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RUFFLED BIRD—As is so often the case, Expositor nature photographer John Savage caught this once-in-a-lifetime moment by coincidence. He had, as usual, thrown a just-emptied cat food can into the snow in his Bay Estates yard for his dog to lick out the remnants and, the same morning, had picked up his camera to follow this redpoll around his backyard feeder. And then the magic happened: the tiny bird unexpectedly lit on the empty cat food can, the label was facing the right way for the perfect photo...and the bird looked positively miffed by the presence of a cat, even a picture on a can. Click.

photo by John Savage

Carol Hughes tables Manitoulin low water petition in Parliament

OTTAWA—A petition which circulated on Manitoulin, urging the federal government to make low water levels in Lake Huron a priority and which garnered over 3,000 signatures from both Islanders and those with an interest in Lake Huron levels, was

tabled in Parliament last week.

On Wednesday, Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes marshalled a group of New Democrats, including Northern Ontario MPs Claude Gravelle and Glenn Thibeault as well the party's Transportation Critic,

Olivia Chow, to bring the issue some prominence as they tabled the petitions (organized by Mike Wilton of Dominion Bay) with more than 3,000 signatures gathered on Manitoulin Island. The MP followed that up with a state-

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Hitting the trails

Island's snowmobile trails are open for business

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—The rainy weather Monday of this week hasn't dampened the spirits of members of the Manitoulin Snowdusters who were busy grooming the trails to ready the Island for what they hope to be a busy weekend, with the Easter Seals charity Snowarama event and also the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) "Try our Trails" permit

launch.

Sue Middaugh, Snowdusters secretary, explained that her two sons were busy grooming the Island's trails starting with Little Current to Gore Bay Sunday night then on to Silver Water Monday. Unfortunately, while this winter has been great for snow, it's been hard on groomers. The club is currently down

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Human Rights Commission warns Northeast Town against 'people zoning' practice

Response to complaint over order to end methadone dispensing at front street Little Current clinic

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—The Ontario Human Rights Commission (OHRC) sent a letter to the Northeast Town last week in response to a claim filed by a client of the 19A Water Street (methadone) Clinic sparked by the upcoming closure of the Little Current clinic this Friday, February 15.

Last month, the clinic building owners, Robinson's Pharmacy Group, were contacted by the Northeast Town, informing them that they must stop dispensing methadone within 30 days at that location (19A Water Street) or the company would be charged with nuisance under the municipality's bylaw act, leading the company to evict Dr. Bryan Dressler and his methadone clinic.

The town's actions were prompted by a series of incidents allegedly involving clients of the Water Street clinic, which reached a head when a fight broke out between several clients on the town's main street in

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Methadone clinic closure sees Manitoulin communities struggle to fill patient needs

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—As the 19A Water Street (methadone) Clinic in Little Current prepares to close its doors this Friday, February 15, communities across Manitoulin are struggling to come up with solutions to help fill the upcoming gap.

Last week The Expositor reported that it had heard from an anonymous source that M'Chigeeng First Nation had decided to open a temporary methadone clinic to service its band members. Though The Expositor was unable to confirm this at the time as Chief Joe Hare was out of the office, the chief was available for comment on Monday.

"I'm not sure where you heard that," said Chief Hare, "but no, we are not opening up a clinic. We only have 15 community members on the methadone program. It just doesn't warrant a special clinic here in M'Chigeeng."

Chief Hare said that the M'Chigeeng Health Centre has been working with the Central Manitoulin Family Health Team (FHT) to try and establish a clinic at the Mindemoya Hospital.

In the meantime, M'Chigeeng

will be transporting its band members who are on the methadone program to Dr. Dressler's Larch Street Clinic in Sudbury to continue their treatment. As M'Chigeeng does not allow for take home methadone

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Early deadline

As Ontario's family holiday falls next Monday (February 18), the Expositor office is moving the deadline for classified ads to 4 pm this Thursday (February 14).

Rural correspondents are also asked to meet this deadline so that their valuable contributions can be included in the February 20 paper.

Display advertising customers are also asked to have copy to The Expositor by Thursday afternoon. This is also the deadline this week for classified advertising.

The Expositor office will be closed on Family Day holiday Monday. Thanks for your cooperation and enjoy the long weekend!

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OPP Constable Jason Keohler operates the tripod-mounted RADAR gun recently acquired by the Manitoulin OPP Detachment for its war on speeders.

Staff Sergeant Webb meets with council to discuss issue of speeders

by Sharon Jackson

KAGAWONG—With the safety of its citizens top priority, members of council requested Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb attend a meeting to discuss the problem and possible options to resolve it.

“There is a speeding problem,” stated Staff Sergeant Webb. It is not only in the village core (below the hill travelling on Main Street), but on Highway 540, starting at the Kagawong sign from the east (westbound from M’Chigeeng) where the speed limit changes from 80 to 50 km throughout the village towards Gore Bay (by Berry Boats) when the limit changes back to 80 km, he added.

Billings Township receives the “lion’s share” of assignments to deploy the radar sign. (This is the computerized sign that shows a vehicle’s speed as it

approaches.) It is an “ongoing continual problem,” Staff Sergeant Webb said.

