

January 2025

Did you happen to catch the fabulous CANTATA CHOIR Concert ? by Dolly Cordon

An Annual Concert, that is well loved and attended, did not disappoint again this year. The St. Bartholomew's Cantata Choir sang to a full house on Sunday, December 22nd. The reprise of the 2014 'Were You There On That Christmas Night' was directed by Janice Farrow, to which she describes as an Anniversary Concert.



Pictured above from L to r front Choir Director, Janice Farrow, Carol Nerpin, Diane Hykin, Emanuella Doucet, Nicole Rocheleau, Sheena Farrow, Taede Walma. Back - Linda Dusick, Aislinn Nagy, Caitlin Farrow, Courtney Farrow, Nikki Cook, Brent Farrow, John Lefebvre and Martha Cunningham Closs (missing from photo Steve Shinton)

A special mention to Heather Parker, collaborative pianist in 2014 for her support and mentorship, helping the choir blossom.

Thank you goes out to Elise Charron and Bev Rouleau for helping with refreshments and to Tammy Amyotte/The Added Touch for her generous donation of chair covers.

The Cantata Choir range in age from 13 to 88! At one time the choir was 24 singers strong! A photo of the St. Bartholomew's Cantata Youth Choir can be found on page 23 of this issue of the OFN.



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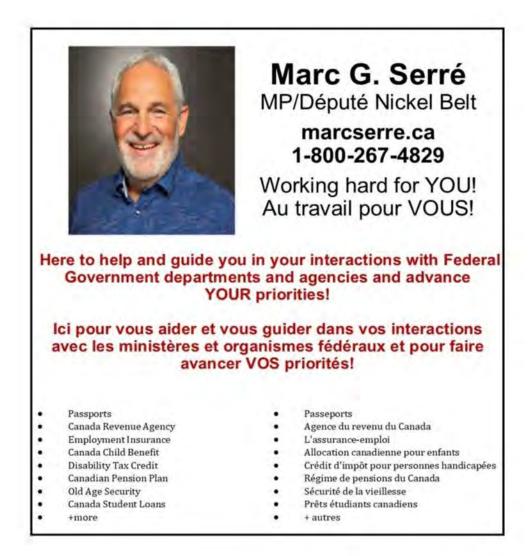
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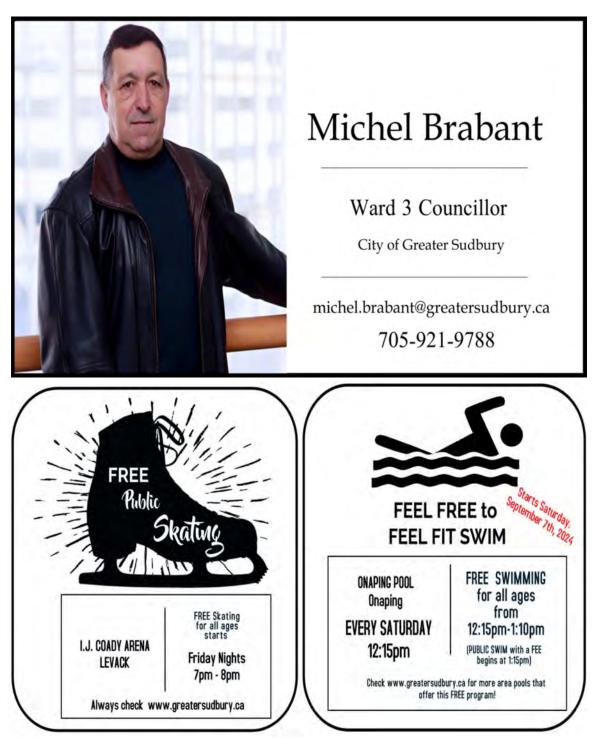
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My Condolences

My condolences to the Pat Arthurs family.

As a former firefighter at the Levack-Onaping Station, and later, as the Mayor of Onaping Falls, I knew Mr. Arthurs well

The late Pat Arthurs served this community with distinction and dedication. He got along great with the other Fire Services and their Fire Chiefs.

His dealings with the Mining Companies in our town served the taxpayers very well in savings.

Well respected by our Fire fighters and residents in our community. "I salute" Mr. Arthurs and offer my deepest condolences to his family.

Sincerely,

Bob Parker

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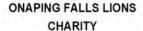
A busy December for our Lions!



