



TO THE TOP

Trevor Zimak. Carole

Sudden death

Police say one man died on Monday in a serious incident in the 300 block of South Marks Street /3



DEADLY DAY: Thunder Bay Police Investigate a sudden death of a man found on the sidewalk on Monday in the 300 block of South Marks Street.

creating Healthy, BEAUTIFUL SMILES... SEDATION See the CAD/CAM system, the technology which allows Dr. Mao & Dr. Lau to take a digital scan,

custom design, create, and insert crowns & veneers in a single appointment. Financing available.









Congratulations to Suzanne **Fountaine**

\$300 Prize from these fine Businesses with a Thank You to Choco Litts. Davtona's & Superior Shores Gaming Association



LOCALNEWS **Cardiac surgery closer**

Health ministry provides planning grant to allow TBRHSC take next step

HEALTH By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Cardiovascular surgery in Northwestern Ontario is one step closer to reality.

Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Eric Hoskins on Tuesday announced the province will fund on-site endovascular aneurysm surgery at Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre, while promising to give the hospital a \$500,000 planning grant to study a plan for full cardiovascular surgical services.

He then joked he anticipates to be back in the city in the very near future to announce the capital investment in that program.

Hoskins said his government realizes Northwestern Ontarians often face unique challenges when it comes to health care.

"It's the next logical step," Hoskins said The minimally invasive surgery sees a stent graph inserted into the femoral artery, and then passed up through the weakened part of the aorta, one of the main vessels in the human heart.

Before its arrival in Thunder Bay, patients had to fly to southern Ontario for the surgery, a costly and troubling journey for many living in Ontario's north.

Dave Stephens was the first person to



HEARTY TALK: Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Eric Hoskins speaks Tuesday in the city.

undergo the procedure in Thunder Bay, going under the knife this past January.

After being diagnosed with an aneurysm late last year, he thought for sure he'd have to travel to Toronto to undergo a potentially lifesaving procedure.

He was pleasantly surprised when he was asked if he wanted to be the first patient to have the surgery done in Thunder Bay.

"I said, all right, that's for me," Stephens said. "The stress level went down quite a bit when I learned I could stay here and have this operation.

"The other thing that was important to me is I was able to have my support team I had been working with for the last few months to be with me and stay with me right through the whole procedure."

Hospital president and CEO Jean Bartkowiak said the arrival of endovascular aneurysm repair is the continuation of his goal of having full cardiovascular surgery available in Thunder Bay.

"We're committed to meet the specialized acute-care needs of our patients throughout Northwestern Ontario and this project is reflective of that kind of view," Bartkowiak said.

Hoskins also announced the province had included in this year's budget a \$10-million increase to the Northern Health Travel Grant program, to \$14 million, mostly to pay for added accommodation for patients needing to travel elsewhere for treatment.





TRAGEDY: Police investigators comb over the 300 block of South Marks Street where a man was fatally injured on Monday.

South-side incident leaves one man dead

Police investigators shut down section of South Marks Street

CRIME By Leith Dunick - TB Source

City police are investigating a sudden death in the 300 block of South Marks Street.

In a release issued on Monday night, police say they arrived on scene at the intersection of Arthur and South Marks streets just before 5 p.m. on Monday, where they found a seriously injured male on the ground.

Two ambulances were escorted by police to Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre, where the victim was later pronounced dead.

The Thunder Bay Police Service's criminal investigation branch was on scene and police closed South Marks Street between Arthur and Ridgeway streets.

"Residents are not in danger and will be assisted in coming and going from their homes. It is not known how long this closure will take," police said in the release.

A green tent covering what appeared to be pools of blood had been erected and officers could be seen interviewing nearby residents. A witness who did not want to be named says he saw a person laying on the ground with serious injuries.

Other residents in the area were shocked by the incident, saying nothing like this has ever happened in the neighbourhood before.

"It's a quiet residential neighbourhood," said resident, Patrick Cully. "Generally it's good people. You see a lot of families and a lot of older people. Usually you don't hear of any crime in the neighbourhood, so I was quite surprised for South Marks."

However, Cully and other residents said the end of Marks, closer to Arthur Street, does feel less safe at times.

"It tends to be on the north side of Marks Street," Cully added. "It seems that the neighbourhood on this side of Arthur Street is decent, but once you cross over to the other side of Arthur Street, it seems to get a little rougher and more violent."

As of press time, police have not said whether it's a crime scene or if anyone has been taken into custody

"This is the early stage of the investigation," police spokesman Chris Adams said in the release. *With files from Doug Diaczuk.*

Weather Forecast THURSDAY FRIDAY





Monday-Friday 9am-9pm, Saturday 9am-9pm, Sunday 10am-6pm

Teen identified as body found in river

POLICE By Matt Vis - TB Source

tity of the body found in the McIntyre River last week, confirming what family members already suspected. A spokesperson from the coroner's office in Toronto identified the body as 14year-old, Josiah Begg, who went missing in Thunder Bay on May 6.

The family of Josiah Begg and Nishnawbe Aski Nation leadership said last week that all signs pointed to the body found in the McIntyre River to be that of the missing teen.

Last Friday the teen's family thanked the community for their efforts in attempting to locate the 14-year-old since he was last reportedly seen on the evening of May 6.

"We are in a lot of pain and sorrow of the outcome as the result of when (Josiah) was found," said Mike McKay, the grandfather of Josiah. "We had hoped for a better outcome but it wasn't meant



BODY RECOVERED: Thunder Bay Police guard the scene along the McIntyre River.

to be."

The body was found by the OPP's underwater search and recovery unit in a section of the river between Simpson Street and Island Drive just before 6 p.m. last Thursday. The Thunder Bay Police Service issued a media release hours later confirming a body had been found, but provided no further details other than that it was a male.

of was that of the missing teen. "While they have yet to do a postmortem, everything points in the direction it was in fact him," Fiddler said.

> "The height, the weight, his clothing, his watch, his wallet, everything matches." The teen, from Kitchenuhmaykoosib

> Alvin Fiddler said communication

received earlier Friday from the Office

of the Chief Coroner indicated the body

city with his father for medical appointments. Police investigators have previously said he was last seen on video surveillance around 9 p.m. on May 6 in the area of Balmoral and William streets.

A police media release issued Friday afternoon said the coroner and forensic pathologist need to take "further steps" to officially confirm the identity. A postmortem is expected to be conducted in Toronto later this weekend.

Despite the lack of official confirmation, Fiddler said the information from the coroner's office will bring closure to the family after nearly two weeks of searching.

"We did not want this process of identifying the body that was recovered to be prolonged," Fiddler said. "The family has searched for over 12 days for their son and grandson. That's a long time. We wanted to be able to confirm in some way the body that was recovered (Thursday) was in fact Josiah."

Josiah is now the seventh Indigenous

waterway since 2000, and the second this month after the body of 17-year-old Tammy Keeash was found in the Neebing-McIntyre Floodway on the night of May 7.

Both of the teens were reportedly last seen the previous evening.

"That should alarm all of us that there is something definitely wrong in the city and we need to find out what that is," Fiddler said.

"That's something we hope the investigations into these two recent deaths are thorough, that they should be looking into all aspects of the circumstances that led to these two deaths and try to determine if in fact there is a connection."

The body was discovered during the first day the OPP's underwater search and recovery unit became involved in the investigation patrolling the waterways at the city's request.

The coroner's investigation is ongoing and the cause of death and further details from the autopsy will be released to the



Error directed sewage into stormwater

Washrooms in LU's Ryan Building mistakenly connected to the storm sewer system during construction in 1972

THUNDER BAY By Matt Vis - TB Souce

Raw sewage from a Lakehead University building has flowed into a line intended for storm water since the 1970s, a result of misconnected sewer lines

Hugh Briggs, director of the university's physical plant, said contractors involved in the new Centre for Advanced Studies in Engineering and Sciences building tipped off university administration last week after finding sewage material in a storm drain.

The subsequent investigation determined three men's washrooms in the Ryan Building were connected to the storm sewer, rather than the sanitary sewer.

sead us online

"The building was constructed in 1972 and it has been that way ever since then," Briggs said.

The university has blocked the line to prevent any further flow of the sewage into the storm drain and installed a transfer pump to move the material to the sanitary system, Briggs added.

Briggs said connections to the sanitary sewer are directed to the city's water treatment plant while storm water is directed to the McIntyre River.

Lisa Brygdiyr, a spokeswoman for the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, said the ministry was notified late last week.

"We are not aware that any sewage has reached the McIntyre River," Brygdiyr said. "Monitoring of the effluent has been ongoing and no issues were previously identified."

Brygdiyr said the university has retained an environmental consultant to investigate the matter.

"The MOECC is monitoring the situation closely, and is in contact with LU staff and the university's consultant to discuss the matter and how they plan to remedy the situation," Brygdiyr said.

