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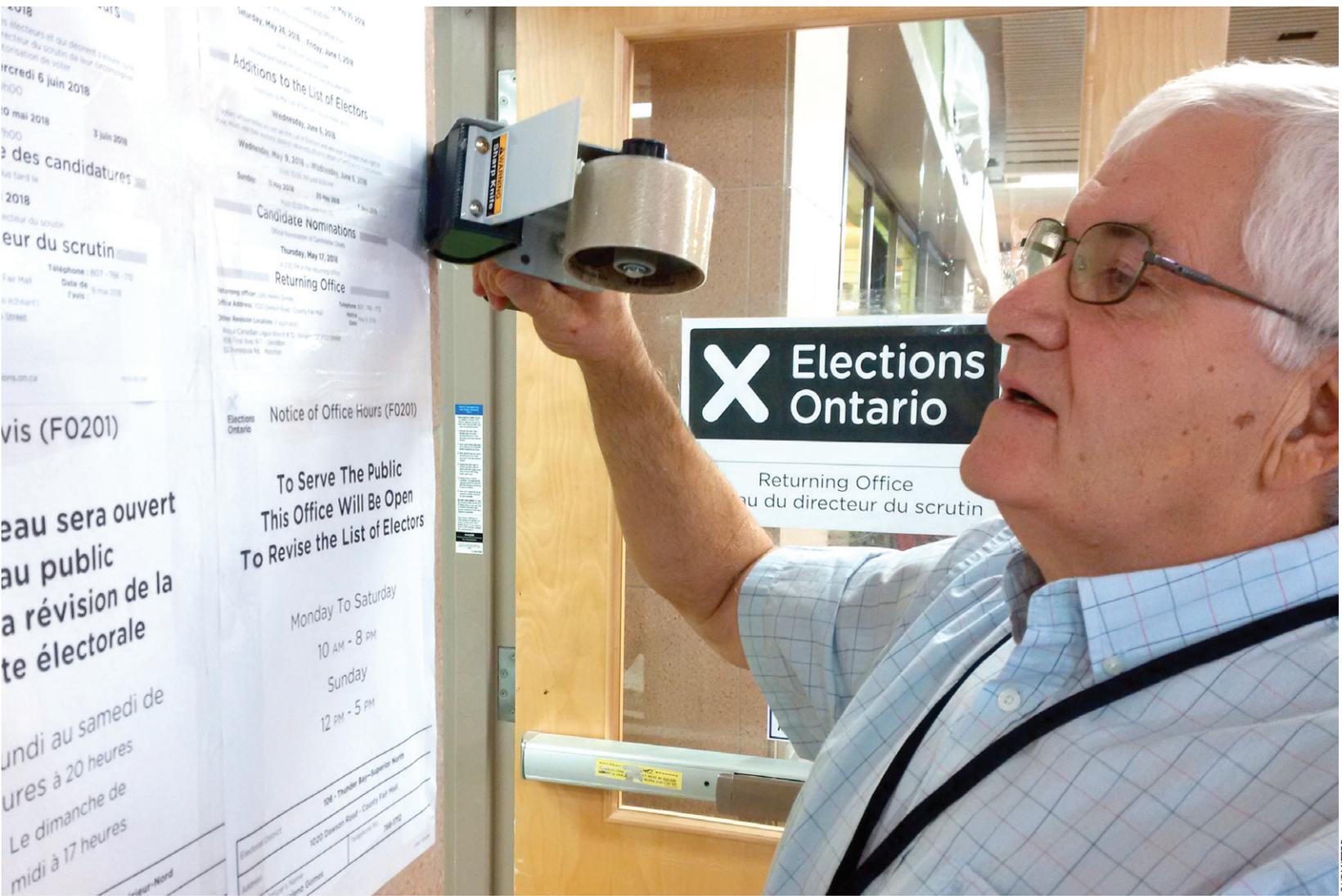
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We've profiled the candidates running in both Thunder Bay-Superior North and Thunder Bay-Atikokan /10-18



TIME TO VOTE: Dale Mason, election clerk with the Thunder Bay-Superior North electoral district, posts the notice to voters outside the returning office at County Fair Mall, listing the candidates who are registered for the Ontario General Election in the riding. Advance Poll voting began last Saturday. The election takes place June 7. See our candidate profiles on pages 10 to 18.



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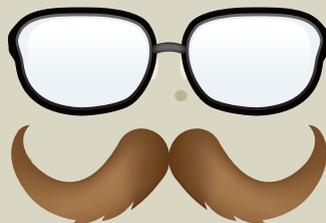
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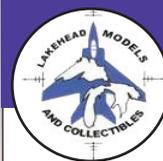
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# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



# LOCAL NEWS



MATT VIS

**BUDGET QUESTIONS:** Thunder Bay city councillor, Rebecca Johnson, questioned if the city is budgeting properly during last Monday's meeting.

## City sets tax ratios

Thunder Bay taxpayers will pay nearly 63 per cent of municipal tax levy in 2018, up from approximately \$4 million last year

**CITY COUNCIL**  
By Matt Vis - TB Source

Residential taxpayers are saddled with paying nearly 63 per cent of this year's municipal tax levy, continuing an inclining trend from 49.5 per cent in 1999.

Thunder Bay city council on Monday night set the city's tax ratios for 2018, which results in a 2.43 per cent increase for residential property owners. The rate increase for each residential property differs depending on its individually assessed value.

City revenue director Rob Colquhoun said the median household, with an assessed property value of \$199,000, would pay \$66.95 more in property taxes this year, bringing the total to \$3,258.

Since 1999, the city's tax levy has nearly doubled from \$95.9 million to \$188 million this year. Over the course of those two decades, the large industrial's share of the levy has dramatically dipped from nearly 12 per cent in 1999 to 1.75 per cent in 2018.

As well, a provincially imposed tax burden is in effect for the city's multi-residential class, requiring the amount of the levy increase from those properties to be redistributed to other classes. That freeze is designed to force the multi-residential tax ratio down to two per cent from the current 2.42 per cent.

There are similar levy restrictions on municipal tax increases on commercial and industrial properties because the city's ratios exceed provincial thresholds.

The policy approved by council followed administration's recommendation to implement revenue neutral tax ratios, which maintain the same distribution of municipal property taxes among classes. That policy keeps the residential below the 2.78 per cent increase that would have been in place using a

strategy of starting ratios. "Every option that is available has been taken to mitigate the shift onto residential. Despite that, there is still going to be an ongoing shift onto residential," Colquhoun said. "A lot more could be shifted onto residential if council were to do choose."

Council also approved directing the city's \$5.6 million tax-supported surplus from 2017 into reserve funds. The majority - \$3.1 million - will be transferred to the Renew Thunder Bay fund while \$1.1 million will go into the stabilization reserve fund to replenish the amount used during budget deliberations to offset the levy hike while the remainder will be divided between the insurance and legal fees reserve funds.

While many councillors commended administration and said the surplus is good news, Coun. Rebecca Johnson said she doesn't want to see a \$5.6 million variance every year.

"Are we really budgeting properly?" Johnson asked. "To me, that's a lot of money that we can have at the end of the year regardless of where it comes from. That says to me we're not really budgeting properly."

City treasurer Linda Evans said the final surplus doubled from the third quarter projection of \$2.8 million due to higher than forecasted revenues from taxation, penalties and interest, casino revenue and interest income, as well as departmental savings, lower overtime costs, staff turnover and corporate energy savings.

"These are expenses or higher revenues that are very difficult to forecast. They fluctuate often from year to year depending on a number of factors," Evans said. "The review concluded the majority of that \$5.6 million in surplus really related to one-time items and were transferrable to other years."

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# LOCALNEWS

# Walking to cure multiple sclerosis

**THUNDER BAY**  
By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

Marc Larocque was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 2005, a date that is inked onto his forearm along with a tattered red ribbon and an arrow, which symbolizes that every step forward requires a step back.

Larocque is hoping so many people taking steps forward during the annual Thunder Bay Mandarin MS Walk will help make those steps back seem even smaller as even bigger leaps forward are made when it comes to treating people living with MS.

"I think it's absolutely great," he said. "The more people that come out the better. It just shows that together as a community it brings awareness and support to people who do have to fight every day of their life to just do basic day-to-day tasks."

More than 75 people registered for the walk on Sunday and organizers hope to raise more than \$28,000 this year for MS research and services in Thunder Bay.

"We have a lot of people who come year after year and have big teams,"



**IMPORTANT STEPS:** Marc Larocque (far right) walks with family and friends during the 2018 Mandarin MS Walk last Sunday.

DOUG DIACZUK

said Margaret Jurcic, chair of the Lake Superior District Chapter of the MS Society of Canada. "It's a family affair for a lot of people. Others just want to walk and support us."

Multiple sclerosis is an autoimmune disease that affects the central nervous system and can cause symptoms such

as extreme fatigue, weakness, tingling, impaired sensation, vision problems, and cognitive impairment.

"More and more people are being diagnosed," Jurcic said. "Canada has the highest MS rate in the world. MS is Canada's disease. Even people who move from other countries come here

and have a higher chance of getting MS, which is unbelievable."

It is unclear why people living in Canada appear to be diagnosed with MS more than anywhere else in the world. But in the last 30 years, developments in treatments and medication have greatly improved the lives of

people diagnosed with MS.

"The medications have completely changed and also the outlook, the whole thing of knowing you have to stay physically fit, have a good diet, look at your stress levels, it's made a big change," Jurcic said.

Larocque said when he experiences a relapse of symptoms that include tingling, numbness in his hands and legs, and optic neuritis, the medication that is available now has made living with these symptoms much easier.

"I went from one med to another and almost in a month made my symptoms disappear and has kind of kept them at bay and since I started my new medication, I've been doing fairly well," he said.

But despite advancements in medication, living with MS is still incredibly challenging, which is why events like the Mandarin MS Walk are still so important in supporting people diagnosed with the disease.

"If we can raise tons of money for MS, great, because there will be a cure one day," Larocque said. "I know there will. You just have to have hope."

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## LOCAL NEWS

# Tour company to fly out of waterfront

## CITY COUNCIL

By Matt Vis - TB Source

A company planning to offer helicopter tours based out of the city's waterfront has been given clearance for takeoff.

Thunder Bay city council on Monday night approved a three-year temporary use bylaw to allow NorthWest Helicopters to operate out of the Pool 6 lands.

The tours would allow for a maximum of three people per flight, which would last between 10 and 20 minutes, according to the report to council. The proposal estimated flights of between six and 12 per week day and as many as 15 to 20 on weekends and holidays.

Company director Liam Dowds told council he wants to provide a go-to adventure tourism service, which

means providing a high quality experience with minimal disruption.

"My whole business case is predicated on showing Thunder Bay and everything it has to offer, including wildlife, including the environment," Dowds said.

An information package presented to council advised that tours will have several pricing tiers, with options including a view of the Terry Fox Monument or a flight up the Kaministiquia River to Fort William Historical Park or Kakabeka Falls.

Dowds said he anticipates the company will complement existing tourism opportunities and help promote the city.

"This is good for me but this is good for Thunder Bay because not only are we going to showcase our service but by extension, Thunder Bay," Dowds said.

City administration had initially

**"My whole business case is predicated on showing Thunder Bay and everything it has to offer"**

LIAM DOWDS



**READY TO TAKE OFF:** NorthWest Helicopters company director Liam Dowds speaks at a Thunder Bay city council meeting last Monday.

received six letters of concern and two letters of objection from adjacent residential property owners after issuing notice of the application, with noise and concern about flight paths among

the issues cited.