We started December with huge Christmas Spirit with our Annual Turkey Dinner with all the fixins'. We served over 250 people a full meal, gave gifts to all the children in attendance and everyone got to enjoy a free penny table! It takes over 30 plus volunteers to serve over 150 people during a very hectic personal time. (Christmas is hectic for all of us :)

Pictured to the left is Elf Ellie Hardy, Santas Guard Austin Kurtis, Santa Claus (Luc Tremblay) and Lion Elf Shannon Findlay. Our volunteers dressed the part!!

The month of December we had our 4 weeks of Ham Bingos. Annual Lions Club Telethon, Breakfast with Santa. We also found the time to help other organizations with their events like the CP Holiday Train (Food Bank) and the Annual Tree Lighting (DOWCAN). We kicked into high gear for sales on our 50/50 draw and Dream Home tickets. We also have a new fundraiser called FlipGive where online shoppers can donate a percentage of their sale to the Club! When you write it all out and read it over it is understandable why we are a bit tired when January 1st rolls around! But we love what we do! We are LIONS!





Ladies Afternoon Tea

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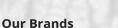
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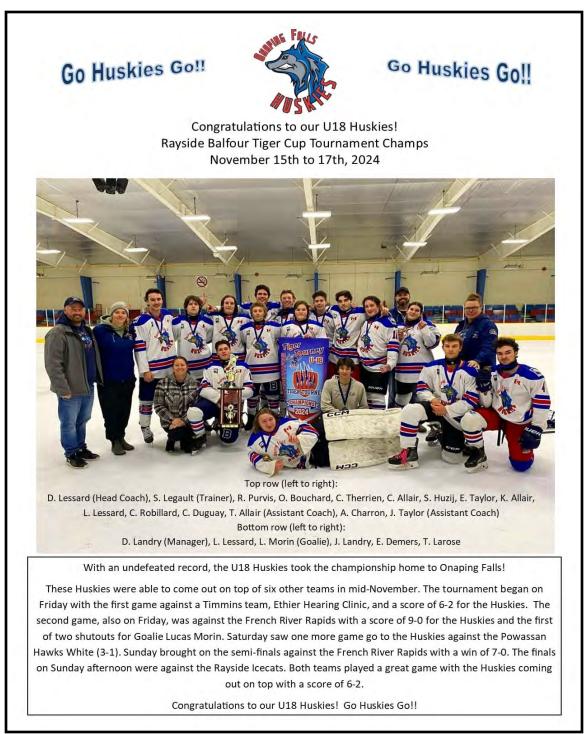


Game Schedule - January 2025 I.J. Coady Memorial Arena, Levack

Sunday, January 5th	4:30 pm	U11 Huskies vs WMHA Climate Control
	7 pm	U18 Huskies vs Coniston Flames
Sunday, January 12th	4 pm	U13 Huskies vs VE Valley East Market
	5:30 pm	U15 Huskies vs Espanola Eagles
	7 pm	U18 Huskies vs VE Cousin Vinny's
Monday, January 13th	8 pm	U18 Huskies vs SMHA Sharks
Tuesday, January 14th Saturday, January 18th	6 pm	U11 Huskies vs Coniston Flames
	7 pm	U15 Huskies vs VE Bourdon & Sons
	11 am	U9 Huskies vs RBMHA Icecats
	12 noon	U13 Huskies vs RBMHA Wildcats
Sunday, January 19th	2 pm	U9 Huskies vs RBMHA Tigercats
	3 pm	U11 Huskies vs VE Atomc Flyers
	4 pm	U15 Huskies vs VE Dominion Construction
Sunday, January 26th	3 pm	U11 Huskies vs RBMHA Wildcats
	5:30 pm	U15 Huskies vs Copper Cliff XCaliber Trophies
	7 pm	U18 Huskies vs NC Blast Black
Tuesday, January 28th	6 pm	U13 Huskies vs RBMHA Tigercats

Huskies on the Go in January

January 10th—12th U11 Huskies @ Bradford Blue & Gold Tourney January 17th-19th U18 Huskies @ Twin Centre U18 Frozen Cup, Kitchener January 24th-26th U13 Huskies @ Blackburn Stingers U13 Tourney, Ottawa





France Gélinas

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NICKEL BELT BULLETIN

Happy New Year and best wishes for 2025!

