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BIG HIT: Thunder Bay's Mitchell Spence (left) lands a punch last Saturday night during a kickboxing event at the Da Vinci Centre against Winnipeg's Kevin McCarthy. It marked the return of the sport to the city for the first time in 19 years. See Page 16 for the story.

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LOCAL NEWS

O'Toole seeks Ring of Fire help

POLITICS
By Matt Vis – TB Source

Erin O'Toole views the Ring of Fire as a project of national significance that needs to receive more attention from Ottawa.

Visiting Thunder Bay last Wednesday, the federal Conservative leadership candidate said developing the potentially lucrative Northern Ontario mineral deposits would be a priority if he were to lead the country.

"Infrastructure should not just be subways in a couple of cities in the country," O'Toole said.

"This is what the federal government should do with infrastructure funding. It's not just about transit in a few parts of the country. If we can help access

jobs, resources, opportunity, that's where the federal government has a role in roads, access to resources and intertie of electricity transmission. There's a whole range of things we can do to make this possible."

O'Toole is one of 14 candidates in a crowded leadership field vying to replace former prime minister Stephen Harper. The race includes former Harper cabinet ministers Lisa Raitt, Maxime Bernier and Kellie Leitch in addition to high-profile political newcomer Kevin O'Leary.

When asked about lack of progress on the Ring of Fire during the time the former federal Conservative government was in power, O'Toole said former Kenora MP Greg Rickford was a proponent of the project and pointed

the finger at the Ontario Liberals.

"All we needed to do was see a plan from the provincial government on where the infrastructure investment would go," O'Toole said.

"The federal government has a role to make sure these projects prioritize things to make sure we get these resources out of the ground and upgrade them here in Northern Ontario as well."

While in the city, O'Toole met with members of the local riding associations and held an evening meet and greet with party members at the Sleeping Giant Brewing Co.

O'Toole said he sees opportunity for the Conservatives in Northern Ontario, despite the party coming up nearly empty in the region during the last election. Outside of Tony Clement

winning the relatively southern Parry Sound-Muskoka riding, the party lost seats previously held in Kenora, Sault Ste. Marie and Nipissing-Timiskaming.

"I think Northern Ontario is a naturally conservative part of the country. We just haven't tapped into the potential it has," O'Toole said.

"I think Conservatives can tell that story. We also support rural and outdoor ways of life and we do that proudly."

A former Royal Canadian Air Force captain and lawyer, O'Toole was first elected MP in Durham in 2012 and was appointed minister of veteran affairs in 2015. He replaced the embattled Julian Fantino, who drew the ire of veterans across the country, including in Thunder Bay with the closure of the city's veterans affairs office.



IN THE RUNNING: Erin O'Toole sees opportunities for Northern Ontario.

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LOCAL NEWS

Guaranteeing income

POLITICS
By Doug Dlaczuk - TB Source

The government of Ontario is launching a basic income pilot project and Thunder Bay will be one of three cities taking part.

Premier Kathleen Wynne made the announcement in Hamilton on Monday morning. The pilot project will take place over three years to determine how a basic income could provide more opportunities for people living on a low income.

"One income used to be enough for most families," Wynne said during the announcement. "And now, even with two people working, it's tough to save, it's tough to feel like you are getting ahead, and it's tough to feel confident that your job will still be yours or still be around in five years or 10 years, or even less."

"The project will explore the effectiveness of providing a basic income to people who are currently living on low income, whether they are working or not," Wynne continued. "People participating in our pilot communities will receive a minimum amount each year, a basic income, no matter what."

Thunder Bay and the surrounding area was chosen as one of three cities to take part in the pilot this spring. Hamilton will also be participating in the spring and Lindsay later on in the fall.

As part of the basic income model, eligible participants will receive up to \$16,989 per year for a single person and up to \$24,027 per year for a couple, less 50 per cent of any earned income. Individuals living with a disability will receive an additional \$6,000 per year.

"We must do more than simply protect people's wages and their ability to earn a good living," Wynne said. "We must work to create a fair economy that provides opportunity and security for everyone."

According to Wynne, the Ontario economy is in a strong position and all economic indicators are pointing



PROMISED PAY CHEQUE: Premier Kathleen Wynne says Thunder Bay will take part in a pilot project that will guarantee a basic income to people living in the city.

in the right direction to start the pilot and assisting those with low income.

"We must make sure that hard work is rewarded with a decent paycheque," she said. "We must make sure that the opportunities to our people, and especially our young people, that those opportunities not only endure, but that they grow."

Throughout the three regions, 4,000 participants between the ages of 18 and 64 who are eligible will be randomly selected to receive basic income or be part of a control group that does not receive it. Information on how to participate will be sent to eligible participants later this spring.

"We are starting small, a three-year project in these selected communities to start, but our goal is clear - we want to find out whether a basic income makes a positive difference in people's lives, whether this new approach gives them the ability to begin to achieve their potential and whether it is an approach that can be adopted across our province as a whole," Wynne said.

The three-year pilot project will be evaluated by a yet to be determined third-party research consortium. City of Thunder Bay acting mayor, Iain

Angus, who was present for the announcement in Hamilton, had concerns about the evaluation process.

"Can you assure us that in this one, it's a three-year pilot, that the evaluation will be ongoing and in the event it proves what we all think it will prove, that an announcement will be made prior to the end of the three years of not only the continuation for those people who are part of the pilot, but as well as expansion?" Angus asked.

According to Wynne, the evaluation process on the pilot will be ongoing and the future of the basic income in Ontario will be determined based on a number of different factors.

"Some of the outcomes of job retention, retention in education, better health outcomes, those will take a little bit of time to demonstrate, if we see those," she said. "That's why it's three years. If we could figure it out in six months, we would figure it out in six months, but it takes a bit longer than that. By the end of the three years, we will have a good idea of where it is going and be able to talk about what comes next."

The government of Ontario is also planning a separate First Nations basic income pilot, which is still in the early stages.

"One income used to be enough for most families."
KATHLEEN WYNNE

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LOCAL NEWS

Mapleward subdivision plan approved

CITY HALL
By Matt Vis - TB Source

A developer looking to establish a new subdivision off West Arthur Street is growing frustrated with continual procedural delays.

The proposed 49-lot addition, which would include three new streets with the homes serviced by municipal water and individual septic fields, on the north side of West Arthur Street east of Mapleward Road is the second stage of a subdivision from Nadin Contracting.

Council had previously given a preliminary approval to the development, despite administration recommending against. Council's approval was appealed by the province because it was contrary to policy directing municipalities to not expand their footprint. The matter went to the Ontario Municipal Board, which ruled in favour of the project with required provisions.

