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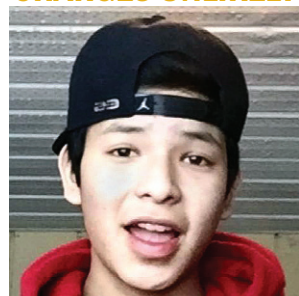
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LOCAL NEWS

Feds helping tackle blue-green algae

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The federal government is spending \$1 million to help develop a more efficient system to detect blue-green algae in Northwestern Ontario waterways.

The FedNor money will help fund a partnership between the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and Discovery Air Fire, the second-oldest aviation company in the country behind Air Canada.

NOSM professor Greg Ross said they've been working on the concept for some time and have also conducted proof of study trials on the technology, which involves cameras mounted on

aircraft that can identify the toxic blue-green algae without having bodies on the ground collecting samples first-hand.

Ross called blue-green algae, a microscopic plant-like organism that has proven harmful to both humans and animals and has flourished as a result of climate change and chemicals being dumped into lakes and rivers around the world.

"It's actually more like a bacteria than a plant and it makes a lot of toxins in our environment. It's harmful to people's health. If you are in the water that's contaminated it can give your rashes and lots of health problems with it," Ross said.

"And certainly if you drink the water

that's contaminated with it, it can lead to all sorts of health issues as well, including chronic long-term health issues, potentially."

Ross said the project could create a couple hundred jobs in Ontario's north and could have marketable outcomes.

More importantly, it'll speed up the process from detection to remediation.

"Right now Public Health is doing an amazing job monitoring our environment and doing their best to close beaches and let us know when they're contaminated," he said. "The problem with that is by the time you collect a ground sample and send it away for analysis and start to close beaches there can be very, very long-term

delays.

"The technology we're developing should allow real-time reporting."

Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour Patty Hajdu said the new technology will also enable researchers to know whether or not remediation efforts, which are separate from Friday's announcement, are working.

"There's also an opportunity to monetize this and sell it to either other regions or other countries in some cases," Hajdu said.

"That's an opportunity to be a job creator in Northwestern Ontario."

The project is being funded for three years.



CANDID CAMERA: Northern Ontario School of Medicine professor Greg Ross.

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LOCAL NEWS

Charges not likely in deaths of two teens

Tammy Keeash, Josiah Begg died after going missing on May 6

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

It's unlikely charges will be laid in the deaths of two Indigenous teenagers whose bodies were discovered in local waterways earlier this year.

Tammy Keeash, 17, and Josiah Begg, 14, disappeared on May 6 and Thunder Bay Police quickly determined neither death was suspicious in nature. That led to an outcry from Indigenous leaders and the families of the two teens, who demanded a deeper investigation into the two deaths, the sixth and seventh Aboriginal youth to die in local rivers since 2000.

"The responsibility for any criminal charges would be to the police service, but I'm not aware of any charges that have occurred in the investigations," said Ontario's chief coroner Dirk Huyer, a day after suggesting the same to the Toronto Star while adding he was very knowledgeable about the two cases.

In the aftermath of the teens' deaths, dozens of Indigenous leaders called for the RCMP to take over the investigation of the case.

It was Huyer who directed York Regional Police to step in to conduct a death investigation, with the help of the Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service.

"Generally speaking we're trying to understand the circumstances of the death and looking to see if there's anything we can learn from the death investigation that may help to inform future prevention strategies," Huyer said, reached by phone by CKPR Radio.

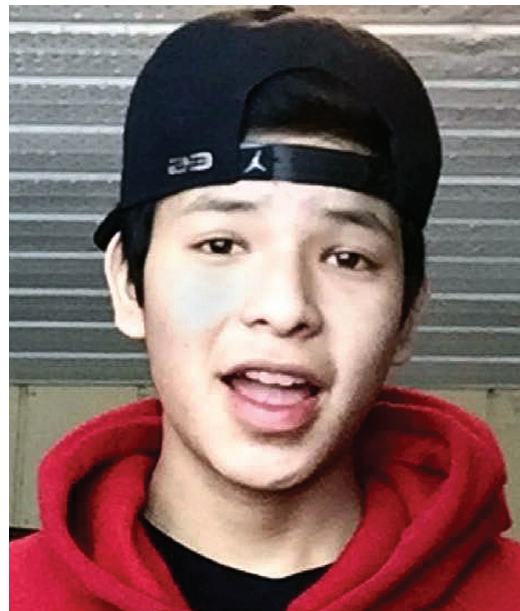
Keeash hailed from North Caribou Lake First Nation and was found on May 7, a day after going missing from her Thunder Bay foster home. According to APTN reports, she was drinking with friends near the Neebing-McIntyre Floodway on the night she died.

Begg, who resided in Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation, was visiting Thunder Bay with his father, who was in town for medical appointments, when he disappeared. His body was recovered nearly two weeks after he disappeared.

Thunder Bay Police, who along with the Thunder Bay Police Services Board, is under investigation for alleged systemic racism concerns, declined to comment, as did York Regional Police. A Nishnawbe Aski Nation spokesperson also said NAN would not comment.

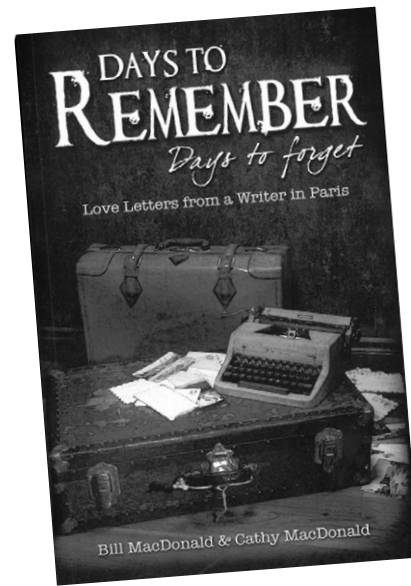


UNTIMELY DEATH: Tammy Keeash, 17, was found in the Neebing McIntyre Floodway on May 7.



TRAGEDY: Josiah Begg, 14, was last seen on May 6 and his body was found nearly two weeks later in a local waterway.

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READY TO ANSWER THE CALL: From left to right: Adam Moreira, James Migliazza, Sean Affleck (top), Kevin Missere, David Rohr, Greg Stiletto, and Rob Huble are the newest firefighters recruited to serve with Thunder Bay Fire Rescue.

Ready to serve

Thunder Bay Fire Rescue welcomes seven new recruits to the service after six months in training

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

When Adam Moreira stood in front of family, friends, and fellow recruits, he took a moment to assess the room.

Like every good firefighter, it's important to understand a situation before jumping into it, and while Moreira and his fellow recruits have trained long and hard for what lies ahead, the situation still has not sunk in quite just yet.

"I'm sure once we all start on the truck and that first call comes in, that's when it will really sink in," Moreira said. "But right now, I think we're all in a bit of a shock."

Moreira was one of seven new recruits welcomed into the Thunder Bay Fire Service during a ceremony on Saturday at the Training Centre.

The recruits began training six months ago and though they have entered service as professional firefighters, they will remain on probation for one year as they team up with more seasoned service members on the job.

A graduate of Lakehead University with a degree in biology and master's in ecology, Moreira said he became interested in firefighting after hearing about his brother's experiences in the training.

"I really like the idea of giving back to my community and this is a great way to do it," he said. "It made sense to me."

The training took place over the last six months and was just as rigorous as Moreira's brother told him it would be, with a lot of material being covered over a

short period of time.

