where we have up to 10 or 12 individuals who can't access any other shelters in town and they stay in overnight," he continued.

The walk included a two, five, or 10 kilometre route and provided people an opportunity to visit Grace Place on Simpson Street to learn more about what services it provides.

Viitala, who is part of the organizing committee for the Coldest Night of the Year Walk, also volunteers at Grace Place.

"I see people coming in through the front door, coming in for a hot meal who



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HOMELESS AWARENESS: The sixth Coldest Night of the Year walk was held last Saturday.

are in huge need," he said. "So that's why I'm here, to help those people in any way

"I wanted to

raise money

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But one of the most important aspects of the walk is to open people's eyes to what it is like living on the street during some of the coldest months of the year.

"It gets people to experience what it's like to be out on the streets on a cold winter night and experience what the homeless and the hurting are experiencing," Macsemchuk said. "Quite often we live in our neighbourhoods that are safe, and we don't normally see that side of

society and people who are homeless."

Even the youth were out on Saturday participating in the walk, including nineyear-old Morgan Sand and her friend

"This is my fourth year doing it," Morgan said. "There are a lot of different reasons to do it. It's a lot of fresh air and it's for charity."

Wanted to help

This was Carter's first time participating in the walk and he said he wanted to do it to help others.

"I wanted to raise money for people who have no shelter," he said. "Because people don't have a lot so I want to help them raise money."

And even for Morgan and Carter, who are only nine-years-old, they still understand the significance of the walk and what it is meant to symbolize.

"It is to feel like they would feel," Morgan said. "It makes me feel sad. It would make me feel sad if that happened to me. So people walk so they can know what it would feel like to be others."

Wind can make snow-clearing tough



The trick is guessing the direction of the wind. Over the course of less than a week, I had to guess the wind direction three times. Why? Because I had to snow-clear. So did everyone else. There was a lot of snow to blow.

Snow-clearing is a big job for most rural folk. For farmers rural driveways tend to be long leading to good-sized yards and perhaps lanes over which animals must walk or manure carts must be driven.

The first dump of snow was easily eight inches out here judging from the amount lying on top of car and truck. The next two delivered about the same amount

We were 'blessed' with a second dump courtesy of Ol' man Winter a mere two days after the first one. Barely pausing for breath, the third came two days later.

Again, I suited up to blow snow from yard, driveways, second yard, a long lane to Mt. Crumpet where we dump the manure from horse stalls, and a passageway up to the outdoor water trough in the winter horse paddock.

Saturday morning was bright and sunny and warm.

"We're supposed to get another ten to fifteen centimetres tonight," my wife, Laura, announced. What? Again? So Soon?

Indeed, "what?" We go almost two months with mere dustings of snow, hardly any at all. The only operation Big Red, my ancient diesel tractor is doing is ferrying large, round, hay bales either from the trailer after a trip to my hay supplier or to grab one of those bales and trundle it into the horse paddock.

Now, the heavy, awkward hunk of machinery attached to Red's rear that has

been silent most of this winter, is suddenly throwing great shots of snow three days in less than one week.

I mentioned the direction of the wind. Will it come from the northwest or south? Will it be stiff or a mere zephyr? The direction of the wind will determine two things regarding snow blowing: first, wind direction determines the direction I send the snow through the funnel. Obviously, I want it downwind and not blowing in my face.

Secondly, do I snow blow starting at the end of the driveway and moving towards Casa Jones or do I begin at Casa Jones and blow towards the road? The plan is to keep Farmer Fred's face snowfree

Occasionally the wind is fickle. Farmer Fred is suddenly enveloped in a huge swirl of snow. Farmer Fred can no longer see where the heck he is going.

I hate to stop and try to locate a tissue to wipe my glasses free of snow. If the glasses aren't too snow-covered, I forge on hoping that I'm still aiming the beast properly. If the miscreant snow has obscured my vision completely, then I have to pause to wipe the lens free. I have considered just removing my glasses and continuing the job; but I fear that without them, I would be a danger on the road especially backing up with a Red roaring like mad and a seven-foot auger churning everything in its path — hopefully just snow.

So, much depends on figuring out the direction of the wind. Of course it didn't help that on the third day of snow-clearing, the winds were ferocious sending huge plumes of snow sailing off roofs and across the yard, seeming one moment to be coming from the northwest and then from the south. Needless to say, I morphed in appearance from Fred to Frosty.

I once saw my reflection after being plastered by blowing snow from the machine. Very scary, nay, abominable! Argh! The Yeti lives!