After all that, hearing opposition from some members of council irked developer Louis Nadin.

"Quite frankly, I don't know why I'm here (Monday) night reinventing the wheel," Nadin said.

"Council had approved our request two years ago. This has just been going on for year after year and we're spending thousands of dollars here and everything is being delayed. We have people wanting to go to work and put pipe in the ground."

Council voted by a 9-3 margin to approve the draft plan of the subdivision with councillors Shelby Ch'ng, Andrew Foulds and Linda Rydholm in opposition. Rydholm represents the Neebing ward where the subdivision would be located.

A main point of opposition was

increasing residential development further away from the urban core, though the report noted the possibility to one day link this subdivision with the Parkdale neighbourhood.

Ch'ng was concerned about the future maintenance costs that would result from the development.

"I don't think we can sustain this type of development. In 20 years from now, this is going to be very expensive, be very burdensome," Ch'ng said. "We can't keep putting these things on, hoping industry will come. Granted, industry has come but it's not at the pace we're building out. It's not making sound financial sense and I think we need to really sharpen our pencil a little bit more and not approve these things."

Nadin described the development as the "one everybody wants to live in."



LOUIS NADIN



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LOCAL NEWS



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TAKING BACK: Thunder Bay Fire Rescue will seek to recover \$5,000 per fire from insurance companies.

Fire service goes after insurance

City inks recovery deal with Fire Marque Inc.

CITY HALL
By Matt Vis - TB Source

The city has approved an agreement that could net \$100,000 to recover the costs of fighting fires.

Council on Monday night voted in favour of a proposal to partner with Fire Marque, Inc., a Canadian company specializing in initiating insurance claims to access money available to fire departments.

Chris Carrier, Fire Marque's national municipal accounts manager, said fire departments have not traditionally had the capability of pursuing those claims.

"Under the additional coverages section in the co-operators' policy, there is \$5,000 sitting there for the fire service," Carrier said, adding the property owner is not eligible to collect that money. "The only people that are entitled to those funds are your fire service."

The agreement will see 70 per cent of the recovered money go to the city, with 30 per cent retained by Fire Marque.

The report prepared by administration for council said the "payment to the fire departments in no way affects the claim of the individuals who may have suffered a loss" and "no expenses are incurred by the corporation if Fire Marque Inc. are not successful in their attempts to collect against an insurance policy."

As well, there won't be any efforts to collect from a property owner or individual who is uninsured.


The report noted other Ontario municipalities that have partnered with Fire Marque included North Bay, Kitchener, Oshawa, Gravenhurst, Brockville, St. Thomas and Cornwall.

Mayor Keith Hobbs questioned a portion of the report which said "some insurance companies have refused to pay claims that have been filed on behalf of the municipality, making it necessary to apply the amount of the claim against the property owner's tax bill and then collect the amount owed in an indirect manner from the insurance company."


Carrier said that is a rare scenario which was likely a tactic employed by an insurance carrier to test whether they could avoid paying.

"About two per cent of the files we see are deemed to be somewhat problematic. We have a particular insurance carrier who came into the Canadian market a few years ago - a foreign company - who said they would not pay our fees, the cost recovery to the fire department, unless it was put on the property tax roll," Carrier said.

"Since that time they've changed their tune and they are now paying through the regular process."




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EDITORIAL

Trade wars and Trump

Donald Trump is at it again. Is anyone surprised?

After spending the better part of the last two years attacking Mexico and promising tariffs on goods made south of the Rio Grande, the boisterous U.S. president has turned his sights on Canada.

Last week it was the Canadian dairy industry he threatened. On Monday he made good with rumoured threats to levy duties on softwood lumber exported from Canada, his administration declaring their neighbours to the north unfairly subsidize the industry.

Trump has promised to tweak the North American Free Trade Agreement, calling it one of the most unfair deals in history.

That could be bad news for Canadian exporters, especially in the wake of the U.S. president's latest executive order calling on the country to buy and hire American.

It's protectionism at its finest.

The irony is Trump on one hand expects Americans to support Americans at the expense of other nations, but then expects those same nations to bend over backward and sop up his country's self-inflicted oversupply of milk.

Trade is give and take.

Yes, the U.S. at present has a small trade deficit with Canada, but it's much smaller than it was a decade ago and keep in mind, we have nine times fewer people to purchase U.S. goods.

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Softwood solution

To the editor:

We have enough resources to support our own country,

Cut them off for a while and see how they like it! They'll come back crying and then we can charge them even more.

Andrew Lane,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

Tariffs are costly

To the editor:

Tariffs end up hurting both countries. It's going to mean higher costs for the U.S. consumer, and it's going to hurt our production companies as well.

We buy from one another, so anytime one side is forced to take less it hurts what they can buy from the other partner as well.

It's probably going to be met with an equally strong additional tariff or just a Canadian imposed tax on Canadians the other way which just makes matters worse for everyone. Hopefully it's just a threat to get our side to drop our tariffs and open our market more.

Chris Lankinen,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

Ongoing lumber problem

To the editor:

This issue has been circling our two countries for several decades to no proper resolution.

It has been won by Canada at every challenge point since the protectionism by U.S. manufacturers began.

Each time small communities have faced crisis and closures of their towns.

Former prime minister Stephen Harper did the wrong thing when he gave the collective tariff to the U.S.

We were sold out by his "final solution."

Perhaps we should just find a way to stop having to worry about their market. The truth be known they ultimately only want to access our trees, something we should never allow.