"There are a lot of skills you have to get down, there is a lot of testing, both practical and written," he said.

Throughout those six months, even though it was a challenge, both physically and mentally, Moreira said he and his fellow recruits never once thought about quitting.

"Every day has been better than the last one," he said. "In my mind, or any of the other recruits minds, there was never any notion of quitting or giving up."

Thunder Bay Fire Rescue chief, John Hay, said in his experience, the graduation ceremony for new recruits is one of the best events within the fire service.

"These guys have been through a lot to get to the graduation, but they've gone through a lot to get to the point where they are accepted or offered jobs as firefighters," he said.

According to Hay, becoming a firefighter is not simply signing up and waiting for a call. It takes a lot of training, a lot of skill, and a lot of drive.

The new recruits will be entering service in the coming days and Hay said every recruit needs to be prepared, because as they will soon learn, there is just no telling what each day will bring.

"They may be saving a life on the first morning," he said. "We've had many opportunities where the first day of a new recruit's career they've got a significant call, a car accident, or a structural fire, and it has happened that a recruit has to push the button on the defibrillator on a call."



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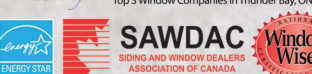
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LOCAL NEWS

South side businesses facing a BIA levy hike

Fort William BIA officials said miscommunication over funding from city has left them with a 42 per cent levy increase

BUSINESS
By Matt Vis - TB Source

At least one business owner is frustrated after receiving a bill collecting hundreds of additional dollars in levy to the Fort William BIA, but the association's co-ordinator says it's the result of miscommunication and is being addressed.

Lori Paras, owner of the Hub Bazaar on East Victoria Avenue, said earlier this week she received a letter from the city's revenue department, which included her annual amount payable to the Fort William BIA had increased by \$600.

"I couldn't believe it," she said on Friday. "I was shocked. Having a \$1,100 bill going to \$1,700 per year means that in the space here at the Hub Bazaar we're known for giving people reasonable rents. It's low risk for any entrepreneur to come in here and prove their business plan before they get into a long-term lease. Now I may have to raise their rents to be able to cover this."

Fort William BIA co-ordinator Kristina Belanger said the group's board had sought about \$50,000 in additional funding from the city earlier this year. Instead, the city dollars were to be matched by member businesses, resulting in a 42 per cent levy hike.

The error wasn't realized until earlier this week, Belanger said.

"The intention was never for our members to feel the increase. We were under the assumption it was coming from city contributions," Belanger said.

A second mistake was made on the bill when the minimum and maximum calculations were not properly adjusted.

The board held an emergency meeting on Friday morning to develop a plan going forward. Belanger said different options are being deliberated and will be presented at a meeting held on Dec. 14, which is open to all members.

"We are working right now on amending our budget



FEELING THE PINCH: Businesses along Victoria Avenue East are members of the Fort William BIA.

so we could potentially give some of that back to our members," Belanger said. "We're hoping we might be able to have a solution for them that might not result in such a significant increase."

Paras spoke out earlier this month about an online survey the Fort William BIA had commissioned about rebranding the south downtown core with options including Billy's Town, the Kaministiquia District, River's End and Uptown.

Despite the objections against some of the board's decisions, she said she still wants to be part of the BIA. "I want to work with the board. I want this to be a strong board. I want this to be a knowledgeable board," Paras said.

"I like that there's money. I like that I'm contributing and supporting. I want to see that money stay down here but I want it to do what it's supposed to do. It's supposed to drive customers and traffic into our area and help business owners."

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Editorial

EDITORIAL

Bridge talk time over

The time for talk is over. More than four years after the James Street Swing Bridge was shut down to vehicular traffic because of a fire, there doesn't appear to be a solution coming anytime soon.

It should be the central focus of the local provincial election campaign, especially in Thunder Bay-Atikokan.

The residents of Fort William First Nation have waited long enough for someone to come to the table with a plan to replace the vital span.

Chief Peter Collins this week said it might be time to remove the barriers and start using the damaged span anyway.

He's concerned about planned closures next summer on Highway 61 and the added time it will take for emergency vehicles to get in and out of his community.

Collins has every right to be fuming. The James Street Swing Bridge has economic benefits to both Fort William First Nation and Thunder Bay. It provides easy access to both sides of the river and the nearby businesses, both on the reserve and in Westfort.

Collins says he has a plan to replace the bridge with a new span, but to date it doesn't appear that anyone is listening all too closely to what he has to say.

For the good of both communities, it's time to start planning in earnest to replace the bridge for vehicle traffic.

Just fix the bridge

To the editor:

I'm from Fort William First Nation and seriously, if the city, our reserve and CN chipped in to fix that stupid James Street swing bridge it would've been done already. Everyone used it so why not just all work together to cover fixing the darn thing already

Elizabeth Bannon,
Fort William First Nation

Door-to-door concerns

To the editor:

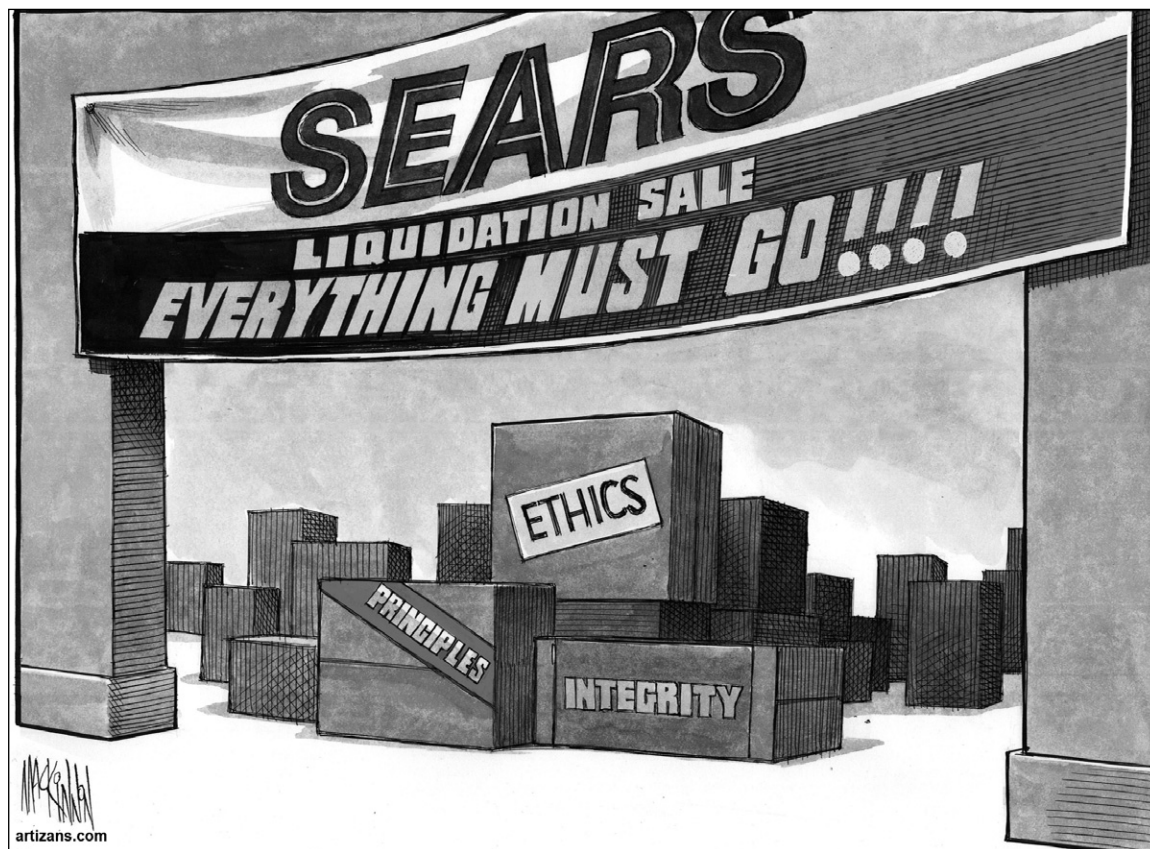
We need to help educate people and the elderly population on the fact that hydro, gas or utilities do not sell door-to-door.