Dowds said a public meeting held earlier this month answered many of those concerns, adding the helicopters would be based 650 metres away from

the nearest residences and would not be flying directly overhead.

"We looked at some flight paths and decided we could create our own noise abatement programs," Dowds said.

"Our flight paths will never be over the residents. Our plan is to depart either out over the water or out over the industrial lands. We'll climb to a reasonable altitude our noise study will dictate and we'll use the breakwater that's along the waterfront as a guide to traverse back and forth across the waterfront."

Fueling and maintenance will be conducted off site, Dowds added, telling council the goal is to have a minimal footprint at the waterfront.

The tours will not operate while cruise ships visit the city, as they dock at Pool 6. Cruise ship travel will return to Thunder Bay this summer for the first time in six years when the Victory II uses the Lakehead as a turnaround point in July.

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# Editorial

## EDITORIAL

### Cast your vote, please

The provincial election is a week away.

The hard-fought campaign is winding down and voters have some serious soul searching to do before casting a ballot.

All four major parties have something to offer the electorate, and all four leaders genuinely care about the people of Ontario and their futures.

They differ, however, on how best to guide them there.

The province is at a crucial juncture. Northern Ontario even more so, as it looks to continue rebounding from the forestry collapse and find a way to make the mining sector grow the economy and help Indigenous communities thrive while respecting their traditional lands.

At the local level, in this issue, we've spoken to all the local candidates – with the exception of Libertarian Dorothy Snell, who won't be visiting Thunder Bay-Atikokan during the campaign – our attempt to let you get to know them a little bit more than you did before the writ was passed.

Take the time to read the profiles and any other literature that might be out there about their respective party's platforms.

Then, on June 7, head to your local polling station and cast your ballot. Have your say on the future of Ontario by exercising your democratic right to vote. It's one of the most important rights of being Canadian, a right you should never take for granted.

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### Funds for special needs

To the editor:

As the past president of George Jeffrey Children's Centre and Board Director for the Ontario Association of Children's Rehabilitation Services (OACRS), I want to take a moment to talk about caring and fairness for children and youth with special needs in Ontario.

George Jeffrey Children's Centre is one of 21 Children's Treatment Centres here in Ontario that collectively serve over 80,000 children and youth with special needs annually. Since 1948, George Jeffrey Children's Centre has been delivering one-stop access to inter-disciplinary, evidence-based, and family-centre services for children and youth with special needs.

We work with regulated health professionals to deliver a wide variety of treatments and services in urban, rural and remote communities across our region.

But the child and youth community-based rehabilitation sector has been under-funded for many years.

We have heard from families that CTCs like George Jeffrey Children's Centre need to dramatically reduce wait times, provide more therapy for children and youth, and ensure that services are more flexible and accessible to families living throughout our region.

We know there is work to do to meet these objectives, and we've been speaking to governments of all political stripes for decades about this pressing need.

To address the needs of the children of today and tomorrow, in a manner that is fair and equal in all communities, CTCs require new, significant, long-term investment of \$120M over four-years, beginning with \$40M in 2018-2019.

As 21 CTCs, we are calling on the government and all political parties to make this historic investment in the health and quality-of-life of all of Ontario's children and youth with special needs

This is about caring and fairness for Ontario's children and youth with special needs. It's about caring and fairness for their families.

It is about making sure that every child and youth with special needs in Ontario gets the same chance to thrive at home, excel at school, and fully participate in our community – just like other kids.

Stephanie Ash  
Director, Ontario Association of  
Children's Rehabilitation Services  
(OACRS)

Past-president of the board of  
directors,  
George Jeffrey Children's Centre.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



# Tourism season hits



**BOB NAULT**  
FROM THE HILL

The long weekend has passed, the warm weather has arrived, and the tourism season has officially started in Northwestern Ontario. Tourism is an important economic driver, supporting over 1.8 million jobs in communities across the country, including many of them right here at home. Each year, tourists from throughout Canada, the United States, and elsewhere, come to spend their time enjoying our region, which in turn supports many of our local businesses and helps to create hundreds of jobs.

Annually, Canada sets aside a week to recognize the importance of

the tourism industry. To celebrate Canada's annual tourism week, the federal government encourages everyone to post photos and videos of local tourism attractions and activities on social media using the hashtags #TourismMatters and #TourismWeek.

Whether it's your favourite local park, a unique small business, or a notable adventure, we want to highlight an industry that employs many Canadians and represents two percent of our GDP.

As I mentioned previously, a lot of jobs are directly or indirectly related as a result of the number of tourists that come visit us here in the North. Fishing guides, lodges, outfitters, and souvenir shops are just a few examples of the many businesses that benefit from their arrival.

This summer, there will also be lots of job opportunities for students. These jobs are invaluable.

Not only do they provide work so students can spend their summers at home with their families, they offer real work experience and prepare them to enter the workforce.

It's not just Northwestern Ontario experiencing growth in our tourism sector. According to Statistics Canada, 20.8 million international tourists visited the country last year. That is the highest number in Canadian history. In 2017, total tourism revenues from domestic and international travellers reached \$97.4 billion, an increase of 6.3 per cent compared to 2016.

Tourism has always played a large role in Canada's economy, directly or indirectly supporting one in 10 jobs. I fully support this government's commitment in continuing to invest in promoting the beauty of our country, and Northwestern Ontario, to the world.

**Bob Nault is the Liberal MP for Kenora**

# Perspective

## Search for the New Red

### OPINION

By J.R. Shermack  
Special to TB Source

This is a story about the continuing search for a new, brilliant, vivid, non-toxic, non-fading red pigment.

A pigment is a substance that can be used to impart color onto another material.

Pigments may be biological like chlorophyll that turns plants green, hemoglobin that makes blood red or bilirubin that turns babies yellow.

They may also be inorganic or synthetic, made from metallic salts like cobalt blue, cadmium yellow or molybdate orange.

Pigments are used commercially for coloring paint, ink, plastic, fabrics, cosmetics, food and many other materials.

Blue and red pigments are uncommon in the natural world and difficult to formulate in the lab, making them rare and valuable.

This really is a story about red but oddly enough it begins with the accidental discovery of another intense pigment, a dazzling blue.

Professor Mas Subramanian (materials science) was working in the lab late one night when his eyes beheld a wonderful sight.

He was researching exotic materials (for use in electronics) when his happy accident occurred.

By heating elements to extremely high temperatures he was trying to create useful new substances.

What emerged from the crucible

was a “stunningly intense blue powder” – the professor recognized immediately its potential as a pigment.

He applied for a patent and boasted the first new blue pigment discovered in over 200 years, since Cobalt Blue (1802).

The new hue was named YinMn Blue (pronounced Yin-Min), an amalgam of its components - yttrium, indium oxide and manganese.

It was described by its discoverer “as vivid as lapis lazuli or ultramarine” - it was stable, non-toxic and didn’t fade in the sun.

With this notable, low-tech discovery the Professor gained notoriety when Crayola introduced a new color based on YinMn Blue.

They named it “Bluetiful”, the #1 choice of many ideas including Dreams Come Blue, Star Spangled Blue and Blue Moon Bliss.

But enough about the blue – the professor added copper to make green, iron to make orange and zinc/titanium for purple.

He was hooked on hues but the Holy Grail of the pigment world, the red, has eluded the researcher so far.

There has never been a great, all-around red and the world has always made do with unsatisfactory alternatives.

Each of the more than 200 natural and synthetic red pigments in use today has problems ranging from health and safety to stability to chromaticity.

In prehistoric times red ochre was used as paint – long-lasting but not very bright.

In the 16th and 17th centuries the search for the perfect red involved monarchs, pirates, artists, scientists, spies and poets.

In Mexico the conquistadors discovered a wonderful new red called “cochineal”, derived from insects.

Shiploads of dead little bugs containing this potent red pigment sailed to Spain and became a valuable target for pirates.

Cochineal is still the brightest red pigment available anywhere and an important food additive, although it can cause severe allergic reactions.

That’s the rub with red – organic pigments may contain allergens and inorganics have toxic elements such as mercury, lead and cadmium.

Red 254 (Ferrari Red) is safe and popular but being carbon-based, it doesn’t do well in the sun and rain.

The search for the new red continues - creating a new pigment can be very lucrative.

Ferrari Red generates about \$300 million annually – the new red will emerge and is already nicknamed the “billion dollar hue”.

The Professor may claim some of that but he keeps his perspective.

He found YinMn Blue while researching electronics – he jokes that he could make an electronic breakthrough while searching for the red.

I have no color commentary to add.

**“The search for the new red continues - creating a new pigment can be very lucrative.”**

### GETTING READY TO WALK



**WARMING UP** Peng Yu leads the warm-up exercises on Saturday, May 26, 2018 before the 24th annual Walk for Alzheimer's at Marina Park.

LEITH DUNICK

## A look back in history:

### Fire pumper

Members of the Fort William Fire Department and various city officials pose with the department’s new 800-gallon pumper truck in front of St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church, not far from their Central Firehall.



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Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) is initiating an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the *Environmental Assessment Act* for the proposed Lake Superior Link project. The Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO) *Updated Assessment of the Need for the East-West Tie Expansion, 2017* states that a new transmission line "...continues to be the recommended alternative to maintaining a reliable and cost-effective supply of electricity in Northwestern Ontario for the long term." The EA will consider two route alternatives for a new 400 km, double-circuit 230 kilovolt transmission line between Lakehead Transformer Station (TS) near Thunder Bay and Wawa TS near Wawa, as shown on the map. The reference route generally parallels Hydro One's existing East-West Tie transmission corridor with the exception of a new section of corridor near Dorion and a section through Pukaskwa National Park where existing infrastructure would be modified. The reference route alternative generally parallels Hydro One's existing East-West Tie transmission corridor with the exception of a new corridor section near Dorion and a section that traverses around Pukaskwa National Park.

In March 2018, Hydro One hosted public information drop-ins along the project route to provide initial opportunities for stakeholders to learn more about the Lake Superior Link project, meet the project team and provide feedback. Hydro One is aware of the extensive consultation already completed on the reference route alternative and will make best efforts to streamline consultation and studies whenever possible.

### The Planning Process

This EA will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. The first step is the preparation of a Terms of Reference (ToR) which will set out the framework and work plan for addressing *Environmental Assessment Act* requirements when preparing the EA, including an outline of the studies and consultation activities that will be undertaken. Important elements of this work will be to evaluate the reference route and reference route alternative, assess potential effects and determine measures to reduce or mitigate these effects.

A draft ToR will be made available for review and comment during early summer 2018. Hydro One anticipates that the ToR will be completed mid-summer 2018, at which point it will be submitted to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (Minister) for review and decision. If approved by the Minister, the EA will proceed as outlined in the ToR.

### Consultation

Indigenous communities, government agencies, municipal officials, members of the public and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning process. Consultation and engagement opportunities will be organized throughout the planning process and communicated via community newspaper advertisements, mailings and on the project website. Members of Hydro One's project team are always available to discuss the project with interested parties.

We will be hosting another round of Community Information Centres as outlined below to provide a project update and continue discussions about delivering tangible benefits to communities in the project area.