P.S. I want to mention that a very good friend was taken from us by cancer.

Arthur Black was my friend and mentor when I worked with him at CBC Radio in Thunder Bay. His phenomenal wit and sharp-sightedness, his intolerance of B. S., will be sorely missed. The CBC website talks about him hosting "Basic Black", his national radio show for thirteen years.

But there was no mention that he got his start and made his name during the ten years in Thunder Bay he hosted his unique, two-hour Radio Noon for north western Ontario. It was here that the big boys in Toronto heard him and persuaded him to go national. Which he did. A friend with whom I have lunch every week, upon learning that Art had died, said "the world is a tad more vulnerable without Arthur's eye on it."

P. P. S. This Saturday there will be a Seed Swap at the Gillies Community Hall from 1p.m. to 4 p.m..

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Dozens march for Tina Fontaine justice

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

ichelle Derosier is tired of attending marches calling for justice for Indigenous people, or standing at vigils for lost youth and murdered Indigenous men and women. But she continues to march, she continues to speak out, and she wants to see all Canadians take action that goes beyond standing together.

"It is your silence that continues to kill us," Derosier said outside of the Thunder Bay Courthouse following a march to honour Tina Fontaine on Sunday. "You have to do more than just show up."

Large crowd

More than 100 people marched down May Street to the Thunder Bay Courthouse calling for justice for Fontaine following last week's verdict that found Raymond Cormier not guilty of second-degree murder in connection to Fontaine's death. The 15-year-old girl from Winnipeg, Man. was found in the Red River in August 2014, her body wrapped in a sheet and weighed down with rocks.

Shai Loyie, who organized the march, said as an Indigenous woman, she felt it was important to honour Fontaine and come together as a community to support one another.

"It has been very challenging with everything going on across the country within the justice system," she said.

After hearing the verdict in the Fontaine case, Loyie said she felt completely disengaged and was still trying to cope with the verdict in the Colton Boushie case earlier this month.

"It's really sad that as an Indigenous person, in order to survive, I have to completely turn off my emotions," she said. "I didn't react. I couldn't. I didn't have any real reaction and I'm still trying to come to terms with exactly

what had happened."

For Loyie and Derosier, marches for Fontaine and Boushie that have been held across the country in recent weeks, demonstrate there is a growing call for change and Indigenous voices will not be silenced.

"I want the rest of Canada and settlers to understand that we are still here and we will continue to fight forever," Loyie said. "No matter what happens, we will respond in peace and we will come together in prayer. Our resilience is shining through and we will continue to rise up."

But is also rests with non-Indigenous Canadians to speak up, Derosier added. She said it is one thing to join in the marches and stand at vigils, but the silence remains, and it's time to speak up and turn words into actions.

"It's about ending that silence and having people who are non-Indigenous, that will, I'm hoping they are willing, to speak up and take action within their own governments and not just have soft conversations, but start to demand action, demand action from municipal, provincial, and federal governments and people that actually have power to start making changes so we can stop having gatherings like this," she said.

Repeating history

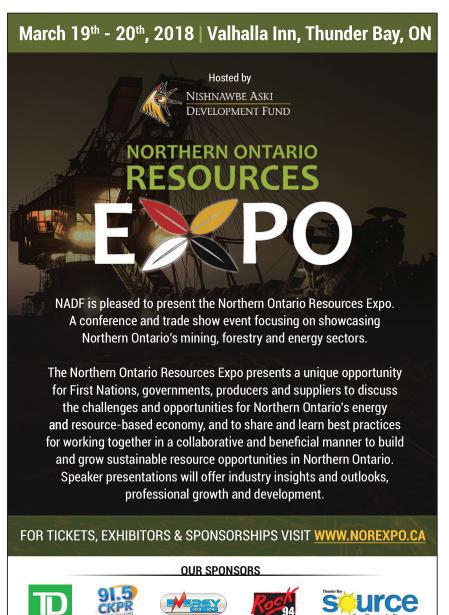
Derosier said the struggles and challenges that persist today are nothing new and the justice system and the nation's colonial past was designed to destroy Indigenous people.

And even though she is tired of marching down city streets and standing at vigils, she will not stop calling for action, to ask everyone to speak a little louder, stand a little longer, and do a little more.

"We still show up," she said. "I show up to support my community and Tina's family and Colton Boushie's family and Barb Kentner's family. That is why I keep showing up."



