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Partner violence a city epidemic

By Ian Kaufman – TB Source

Thunder Bay's city council has voted unanimously to declare intimate partner violence an epidemic, responding to sobering statistics presented by local women's groups.

The move responds to a recommendation from the 2022 Renfrew County coroner's inquest into the deaths of three women, Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk and Nathalie Warmerdam, at the hands of a former partner.

On Monday, representatives of the Thunder Bay District Coordinating Committee to End Woman Abuse and the Naadmaagewin Indigenous Domestic Violence Committee – umbrella groups bringing together dozens of local organizations from women's shelters to victim services and police – called on council to make the declaration.

They noted nearly 50 other Ontario municipalities, including some in Northwestern Ontario, have already taken the step, calling it a symbolic act that would validate survivors of violence and could lead to further action.

O'Reilly told council the resolution has particular urgency in Thunder Bay, where rates of intimate partner violence (IPV) are typically around twice the Ontario average and 1.5 times the national average.

She also called attention to the fact that Indigenous women are six times more likely to be the victims of IPV, calling tackling the problem "an act of reconciliation."

In 2022, the Thunder Bay Police Service tracked 2,300 reportable intimate partner violence incidents, placing 703 charges.

Citing TBPS data, presenters indicated Thunder Bay's rate of female victims of IPV had risen from under 700 per 100,000 people in 2019, to 867 in 2021 – more than double the provincial average.

Presenters and city staff said the data presented likely doesn't capture the full scope of the issue, since intimate partner violence is "chronically underreported."

The groups called intimate partner violence a worsening epidemic, pointing to national rates of police-reported IPV that have risen for seven consecutive years and recent spikes in local data, saying that was fueled in part by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Presenters also drew attention to what they called vastly inadequate local resources to support victims of violence.

Maya Mounayer, of Beendigen, said the organization had to turn away nearly 600 women seeking support in 2022, a figure that roughly doubled from the previous year.

"Sometimes, we're their last option, and



Gwen O'Reilly presents to city council. (Ian Kaufman)

there's nowhere else for them to go," she said. "Unfortunately, sometimes their [only option] is on the street, it is tent city, it's staying at their unsafe uncle's [or] friend's house."

O'Reilly added that some local services, like Thunder Bay's sexual abuse centre, have closed, widening gaps in the system.

City councillors called the groups' presentation "eye-opening," "shocking," "illuminating," and "enlightening."

Asked what declaring an epidemic would accomplish, O'Reilly called it a symbolic step that could be followed with further action.

"I think it sets this up as a priority issue," she said. "Secondly, it puts pressure on the provincial government, which of course holds many purse strings in this area."

Several councillors argued the city should go further than a symbolic declaration.

"If we're declaring an epidemic here, I'm interested in follow-up," said Coun. Brian Hamilton. "I just want to make sure we're continuing to look at this and monitor this."

Asked what more could be done, O'Reilly said the city could advocate to the province to make a declaration of its own and take the Renfrew County inquest recommendations more seriously.

"Their response to the inquest recommendations was a little lacklustre – they re-announced money that had already been committed, and they did not announce any significant changes in policy. So I think it's important to put pressure on the province to follow through."

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Reconciliation recognized

By Katie Nicholls – TB Source

With the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation one week away, Confederation College held a ceremony at its main campus in Thunder Bay.

Wendy Landry, who is the new vice-president of Indigenous strategies at Confederation College, said attendance had grown significantly from last year.

"I think the participation from not only employees but from students as well is a clear indication of how truth and reconciliation continues to grow and continues to pick up speed and recognition from all aspects of different institutions and colleges and corporations," she said.

"I think it's an indication of the uptick of people caring and people learning and people finding out more and more and wanting to participate."

The designer of the new orange shirt at the college, Angela Jason,



Angela Jason is the designer of the new Truth and Reconciliation T-shirt at Confederation College. (Katie Nicholls)

explained the significance of the sweetgrass represented in her image.

"With sweetgrass, when we harvest it, you're not ripping it out of the ground, but you're giving it

proper care and harvesting it properly."
"That's how truth and reconcili-

ation should be treated, not done quickly, but given the care and given the thought and just keeping the progress going year after year."

She went on to explain that the three braided pieces represent the past, its connection to the present, and its subsequent effects on the future.

The juvenile eagle feathers represent that the movement is still young,

"We have a long way to go and recognizing that we have a lot to learn, not just from each other, but just recognizing the past, letting that influence our present and recognizing that our present definitely influences our future."

A truth and reconciliation flag raised at Monday's event will remain at half-mast through Oct. 2, a gesture meant to acknowledge the impacts of colonization on Indigenous communities, including lives lost at residential schools.

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Taco Bell opens on Arthur Street

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

It's almost time for Thunder Bay diners to Live Mas.

Taco Bell will open its doors to the public on Tuesday, marking a return to the city for the first time in more than a decade.

Franchisee Steve Pereira, director of operations at Redberry Taco Bell, said customers have been coming to the restaurant for weeks hoping for a tasty Mexican meal, underscoring his decision to open the store at the Arthur Street Marketplace.

"It's another new community in our journey to grow Taco Bell across Canada," Pereira said. "We're super excited to bring Taco Bell to Thunder Bay. We've heard it loud and clear

from the people of this great city of Thunder Bay that they're ready for us and we're ready for them."

Founded south of the border in 1962, Taco Bell operated in Thunder Bay in the early 2000s and was also at SilverCity for about a decade.

Pereira said he's excited for opening day, the doors expected to open on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

"We're super excited to have the residents of Thunder Bay come in here, meet our team, try our great food and Live Mas," he said.

Mayor Ken Boshcoff gave an enthusiastic thumbs up to the new venture.

"As Taco Bell opens its doors, it also opens new employment avenues for our residents,

supporting our local workforce," he said in a release.

The company's newest restaurant is Redberry's 17th Taco Bell restaurant in Canada and the company has agreements to open 200 new Taco Bell restaurants across the country over the next eight years.

Pereira said the 1101 Arthur St. location is the only one planned for the city at the moment, but added if the public shows the demand, he's not opposed to other locations down the road. Redberry also operates three Burger King restaurants in the city.