### Please join us:

#### Monday, June 11, 2018

**Thunder Bay**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Valhalla Inn – Viking Room  
1 Valhalla Inn Road

**Nipigon**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Royal Canadian Legion  
Branch 32  
102 5th Street

#### Tuesday, June 12, 2018

**Red Rock**  
12 p.m. – 2 p.m.  
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 226  
43 Salls Street

**Dorion**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Dorion Community Centre  
175 Dorion Loop Road

**Terrace Bay**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Terrace Bay Cultural Centre, 13 Selkirk Avenue

#### Wednesday, June 13, 2018

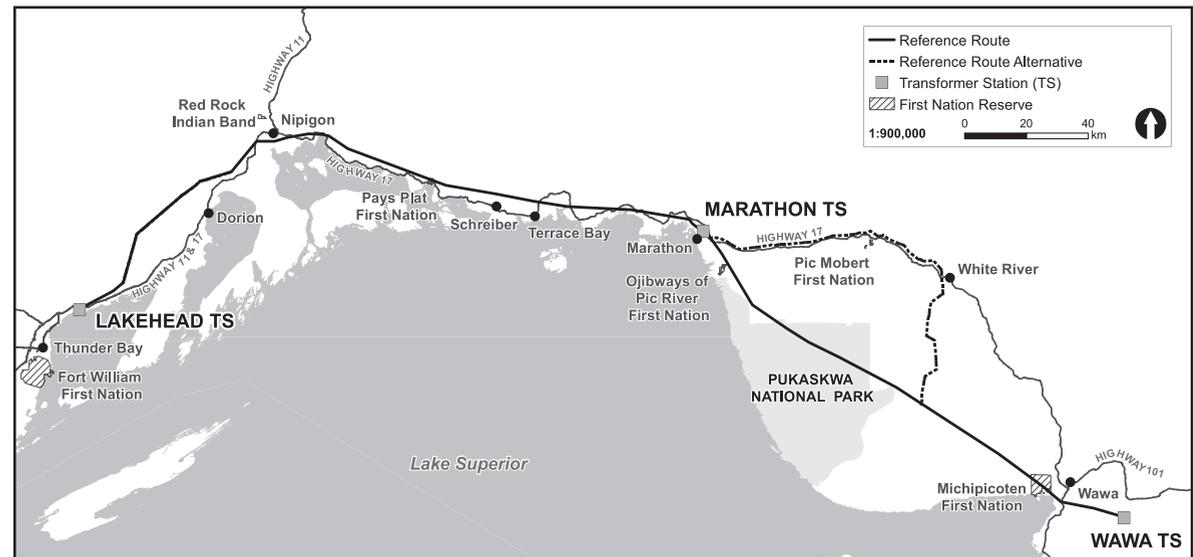
**Schreiber**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Schreiber Municipal Gym  
204 Alberta Street

**Marathon**  
2 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
Marathon Centre Mall  
2 Hemlo Drive

#### Thursday, June 14, 2018

**White River**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
White River Community Centre  
6 Winnipeg Street

**Wawa**  
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Royal Canadian Legion  
Branch 429  
51 Broadway Avenue



Information gathered at these Community Information Centres will be used both to complete the ToR and to gather information toward completion of the EA.

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# PROJET LAC SUPÉRIEUR DU CORRIDOR

## AVIS – COMMENCEMENT DU CADRE DE RÉFÉRENCE ET INVITATION À UNE SÉANCE D'INFORMATION PUBLIQUE concernant le Projet du Corridor Lac Supérieur – Hydro One Networks Inc.

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) entreprend actuellement, conformément à la *Loi sur les évaluations environnementales* de l'Ontario, une évaluation environnementale (EE) pour le Projet du Corridor Lac Supérieur. L'étude de la Société indépendante d'exploitation du réseau d'électricité (SIERE) – *Updated Assessment of the Need for the East-West Tie Expansion, 2017* – qui évalue la nécessité d'étendre la ligne de connexion Est-Ouest existante, indique qu'une nouvelle ligne de transport « demeure la solution de rechange recommandée pour maintenir dans le long terme un approvisionnement d'électricité fiable et rentable dans le Nord-Ouest de l'Ontario ». L'EE examinera deux itinéraires possibles pour l'implantation d'une nouvelle ligne de transport à deux circuits à 230 kilovolts, qui s'étendrait sur 400 km entre le poste de transformation (PT) de Lakehead, près de Thunder Bay, et le PT de Wawa, près de Wawa (voir la carte). L'itinéraire de référence globalement suit en parallèle le corridor de connexion Est-Ouest existant de Hydro One, sauf qu'un nouveau tronçon de corridor est prévu près de Dorion et qu'une section de l'infrastructure traversant le parc national Pukaskwa serait modifiée. L'autre itinéraire de référence globalement suit en parallèle le corridor de connexion Est-Ouest existant de Hydro One, sauf en ce qui concerne ici aussi un nouveau tronçon de corridor prévu près de Dorion et un autre tronçon qui passera à l'extérieur du parc national Pukaskwa.

En mars 2018, Hydro One a tenu des haltes-information le long de l'itinéraire envisagé pour permettre aux intervenants de mieux se renseigner sur le Projet du Corridor Lac Supérieur, de rencontrer l'équipe responsable et de faire part de leurs commentaires. Hydro One est au courant de la vaste consultation qui a été déjà menée sur l'autre route de référence et fera tout son possible pour simplifier la consultation et les études.

### Processus de planification

L'EE est menée conformément aux exigences de la *Loi sur les évaluations environnementales* (la Loi). La première étape consiste à préparer un cadre de référence qui établit le plan des travaux et études à mener en réponse aux exigences de la Loi; le cadre indique en particulier les études et les activités de consultation qui seront entreprises. Une partie importante des activités consistera à examiner l'itinéraire de référence envisagé et l'autre itinéraire de référence, d'en évaluer les effets potentiels et de déterminer les mesures à prendre pour réduire ou atténuer ces effets.

Une version provisoire du cadre de référence sera mise à la disposition de la collectivité pour examen et commentaires au début de l'été 2018. Hydro One pense que le cadre de référence sera achevé en milieu d'été, après quoi il sera présenté au ministre de l'Environnement et de l'Action en matière de changement climatique (le ministre) pour examen et décision. S'il est approuvé, Hydro One entamera l'étude environnementale conformément au cadre de référence.

### Consultation

Nous encourageons les parties intéressées, notamment les collectivités autochtones, les organismes gouvernementaux, les dirigeants municipaux et les membres du public à prendre part activement au processus de planification. Des occasions de consultation et de participation seront organisées tout au long du processus de planification; elles seront annoncées dans les journaux locaux, au moyen d'envois postaux et sur le site Web du projet. Les membres de l'équipe Hydro One sont toujours disponibles pour discuter le projet avec les parties.

Nous tiendrons une autre série de séances d'information publique (voir ci-dessous) pour faire le point sur le projet et poursuivre les discussions sur les avantages tangibles que ce projet représente pour les collectivités de la région.

### Joignez-vous à nous :

#### Lundi 11 juin 2018

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17 h - 19 h 30  
Valhalla Inn - Salle Viking  
1 Valhalla Inn Road

**Nipigon**  
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Légion royale canadienne  
Filiale 32 – 102, 5<sup>e</sup> Rue

#### Mardi 12 juin 2018

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12 h - 14 h  
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Centre communautaire, 175 Dorion Loop Road

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17 h - 19 h 30  
Centre culturel, 13, avenue Selkirk

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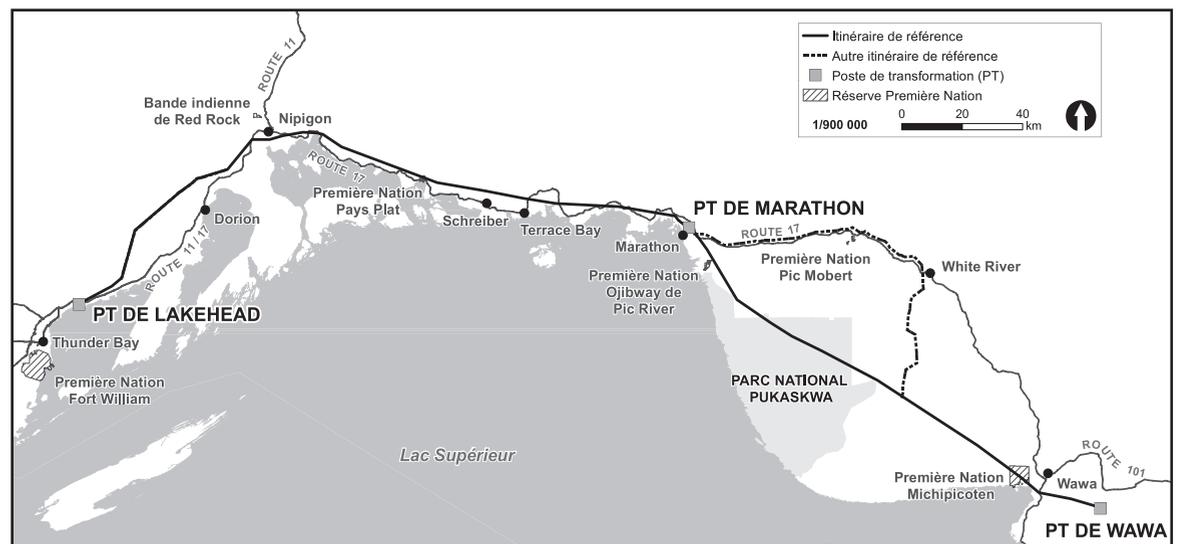
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L'information recueillie aux séances d'information sera utilisée pour la préparation du cadre de référence et de l'évaluation environnementale.

### Pour d'autres renseignements sur ce projet, veuillez contacter :

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Tous les renseignements personnels requis lors de la soumission de commentaires, tels que le nom, l'adresse, le numéro de téléphone et l'adresse de la propriété, sont recueillis, conservés et divulgués par le ministère de l'Environnement et de l'Action en matière de changement climatique (MEACC) à des fins de transparence et de consultation. Ces renseignements sont recueillis en vertu de la *Loi sur les évaluations environnementales* ou sont recueillis et conservés dans le but de créer un dossier qui sera mis à la disposition du grand public, comme le prévoit l'article 37 de la *Loi sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée*. Les renseignements personnels feront partie d'un dossier public qui sera à la disposition du grand public, sauf si vous demandez qu'ils soient tenus confidentiels. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter le coordonnateur de l'accès à l'information et de la protection de la vie privée du MEACC au 416 327-1434.

## CANDIDATE PROFILES

## Ewen is an alternative

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

**H**ealth care is by far the biggest issue facing residents of Northwestern Ontario, says the Ontario Trillium Party's inaugural candidate in Thunder Bay-Superior North.

Louise Ewen says the answer lies partially in ridding the system of much of its red tape. Only then can money be properly directed to taking care of people's health-care needs.

"It is obvious from the Auditor General's report that the Local Health Integration Networks are a huge issue in not addressing the health-care issues for all our communities, especially in the north. So I think we need to review that and see where we can get the bureaucracy out and get front-line workers in," the 56-year-old mother-of-three said.

Founded in 2014, the Trillium Party of Ontario offers a right-wing, conservative alternative for voters that

promises to give the government back to the people.

Ewen said it's that philosophy that drew her to the party and convinced her to throw her name into the ring for the June 7 provincial election.

"We will always fight for individual rights and freedoms," Ewen said. "We will not vote a party line. We believe that every constituent's voice counts and that everyone in the community needs to have an opportunity for their voice to be heard in Parliament.

"We need to ensure that we vote their voice, not the party line. That's where I think we're a huge difference."

Other parties may say it, but they don't actually follow through, she added.

"Usually (politicians) have two choices. They can stay away from Parliament and not vote, which means

they are whipped by their party – which means they have to vote what the party tells them. Our leader, Bob Yaciuk, said he will never whip a member, at all."

Ewen said the Trillium Party's values of democracy, integrity, law and transparency were the reasons that convinced her to run.

A small business owner at heart who went back to school to become a teacher, Ewen said she loves working with the community and finding opportunities to help others, be it an individual, an organization or a business.