Believing in “high visibility,” Sgt. Webb advised that OPP would “continue pressures in the community.”

Mayor Aus Hunt asked, “how do we compare?” OPP Officer Mike Patterson was also in attendance. He is traffic manager, prepares and maintains traffic plans and compiles data gathered from readings of the radar signs. His response was there is “always speeding” and echoed Sgt. Webb in regards to the ongoing problem with speeding in this area of Manitoulin specifically.

In the 15 years that he has been on the Island, Officer Patterson has found that within 15-20 minutes of the radar signs going up, the OPP (if in the area)

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Incumbent Shining Turtle returned Whitefish River First Nation chief

by Michael Erskine

BIRCH ISLAND—A crowd of about 60 Whitefish River band members sat quietly in the community hall awaiting the results of the tally of the ballots in this year’s band election. When the count was complete, there was strong applause from the crowd as incumbent Chief Shining Turtle (Franklin Paibomsai) had been returned with a convincing vote tally of 153, outpolling all seven of his rivals’ combined tallies of 136 for the seat.

The individual results for the other candidates were Donald Francis, 13; James Almer McGregor, 16; Marie McGregor (Marie McGregor-Pitawanakwat), 13; Murray N. McGregor, 25; Valerie A. McGregor, 5; and Esther Osche, 64.

Out of the 20 candidates vying for a seat at the council table, six were selected. The six elected and their vote tallies were Gerald McGregor, 132; Jeff McGregor, 95; Leona Nahwegahbow, 110; Jerome (Jake) Pakosigan, 86, who tied with John E. Recollet, 86, and David Shawanda with 147.

Chief Shining Turtle said that he was humbled by the response of his community and the strong mandate that confirmed his approach to the building community through a wellness strategy. “I have never felt as vindicated or as cradled by the community,” said the chief.

“I never took anything for granted,” said Chief Shining Turtle, even though his canvassing of the community indicated his support. “I was out canvassing people until 9:30 at night.”

Chief Shining Turtle said he was impressed with the community’s choice for the rest of the council table. “A lot of the same people are coming back,” he said. “It’s a really strong team. They are all aware of the issues, they understand the economics and the wellness strategy.”

In addition to continuing his community building strategies, Chief Shining Turtle said that he remained convinced of the importance of building a low-power FM station to deliver community news.

“Communication is a very important thing,” he said. “It helps to bind the community together and together we can work to meet any challenge that is thrown at us.”



Chief Shining Turtle

Cockburn Island conservancy land deal provisions please Cockburn Island council

by Steph Burt Hillyard

COCKBURN ISLAND—Cockburn Island is one step closer to preservation.

The Township of Cockburn Island appears to be pleased with the new acquisition of property by the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC). Over 22,000 acres (over 50 percent) of Cockburn Island was purchased by the NCC to preserve the natural forest and wildlife area. The island off the western point of Manitoulin is currently considered a seasonal village, due to its small population during the off-season and growth during the summer months.

To fund the purchase, donations have been given by several donors, including an

anonymous American conservationist. The NCC quoted the donor as saying “This project represents a marvelous opportunity in our time, to do something really big.” He gave five million of the 15 million dollars required for the Cockburn Island conservation project.

Other donors have also stepped forward, including John and Margaret Catto. The Canadian couple spent many years spending holiday time on Georgian Bay. The NCC says the Cattos decided to donate to the cause because the Great Lakes are an important part of their lives, and they feel it’s a way to give back.

According to the NCC, Cockburn Island

currently holds 41 kilometers of undeveloped shoreline, and is ranked 10th for its ‘conservation importance, lack of disturbance and threat of development.’

Cockburn Island is believed to be the oldest municipality in Ontario, at the ripe old age of 132 years.

“NCC’s goal is to have most or all of its property revert to an old growth forest and be a site for ecological research. This aligns with almost every Islander’s vision for our community,” said Cockburn Island mayor David Haight in a letter addressed to the people of Cockburn Island and others.

“Council members realize that NCC holding the land for conservation appears to be very compatible with our goal to our island home remain almost completely undeveloped. With its beautiful shoreline and rich forests we have long been concerned that a developer at some point in time would buy up a large block and then harm the landscape through some combination of intensive commercial development of the shoreline or interior that might compromise the natural beauty of our island.”

The letter went on to state that NCC had offered to allow hunting on the newly purchased property and would make up the difference in taxes so as not to put a tax burden on property owners.

The NCC was willing to cooperate...it was a courtesy to go above and beyond what we asked,” explained Cockburn Island municipal administrator Brent St. Denis. “They identified a prime opportunity to have a

forest to save for future generations.”

The NCC has been working with the township of Cockburn Island in an effort to preserve some of the property.

“We’re still short over \$1 million in funding, and the letter from mayor Haight has been helpful in donors seeing that the project aligns with the community’s vision for the island,” stated NCC representative John Grant. “The mayor and council members’ familiarity with the land and NCC’s solid science grounding make a good combination. Their input was very constructive, and has been incorporated into the plan.”