Don Lavigne,
Thunder Bay

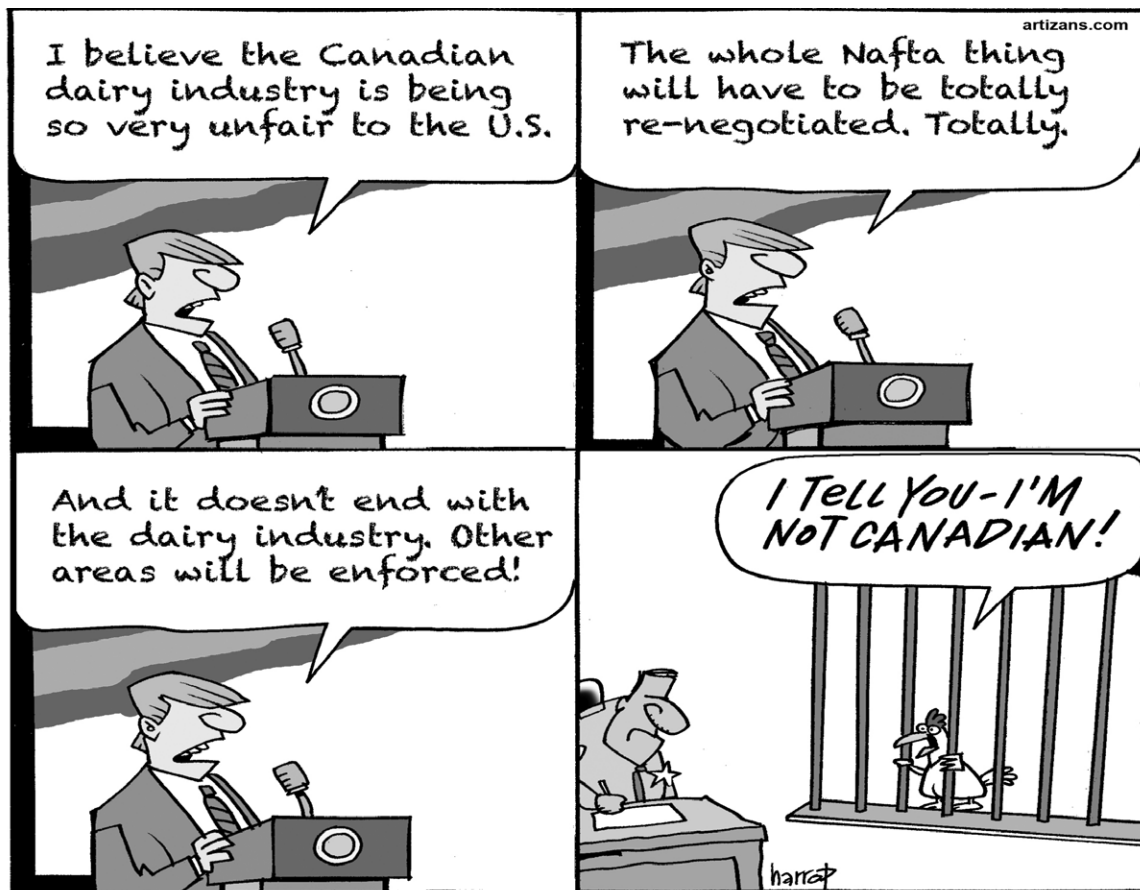
Police savings welcomed

To the editor:

Kudos to the police force for figuring out ways to control a challenging budget during these trying times.

Lisa Dampier,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Guaranteed income flaws

To the editor:

I don't mind paying more taxes, when I think of the kids that will have better opportunities with the reforms to education costs.

I don't mind it when I think of lifting the next generation of kids out of the lower-income bracket with the greatest possibility of education. Even this can be great for families on two lower incomes or even one income to manage with what the rest of the higher incomes struggle with themselves.

I really feel that instead of our current mayor thinking of how to spend millions on new fancy building, revamp some of the older buildings into affordable housing.

Pauline Kedrosky,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

Build up, not out

To the editor:

The proposed Mapleward subdivision is why your taxes go up. This is a shining example of the ineptitude of council not understanding urban sprawl or population density. We are out in the middle of the god damned forest people.

The further you spread out the city, the higher the operating costs are.

This is more roads that need to be repaired, more water systems that

need to be maintained, more garbage routes that need to be added, and so on.

Stop building out. Build up.

We need density around our downtown cores to support local business, not the wealthier of this city raising costs so they can escape further to the forest.

Andrew Mayo-White,
Thunder Bay,
Via Facebook

Keep stat holidays sacred

To the editor:

Well, I guess Scrooge is alive and well in Thunder Bay.

I too worked in a shift-work industry for 30 years, working holidays. I don't wish that on anyone.

If you start allowing businesses to wipe out holidays you are wiping out 100 years of working people/unions fighting for your rights.

Tricia Quinton,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

Truck bylaw harmful

To the editor:

I think passing this by-law would harm a lot of businesses located on these roads.

Dawson and Arthur are highways for crying out loud. What is going to happen to the heavy equipment and

transport businesses such as Itec, Kenworth, Boyer, etc, that are located on or accessed from these routes?

Terri Soltys,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

Cleaning priorities

To the editor:

Streets that are popular with cyclists such as Syndicate, Walsh, etc should be on the early list for sand cleanup and maintenance.

Dave Jonasson,
Thunder Bay
Via Facebook

O'Toole man of his word

To the editor:

If Erin O'Toole is elected as Conservative Leader, he will do his best to make the Ring of Fire happen.

He's a very good person and a man of his word. It is either him or Kellie Leitch who will keep their word.

This has gone on way too long. The First Nations are still going to have many many problems going forward if some sort of development does not happen to help them out.

It is a vast area and can provide generations of employment to that region.

Pat McHale,
Ottawa

Perspective

The big green "A"

Restaurant changes helping diners decide where to eat

OPINION

By J.R. Shermack
Special to TB Source

Everybody likes going out for dinner but it is sometimes difficult deciding where to go and what to order.

Should we stick with our favorite comfort foods or pick something different, something new, something really decadent?

Two changes are now taking place in Thunder Bay restaurants which may help hungry diners decide what's for dinner.

As of January 2017, diners in Thunder Bay were given two opportunities to make more informed decisions about menu choices.

The first is the DineWise program launched by the District Health Unit to encourage safe and healthy food handling.

All local restaurants and food trucks must have regular, scheduled food safety compliance inspections.

These aim to protect public health from diseases and pathogens spread through improper food handling and storage.

Under a new bylaw these businesses must now display their latest inspection results and the grade they received.

Points are deducted for critical, major and minor infractions based on how likely they are to cause food poisoning.

A critical infraction might be raw

meat stored above uncovered lettuce – some of you may have eaten that salad at a seedy restaurant somewhere.

The highest grade is a green "A" which is awarded for scores of 90 to 100 points – some local eateries already proudly display their certificates.

A score of 75 – 89 will earn food establishments a green "B", not bad but there are infractions to correct before the next inspection.

From there the grades go down to a yellow "C" (60 – 74) and at rock bottom is the yellow "D" (59 or less), which discerning diners may want to avoid.

The yellow C's and D's also have to post their grades on the outside window, presumably to save patrons the embarrassment of explosive diarrhea.

The yellows are also put on a three-month inspection schedule until they either earn a green grade or the inspector shuts them down.

This puts a lot of pressure on restaurant owners but for the dining public it makes the choice much easier.

Whether you're just stopping for a coney dog and fries or savoring surf and turf at a classy bistro, the green "A" is the deciding factor.

Why would you eat anywhere else – in a food emergency you could risk a green "B" but I would advise something boiled or deep fried.

As for the yellows, forget about it unless you feel gastronomically lucky and have a high tolerance for abdominal cramps.