"I would really like to see more small businesses supported in our communities, to give them the opportunity to prosper and provide full-time jobs," she said.

Other issues the party will fight for include the elimination of the carbon tax, safe, affordable day care and the end of the Green Energy Act.

**"We need to ensure that we vote their voice, not the party line."**

LOUISE EWEN



LEITH DUNICK

**FIRST-TIMER:** Thunder Bay's Louise Ewen is running for the Ontario Trillium Party.

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## Gallo's for the people

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

**T**ony Gallo has a pretty good reason for jumping into the 2018 provincial election race.

As the Libertarian candidate for Thunder Bay-Superior North, the 47-year-old candidate said he didn't like the other options on the ballot.

"I wanted someone I could vote for," said Gallo, a second-time candidate who also ran under the Libertarian banner in 2011, when he garnered 133 votes and finished fifth in a race of five ultimately won by long-timer Liberal MPP and cabinet minister Michael Gravelle.

No fan of big government, Gallo said it's time for politicians to stop their overreach and govern by the people and for the people, instead of what's best for big business and other special interests.

Take property rights, he said.

"I don't like the idea that the government can take your property if they want to," Gallo said. "They pay you for it, but it's really yours to have."

Gallo would also like to see a lot less red tape, which he said hamstring businesses and individuals alike.

"There are too many regulations," he said. "Drugs, anything – anything you want to do to your own body, you should be able to.

"People can make their own choices and do what they want."

Gallo would also like to see alter-



LEITH DUNICK

**SECOND TRY:** Tony Gallo first ran for the Libertarians in the 2011 election.

natives available in the health-care field, suggesting the public isn't best served by a fully government-run system.

There are better alternatives, he said.

"If a doctor wants to do his own private thing and charge more, and I want to do it, I should be able to pay that," Gallo said.

Though he's a second-time candidate, Gallo is realistic about his

chance on June 7.

But the Libertarian Party is trying to build its name across Ontario and he said he figured he'd file his nomination papers to run to help ensure they have candidates in every riding. It's the only way the party can grow, he said.

"I don't think they're quite going to do it this year, but that's their goal and this is the closest they've come. So I said sure."

CANDIDATE PROFILES

# Gravelle loves his job

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Michael Gravelle really doesn't need much of an introduction.

First elected for the Liberals in 1995 in Thunder Bay-Superior North, the 69-year-old has spent the past 23 years in the political spotlight, first as an opposition MP, then a loyal backbencher and finally, for the past 11 years under premiers Dalton McGuinty and Kathleen Wynne, as a valued cabinet minister.

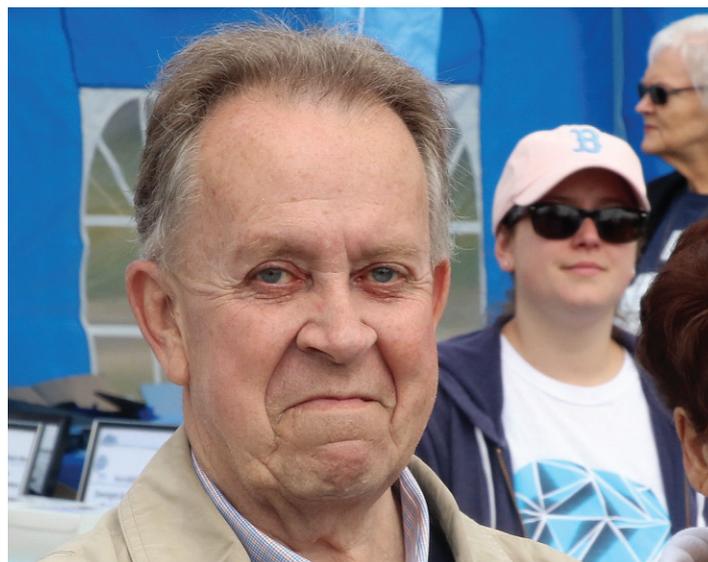
On June 7 he'll be asking voters to return him to Queen's Park for a seventh term and says there's still plenty he'd like to get done before he walks off the provincial stage.

"I feel very committed to my constituents. I've been the MPP for the past 23 years and certainly I relate well to everyone in the riding," he said.

"I recognize that Thunder Bay-Superior North is a huge riding with many different and unique needs - as Northern Ontario has many unique needs. That's why I'm very supportive of our Northern platform, which speaks to those needs."

Looking back on his accomplishments, Gravelle said the work being done to twin the highway between Thunder Bay and Nipigon is something he's quite proud of, adding the Liberals aren't done yet.

"Now we're going to be able to four-lane that all across the North. It's



**VETERAN MPP:** Liberal Michael Gravelle has been in cabinet for the past 11 years.

a huge priority for us," Gravelle said.

Securing jobs and improving the economy is also high on a list that also includes the continued revitalization of the forest industry and helping to guide the booming mining sector.

"We've got mines opening all across the North. We've got a modernized Mining Act that has made it stronger and more efficient and made Ontario an attractive place to invest," he said.

"We want to continue to move things forward so we can help the mining sector, which is a huge employer in the North, and I want to

move forward with the Ring of Fire. These are things that are still not yet done."

He also wants to see through an all-seasons road into several Matawa First Nation communities, an extension of the Ring of Fire effort.

Twenty-three years in, and Gravelle, who has fought both cancer and depression in recent years, said it's the love of the work that keeps him going.

"And it's the love of the people who helped me get through this," he said. "There is no question each and every community is special."

# Moddejonge goes Green

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Amanda Moddejonge is a relative newcomer to the Thunder Bay area, but has no plans to return to her southern Ontario roots.

Check that. The 38-year-old mother-of-one would be only too happy to pay frequent visits to Toronto as the elected Member of Provincial Parliament for Thunder Bay-Superior North.

A first-time candidate, Moddejonge is running for the Green Party, and she says there's a lot to like about what's going on in Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario, but there's also a lot not to like. It's the latter she'd like to fix.

"I made a home here a few years ago and I've gotten to know a lot of the things that are going on," she said.

"I know that I can support them with the work that I've done and the work that I continue to do. I'm really focused on environmental issues and



**HOPEFUL:** Amanda Moddejonge is a first-time candidate for the Greens.

issues with children and infrastructure issues as well. I'd just like to see a positive change here in Thunder Bay as well."

Looking at the Thunder Bay-Superior North riding, Moddejonge said the natural beauty of the area must be a huge consideration when

looking to grow the regional economy. The two can work hand-in-hand, she said.

"This is a very beautiful and natural area and I'm not against innovation in any way. I just want to see it done in a more sustainable and clean way," she said.

Running under the Green Party banner, especially in Thunder Bay with its long history of voting Liberal and NDP, won't be an easy breakthrough.

Moddejonge is realistic about her chances, but said the Green Party's time is coming.

"I think their voice has been heard over and over again, because every time the Greens come out with something in their platform, whether it be for the Ontario party or for the federal party, they get picked up by other parties and implemented," she said. "So things like free tuition, that was a Green Party platform."

Moddejonge is a certified environmental practitioner and a recent graduate of Confederation College.



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CANDIDATE PROFILES

# PC's Parks runs for a second time in TB-SN

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Matt Vis – TB Source

Derek Parks knows what it's like to have to leave home to pursue an education and a career. He's come back in hopes of a full-time transition to politics.

Parks will be putting his name on the ballot for the second time, returning as the Progressive Conservative candidate in Thunder Bay-Superior North after a third-place finish in 2014.

"Like a lot of people I had to move away for an education. One thing I do hear a lot at the doors is people telling me their kids have moved away because they weren't able to find a job," said Parks, who grew up in Nolalu and attended high school in Thunder Bay.

"That's disheartening. We have to bring those opportunities back. We have great institutions with Lakehead University and Confederation College and they're saying we have a retention problem. We're training people with these great skill sets but they can't use them here.

As an environmental scientist with a background in mining, Parks is particularly frustrated with his perceived lack of Ring of Fire development, eight years after Cliffs Natural Resources originally purchased a number of the mineral deposits.

Parks said he was told directly by party leader Doug Ford to work hard to get elected, because Ford could use somebody like him.

"When someone like that shows he will lean on you if you can get to the

table, I'll take that chance," Parks said.

A father of two, Parks said his initial introduction to provincial politics showed him this was something he wanted to chase.

High costs, specifically hydro, are common themes he frequently hears on the campaign trail.

Financial stress from property value assessments have also been taking a toll across the region, he added.

"When you have a house along the north shore that was \$250,000 and it's now \$500,000, they're evaluating these properties like they're in Muskoka," Parks said.

"For me, that's very tough when you have a very senior demographic and their pensions only go up one or two per cent, if at all, and their property taxes are going through the roof."



MATT VIS

**PARTY INSIDER:** Derek Parks is a long-time executive in the Ontario PC party.

# Vaugeois has high hopes

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

Lise Vaugeois, who has called Northern Ontario home for the last 27 years, believes key assets in Ontario should remain in the hands of the public while key services should never be out of reach.

"I've been watching years and years of cuts and privatization of core services and I've been very disturbed by this," she said. "The NDP has a history of standing up for public services that are accessible to everyone and I want to be part of making that change."

Vaugeois is running for the New Democratic Party in the Thunder Bay-Superior North riding, her first foray into provincial politics.

Originally from Hamilton, Vaugeois moved to Thunder Bay to play with the Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra in 1991 and has called the north home ever since. She has a master's degree and PhD in education and is a member of the faculty of education at Lakehead University.

According to Vaugeois, past Progressive Conservative and Liberal governments have hurt the province of Ontario through cuts to health care and the sale of Hydro One.

"The Liberal government betrayed the people of Ontario by selling 60 per cent of what was a public asset," she said. "We want to get Hydro back under public ownership and public control."

With the province still owning 40 per cent of Hydro One, Vaugeois said dividends received can be used to

buy shares back.

"It's a long term project, not something that can take place in a year, but it's crucial that we do it," she said.

When it comes to health care, Vaugeois recognizes the region is in a state of crisis, with shortages of beds and frontline health care workers, which she said is due in large part to cuts made by the Mike Harris government,



DOUG DIACZUK

**PROMISE:** Lise Vaugeois says a pharmacare plan is a priority for the NDP and her party will deliver it for everyone in Ontario.

damage the Liberal governments that came after have failed to fix.

"We want to make sure home care and long-term care are properly funded and properly staffed," she said. "In addition to that we want to make sure everyone has access to pharma care and dental care and child care. We know the NDP brought us universal health care. Ontario got it in 1968 and has been part of our party's goal to make health care truly all inclusive."

Part of the plan will involve injecting funding into the health care system, removing funding freezes, and increasing the number of beds and staff.

"We will work with frontline workers to see what needs to be fixed," she said.

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**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Matt Vis - TB Source

Andy Wolff sees the Northern Ontario Party as having the potential to act as a watchdog to hold whichever party that forms the next government accountable to the region.

Wolff, the party's candidate in Thunder Bay-Superior North, says the party believes in doing the right thing and is not bound by partisan lines.

"There are many things we do agree with when the parties make their promises for the development of the north," Wolff said. "Well, we would be the ones to hold them accountable on that. To have somebody to be voted in on that promise and then break that promise, they won't go against their party. They would rather side with the party than their

constituents. We're not bound by that because we are there to serve our constituents."

Having representation at Queen's Park would be a first for the party, which traces its roots back to a separatist movement in the 1970s. After being disbanded in 1985, the party was revived in 2010.

"We know we're not going to be running the government," Wolff said.