Mr. Grant detailed that in the past few months plans for the property had been discussed with Mayor Haight, and a draft of the property management had been reviewed at the last two council meetings.

“Beginning this spring, we plan to work with islanders to map where non-native, invasive plants - such as garlic mustard - occur in greatest numbers on the property. That will lead to plans for control in some cases,” said Mr. Grant.

There are also plans for mapping coldwater streams for brook trout.

“We’ll be in touch with the Cockburn Island Sports and Conservation Club, naturalists, academic researchers and others to learn more about wildlife populations and ecology on Cockburn Island,” Mr. Grant clarified. “That will help us in stewarding the land, and also identify gaps in knowledge where we should focus future research efforts.”

Backyard bird count this weekend

MANITOULIN—For the first time, anyone anywhere in the world with Internet access can participate in the 16th annual Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) from February 15-18. Participants simply watch birds at any location for at least 15 minutes, tally the numbers of each species they see, and report their tallies online at www.BirdCount.org. The GBBC is a joint project of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and Audubon, with Canadian partner Bird Studies Canada.

This year, anyone visiting the GBBC website will be able to see bird observations pouring in from around the world and contribute their own tallies. Global participation will be made possible thanks to eBird, a real-time online checklist program that the Cornell Lab and Audubon are integrating into the GBBC for the first time this year. The GBBC is open to anyone of any skill level and welcomes bird observations from any location, including backyards, national parks, gardens, wetlands, and urban landscapes. The four-day count typically receives sightings from tens of thousands of people reporting more than 600 bird species in the United States and Canada alone.

“We’re eager to see how many of the world’s 10,240 bird species will be reported during the count this year,” said Cornell Lab director John Fitzpatrick. “We’re looking forward to this historic snapshot of birds that that will be reported from around the world. We need as many people as possible to help build the wealth of data that scientists need to track the health of bird populations through time.”

Participants will be able to view what others are seeing on interactive maps and contribute their tallies for ongoing bird research and conservation efforts. For the

first time, participants will also be able to upload their counts from the field using the eBird BirdLog app for Apple or Android smartphones. To celebrate the new global reach of the count, developers of the eBird BirdLog app are offering regional versions of the app for just 99 cents through February 18.

“This count is so much fun because anyone can take part, whether you are an expert, novice, or feeder watcher,” said Gary Langham, Audubon’s chief scientist. “Invite new birders to join and share the experience. Once you get involved, you can continue with eBird year round.”

“The popularity of the Great Backyard Bird Count grows each year,” said Dick Cannings, senior projects officer at Bird Studies Canada, “and with the new features, participation will be even more exciting.”

Participating is easy. To learn more about how to join the count, get bird ID tips, plus downloadable instructions, web buttons, and flyers, visit www.BirdCount.org. The count also includes a photo contest and a prize drawing for participants who enter at least one bird checklist online. Portions of the GBBC site are also now available in Spanish at www.ContandoAves.org.

“The GBBC has become a tradition on Manitoulin and in recent years there has been participation from every community,” said Chris Bell, an avid Manitoulin birder. “Unlike the Christmas bird counts where you have to live near Gore Bay or Minde-moya, everybody gets a chance to take part. All you have to do is watch your bird feeders for at least 15 minutes or better off-and-on all day, count the birds and enter the results on the computer. When asked

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Killarney man charged with eight counts for offences under the Ontario SPCA Act

KILLARNEY—The Ontario SPCA has charged a Killarney man with eight counts under the Ontario SPCA Act after having to remove 65 dogs from his care.

The Ontario SPCA received a call from a concerned citizen regarding multiple dogs living on a Killarney property. The Ontario SPCA responded and conducted a full investigation. On December 17, 2012 a warrant was executed and upon veterinarian recommendation, 65 Weir-maraner/Labrador retriever-type dogs, of all ages, were removed from the Kil-

larney property. The dogs were transported to an Ontario SPCA facility where they stayed until they were later surrendered to the Society. The dogs have since been transferred to Ontario SPCA Adoption Centers across the province and when ready will be placed up for adoption.

The Killarney resident was charged with one count of causing an animal to be in distress and seven counts for failing to comply with standards of care as outlined under the Ontario SPCA Act.

His first court appearance will be March 2013.

“Responsible pet ownership is everyone’s responsibility,” says Senior Inspector Lynn Michaud, Ontario SPCA. “If you ever fear that you are unable to provide for your animals, we encourage you to reach out to the Ontario SPCA and we can discuss what options are available. We are here to help so that no animal is left to suffer.”

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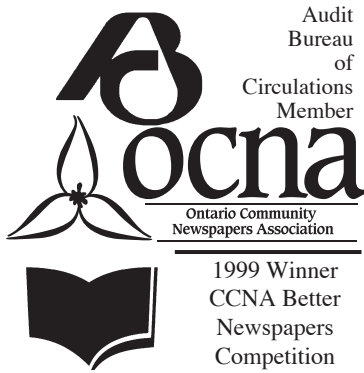
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opinion

editorial

Canadian citizenship should be absolute

Federal Immigration Minister Jason Kenny last week added his public support to a back bench Conservative MP who has been promoting a private member's bill that would see dual-citizenship Canadians stripped of the Canadian portion of their citizenship should it be proven that they had engaged in terrorist activities anywhere in the world.