Taco Bell will offer dine-in, take-out, pickup and delivery services through the Taco Bell app, Uber Eats, DoorDash and Skip the Dishes.



Tyler Wilson was the first customer at Taco Bell's new Thunder Bay restaurant.



Well over a year after it closed, River Street is finally available for motor vehicle traffic again. (Gary Rinne)

River Street reopens

By Gary Rinne – TB Source

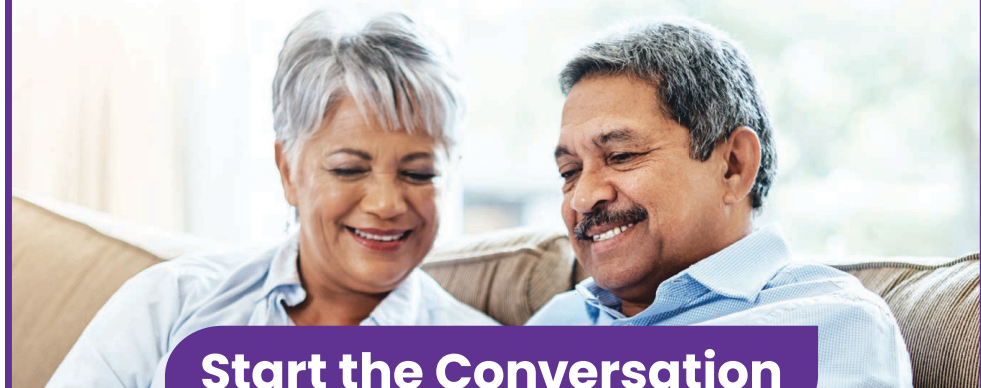
Almost 17 months after a damaged culvert forced the closure of River Street, repairs have been completed.

The four-lane road reopened to traffic late Monday after paving was finished on the section that was torn up to facilitate the replacement of twin culverts with a single structural multi-plate metal arch mounted on concrete footings.

The stretch between Algoma and Peter Streets was shut down in early May 2022 when a sinkhole developed over the culverts that McVicar Creek flowed through.

Numerous suggested dates for completion of the project came and went over the ensuing months.

Repairs by a contractor were initially estimated at \$2.5 million, but the city has not yet confirmed the final cost of the work.



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Tbaytel Supports St. Joseph's Care Group Bethammi Nursing Home with Balcony Improvements

Meet Joy Himmelman Whitfield,
 Caregiver + Family Council Member

By Janine Chiasson

In the late 1970s, when Sister Leila Greco envisioned St. Joseph's Heritage – now a model for seniors' care in Canada – her plans included marvelous things like a swimming pool, fine dining, daycare centre, library, chapel, corner store, squash court, gym, bowling alley, and, attached to Bethammi Nursing Home, a huge south-facing balcony with exceptional views of the city and Mount McKay. Some of these amenities no longer exist, but the balcony remains; a true gift for residents, caregivers, and staff.

Bethammi Family Council Member, Joy Himmelman Whitfield, spends a lot of time at the Bethammi Nursing Home caring for her husband John who's been a resident for a little over a year. One of the things they enjoy doing together is going to the balcony "to sit in the sunshine and look at the flowers," Joy says. "John and I used to have quite a big vegetable garden and it's a pleasure to see all the flowers on the balcony and growing vegetables and things like that."

"It's not only a help to Bethammi and St. Joseph's Care Group, it's for the residents, the caregivers, and everybody."

It's often quiet on the balcony, and Joy sees staff taking a moment to sit and catch their breath, families enjoying time outside together, and residents having a hand in planting and maintaining the boxes.

This summer, with support from Tbaytel, the balcony was a busy place: painters prepped and recoated the railings, the run-down pergola was repaired, new benches and furniture were added, and new raised planters were installed to allow residents to garden. This investment in improvements benefits not only the residents at Bethammi, but also provided work opportunities for St. Joseph's Care Group's Team Werks



Co-op who built the benches and the planter boxes. Team Werks supports people living with mental health and addiction challenges to hone skills, get some on-the-job training, and develop relationships with peers and staff so they can meet their recovery goals.

This summer the balcony offered Joy and John a special encounter. They knew the Snowbirds were performing at the waterfront and went out on the balcony hoping to catch a glimpse. Well, no sooner than they settled in, "Oh my goodness, five planes went over – I swear they were about ten feet above us and we didn't know they were coming from behind," Joy recounts in a rush. "I just remember sitting in the sunshine and then all of a sudden it was 'ah!'"

Given the state of healthcare funding, Joy feels pretty certain that the Bethammi Nursing Home budget wouldn't likely cover enhancements like these "for a year or two or three or maybe never," she says. And the alternative of raising costs for residents is, as she puts it, "Not good either."

"Having Tbaytel contribute to make life better for those who will really appreciate it, and need it, and use it, I think it's not only a help to Bethammi and St. Joseph's Care Group, it's for the residents, the caregivers, and everybody," Joy says. "When it's nice out, just to be able to go outside is worth everything. It really is."

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EDITORIAL

Paying tribute

Saturday is National Truth and Reconciliation Day, an observance meant for all Canadians to come together and reflect on the atrocities of the residential school era and the unjust ways the country has treated Indigenous Peoples over Canada's 156-year existence.

It's a national holiday, but for most Ontarians who don't work under federal regulations, it's just another work day.

This needs to change.

Ontario, and all provinces, should declare National Truth and Reconciliation Day a statutory holiday. If need be remove Family Day as a recognized stat holiday.

Ontarians survived for decades without a long weekend in February, and the least we can do is honour the 150,000 First Nation, Inuit and Metis children who were forcefully removed from their homes and made to attend residential schools.

It's a dark chapter in Canada's history and by making Sept. 30 a statutory day off across the board will go a long way to showing Indigenous People's the country is serious about righting the wrongs of the past.

Library meeting a must To the editor:

It is good to see the public library host a public meeting on community safety. This is an issue that affects everyone in the city. For Black and Indigenous people it is a matter of life and death. For white people it is a focus on fear of the other.

There are no safe and inclusive spaces in Thunder Bay for Black and Indigenous people. Businesses and organizations may jump on the safety bandwagon and put stickers on their doors and windows denoting safe spaces. But the experience of Black and Indigenous peoples reflects a different daily lived reality.