"To date, the ministry has no concerns with the proposed plan forward to correct the connections of the sewer line.'

Briggs said a permanent fix will likely take a couple of weeks.

It remains unclear how the issue escaped detection decades ago.

"The building would have been constructed to the code of the day and would have been inspected by building permit at that time," Briggs said.



DECADES LONG ERROR: It was discovered the three men's washrooms in the Ryan Building were mistakenly connected to the storm sewer system.

The World's **Most Eco-friendly Hearing Aid** .tbnewswatcl Promotional Pricing for a limited time! riania SIEMENS **Expert Hearing**.

Never change your hearing aid batteries again.

Expert Hearing Solutions is proud to offer you the world's most eco-friendly hearing aids, Cellion by Signia.

You'll never need to fumble with tiny batteries again, because Cellion hearing aids are inductively charging, and are fully charged in 4 hours. Like all Signia hearing aids, they come with the latest hearing aid technology, and are clinically proven better than normal hearing with less effort*.







Lithium-Ion powered like your smartphone

technology



101-1265 Arthur St. E 807-623-7877

*Study conducted at the University of Northern Colorado, 2015, examined the effectiveness of the new features of primax by collecting and analyzing ongoing EEG data while subjects performed speech testing. For both primax features SpeechMaster and EchoShield, the objective brain behavior measures revealed a significant reduction in listening effort when the feature was activated. Hearing instruments help many people hear better, but cannot solve every hearing problem or restore normal hearing. Copyright © 2017 Signia Inc. All rights reserved.

Editorial

EDITORIAL

River action is required

Pobyn Oram says she wants to make a difference.

Over the weekend, the Thunder Bay woman started a change.org petition, an attempt to pressure the city to install lights and cameras along some of the city's deadly waterways.

It's gotten so bad the Neebing McIntyre Floodway has been dubbed the River of Tears by some.

Tammy Keeash, 17, and Josiah Begg, 14, are the two latest tragic victims taken by the river. Both teens disappeared on May 6 and both turned up dead, the older Keeash discovered the next night, while the younger victim wasn't found until last Thursday after the OPP's dive unit arrived in town.

Coun. Larry Hebert says there is some merit to the idea, though he would like to see senior levels of government step forward to help cover some of the costs.

He's also woried about vandalism of cameras, which have gone missing in the past in other locations.

One way or the other, something has to be done. Children are dying. Families are being torn apart.

The community has to come together as a whole and find a solution to the problem.

Until we do, our waterways are another tragedy waiting to happen. Lighting, cameras and 24/7 patrols might not provide a 100 per cent solution, but even if it prevents one more needless death, it's worth it.

CONTACT US:

87 North Hill Street, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7A 5V6 Ph: 807-346-2600 • Fax: 807-345-9923

> Editor: Leith Dunick 346-2650 ldunick@dougallmedia.com

Reporter: Doug Diaczuk 346-2622 ddiaczuk@dougallmedia.com

> Sales Manager: Kathy Harris 346-2510 kharris@dougallmedia.com

Advertising Policy: Ad adjustment for error is limited to the cost of that portion of the ad where the error occurred. **Member of:** Canadian Community Newspaper Association & Ontario Community Newspaper Association. Thunder Bay Source is published every Thursday by T.Bay Post Inc. © Copyright No. 343384.

ONE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION BY MAIL: Canada: \$95.00, U.S. \$170.00 (HST included)

Thunder Bay Source is a member of the National Newsmedia Council, which is an independent organization established to deal with acceptable journalistic practises and ethical behaviour.

If you have concerns about editorial content, please contact ldunick@dougallmedia.com. If you are not satisfied with the response and wish to file a formal complaint, visit the website mediacouncil.ca or, for additional information, call toll-free at 1-844-877-1163.



Implement immediately

To the editor: The Thunder Bay and District Labour Council, deeply regrets the death of two indigenous young people in our city this month.

A disturbing pattern has been developing for the last two decades, regarding indigenous people migrating from remote communities to Thunder Bay.

In 1999, a coroner's inquest into the death of Selena Sakanee made a number of recommendations to address the issues arising from indigenous people's internal migration to our city.

Almost 20 years later another inquest, this time to examine the death of seven Indigenous youth, made almost a carbon copy list of recommendations to address a similar issue.

The coroner in 2016 determined that three of the seven unfortunate deaths were accidental, and four others were deemed to be undetermined.

Unfortunately, in spite of the recommendations from the two inquests, very little concrete action has been taken to remedy this illfated situation.

The flaws in the investigation, in 2015 by the Thunder Bay Police in the death of Stacy DeBungee of Rainy River First Nations, compelled the recently established Office of the Independent Police Review Director (OIPRD) to examine the way that the Thunder Bay Police handle investigations into the deaths of Indigenous people.

This state of affairs is unacceptable, the Thunder Bay and District Labour Council demands a full implementation of the recommendations of the coroner's inquest in the death of indigenous people in 1999 and again, in 2016.

Especially, to address the issues of poverty, suicide prevention, mental health, and jurisdictional consultation.

Only with the implementation of those recommendations will the public trust in the way that different levels of government, and our police services deal with indigenous youth and indigenous communities in general, be restored.

The Thunder Bay and District Labour Council, echoes the area's First Nations Communities calling for the Auditor Generals of Canada and the Province of Ontario to respond to recommendations, as soon as possible.

> Carlos Santander-Maturana, President, Thunder Bay and District Labour Council

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Prayers to Begg family

To the editor

Our prayers are with the family of Josiah Begg, we hope that you will find peace and strength as you face your lives without your loved one. We also want to take the opportunity to give our prayers to the family of Tammy Keeash.

As First Nations peoples, we share your sorrows and we will be there for you as you go through your healing.

On behalf of our chiefs and our peoples—our sincere condolences and prayers to all of you. We will stand by you as we work together to find answers to the cause of your loss."

> David Paul Achneepineskum, Matawa CEO

Why are there more rats?

To the editor:

have lived in Northwood near Northwood Park Plaza for 44 years and have never seen a rat on my property until now. This is a very real problem in many parts of the city. Why is this happening?

NOP stands for the North To the editor:

would like to clarify what our party stands for and why we intend on running candidates for the upcoming provincial election.

The media likes to generalize us as a separatist party. Northern Ontario is already a separate province with all the burdens, but none of the benefits.

Our region produces a surplus of electrical power, yet our hydro rates are among the highest in the country.

Toronto politicians have decided to use our region as a dumping ground for nuclear waste yet our region doesn't produce any nuclear power.

We have abundant resources in mining and forestry; yet, have next to no processing or manufacturing regarding these very resources.

These are just a few examples of the

imbalance and neglect Northern Ontario faces.

Ironically, the Northern Ontario Party has the best chance in uniting an already divided province.

First off, by electing 11 NOP members in all our ridings, we would hold the balance of power in the Provincial Legislature with a minority government. Due to a lack of leadership from all major GTA parties, that could be a strong possibility.

Further to this, since we do not blindly subscribe to any left wing/right wing doctrine, it doesn't matter which party forms the next provincial government.

If Northern Ontario is treated fairly and just, we will support that government.

For more information about our party's policies and platform, visit our website or look for the Northern Ontario Party on Facebook.

Also, we welcome you to attend any of our future public meetings.

Andy Wolff Northern Ontario Party CFO and Executive Board Member

Jack Kuch, Thunder Bay

Perspective

Rise of Nomophobia

Mobile devices are creating behavioral addictions

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

There are no telethons to raise money and no researchers looking for a cure as "nomophobia" sweeps the planet.

Nomophobia refers to that uneasy, panicky, out-of-control feeling many people experience when they are separated from their mobile devices.

Do you or any of your loved ones suffer from the psychotrauma of no-mobile-phobia?

There are hundreds of millions of victims worldwide and the numbers are growing every day.

Nomophobes can expect to experience uncomfortable symptoms such as twitchiness, the jitters, cold sweats and paranoia.

They have cravings, urges and yearnings for technology and live in constant fear of stumbling into a "dead zone" and becoming unconnected.

Users look to technology to ease their burden of constant anxiety, brought on by the very technology they seek.

The virtual world is full of irony and circular logic and yet it is irresistible - danger and delight grow on the same vine.

Nomophobia has been compared to addiction withdrawal and the analogy seems to fit.

Professor of Psychology, Adam Alter, explores this analogy in his new book, The Rise of Addictive

Water Street

Technology and the Business of Keeping Us Hooked.

He gives us some numbers to consider.

Two years ago average smart phone users spent two hours and forty-eight minutes every day staring at that sinister, little screen. That's just straight up data use

and doesn't include any time actually talking on the phone remember, it's a telephone too.

Today the total has jumped to three hours and forty-two minutes and that number is rising fast.