The only groups that still do door-to-door are kids selling sports fundraising chocolates and neighbourhood petitions. Anything else is probably a money grab or a scam.

The city should put out a flyer with a list of valid door to door organizations we can keep posted near the door.

Holly Luby,
Thunder Bay

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



What is going on in Thunder Bay?



**NORM
GALE**
CITY VIEWS

Whenever I travel these days, the reaction is the same when people hear I'm from Thunder Bay: "What is going on up there?"

It's a good question.

Collectively, we feel a sharp pain over the tragic deaths of young Indigenous people attending school here, far from their northern home communities. As well, social issues and racial divisions have been probed in an endless cycle of media stories and social media commentary. It's as if Thunder Bay has been put under a microscope and everyone is taking turns offering a diagnosis.

Our own, soul-searching diagnosis is that Thunder Bay — like all of Canada — has a sorry record when it comes to many aspects of respecting Indigenous peoples' rights and culture.

But there is a deeper, more profound way to view what is happening in our city. Thunder Bay, built on the traditional territory of Fort William First Nation, now has the highest proportion of Indigenous to non-Indigenous people in the country. In a very real way, we are the epicentre for the most pressing

issue Canadians face — reconciling our past, present and future as Indigenous and Non-Indigenous citizens.

People from scores of communities to the north come to Thunder Bay seeking education, medical treatment, jobs, family and friends, goods and services, and a welcoming refuge from natural disasters.

The sad truth is that they also experience racism and some encounter pressing social issues. As author Tanya Talaga put it speaking recently about her book, *Seven Fallen Feathers*, Thunder Bay reflects a nation-wide narrative of broken treaties and the destructive results of colonialism and residential schools.

Bad outweighs good

The fallout of these issues overshadows the overwhelmingly positive Indigenous foundations of Thunder Bay's economy, culture and sense of place.

Some of our efforts are laden with symbolic importance. In 2016, the Fort William First Nation flag was raised permanently alongside the Canadian, Ontario and Thunder Bay flags at city hall. Today, Fort William First Nation and the city are working closely to grow the economy of both communities. And dating back to 2010, the city has signed declarations of commitment to strengthen the city's relationship with First Nations and Indigenous

groups.

Other plans have not come to fruition despite the city's investment and commitment. The timing, in 2014, was not right to secure matching funding for an \$8 million centrally located youth centre and new Indigenous Friendship Centre.

How different might youth from the northern communities feel today if the dream of a beautiful, culturally appropriate centre, close to bus routes, trails and green space had been realized?

Work in progress

Some projects are practical and urgent as we work to implement the recommendations of the Seven Youth Inquest. Public safety on the water-courses and rivers is a focus with stepped up patrols, better lighting and other physical improvements.

We are also strengthening programs to prepare Thunder Bay to meet the needs of youth coming here. Thunder Bay city council also recently granted a building to Matawa First Nations for an education and care centre that will house high school students from Matawa communities.

On a municipal level, staff is deepening its collective, historical understanding through cultural awareness training programs.

We are also seeking assistance from partners such as the Ontario Anti-Racism Directorate, which has shown a

keen interest in supporting Thunder Bay's efforts.

Successful initiatives depend upon sincere collaboration — with Indigenous partners in the lead, and Canada, Ontario, and Thunder Bay citizens pulling together.

At the same time, we remain mindful of a warning by Justice Murray Sinclair not to leap at quick, patchwork solutions: "We need to be able to look back at this from the perspective of where we want to be in three, four, five or seven generations from now when we talk about the relationship between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in this country."

Reconciliation has different meanings for different people. Most agree it begins with an awareness of the past, acknowledgment of the harm Indigenous peoples have suffered, and a commitment to plan for the future.

Thunder Bay embraces its role in committing to a new relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people. Reconciliation is a process, not a destination.

A deeper look at Thunder Bay tells a story of movement toward reconciliation, caring and an ever-intensifying effort to learn from the country's First Peoples. We aspire to be a city in which all citizens feel — and are — safe and included.

Norm Gale is the city manager for Thunder Bay. This op-ed originally ran in the Toronto Star.

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Perspective

Waiting not a crime

The art of procrastination a time-honoured tradition

OPINION
By J.R. Shermack
Special to TB Source

When something needs to be done, say in a month or so, what action do you take?

Some people jump in immediately while others prefer to wait for the deadline.

Anybody who has ever faced a deadline is familiar with the clash of cultures between the proactive and the procrastinators.

In my family we use a well-worn expression when we encounter task-oriented people with a false sense of urgency, "What's the hurry?"

It drives them crazy – as they strive to get things done we are guided by yet another clever cliché.

"If it wasn't for the last minute, nothing would ever get done."

While it does take all kinds of people to make a world, these two diverse realities co-exist reluctantly.

Those who delay are "accused" of procrastination as if they had committed a heinous crime.

This group is often under suspicion – the stigma has been compared to the way left-handed people were once mistreated.

But as a semi-professional procrastinator myself I suddenly feel vindicated from all the shaming I and my fellow "slackers" have endured.

In her new book, *What Motivates Getting Things Done: Procrastination, Emotions and Success*, psychologist Mary Lamia comes to

the rescue.

She takes a look at procrastinators, what makes them tick and why they are in no particular hurry.

According to Lamia, "We should really stop shaming procrastinators. It is a valid motivational style."

As a specialist in human emotion she wondered why so many of her high-achieving patients were procrastinators.

She also wondered how it was that they never missed deadlines and their work was always perfect.

She compared the success stories of two different groups – deadline-driven procrastinators and task-driven non procrastinators.

It turns out that both groups are equally likely to complete a given task successfully, one sooner and the other, closer to the deadline.

Her studies also revealed that both behaviors were motivated by emotional history, although in different ways.

The emotions of task-driven people are triggered by the task itself while deadline-driven procrastinators are activated by the approaching deadline.

A third group of wannabe procrastinators use it as an excuse for poor behavior.

They just delay and never deliver, dragging their feet until they fail and then explain by saying, "I can't help it, I'm a procrastinator."

Their actions are also driven by emotions but they are not motivated by either the task or its completion date.

Their emotional history drives their inaction and approaching deadlines actually inhibit them from completing the task.

You can't really blame them for pretending to be one of us but they do give procrastinators a bad name.

They will have to wait for their own book.

Lamia is more interested in the conflict created when movers and shakers collide with genuine procrastinators.

Sometimes, a task-driven person can't tolerate the behavior of their "inactive" spouse and they initiate divorce proceedings.

The stunned, deadline-driven procrastinator is left abandoned, wondering why they are being punished for success.

Mary Lamia's book is intended to reduce this unnecessary procrastinational friction between colleagues, spouses and family members.