I'm not a picky eater or squeamish about chowing down but given the choice, I would prefer my food without poison.

I like DineWise because it offers clear choices to both the restaurants, and the diners who can see the inspection results before entering.

But I said there were two changes – once you've decided which restaurant will least likely poison you, it's time to look at the menu.

It used to be that prices were the most shocking thing on the menu but now there is something even scarier – calorie counts.

Imagine the horror when someone finally realizes that on their lite lunch break they just consumed almost two days' worth of calories.

Diners still face difficult choices – "Should I order a small, healthy garden salad (170 calories) with my panzerotti and cola (1600 calories)?"

I thought I would hate it but I don't – after a long history of a food abuse I am finally taking notice of what I cram down my throat.

Next time, let's both have the salad, share one panzerotti and forget about the sugary soda.

But before we even go in, let's look on the outside window for the big green "A," eh?

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DOUG DIMCZUK

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LOCAL NEWS

Canada vows to fight softwood tariffs

POLITICS
By Leith Dunick – TB Source

Ottawa says it will take immediate action to help companies, workers and communities impacted by the U.S. decision to impose duties up to 24 per cent on Canadian softwood lumber utilized by the American home-construction industry.

Minister of Natural Resources Jim Carr and Minister of Foreign Affairs Chrystia Freeland on Monday reacted swiftly to the decision, announced earlier in the day by President Donald Trump's administration, the move coming less than a week after the U.S. leader attacked the Canadian dairy industry and promised big changes to

the North American Free Trade Act. "The government of Canada disagrees strongly with the U.S. Department of Commerce's decision to impose an unfair and punitive duty. The accusations are baseless and unfounded," the two ministers said in their joint statement.

"The decision will negatively affect workers on both sides of the border and will ultimately increase costs for American families who want to build or renovate their home. The U.S. National Association of Home Builders has calculated that a \$1,000 increase in the cost of a new

house would put home ownership beyond the reach of more than 150,000 American families and jeopardize thousands of jobs in the American home construction industry."

According to CNN, tariffs ranging between three per cent and 24 per cent will target five companies, including Resolute Forest Products. Other affected companies include West Fraser Mills, Tolko Marketing and Sales, J.D. Irving and Canfor. Other lumber companies will pay a 20 per cent



CHRYSTIA FREELAND

tariff. Resolute told the cable news outlet the decision would have a negative impact

on Americans.

"Managed trade only serves to benefit large timber barons in the U.S. while adversely impacting U.S. consumers and millions of hard-working Americans in the housing sector," the network quoted a company spokesperson as saying.

Carr said he will be reconvening the federal-provincial task force on softwood lumber this week to examine additional measures.

"The task force was formed to share information and analyze and assess the needs of forest workers and communities," Carr said in the release. "The upcoming meeting will build on the progress we have made through this federal-provincial collaboration on the

softwood lumber file."

The Canadian government has promised to press the United States to rescind the tariff and plan to work with the U.S. administration to come up with a long-term agreement.

American Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross told Fox News the tariff will be applied retroactively on Canadian lumber exports, which total about US\$5.6 billion annually. The report noted the decision, which suggests Canada improperly subsidized its softwood exports, is only preliminary.

"We tried to negotiate a settlement but we were unable," Ross told the network.

The tariffs are expected to be implemented sometime next week.

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LOCAL NEWS

Milani gets 20 years for sexual assault

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By Matt Vis - TB Source

A series of violent home invasion sexual assaults that happened three decades ago has resulted in a 20-year prison sentence for the now nearly 70-year-old man guilty of the attacks.

Donald Milani, 69, was sentenced Friday at the Thunder Bay Courthouse after previously being convicted of 18 charges relating to the four separate incidents between 1985 and 1987 in rural areas surrounding Thunder Bay.

Milani, who was between 37 and 39 at the time of the attacks, was originally arrested in December 1987 but nearly two years later a preliminary hearing judge ruled there was insufficient evidence to bring the charges in the four cases to trial.

He was re-arrested in 2010 after advancements in DNA testing technology linked him to evidence seized from the crime scenes.

A trial was held late last year where a jury found him guilty of multiple counts of break and enter to commit sexual assault, sexual assault, intent to commit an indictable offence while masked and unlawful confinement.

While reading her reasons for sentence, Superior Court Justice Helen Pierce noted Milani maintained his innocence during sentencing submissions last week and has indicated an intent to appeal.

Milani had also said he was sorry for what happened to the women and it must have been terrible for them, while also claiming he had no recollection of the mid 1980s as a result of a head injury sustained within the past decade.

Though defence lawyer Ronald Poirier had been seeking a sentence of between five and eight years and urged Pierce to give consideration to Milani's age, the judge noted many factors of the offences necessitated a severe sentence.

"Sexual assault is inherently violent," Pierce said, noting two of the attacks involved Milani using a weapon to dominate the victims.

"He took control of their bodies for his own gratification, regardless of their protests. He humiliated them. He deprived them of their dignity, their autonomy and engendered long-lasting fear. He violated their sexual integrity with profound emotional consequences. He robbed them permanently of their sense of security."

She also described the attacks as being planned and premeditated and not spontaneous.

"Like a predator, he attacked when they were vulnerable," Pierce said.

Milani appeared to wipe his eyes at various points during the 90-minute reading of the reasons for sentence and briefly nodded at family members while being escorted out of the courtroom in handcuffs.

The judge commended the "meticu-

lous" preservation of evidence and "exemplary" police work to allow the case to continue 30 years later.

On April 20, 1985 a masked man smashed through a broken window into the home of a 58-year-old woman living alone, armed with a knife and demanded sexual activity.

The victim called her son, who found her in distress and called police. Investigators found and documented shoe impressions from footprints outside the home.

Then on Sept. 9, 1986 a 26-year-old woman who was home alone because her husband was at work heard running water in her bathroom and woke up to a masked man carrying a flashlight. The man, who had cut her telephone line, repeatedly sexually assaulted her. He bound her feet before leaving, which he told her was to give him time to escape.

The man referred to the victim using a nickname of hers at a coffee shop where she worked. Milani was a customer at

that coffee shop.

Less than a year later on July 11, 1987 the same woman woke up to a dog barking. Again, there was a masked man with a flashlight in the house. She asked why he was back, to which he responded "because you're nice."

A victim impact statement to the court described the ongoing effects of the assaults.

"Fear is crippling. It is irrational," the statement reads. "Afraid to leave the house, afraid to come home once I did, afraid to get out of my car, afraid to go into the house. Never, ever leaving at night or coming home in the dark if I were alone. And always doing a walk through when I got home. Double checking all windows and doors. Sometimes sitting in the living room, for hours, staring out the window and everything going by keeping watch. And yet I knew for a fact that nothing I could do would stop someone from doing this to me again."