When you add the hours spent in front of computers or note pads at work or at home plus any television you watch, that's a lot of screen time.

Mr. Alter says the number is growing because the technology is so addictive, but this addiction doesn't involve substance abuse.

He calls it behavioral addiction - you don't inject, ingest or inhale anything but you keep repeating a certain behavior because it makes you feel good.

You really like the way it boosts your ego and you continue living in a virtual world of your own making.

But while your world may be virtual the addiction is real and like any other addiction, there is a price to pay.

In the long run, excessive use of this addictive technology undermines your well-being socially, physically, financially and psychologically.

Mr. Alder also makes a comparison to gambling addiction social media drives behavior the same way a casino keeps you coming back.

The most powerful ingredient is something called variable feedback, or the idea that winning is not guaranteed but definitely within reach.

We desperately post or text something to hyperspace and then anxiously wait to see if anybody in the void notices or likes it (or us).

Humans can't resist the temptation to discover what others think and then we obsess about their opinions, good or bad.

Most users won't admit to being hooked but if you feel that your smartphone is using you as a tool and not the other way around, take action.

If you think you have a problem Professor Alder advises smart phone users to use one of the apps designed to log your phone use.

You might be surprised because most users underestimate their habit by half.

It is interesting to note that many of the geniuses who developed this technology refuse to let their children near it.

Most famously, Steve Jobs himself said he never let his kids use the iPad and in fact, he didn't even allow one in his home.

It really makes you wonder what he knew that the rest of us don't realize yet.

THUNDER BAY



A FRIENDLY GAME

GETTING TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER International students play a game of lacrosse at Fort William Historical Park during International Student Fort Experience last Saturday.

36.4%

HOW TO WRITE US:

etters to the editor are most welcome. Those kept to 350 words or less have priority.

The Thunder Bay Source reserves the right to edit submissions for content and clarity. All attempts will be made to preserve the core argument of the author.

Address them to: **Thunder Bay Source** 87 North Hill Street, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 5V6 Fax: 345-9923

Email: ldunick@dougallmedia.com Visit our website: www.tbnewswatch.com





VISIT www.tbnewswatch.com TO SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND VIEWS ABOUT OUR WEEKLY POLL QUESTION.

 \bigcirc YES \bigcirc NO \bigcirc NO OPINION

60%

along Thunder Bay's waterways?

TOTAL VOTES: 591

3.9%

Port Arthur's first main street is no longer a business corridor. Water Street, as it looked in 1884, had 10 or so storefronts facing the railway tracks and docks. At the far end, intersected by what is now Red River Road, was the Thomas Marks & Co. general store and, closest to us, at the corner of Park Avenue, can be seen the Queen's Hotel, which burned to the ground that same year.



Read us online: www.tbnewswatch.com

For your daily news visit www.tbnewswatch.com

LOCALNEWS

Child taken, charges laid

Assumption of the second state of the second s

Ontario Provincial Police issued the release early Sunday morning, alleging the youngster had been taken by a 36-year-old male suspect.

According to OPP, officers with the Rainy River District detachment were called to a domestic dispute in Chapple Township on Saturday, May 20. Upon arrival, officers learned a suspect fled the scene in a vehicle with a three-year-old female and requested an Amber Alert.

After receiving information on the location of the suspect, OPP officers arrested a 37-year-old Brandon, Man. man.

He has been charged with three counts of assault, one count of choking to overcome resistance, one count of mischief, one count of take a motor vehicle with no consent, and one count of driving a motor vehicle with more than 80 mg of alcohol in 100 ml of blood.

Police did not provide details of three-year-old girl's recovery, but said she was located in good health.

The suspect appeared in court via teleconference on Monday.

Child dies in provincial park

Ontario Provincial Police are investigating the tragic death of an eight-year-old boy at Rushing River Provincial Park.

Police, in a release issued on Sunday morning, say they responded to a missing person's report at the park, conducted a search involving the emergency response team, the K9 unit, the Kenora marine and trails unit and park staff, and the boy was located deceased.

Police say the identity of the boy will not be released at this time.

They are asking anyone with information to phone OPP at 1-888-310-1122. A post-mortem has been scheduled.

Teen attacked in Junot Park

City police are looking for three suspects who allegedly assaulted a 16-year-old boy on Saturday night.

Police, in a release, say the victim was walking in Junot Park at about 10 p.m. when he was attacked by three unknown males.

One of the suspects punched him in the face and pushed him into a large ditch full of water, then all three fled the scene before police could locate them.

All three suspects are described as Aboriginal males, but no further description was available. The victim was not seriously injured and was taken home by police.

Anyone with information is asked to phone police at 684-1200 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Man killed in ATV collision

One man is dead following a collision between an all-terrain vehicle and a motor vehicle near Black Sturgeon Road.

According to an Ontario Provincial Police media release, officers with the Nipigon detachment responded to reports of a collision involving an ATV on May 20 at approximately 6:20 p.m. on a bush road east of Little Sturge Lake off Black Sturgeon Road.

Following an investigation, OPP determined the driver of the ATV was travelling on the bush road and encountered a motor vehicle on a corner. The driver of the ATV lost control and left the roadway, causing the vehicle to roll.

Officers and North Emergency Medical Services attended the location where the driver of the ATV was found unresponsive.

2017 THUNDER BAY BIKE SUMMIT

Getting you back on your bike

- ► Saturday, June 3
- Morning Session: 9am to 12pm
- Afternoon Session: 12pm to 3pm
- Confederation College

Learn more + register at: BikeSummit.ca





Family Group Rides



Kids Bike Rodeo



hunder//Bav





Adult Group Rides

ROLLIN

PETRIE'S

Have Your Say: ► New Active Transportation Plan

Free Bike

Tune-Ups

ecosuperior

New Transportation
 Master Plan

 Image: Second Second

HEALTHY KIDS

IBI

Pagoda designated as heritage site

THUNDER BAY By Michael Charlebois – TB Source

Hajdu wasn't the only polka dot advocate on hand on Tuesday at the unveiling of a plaque at the Thunder Bay Pagoda.

She and many other political figures were present to declare the pagoda as a building of historical significance.

"It was a real honour to talk about the contribution of the pagoda to the region, and the history of the pagoda itself," Hajdu said.

The building is being honoured by the federal government as part of its Canada 150 program.

"When we recognize a site like this, we allow for the interpretation of history to be transmitted to other generations," Hajdu said.

At 108 years old, it is the oldest continuously operating information building in Canada. "It was designed in an era when the city was growing leaps and bounds," said Tory Tronrud, the director and curator of Thunder Bay Museum.

The early 20th century was, according to Tronrud, a boom period for Port Arthur and Fort William.

"They were doubling their population every five years... It looked like there would be no end to it. They had ambitions to be a city of a million or more people."

"The federal government is very picky "The federal government is very picky"

"The federal government is very picky about what it chooses," Tronrud said. "It's a small building, it's on a small piece of land, but it has real significance beyond the building itself."

As for the polka-dots, Tronrud said painting them back on would be OK, as long as it is done well.

"I suppose some people would be upset," said Tronrud. "But for the building itself, it probably wouldn't hurt it."



SPECIAL HONOUR: Thunder Bay Mayor Keith Hobbs (left) and MP Patty Hajdu on Monday preside over the unveiling of a plaque designating the city's pagoda as a national heritage site.



about what it

chooses."

TORY TRONRUD



First 2 months on a 2-year term • \$199 basic installation fee³

Add Xplornet Home Phone for just \$9.99/month⁴

Call us at 1-877-502-1054 to get the high speed Internet you have been waiting for!



¹Offer pricing reflects \$15 discount per month for the first 2 months; monthly price increases by \$15 per month beginning in month 3. Monthly service fee includes rental cost of equipment. Packages subject to availability. Taxes apply. Offer valid until May 31, 2017 for new customers and is subject to change at any time. ²Actual speeds available may vary with your technical configuration, Internet traffic, server and other factors. Traffic Management policy applies. ³If installation requirements go beyond the scope of a basic installation, additional fees apply. Subject to site check, site check fee may apply. See dealer for details. ⁴\$9.99 per month applies for the first 3 months on the Xplornet Home Phone plan; regularly applicable pricing of \$19.99 begins in month 4. Xplornet 911 service operates differently than traditional 911. For Traffic Management Policies and 911 Terms and Limitation of Liability, see xplornet. com/legal. A router is required for multiple users. Xplornet[®] is a trademark of Xplornet Communications Inc. [©] 2017 Xplornet Communications Inc.



LOCALNEWS LCBO workers stage picket

Union members pushing back against the selling of booze in grocery stores

LABOUR By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

The union representing Liquor Control Board of Ontario employees is arguing the privatization of liquor sales in the province will hurt all Ontarians where it matters most, their wallets.