At this time of the year, life can be challenging for many of us. If you are looking for help, here are some helpful resources:

> BounceBack for adults & youth 15+ 1-866-345-0224

ConnexOntario addictions, mental health & problem gambling treatment services 1-866-531-2600

Good2Talk for post-secondary students in Ontario 1-866-925-5454

HSN 24h Crisis Intervention Services 1-877-841-1101 or 705-675-4760

> Kids Help Phone for children and youth 1-800-668-6868

Mindspace for children & youth 1-800-815-7126

One Stop Talk for children, youth and their families 1-855-416-8255

> Suicide Crisis Helpline dial or text 988

If you have any questions, you can call us and we would be happy to help you 705-969-3621 or 1-877-280-9990.

Until next month



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Bonne année et meilleurs vœux pour 2025 !

Cette période de l'année peut être difficile pour beaucoup d'entre nous. Si vous cherchez de l'aide voici quelques ressources utiles :

Allo j'écoute pour les étudiants-es de niveau postsecondaire en Ontario 1-866-925-5454

ConnexOntario services de Santé mentale, de traitement des dépendances et du jeu problématiques 1-866-531-2600

> EspritOuvert pour les enfants et les jeunes 1-800-815-7126

> Jeunesse, J'écoute pour les enfants et les jeunes 1-800-668-6868

Ligne d'aide en cas de crise de suicide composer ou textez le 988

Parlons maintenant pour les enfants, les jeunes et leurs familles 1-855-416-8255

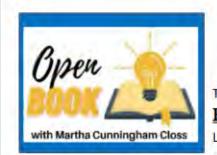
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Services d'intervention en cas de crise de 24 h d'HSN

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Si vous avez des questions, vous pouvez nous appeler et nous serons heureux de vous aider 1-877-280-9990 ou 705-969-3621.

Au mois prochain...



HAPPY NEW YEAR from the Levack Onaping Library!

Time to come up with the best resolutions for the New Year! **Read more! Visit your library more!** Remember the Library is <u>not just books</u>! It is a space to breath, relax, browse and meet friends. January is a great month for enjoying the

library. We have a **Cozy Corner Café** with a selection of favourite brews. Have a tea, coffee or hot chocolate and relax, play a game or work on a craft or puzzle. The library is always available if you need a place to *slow down and warm up!*

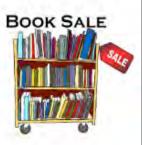


January is Braille Literacy Month.

On TUESDAY, JANUARY 14th from 4 pm to 5 pm come create your very own name sign in Braille! Learn Braille through some Lego fun and other interactive learning activities. Register by calling the Levack Onaping Branch at 705-688-3951 or going online to

https://events.sudburylibraries.ca/default/Register/2025-01-14-1600-Myname-in-Braille

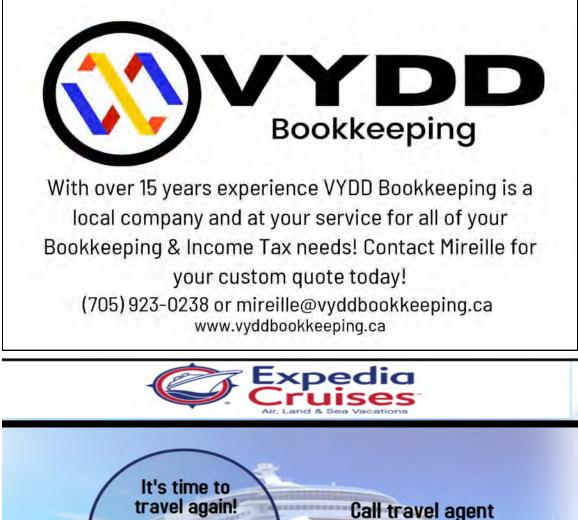
The Levack Onaping Library has an ongoing book sale. These items are books, puzzles and magazines that are no longer part of our system. We also have a great selection of newer books. Make a donation and go home with some new reading material!



Come visit the Levack Onaping Library and find out <u>all</u> the great activities available. I will be happy to show you around. Remember the library belongs to you!

The Levack Onaping Library is open Mon 9-2 Tue 2-7 Wed 10-2 Thu 2-7 & Sat 10-2 (closed Saturdays in the summer)

You can find Martha at the Levack Onaping Library in the Onaping Community Centre dialing and redialing the Helpline for chocolate withdrawal.





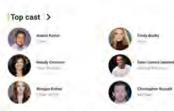
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Onaping Falls Celebrity Sighting

Young Austin Kurtis is known around town for his nationwide success with our Legion Public Speaking wins and for his outgoing personality. But did you know he is also a 'movie star'?? Yes, he is! And you can watch him, this year, on tv playing a few different characters!