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Canada's oldest person turned 112 this week

Dolly Gibbs spent 64 years living in Thunder Bay until 2005

NORTH BAY
By Gary Rinne - TB Source

A woman with roots in Thunder Bay, and believed to be Canada's oldest living person, will celebrate her 112th birthday on Wednesday.

Ellen "Dolly" Gibb spent 64 years of her life in Thunder Bay before moving to North Bay to live with her daughter and son-in-law in 2005.

She was born in Winnipeg in 1905.

The Gerontology Research Group has validated Gibb's status as the country's oldest citizen.

Her family says she was given the nickname Dolly in her late teens for her fashion sense. She worked at Eaton's in Winnipeg creating fashion accessories but was forced to leave the company when she got married in 1928, as Eaton's didn't employ married women at the time.

In 1941, Gibb and her husband Dave moved with their two daughters to the



MILESTON: Dolly Gibb turned 112 this week.

Lakehead, where Dave joined Canada's war effort at Canada Car, helping to build airplanes.

He passed away in 1968, leaving Gibb to live on her own in their Gore Street home until she turned 100.

Today she uses a wheelchair but her family says that she otherwise enjoys good health and has a sharp mind.

Her daily ritual includes watching Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy.

Gibb's family attributes her longevity to genetics and eating well in moderation. When she's asked about her secret, she shrugs her shoulder and says "I don't know...I can't help it...I will have to take what God gives me."

According to her family, she didn't smoke or drink until her seventies, when she started enjoying the occasional glass of Scotch.

She's recently taken to having a daily bottle of beer, noting with a chuckle that her boyfriend's name is "Bud....Bud Weiser."

Gibb has 9 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great grandchildren.

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Billboard Rescue returns

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

For the past 25 years the annual Billboard Rescue event has been the biggest single fundraiser for the United Way of Thunder Bay.

It returns next month and organizers on Thursday said they want to make it their biggest yet, setting a target of \$150,000 and asking participants to start poring through their contact lists to begin fundraising efforts well ahead of the always popular event.

Donna Yocom, a regional director for Investor's Group, which is a co-sponsor of the Billboard Rescue along with Lowerys, said it's come a long way over the past quarter century.

"It started back in 1992 with eight teams and they raised over \$10,000. Now, I am pleased to say, 25 years later we have registered over 30 teams and we raise over \$100,000," she said.



TO THE SKY: Shawn Christie has been a part of the United Ways Billboard Rescue from the start.

The event, which began atop an actual billboard, sees teams of four attempt to raise at least \$2,500.

On the day of the fundraiser, teams that have not hit their goal are raised to the sky

in a scissor lift to jump on their phones and finish collecting pledges.

To take part, contact the United Way of Thunder Bay at www.uwaytbay.ca.

A charity barbecue will also be held.

TBLife

Shelter gets rebrand

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

A group of students at Confederation College are hoping a new marketing campaign will shed light on the positive changes taking place at Thunder Bay Shelter House.

On Saturday, students in the marketing program at Confederation College unveiled #ProjectChange, a new promotional campaign for Shelter House.

"This started as a volunteer experience for one of our professional development classes," said Ashley Fairley, a second year marketing student and project manager. "We decided to take it to the next level and include a marketing theme to our volunteer work."

The class developed #ProjectChange, which is designed to highlight the many positive initiatives being undertaken by Shelter House, including the expansion of the community garden.

"We are going to be using #ProjectChange throughout the year for different endeavours we are doing and different workshops to engage and empower our clients and the garden project is the first step for that," said Alexandra Calderon, development officer at Shelter House.

Fairley said inspiration for the marketing campaign came from visiting the shelter and meeting with the clients.

"We came to visit and we were really inspired by the changes and the new leadership and all the positive energy here," she said. "We wanted to really bring light to what the Shelter House is doing to help their residents really grow and evolve and change the stigma of what homelessness is in Thunder Bay."

Work began on the project at the start of the semester and 18 marketing students participated. Alexcia Amorgianos, a second year marketing student and project chair, said the class really wanted to involve the local community when developing the campaign.

"We wanted to have a positive focus," she said. "There is always a stigma with the shelter house and we wanted to show people to come here and talk to the residents and see what it's like and connect with them. This is our community. If we don't support each other, how are we ever going to grow?"

"We really wanted to incorporate a message of growth and change," Fairley added. "We were really inspired by the positivity that came out of the residents."

For Calderon, kicking off #ProjectChange by highlighting the expansion of the community garden is a great way to show some of the positive changes taking place at Shelter House.

The community garden was started last year and despite questions surrounding whether or not it would last, it continues to grow and expand.

"We were told that our garden was going to be



DIGGING IN: Alexandra Calderon and Jack are busy getting the community garden at Shelter House ready for the season.

destroyed because it's so open and people weren't going to care for it," Calderon said. "But actually the opposite happened. They took care of it. If they had a chance to come out and weed, they did. We saw it blossom and grow and be so embraced by the community we saw no other choice but to expand it."

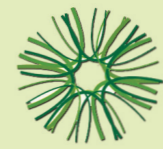
The expansion is expected to happen next month with the addition of a second garden bed. The garden will include herbs, garlic, zucchini, broccoli, kale, cucumbers, peas, lettuce, as well as a traditional herb garden.

Calderon said the kitchen budget at Shelter House is only \$50,000, which primarily goes toward purchasing meat. The community garden helps fill a nutritional need for the clients.

"Being able to buy produce and more vegetables will really help us to ensure the meals will be more nutritious and well balanced," Calderon said.

But the purpose of the community garden goes well beyond the kitchen, with it not only serving as a project for the residents, but also a source of pride for the entire community.

"One of our main values is dignity and respect of our clients," Calderon said. "We feel like being able to give them somewhere to contribute and give back is really important. It also engages them, so instead of being out doing other things, they will be here working and doing workshops and learning about planting and watering. We are really looking forward to giving them more opportunities."



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Volunteer Week begins

THUNDER BAY
By Leith Dunick - TB Source

Volunteers like Maria Bilyk are the backbone of the city.

The 89-year-old has been freely giving of her time for nearly 70 years, in her younger days often leaving the house seven days a week to volunteer.

She's slowed down a little in her golden years, but on Monday, the start of Volunteer Week, said it's still just as invigorating as it was in the post-war days.

"I get just as much out of it as I contribute. I have a reason to get up in the morning and I have to get ready because I've got something meaningful to do each and every day," Bilyk said.