The number of community spaces in the south core is shrinking with the demolition of Victoriaville and the closure of Brodie library. The transfer of the public library to Intercity Shopping Centre will not create a safe space for Black and Indigenous library users.

The mall represents privatised and commodified space guarded by security staff. This may help white people to feel safe. But for Black and Indigenous people it means being followed around and excluded. The



answer to the community safety problem is not more guarded private spaces.

The answer lies in a decentering

of white settler colonial perspectives and a recentering of the Black and Indigenous world views.

That is the essence of decoloniza-

tion which should become a reality and not just a metaphor.

John Pateman,
Thunder Bay

Kapusinski book explores post-war Poland

Nobody Leaves: Impressions of Poland by Ryszard Kapuscinski is a collection of short pieces by the great Polish traveler-reporter.

As a young journalist in the early 1960s he was sent to write about the farthest reaches of his native land.

The resulting essays reveal a place as strange as any of the distant lands he visited on foreign assignments: caught between ties to the past and dreams of the future, a country on the edge of modernity.

In 1959, when he turned 27, Kapuscinski had already been abroad as a reporter. That year he went to work for the weekly *Polityka*, which sent him into the field as a domestic correspondent

between brief assignments in Africa.

His stories appeared at irregular intervals, often on the front page. In annual polls, the paper's readers picked Kapuscinski as their favourite writer on a staff filled with journalists who would dominate the Polish media.

The Poland Kapuscinski was reporting on was, from our perspective today, as 'exotic' as any of the 'developing' countries he covered. He liked to point out its similarities to new states throwing off colonialism or struggling through major conflicts. Poland had suffered

destruction and Nazi occupation in the Second World War. With the support of the Soviet Union, the Polish Communist Party was overseeing the early stages of socialist construction.

These were exciting times. The major themes were progress - Sputnik, domestically produced automobiles - and industrialization, with the many benefits it brought to the people.

The Communist Party knew history was on its side and the country would prosper if everyone joined the collective effort



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Human scent is big business

By JR Shermack

The human sense of smell is weak compared to other animals, but a human nose can still detect and discriminate millions of odours, even in minute quantities. Many are offensive and we do our best to avoid the unpleasant ones.

When interacting with household pets, animals in the wild and especially other humans we insist on one courtesy, "Please do not disturb my olfactory nerve".

There are many foul smelling animals including skunks, stink birds and stink bugs, the lesser anteater (smellier than skunks) and the musk ox, hair drenched with stale, rancid urine.

If you have ever been on a farm or downwind from a pasture you have breathed in the aroma of unfettered cow plop wafting through the air - many find this unpleasant.

Animals emit obnoxious odours for several reasons including self defense, marking their territory, to

deter scavengers and of course some are just soaked with urine and plop.

But there is one odiferous offender, so invasive and unpleasant that even members of their own species will consciously avoid each other or attempt to mask their stench.

Of all the species on Earth humans are arguably the stinkiest creature to ever walk the planet - we are living, breathing, chemical stink bombs, constantly oozing and exploding.

The scent of a human is caused by micro bacterial colonies eating and metabolizing the bodily secretions and refuse on our skin.

In other words, germs eat all the waste by-products on our skin and then those same germs poop out a foul-smelling, malodourous melaenge.

Other offensive odours sometimes originate from deep inside our bodies and escape using various routes to the surface of the skin through assorted orifices, big and small.

The chemistry of the human body is responsible for its smell - odourous compounds include hydrogen sulfide, hexenoic acid, methyl-3-sulfanylhexan and methane thiol.

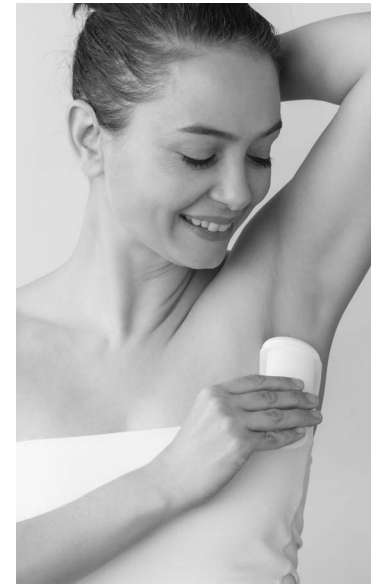
These combine to make bad breath, armpits, foot odour and flatulence smell like rancid and fermented sulfur, rotting eggs, garlic, cabbage, onion, cumin and surprisingly, goat.

This is how humans produce their most offensive odours - it's no wonder we find ourselves so foul-smelling that even we can't stand the smell of our own bodies.

For personal hygiene, fragrance is commonly used in shampoo, shower gel, shaving cream and body lotion to mask our offensive body odours and emissions.

We use home fragrance products like scented candles, essential oils, incense and air fresheners to cover the offensive funk of human activity in our own homes.

When we wash clothes we select our favorite fragrances to cover



Humans love to mask their body odour.

that persistent and pervasive human scent with a mask of lavender, mountain fresh or citrus zest.

We have been led to believe that something has to smell clean to

really be clean but the fact is, clean is odourless, humans are not.

Fragrance is used in cleaning and sanitation products to make them smell nice but also to mask the strong chemical odour of the cleaners.

The global fragrance market in 2023 is valued at \$54 billion and growing, which is evidence enough to confirm our "stinkiest species" reputation.

As for me, my olfactory does not like to be disturbed and I tend to avoid a big stink but I am also a known producer of volatile organic compounds just like all my fellow humans.

In a sense the way we smell is our species' great equalizer, something we all have in common.

Halitosis, flatulence, B.O. and foot odour do not play favorites and show no respect for socio-economic boundaries, either for the smeller or the smellee.

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Oct. 2

Bonnie Raitt in concert

Bonnie Raitt is a singer, songwriter and guitarist whose unique style blends blues, R&B, rock, and pop.

After 20 years as a cult favourite, she broke through to the top in the early '90s with her Grammy-award winning albums, *Nick of Time* and *Luck of the Draw*, which featured hits, *Something To Talk About* and *I Can't Make You Love Me* among others.