UPSET: Michelle Desrosiers speaks during the march for Tina Fontaine.







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Lighthouse an inspiration for artists

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

A popular artist-in-residence program at the Porphyry Island Lighthouse is returning this summer, doubling to two weeks this time around.

Lois Nuttall, a Thunder Bay photographer, was among last year's class and said it offered her the chance to perfect her craft while showcasing and preserving the beauty of Lake Superior and the historic lighthouse through her

What a wonderful opportunity, she

"I wanted to do it because I love the lake and Porphyry was a place I had never been to," she said. "I loved it just because of its terrain and the various experiences that an artist can have there."

First and foremost was the light.

"You get the morning light on one side of the headland. You get the evening light on the other. You get this beautiful rocky headland to explore and photograph. You get the view from the top of the lighthouse, which is fantastic of our lake," she said.

"You get the black sand beaches and the flora and the fauna. You get ancient

It's also relatively accessible for the physically challenged, despite the island's isolated location, southwest of the Black Bay peninsula, about 13 kilo-



LOVES THE LAKE: Photographer Lois Nuttall with Porphyry Sunset, which she shot in 2017 while taking part in the Canadian Lighthouses of Lake Superior's artist-in-residency program at Porphyry Island.

metres from Sleeping Giant Provincial

"I think it's important to document our lake," Nuttall said, explaining why she jumped at the artist-in-residence oppor-

"I'm sort of like Wayne Gretzky. It's my lake and we should do it. We shouldn't be letting other people tell us what our lake is like. Sometimes I get perturbed when they depict Lake Superior as this mean, mean body of water because there are so many times when it's so gorgeous and beautiful. It just draws you back all the time."

The resulting photographs are on display until March 21 at the Thunder Bay Art Gallery, part of an exhibit featuring the works of all the artists-inresidence who took part in the program.

The not-for-profit Canadian Lighthouses of Lake Superior group is also looking for a new crop of artists to take part in this year's program.

Paul Capon, the group's chair, said they wanted to expose people to the beauty of Porphyry Island.

"We wanted to bring artists and lighthouses together," he said. "We had heard from the very beginning that this would be a place for artists, writers, painters and photographers. So we thought having an artist-in-residence program would be a great way to promote the lighthouses and also promote their own art.'

The exhibit includes work by six artists, including a faux sculptured deer head, emblazoned with colourful storytelling tiles. Other mediums include photography, ceramics, ink, oil and mixed media.

"It's a chance to escape everyday life, paint in the fresh air and experience Lake Superior," said artist Gayle Buzzi.

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One flame's out, but another is lit

he 2018 Winter Olympics closed with an echo of a bang, airing in North America hours after that flame went out half-way around the world in South Korea. And NBC has been frantically trying to put a brave face on their coverage despite some of the lowest viewership of any Olympic Games.

Olympics are about hopes and dreams. The athletes work hard and give up so much to make it to this moment. They become legends as they reach the podium. So it's even more unfortunate that this year's contenders weren't the heroes we were watching.

In great need

One news anchor closing off NBC's coverage Sunday night said the unifying power of Olympic sport desperately needed by



Americans at a time when they are more divided than ever. This was certainly the case a couple of weeks ago. However, just when viewers should have been cheering their teams to victory, a mentally unhinged teenager was gunning down his former fellow students and teachers in Florida.

So instead of reminding Americans about their athletes on the other side

of the globe, Trump was dealing with a nation in mourning. And his solution was to tweet about a connection between the shooting and the FBI's Russian investigation. Fortunately, even sixteen-year-olds called "BS" on it all, one condemning his "audacity to make [17 deaths] about Russia."

This left the daily television coverage to wildly swing between medal tallies and the tragedy at home. And the contrast between the two was eye-opening.

While a Bronze-winning Canadian was receiving Korean death threats, Florida teachers were putting themselves between a bullet and their

As speed-skaters were caught bullying their teammates, teenagers were locating Kevlar vests for their fellow students to hide beneath.

Despite a sick online theory that the event had been staged with paid actors, these students organized buses to Tallahassee to watch their Representatives vote down a new gun law. They made speeches. They set up meetings. They did television interviews.

Consequently, during the men's Big Air qualifiers for snowboarding and hockey quarter-finals, three million chose instead to watch teenage survivors question politicians, the police and the NRA during a CNN town hall.

Unlike the adult Canadian skiers who went on a booze-fueled joyride in a stolen car, these kids soberly posed frank questions that demanded straight-forward answers.