At present she's a volunteer at Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre and in 2013 was given a Provincial Volunteer Award for 65 years at St.

Joseph's Hospital, where she began her volunteer career in 1948.

"I just wanted something to do, but it sort of snowballed," she said, taking part in a flag-raising ceremony at city hall to kick off Volunteer Week.

Bilyk is one of thousands of people in Thunder Bay who donate their time to keep the city glued together.

Volunteers touch just about every aspect of people's lives, said Brendan Carlin, president of the Thunder Bay Association of Volunteer Administrators.

"Some of the organizations, the charities and sports organizations as well, couldn't exist without volunteers," said Carlin, who also works at the Regional Food Distribution Association, where four or five staffers are supplemented by a host

of volunteers.

"We have \$3.5 million worth of food that come in and out of our building every year ... There's no way we could do that ourselves."

It's really all about finding a cause that moves you and offering to help out, he said, encouraging those on the fence to give volunteering a try.

"There are many people who work a 9-to-5 job all of their lives and if they're retired they may want to do something meaningful and continue contributing to the community. They can do that by volunteering," Carlin said.

"If people are looking for meaningful things to do, whether you're retired or you're a student who has some time after school, volunteering is a great way to do that."

**"I get just as much out of it as I contribute."
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Spring's on hold

We've had days where we've shouted "It is spring!" Then we've had days where we've said "It might as well be spring." Recently, we grumbled that "Spring is on hold."

All the signs were there: warm temperatures, returning birds, first flowers poking their heads above ground. Even the smells were different signalling this beloved change in season. Spring!

Didn't last though. Oh sure, we expected visitations from Jack Frost and his ilk. We received a couple of nasty snowstorms. The snow didn't stay, gone within a day. But by the afternoon the thermometer had risen to a level of warmth for which we hoped.

This past Saturday I even got brave enough to remove my t-shirt while stacking split firewood. It felt great: the sun on my back and shoulders, on my balding head. There was a slight breeze but it came and went without causing me to robe my corpus against any chill.

But Sunday, the thermometer told a different story. The usual temperature these past mornings has hovered around the freezing mark. To be expected. It is April after all and we have a few leagues to go before regular, predictable warmth settles in.

Early return

The blizzard of last week made me empathize with the Sandhill cranes I spied trying to forage for whatever they can find in the grass that is beginning to think about growing to replace the old, dead stuff of last season. There they were covered in white as the snow steadily fell with the biggest flakes I'd seen in a long time. Poor things.

Then it got warm and the snow melted and when next I saw these magnificent birds, they seemed non-plussed. Weren't going to take off and find somewhere else to spend the summer.

Where was I? Oh yes, Sunday. Sunday morning was cold. Ice had formed on the puddles. So what? By the afternoon it would be warm again. I hadn't counted on the winds that were blowing from the

southwest chilling me to the bone such that I had to don a windbreaker; and I was so getting used to the concept of just wearing a t-shirt when outside.

Sunday my wife, Laura, announced that it was time to transplant. Since she is growing the veggies that will wind up maturing in our vegetable garden from seed, they begin in small planters to be perched on shelving units plunked in front of our south-facing living room windows.

Two such shelves had been hauled in by me while The Gardener was busy planting.

Now it was time to transplant into larger containers – tomatoes, broccoli, etc. So the potting soil was humped into the dining area, the dining room table was stripped of the covering and the usual dining stuff that adorns the table pushed to the rear, newspaper spread on the surface, and the trays of fledgling veggies brought down from the shelves to be put into larger containers.

Magical

Then she mixes the new soil in her small gardening tub and voila. The trays go back on the shelves probably until it is time to plant outside in the garden.

This stage of the vegetable gardening project required another shelving unit that I dragged into Casa Jones and squeezed beside the other one, pushing the side tables and the speakers of my digital organ aside. T'was a tight squeeze.

Slowly but inevitably, the view through our windows will disappear as a green jungle takes over.

Friday I was on Mount Crummet, our growing manure pile, dumping the horse stall leavings when I looked up in the direction of the raven nest in the lone, jack pine tree.

Suddenly Mum (or Dad) flew up to the nest and began to bob his/her head. I squinted and behold.

Tiny beaks open and waiting for food. Hurray! I congratulated the Raven parent and expressed my sincere hope that the 'ravenlings' will thrive.

So while the weather is struggling to be truly spring-like, Ma Nature and baby birds are right on time.



FRED JONES

RURAL ROOTS

Local moose tags cut by 30

OUTDOORS

By TB Source staff

The Ministry of Natural Resources is cutting the number of moose tags available for this year's hunting season, but area sportsmen say the province is making decisions without evidence.

This year, the province has reduced the number of tags available for Thunder Bay's

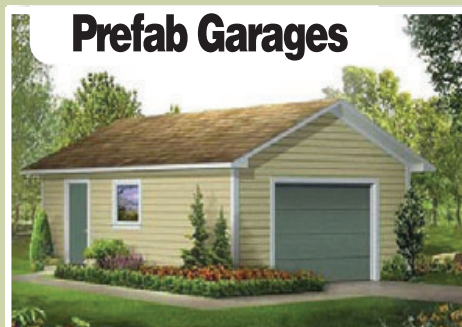
wildlife management unit by 30.

In unit 15-B just north of Thunder Bay, the number of bull moose tags was cut by 40, but 17 cow tags were added.

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CULTURES ON DISPLAY: Puiy (centre) and the dancers from the Thai Healing Centre will be performing a traditional Thai folk dance during the Folklore Festival at the Fort William Gardens.

A trip around the world

Folklore Festival will return May 6 and 7 with more food, dancing, and performances

THUNDER BAY
By Doug Diaczuk - TB Source

It's a celebration of culture, it's a culinary world tour, and it's a stage for dancers and performers – there's no mistaking the annual Folklore Festival.

"We have people coming from Northwestern Ontario, from everywhere," said Jeanetty Jumah, chair of sponsorship and promotion for the Thunder Bay Folklore Festival.

"People come because they know when they walk in they will see the beauty of India Canada dancing on stage, they will hear the resounding sound of the pipes and drums, they will see the Kaminari Wan Taiko drummers on stage, and of course all of the little Irish dancers. I could go on and on."

The 44th Annual Folklore Festival will be held on May 6 and 7 at the Fort William Gardens. The always popular event that sees thousands of people attend will include dancing, performances, and of course food from cultures around the world.

This year there will be 19 international food booths, along with countless imported beers and wines. There will also be vendors selling items and clothing from all the continents of the world.

And while the vendors and food booths are always popular during the festival, the dancers and performers really bring the cultures alive when they take to the stage.