Last Thursday, members of OPSEU Local 741 held an information picket at the LCBO on Arthur Street to warn against what the union calls growing privatization.

"We don't think that selling wine and spirits in grocery stores is in the best interest of the LCBO, especially since the profits of the LCBO generates," said Rob Mithrush, local vice president for Local 741. "Almost \$2 billion a year go back to the people of Ontario, whereas the profits that grocery stores create, go back to buying yachts for the CEOs."

Last year, the province of Ontario legalized the sale of alcohol in certain grocery stores. Two Safeway locations and the Real Canadian Superstore in Thunder Bay were among stores selected to sell beer.

As recently as last week, the Metro on River Street and the Wal-Mart on Memorial Avenue joined the list, which brings the total number of outlets in Ontario now selling alcohol to 206. The province plans to allow the sale of alcohol in up to 450 stores across the province.



FIGHTING BACK: OPSEU Local 741 last Thursday protested the sale of alcohol in grocery stores.

"It seems to me that most of the grocery stores are only blocks away from an LCBO, so for matters of convenience, it isn't much out of their way to go to an LCBO," Mithrush said.

Grocery stores are required to sell alcohol in designated areas by properly trained staff. But according to Mithrush, employees working at LCBO locations provide a level of service not available at grocery stores, which not only affects an evening meal, but people's safety as well.

"We are trained in food and wine matching, we have been trained to prevent the sale of alcohol to minors, people who are intoxicated, and second party purchases and I think we do a fantastic job in that way," he said.

For those shopping at the Arthur Street location, privatization brings benefits, but also some drawbacks.

"I know other provinces in Canada have had privatized liquor sales for some time now, so maybe it's time for us to catch up," said Bryan.

"It seems like every time we privatize something, the cost skyrockets," said Bob. "Just take our licenses for our vehicles, it used to be \$30, now it's up to \$60 just for a sticker for your vehicle."

Mithrush believes the union's message is sticking with the majority of people who support what the union is doing.



Tbaytel Fuels Our Local Economy: Salaries, Capital Spending, Dividends, Community Support

Meet Human Resource Advisor Lia



By Janine Chiasson

With an impressive 115 years of bringing customers the best technology available, Tbaytel remains one of the oldest and largest employers in Northern Ontario with over 420 local and regional employees.

A good portion of today's external hires start in the company's Retail Store or with the Customer Care team. "Both are great places to begin," says Tbaytel Human Resources Advisor Lia, who firmly believes that "no matter what area of the company you come in, everyone at Tbaytel should hear from customers at the frontline."

Tbaytel always works to recruit top talent, but whenever possible Tbaytel hires local people – they know the neighbourhood and they



"New employees are often young local graduates who are able to stay in Northern Ontario because Tbaytel offers competitive opportunities in fields like engineering, IT, business, and marketing."

understand the concerns of customers living in Northern Ontario because they are customers themselves. "New employees are often young local graduates who are able to stay in Northern Ontario because Tbaytel offers competitive opportunities and options for growth and advancement in fields like engineering, IT, business, and marketing," Lia adds.

Last year, Tbaytel's competitive salaries paid employees \$31 million in wages, allowing them to become key economic contributers in Thunder Bay and the region. As Lia points out, "not only do we work here, we live, shop and play here."

Tbaytel employees purchase homes and cars, frequent local businesses, educate their children, give to charitable causes and much more. Once hired, Tbaytel employees tend to stick around. Lia has been with Tbaytel for 10 years and has no intention of leaving. She loves her career and is proud to work for a local company that cares about the communities it serves.

"I like that Tbaytel places a high priority on supporting community events and initiatives," says Lia. "Sometimes staff can volunteer at the events and initiatives supported by Tbaytel's sponsorship program, or help bring Christmas cheer during Tbaytel's 12 Days of Christmas." Including the Tbaytel for Good Community Fund, last year Tbaytel provided \$550,000 in support to individuals, schools, community groups, not-for-profits and charities to help build strong and healthy communities across Northern Ontario.

Tbaytel is an increasingly rare example of an independently owned telecommunications provider that nimbly adjusts to change and still provides exceptional customer service. The model clearly works: Tbaytel provides the City of Thunder Bay with an annual fixed dividend of \$17.375 million with the potential for additional performance-based dividends. This is in addition to the close to \$40 million in capital purchases and services from Northern Ontario businesses every year. "I see this as a win-win situation," says a satisfied Lia. "Tbaytel flourishes, I get to see people grow in their careers and Northern Ontario benefits from a committed local company who is ranked number one among major competitors in supporting our local economy."

Do you have an opinion to share? E-mail the editor at ldunick@dougallmedia.com



DIRECTORY HURCH UNITED CHRISTIAN Neighborhood **Current River Christian Church United Church** Meets at Castlegreen Community Centre Sunday Service 10:30am All Welcome 333 Morse Street Sunday Worship at 10:30 am Pastors Len & Betty 345-8536 Neighborhood.church@gmail.com We Celebrate Community All welcome! PRESBYTERIAN **Knox Shuniah United Church** Shuniah Street • 345-5065 Lakeview Presbyterian Church knoxshun@tbaytel.net 278 Camelot Street http://knoxshuniahunited.webs.com The Rev. Harold Hunt, Minister Sunday Worship: Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m. May 28th @ 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery Provided followed by Hospitality. Minister: Rev. Marlene Britton-Walfall Phone: 345-8823 (5 Director of Music: Betty E. White Sunday School lovingly provided. VINEYARD Call LIGHTHOUSE OF HOPE 346-2600 257 Park Ave. **To Advertise Pastors Tony & Uschi** Sunday Service 10:30am In The Church 767-1705 Directory

OCTOBER 20, 2017 VALHALLA INN, THUNDER BAY, ONTARIO

PRESENTED BY
Bearskin Airlines
Let the Bear take you there!





NISHNAWBE ASKI DEVELOPMENT FUND BUSINESS AWARDS

Celebrating its 27th anniversary, the Annual NADF Business Awards showcases the outstanding achievements of Northern Ontario's growing Aboriginal business community and highlights their contributions to the growth and prosperity of our economy.

We look forward to celebrating Aboriginal business with business, government and industry leaders. Join in the celebration!

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN! (Deadline: August 18, 2017)

FOR TICKETS & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES VISIT WWW.NADFAWARDS.COM





A CHILLY DAY: Staff at the Children's Centre Thunder Bay took part in the United Way's 25th annual Billboard Rescue on Thursday, May 18, 2017. From left: Norine Carroll, CEO Diane Walker, Vanessa Copetti and vice-president John Friday.

Chilly view for good cause

Billboard Rescue participants brave chilly weather during 25th anniversary of the United Way of Thunder Bay's single-largest fundraiser each year

CHARITY By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The wind was whipping and the resulting cool breeze kept teeth chattering, but the United Way of Thunder Bay's 25th annual Billboard Rescue didn't skip a beat on Thursday.

Tom Pugliese of the Independent Resource Living Centre rode the scissor lift for the 10th time in 2017, helping raise much needed cash for an organization that provides much of the funding that keeps his workplace in operation year round.

"As an organization we've always been aligned with the United Way's values, so I think it's important to support local initiative," Pugliese said.

"We have a vested interest because we're funded, but honestly we love the United Way so we take part every year."

The weather, with its off and on pattern of rain, was hardly noticeable, he said.

"Today was a little chillier than some years, but it was dry, which was a nice switch. We've been in every kind of weather possible."

"Today is a

little chillier

than some

years, but it

was dry,

which was a

nice swtich."

TOM PUGLIESE

The goal, though not official, was to beat last year's \$125,000 total.

Participants were asked to raise money ahead of the event, then close out their pledge requests by phoning friends, colleagues and families to donate to the cause before they could be lowered back down to the ground.

The quicker, the better, Pugliese said.

"I think all of us have an innate fear of heights, which is always a joke that we make when we're asking for

joke that we make when we're asking for pledges," he said. "We always make the point that if you

"We always make the point that if you pledge us, we'll go up because we are legitimately all fearful of heights." Co-chairs Michael and Kelly Gallagher said the impact of the Billboard Rescue is almost beyond words.

"This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We raise a lot of money through this and super important for us to hit our goal and to remind everybody about the United Way Community Fund and the 59 programs that we support in Thunder Bay," Kelly Gallagher said.

Her husband couldn't agree more.

"This is one of our most important events because it kind of kicks off the season and helps everyone

in the community get involved – corporate teams, individual teams and individuals giving pledges to help raise the money to make a difference in people's lives," he said.

To donate, visit www.uwaytbay.ca.

Doors open again at Humane Society

TBLife

Following an outbreak of a respiratory illness that closed the local shelter for six weeks, the Humane Society has reopened its doors

THUNDER BAY By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

fter being closed for nearly six Aweeks following the outbreak of a respiratory illness, the Thunder Bay District Humane Society has officially reopened its doors.