In January you can watch him on the Great American Family channel in the Series 'When Hope Calls'. He has a recurring role an orphan named 'Steve'. We can't divulge any more info on the character but you should be sure and watch the series!





On the left is the Cast/Crew Sheet from the IMDb (International Movie Database) and to the right a photo of Austin with his fellow cast members from When Hope Calls.

This will bethe 2nd season of Hope Calls . It was filmed in North Bay and filming took 6 weeks!



Austin was on the movie set for 'A Nanny's Deadly Discovery' for Lifetime in Ottawa when they got the call for 'When Hope Calls'. In' A Nannys Deadly Discovery' he plays Andy Turner, the only child of a wealthy couple, who discovers the body of his Nanny and tries to unravel the mystery surrounding her death. Watch Lifetime for that release !!

In September of 2024 Austin played the role of a young Benito Skinner 'Benny' in the Amazon series 'Overcompensating'. A release date for this movie has not been announced! Hamming it up with Benito in the photo to the right!

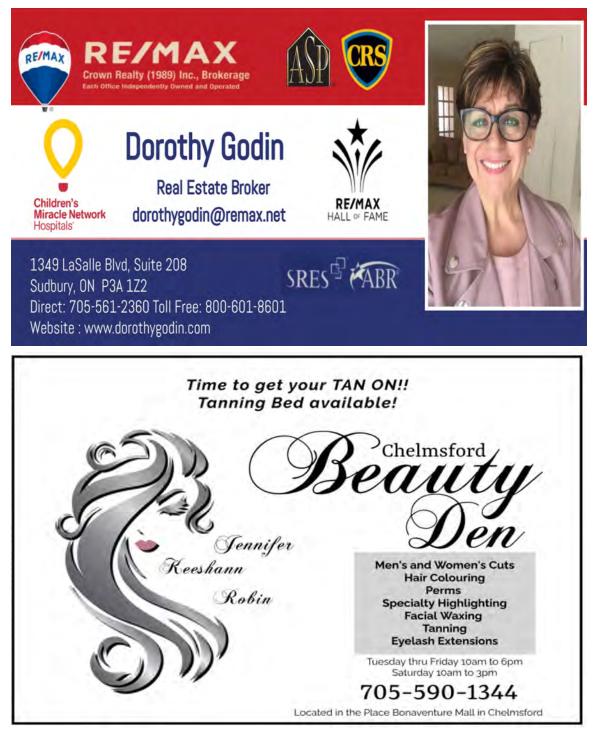
Austin is a caring and charasmatic boy. Witnessing this personally, On my visit to his home in Levack he overheard me say how much I enjoyed the eggrolls from the Blue Bird and, low and behold, within 30 minutes he had ordered me 4 eggrolls and walked over and picked them up for me! He is truly a gracious young man and I wish him to have the world at his feet!



Who knows what is in store for this talented young man! Let's all be proud of his accomplishments to date. 2024 was a successful year for him. To become a full Union member (ACTRA) you need 1600 hours or 200 days of background work or 3 Principal acting roles! Austin booked 3 Principal roles in 27 days...which may be a record :)

'Felix Felicis' my talented young friend (and don't forget to bring me some eggrolls from Hollywood so I can compare them to the infamous Bluebirds) !!

Dolly Gordon, Your #1 fan





The St. Bartholomew's Youth Choir

Cont'd from cover story

Joining the Adult Cantata Choir for the annual Christmas Concert the St. Bartholomew's Choir, with singers aged 5 to 11, kicked things off with a handful of delightful songs including "Welcome Christmas" and "Christmas Wish."

Thank you to Nathan Farrow for working on Sound Management for the concert.

The evening included the songs, "A Great Light", "All is Well", "Welcome to our World" and "Glory to the the Newborn King" just to mention a few!!



Pictured above front l to r are Kaypree Nerpin-Jacques, Lenna Nagy, JeVie Labranche and Cameryn Cyr back l to r Abigail Bystedt, Rarity Sasseville and Trinity Sasseville

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Celebrating 75 Years

On November 29th, 2024 we celebrated our Legion, Branch 503, for 75 years of community service to Onaping Falls and our Veterans. Thank you to everyone who joined us for the evening!