In reality, both approaches have merit – each behavior is based on a personal emotional history and a proven path to success.

Task-driven people want to get things off their plate, check things off their list and move on to another task.

Procrastinators prefer to let things slide a little, mull things over, let time pass and then complete the task as the deadline approaches.

Both strategies result in success.

It's about time procrastinators were vindicated although really, we were prepared to wait much longer.

After all, what's the hurry?

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Council OKs detour route

CITY HALL
By Matt Vis - TB Source

City council has paved the way for the Ministry of Transportation to use municipal roadways to detour traffic during next year's nighttime closures of Highway 61.

The province's plan to route vehicles down Neebing and Broadway avenues while closing the highway nightly at the Thunder Bay International Airport intersection to Broadway Avenue was backed by a resolution passed by council at Monday evening's meeting.

Without council approval to use city streets, the ministry would have been forced to post a detour of Highway 130 and Highway 11/17.

Ministry spokesman Beau Little said even if the signed detour included only the provincial highway network, there would be nothing stopping traffic from taking a different route.

"We feel that's the likely route people are going to take. That's where all our traffic modelling is showing," Little said of drivers using Neebing Avenue.

"We don't want to have to go down the route of

posting a signed detour on Highway 130 knowing that very few people are going to use that."

Repair work on four spans – the Canadian Pacific Railway overpass, Rosslyn Road Bridge and the two Canadian National Railway overpasses – has been deemed necessary with the province electing to tackle all four structures within the same year. Construction work would be expected to begin in the spring with a targeted completion of October.



BEAU LITTLE

"Our current timeline, we're looking at anywhere from five to six months," Little said.

"Part of the reason we're looking at doing all four structures concurrently is all four rehabs lend themselves to being done concurrently. We would be looking to mitigate that through one construction season rather than multiple construction seasons."

The ministry examined several detour options before identifying the preferred option of keeping the roadway open in both directions with a 50 kilometre per hour speed limit at the construction sites during the day before closing the highway between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. nightly.

Little said traffic modelling on Neebing Avenue during the first hour of closure would have similar

volumes to the roadway's peak traffic flow during the afternoon.

"Once it gets to about 10 p.m. it certainly falls off significantly," Little said. "If we were to find that first hour, say from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m., was a conflict point we can certainly tailor that back to say a 9:30 p.m. start or a 10 p.m. start."

Both Thunder Bay police and the OPP would assist in closing the road during the first month of work with city police increasing their presence along the detour route, Little added.

Feedback received during a public information session held earlier this month included 125 comments, with 87 of those respondents in favour of the nighttime construction.

Under the Highway Traffic Act, the ministry is obliged to restore a municipal roadway used as part of a detour from a provincial highway to as good or better condition than prior to the increased traffic.

Little said a video log of the roadway would be recorded prior to the detour and that would be used to help determine the extent of work that would be done afterwards.

"The idea behind that is we want to make sure we have a record of what was there before and again, we're not looking to return something in a state of disrepair," Little said.

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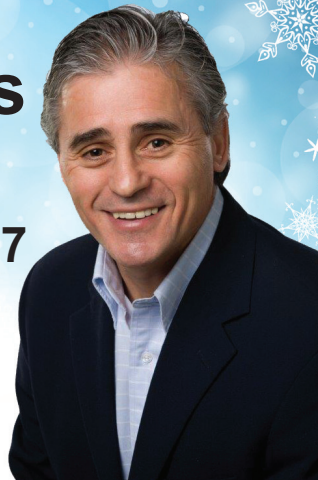


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LOCAL NEWS

IN BRIEF

Man dies at Marathon's Hemlo mine

A 60-year-old man has died as a result of an industrial accident at Barrick Gold's Hemlo mine near Marathon, Ont.

The company say Eulogio (Bot) Gutierrez was killed when a piece of mobile equipment struck him at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Monday. "On behalf of the entire Barrick team, our thoughts are with the Gutierrez family at this tragic time, and we share in their grief. We deeply regret the tragic loss they are feeling. Our thoughts are also with everyone at Hemlo who counted Bot as a friend and colleague for more than 30 years," Barrick president Kelvin Dushnisky said in a release.

"We will devote all available resources to determining the causes of this incident so that we can work to prevent such a tragedy from occurring again."

Gutierrez leaves behind a wife, son

and daughter.

Provincial authorities are on site conducting an investigation.

Assault in Nipigon

A Surrey, B.C. man is facing numerous assault and weapons charges after a violent altercation in Nipigon sent one person to hospital with serious injuries.

According to an Ontario Provincial Police media release, officers in Nipigon responded to reports of an altercation at a residence last Sunday just after 12:30 a.m.

Officers discovered that two people were the victims of an assault, with one individual suffering a serious injury that required transportation by ambulance to the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre.

A 29-year-old Surrey, B.C. man was arrested and charged with aggravated

assault, assault with a weapon, breaking and entering, overcoming resistance by attempting to choke, forcible confinement, pointing a firearm, using imitation firearm while committing an offence, discharging an air gun or pistol with intent, and possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose.

The man remains in custody pending a bail hearing.

Henry has a home

It's taken over a year, but the Lakehead Transportation Museum Society is seeing its hard work come to fruition.

The *Alexander Henry* icebreaker was towed to Pool 6 on Thursday.

Museum president Charlie Brown said it now has work to do at the site to get it ready for being an attraction.

"It's going to be slow right now,"

Brown said. "We have some fencing to do, some electrical to do, some security to do...we will be working on it slowly over the winter for smaller projects."

Brown added they are hoping for a grand opening near the end of May 2018.

The Society, the city of Thunder Bay and the Port Authority all signed off on a five-year lease agreement to allow the ship to move to its new home.

Teen arrested

Police have arrested and charged a 14-year-old after a report of a stolen vehicle.

Ontario Provincial Police officials say officers were dispatched to a report of a vehicle stolen last Wednesday from the Fresh Market Foods parking lot in Sioux Lookout.

Police found the vehicle later in the day being driven by a 14-year-old youth.

The youth was arrested and charged with theft over \$5000, take motor vehicle without consent, possession of property obtained by crime and breach of probation.

The 14-year-old appeared in court last Thursday to answer to the charges.

Mystery unsolved

A year after Justin Duncan was last seen, police are still trying to piece together what happened to the missing Ottawa man.

Duncan was last reportedly seen in the Limbrick housing complex in Thunder Bay on Nov. 22, 2016.

In a statement released last Wednesday, Thunder Bay Police Service Det. John Read said the investigation is ongoing.



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LOCAL NEWS

Business owners confident

Revamped survey shows entrepreneurs excited about economic futures

BUSINESS
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

According to a business confidence survey, local entrepreneurs have high hopes for the economic climate in the city. The survey, commissioned by Thunder Bay Ventures, shows that 92 per cent of the 185 respondents believe they will experience improved or stable economic well-being over the next year, while 81 per cent believe the local economy has been stable for the past year.

"We were actually surprised with the level of confidence. It's very high and it's consistent with what we see when we talk to our own clients and investments in Thunder Bay," said Royden Potvin, manager of Thunder Bay Ventures.

"People owning their own businesses are very confident ... in their own ability to generate revenues, to maintain their staff and to keep their marketplace as it is or grow it. We think that's a really positive thing."

One disturbing trend, he added, was a lack of new business starts.

That's troubling, Potvin said.

"That is of concern," he said. "But certainly the businesses that are here are confident in what they're doing, how they're operating and where they're going



BELIEVERS: Thunder Bay Ventures' Royden Potvin says business confidence is high in 2017.

in the future."