"We were really worried in the beginning that we were going to be closed for up to three months," said Brenda Everts, board president of the Thunder Bay District Humane Society. "That was a huge worry for us."

On Apr. 10, the Humane Society was forced to shut down and no longer accept animal surrenders because of an outbreak of kennel cough. Staff believe one of the dogs rescued from the Longlac area was infected with the illness when it was brought to the Humane Society in early April.

Getting the shelter ready to reopen and accept animal surrenders again was an extensive process, Everts said, with the entire facility needing to be sanitized from top to bottom.

"The whole process of getting the virus out of the building, First General donated their time and their equipment and staff to come in and completely clean the building," Everts added. "They basically took everything down and put it back together again. It was an amazing job they did for us.'

With the shelter cleaned and the animals no longer infected, the shelter officially opened on Monday, which was sooner than staff expected.

"It was almost six weeks from start to finish, which is halfway, so we are extremely excited that it didn't take three months and that we are opening at this point in time," Everts said. "The virus ended up being contained to five dogs rather than all 34, which was actually a real miracle in our eyes. The cats were a little different because the cats are in a smaller, more confined area."

New protocols are being put in place to try and prevent another outbreak from occurring. All dogs coming into the facility will be vaccinated against the illness, however, Everts said there is no way to completely prevent another outbreak from happening again.

'Because we are a SPCA facility, we bring in animals from cruelty investigations and you never know what



LOOKING FOR A HOME: Dill, one of the dogs rescued from Longlac, plays in the yard at the Humane Society with Brenda Everts, president of the board at the Humane Society.

kind of virus the animal is going to have when they come in the door," she said. "But you can protect the rest of the population if they are old enough to be vaccinated."

During the closure, the already financially strapped shelter reached out to the community for donations to ensure the shelter did not close permanently. When the outbreak first happened, the Humane Society was hoping to raise \$50,000 to remain open. It has since raised \$42,000.

'The donations were the difference between us being able to pay our bills and not being able to pay our bills at

this particular point in time," Everts said. "Going forward, we obviously are still cash-strapped and it's going to take us a while to get back on our feet and donations are still very important."

Everts said she and staff were really touched by the outpouring of support they received from businesses and organizations throughout the city, and even across the country.

"We received some very large donations from a donor in Winnipeg and some other donations coming in from across the country," she said. "The love for animals and the love for what we do was just amazing."

The condition of 12 dogs found in immediate distress in February continues to improve, though Everts said some dogs may need to be transferred to a rehab centre in B.C.

"There is a rehab center that focuses on retired sled dogs," she said. "We are looking at ways of potentially getting some of the more traumatized dogs out there."

The other dogs may be able to be adopted locally following more extensive training and Everts said she hopes these animals will find the right home and right family.

THUNDER BAY DENTAL SPECIALIS

Has your dentist recommended that you need specialized oral care? There is a group of dental specialists in Thunder Bay that deal with specific dental needs of the community. This group of specialists have years of advanced university training. With the latest technology, continuing education and research in their field, they're able to give you the precise treatment you need. thunderbaydentalspecialists.ca

INCLUDING IN THIS SPECIAL CARE GROUP ARE:

- Endodontists perform intricate root canal treatment and ensures the entire root canal system is filled.
- Dental Anaesthesioligist can safely sedate you for dental treatment.
- Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons perform surgery of the jaw and facial bones, including wisdom tooth removal, bone grafting, facial trauma and dental implants.
- Orthodontists accurately align teeth to improve both function and smile.
- Pediatric Dentists provide dental care to children and young people in a comfortable environment.
- Periodontists treat gum disease and place dental implants to help restore your smile and bite.

These individuals are all part of your community and work closely with your dentist to provide ideal patient-oriented oral care.







Periodontists: Frank Mauro. Stephanie Nigro, Ron Palinka

Orthodontists: Bill Mercer, Reijo Peltoniemi Mark Vukovich



Dental Anaesthesiologist: Doug Mason



Oral &

Maxillofacial

Surgeons:

Bruce Pynn, **David Wilson**



Endodontists: Don Chorkawy. Jamie Bel, Alex Sevo



Pediatric Dentists: Judy Martin Jammie Tosevski

Read us online: www.tbnewswatch.com



Tbaytel.net — Shop your next smartphone online

"Convenient"

Experience mobility made simple. Browse the hottest devices online and purchase your next smartphone from the comfort of your home.

f 😏 🛛 tbaytel.net/mobility



™Rogers and the Mobius Design are trademarks of or used under license from Rogers Communications Inc. or an affiliate.



тв**Life**



NEVER FORGET: Robert Gondek (far right), a veteran of the Battle of Monte Cassino, looks on as members of the Polish Combatants Association of Canada commemorate the Second World War battle.

A fierce battle

Polish veterans remembered the Battle of Monte Cassino during ceremony

VETERANS By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

For many veterans who served in the Second World War, memories of the battlefield are never very far away, and as difficult as remembering can be, it's important that nothing is forgotten.

Robert Gondek, who fought in one of the fiercest battles of the Second World War, said he still remembers the cold February mornings in Italy and how soldiers tried to stay warm.

"In the mornings, we used to get a shot of rum," he said. "Biggest battle I fought was Monte Cassino in Italy. I was 20-years-old. I lost my arm when I was 20."

On Sunday, Gondek was one of more than a dozen members of the local Polish Combatants Association of Canada to participate in a wreath laying ceremony at the Polish Combatant's Branch No. 1, Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 219.

The ceremony is meant to commemorate the Battle of Monte Cassino, where more than 1,000 Polish soldiers were killed while participating in the Allied assault in Italy.

"It was one of the fiercest battles in the Second World War but also one of the greatest Allied victories," said Andrzej Ruta, the national president of the Polish Combatant Association of Canada. "This association was formed by the soldiers of the Second Corp. We remember them and we remember the 1,015 that are buried at Monte Cassino and that is why we pay tribute to them today."

The Battle of Monte Cassino began in January 1944 and raged until May 18, 1944. As part of the Italian Campaign, the series of assaults along several fortified enemy lines was meant to serve as a breakthrough toward the liberation of Rome.

The nearly five month battle saw soldiers from Great Britain, India, the U.S., France,

Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Canada, and Poland fighting to overthrow a determined enemy.

"I go to see Monte Cassino whenever I can do it," Gondek said. "The battle was very hard fought."

Gondek was born in Poland in 1924 and he witnessed his country invaded by Nazi Germany in the west and Communist Russia in the east. Gondek joined the Polish Army and served as a captain for seven years. He participated in the Battle of Monte Cassino where he lost his left arm and he was awarded the War Order of Virtuti Militari, Poland's highest military honour.

"What we have done is helped other people, youngers and olders," he said. "I'm the oldest in here. I'm 93-years old. I'm still doing the best to help other younger people. That is what we are and what we were and what we fought for."

Following the war, Gondek travelled to Canada where he continued to help people by serving on the National Board of Directors with The War Amps.

"We do it because we couldn't get back to Poland," he said. "Luckily Canada offered to take us here. I've been here since 1954."

According to Ruta, Canada accepted more than 4,500 Polish soldiers following the war. Part of the commemoration ceremonies held this week is to honour those who first arrived and established the association to assist those soldiers starting a new life in a new country.

"Our main purpose is to remember our founders and continue with our goals of support for our veterans and their families," Ruta said. "The majority are over 90-yearsold and we have a few over 100-years-old. We also gather to thank them for our way of life. If it wasn't for our soldiers, we don't know what kind of a world we would be living in."

For Gondek, ceremonies like the one on Sunday are important to keep the memories alive for himself, his fellow veterans, and for generations to come.

"You never forget," he said. "Every day. Too many lives lost to forget it. Never forget it."

Three winters, three springs in May

TBLife



What a month! The merry month of May and the battle between winter and spring continues.

I took a chance that spring was finally here and put on the summer tires on the car. Two of the tires had to be replaced and so those brand new ones went on the front since the vehicle is front-wheel drive. I even canvassed several neighbours and even gas jockeys if they thought it was now safe, if we were finally rid of winter. They hemmed and 'umed'. What, I'm supposed to wait until June to be sure? Nutz, I put them on. Then it snowed- again!! "Will this never stop?!" I bellowed as the truck began to slide off the road on the flat. I was chauffeuring my wife, Laura, to her workplace and the conditions on the road were some of the worst I'd experienced - slippery slush. Quickly I switched into four-wheel drive and slowed to a snail pace. Good thing because soon we were up and over the crest of hill that tops Mile Hill in our township. When conditions are as bad as they were that day, you want to crawl down Mile Hill. Interestingly, at the bottom there was no snow. The pavement was wet because what

rain. But soon the day's warmth, such as it was, melted the snow, the only evidence being mere patches that by the afternoon were all gone.

they'd received down there was just

Returning home I dropped in to pay a bill to our auto mechanic who lives just 'up road'. I relayed my tale of derring-do, about the rain that switched to driving snow making driving very hazardous. He said that spring has tried three times to keep a hold on the land. "Each time it snows it stays on the ground for shorter and shorter periods," he said. "So, winter's last gasp?" I ventured. Since that day, no snow, just lots of rain.