And while an International Olympic Committee member started a fight with Korean security, the town hall crowd of approximately 5000 was relatively respectful. Even the youngsters asking questions reminded the audience that those on the hot-seat deserved to be

They refused to lose purpose and get swept away by the emotion of the night.

Not quite the same

So although the pomp and circumstance of the Olympic closing ceremonies was certainly deserved, it paled in comparison to the Stoneman Douglas drama club's original song in honour of the fallen. And these students are far from finished.

They'll likely never appear on a box of Wheaties. But the flame these kids have lit will last longer than any Olympic torch.

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ON COURSE: Aleks Luoma, Colin Pendziwol, Simon Grasen and Nicholas Pardill climb a hill at the OUA Nordic Championships.

Wolves take Nordic title

SKIING By Leith Dunick - TB Source

our top 10 finishes on Sunday were enough to secure the Lakehead Thunderwolves an 11th OUA men's Nordic skiing championship since 2002.

Noah Thompson, Noah Taylor, Geoffrey Way-Nee and Gavin Shields all crossed the finish line among the first 10 skiers in the 15kilometre free skate race at Lappe Nordic Ski Centre, earning the host team a 17-point win over Nipissing and defending champion Carleton, who finished tied for second with 73 points after Nipissing's Jordan Cascagnette and Alexander Maycock took the top two spots, each crossing

Thompson took third place, 1.2 seconds back, while Taylor clocked in sixth, Way-Nee in seventh and Shields in ninth.

"It feels good. Last year we were second, so just to be able to come out and throw down a pretty solid team performance on our home course is pretty special," Thompson said, after delivering LU's 16th triumph in the men's category, dating back to their first in 1988.

Wresting the title away from Carleton, the only school other than Lakehead to capture an OUA men's Nordic skiing championship over the past 17 years, made the win even

OUA NORDICS RESULTS

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2. Carleton	73
2. Nipissing	73
4. Queen's	165
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more special, said Thompson, who anchored the Wolves to a second place finish in Saturday's classic relay and took fourth in Friday's 10-kiloemtre classic interval start race.

Also having to hold off Nipissing, a school in search of its first OUA Nordic skiing crown, made the race that much tougher, he said.

"It definitely was a three-team race. Nipissing especially today was super strong. They pulled out all stops," Thompson said.

"Being at home, we have so much support from the school and the Thunder Bay ski community that it's extra special."

Taylor said the team's strategy was to ski strong and not fall too far behind as a group, knowing they had a nine-point cushion heading into Sunday's final race.

"I think the plan for today was just to ski it smart, not waste too much energy early on in the race," Taylor said.

"The wax techs did a great job today, so we had some really fast skis, so it was good for us to kind of sit in the lead pack and just wait for the moment to make it happen and it worked out well for everyone. It feels good. Last year was my first year and we couldn't quite make it happen with a second place, so it feels good to have thrown down some good races," said Taylor, eighth in Friday's classic interval competition.

On the women's side, things weren't as bright for the LU contingent.

Thunderwolves Erika Mihell and Beth Fowler sidelined by illness, Lakehead's fate rested on just two skiers, Camille Hamm and Holly Fleming.

Hamm did her part, finishing in eighth spot, but Fleming could only manage a 32nd place result and the Wolves, who entered the day in third behind the Carleton Ravens and Guelph Gryphons, dropped two spots to fifth, passed by both Nipissing and

No one was catching the Ravens, whose Zoe Williams and Alyssa Stowe finished first and second in both individual races and top spot in Saturday's relay.

Guelph took the runner-up spot.

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The Bahamian native had double-doubles in 23 of 24 regular season games and both playoff contests, leading the Wolves into the second round of the post-season.

"I am extremely proud of Leashja Grant. In just her first year in the OUA she broke the all-time rebound record for a season and has set the standard as a double-double machine," said LU coach Jon Kreiner.

"I also feel that she has just started to figure out what it takes to elevate her and her team's game to an elite level. We feel that Leashja will come back to Lakehead University next season stronger than ever and motivated to break more records while taking us closer to our goal of winning an OUA title."

Grant, who hauled in a league-record 338 rebounds in 2017-18, is the second Thunderwolves player to take home the

league's top honour, following in the footsteps of Jylisa Williams, who won the award in 2015.

Falcons win NWOSSA

The St. Ignatius Falcons are headed back to the provincial championship.