Mr. Kenny's interest in the private member's proposal may have the affect of elevating the loss of Canadian citizenship in certain defined circumstances to the effective status of a government bill. In any event, Mr. Kenny's interest certainly gives a higher profile to the proposed legislation.

The pushback to the Conservative proposal, both from the public and the Tories' political foes in Ottawa, has revolved around the argument that such a threat of banishment, since it applies only to naturalized Canadian citizens who choose to maintain their citizenship in their country of birth as well as in Canada, effectively creates two classes of citizens. As a matter of principle, that concern has some validity and people born in this country to parents (or even one parent) who are (is) a citizen of another country can also have dual citizenship chosen for them by their family. Presumably this other group of "dual citizens" isn't the Conservatives' primary target but they, through an accident of birth, might well feel they are in the government's sights should this proposed bill pass into law.

Would it not be much simpler to simply abolish, in the future, dual citizenship for naturalized Canadians?

If people choose to move here and, in the fullness of time, wish to change the status of their citizenship to Canadian, that's what it should be: Canadian.

There is something about a naturalized Canadian citizenship that is joined by a hyphen to the country the individual left behind that

implies not a full commitment to Canada.

Certainly for people who choose to live and work in this country but who do not wish to relinquish the citizenship conferred on them by dint of the country into which they were born there is always the option of the status of "permanent resident."

Becoming a Canadian citizen by choice should mean that anyone making this major decision should relinquish any previous citizenship.

Similarly, Canadians who seek citizenship in another country should be required to give up their legal Canadian identity.

In this way, Canadians of whatever origin who choose to become involved in terrorist activities either at home or abroad would simply be charged and prosecuted in whatever jurisdiction they committed their alleged crimes but as Canadians.

Changing the law in this way for naturalized Canadians seems to be much more straightforward than allowing them to become hyphenated Canadians and then banishing them (no doubt at great trouble and cost) in the event that one or two of them in a decade proves to aid or abet terrorist activities.

Children who happen to be born to parents who are citizens of another country (or countries) but who are working or visiting Canada when the birth takes place could be granted dual citizenship until they reach a certain age (say 18) at which point they would be required to choose whether they wished to be solely a Canadian or a citizen of the other country.

Such changes to the immigration laws would certainly quiet the "two classes of citizen" objection to the proposed changes.

Most naturalized citizens are, in fact, simply 'Canadians'. No hyphens.

Why not simply make this the rule?

letters

Tax exempt conservancy land is a serious threat to Manitoulin

Are Manitoulin Island residents merely cellophane people, invisible to the south?

To the Expositor:

Residents of Manitoulin Island feel like "cellophane people" when we read articles written by the likes of Bob Barnett of the Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy. Again Mr. Barnett lobbies the Minister of Natural Resources, Mr. Michael Gravelle, for our tax dollars to restore Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) funding to EBC's coffers so that he can finance the appraisals and legal work required to realize this apparent obsession of achieving the international target of 17 percent of Manitoulin Island as conservation land. Not once does Mr. Barnett express any consideration or concern regarding the resulting impact on Island Communities if this 17 percent of Manitoulin's tax base is removed. Mr. Barnett appears more concerned with protection of the "tempered forest" than the people who have homes on this island. He seems oblivious to the fact that these are the people who so carefully nurture the natural resources, and regularly pay taxes as expected of any responsible, civic-minded Canadians. Remember, it is our tax dollars that Mr. Barnett so desperately needs to pay for his appraisals and legal fees.

Mr. Barnett, can people's lives and dreams be so easily destroyed to permit trees space to grow? Do people have value only to contribute financially to the attainment of the stated objective—acquisition of 17 percent of Manitoulin to fulfill international conservation obligations?

On Tuesday, December 17, 2012, Mr. Mike Mantha MPP hosted a teleconferencing session for Manitoulin Municipal Representatives with MNR contact Eric Bianchini. Most Manitoulin municipalities participated. Although municipal representatives asked for clarification of many issues regarding conservancy land "tax exempt" designations, not all answers received were encouraging.

Firstly, a municipal representative requested clarification of "the process" by which MPAC receives direction that a property has been "designated tax exempt conservancy land." The MNR spokesperson stated that the MNR has complete authority to declare conservancy land 100 percent tax exempt. He acknowledged there are accepted criteria for this designation: 1. a wetland, 2. an ANSI (Area of Natural and Scientific Interest), 3. an Endangered Species Habitat, and 4. a Community Conservation Area, but admitted that these criteria are rarely considered when determining a property's "tax exempt" status. He informed that conservation land applications to the MNR by large conservancies such as the EBC and NCC are usually ratified auto-

matically without any required inspection of the property by MNR officials.