Charla Robinson, who heads the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce, said there is clearly a lot of optimism being shown on the part of the city's entrepreneurs, in the face of a number of challenges.

"That's really nice to see. Entrepreneurs tend to be more optimistic than perhaps your average Joe, so it's nice to see that coming through in the numbers," Robinson

said, adding the survey, which replaced Thunder Bay Venture's small business survey and now includes businesses across the economic spectrum, echoed what those in her organization have been hearing at street level for years.

"Things like the rising cost of doing business," Robinson said. "That's been something we've been working on a lot, so it's nice to see that we're on the right track and this corresponds with that."

Robinson said the survey also identified ways to create a better business environment, including shopping local, a pet project of the Chamber's.

"It's nice to see that message is resonating in the community and the business community is saying they want to see more of that, they want to do more of that, they want to collaborate more and work with other local businesses, because that's positive for everybody," Robinson said.

Suggestions that arose during the survey included calls for a lower business tax levy, incentives for owning businesses and buildings in core areas of Thunder Bay, a revised strategy to develop skilled trades and more efforts to develop the Ring of Fire.

"One of the big outcomes of this was the suggestion of business collaboration and how we all need to work together," Potvin said.

Businesses expressed an average of 5.8 out of 10 in terms of their confidence in the city's economic future, the lowest of the nine indicators.

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LOCAL NEWS

Shelter House pantry should be filled for Christmastime

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

With several vans nearly full of everything from pasta to peanut butter donated by generous shoppers, Thunder Bay Shelter House expects its pantry will be full this holiday season.

Last Saturday, the Shelter House held its annual Christmas Food Drive at all three Metro locations throughout Thunder Bay.

Amber Prairie, development officer with Thunder Bay Shelter House, was at the River Street Metro location and she said the response from the community has been great.

"We already have a full van here," she said. "If this location is anything like the

other locations, we are going to have a very full pantry for Christmas and it's going to be great."

The Shelter House partnered with Metro for their food drive last year as well and Prairie said the staff and management have been very helpful in making the food drive a success by putting together pre-packed meal bags that can be purchased for \$5.99.

The Shelter House recently launched its annual holiday donation drive and is asking the public for help to ensure that no one is left this season hungry or in the cold. Prairie said events like the food drive not only provides food for those in need, it also eases the stress on the

staff and volunteers by allowing for more meal options in the kitchen.

"When the weather gets colder, we have more people in the Shelter who are eating meals," Prairie added. "We have two meals, lunch and dinner. We serve over 700 people a day so having food in our pantry is so important."

The food drive was held until 4 p.m. Saturday. If anyone was unable to make it to the food drive but would still like to help, food donations are accepted at the Thunder Bay Shelter House at 420 George Street at any time of day. A full list of the most needed items can be found on the Thunder Bay Shelter House website.

"Even though we are doing it right now, we are always in need of food," Prairie said.

"Coming up in January, we are always going to need more food. We really do need a steady flow of food coming into our pantry."

"We already have a full van here."

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SOLVING HUNGER: Amber Prairie, development officer with the Thunder Bay Shelter House, fills a van with food donations at the River Street Metro.

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UNVEILED: Drug Strategy co-ordinator Cynthia Olsen (from left), District Health Unit public health nurse Rosemary Scofield and Thunder Bay Crime Prevention Council co-ordinator Lee-Ann Chevrette presented the Community Perspectives and Perceptions on Violence, Impacts and Prevention Opportunities.

Violence hits minorities

THUNDER BAY
By Matt Vis - TB Source

Nearly half of Indigenous respondents to a study collecting data on perceptions of violence in Thunder Bay reported experiencing some form of victimization in the previous 12 months.

Findings from the Community Perspectives and Perceptions on Violence, Impacts and Prevention Opportunities report, released on Thursday, found that 29 per cent of the nearly 1,200 respondents to an online survey acknowledged being subjected to violence or abuse.

Individuals who self-identified as Indigenous, having a disability or being a member of the LGBTQ2S were at a higher risk of being targeted by violence, with more than 40 per cent of respondents from each demographic reporting experiencing violence. Indigenous respondents had the highest rate at 48 per cent.

Thunder Bay Crime Prevention Council coordinator Lee-Ann Chevrette said while the statistics of the study aren't as reflective as other data such as police's annual crime data or Statistics Canada's crime severity index, it allows the voices of those who have experienced violence to be heard.

"There's no one single solution to violence

in our community. There's no one single cause," Chevrette said. "This is a really complex issue. Having engaged these individuals in our community in a conversation, I think is a really important first step because we need a community approach to addressing the harms related to violence in our community."

The report, which was a joint initiative between the crime prevention council, Thunder Bay Drug Strategy and Thunder Bay District Health Unit, included the online survey as well as stakeholder interviews and community focus groups representing seniors, youth, service organizations, homeless individuals, the LGBTQ2S community, persons with disabilities, women, Indigenous and other cultural minority groups. The survey was available for nearly a month last year.

Only 34 per cent of people said they reported their incidences of violence to police. For Indigenous participants, 45 per cent said they didn't want to involve the police with the same amount reporting no physical injury. Nearly 42 per cent reported having a previous negative experience with police and 36 per cent said they had reported a previous incident without receiving their

desired outcome.

"Ultimately we want to be increasing reporting rates so those rates are known and people are accessing the supports that are required, and that the supports that are required are available at the levels that reflect the reality of the experience of violence in the community," Chevrette said.

The study asked participants to identify the forms of violence they experienced. Verbal violence or abuse was encountered most frequently at 72 per cent, with emotional abuse being reported by 49 per cent. Physical violence was reported by 36 per cent.

For Indigenous respondents, 76 per cent experienced verbal violence or abuse while 52 per cent reported being subjected to racial violence or abuse.

"When most people think about violence it's about physical harm. I think it's really important to broaden the perspective and understand there are a lot of diverse forms of harm or violence in our community," Chevrette said.

"The psychological harm associated with being bullied or being verbally assaulted, these are really important harms and this is violence in our community."

"There's no one single solution to violence in our community."
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Wayfinding options revealed

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The city is presenting the public options on signage designed to help tourists and locals alike navigate their way throughout Thunder Bay.

On Monday consultants joined municipal officials at city hall to unveil three distinct looks for its planned wayfinding program, one using a contemporary feel, a second taking an artisan's approach, complete with a cut-out outline of the Sleeping Giant at the top and the third a using a more natural look.

Adam Krupper, the city's mobility co-ordinator, said the signs, which should start appearing next summer, will be a boon for tourists looking for fun and interesting things to do while in Thunder Bay.

"When people come to Thunder Bay they'll know what's available to them," Krupper said, offering up suggestions like the Sleeping Giant, Prince Arthur's Landing and Prime Gelato as examples of places visitors might be directed to on the signs.

"They'll know where to find these places. It will be quick and easy."

Krupper added it's also a chance for tourists to map their way to places they might not otherwise know about.

"Thunder Bay is full of hidden gems and these are going to reveal those hidden gems, and I'm really excited about that," Krupper said.

A six-page survey, which is also available



YOU ARE HERE: City mobility co-ordinator Adam Krupper showcases a possible wayfinding map.

online, has been produced to help the city and its consultants narrow down and tweak signage options, asking opinions on the look of each one, what changes they might make, what the public thinks are the city's landmarks and what should be included on the accompanying maps.