The boys' basketball team on Saturday secured their spot at the OFSSAA AA tournament from March 5 to March 7 in Pembroke, Ont., downing the Dryden Eagles 73-42 to earn the NWOSSA title in a two-game sweep in the best-of-three series.

Jared Kreiner led the way for the Falcons in both games, scoring 34 on Friday and adding 30 in Saturday's clincher.

Irwin wins silver

Thunder Bay hockey star Haley Irwin earned her third Olympic medal, helping Canada finish second in the women's tournament after falling 3-2 in a shootout to the United States. Irwin scored a second-period goal in the finale.



STAYS PERFECT: Westgate has yet to lose in 2018, winning the regional title and a berth at the OFSSAA championship.

Tigers win NWOSSA

Westgate knocks off Beaver Brae Broncos in four sets

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VOLLEYBALLBy Leith Dunick – TB Source

It took him two decades, but Curtis Michaluk has finally led a Westgate Tigers senior girls' volleyball team to the provincial championships.

The Tigers, who dug themselves early holes, but rallied back to capture the first two sets, knocked off the visiting Beaver Brae Broncos of Kenora 25-23, 25-22, 21-25, 25-17 on Saturday to claim the NWOSSA championship, a

first for the long-time coach who took over the team in 1999.

"It's not long overdue," Michaluk said, searching for the right words to describe his emotions.

"We have a tough time with the west. They have such strong programs. It's a whole team effort and it's the first time we have a group of kids for that period of time and fortunately we were able to accomplish our goal."

Power hitter Payton Kooistra, who served up eight straight points in the second set to turn a 15-11 deficit into a 19-15 lead, said it's the culmination of everything the team's been

working for since this time last year, when the Fort Frances Muskies knocked them off at the regional championship.

And maybe even a little further back than that.

"We've been working on this since Grade 9 and it's just really exciting. Last year we came to NWOSSA and we ended up losing. This year we came back and we won. It's a big deal," the 17-year-old Grade 12 student said.

Teammate and Tigers libero Alyssa Aune, a fellow senior, said getting over the top and getting to OFSSAA is an incredible accomplishment.

"This is honestly the best feeling of my life, because we've worked for this since Grade 9. We've worked our butts off every day in practice. Last year we made it to the NWOSSA championship, but we came in second with a good fight," the 18-year-old said.

"Now that we finally get to go to OFSSAA, it's the best feeling in the world."

Early on, it looked like the Broncos might continue NORWOSSA's senior girls' volleyball dominance. They led 11-4 in the opening set, when their setter Midori

Hoppe went down with a match-ending knee injury.

After she was helped off the court, the Tigers scored 12 of the next 17 points to tie the game 16-16, then, after going up four, withstood a late Broncos charge to take the opening set by two.

It was more of the same in the second, the Broncos jumping out in front 14-9, only to have Westgate regroup and take a commanding two-set lead.

"We just realized we needed to push harder," Aune said. "At first we were thinking, we've got this, we've got this and we weren't working hard enough. But as soon as we put our minds to it, we

started working harder, playing better and making smarter plays.

"And we did what we needed to do."

Beaver Brae bounced back in the third set, taking a late lead after trailing most of the way, scoring four of the final five points to put it away.

But the Tigers took control of the fourth set, four times going up by four points, and went on to an eight-point win that sealed the championship.

Westgate will travel to Mississauga for the OFSSAA championships in early March.

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LU volleyball finishes with pair of wins

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The Lakehead Thunderwolves sent their seniors out in style.

On the night the women's volleyball team honoured departing veterans Jennifer Hammerton, Leah Mousseau, Rheanna Geisel, Christie Lowe and Jessica Korchak, the Wolves closed their 2017-18 campaign with a second straight win over the Brock Badgers, knocking off their OUA West rival in four sets

Mousseau, an Ottawa native who finished with 11 kills and 16 digs, said it was a great way to say goodbye.

"It was really good. We had a game plan in mind and it's really nice to see all the girls focused," she said. "We came out and executed the game plan really well. We did our seniors well.

"It's emotional, for sure. But I'm

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proud of what I've done the last four years and I wouldn't have it any other way."

Hammerton, who hails from Beachville, Ont., was happy to finish with a pair of wins, which upped Lakehead's record to 6-13, tied with Brock for sixth in the division.

"It was a good ending, it was a good season. It wasn't the season that we wanted, but we ended on a high, winning both games," Hammerton said.

The Wolves made easy work of the Badgers in the opening set, taking it 25-18 while leading all the way. Brock evened the match with a 25-23 win in the second, taking control midway through the set and holding off a hard-charging Wolves team looking to tie the game at 24.