"However, if it was a minority government we could hold the balance of power because we don't lean left or right. We're pretty much straight down the middle. Whether it was a (Progressive) Conservative government or a Liberal or NDP, we could support that government if they have good legislation."

Four years ago the party finished last in the six-person race in Thunder Bay-

Superior North, receiving just 136 votes, leaving likely slim to none odds of prevailing in the riding.

Wolff, who is running provincially for the first time, had previously put his name forward municipally in the Current River ward where he finished as the runner-up in 2010 and 2014.

Electricity prices are a main issue for people in the riding, Wolff said.

"Why are we paying so much? We have the hydro here, we have the resources. Our hydro should be cheaper here in Northern Ontario than it is in Southern Ontario. They're taking our resources," Wolff said. "That affects business, economic development as well as people."

Wolff said he will also push for manufacturing policies that ensure resources are processed in the region, full financial disclosure of casino revenue and safety improvements to interchanges along the Thunder Bay Expressway.



**POLITICAL JUNKIE:** Andy Wolff also ran for city council in the 2014 municipal election.

**"Why are we paying so much? We have the hydro here..."**  
**ANDY WOLFF**

# Bruno's for the North

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

David Bruno says the three Greater Toronto Area legacy political parties have had their chance and all but ignored Northwestern Ontario.

It's time to give someone else a voice.

He'd like it to be his.

Bruno has hopped into the provincial election fray in 2018, declaring he'll seek to wrestle the Thunder Bay-Atikokan seat away from Liberal MPP and cabinet minister Bill Mauro, who's held it since 2003.

"I really just wanted to walk the walk instead of just talking the talk," said Bruno, who will run under the Northern Ontario Party banner.

A partner at Donato's Bakery, which his family has operated for more than a century, Bruno says first and foremost he wants decisions that affect Northern Ontario made by Northern Ontarians, not pulled out of a hat by those in the south.

"There are just no issues that they're dealing with," he said. "It ends there. We get placated every time there's an election and that's not me. That's not what represents me, not my community."

One government department in particular should make a permanent home in this part of the province, Bruno said.

"First and foremost, I'd like to see the Ministry of Natural Resources really established in the place where the resources actually are. That's here in the Northwest," Bruno said.

"And there's another answer I want to give you. How many times have we heard in the media, a Toronto mining company? How ridiculous is that. First of all, are they mining in Toronto? Is that what's happening? No, they're mining it here."

Attitudes toward the North also have to change.

Toronto may have the largest commodities exchange, but without the material being mined, they've got nothing to sell.

"A little bit of respect is where I would start."



**SWEET WORK:** David Bruno is a baker in his daily life.

A former supporter of local Liberal representatives, Bruno said the North needs to stand up for itself, hence his decision to run for the regional Northern Ontario Party, which will field a slate of 10 candidates in ridings across the region on Election Day.

"The point is the squeaky wheel gets the grease and it's time for some grease up here," Bruno said. "There's a lot of focus on the Ring of Fire. In the last two elections they said they were going to put money (in). Where's the beef? Where's the money?"



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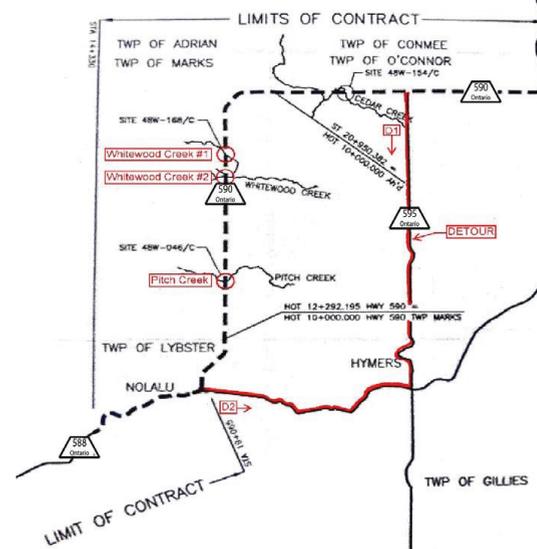
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## CANDIDATE PROFILES

# Mauro seeks fifth term

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Matt Vis – TB Source

**B**ill Mauro says one day he wants to learn a second language and how to play a musical instrument.

But he doesn't intend for that day to be any time in the near future.

First elected to Queen's Park in 2003, the Liberal incumbent is seeking his fifth consecutive term as the MPP for Thunder Bay-Atikokan.

Mauro said he prefers to let his record speak for itself, and highlights measures that led to the resurgence of the city's Bombardier plant as well as saving the Thunder Bay and Atikokan generating stations, two former coal-fired power plants that have been repurposed to biodiesel.

"I just focus on the results," Mauro said. "Here's what we've accomplished, here's what you've asked us to do, here's

the results. Judge us on our record. We think it's a very positive one."

The 61-year-old proved to be a versatile member of Kathleen Wynne's cabinet during the previous four years, first managing the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry before being appointed minister of municipal affairs.

Mauro takes pride in the ongoing diversification of the local economy, strengthened by the introduction of angioplasty to the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre with a further commitment for full cardiac surgery as well as the first law school in the region brought to Lakehead University.

"We've seen a growth in the knowledge-based, recession-proof jobs where a lot of our younger people now have opportunities to stay here where they didn't before," Mauro said.

Mauro, a former teacher, got his polit-

ical start in Thunder Bay city council chambers, being voted in as Northwood ward councillor first in 1997 and then successfully winning re-election three years later.

While he said he didn't have initial ambitions to jump towards the provincial legislature, by the end of his second term on council he realized the influence and potential to make change that position held.

"You learn early that your ability to impact your community is certainly enhanced if you're a provincial member if you consider the files that are within the provincial purview and control," Mauro said, adding main issues on the campaign trail generally focus around the economy, health care and education.

"We feel like when it comes to those three or four main files we've made really remarkable progress here in Thunder Bay-Atikokan."

# Monteith-Farrell wants to improve the region

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Doug Diaczuk – TB Source

**A**fter serving as an advocate on behalf of workers in the Northwest for more than 25 years, Judith Monteith-Farrell, said she wants to go beyond advocacy and start making real changes.

Monteith-Farrell is running for the New Democratic Party in the riding of Thunder Bay – Atikokan in this year's provincial election.

"When I was approached to run for the NDP, I gave it serious thought and I felt I had spent my life as an advocate for working people and I had done so quite successfully and thought I would like an opportunity to act as a person who would fix the systems that I saw were flawed," she said. "No matter how much advocacy you do, if the systems are not working, I thought it was a good transition to try and fix those."

**"A really compelling reason for me to get involved was the health-care system."**

**JUDITH MONTEITH-FARRELL**

Born and raised in Thunder Bay, Monteith-Farrell worked as a union representative for the Public Service Alliance of Canada for the last 25 years.

She has experience dealing with systems around disability, WSIB, pensions, and labour laws, as well as the impact of poverty and the health care system.

"A really compelling reason for me to get involved was the health care system," she said. "It is getting worse rather than getting better. I saw a great need to have those improved,

our hospitals and our access to doctors and medical professions and long-term care situations and mental health. Those are the things I really believe our area needs to work on."

In order to improve health care, Monteith-Farrell believes more funding is needed, as well as more nurses and health care professionals working in the region.



**EXPERIENCED:** Judith Monteith-Farrell has spent her career helping members of the Public Service Alliance of Canada.

This is the first time Monteith-Farrell has run for public office and she believes her years of experience advocating and bargaining on behalf of workers will serve her well when it comes to serving the people of Thunder Bay-Atikokan.

"Something I bring to the table is the ability to mediate and work with parties of all stripes," she said. "I have a background in arbitration and mediation. Getting parties to agree on solutions and keeping their personalities out of it. I think that is an important thing in a politician, being able to work with different groups."



MATT VIS

**VETERAN MPP:** Bill Mauro was first elected to Queen's Park in 2003, while on city council.

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## CANDIDATE PROFILES

# Hydro high for Northey

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Doug Dlaczuk – TB Source

The resource-based economy of Northern Ontario is not at odds with environmentally sustainable policy and a candidate in this year's upcoming provincial election says the two working together actually provides a lot of opportunities.

John Northey, who is running for the Green Party of Ontario in the 2018 provincial election in the Thunder Bay/Atikokan riding, previously ran in 2014 for the Green Party.

Northey has degrees in statistics and economics from the University of Guelph and has worked as a computer programmer.

While many of his priorities from the 2014 election remain the same, he said one of the most important issues in this year's election is electricity.

"The Liberals and the Conservatives especially seem to be ignoring the fact that the nuclear plants are all about to be renewed shortly which will commit Ontario tax payers to massive increases for our electricity prices for the next 20 years," he said.

According to Northey, it would be much cheaper to sign up for power generated in Quebec for Southern Ontario and Manitoba for Northern Ontario.

"We would be getting power for less than half the price than nuclear companies are currently charging," he said. "The nuclear companies are asking for a 180 per cent increase over the next decade, which seems to be totally ignored by the big parties."

When it comes to issues like the carbon tax, Northey said the Green Party believes switching to a carbon fee and dividend will not only help reduce carbon emissions, but help the Ontario taxpayer's wallet.

"Carbon fee and dividend would pay an equal amount to every single Ontarian," Northey said. "So everyone in Ontario would make the same amount from it. So whatever is collected would be distributed equally to every person in the province. So you would pollute less and make a profit on it."

When it comes to the Ring of Fire, Northey believes environmentally sustainable methods of transporting materials from the chromite rich deposits are possible.

"We've been pushing for many years now for the smartest option for the Ring of Fire is to put electrified rail up into the area where it is going to be mined," Northey said. "Because 500 kilometres of highway going up there and back down will be asking for all kinds of accidents and other problems to occur."



**JOHN NORTHEY**

# Postuma's voice strong

**ONTARIO ELECTION**  
By Matt Vis – TB Source

The opportunity to tap into the potential of Northwestern Ontario drew Brandon Postuma into provincial politics.

The former riding association president, Postuma will be carrying the Progressive Conservative banner in Thunder Bay-Atikokan for his first attempt to win elected office.

"We have incredible potential in Northwestern Ontario and I think it's time we start acting on that potential," Postuma said. "We have one of the most fun, beautiful, resource-rich areas of the world. This could be the economic engine for all of Ontario."

## Local product

Born and raised in the Thunder Bay area, Postuma is a father of three young children and said building a bright future for them is a big reason why he decided to run.

Vowing to be the hardest working politician the riding could have, he is adamant about standing up for the region.



**STRONG TIES:** Brandon Postuma is the PC riding association president.

"For me, it's about having a strong voice at Queen's Park that no matter what, will represent the needs of the north," Postuma said. "People feel like that is not happening right now. I will be that strong voice and I will definitely be at Queen's Park representing the needs of the north. We're different here. We need

investment and we need specific policy that meets our needs."

Postuma, a property developer and business owner, serves on the Oliver Paipooonge economic development committee and is well-versed in business concerns.

"People are scared to invest in Ontario whether it is energy costs, whether it's red tape. We see those issues right across the board," Postuma said. "It's time to get in there, talk to people, see what those issues are, clean those issues up and open Ontario up for business, especially Northwestern Ontario."

## Familiar with region

Having ties extending beyond the city, he knows issues in those communities are different from those within Thunder Bay.

"This riding is huge. If you're in the rural municipalities you hear about high taxes, cuts that have been made to certain aspects of funding to rural municipalities," Postuma said.

"When you're in the city you hear affordability issues and the biggest two issues I hear right now are hallway health-care and job opportunities."