Gavin Davidson, a consultant with Vancouver's Alta Planning and Design, said the sign choices are a reflection of feedback they've already received from the public and stakeholders on the wayfinding program.

"Functionality is really important, but we really want to reflect the spirit and the sense of Thunder Bay and make you want to get out and walk some more," Davidson said.

Krupper said signs will be placed at strategic locations in the city, as well as along the city's trail system, adding it will take about 10 years for all the desired signs to be put in place. He said the money to pay for the signage will be allotted for through existing budgets.

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United Way hits \$1.1M

Campaign co-chairs hopeful they're well on way to \$2.55M

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The United Way of Thunder Bay has collected \$1.1 million toward its annual campaign goal, but there's still a long way to go. Campaign co-chair Kelly Gallagher on Thursday said the total represents just 44 per cent of the \$2.55-million target, with just five weeks left to go. Knowing there are still some large campaign contributions left to come, including an expected \$200,000 from the City of Thunder Bay's employee program, Gallagher said she's confi-

dent the public will come through once again for the United Way.

"At this point we're excited and we're optimistic going forward," she said. "The message for us going forward is we can't get there without our community support. That first \$1 million is so key to us."

"But we still need to get to that \$2.55 million goal. We need those other donations to come in. So we really want to remind our citizens and businesses in Thunder Bay the importance of that."

The United Way of Thunder Bay funds 59 different programs and affects the lives of about one-in-three people in the city.

Co-chair Mike Gallagher encouraged everyone to dig a little deeper this year

and make a donation, suggesting Giving Tuesday on Nov. 28 as the perfect time to pitch in.

"We want to use the opportunity to ask people to please remember to give. Not everybody is as fortunate as everybody else and the United Way of Thunder Bay wants to help the less fortunate," he said.

"We want to help families, so we're asking everybody and their families to help us help the people of Thunder Bay."

No amount is too big or too small, he added.

To donate, visit www.uwaytbay.ca, send a cheque through the mail or stop by their office at 1006-715 Hewitson Street.

"At this point we're excited and optimistic going forward." KELLY GALLAGHER



NOT DONE YET: Mike and Kelly Gallagher say there are still big donations to come.



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Harm reduction key to drug strategy

FWFN partnering with Health Unit on harm reduction strategy for people struggling with substance abuse issues

HEALTH

By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

With the opioid crisis spreading to communities across Canada, healthcare officials and community leaders are looking not only at preventative measures to help those who may be affected, but reducing harm to those already struggling.

Fort William First Nation and the Thunder Bay District Health Unit Superior Points Harm Reduction Program are partnering to provide harm reduction programming to the First Nation community. The partnership was nine years in the making and was formalized with the signing of a memorandum of understanding on Monday.

According to Fort William First Nation Chief, Peter Collins, this partnership was badly needed in the community, which has experienced the tragic outcomes of

substance abuse.

"We recently lost three young guys, ages of 28 and 29 and was due to overdoses," Collins said. "It's a tragic moment in our community but we have to continue to work and try to create a safer environment."

The partnership with Superior Points will allow harm reduction services, such as resources and training, supplies, needle distribution, safe inhalation kits, and naloxone kits to be made more readily available to health care providers in Fort William First Nation.

Janet DeMille, medical officer of health at the Thunder Bay District

Health Unit, said harm reduction is the final pillar of a drug strategy that includes prevention, enforcement, and access to treatment.

"Harm reduction is a really key component of addressing any issues related to drugs and substance abuse," she said. "What this deals with is provide services to individuals who are struggling

with addictions. Because of that they experience many harms associated with addiction."

"We are trying to empower our people and drive them into a healthy way of living."

PETER COLLINS



REDUCING HARM: Fort William First Nation Chief, Peter Collins, signed a memorandum of understanding with the Thunder Bay District Health Unit on Monday to provide harm reduction services to the community through Superior Points Harm Reduction Program.

People struggling with addiction may be more susceptible to other health problems, such as the risk of

infection or hospitalization.

"Not only that, there is a lot of stigma against those people,"

DeMille said. "There is a victim blaming and those individuals have a lot of trouble accessing health services, even to manage their addictions."

Harm reduction is meant to provide services to allow individuals struggling with addiction to take care of their own health without any judgement, and then when ready, to access services to address the issue of addiction.

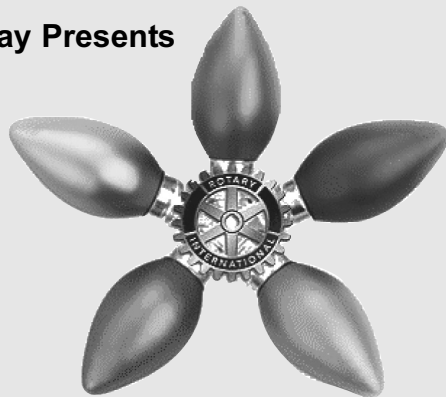
"Many people do access that," DeMille said. "Reducing the harm, as well as supporting those people in accessing services they may want or need, is one of the key values of harm reduction."

According to Collins, Fort William First Nation continues to work with the people of the community on preventative measures, but he understands that the opioid crisis is taking place across the country, including here in the north.

Collins said the First Nation works hard to provide positive opportunities for the people and he believes this new partnership is a step in the right direction.

"We have to continue to take on the task and take on the battle," he said. "We are trying to empower our people and drive them into a healthy way of living."

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Moose tracks spotted in rural snow

“Moose tracks, lost in a northern wood...” – song lyrics by Ian Tambllyn Saturday afternoon. My wife, Laura, me, and our pooch, Baxter, of course, went for a walk.

We’d been busy all day and so it wasn’t until the late afternoon that we were able to head out along our trails for a look-see.

The dog was thrilled that we were going in the trail-entrance direction instead of just over to the boring horse barn.

Where I had driven the quad after the last snow storm, the going was not difficult.

Tough slogging

But when we reached the ‘back 40’ as I like to call it, the footing was less secure partly because I had not traversed the trail with the quad that would have flattened the snow somewhat but also because the previous weekend, Laura had gone



FRED JONES

RURAL ROOTS

trail riding with friends.

Horse-hoof prints pock the trail and after the brisk nor’wester that created a hard crust on the snow surface, walking was a tad tricky.

Eventually we came to the turnoff that leads to the trail into the Red Pines, a stand of red and scotch pine planted back in the sixties.

When we came in sight of the lower beaver pond, we saw that it was sheer glass: frozen with no snow on the surface.

“Wow!” I exclaimed, “I’ll bet the upper pond will be like this too. Now we have a very large skating

rink.”

We emerged from the red pines and headed down the slope that takes us into the bottom horse paddock. From there we would make a beeline straight across to Casa Jones.

We noticed Baxter was suddenly sniffing like crazy at a stretch of snow. A closer look revealed cat tracks, widely spaced, and larger than those of a house cat.

“I’ll bet that this is either lynx or bobcat. Too small to be cougar,” Laura said.

Wow! First time I’ve ever seen those.

We entered the paddock to discover the snow firmer where the horses had trod in the summer.

Since the field was more open, the winds had been able to create a tougher skin on the surface. With only a couple of exceptions, we were able to walk on the top without going through.

All along our walk we had seen deer prints, lots and lots of deer prints in the snow. I apologized to the ghost of Tennyson as I intoned: “Deer tracks to the left of us; deer tracks to the right.

Into the valley of the Bambi’s strode the Joneses...” but then I saw something different.

Coming from the direction of the upper beaver pond, I noticed large depressions in the snow that had sunk all the way to the ground below.