Appetizers were served and a 'Toast to the Branch' was raised. Great laughs and a lot of memories were brought up over the evening. Pictured on the left are Stephen Lenahan, Maintenance,Flora Chartrand, 1st Deputy Commander, Kathy Moggy, Treasurer, Jeff Dane, President, Martha Cunningham Closs, Youth Education, Joanne Martel, 2nd Vice President, Sharon Dane, First Vice President and Doug Moggy, Veterans services.

On the right is Legion member, Nevaida Howe. Her signs says 'Tea with Nevaida'

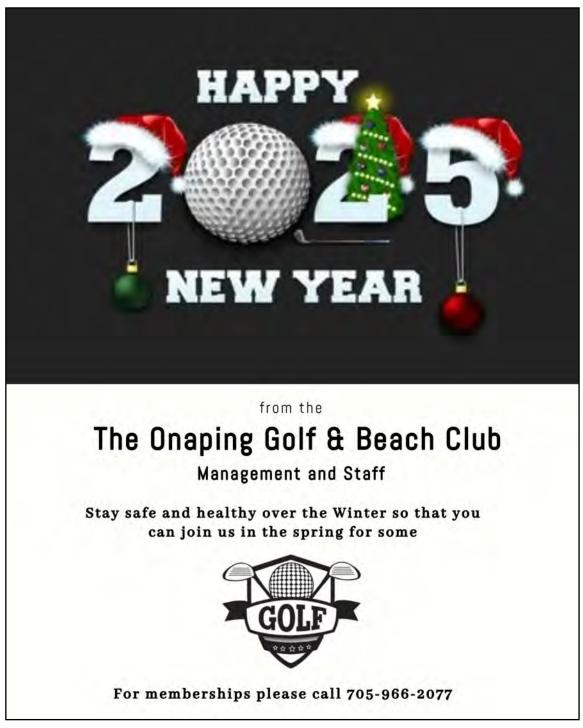
Nevaida Howe has been a Legion member for over six decades. That's a lot of memories! We are honoured to have Nevaida represent our long serving members..past and present!







The Onaping Falls Lions Club is located at 27 Sturgeon Street , Dowling, Ontario kindheartshomecare **705-590-2445**





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by Dolly Gordon

Our Onaping Falls Golden Age Club sure knows how to throw a party and the attendees sure know how to 'Live it up'! The Annual Christmas Party was held at the Club on Saturday, December 7th and it was a sold out event!

*Terri and Steve are showing us some Polka moves, Jim and Clairice are showing us moves that make us tired just watching. Stan and Helena are showing us that the 'The Jive' is not a lost art. All this dancing to great music by the Band 'Living it Up!!

The food was prepared by the Legion, Branch 503 Ladies Aux Catering. Compliments all round to the chefs! The theme was 'Country Christmas' decorated by Tammy Amyotte/The Added Touch.

A fantastic door prize was donated from the 'Windy-Ministic Sports Alliance'. All attendees chipped in to make a sizeable donation to Falls Food Bank and our Annual Winter Carnival! The 2024 Door Prize winner was Jim Portier!



Right f-b Dan Philipow, Larry Thibodeau, George Murray, Peter Keast and Rocco Fanzo . Left side f -b Jo-Ann Philipow, Donna Campbell, Sue Murray, Karen Keast and Denise Fanzo



The Ladies of the Legion, Branch 503, cooked an amazing dinner! I to r Brenda Cooper, Marlene Draper, Shelly Leroux, Claudette Grimard and Carole Charette

Right f-b Carolyn Van DeMeal, and Doreen Johnson. Left f-b Joan McKee, Isabel Vankoughnett & Gerry Beauregard



Below right f-b - Bob Simard, Dick Day and Bill Gorham Left side f-b Mavis Lacelle, Nicole Simard, Betty Gorham and Bunnie Sandblom



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The Onaping Falls Art Club continues to grow. You can become a member! Yearly memberships are only \$25 Contact President, Janice Farrow janice_farrow@hotmail.com Vice President, Lucie Mainville luciem99@hotmail.com 705-988-6355 Treasurer, Elise Charron Elise.charron@outlook.com 705-923-0094

Artist of the Month Anyse Laliberté

Anyse's artwork will be displayed in January at the Onaping Library. You can also check out her work on her facebook page 'Art by Anyse Laliberté'

Check out our Facebook page "The Onaping Falls Art Club'

Watch for Art Club activities at the Onaping Falls Winter Carnival Saturday, February 1st, 2025 Art Club Painting Demonstration Sunday, February 2nd ART CLUB OPEN HOUSE at the Onaping Community Centre



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