Municipal representatives also asked if the MNR or any government agency performs "impact studies" on Manitoulin municipalities to determine the possible short and long-term effects of MNR designations of large tracts of Manitoulin properties as tax exempt. Sadly, the answer "no" offered yet more proof of a general lack of concern for the plight of rural communities; communities challenged by the increasing burden of providing the following much-needed services for local residents: policing, hospitals, ambulances, libraries, social services and housing, recreational facilities, road construction and maintenance, and homes for the aged. Considering that the average population of seniors on Manitoulin is much higher than the provincial average, and the average wage of islanders is much lower, how much longer can Manitoulin communities continue to carry the wealthy EBC "tax exempt" landowners' share of the tax burden?

Another disappointing reply was received from the MNR spokesperson when he was asked if a review process was in place to reassess a designated property's "tax exempt" status. The municipal representatives were informed that the landowner was required to re-apply to the MNR each year to retain the "tax exempt" status, but no re-assessment based on criteria for "tax exemption" was ever performed. The MNR informed that the process of designation of Conservancy Land as "tax exempt" is an automatic order to MPAC, as authorized by the Ministry of Finance regulations. Municipal representatives are never invited to participate in this process. The MNR designate advised the municipal representatives to take their perceived problems regarding this process to Mr.

Dwight Duncan, Ontario Minister of Finance, to seek recourse for concerns. He stated that the Ministry of Finance was the only ministry with authority to change the assessment regulations to address inequities judged to unfairly impact on Northern rural communities.

In support of Manitoulin municipalities, Mr. Mike Mantha, MPP, after conferring with Mr. Ken Noland, chairperson of the Manitoulin Municipal Association, agreed to request a meeting of MMA representatives and the Ontario Minister of Finance to question the MNR's absolute authority to declare tax exempt lands without some requirement for an impact study to assess the effects of such decisions on each specific community. The MMA awaits his response.

In closing, let's be realistic, Mr. Barnett of EBC, consider the possibility of the Greater Toronto Area communities losing 17 percent of their tax base. Would this not make it rather difficult for these communities to provide the necessary funding of essential services that you and your neighbours enjoy? Are we, the residents of Manitoulin Island, merely "cellophane people," not really visible in southern Ontario's big picture of a Future Ontario? Also, Islanders feel it is not acceptable to lobby for tax dollars under the guise of improving tourism to the island, unless all tax exempt conservancy properties have open access to the general public. This would promote opportunities for all residents and tourists to the Island to enjoy the natural beauty of these large tracts, rather than merely establishing large private playgrounds for wealthy ecotourists from southern Ontario, and Europe. The latter, unfortunately, is the public perception of the EBC Conservancy Movement on Manitoulin Island.

Wayne L. Bailey
Evansville

Together we can accomplish great things

MICA extends a warm thank you to political leaders

To the Expositor:

Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA) wishes to thank MP Carol Hughes and MPP Michael Mantha for their quick and wholehearted support regarding the Georgian Bay Cycling Route (GBCR) project. Carol Hughes has supported us right from the beginning. She was personally present, lobbying with us for paved shoulders on Hwy 6 in the spring of

2010. In December 2010 MICA was founded.

MICA wishes to extend a warm thank you to our political leaders. We know that together we can accomplish great things, building on the success and infrastructure achievements accomplished in the past two years.

Maja Mielonen, chair
Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates



EDITOR'S NOTE—This is the current installment of a series that will focus on Manitoulin's iconic swing bridge which, this year, will celebrate a century of service as Manitoulin Island's physical, year-round link with the mainland.

This series, which will lead up to festivities planned around this year's centennial event, seeks to give early twenty-first Manitoulin people a sense of the construction of the bridge and the coming of a rail link to the North Shore.

Anyone with memories or anecdotes to share about the swing bridge may do so by emailing editor@manitoulin.ca or by phoning The Expositor office at 705-368-2744 and asking for Robin BurrIDGE.

by Colleen Chandler

Operator: "Number Please."

I replied, "604 Ring 4."

That telephone number was the party line to the Swing Bridge just a mile down Meredith Street.

One hundred years ago this bridge was built. It has been the connection for industry and trade and for the residents and tourists to the mainland. It holds many childhood memories for my family and friends. During the early 1930s my grandfather moved his family to Little Current to work where he worked as tender on the Swing Bridge. Like his father, my father worked for the CPR. He married my mother in May 1952, boarded the train the next day for Little Current also working as tender on the Bridge.

Growing up we enjoyed the freedom of a small town. After walking to Squires Beach for swimming lessons we walked up the limestone ridge path (avoiding the poison ivy, though not always) and walked along the white Shell Oil pipes to the bridge.

My best memories are large in the form of the massive steel frame. "The Catwalk" was a special place. The plank pedestrian

walkway ran along the outside of the steel struts. Protected by high railings we watched the currents swirling and winding below, leaving me with a dizzy feeling. We walked the catwalk to the bridge centre and crossed over the car and rail way to the stairs, when traffic was clear. We climbed the stairs to the upper cabin which housed the motors and gears and where my dad disappeared to for weeks at a time, it seemed. I can still hear the familiar metal resonance of many feet clunking up the stairs to the cabin. The clunking repeated itself when we came down at a much greater speed.