For Ramduan (Puiy) Dusolt of the Thai

Healing Centre, the Folklore Festival is all about sharing and celebrating diversity.

"I want to share my culture," she said. "I was born and raised Thai. I came here and I'm very proud to share my culture with Thunder Bay."

Puiy has performed at the festival before since she arrived in Canada seven years ago, but this is the first time she will be performing a traditional Thai folk dance with members of the Thai Healing Centre.

Maya Poulin has also danced on the Folklore Festival stage in the past, sharing her Ukrainian heritage. Poulin will be performing again this year as part of the Chaban Ukrainian Dance Group during the opening ceremonies.

"When I'm about to go on stage, I get a little bit nervous, then I get on stage, I barely remember anything, and then I get off stage and I feel like I'm glowing," Poulin said of performing. "I have so much fun on stage."

Poulin has been dancing for the last 13 years and she got involved with Ukrainian dance because of her soon-to-be 96-year-old great-grandmother and her passion for her Ukrainian roots. And while she has been dancing for so many years, the Folklore Festival is always something to look forward to every year.

"Folklore festival is one of my favourite places to perform," she said. "The audience is amazing, the crowd is so accepting of everything you do. And the food. The food is just so good."

But Poulin added the food is not the only part of the festival that keeps people coming back year after year.

"I think with all the cultures added in, everyone can find their own piece of home there with all the different performances and cultures that are there," she said.

"We want it to be family friendly and fully accessible as we travel the world in 48 hours and celebrate what Canada is really about," Jumah added. "Canada is a nation rich in diversity. We have been built by our Aboriginal people, the immigrants, and the refugees who have come here."

And that is the heart of the Folklore Festival, Jumah said, and she believes more and more people recognize the multicultural heritage of the country and the city.

"I do believe that people value the different cultures in Canada, particularly in Thunder Bay," she said. "If you look around, you see people of all cultures, all religions, all colours in our community and people get along. Sure there are occasional stories where there are problems. But when you truly look at Thunder Bay, Folklore Festival represents what Canada is all about."

The 44th Annual Folklore Festival will be held on May 6 and 7 at the Fort William Gardens. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors and students, \$1 for children ages four to 12, and children under four-years-old are free.

For more information, visit www.folklorefestival.ca.

IN THE bay

Does 'Life' have to be live on television?



with **FIONA GARDINER**

It focused on in-depth explorations of science and nature. After privatization in 1980 and a change of ownership in the 90's, The Learning Channel transitioned to more media-friendly "education."

But when 24-hours of fashion make-overs and home renos got stale, the owners shifted to everyday eccentrics. Multiple births and multiple wives, little people and giants, obsessives and Honey Boo Boos, not to mention startlingly overweight individuals became TLC's bread and butter. And the channel rebranded itself, losing "The Learning Channel" moniker and instead, claiming that "Everyone needs a little TLC."

So with its focus on exploring the many facets of humanity, TLC has produced a four-night event that's

part documentary, part live show. *This Is Life Live* will deliver life-altering moments live as they occur. It's hosted by best-selling author and preacher, DeVon Franklin – a move TLC obviously made to give the show more "tender, loving care" and seem less like an episode of Maury Povich.

The stories include a young man, who lost a leg and his mobility in a motorcycle accident, surprising his parents by walking on his wedding day. In another, a woman meets the sister she just recently discovered.

The shows include a lot of pre-produced video explaining the backstory and there's a lot of build-up. However, those live magical

moments only last a few seconds. After that, it's a bit disappointing.

That tearful meeting of two sisters was certainly powerful. But the continuous hugging and sobbing became uncomfortable to watch. And hearing them babble incoherently to each other about all the same things they'd been saying to the camera for the last hour was ... boring.

Which is especially unfortunate as viewers were then invited to comment and ask questions online. And these people, who are at their most vulnerable, deserve more than the potentially tactless online commentary that's guaranteed to follow.

Then there's the deaf mother who

hopes to hear her child say "I love you" for the first time. A family facing the man who took the lives of their loved ones. These could be beautiful and riveting moments.

But what if they aren't? What if the child who had her hopes raised is left heart-broken? What if a meeting goes terribly wrong after the cameras are turned off? What if that groom had fallen while taking those steps to his bride live on television?

Are these things we really need to see live? There's a lot of emotion and expectation involved. Perhaps they should be experienced and processed with the benefit of time and perspective before they're broadcast to the world.

After all, in these moments, such fragile souls certainly deserve a little more TLC.

"This is Life Live will deliver life-altering moments live as they occur."

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Gun the engine
 - 4 Cornmeal
 - 8 Heddles of a loom
 - 12 Orb
 - 13 Canned luncheon meat
 - 14 Us dam
 - 15 Transgress
 - 16 Sorrel (2 words)
 - 18 Swift
 - 20 Sap
 - 21 Mulberry of India
 - 23 Wampum
 - 27 Growing by a riverbank
 - 32 Take on cargo
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 - 34 Having aridity
 - 36 Pack down
 - 37 Young animal
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 - 41 Genuffect
 - 43 Exclamation

- DOWN**
- 1 Shoal
 - 2 Jaguarundi's color phase
 - 3 Protean
 - 4 Manuscripts (abbr.)
 - 5 Footless
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- Automobile Assn. (abbr.)
- 25 Jewish month
- 26 Eelworm
- 27 Need
- 28 Dayak people
- 29 Indian ground salt
- 30 Altar constellation
- 31 Freedom, briefly
- 35 Civil Aeronautics Board (abbr.)
- 38 Afr. desert fox
- 40 Nose (pref.)
- 42 Fuel
- 45 Physician (pref.)
- 46 Fr. month
- 47 FDR's coin
- 49 Down with (Fr., 2 words)
- 50 Boot
- 51 Harem room
- 52 Prison sentence
- 53 Love (Lat.)
- 54 Malay gibbon

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Spence takes kickboxing win

KICKBOXING

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

A punishing first round and a powerful finish propelled local fighter Mitchell Spence to victory Saturday night as kickboxing made its return to Thunder Bay for the first time in 19 years.

The 21-year-old fighter who grew up in Fort Hope won a unanimous decision over Winnipeg's Kevin McCarthy, each judge giving him a slim 29-28 scoring advantage.

Spence, whose sign-carrying family and friends filled the Da Vinci Centre for the event, said the victory boiled down to believing in himself before entering the ring.

"I was really confident going into the fight," he said. "Once I got those first combos in, I was very comfortable and very at ease in there."

The former Churchill Collegiate and Vocational Institute student said he's been training at the sport for the past five years, taking it up at the tender age of 16.

He said he began kickboxing as a way to build confidence and prove he could succeed inside the ring.