The 10-time Grammy winner was inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2000 and *Rolling Stone* named the slide guitar ace one of the "100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time" and one of the "100 Greatest Singers of All Time."

The concert will include a performance by Royal Wood, a five-time Canadian Folk Music Award-nominee.

The show takes place Monday night at 8 p.m. at the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium. Tickets are



Bonnie Raitt performs at the Auditorium in 2017.

available through Ticketmaster and start at \$88.50 plus fees.
Limited tickets remain.

Sept. 30

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Orange Shirt Day at Hillcrest Park in the City of Thunder Bay is a meaningful event.

Taking place from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., the event begins with the significant act of honouring the Residential School Survivors flag at Hillcrest Park.

This gesture serves as a symbol of remembrance and recognition for the survivors of the Residential School system, acknowledging their experiences and resilience.

The city is installing a "pop-up" reflective space at the flagpole site that will be constructed in the park next summer.

This event promotes education, understanding, and empathy, contributing to the ongoing process of reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities in Thunder Bay and beyond.



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Travels in southern Ontario

We're back! Did you miss me? Oh sure, you only missed one Rural Roots column last week. Why? I wasn't near a computer to write and send it to the Source. But why did I not have access to a computer? I wasn't in northwestern Ontario.

My wife, Laura, in addition to being The Gardener in the family, also has a job working for a rural township.

She and other financial folk from across the province gathered in Niagara Falls for their week-long, annual convention. "Why don't you come too?" she asked, "You can visit with your sister (my one remaining sibling)." OK.

"We'll drive and head out a couple of days early so that we can gather our various family together for the weekend." In fact, three of the family were able to join us in Niagara. Then the conference began and all day long Laura was in meetings and seminars given by experts while I explored the Falls. I

also madly tried to finish a history novel to give to my sister-in-law, a big history buff, as we were going to stay the Friday night at her place in Toronto and then begin the drive home on Saturday.

But luck would have it that my friend who just happens to be one of the greatest virtuoso organists in the world, a Brit now living in New York, was coming to St. James Cathedral in T.O. to inaugurate the large, rebuilt pipe organ. Talk about serendipity! The planets had aligned. So, Laura got us tickets to the concert that we attended, and I got to shake hands and receive a warm welcome from my organist friend. Needless to say, the concert was a huge success with over five hundred people attending. Then Saturday, we packed the car and began the journey home.

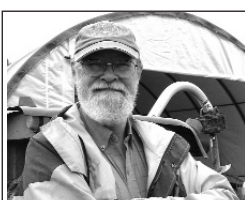
I see myself as a retiring country

mouse not used to crowds let alone the insane traffic and driving in southern Ontario. After all, I've been living in Northwestern Ontario since 1971 and in my rural township since 1979.

Driving rural highways in the Thunder Bay area is a piece of cake as compared to the QEW or the 401.

Drivers drive very fast; and you really have to be on constant alert for drivers who would suddenly cut you off in their attempt to get further ahead. I would find the middle lane that was usually slower and stick to it. Whew!

So, it was with great relief when on Saturday afternoon we managed to get north of Barrie and then on to the highway that takes you to Sudbury. Most of the cottage traffic had already swarmed north from the city on Friday night and early Saturday morning.



Fred Jones
RURAL ROOTS

Highway 69 takes you through the shield country of rock, pine, maple, and water. We would glimpse lakes with some cottages dotting the shorelines. Traffic was light and steadily moving north. Then we were past Sudbury and heading west to Sault Ste. Marie. We hadn't driven this road for several years and it was a pleasure to see not only some familiar sights but also the Fall colours that had emerged. While we live in the Boreal forest up here in NW Ont., the Sault area is still in the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence forest with that mix of maple, beech, and pine.

Sunday morning, we took off on Hwy 17 heading north just after the sun had risen. As the day got brighter, we beheld incredible Fall colours, whole swaths of rich reds and oranges along the hills and beside the highway.

Traffic was very light and about an hour north we stopped at the Canadian Carver store (one of my favourites) to buy some gifts for our

grown children who had been holding down the fort (or should I say the "farm") taking care of dogs and horses in addition to going to their full-time day jobs. The lady at the Canadian Carver observed that the Fall colour was early this year and reaching its peak. Wow! We drove on, surrounded on either side by this amazing display of rich oranges and reds that we don't see here in northwestern Ontario. It was around Wawa that suddenly the forest changed. No longer the the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence forest, now it was the Boreal.

We received an incredible welcome from the four-foots when we got home, our three dogs who had missed us. I was glad to have experienced the foray to the south and we felt so lucky to experience the fall colours driving home. But routines had been disturbed and it was just so good to be home, to drink the water from our well, and to sleep in our bed with a couple of poches keeping us warm.

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Born with what his fellow reporters call "golden retriever energy," Mitchell loves to really get involved when telling our local stories. He considers himself "not the best" at any sport but good at them all.



HAILEY PERRAULT
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You might have seen Hailey at various events this past summer with the Dougall Media radio crews. Hailey has joined our team for the Late Edition and will continue to let you know the day's news.



VASILIOS BELLOS
REPORTER

Having failed at retail sales in the past, TBT's Vasilios has found his calling reporting on Thunder Bay's political and crime scenes. According to Vassy, "I watch City Council so you don't have to."



JOE SADOWSKI
REPORTER

Joe is a big guy with a big voice. Born in Markham and raised in Elmira, he's new to this region. But he's getting to know it well, covering news and sports. And he's added to our roster of die-hard Leafs fans.



JESSAH CLEMENT
REPORTER

Jessah covers a variety of beats at TBT which means she and her camera could pop up anywhere, anytime. She loves nature, learning about new places and has mad skills with a Rubik's Cube.



JOSH MARANO
REPORTER

A graduate of the College of Sports Media and our newest reporter in the TBT family, Josh jumped in with both feet, covering both news and sports. As another Leafs-devotee, we figure he'll fit right in.



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Carl has been a Governor General's Foot Guard and a mental health worker. And he's studying for his Bachelor of Science. So he's got the background to cover the spectrum of Northwest Newsweek stories.



LEIGH NUNAN
REPORTER

Born on International Women's Day, Leigh stands tall (about 5'11") in the newsroom. She weaves the stories of our region on Northwest Newsweek but also has an artsy side. And a few too many houseplants.