The cabin smelled of grease and cleaning solvents. The floor was always clean and shiny. Behind the door was a row of levers to swing the bridge, to the right was the massive motor. The 12 x 12 cabin had windows and mirrors to view traffic from both directions. A massive drive shaft turned as the bridge swung transected the room. The clean painted end of the shaft was a favourite place to do summersaults over. Sometimes we were allowed sleepovers with our friends. Using the clean material from the rag bag, we padded the floor, put down our sleeping bags and bedded down for the night shift, a jumble of girls giggling. Dad read and sang to us or to the radio. At times we were allowed to help with small tasks such counting cars and trucks and moving the pegs in the wooden counting board. A set of two small hand switches changed the lights from red to yellow to green and back again. Signalling the approaching sailboats and larger yachts was fun by pulling the suspended rope with a wooden toggle and sounding the deep horn three times. Most of the gears and levers were too difficult for any child to move. Two levers at the end were not in service and moved freely as we pretended to engage the bridge swinging. At

that time, the bridge may have been required to swing at night, waking us with the sounds of the motor and horns. In the morning at the end of the 11 pm - 7 am shift my father would wake the children who followed him down the stairs like sleepy chicks to return home and back to bed.

During our daytime visits, sometimes we descended to water level and fished in an area designated as "safe" where Dad could see us and called us back with a sharp whistle. Swift green water flowed past and we waved at boats. Fishing bait was often a bit of a pink eraser stuck on a hook. My eldest sister, when alone, was required to use the safety and confines of the seat in the outhouse

for fishing purposes. We caught perch and rock bass, which we returned to water. The landing at the top of the stairs was also a very good outlook as we used the binoculars to spy on the swimming beach, boats and wildlife along the shore. We made paper planes sailing them as far as possible. A long tethered rope and pail drew water up to the cabin. A pail and dipper cup kept inside the cabin was used for drinking and cooking water. We enjoyed our first "take your children to work" day at very young ages.

Most of us have grown up and moved away. After long drives from different parts of the province, the bridge was a welcome sight to return home. My

Mom would cry "whoopie" as we drove across the bridge for the grandchildren after the long drive. Thanks for the opportunity to share unique and fond childhood memories of our Beloved Bridge.

These are combined memories and anecdotes of:

Colleen (Larouche) Chandler resides in Ajax, Ontario

Bernie (Larouche) Belanger still makes her home on the Island

Linda (Larouche) Magill resides in Trenton

Lauren Henry resides in Ottawa

Lisa (Henry) Aspinall resides in Costa Rica



Bridge operator Dan Larouche prepares his lunch during his shift on the bridge in this early photo. The control room always smelled of grease and cleaning solvents, but the floor was always clean and shiny.

more letters

Writer objects to blockades and the distress of the Canadian flag

Calls for a Criminal Code amendment for anyone who desecrates the national flag

To the Expositor:

Yesterday morning, like many mornings at around 6 am, two of my neighbours started our vehicles to warm up so we could head to work or off to the gym. We usual mumble a quick 'hi,' jump in our respective vehicles and start a busy productive day because we are idle no more.

Before joining the gym, I'd spend a fair amount of time sitting idly on the couch. Now my husband and I surround ourselves with others who have made the conscious decision to exercise. This has the added benefit of energizing us, helping us to lead increasingly productive, stimulating lives so we are idle no more.

I look with pride at my children who used to be fairly typical teenagers; lazing around, sleeping in and hanging out with similar minded, inactive yet somewhat volatile individuals.

One son now works two jobs and is active-pursuing a management position in his

chosen field. The other son, a family man, trains hard, works hard and is passionate about defending our country and the rights and freedoms that so many have fought and died for—freedoms that many take for granted.

Our daughter works full time to save for her college education so she can continue to pursue an educational and vocational dream in law. While supporting herself and saving for college, she tirelessly volunteers with those who have found themselves on the wrong side of the law.

My kids have matured into productive, responsible, trustworthy, conscientious members of society who are idle no more.

Depending on the time of year, it's not uncommon to see families out for walks, neighbours working in their gardens, shoveling snow, washing their vehicles, or doing minor repairs or renovations to their dwellings. We take pride in our homes. We value our neighbourhoods and community

and 'fixing up' the place is a labour of love; it gets us outside interacting and sharing with others, off the couch and we are idle no more.

My church family encourages us to have a life with purpose. If you see someone in need, help. If you see a problem, be part of the solution. Individually or as a group, be the heart and hands of Jesus. If that means helping a senior with groceries or cleaning their apartment—do it. If it means donating money or being part of a missionary trip—do it. If it means cooking and serving meals to single moms—do it. Be part of the solution and be idle no more.

Over the last while, I have seen First Nations protest.

I have seen images of blockades, police inaction, and heard some vague demands for something. What I have also seen is images of my beloved Canadian flag flown upside down and other images of it defaced. I find this inexcusable. In some

countries it is a crime to desecrate a flag, but not in Canada.

I ask you to be idle no more.

Write your paper, write your member of parliament and share your disgust and outrage with this behaviour.

Request that an amendment be made to the Criminal Code that deals with everyone who willfully burns, defaces, defiles, mutilates, tramples upon or otherwise desecrates the national flag of Canada be guilty of an offence and liable.