“Have you seen these?” I asked at Laura who was continuing towards Casa Jones.

“Yes, I think that they were made by moose,” she replied.

Moose? You’re kidding! We haven’t see a moose in these parts for years ever since the deer swarmed in and took over.

But here was the evidence. I knew that no horse had been on this part of

the property since before it snowed.

As Laura made for Casa Jones, I followed the tracks to the pond. Sure enough, we now had a giant skating rink with no snow on the surface. There were moose tracks in the ice and since it had rained on the Friday to then freeze overnight, I knew that those tracks had been made very recently.

Radio days

Back when I was still in harness in the radio business, I had a chance to interview Ian Tambllyn, originally from Thunder Bay, who had returned for a visit. I asked him about his song, “Moose Tracks”.

He told me that he disliked his song, it being one of the first ones he ever wrote.

Didn’t think that it was good. Pity, I think it is great.

So, moose tracks in the snow. The return of Bullwinkle?

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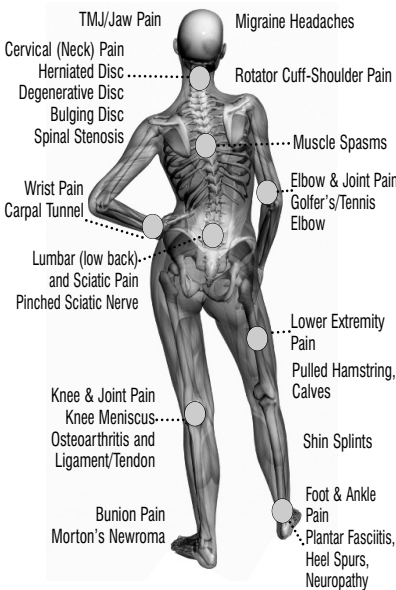


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Miracles anywhere, anytime

Magnus Theatre to offer the classic, *Miracle on 34th Street*, for its holiday season show

THEATRE

By Linda Maehans - TB Source

HHeading into the holiday season, Magnus presents the well-loved Christmas classic *Miracle on 34th Street*, penned by Valentine Davies.

A little time-trip back 70 years to NYC, 151 W 34th to be precise, lands me into big hustle and bustle at Macy's. No wonder, as the largest department store in America, maybe in the world, gears up for another Thanksgiving Day parade. I spot a woman in an impeccably tailored blue suit with matching high heels striding purposefully toward me. Her long auburn hair is elegantly swept back from her face. As she shakes my hand I notice first her lovely eyes, then her smile. Alison Palmer introduces herself as Doris Walker, head of PR at Macy's. I appreciate her undivided attention, marvel at her natural composure midst all the hubbub.

"I'm grateful to Mr. Macy for this tremendous opportunity," she explains. "Starting as a shop girl at age 18, now I'm dedicated to the values Mr. Macy wants reflected throughout his store for the customers."

Well, to be honest with you, our Thanksgiving Day parade is my most stressful time of year. The organization of it is exhausting. Then with Christmas up so close next, I suppose I do miss out on what people call the magic. This time of year I simply can't do traditional things such as send cards, pick out presents, or bake cookies with my daughter."



MIRACLE ON STAGE: Magnus Theatre is presenting *Miracle on 34th Street* his holiday season.

At the mention of her daughter, the light in Doris' eyes becomes soft. "I think Susan knows what my work ethic has to be. It's just been her and I since she was a baby. I must tell you she is a remarkable young lady, intelligent, worldly-wise." Doris sighs. "Our time together is always very special."

Later that afternoon I meet a tall attractive attorney. As Fred Gailey, actor Kevin Hare's handshake is firm, his gaze direct. It is not possible to miss his winning combination of sincerity and passion for life. "I'm fortunate to have my career, but gosh, I've worked hard to

get here; and I think the partners were impressed when they first met me." A quick smile. "I'm a lucky man in most aspects of my life."

Do I ever get taken by surprise? Golly, yes! I'm happy for surprises, in a bigger rather than a smaller world." Fred pauses; decides to take me into his confidence. He tells me about a woman who lives in his apartment building. "And she has the most delightful daughter, who actually has opened my heart quite a bit."

Before leaving NYC, an extra special meeting with an elderly man I am drawn to like a magnet. I can't

stop looking into Walter Learning's wise and merry eyes. "My dear, I'm ageless; been here a long time. Every year I drop in some place to get a sense of people's attitude toward Christmas. For these past 50 years I've become worried: everyone so busy, trying to outdo one another, make things go faster, be shinier. Here in NYC I see two lost souls: a woman and her daughter who've stopped believing in Christmas. My task is set: to win them over."

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IN THE bay

Reporters now the focus of allegations

And here I had hoped we might be in the home stretch. After weeks of allegations, photos and tearful stories of people in Hollywood abusing their power, it had to be winding down. I figured we were running out of famous people to lose faith in. And we were ... in the entertainment industry.

Then we moved on to politics. Or returned to it, depending on how you feel about last year's sexual allegations against Donald Trump. Roy Moore, Al Franken and others on both sides of the political spectrum are being outted for their inappropriate behaviour. Worse yet, some are choosing to believe – or disbelieve – based on their own political bent.

And now, we're looking at a new set of sinners whom we relied on to monitor it all on our behalf: the reporters.



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The strange thing is there's been a startling similarity not only in the incidents, but also in the excuses. Men answering doors wearing nothing but bathrobes. Meetings done in the nude. Exposing genitals during job interviews.

This, in itself, is utterly, profoundly, and gob-smackingly weird in any setting except maybe the porn industry. The media has been clear on

this fact for months. Reporters have questioned how anyone can think this behaviour is acceptable or even normal. And their condemnation of it has been profound.

But now, those same reporters are being accused of the same sexual misconduct. Literally.

The stories about these new perpetrators include wearing bathrobes during interviews and naked meetings with staff. (What is this? A fad?) So I have to wonder what people like veteran newsman Charlie Rose, New York Times reporter Glenn Thrush, editor and columnist Leon Wieseltier, journalist Michael Oreskes, or commentator Mark Halperin were thinking during the last few months.

Could they see the similarities in their own behaviour? Did they wake up in a cold sweat wondering if this was the day that someone in their own



NEWLY ACCUSED: Charlie Rose.

circle comes forward with a tale to tell?

Thankfully, they haven't denied the allegations. They have apologized. They have reflected. They have acknowledged that their behaviour was inappropriate. However, many claim they are just now understanding the full impact of their actions and

that it was not reciprocated.

Just now? The people who make a living reporting on the atrocities of the world and the abuse of those in power didn't notice their own abnormal behaviour?

It's like putting on a hundred pounds and then looking at a photo and claiming you didn't realize you'd gotten fat. You see yourself in the mirror every day. You buy the larger sized clothes. If you don't see it, you don't want to.

It should not take someone else speaking out to make you realize what you are doing is so categorically wrong.