JONATHAN WILSON
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Jonathan has spent decades in print and TV news – which makes him an expert researcher and archivist for TBT. His off-hours include something he calls "cliff jumping." His kids call it "Dad pushing us off a ledge."

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There are plenty of rewards for anglers who continue to catch fish in early autumn.

Keep on fishing

Anglers who continue fishing through the cooler days of late September and into October are often rewarded for extending their season. Like so many other creatures, fish seem to go on a feeding frenzy before winter arrives. It is as if they instinctively know winter is approaching, and their survival instinct heats up, prompting them to feed ravenously throughout the autumn season. For anglers, the ensuing action can provide some of the year's very best angling action.

It makes sense that predatory fish like walleye would naturally want to eat more before the increasingly cool weather trend slows their metabolism. When conditions are just right, the ruthless aggression with which these fish attack their prey, or your lure, is what makes autumn angling so fun.

At this time of year, late-season anglers also get to enjoy some solitude as boat traffic thins out. To top it off, the changing leaves provide a gorgeous backdrop of fall colours, and it all adds up to some truly special days on the water.

Many autumn anglers have found themselves, at some point or another, in the right place at the right time to intercept fish gorging on minnows or some other food source on a warm autumn afternoon. These exceptional days also happen in summer, but it is hard to deny how much more frequently the feeding frenzies seem to happen in the colder months of spring

and fall. I have found that the "frenzy phenomenon" seems to occur most often on a warm afternoon after an especially cold night or after a prolonged cold trend. It seems that, even if the water temperature only rises a degree or two, it becomes a catalyst which causes fish to feed heavily for a small window of time. If you are lucky enough to be on the water when this occurs, the fishing can be incredible.

So, when is the best time to go fishing? If one has the flexibility to choose their day, a sudden increase in temperature during the autumn cooling trend is what I would look for. However, the window of time to take advantage of this phenomenon can be

short. Even if you pick the right day, the epic action will not be endless. While the walleye are turned on and feeding recklessly, targeting them with large baits like a big Rapala or a jumbo minnow will ensure they take notice of what you are offering.

There are many factors which contribute to hot autumn angling. It may be that weather triggers an increase in the

appetite of fish, or the fact there is less fishing pressure, or the probability that there is less naturally available food. Regardless of the reason, autumn angling action can be epic. If we time things right, we can be rewarded with some unforgettable fishing action before we put away the rods for the season.



Keith Ailey
the GOOD LIFE

New hotel a Hyatt House

By Gary Rinne - TB Source

The developers of the city's newest hotel are familiar with the Thunder Bay market, and believe they've found an ideal location for it.

TBNnewsWatch reported earlier this month that Manitoba-based Genesis Hospitality is building a six-story, 129-unit hotel on Oliver Road between Golf Links Road and the Thunder Bay Expressway.

Now, additional information has been provided by Genesis executive vice president Kevin Swark.

He revealed the new hotel will be a Hyatt House extended-stay facility "with kitchenettes and such, and the rooms for guests to stay on a little longer basis than a normal one or two nights."

Swark cited the proximity of Lakehead University and Thunder Bay Regional

Health Sciences Centre as one of the keys in making the site suitable for a hotel.

"Thunder Bay's a great market. We've been in that market for 30 years. We've owned and operated the Victoria Inn on Arthur Street and recently sold it, in April of this year," he said. "We're no strangers to Thunder Bay."

The company also has plans for a franchise restaurant to be located in a separate building on the same property.

It's expected that the hotel will open by the summer of 2025.

Paul Pepe, manager of tourism for the city, wasn't surprised to hear that another major hotel would be built in Thunder Bay.

"There's definitely room for more hotel inventory in our market," he said, noting that it has consistently ranked among the top hotel markets in Canada over the last four or five years.

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Past Lives a real gem

With a momentary swoon at SilverCity, we turn to the small screen this week for potentially intriguing candidates.

One such title is *Past Lives* (VOD) from South Korea which at publishing time will have had its Thunder Bay premiere at SilverCity kicking off the 30th season of the North of Superior Film Association. (Alas, only the movie's trailer played at SC.)

The NOSFA premiere is strictly a one-off. Thus, those who missed it have a second chance to seek out this little gem on the small screen.

On the surface, *Past Lives'* themes seem very familiar. Two childhood friends living in Seoul are on the cusp of early teen romance before they suddenly go their separate ways.

Na Young (re-christened as 'Nora') is immigrating with her family to Canada. She is leaving behind her closest friend, Hae Sung, who must go through compulsory military service before pursuing an engineering career.

Twelve years later, having moved to New York to pursue her dreams of becoming a playwright, Nora (Greta Lee) stumbles upon Hae Sung (Teo Yoo) via Skype, rekindling their warm friendship.

However, circumstances intervene once again and another 12 years pass before they finally reunite in New York.

Now in her mid-30s, Nora is married to Arthur (John Magaro), a writer, while Hae Sung is emerging from a long-term relationship. Nora and Hae Sung meet and stroll about New York before meeting Arthur for dinner.

This is not a stereotypical love



Teo Yoo and Greta Lee star in *Past Lives*, which recently played at SilverCity as a NOSFA offering.

triangle. Arthur is not the "evil jealous" husband nor is Hae Sung out to steal Nora away despite having strong feelings for her. This meeting has all three principals reflecting on where they fit (or would have fit) into each other's lives and their feelings at different points in time.

The movie explores what random choices life seemingly provides and how individuals define themselves (Nora's varied ambitions play for light humour), beautifully interweaving the Korean concept of "in-yun," a personal connection transcending lifetimes. The understated soundtrack underlines the film's intimate under.

Feelings may remain strong even if denied, resulting in mature resignation, not necessarily regret. The question "What if?" hangs over the

characters. How does one's past impact upon present and future?

This may seem trite but all three principals play their roles with empathetic conviction, especially charismatic Lee, who conveys her complex inner emotions with subtle nuance. Less fluent in English, Teo Yoo effectively utilizes their silences to convey emotion. (The dialogue is in both English and Korean with subtitles.)