I read in the Outdoors section of the weekend newspaper Brian Ratcliff's comment that May is the time (if you love birds) when feeders should be full. The insect population has not burst on the scene that provides food for the 'chirpers'. We've been scattering bird seed on the ground by the wood pile in front of our kitchen window. Every time I do dishes, grab a glass of water, and the like, I look out to see who is pecking at the containers or at the ground - lots of Red-Wing Blackbirds, Blue Jays, grackles, and assorted sparrows. The juncos have now departed for points north.

The other day I spied a lone Rose-Breasted grosbeak mixing with the other feathered things. Wow! He (it was a male) was gorgeous! Brian mentioned in his column that these grosbeaks do show up en route to their nesting grounds. Last year at this time we saw a pair, male and female. And the Ruby-Throated hummingbirds have also showed up to sip from the hanging feeder.

So, yes, I suppose that we are helping the birds survive this period of precious little insect food; but really we are being selfish in that we love seeing the birds close up. It is quite the show.

Then to the south of Casa Jones we have a nesting pair of Canada geese and the Sandhill cranes. At this point we only see either Ma or Pa crane at a time suggesting that they take turns sitting on the eggs in the nest wherever it is located.

Of course as we are bucking, splitting, and stacking firewood, the tweeters and 'cheepers' scatter. But on several occasions when I've approached where they are foraging for the seed we've scattered, I can get quite close. I stand stock-still and greet the 'boidies' the braver of whom will sit perched on a piece of wood to be split or even on the splitter itself and watch me. But, of course, when I move, so do they.

I mentioned 'three springs'. The other day Laura was checking the forecast to see if it would be sufficiently warm to put the trays of plants out on the screen porch to 'harden off' before they go into the ground. "Well," I asked, "do you think that spring is finally here to stay?" "Hope so since we've had three winters and that's more than enough,' she answered. Yup, let's hope so.



For your daily news visit www.tbnewswatch.com

arts entertainment culture

READ US ONLINE: www.tbnewswatch.com







IN THE

It shows. While I don't wish to single out any one artist over I'm mentioning a few works that have me wowed because of the irresistible colour. Such beautiful hues! The technique in "Mercury" (acrylic paint/ink on canvas) plunges us into an underwater realm; we descend down fathoms upon fathoms of chilly turquoisebecome-deepest-indigo. We can feel the temperature drop; we breathe through the gills of two ghostly fish nearby. Reluctantly we surface, our eyes returning beyond the water and up to a corner of the canvas. Now we understand why the artist chose her title for this painting. It sure isn't about the lively properties of quicksilver we may as children have witnessed, intended as an elementary science lesson.

> My other description is of an oilon-canvas imbued with motion. It's called "Wild Flowers". Immediately our eyes are pulled to the lower half of the canvas, to brilliant colour splashes of a meadow in full bloom. Again, we're reluctant to leave this vibrant vista; but for different reason. Our eyes ascend to a

wildly roiling sky. It is either just before or after a dramatic summer storm: the colours near-surreal. Now our eyes don't want to leave this swirling fantastic sky-scape. Inevitably they do. Back to the meadow; back up to the sky. Wild flowers, wild sky. Indulge in this remarkable scenery to your heart's content.

In the third gallery Definitely Superior's leading-edge youth cohort Die Active takes their big and fresh approach to art indoors. Watch what they do to a blank wall inside County Fair Plaza via timelapse video and a snappy back-beat. Don't let a 9-foot ghoulish statue hovering nearby disturb you. Turn instead to another wall: hark, what might you see therein?

"They coated the entire wall with black tempura-paint (ie: waterbased). On opening night: a new reveal! People got to discover, or uncover, what's below the surface. Some were even bringing their own fresh creativity to this wall. It's a live-and-active wall."

So drop by, maybe add your own touches to it.

LU Retrograds 2017; and Die Active's Night Brats wall: up until June 16.



Travelodge

walleye

invited to their first own show, up at Definitely Superior Art on Park right now.

This talented Group of Six have curated everything we encounter in the first gallery space.

Anyone who last month visited the culmination of their academic work, the graduates' Major Studio presentations, will marvel at the new range of ideas and expressions we couldn't have guessed existed within their portfolios.

"A chance for the public to see work possibly never shown before. Throughout the journey to their Major Studio finish in school, these artists have experimented and developed all manner of disciplines and abilities," notes DefSup director David Karasiewicz (LU Visual Arts alumni, by the way). "And yes, they've put it together themselves. This exhibit is a launch out of the institution and into the

IN THE **bay**

The Good Lovelies hit the road again

MUSIC By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

Touring can be a long, lonely, and tough grind for some bands. But for the folk/country trio, the Good Lovelies, sometimes small additions can make hitting the road a delightful experience.

The Good Lovelies, consisting of Sue Passmore, Caroline Brooks, and Kerri Ough are hitting the road this spring, with a short six day tour across Northern Ontario, which will bring them back to Thunder Bay on May 27th.

The trio have been making music together since 2006 and have released four full-length albums as well as several EPs. Their debut album, *Good Lovelies*, won the 2010 Juno Award for Best Roots and Traditional Album.

Having toured extensively across Canada, the trio has also toured Europe

and Australia. But Passmore said tours closer to home always feel a little more special, and a little easier.

"We get to jump in the van from our homes," she said. "It's still our home province and we've got a lot of friends that we made here and there's something nice about driving in Ontario. It's a little bit different when you are off in Australia. You do feel like you are off in a different world."

But even if a tour takes them far from their front door, for the last five years the Good Lovelies have had a little piece of home with them on the road.

Passmore and Brooks both gave birth to sons last March and Brooks' first born has been traveling with the band since 2012.

"There are definitely some challenges to it, but also it brightens the touring life in a very unique way," Passmore said of



A QUICK TRIP NORTH: Caroline Brooks (left), Sue Passmore (middle), and Kerri Ough (right) of the Good Lovelies will be playing in Thunder Bay Saturday May 27th.

touring with little ones in tow. "If the travel day has been hard or here and there things can go wrong, and then you have this delightful infant babbling away and laughing and playing, it can completely change a ridiculous situation around." The Good Lovelies are working on a new record to follow up the 2015 release of *Burn the Plan*, which Passmore said will be released next February. And while the songwriting on the newest record will reflect experiences of family life, musically it will also be taking a big step forward

"We are doing a lot more playing on the record," Passmore said. "In the past, we certainly played, but we also hired other musicians to fill things in. We are doing that, but we are doing a lot more playing ourselves on the record and that has really been a rewarding experience."

Their upcoming show will not only mark their return to the city after six years, but will also support the Sleeping Giant Folk Music Society. Passmore said she is always happy to play in support of folk music societies because they help get her music to audiences.

"They fill a really important place and a really important role in music venues throughout the country and I think it's very important to keep that going," she said.

The Good Lovelies are playing May 27th at 8 p.m. at Urban Abby.



IN THE **bay**

Last Man no longer Standing on

he networks have presented their new fall schedules, causing shock and awe among fans of one Friday night comedy: Last Man Standing. The Tim Allen-led series was cancelled by ABC without warning although after six seasons, you might think the writing was on the wall. Except for a few minor details.

Last Man Standing was one of the network's top comedies, second only to Modern Family in viewership. Yes, those numbers had dropped by five per cent over the last year, especially among the allimportant 18- to 49-year-old demographic.

However, Modern Family had dropped a whopping 13 per cent during the same time span, a trend followed by The Goldbergs, Blackish, and Fresh Off the Boat - all of which were renewed.



ABC's president claimed the network was simply ending their Friday night comedy block. Apparently, changing nights would be unthinkable for the show. (Sure, that never happens.) Or perhaps, there was no room left with the remaining renewed comedies. Except the network is premiering a new sitcom this fall.

Also Tim Allen, a staunch conser-



In response, fans of Standing are crying foul, bringing forth a petition with, at last count, over 250,000 signatures in support of the show.

So why the furor over a sitcom? At a time when the country is so divided politi-

cally, *Standing* is an TIM ALLEN anomaly. It revolves around a father who is an unapologetically opinionated Republican in a house full of outspoken women. This could be a modernized Archie Bunker except that in this case, our hero isn't

So not only does *Standing* not lean toward the liberal ideal, it also shows a group of strong characters that are able to co-exist despite some very strong political differences. Who knew that was

possible? Consequently, Tim Allen

has become a voice for an under-represented populaon television. tion Furthermore, his character offers clear, carefullyreasoned arguments for his beliefs. This is in stark contrast to the Trump supporters on the news who

love to quote unfounded campaign rhetoric but can't offer a factuallysupported defense of their candidate.