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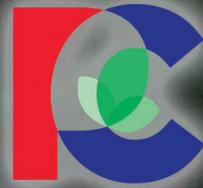
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**NEW LEASE ON LIFE:** Volunteers and city workers turned out last Saturday to help transform a Munro Street park into an urban forest.

## Urban forest treatment given to Albany parkette

Arbour Day work adds conifer trees, shrubs and a row of evergreens to park

**THUNDER BAY**  
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

**A**n urban forest is more than planting a few trees in a park and calling it day.

It's about building a better and healthier community.

On Saturday, members of the Earth Care Community Greening Working Group, along with several city officials and nearby residents, descended on the Albany Parkette, helping to transform the Munro Street green space into an urban forest, not only beautifying the area, but also providing practical, ecologically friendly solutions to a variety of environmental issues.

Kyle Jessiman, the working group's chair, said it's all about transforming the park into a healthy urban forest for the benefit of all.

"This park has a couple of trees, but it's mostly grass. They've now lined the whole street with big caliper trees and we're

planting almost 50 little seedlings, about two years old, all along the back. It's going to create a guard for the houses and a whole perimeter for the park, which is really great."

A pair of pollinator gardens was also added to the space, Jessiman said.

"It's really about the health of the urban forest. Adding these trees, it helps manage the soil. There's going to be a lot of shade in this park for people to enjoy the biodiversity, the habitat for animals, the clean air. There are a number of benefits for trees," Jessiman said.

"There are a number of studies that say 'X' number of trees in a neighbourhood increases the health of that neighbourhood. And it's urban beautification as well, so it's really great to see this many going in."

Current River Coun. Andrew Foulds was among the Arbour Day volunteers, joining one of his teenage sons to plant a few evergreen trees at the back of the park.

Foulds said he's fully supportive of the plan.

"This kind of work is game-changing. Neighbourhood parks and parkettes like this are places where families and neighbours come together. I just simply love these things," Foulds said.

"Today we're seeing a transformation of this parkette. Not only does it make this parkette more beautiful, but there's a transformation here in terms of climate adaptation and storm-water management."

Families are also a lot more sun conscious these days, he added.

"There's shade structures here as well ... I really think all the volunteers who are out here today clearly demonstrate how important these things are and how important this work is."

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**LONG TIME COMING:** It took seven years to complete the process to have a pavilion built at Waverley Park.

# Rebuilt Waverley Park Pavilion back in place

**THUNDER BAY**  
By Michael Charlebois – TB Source

The pavilion at Waverley Park is officially back. A crowd of about 200 people gathered at the park on Saturday to bear witness to the unveiling of the new landmark.

Keith Nymark, president of the coalition at Waverley Park, says the goal is to get more people using the park and build community.

“Thunder Bay is a great place to live, and we need to get people out enjoying themselves,” Nymark said. “This pavilion will do that.”

The process to complete the pavilion took the course of seven years, Nymark said they were lucky to receive a federal grant which contributed \$100,000 to the project. A coalition fundraiser and two donations from the city also contributed to the cause.

“We were really fortunate.”

The pavilion is snugly located next to the gymnasium at the Bora Laskin Faculty of Law, facing Waverley Street.

The opening ceremonies immediately utilized the

area by sequencing a series of performance artists for the audience to enjoy.

Nymark says the space can be used as a public performance space that serves as an alternative to Marina Park.

“The Marina is excellent for large groups, lots of people, and louder music,” Nymark said. “Here we want to see acoustic, two-or-three performers... It’s going to be a nice compliment.”

Coun. Rebecca Johnson was on hand to cut the ribbon, and said although the city did help fund some of the project its spirit is volunteer-driven.

“Kudos to the community,” she said. “They went out and got the money, and they made sure it happened.”

Johnson stressed the importance of maintaining and re-using heritage locations in the area.

“History is very important here... It’s the second-oldest municipal park in the province of Ontario,” Johnson said. “And now it’s a gathering place, that’s really important to have in the community.”

**“We were really fortunate.”**  
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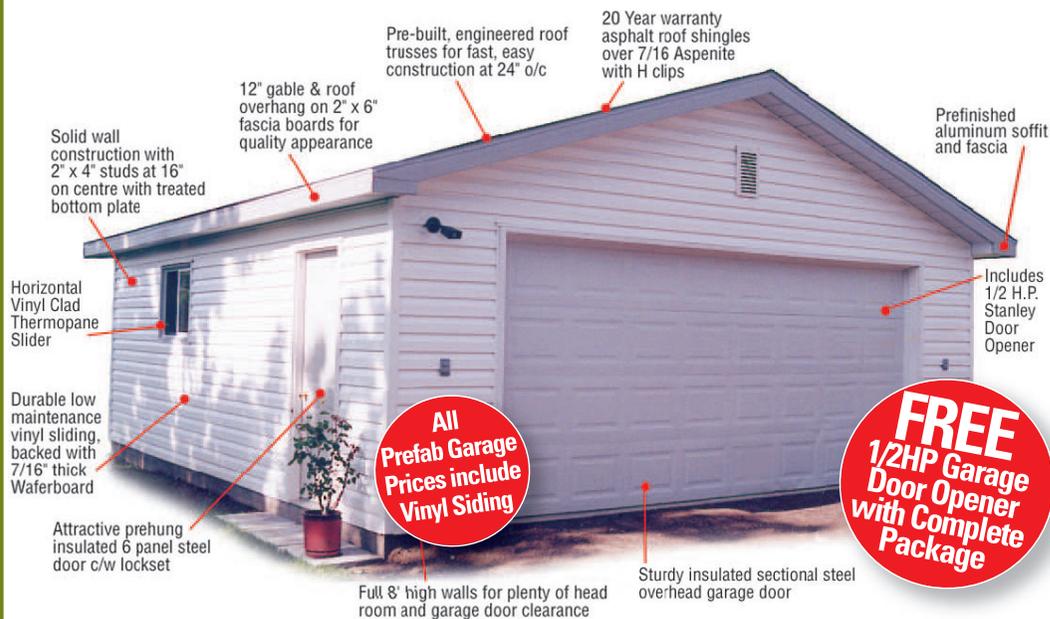
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**W**hat happened? We were trying to get spring going and then wham! Suddenly summer!

On the fourth day of plus 30 degrees in the shade, my wife, Laura, remarked that it was as if summer looked up and, like the White Rabbit in Alice in Wonderland, cried out "I'm late, I'm late!" or, if you will, like the baseball player who slides into Home plate to win the game, dust and all, we were in mid-July.

I met a friend in town while shopping who looked at my car and queried: "Don't you ever get that thing washed?" Actually, I do but as soon as I drive down our dirt road, the car is again filthy.

And since it is no longer salt season, I don't see the rush.

Besides, it is very easy for me to spot where my car is parked when there are so many white cars around. Just look for the brown-on-white one.

Unfortunately, accompanying the heat has been, until recently, the 'dry'. We have been in a drought. Finally, on Saturday, we received some rain but not nearly enough. The promised showers and possible thunderstorms all moved to the north of us except very early Saturday morning.

Laura, the Impatient Gardener, has been busy preparing the vegetable garden and has moved from planting varieties that can endure a mild frost to now planting some of the vulnerable ones like tomatoes.

She figures that even though the rule of thumb states that one should wait until after June 6 before one transplants the delicate green things into the ground, the way the weather is evolving, she is willing to gamble and take a chance that Jack Frost will not return for some months yet.

Besides, if there is a threat of ol' Jackie making an early-morning appearance, we can cover the susceptible ones.

And then there are the weeds – Bane of All Gardeners. Our soil out here is clay: hard as rock when dry, and boot-sucking

sticky when wet.

There is no in-between. The main weed is quack grass with its long, deeply-penetrating, maze of roots. It is no fun trying to rid your garden of the stuff.

Saturday morning was gorgeous after the rain.

After bringing the horses into the barn so that they could escape the beastly biting flies, we headed to the garden, spades in hand (trowels don't dig deep enough) to weed out, as it were, the nasty quack grass roots.

Laura had been working on a section that she wanted weed-free (naturally) so that I could later on deliver well-rotted manure.

I worked in what is to become a green house and since bending over hurts my back, I did the spade-plunging, root extracting task on my knees which was a lot easier for me.

After an hour, I succeeded in clearing a fifth of the soil inside the pen (to be roofed and covered in plastic at some future date).

I have written about our resident ravens who live here all year and who were unsuccessful in rearing baby ravens (raven-lets?) due to unexpected and devastating killer ice storms for two springs in a row.

Not this year.

This year the parents, Edgar and Lenore, named by my daughter, Beth, after Mr. Poe's famous poem, have been fecund producing not two but three squawking progeny named 'Allen', 'Poe', and 'August', after the detective from Poe's "Murders on the Rue Morgue" respectively).

We see them perched on wooden fence rails or on the ground hassling their parents in an attempt to get the parent to disgorge food. The youngsters know how to fly; now they must learn to forage.

And the grass keeps on growing at a faster rate than I recall (but my memory shrinketh).

I really must start some sort of journal and record the weather, events, dates on seasonal changes so that I can compare.

And have I completed my wood-cutting task? Not as such.

But we do have a sufficient amount to keep us warm next winter. I'll get to it after I finish repairing fences.

So, suddenly summer and early too. Our ravens have been successful in producing. Hope that our veggie garden does as well.

Do you have an opinion to share?

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## Shapeshifting in a Good Lovelies way

The Good Lovelies return to Thunder Bay on June 2 in support of their latest release, *Shapeshifters*

### MUSIC

By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

For the second time in two years, the Good Lovelies are returning to the stage in Thunder Bay, and though they are bringing a new sound with the same three voices, something that has travelled with them on the road for years and helped define their sound is being left behind.

"The mandolin is staying home, which I think is a first for our career," said Sue Passmore in an interview with TB Source. "We've had the mandolin on stage with us for years and so far this year with this record, it is not making an appearance."

Passmore, along with Caroline Brooks and Kerri Ough, who make up the Juno Award winning folk trio from Toronto, are kicking off a western Canadian tour this week and will be playing in Thunder Bay once again on June 2.

The tour will see them playing eight shows in just 10 days, starting in London, Ont. and wrapping up in Victoria, B.C. Passmore said in many ways, getting back on the road will be like a return to their roots, and aside from leaving the mandolin behind, this tour will include a lot of firsts for the trio.

The Good Lovelies usually take to the stage solo, but this time they are travelling with a full band and the up-and-coming opening act, Moscow Apartment.

"We haven't had the chance to bring somebody on the road with us and they are doing so well," Passmore said. "They are still finishing up high school at this point, but they've done so well. Their music is fantastic and



**SHAPESHIFTING:** Sue Passmore (left), Kerri Ough (middle), and Caroline Brooks (right) of the Good Lovelies will be performing songs from their newest album, *Shapeshifters*, on Saturday June 2 at the Port Arthur Polish Hall.

it's going to be wonderful having them on the road."

This latest tour is to promote their sixth full-length album, *Shapeshifters*, and the name says it all when it comes to describing how the Good Lovelies sound has evolved.

According to Passmore, the album leans more toward the direction of pop and is perhaps their most mainstream

release since they entered the Canadian music scene with their 2007 EP, *Oh My!*

"Not so far it's wildly different, but there are certainly new sounds," she said. "We've got a lot of keys and a lot of different electrical guitars went onto this record, the drums are fantastic on this record."

"It refreshes us," Passmore

continued. "We feel refreshed. It's quite a fun sound."

Working with Daniel Ledwell in the studio, Passmore said there was no outside pressure to stray away from their folk roots and create more of a pop sound. The progression was very natural.