The film is an amazing achievement for first time director/writer Celine Song, who uses subtlety and sensitivity in telling a deeply personal story, drawing upon her own experiences, avoiding melodrama.

Song also does a lovely job with younger actors playing childhood Nora and Hae Sung. In the final scenes, there is a moment of silent, unspoken emotion which is achingly impactful.

Multi-layered and touching, *Past Lives* is one of the best movies of the year.



Marty Mascarin
 MOVIE TALK

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Highway 61 Planning and Preliminary Design Study Arthur Street to Loch Lomond Road

THE STUDY

BT Engineering Inc. (BTE), on behalf of the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (the ministry), is undertaking a planning and preliminary design study to determine the approach for the future widening for two sections of Highway 61 (Part A and Part B), in the City of Thunder Bay. The Highway 61 study area and the two local study areas are shown on the map below.

Part A extends from 0.5 km south of Arthur Street to Chippewa Road and Part B extends from Chippewa Road to 0.5 km south of Loch Lomond Road. For the two sections, the study has identified potential improvements and preliminary design alternatives to address immediate, interim, and long-term highway planning needs. Previous ministry studies undertaken in the 1990s were used as part of the review.

THE PROCESS

This study is following the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* planning process for a Group "B" project, with the opportunity for public comment throughout the project.

The previously held public information centre (PIC) No. 1 presented the draft study design report which described the study background, process, and consultation program, and presented the preliminary design alternatives for review and comment.

The purpose of the second PIC is to provide interested stakeholders, Indigenous communities, and the public an opportunity to review and comment on the evaluation of the alternatives and the technical recommendations.

Please join us at the PIC scheduled on:

Date: October 5, 2023
Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, presentation at 7:00 pm
Location: South Neebing Community Centre,
1841 Mountain Road, Thunder Bay

A presentation on the Study will be provided at 7:00 pm in the South Neebing Community Centre. PIC No. 2 exhibits will also be available on the study website at: www.MTOhighway61.com for the duration of the project.

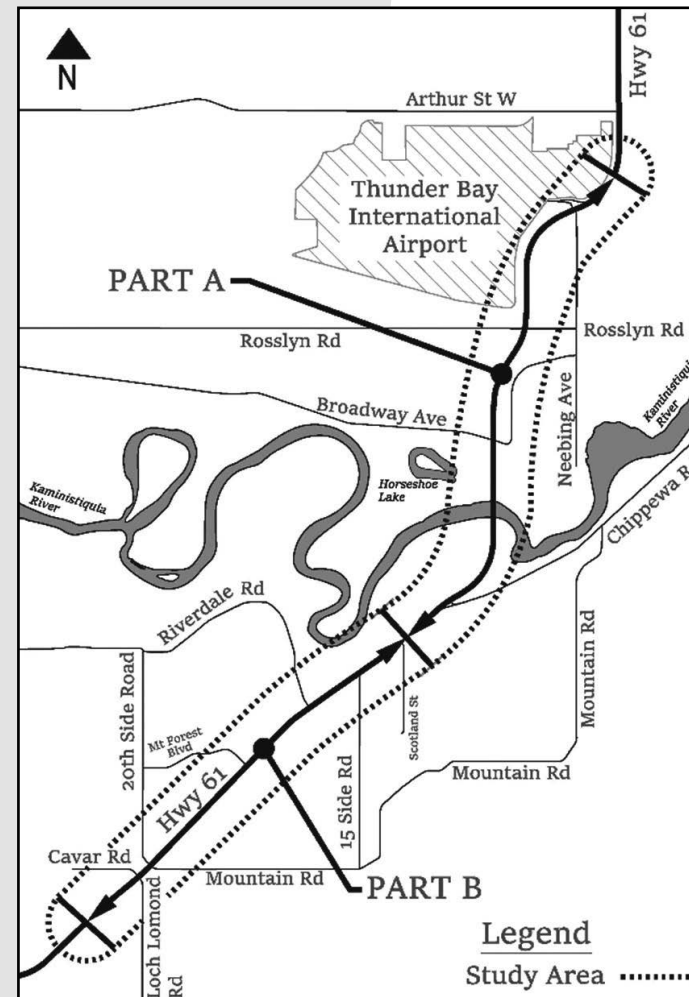
During a third PIC, BTE and the ministry will present the refined technical recommendations and mitigation plan for the Highway 61 Arthur Street to Loch Lomond Road Planning and Preliminary Design Study. A notice of the date, time, and location of PIC No. 3 will be published in this newspaper. After PIC No. 3, a transportation environmental study report will be prepared for a 30-day comment period.

COMMENTS

After PIC No. 2, October 5, 2023, there will be a 30-day comment period during which you are encouraged to provide comments contact one of the individuals listed below or visit our website at www.MTOhighway61.com

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Gryphons mark gridiron return

By Leith Dunick – TB Source

These aren't your older brother's Superior Collegiate Gryphons.

Returning to the junior football gridiron for the first time since 2017, the Gryphons held their own on Thursday night at a mostly refurbished Fort William Stadium, keeping it to a one-score difference for most of the game until the Hammarskjold Vikings pulled away late to secure a 35-14 win in the opening game of the season for both squads.

While it wasn't the result coach Curtis Sandberg and his troops were seeking, it was a great boost of confidence to his players, who have only been practising for a few short weeks – the first real football action for the vast majority of the team.

"Honestly, it was amazing," Sandberg said. "The kids are buying in. It's amazing for the school culture. It's amazing these kids get to experience it, because I believe playing football is one of the best experiences you can have in high school.

"We're unbelievably proud of them. We hung in there as long as we could. We've only had two weeks together and we've got a lot to learn and a long way to go."

The Gryphons have a checkered football past since the school opened in 2009, struggling to find enough interest in the student body to field a team, sometimes offering up a junior team, sometimes a senior team.

More often than not, the north-side school simply stayed on the sidelines.

Sandberg isn't setting expectations too high in 2023, and was pleasantly surprised at just how competitive Superior Collegiate looked against the Vikings, a team looking to capture its second junior championship in three seasons.

"I think we have maybe three players who may have played football before and the rest were right from scratch. So, we had to go start right from the basics and build up."

Not surprisingly, that means there will be a few growing pains along the way.