It was all Lakehead the rest of the

way

The Thunderwolves grabbed a 2-1 lead with a 25-18 win in the third and closed it out with a 25-16 triumph in the fourth.

LU coach Chris Green said it was a good ending to a season that didn't go as planned.

"It's good for the girls, it's good for the seniors. It's the way that a lot of games should have gone this year, but we just didn't make that happen consistently enough. This weekend we had all facets going. It was nice. This was the two most complete games we played all year," Green said.

"Unfortunately it's at the right time, but the wrong time."

He credited his team's passing game, something he said the Badgers lapsed on.

"The difference is our girls served

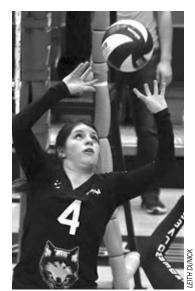
them aggressively. They did a better job last night, but we still did a better job defending against the bad passes than they did against us. And for the most part our girls pass really well," Green said.

While the veteran coach has plenty of holes to fill next season, building on the likes of rookies Megham Routier, who had 18 kills and an equal number of digs, Haleigh Kearns and Rachel Sweezey, he likes where the program is headed.

"We're into having this group continuing to mature. We had two rookies on the floor the whole second half of the season who are really good," Green said. "So we need to find some size. We've got to get some big kids coming in. And we're on that already."

Lakehead last made the OUA playoffs in 2013.

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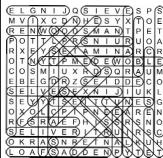
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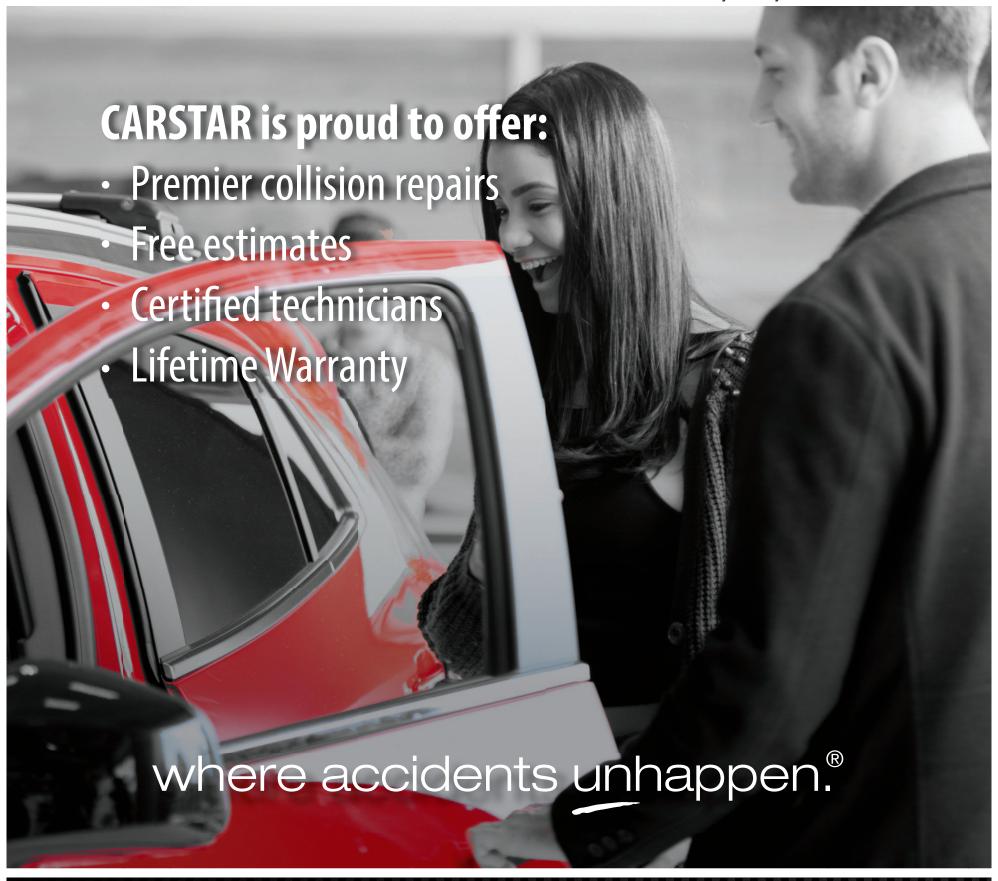
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