"We didn't go into it thinking or deciding that we were going to go

make a pop record," she said. "[Ledwell] has a really good ear for those songs and he tried some things and we tried some things and it's just what happened. It's just diving into different places that we haven't really done before."

*Shapeshifters*, released in February, has already received positive reviews from both critics and fans, and the first single, *I See Gold*, reached number one on the CBC Radio 2 Top 20 in January.

But despite the trio trying new things in the studio that they have never done before, there are some things that just can't be changed, which is why the Good Lovelies have not shifted away from what has shaped them for the last 11 years.

"It's still the same writers and the same voices," Passmore said. "We want to write and speak to the things that are important to us, that are important in our lives and what's happening in our lives. There are certainly things about family and motherhood and all kinds of things that are coming into our lives."

The Good Lovelies will be playing at the Port Arthur Polish Hall on Saturday, June 2 at 7 p.m. Audiences can expect to hear songs from the latest release, and many past favourites. And even without the help of the mandolin and a slightly new sound, the trio is still very much the Good Lovelies.

"So it's a slight step away from folk and a little bit more pop, but it's always the three of us singing," Passmore said. "So that part still holds true and definitely some of our roots in there for sure."

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**DREAMSCAPE:** A sample of work from the Lakehead University RetroGrad Show and Fortify This [Indigenous Art Collective] Show on display at Definitely Superior Art Gallery.

# Harkening back, dreaming forward

**ART**  
By Linda Maehans - TB Source

Two exhibits at Definitely Superior Art right now have us moving both forward and backward in time; that is, if you consider time a linear dimension. If on the other hand you think of time as a circle, perhaps a spiral, nonetheless your imagination will have you travelling through these exhibits in the directions and ways the artists intended.

The twelve graduates of LU's 2018 Visual Arts program have been busy since leaving the "ivory tower" of studio-academia. They first presented works to the public via their Major Studio at TBAG; then stepped up for DefSup's Urban Infill Art in the Core. Now, they've curated their very first professional show in the first gallery of Definitely Superior on Park Street.

The 2018 Retrograduate Show is uncluttered, diverse in content and ideas. Every theme you might wish to seize upon is there. Every genre, all sorts of materials. Brightest colour to soft pastel, to downright unnerving pallor. Whimsy that once considered isn't all that funny after all. The heavy solid of steel alongside the malleable layers of unbleached dried pulp.

Some work is straight-on scary. For example, scary clever is a set of 13 (for bad luck) rear-view mirrors the artist constructed herself; she didn't dismantle real ones from car wrecks. Stand before Hindsight and try piecing together the nightmarish event that's occurred. In what order should we look at these scenes? Or, peering closer: might this be a dark half-remembered dream?

"As with all of these grads' works, intriguing, ambiguous; there is no definite black-and-white answer to any of them,"

remarks gallery director David Karasiewicz. "Hindsight is a challenging piece. It makes you the viewer try figuring it out." True enough. We should all take note of the amount of time we spend looking in a rear-view mirror. Dear God of Driving, I promise never to check my lipstick again when behind the wheel. What about all you phone-folks? Well?

"In real life we all look at those points-in-time: the what-if, or the what-actually-happened. But it gets blurred; often we can't be sure about our own hindsight. And we sure can't change the past. So," a wry smile, "always good to keep your eyes on the forward."

**"In real life we all look at those points-in-time: the what-if, or the what-actually-happened."**  
DAVID KARASIEWICZ

I think these grads are a strong group. They work well together. They would want to stay involved, keep being engaged and inspired (by art). They are our future artists. Very promising."

Karasiewicz could easily have been speaking about another group

of strong visual-creative leaders in our midst: the Fortify This Art Collective of Indigenous artists who call northwestern Ontario home in spirit, heart and mind.

In galleries two and three: panoramic photography harkening back; eyes gazing outward with solid smile into sunshine, blue sky and water. Or no smile. The strength of antlers above a birch-bark blind-fold; no vivid bright; only unnerving pallor. Yet imagine the natural softness of her robes. Run your fingers lightly along the seams of a regal fur hood. See how it transforms the one who wears it.

The effect of "Fortify This" was unexpected. Like the memory of vivid dreams one does not forget. Ghosts one calls upon, even while asleep.

Both exhibits are up until June 16.




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SHARING THEIR STORY: From left to right: Derek Roy, Kyara Cameron, Brook Malone, Phoebe Kine, Lola Halstead

# What if their story was your own?

**THEATRE**

By Linda Maehans - TB Source

In recent years the hard news of the day contains harrowing stories of migrants risking their lives to escape countries where injustice, war and atrocities abound. Often we hear of a swift tragic ending to such attempts.

But sometimes the migrants do make it: to new places they hope one day to call and consider home. Daunting odds stacked against them, nonetheless they persevere because that's the sinew from which they are cut.

*Migration Paths* is the latest Collective Creation Project led by Magnus Theatre featuring high school students who want to make a difference in this community.

Part documentary, part fiction, *Migration Paths* chronicles the stories of young Syrians come to Thunder Bay who now must learn new ways to live.

Avid traveller, and having creatively taught in places such as Cambodia, Australia, the UK and of course here in Canada, Magnus Theatre-in-Education Director Danielle Chandler is passionate about this story: fleeing migrants and the ongoing unresolved plight of refugees in the world.

"I've lived on five different continents, so to some extent I've felt what it's like to be an outsider. When the Syrians first started coming to Thunder Bay, when we first started accepting refugees, I was disheartened by local social media; by the online posts I was seeing. There is a very small but very vocal minority here in the city who unfortunately aren't as accepting as should be. They're the ones online." One guesses a

self-justifying soapbox. Anonymous?

"Happily, when we spoke with people, and with the Syrians, online doesn't reflect what they face in their day-to-day. One student we spoke with said something like two out of two thousand people are mean. A small number, yes, but enough for us to partner with the Thunder Bay Multicultural Association in getting the Syrians' story out there."

Neck amulets and a wave of cool turquoise hair swept to one side, Phoebe Kine is in her final year of the Theatre in Education projects. She spoke with me, first, in her role as "the child" in *Migration Paths*. "My older sister and I, we're just waiting for somewhere safer. My mother and father are both gone." She closes her eyes. I focus on her eyelids. She opens her eyes again.

"But we have hope, and each other. The hardest part is not knowing. I saw my mother on the floor and couldn't do anything to help her. My father was taken away. I wasn't able to do anything. I'm not big enough. So, a helpless state of seeing them go. My sister, she's my rock. I don't talk about my feelings to anyone but her." She inhales. "We'll get through this."

I ask Phoebe about her own plans-for-real. "I'll be going to George Brown College: the Acting-for-Media program. It's been my dream since I was seven and began coming to Magnus.

A show like this, sure it's 'fun' for like-minded ambitious in theatre, but the serious topic strikes up conversations with all kinds of people, and those who have actually experienced stuff like this. We can all feel the emotion. And that's a good thing."

*Migration Paths*: all performances \$8; June 4 & 5 at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday June 6 matinee @ 10:30 a.m.

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# There just may be some hope for us yet

You remember the saying, “No news is good news”? It used to mean that if you don’t hear anything, everything must be all right. These days, it seems to mean the only news we hear is full of doom and gloom – the recent shooting in a Charleston church, a prime example.

What are doing to each other, people? Members of a prayer group are murdered. Young Canadians are trying to run away to join Isis. Our politicians are being revealed as more corrupt than ever. (Okay, that one may be old news.)

If you follow the media reports, the world is becoming more dangerous every day. Everyone has an ulterior motive. It’s not safe to be alone in strange places. Lock up your belongings. Trust no one.

This is the world in which we now live. If we want to.

I recently spent two weeks in Spain



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with some friends. We had decided to walk the last portion of the Camino de Santiago. This is a pilgrimage that people have been walking for hundreds of years.

The “path” takes you through villages, forests, mountains and valleys. You walk along the highway, beside cow pastures, on cobblestone paths and gravel trails that are marked with yellow arrows or white shells pointing the way.

The route is full with hundreds of “pilgrims” as we are called, weighted down with backpacks walking in the same direction, all at their own pace. There is an equal split of twenty-something students and 55-plus retirees.

You start the day as the sun comes up and walk an average of 25 km to the next place you’ll bed for the night. There, you’ll collapse exhausted as you peel off your socks, bandage your blisters, do your laundry in a sink and order a “cerveza” or “vino.”

Of course, there are many places to rest or to buy food and drink along the way. So after a day or so, you start recognizing people you’ve passed or have passed you along the way with the always cheerful greeting, “Buen Camino!”

The Camino, I found, is a microcosm of life. Sometimes you walk with friends. Sometimes, you meet new people. Sometimes, you walk alone.

It’s the alone time that allows you to really think. I walk quickly with long strides. So I often found myself alone on the windy path. Then I’d notice that I hadn’t seen anyone for 20 minutes or more and I’d start to wonder: Was I still on the right path? Had I missed a turn-off? Am I going the wrong way? Should I turn back?

I’d tell myself to go just a little bit further as the panic would start to build. Then the path would turn and there it would be: a little yellow arrow or a shell telling me this was indeed the way.

Ironically, I was never afraid walking by myself with Pedro, my trusty walking stick. People take care of each other on the Camino.

A friend of mine lost her wallet one day, and didn’t realize it until more than an hour later on the trail. She turned back toward the café where she’d last had it. But walking back

against the normal flow of pilgrims, everyone checked with her to ensure she was okay and then told her that her wallet had indeed been found. When she finally reached the café, as promised by everyone on the trail, her wallet was waiting for her – not a single euro missing.

Another pilgrim got disoriented on the path and took a wrong turn. She was found by a couple from Winnipeg who called her a cab and sent her on to her hotel to meet her group. Later, they checked in to make sure she’d arrived all right.

These are the people of the Camino. They come from different countries and different walks of life. Some walk for the challenge; some the travel. For others, it is a spiritual journey.

But if these are the people with whom I share this world, perhaps all news is not bad news. Perhaps there’s hope for humanity yet.

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- 1 Distress signal
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  - 14 Berne's river
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## Cats ready to roll into 2018

**BASEBALL**  
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Sunday's fan fest was a chance for this year's Scrap of Thunder Bay Border Cats to get to know the people who'll be cheering them on this summer at Port Arthur Stadium.

More importantly, at least from a baseball standpoint, it was a chance for the players to get to know one another.

With the exception of three pairs of college teammates and a trio of returning players from last year's team that finished 27-43 and buried in the Northwoods League's North Division cellar, there's not a lot of familiarity on this year's roster.

Not to worry, said right-handed pitcher Alex Nolan, the lone Canadian on the squad and one of the three players who tasted action with the Cats in 2017.

Early signs are that won't be a problem, the players already starting to gel on Day 1.

Nolan, who was roughed up in his only appearance with the team last summer, said he sought out the chance to return, for a couple of reasons.

"I love being here. I love playing on Canadian soil. I think it feels great," said Nolan, a Burlington, Ont. native who plays for Brock University, who will be joined by bullpen returnee Connor Centala and outfielder Billy Cook from last year's squad.

"Having that undermining feeling that there are great Canadian ballplayers, it just feels good to be here."

New teammate Joey Cardamon, a junior right-hander from Iowa's Luther College, said it was the competitiveness of the Northwoods League that drew him north of the border.

"I'm ready do whatever the team needs," said Cardamon, who was 9-1 with a sparkling 1.43 earned run average in 81 innings this past season.

It'll be an adjustment, not knowing most of the hitters he'll face, but added he's a quick learner.

"You play a lot of games, you learn a lot of stuff and you kind of learn how to pick up stuff on guys. Really it's just trial and error. You see a guy a few times a game, he sees you three times a game. You've got to learn how he does and what's going to work for you," Cardamon said.