Stopping the Vikings run game was one area that clearly needed a little work.

Hammarskjold's Austin Yoller did most of the early damage for the Vikings, scoring three times on the ground in the opening half.

Yoller broke free for a 51-yard score just 2:24 into the game, then scored from 12 and 23 yards out, finishing the half with 126 yards rushing before hitting the bench for the second half.

The longest of the three saw him race down



Superior's Deacon Panacheese runs the ball. (Leith Dunick) the right sideline, all but untouched, on his way to the end zone.

"I was just looking for the green grass and kept going," Yoller said.

The second was set up by Calvin Shott's 43-yard run that took the ball from the Hammarskjold seven to their own 50, and a subsequent 34-yard run by Kain Crisofaro that nudged them to within a yard of the endzone.

The Gryphons Landon Blackshaw marked Superior Collegiate's return with a 45-yard-run on the team's first play from scrimmage, but the opening drive stalled there and they turned the ball over on downs.

Trailing 21-0, quarterback Kehl Thompson connected with Deacan Panacheese for a four-yard score. They'd close the gap to 21-14 just 19 seconds into the fourth, Thompson connecting with running back Connor Stieh on a pass that went for 41 yards and a touchdown.

But the momentum was short lived.

The Vikings, forced to punt, recovered the ball after it hit a Superior Collegiate player, scooped up by a Hammarskjold defender and three players later Teegan Gibbon found pay-dirt, upping the lead to 28-14.

Gibbon struck again from 25 yards out, the final score of the evening.

St. Ignatius 43, Westgate 26: The defending champion Falcons rode Kai Mosley's four-touchdown performance to a win over the Tigers.

Acuna clear MVP choice

I've written about Ronald Acuna Jr. before, but wow!

The Atlanta Braves superstar created his own club earlier this month, hitting his 40th homer of the season to become the first player in major league history to hit 40 homers and steal 60 or more bases.

There's a good chance by the time you read this that he's joined the 40-70 club.

While Mookie Betts is also having an outstanding season for the Los Angeles Dodgers, I think Acuna has to be the MVP at this point of the season.

I didn't realize until this year that he was the nephew of former Blue Jay hurler Kelvin Escobar, a cool connection to Canada's team.



Speaking of the Blue Jays, they've really come through in the crunch.

I think all of Canada had given them up for dead after their recent series sweep against the Texas Rangers, but they've bounced back and it will take a collapse along the lines of their disastrous finish to the 1987 season for the Jays to miss the postseason.

That year the Jays were up as much as 3.5

games over the Detroit Tigers as the final week of the season rolled around, and proceeded to lose seven straight to miss the playoffs.

As of Monday, Toronto needed to win three of their final six games to clinch a playoff spot, but in all likelihood, they'll only need to win two, at most.

That said, they're playing the New York Yankees and Tampa Bay, teams that have given them fits until recently.

The good news for Jays fans is the Rays, who have already clinched a wild-card spot and are still in the hunt for the AL East, are injury prone.

Several starters have gone down and now their lineup is depleted, with injuries to

Brandon Lowe and Randy Arozarena. Let's go, Blue Jays.



Lakehead men's and women's basketball teams are in action this weekend against Algoma. Game times are 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday and 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, at the CJ Sanders Fieldhouse.

Both teams have lost key players, so it'll be interesting to see who steps up.



Leith Dunick
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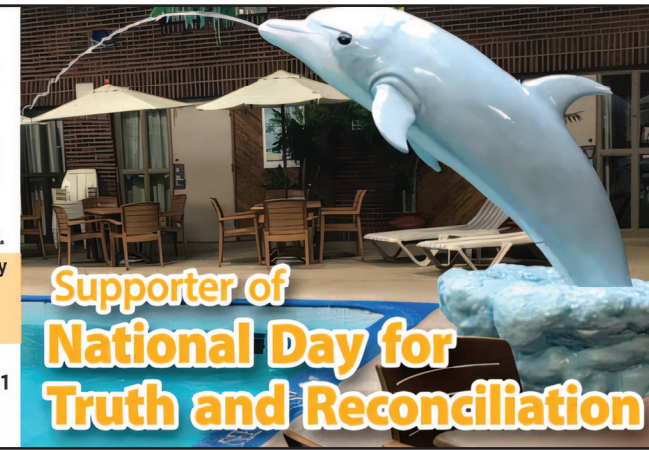
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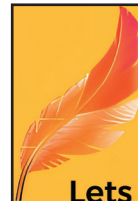


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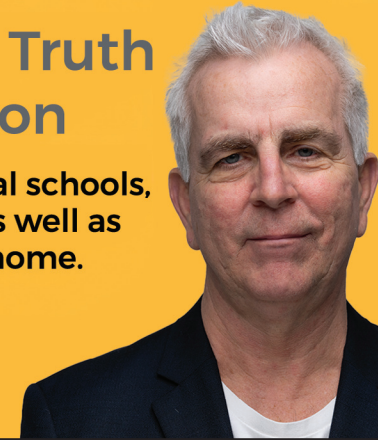
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Walleye, Miners split

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The Kam River Fighting Walleye are determined to keep losing streaks to the bare minimum.

In fact, they've pledged not to lose two in a row in 2023-24.

That put a lot of pressure on rookie goaltender Travis Vanderzwaag on Saturday night, his team coming off a 6-3 home-ice defeat at the hands of the Red Lake Miners.

He passed his first big test with glowing colours.

Vanderzwaag made 35 saves, including a pair of breakaway chances late in the third, leading the defending Superior International Junior Hockey League champions to a 4-3 win over the Miners at the Norwest Arena, evening their early-season record at 1-1-0.

The 16-year-old Thunder Bay Kings graduate said he took the pressure in stride.

"I was just thinking it's for the team and we've got to win. We can't go 0-2 at home for the home opener," said Vanderzwaag, his team celebrating last year's Bill Salonen Cup win with a banner raising at the far end of the Norwest Arena.



Travis Vanderzwaag makes a stop last Saturday night.

"We had to come out and show our best and we had to get the win."

He would like to see the team clear up

some of the chances they're giving the opposition.