Please be idle no more and show other Canadians how to change laws without threatening, without compromising the economy and certainly without violating normal citizens' rights to go to work and return to their families. I for one will be idle no more.

**Linda Fauteux
Kitchener
(formerly from Manitoulin Island)**

Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

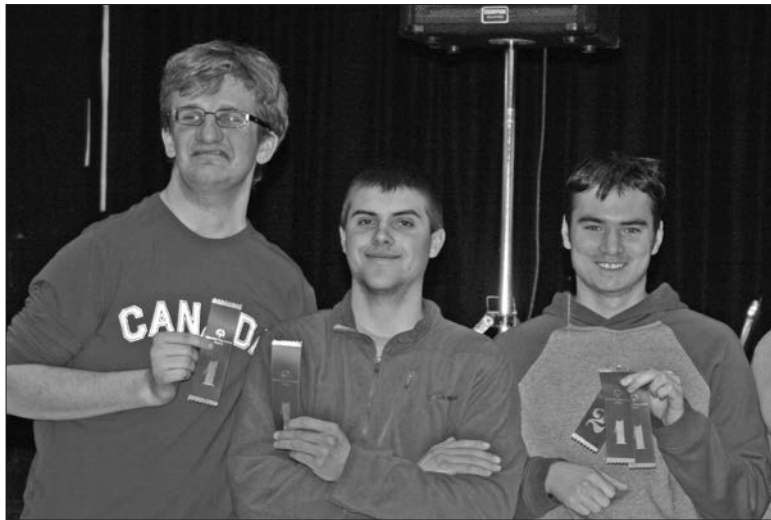
Manitoulin Sporting Life

Panther Points

The Atom Panthers have been steadily improving as their season draws to an end. They suffered a tough loss on Saturday, February 9th to the Nickel City Flames 7-3. Scoring in the game were **Carter Abotossaway, Noah Hare** and **Ben Marshall**. The Panthers then played a double-header this Sunday against the Sudbury Minor Bulldogs. In the first game, the Atoms won 6-1 with **Sterling Stoneypoint** nearly shutting out the Dogs between the pipes. Goals came from **Samuel Assinewai, Carter Abotossaway, Noah Hare** and **Ben Marshall** with assists from **Carson Gonawabi** and **Jack Renwick**. Game 2 saw the Panthers getting another 2 points winning 7-3. Noah Hare had a trick in the game with other goals from **Samuel Assinewai, Lukas Abotossaway, Ayden Farquhar** and **CJ Newbury**. **Casey Debassige** had another great game in net. **Bailey Middaugh** and **Jonas Mejaki** also contributed on their respective wings during all 3 games. With great team efforts like this weekend, the youngest Panthers have shown a real growth over the year and hope to have a great showing in the playoffs. Keep up the good work, Atoms.

Special Olympians bring home hardware

As two Manitoulin Special Olympians were just arriving from South Korea with their own medals, three other fellow snowshoers took to the podium for their own awards. The trio, **Dayne Tipper, Matthew Bedard** and **Randy Corbiere**, were competing at the Special Olympics Regional Winter Games in Sturgeon Falls. All three won gold and silver medals including a gold in the relay. They were dominant in their wins too. Can you imagine running, in the winter, on the snow, with these big shoes strapped to your feet and you can cover 400m in 1:31 as Matthew Bedard did!



Dayne Tipper, Matthew Bedard and Randy Corbiere placed first in the Special Olympics regional games in snowshoeing.

AAA Bantams head to playoffs soon

Congratulations to **Alex Smith**, who plays with the minor Bantam Nickel City Sons squad who just helped insure the Sons a first overall placing in their league standings. Alex finished seventh in the overall, NOBHL point standings and sit 6 points over the Minor Bantam North Bay Trappers. Two other Island skaters also had a great season for their Sudbury Minor Wolves who are holding in fourth place in the competitive league. **Gregory Trudeau-Paquet** and **Tanner Webkamigad** will soon focus on their post-season run. Good luck to the three of you.

Winter Carnival run

Over the weekend, the annual Wikwemikong Winter Carnival had a lot of activities to get people out enjoying the winter. One of them was the Family Fun Run, which was sponsored by the Wikwemikong Ontario Works and the Wikwemikong Waasa Naabin Youth Centre.

It was a beautiful sunny morning for the run that attracted close to 20 participants despite the freezing temperatures. While it was a 'fun' run, times were recorded and **Ashley Manitowabi** was the top male finisher at 9:36 and **Amanda Eshkibok** was the top female finisher at 9:54 to complete the one mile route. Seven families participated in the event. **Josephine Manitowabi** and her granddaughters **Peyton, Sierrah** and **Isabella** won the most family members category while **Jack Rivers, Jodi Fox** and **Francesca Pheasant** won the best dressed category as well as fastest family honours. Organizer, **Giselle Aiabens** would like to send out a Chi Miigwetch to Wikwemikong Ontario Works and the Wikwemikong Waasa Naabin Youth Centre for sponsoring the event as well as to the Wikwemikong Tribal Police for escorting runners and walkers on the route.