Then again, reporters spend their lives holding up a mirror to the world, but they rarely turn it on themselves. Perhaps it's time that we hand one out to everyone on the first day of work.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Royal Canadian Mounted Police (abbr.)
 - Thin strip of wood
 - Master of Business Administration (abbr.)
 - Butter tree
 - Rhyme scheme
 - Internet provider
 - Containers
 - Cut
 - Plant disease
 - Melville's captain
 - Pedestal for a bust
 - Prison
 - Old-style verb
 - Amer. sign language (abbr.)
 - Mild oath
 - Surgical needle (abbr.)
 - School course (abbr.)
 - Appointments
 - Deposed
 - Ugandan dictator
 - Rate
 - River from Lake Baikal
 - Former capital of
- DOWN**
- Revised Standard Version (abbr.)
 - Oriental tea
 - Tinny
 - Ottoman official
 - Baby goat
 - Aborigine (Austr.)
 - Fancy marble
 - Hovers
 - Husband (Fr.)
 - Favor
 - High (Lat.)
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 - Arabic script
 - Tiber tributary
 - Peak
 - Clear broth (Scott.)
 - Among
 - Terrorist org. in the '70s
 - He (Lat.)
 - Unattended
 - Dolt
 - Affixes
 - Black as ink
- DOWN**
- Technical Aide (abbr.)
 - Catch the breath
 - United States Code Annotated (abbr.)
 - Undesired
 - Gulf of Arabian Sea
 - Festivity
 - Warm spice
 - N. Caucasian language
 - Slushy ice
 - Kemo
 - Eskimo (abbr.)
 - Bone of leg
 - Arrow poison
 - Nat'l Aeronautics and Space Admin. (abbr.)
 - Building wings
 - Health resorts
 - Negatives
 - Retail liquor dealer (abbr.)
 - Long standing
 - Blacken
 - Algerian governor

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LOOKING FOR A LANE: Lakehead's Bridget O'Reilly (right) looks for a way around Ottawa's Amelle Hachey on Saturday night.

LU overcomes slow start

BASKETBALL

By Leith Dunlick – TB Source

A horrendous first quarter was just the wake-up call the Lakehead Thunderwolves needed.

The women's basketball team last Saturday night was spotted an 8-2 lead by the visiting Ottawa Gee-Gees, then fell asleep at the wheel for the final six-and-a-half minutes of the opening quarter, outscored 20-2 the rest of the way.

But instead of accepting their fate, the Thunderwolves stood their ground in the second and climbed back into the contest.

It was largely thanks to a combination of stellar defensive play and the usual double-double performance from Leashja Grant, who topped all scorers with 25 points, adding 15 boards, despite playing the final five minutes of the fourth with four fouls.

Lakehead outscored Ottawa 62-38 the rest of the way and coasted to a 72-60 triumph to remain tied atop the OUA West at 6-2.

After the rough start in the first, rookie guard Tiffany Reynolds said the team decided it needed to clean things up in its own end.

The rest would take care of itself.

"Everybody was anticipating the pass," Reynolds said, singling out fellow guard Tianna Warwick-Dawkins, who had five steals in the game.

"The posts were blocking out, everybody was rebounding, so everything worked in our favour."

Warwick-Dawkins, a freshman from Whitby, Ont., said after the first the team set a defensive goal and stuck to it.

"In the second quarter, third quarter and fourth quarter we had a goal to ... keep them under 15 points each quarter and compete every single possession and that's what helped us."

Lakehead coach Jon Kreiner blamed himself for a game plan that called for trying to contain Ottawa guard Brooklynn McAlear, who finished with seven points and eight assists.

"We thought we could and she ripped us apart. She had five assists and no turnovers at halftime and she really shredded our defence," Kreiner said.

"We needed to realize that we were going to score more points than a team that is struggling to score right now. We needed to limit the number of possessions they were getting and limit the number of rotations that we had to have on our defence off our shooters."

The Thunderwolves quickly closed the gap in the second, Reynolds putting it up and in to pull her team within a point, down 27-26. They'd trail by four at the half.

It was all Lakehead from there on in.

Grant scored twice in the opening 70 seconds of the third to even the score, Lily Gruber-Schulz completing a three-point play at the charity stripe to put the Wolves ahead for good on LU's next trip down the court.

A Reynolds bucket in the fourth extended their lead to 12, but an offensive foul and subsequent technical laid on an angry Grant put her on the brink of ejection and forced her to the bench for key minutes in the final frame.

Ottawa climbed to within five, but with Grant back on the court and three defenders draped all over her, Bridget O'Reilly buried a three to stretch the lead to eight. She'd finish with 12 points.

Amelie Hachey topped all Gee-Gees scorers with 14 points. Thunder Bay's Aliisa Heiskanen had three points and seven rebounds for Ottawa (3-5).

The Wolves hit the road this weekend for games against Ryerson and Toronto before hitting the Christmas break.

"...everything worked in our favour."

TIFFANY REYNOLDS

Gee-Gees roll over winless T-Wolves

BASKETBALL
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

A night after giving the No. 1 Carleton Ravens as good a go as any other team in the OUA has this season, the Lakehead Thunderwolves ran out of gas taking on the No. 9 Ottawa Gee-Gees.

The visitors pulled out all the stops last Saturday night, finishing with their second-highest point total this season in downing the out-matched Wolves 94-59 at the C.J. Sanders Fieldhouse.

It was rough, admitted six-foot guard Darnell Curtin, who led Lakehead with 11 points, the lone Thunderwolves player to cross the 10-point threshold.

The Gee-Gees (6-2) put together runs of 14 and 15 points on separate occasions and hit 56 per cent of the 72 shots they fired up, including 12 of 16 in the final frame.

It wasn't as bad as it looked, it was

just a matter of not executing, Curtin said.

"They're containable. It was just the little mistakes we were making," the third-year guard from Hamilton said. "Last night we faced Carleton and we gave it all we've got. Today I don't think we came in with as much energy as we did last night."

"But I think we can compete with every single team in this league. We've just got to use every single tool we've got. We've got a lot of tools. We've got rebounders, we've got scorers and we've got playmakers. We've just got to kind of mesh it together."

Still looking for a victory

The loss dropped the winless Wolves to 0-8, with a road trip this weekend to face Toronto and Ryerson all that's left on the first-half schedule.

It's not ideal, but not disastrous, Curtin said of their record to date.

The last-place Thunderwolves are buried at the bottom of the OUA West standings, but are just four points out of a playoff berth.

"That's how I'm looking at it. We can go 0-10 going into the new year, but as long as there are still games left, there's still a chance," Curtin said. "I know we're good and we can compete, we've just got to piece it together."

On the same page

Senior guard Mor Menashe agreed. "We still have 12 more games to go and that's a lot," the Israeli import said. "The teams in the West are not doing as well and for us, we're not thinking about the end of the season yet. We're just trying to focus on our mistakes, trying to focus on each possession, each game."

"Everything is open at this point. We're still optimistic."

Ottawa, whose bench got plenty of

playing time, was led by 17 points from Calvin Epistola and 16 from Jean Pierre-Charles, who also grabbed 14 boards to complete the double-double.

They led 24-14 after one and grew the lead to 26 by halftime.

The Thunderwolves put together a 7-0 run in the third, a Nashon Hurst trey cutting the gap to 23 in a period that saw the two teams put up an identical 17 points.

The Wolves just didn't have an answer for the Ottawa attack in the other three quarters, coach Manny Furtado said.

"They made some big shots. It was scramble plays late in shot clocks and their ability to hit the three just stole the momentum, sucked the life out of it, sucked the crowd out of it," Furtado said. "A lot of that, to be honest, is a lack of execution on our end."

Fifth-year forward Noel Jones put up nine points in four minutes in the fourth for Lakehead.



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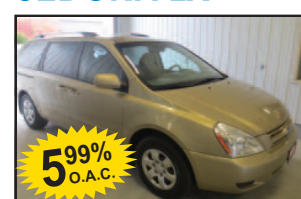
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