If people listened to Standing's commentary, they might find the

two political sides are closer than they think. That is, if politicians can get their egos and personal agendas out of the way.

Fortunately, ABC doesn't own Standing, and the parent company of the show, 21st Century Fox, is now shopping it around to other networks.

In the past, such a move saved Scrubs and Crazy Ex-Girlfriend from cancellation with mixed results.

Hopefully, this will work for Standing's cast, crew, and loyal viewers like myself (more left-wing than right, by the way).

Because differing viewpoints allows for better and deeper discussion.

And most viewers need their political lessons served in small, easy bites. So the next time they protest, they know what they're fighting for.

OPEN YEAR ROUND RV SERVICE REPAIRS CROSSWORD PUZZLE ACROSS N N N A L B S 1 0 1 1 0 1 </th <th>N N S G K E I U R S S I N I A O S N</th>	N N S G K E I U R S S I N I A O S N
• Complete Undercarriage Work • Repairs to RV Furnaces, Fridges, WWH & Converter • TSSA Licensed for LP Servicing	SSI NIA OSN
Quality, Personal, Affordable RV Service You Can Trust! 16 Nat'l Endowment for the Arts (abbr.) 58 Paim líquor 59 Capture 60 Jewish month 17 Hereditary factor 58 Paim líquor 59 Capture 60 Jewish month 61 Attention (abbr.) N <td< th=""><th>CEN</th></td<>	CEN
Sudoku Balanda AUAIA A S S R I K A H K Y L I Signification of the server of the server of the numbers 1 through 9. 20 Spotted cat (abbr.) 1 Christmas (abbr.) Signification of the server of the numbers 1 through 9. 1 Christmas (abbr.) 1 Christmas (abbr.)	A T I G G T U D S H C E
5 2 1 4 31 bitland bitland Boat Kentish law 19 Poly. beefwood 21 Suggestion 23 Mortar mixer 24 Twin crystal 31 Diminutive (suf.) X T 0 I D I E K S N L 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 6 9 10 11 31 Diminutive (suf.) 32 Bantu language 36 Conger 39 To (Scot.) Q 0 A R Y H S V R A K C 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 39 To (Scot.) B I V S D N N N S X S F	FFU IUQ OUS
6 5 3 1 12 13 14 44 Scales (pref.) Basins Essay Midst 15 16 17 46 P.I. food Bellow First Movie Needy 15 16 17 46 P.I. food Bellow Future Needy	Ruins Siege Siren
4 9 2 18 19 20 21 14 47 Discharge 48 Bridge (Fr.) Chiefly 48 Bridge (Fr.) Idols Notch 5 3 19 22 23 24 19 20 21 19 20 21 19 48 Bridge (Fr.) 50 Baseball Chiefly Idols Notch 18 19 22 23 24 19 20 21 10 50 Baseball Chiefly Idols Notch 18 19 22 23 24 10 10 50 Baseball Choke Insensitivity Others 19 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 Chord Irons Posing 10 10 10 29 30 31 32 10	Snuff Spanks Thesis Vexed Whipped Wowed
9 2 33 34 35 36 37 55 Adjective-forming (suf.) 56 Edgier Leases Reeds 1 8 55 36 37 41 42 55 Adjective-forming (suf.) 56 Compass direction Edgier Leases Reeds 1 8 55 44 45 45 60	Written ated from quotations e world. Each letter
8 3 6 2 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 MOFBKZ JXWQ FBI XWE0 WDD	OWZF
6 2 9 ©2017 Satori Publishing DIFFICULTY: ★☆☆☆ 58 59 60 60 - - TWDGX JWDZB - TWDGX JWDZB - TWDGX JWDZB - TWDGX JWDZB - C2017 Satori Publishing 62 63 - - TWDGX JWDZB - - TWDGX JWDZB - - C2017 Satori Publishing - - C2017 Satori Publishing A193 - - - - - C2017 Satori Publishing - <t< th=""><th>ОИОТНВК</th></t<>	ОИОТНВК



Zimak, Cameron cruise to wins

RUNNING By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Carole Cameron left her children at Camp on Monday morning, telling them she was just going out for a quick run.

And run she did.

The Thunder Bay woman passed Hilary Quirion at about the three-mile mark in the 84th running of the Firefighters Ten Mile Road Race and never looked back, cruising to her first win in the city's most prestigious race.

"I think I may have to stick around. I may have to go and get (my kids) and bring them back for the awards," said Cameron, who crossed the finish line in a respectable 1:07.15.

"I had a good run. It felt good. I didn't know what the competition would be about. I just put my music on and went out for a good, hard run."

Once she passed Quirion, Cameron said she found her zone and kept it the rest of the way.

"I like to run on my own ... enjoy the scenery and clear my head," she said. "I listened to the crowd. They were great and I saw some people along the way, threw my gloves off and kept going.'

Quirion, who collapsed in exhaustion after completing her run, finished just 22 seconds behind Cameron.

On the men's side, things weren't nearly as close.

Trevor Zimak, who runs for Lakehead University, donned the No. 1 bib and lived up to the hype, cruising to victory in a personal best time of 51:17, 3:31 quicker than his next closest competitor, Duluth's Scott Behling.

"I feel OK," he said. "The time wasn't what I was looking for, but it was nice and cool, which was good. I went out hard on pace for trying to break that elusive 50 (minute mark). I



FAR IN FRONT: Lakehead's Trevor Zimak easily won the Ten Mile Road Race by 3:31.

was 25:04 around the half and made the turn and tried to work it as hard as I could.

"There was a little bit of a headwind the rest of the way. I just wasn't able to hold that pace."

Essentially he was racing against the clock and himself for most of the morning.

"You've just got to keep focused and stay mentally engaged," Zimak said. It was his second straight title.

This year's race had a bit of an added twist, with firefighters donning full

gear and running a leg of the course, among 255 runners taking part in this year's relay event.

New recruit Stephanie Drost held the anchor position and said it was tough, carrying around an extra 50 pounds of gear.

"It was pretty challenging. I did a couple of practice runs, but this was definitely pretty hard," Drost said.

The race also featured NHLer Jordan Staal, who joined wife Heather in the field and placed a respectable 194th in the 604-runner field in a time of



Scott Denning	54.40
David Depiero	56:49
Jon Balabuck	57:03
Dylan Brown	57:13
Stephen Chapman	57:22
Marc Hardiejowski	59:00
Doug Thiessen	59:39
Tyler White	59:50
Connor MacIntosh	1:00:25
Derek Patterson	1:00:46
John Power	1:00:53
Kip Sigsworth	1:01:11
Marko Ahokas	1:01:17
Scott Wiebe	1:01:28

Women

1:07:15
1:07:37
1:08:04
1:09.15
1:10:00
1:10:30
1:11:01
1:11:12
1:11:25
1:11:27
1:11:34
1:13:14
1:13:19
1:13:52
1:14:17

1:25:47.

Staal said he was simply looking for a new challenge.

"My wife's always been a runner and she and her dad wanted to run the race ... To be honest, I was a little sick of going to the gym, so I tried it to try to keep in shape a little bit throughout the month-and-a-half that I've been off," said Staal, whose Carolina Hurricanes missed the playoffs for the eighth straight season.



Healing With Laser Therapy Seminar Do you suffer from: \sim Fibromyalgia \sim Neck pain ~ Frozen Shoulder \sim Tendonitis \sim Low back pain

~ Sprains & Strains \sim Hip pain \sim Whiplash \sim Knee pain \sim

Arthritis \sim Tennis Elbow \sim Heel pain \sim Psoriasis ~ Plantar Fasciitis ~ Sports Injuries

~ Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

also used for Smoking Cessation.

Cranton Wellness Centre 3-701 Memorial Ave. Call 343-7932



Dr. Alan Cranton Robert Jarzebinski DC,ND (Ret) B.Sc., D.C., CLT All in attendance will be eligible for a **FREE COLD LASER** THERAPY CONSULTATION to see how Laser therapy would benefit them. LIMITED SEATING Reserve your Seat by calling 343-7932 CHECK US OUT AT...

www.crantonwellness.com



STAAL

FOUNDAT ON

OPEN PRESENTED BY TOAYTE

JULY 10-16 2017

Where Everyone Plays

VOLUNTEERS

CADDIES

NEEDED

MACKENZIE TOUR

ĨÌ

WHITEWATER GOLF CLUB



sports NEWS

Cats forced to road

Renovation delays mean team's home opener will be pushed back two weeks

BASEBALL By Leith Dunick - TB Source

ome is not so sweet for the Thunder Bay Border Cats this spring.