Also back for a second summer is manager Mitch Feller, who feels more comfortable with this year's team, having had an entire offseason to put the roster together.

"On paper, I think we're going to be all right," he said, his team consisting of 10 freshmen, 11 juniors and five sophomores.

One thing Feller is thankful for is no extended road trip to start the season. Last year they were forced to the road for nearly three weeks while upgrades were made to Port Arthur Stadium and never recovered.

This year they'll spend four days on the road before returning north of the border on June 2 to host Mankato in the home opener.

That's the biggest relief, Feller said.



**LAYING IT DOWN:** Catcher Trent Althmann practices the art of bunting last Sunday during the Border Cats Fan Fest.

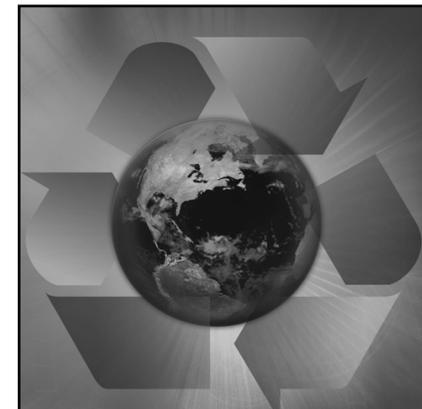
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10 Brady Gulakowski.....L/R	30 Matt Cartwright .....Pitching coach
11 Gunner Hellstrom.....R/R	21 Will Loza .....Hitting coach
	-- Taylor Metzker.....Clubhouse Manager

"I think it's going to be a world of difference because these guys aren't going to have to be forced on these bus trips anywhere between seven and 10 hours every other day. They're going to be able to sleep in their own beds, develop a routine,

go to the gym and be able to eat healthy instead of the junk food that you get forced to eat when you're on the road," Feller said.

"They're not as fatigued and they can compete at a higher level."



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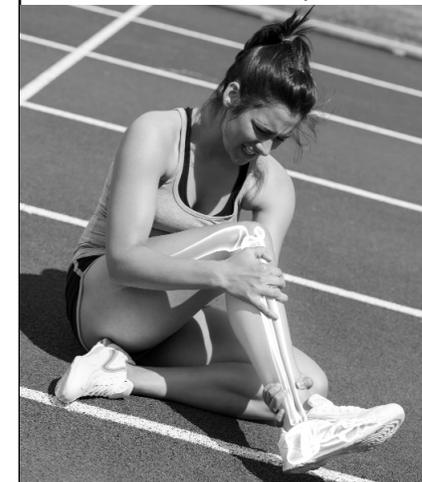
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# Silva scores twice to lead Chill to win

**SOCCER**  
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**GOAL GUY:** Sullivan Silva has been a top scorer for the Chill since 2012.

Sullivan Silva was born to score goals.

Injuries robbed him of the opportunity in 2017, Silva unable to find the back of the net in eight Premier Development League games, despite a hat-trick in a pre-season friendly against the Winnipeg Lions.

The big difference in 2018 is his health. After battling to stay on the pitch for years, Silva is as healthy as he's been since 2012, when he stormed the league and took home most valuable player honours.

It showed on Saturday night. The Thunder Bay Chill welcomed their annual warm-up act back to Fort William Stadium and it was Silva who gave the Lions fits.

The Brazilian import, who has called Thunder Bay home for six years, scored goals in the 26th and 36th minute to power the Chill to a 2-0 win to kick off

the exhibition campaign, six days before their regular season is scheduled to begin on the road against WSA Winnipeg.

It felt good to produce, Silva said. "It's my job," he said. "As a striker, I have to make sure that the opportunities

the team creates, I have to be there and put it in. I was lucky to be in the right spot. My teammates gave me a very good ball, so I was happy."

Silva's first goal was a thing of beauty. The 29-year-old broke down the left side of the field, sidestepped a Winnipeg defender and buried it past Lions keeper Sean Golden.

Goal No. 2 came courtesy of a seeing-eye pass from long-time teammate Pedro Adan, who threaded it through a pair of Winnipeg defenders to an open Silva, who burst down the right side and fired a cross-crease shot that caught Golden cheating the other way.

"It's very important I think for Sully and his confidence, but also for the team, because we get to see what we have up top. He's an unbelievable player and he showed it tonight."

Adan's no slouch himself in the midfield and said it was familiarity that allowed the pass to get through.

"I'm always aware where his runs are and without even seeing him, all I need is

his shout. I played him a good ball and fortunately it skipped the defender and Sully was able to convert."

For coach Gio Petraglia, the opener, played before 415 fans, was a chance to assess the team he's put together, looking to improve on last season's trip to the PDL final where they fell 2-1 to the host Charlotte Eagles.

There's still some work to do before the Chill hits their stride - especially in the offensive zone.

"We didn't concede a goal, which is a good sign. Offensively we need to work a lot. We had a good chat at halftime about our need to improve and improve quickly. But we're on the right track. The guys are all on the same page, they all want to improve and know it's not good enough, so it's a good start."

Matthew Mozinsky posted the clean sheet in net, making his Thunder Bay Chill debut.

The Chill followed with a 3-2 win over Winnipeg on Sunday. They open on the road with WSA Winnipeg this weekend.



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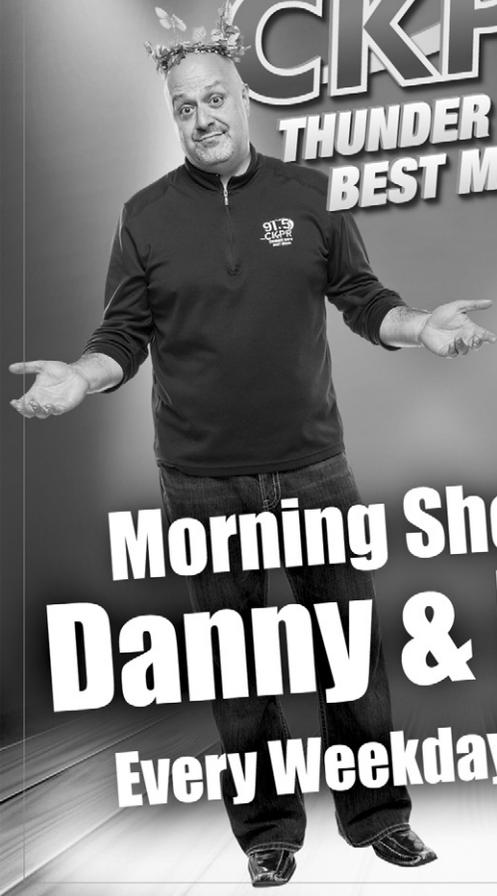
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# Staal adjusting to changes

**NHL**  
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

**M**arc Staal is hoping the more things change, the more things stay the same with the New York Rangers.

The veteran defenceman, who turned 31 last season, watched the NHL club slide to the bottom of the Metropolitan Division standings, deal away a huge chunk of its veteran core, miss the playoffs for the first time in eight years and fire head coach Alain Vigneault after five seasons behind the bench.

Halfway through a six-year, \$34.2-million deal signed in 2015, Staal for the second straight season is the subject of plenty of offseason buyout rumours, as the potentially rebuilding Rangers look to shed his contract and create cap space flexibility.

But until he's told otherwise, the 11-year veteran fully expects to be back in camp with the Broadway Blueshirts come September, helping guide the team's young blue-line as one of the team's leaders on and off the ice.

He's heard the whispers, but isn't too worried at this point.

"I still don't consider myself old," said Staal, who scored once and added seven assists in 72 games this season, his poorest offensive output since 2011-12, when he missed 36 games due to injury.

"I'm 31, so I guess I'm old in the NHL, but I found it easier not to worry or stress about what's going to happen. What I've always tried to do is make sure I do my work off the ice to get prepared for the season and play my best when the time comes. We'll see where it goes from there."

Interviewed hours before the Rangers made it official and announced the hiring of Boston University's David Quinn to coach the team, Staal said it's been a season of change in New



**WANTS TO STAY PUT:** Marc Staal's future with the Rangers is the subject of much discussion.

York, with Rick Nash, J.T. Miller, Nick Holden and Ryan McDonagh ushered out of town at the deadline.

"It's a year full of changes, obviously, and not the way anyone thought it would go down," said Staal, now the second-longest serving Ranger behind goaltender Henrik Lundqvist, having joined the team in 2007.

"That's life in the NHL and the changes are being made for the better to get to the ultimate goal of winning the Stanley Cup. We'll see how everything shakes out in September. I think everyone's excited to start up again."

He's excited to take on even more of a leadership role, saying he's learned a lot from being part of a lot of veteran teams.

"Even the last few months was a little bit of a change, being so many young guys on the team. But I found it fun. You come to work

and they're excited and their energy is infectious," said Staal, who returned home to Thunder Bay last weekend for an extended summer break.

"For me, I've never tried to change who I am or what I do on and off the ice. I'll lend a hand when I have to or when someone asks and just do my job and lead by example. That part of it won't change too much."

Ideally, he'd love to remain a Ranger for life, as unlikely as it is in today's NHL.

"It's very rare, obviously. I've been very fortunate to have been in the same place for a long time. A lot of the people in this organization are like family to me and I've been very blessed that way," he said.

"It's something I don't really think about on a daily basis. In the NHL things can change very quickly and I'm always ready for that."



**LIKE TO HELP:** Marvin and Donna Pupeza are long-time Staal Foundation Open volunteers. The tournament is seeking like-minded people in 2018.

## Volunteers sought

**GOLF**  
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

**V**olunteers and caddies are in high demand during Staal Foundation Open week and organizers have put out a call to encourage them to sign up.

Tournament director Ken Boshcoff on Wednesday said they are looking for 400 volunteers and a further 100 people to caddy, adding knowledge of golf is absolutely not a requirement.

Boshcoff added while the Mackenzie Tour-PGA Tour Canada event has enjoyed plenty of success over its first four years in attracting people to help out, it never hurts to inject some new blood into the tournament.

It helps keep thing fresh, the former mayor said.

"You don't have to be a golf expert to volunteer. This is a community, fun event. In the most serious way, this is the most fun you can have volunteering," Boshcoff said.

"Every organization needs a revitalization and the fact that the response has been so positive so far, augers well. But volunteers are something you always need more of and now people know that there is a strong core of volunteers, they know they can learn and it won't be so difficult and they don't have to, literally, carry the ball by themselves."

There are plenty of volunteering opportunities available, including in hospitality and scoring, a chance to walk inside the ropes with some of the top up-and-coming players in the game, such as 2015 champion J.J. Spaun, who finished third in this month's AT&T Byron Nelson event and sits 40th in the FedEx Cup standings.

New York Rangers defenceman Marc Staal also lent his voice to the volunteer call, saying how much the help is appreciated come tournament week.

"We raise a lot of money for some good causes," said Staal, whose family foundation is the tournament sponsor. "That's why we're doing this, trying to give back to community and that happens because we have people who give up their time.

"We hope they have a good experience when they do, and I think most of them do."

Long-time volunteer Marvin Pupeza concurred.

"I have been here since the first year. It is hard to explain how wonderful it is to be a part of this year after year, but it is definitely rewarding and a lot of fun. I encourage anyone who is interested to come on board."

Caddies must be 15 or older and able to carry a heavy golf bag for an 18-hole round, which takes about five hours. "

Tournament officials also announced on Wednesday they've brought on several new sponsors this year, including BDO, which has taken over the volunteer sponsorship. ScotiaBank has also jumped on board as the title sponsor of the celebrity pro-am.

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