"What attracted me to getting into the ring was just getting to show my skills and abilities coming out of Thunder Valley Martial Arts," Spence said.

Seeing kickboxing back in Thunder Bay, essentially for the first time in his lifetime, is fantastic, Spence said.

Mixed martial arts were illegal in Ontario until 2010, forcing competitors to head to other jurisdictions to fight. Locally, that meant heading south of the border.

Still, it was nearly seven years before combat sports returned to the Lakehead.

Spence said the chance to compete in front of his family and friends was the opportunity of a lifetime.

"I feel very special to be a part of this event. It's the first event in a while here in Thunder Bay and I'm very glad to be a part of it," he said.

Saturday's event was put on by Mitz Bandiera, who was heavily involved in similar events before the province stepped in nearly two decades ago, forcing local cards to Grand Portage.



SOLID SHOT: Thunder Bay's Mitchell Spence (right) lands a kick on Kevin McCarthy last Saturday at the Da Vinci.

It's been three years since Bandiera put on an event, and he said it was long beyond time to return the sport to Northern Ontario.

"This is kind of a refresher, bringing it back to Thunder Bay," he said.

"I know that boxing has tried to do it occasionally and they've promoted some cards. Kickboxing, I promoted it a long time ago and I'm known for that. I'm just trying to rehash every-

body into the sport again."

Former Lakehead University wrestler Emma Horner, who won silver at the 2016 CIS wrestling championships, was supposed to take part in the inaugural event, but injuries to the card's first two fighters – Horner was slated to take on the winner later in the evening – left no opponent to fight.

Horner said she's hopeful to make her Thunder Bay debut in the fall.

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JONATHAN WILSON

MOVING ON: Carter Hutton (left) and Robert Bortuzzo watch Game 5 action in St. Paul, Minn.

Ready for Round 2

Bortuzzo, Hutton get set for Nashville Predators

NHL

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

A year ago Robert Bortuzzo and the St. Louis Blues advanced to the NHL's Western Conference final, where they lost in six games to the San Jose Sharks.

Bortuzzo played a small role in the 2016 playoff run, suiting up for five games, including three appearances in the team's thrilling seven-game, opening-round upset of the Chicago Blackhawks. But the Thunder Bay blue-liner was banished to the sidelines for most of the remainder of last year's post-season, suiting up once in their second-round win over Dallas and once more against the Sharks.

This year, joined by Fort William North Stars teammate and best friend Carter Hutton, who will back up Jake Allen in the Blues net, Bortuzzo is playing a key role for St. Louis as they make yet another playoff push.

The 29-year-old saw action in four first-round games as the Blues upset the higher-seeded Minnesota Wild in five games and said the team is on a roll heading into Round 2 against the Nashville Predators.

"It's exciting," he said of moving on, interviewed after their series clinching game by Thunder Bay Television's Jonathan Wilson.

"We didn't make it easy on ourselves, but we did a lot of good things throughout the series. That's a very good hockey team over there. It's just an exciting time for our group and we're just moving on now."

While he didn't factor on the score-sheet during the first round – he had an assist initially awarded, but later taken away –

Bortuzzo saw regular action, averaging 21 shifts per game and more than 11 minutes of playing time per night.

Hutton's role was a little different.

Although he was a solid performer during the regular season, posting a 13-8-2 record with a 2.39 goals against average in 30 appearances, 15th-best among goalies playing in 20 or more games, the 31-year-old is destined to ride the pines for the duration of the Blues playoff run.

Hutton is entrenched as the back-up to starter Jake Allen, whose heroics helped catapult the Blues into Round 2.

He's happy to be along for the ride and ready to step in should coach Mike Yeo call.

Hutton, who spent three seasons with Nashville before signing last summer with the Blues as a free agent, is hoping to provide a little insight into what the team might expect against a team that surprised the hockey world and swept the Blackhawks out of the post-season in four games.

While he doesn't want to get too far ahead of himself or the goals of the team, he admitted it would be pretty cool to bring the Stanley Cup home this summer with his best buddy Bortuzzo.

"It's awesome. Robert and I have been pretty close over the past 10 years. We played together in junior and we train every summer. It's amazing, especially moving on here. We're excited and that was one of the big reasons I wanted to come to St. Louis, to be able to play with him and have a good team. We're showing it now."

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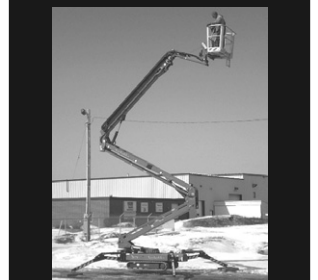
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63. COMING EVENTS

VENDOR SHOW, baking, crafts, Paws for Love, Saturday, April 29, 10 am to 2 pm, Castlegreen Community Centre

64. CRAFT & FLEE MARKETS

Thunder Bay MFRC "SPRING YARD & CRAFT SALE" Saturday, April 29, 10:00am-1:00pm. Held indoors at HMCS GRIFFON, 125 N. Algoma Street. Admission: \$2.

73. INFORMATION

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EYE	SPAM	OAHE	5	4	9	7	8	2	3	6	1
ERR	SOUR	GRASS	8	3	7	9	6	1	4	2	5
FAST	DRAIN		3	1	4	2	9	5	8	7	6
AAL	SEWAN		6	7	8	1	3	4	2	5	9
LITTORAL	LADE		9	2	5	8	7	6	1	4	3
ABI	XERIC	RAM	1	8	6	3	2	7	5	9	4
CALF	HABANERA		4	5	2	6	1	9	7	3	8
KNEEL	BAH		7	9	3	4	5	8	6	1	2
NOMAD	SOAK										
ORANGE	OIL	UBI									
DAME	DUMA	SAC									
APOC	ITER	ESK									

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DOWN

STANDARD FEATURES:
ANDROID AUTO** | REARVIEW CAMERA | 6-SPEED AUTOMATIC | BLUETOOTH TRANSMISSION | AIR CONDITIONING | HEATED FRONT SEATS | KEYLESS ENTRY FOG LIGHTS

2017 **SORENTO** 2.4L LX FWD Sorento SX Turbo AWD shown†

FINANCE FROM **\$79** WEEKLY **0% 84** / **\$0** INCLUDES **\$1500** BONUS
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AVAILABLE FEATURES:
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ALL-NEW 2017 **SPORTAGE** LX FWD Sportage SX Turbo AWD shown†

FINANCE FROM **\$78** WEEKLY **1.9% 84** / **\$0** INCLUDES **\$1000** BONUS
DOWN

AVAILABLE FEATURES:
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2017 **SEDONA** L Sedona SXL+ shown†

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