Vanderzwaag turned away Red Lake's Landon van Engelen, who fired a quick shot from the slot that the Walleye netminder snagged in his glove. Three minutes later, his team leading 4-2, Vanderzwaag stoned Carter Deschamps after he picked Kam River forward Ryan Doucette's pocket and raced down the ice with no one to beat but the Kam River goaltender.

Captain Jeremy Dunmore was impressed with his effort on the second chance.

"There was a couple of times on the bench where everyone's heart kind of dropped and we went silent. But when Trav made that save all the boys were screaming. That was huge and I think that gave us the motivation to get that one done," Dunmore said.

First-year coach Jesse Messier said the Miners may have caught his players off guard this weekend, but it's something they'll work on down the road.

"We'll be looking to tighten that up. They're a team that's looking to blow the zone quite often and we got caught on it. But again, (Travis) made those big saves when we needed them," Messier said.

Cava goes in 12th round

By Gary Rinne - TB Source

Michela Cava's hockey career is taking her to the team in the new Professional Women's Hockey League that's closest to her hometown of Thunder Bay.

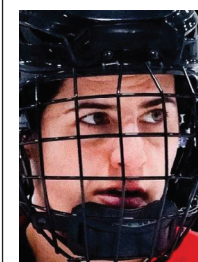
The Minnesota franchise in the PWHL selected the local product in the 12th round of the league's inaugural draft on Monday night.

The 29-year-old forward already has a connection to the state as she attended the University of Minnesota-Duluth where she played two seasons for the Bulldogs.

Cava most recently played for the Toronto Six of the now-defunct Premier Hockey Federation.

She was the MVP in the PHF's 2023 Isobel Cup playoffs, in which Toronto emerged victorious over the Minnesota Whitecaps in the finals.

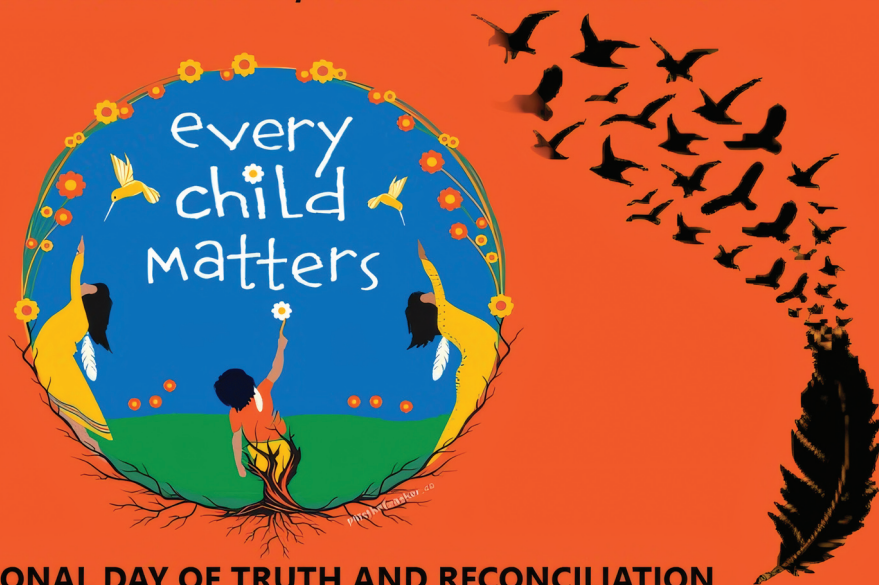
The six-team PWHL will begin play in January 2024.



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Falcons, Vikings draw

By Leith Dunick - TB Source

The Hammarskjold Vikings and St. Ignatius Falcons have pretty good ground games, at least between the 20s.

Getting it over the goal line proved difficult for the two senior football squads on Friday night. Each side scored once on the ground and the two teams settled for a 7-7 tie at Fort William Stadium.

Falcons running back Quinton Dawd capped a 16-play, 79-yard scoring drive with a one-yard plunge into the end zone, the game's second and final major coming with just 12 seconds to go until halftime.

Gerald Marshall put up the only points the Vikings could manage in the defensive battle, opening the scoring in the second on a two-yard run, a drive that saw Hammarskjold quarterback Taylor Main connect with Jake Kuzik for 31 yards on the Vikings first play of the second quarter, then for another 11 yards moments later to push the ball into St. Ignatius territory.

St. Ignatius running back Jaden Belcamino finished with 16 carries for 85 yards and said the offensive line did a superb job blocking for him and his fellow running backs.

"They pretty much do all the work. I just run through people," he said.

"A game like that, low-scoring and it's won in the trenches. I think our O-line did a pretty good job of that, piling on all the hits and stuff."

Both teams had trouble hanging on to the ball at different points of the contest, the second straight tie for the Falcons, who tied defending SSSAA champion St. Patrick 14-14 in Week 1.



St. Ignatius running back Quinton Dawd scores his team's lone touchdown last Friday against Hammarskjold.

After forcing a three-and-out on the Vikings first drive, Fighting Saints punt returner Nolan Porier looked up too soon and muffed the catch, the Vikings Zach Pedlow pouncing on the loose ball to give St. Ignatius the ball on the St. Ignatius 41.

Alas the Vikings went three-and-out again.

Quarterback Lucas Dupuis was picked off by Hammarskjold's Nolen Sloan on the Falcons first possession of the second quarter and the Vikings opened their next drive with a 31-yard pass from Main to Kuzik that moved the ball past midfield.

They'd continue deep into the red zone

Main took to the air again, connecting with Johnson and ultimately handed the ball to Marshall who took it home through a crowd from the two-yard line to give Hammarskjold

the only lead of the day, 7-0.

Late in the fourth the Falcons Caleb Blaine had a 27-yard field goal attempt blocked and the two teams remained deadlocked. Hammarskjold marched the ball to midfield on the final possession of the night, but stalled out when back-to-back Main passes bounced off the turf. Marshall made a last-ditch effort, but was tackled on the Falcons 33 after a gain of 14 as the clock ran out.

Hammarskjold coach Mike Judge said it was a bit of a war of attrition out there.

"It was old-time football. They did a great job in the trenches. St. Ignatius gave us a tough time in there. It was tough to get first downs tonight," Judge said.

"It was one of those ones where field possession was huge."

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