The Northwoods League team this week learned it will lose its first nine home games, the city blaming inclement weather for killing a section of infield turf and in need of four weeks to get Port Arthur Stadium back into playing shape.

Border Cats general manager Dan Grant called it a devastating blow to the team, which will

have to shift its home-opener two weeks until June 17. The nine games lost will instead be played in several U.S. communities., starting a neutral-site game on June 3 against the Rochester Honkers in Marshall, Minn.

It's not an ideal situation by any means, Grant said, adding some college teams might have second thoughts about sending players to Thunder Bay once they learn about the situation.

"It's potentially pretty big," the secondyear GM said. "It's 30 per cent of our

revenue. We're not a huge organization, we're not a huge profit company. Thirty per cent is monstrous. But not even including that 30 per cent, we have to figure out the upfront costs of paying for the road trip."

Huge expenses

That means more nights on the road, meals, hotels and added transportation costs that weren't originally in the team's budget as it gets set to play its 15th season. They've also got to determine how to get players originally scheduled to meet the team in Thunder Bay to the new game sites.

"Logistically we've got to kind of take a deep breath today and really figure out how we're going to organize all of this," Grant said.



DAN GRANT

"It's easy to say it's devastating. That's something we'll know more about in the future. Hopefully some positives come out of this. Right now it's a bit of somber information."

Just switching the games to their opponents' home parks wasn't an option in many cases, as fields in St. Cloud and Rochester were booked solid.

City officials called it unfortunate, but said there's not much they could have done to foresee what had happened.

Weather issues

Tom Forsythe, the supervisor of golf and cemetery operations, said freezing rain, a wonky freeze-thaw cycle and heavy rainfall in late November combined to wreak havoc on the Port Arthur Stadium field, which last fall undertook the start of renovations required for

the city to host the U18 World Baseball Cup this coming September.

A late April ice storm also hampered efforts.

Forsythe said the sod not only has to be properly laid, but its root system must knit together. Playing on it too early could be disastrous and lead to serious player injuries. "We have to make sure the field itself is

safe. We had to pick a date basically, and the way their schedule worked within the fourweek time period, the 17th tends to be the best date for them."

The team was given a heads up last fall that there could be a delay, but league competition rules limit the length of road trips allowed to be scheduled.

In addition to games against Rochester, the Cats will take on St. Cloud for a pair in Brainerd, Minn. on June 5 and June 6, and will tangle with cross-border rival Duluth at Wade Stadium on June 7, June 8 and June

They'll spend June 15 and June 16 in Waterloo, Iowa, then open their home schedule on June 17 against the Eau Claire Express.

Anyone holding tickets to the affected nine games can exchange them for any other home game and the team said anyone with questions can contact the box office at 766-2287.



VISIT: staalopen.ca f 🎔 🖸

GET INVOLVED

Help support local charities by being part of this community family event. No experience required. Have fun, meet new people, and volunteer! Janzen's Pharmacy the Official Volunteer Sponsor

PRESENTING SPONSOR	PLATINUM SPONSORS/PARTNERS		MEDIA & CON	IMUNICATIONS
* 0-0-*	Bumper to Bumper* BayAirpor	7	Lakehead Printing	he Chronicle@Journal
STAAL FAMILY			€ FIREDOG	NNL NETNEWSLEDGER Keen is the same of the kineter
TITLE SPONSOR	which during the Prince	OBANO		015
tba ytel	=GOLDCORP	SKYWAY	Roch 94	CICPR

sports NEWS

Wolves land new forward

BASKETBALL By Leith Dunick - TB Source

on Kreiner says he's added a fierce competitor to his squad in Charlotte Clifford.

A standout at Jacob Hespeler Secondary School, the 5-foot-11 Clifford has tremendous physical tools, the Lakehead University women's basketball coach said in a release issued on Wednesday by the school

"Combine that with a great heart and will to succeed, Charlotte will be a force to reckon with over her career with the Thunderwolves," Kreiner said.

"Charlotte is known for her aggressiveness, her ability to play smart defence and her rebounding skills. She is a natural leader with a great work ethic and tremendous enthusiasm for the game. I look forward to helping her develop into a force in the OUA.'

The top scorer on her high school team, Clifford averaged 15 points a game last season, leading her squad to the county finals in Waterloo Region Basketball.

Her high school coach had high praise for his graduating star.

"For four years Charlotte has been the hub of our program. On a daily basis, in practice or games, Charlotte led the way for her teammates and continually improved over her career to become a premier defender, rebounder, and a tireless leader for the team," Mike Kilpatrick said.

"Whether it's going for a loose ball, getting a big rebound, setting a screen for a teammate, Charlotte found a way to make Jacob Hespeler basketball a huge success and with coach Kreiner's recruitment, Lakehead women's basketball just got better."

An honour student, Clifford said she's excited to start the next phase of her basketball career.

"I am really looking forward to working with coach Kreiner and my new teammates as a Thunderwolf in September 2017," she said.



NEW FACE: Charlotte Clifford averaged 15 points a game in her final high school season.



www.dragonhillgolfcourse.com



Read us online



FOR MORE INFO VISIT US ONLINE @ TBAYROLLERGIRLS.COM OR FACEBOOK.COM/TBAYROLLERGIRLS



For your daily news visit www.tbnewswatch.com

53. GENERAL SERVICES

INCOME TAX/E-FILE SINCE 1989. Take Tax Entitlements. advantage of Personal/small business. 807-344-2886 from 9-6. After hours, leave message

Income Tax/e-file since 1989. Take ad-Tax Entitlements. vantage of Personal/small business. 807-344-2886 from 9-6. After hours, leave messade

Norm's Northern Auto Body and Paint, 903 Northern Avenue. Since 1984! HOURS: 10AM-5PM MON-FRI! Reasonable pricing! All work done on hoists For better coverage on all lower areas! 939-2873.

ANTOINES LAWN CARE! Lawns, hedges, shrubs, gardens, flower beds, garbage runs, gutters! Free estimates, senior discounts. Book now! Call 708-7836

<u>54. Home improvements</u>

AFFORDABLE and QUALITY RENOVA-TIONS! Kitchens, bathrooms, painting decks, windows, doors, and drywall! Insurance compensation. FREE ESTI-MATES! 35yrs exp. Call Ron 632-6671

DAN'S HOME SERVICES Renovations -Drywall, plaster, tape, painting, decks, fences, small jobs, FREE ESTIMATES! Professional Service 344-8092 or 627-5713

Flooring: laminate, ceramic, hardwood, competitively priced and installed by Octagon Contracting. Call 633-4488 for your free quote.

Forever Wood Fencing (and Decks). Our posts do not sink or lift. It's a trade secret we learned from an old craftsman. We're fast, reasonable and reliable. PC Construction. 252-9114

Read us online @ www.tbnewswatch.com



Is looking to fill the following three positions:

HVAC Technician (313D-ODP-G3) **Gas Technician (G2) Sheet Metal Worker (Journeyman)**

Permanent fulltime with company benefits. Wage based on experience and certificate. Must be reliable and pass a security clearance clean driving record.

PLEASE SEND RESUME TO:

Lakehead Burner Service Ltd. 626 Waterloo Street S. Thunder Bay, ON P7E 2C5 E-MAIL: lakeheadburner@tbaytel.net FAX: 473-1893

54. HOME IMPROVEMENTS

PENSIONED PAINTERS looking to stay active. Very reasonable rates. Neat, fast working, former housing authority professional painters. Also drywall repairs & small renovations. Call or Text 626-6926 Renovations: Working Carpenters/Partners with extensive renovation experience. We're reasonable and reliable. PC Construction. 252-9114

Renovations: bathroom, kitchen, basement or any part of your home or cottage, drywall and tile installation. Call Octagon Contracting at 633-4488 for your free quote.

64. CRAFT & FLEA MARKETS

June One Stop n' Shop Saturday June 17 from 8-1:30pm at Heritage Building (CLE grounds). Something for everyone! Free Admission. Draw prizes valued over \$600! Variety of local vendors for all ages and non profit organizations needing your support. Visit www.face book.com/groups/ OneStopandShop

If the

you're reading didn't come to

your door call 346-2600

for home delivery.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY



 Check out what homes are scheduled for open houses at a glance with the Open House ticker

· Browse listings at work, home or on the run; Real Estate Listings support desktop, tablet and mobile phone viewing



BUSINESS DIRECTORY



tbnewswatch.com/realestate

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

H



YOUR COMMUNI VOICE. PING YOU INFORMED Want to Sell? The tbSOURCE Classifieds are online, so it's easier than ever to sell those unwanted items. www.tbnewswatch.com



ORGANIC

already mastered, you will never grow." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

E-WASTE

DIASTIC

NEWS

24 Thursday, May 25, 2017

For your daily news visit www.tbnewswatch.com