Karate master to give seminar next weekend

8th degree black belt in Goshindo, **Hanshii Alain Saily** will be giving a seminar at the Island Training Center on Sunday, February 24. Mr. Saily has been studying martial arts and combat sports over the last 48 years. He has hosted seven global conventions in various countries and is also a coach of international level competitors as well as police and military squads around the world. He is the founder of what is known as Goshindo today. The day will go from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm and participants will get hands-on training, under the scrutiny of a well respected teacher. Your entry fee is just \$30 for this rare, local chance to learn from this unique talent. For more information and to reserve your spot send an email to Sensei **Dan Fletcher**, who runs the Dojo of the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts: senseidanf@yahoo.com or call him at (705) 368-0988.

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'Stangs gear up for final stretch

by **Steph Burt Hillyard**

MANITOULIN—They're at it again. The Mustang boy's hockey team has been blowing the competition out of the water with 7 wins in a row.

"We've been getting better every game," said coach **Brad Bond**. "We set goals to go 7 in 1. After our last game, now the goal is 8 and 0."

The team annihilated the Lo-Ellen Knights 8-0 on February 4, bringing their total up to 7 wins in a row.

"It's a whole team effort and dictated our play all game," said Mr. Bond about their win. "I've never seen them play the puck so well and do the little things."

The Mustangs played Confederation February 8 in Little Current, winning 7-1.

The team was scheduled to play St. Charles on February 11 in Sudbury, but the game was postponed until Tuesday February 12.

The team currently faces MacDonald Cartier in Sudbury on Valentine's Day in Sudbury, and again in Little Current on Friday at 7. The winner of these games will play the winner of the Bishop Cartier-St. Charles series. Game three will be added as needed.

"They could beat us two straight, but I don't see that happening. You have to be optimistic, right?" laughed Mr. Bond.

This year Lo-Ellen is hosting the NOSSA championship tournament. "Because it hosts both A and AA, we get two entries because it's in our region." He also said because one of the teams is AAA two of the three teams will be able to make it to NOSSA in the beginning of March.

"It's been a pleasure to be with them and witness them playing well as a team. It's been a lot of fun."



The Mustangs stabled Confederation in Little Current last Friday night, beating the Sudbury team 7-1. The hometown boys play again this Friday evening at 7 pm, so be sure to cheer them on.

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From gold medals to lifetime experiences, MSO athletes reflect on their time at the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin Special Olympic (MSO) snowshoers Regan Millsap and Kelsey Mellan returned home last week after competing in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Pyeongchang, Korea, where the two Islanders won a combined gold and three silver medals. Besides their exciting wins, both athletes were eager to share their experiences in Korea and at a global athletic event.

Three weeks ago Regan and Kelsey travelled to Vancouver for the beginning of their journey, meeting with the rest of Team Canada before flying to South Korea.

“We had a big send off dinner with all of Team Canada at a big hotel in Vancouver,” Regan explained to The Expositor. “The next afternoon we were off, flying to Soon, which took 11 hours where we were hosted by the Soon Chun Hyang University.”

During their stay in Soon, Regan and Kelsey explained that Team Canada joined the rest of the world athletes (over 3,000) in three days of cultural experiences.

“The first day we went to a small village where we made rice cake balls and learned about Korean culture,” said Regan. “On the second day, we went to a water park with natural hot springs. It was really cool.”

On the third day the athletes said goodbye to their hosts and journeyed three hours to Pyeongchang to settle into the athletes’ village and take part in the 2013 World Winter Games.

“We were in rooms with other members of our team, but it was 10 to a room,” laughed Regan. “It was an interesting experience.”

“The opening ceremonies were neat,” Regan continued. “We all walked in a team and it was a big celebration.”

During their time in Korea, Regan said one of the most culturally different elements was the food.

“A typical breakfast was eggs, bacon and toast, but instead of home fries, the meal came with cold French fries,” Regan explained. “Most of the food was served cold, which was different.”

For Kelsey, the most exciting part of the experience was meeting athletes from other countries.

“It was fun making new friends,” Kelsey told The Expositor. “I met people from Ireland and Germany and all over the world. It was cool.”

“A big part of the worlds is for athletes to trade pins,” added Regan. “There was a language barrier with a lot of the athletes, but it’s easy to point to a pin, trade and connect that way.”

As for the competition, both athletes commented that they were thankful for all their training and that they felt prepared for most of their races.

“It was really exciting,” said Kelsey of her races. “My first race was a little hard with everyone watching. It felt like there was a lot of pressure, but after I felt better going into the other races.”

“I was most nervous for my 200-metre race,” explained Regan. “The competition was tough, but the rest was alright and I felt prepared.”

The ladies must have been prepared because Regan came in second in the 100-metre snowshoe race with a time of 20.83 seconds, while Kelsey placed sixth in her division of the 100-metre race with a time of 33.16 seconds.

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In the 200-metre race, Kelsey placed fifth with a time of one minute and 26.35 seconds, while Ms. Millsap came in second with a time of 46.75 seconds.

Both athletes also competed in snowshoe relay races, with Regan’s team winning gold in the 4x400-metre race with a finish time of eight minutes and 59.06 seconds and Kelsey’s team taking silver in the 4x100-metre relay race with a time of two minutes and 44.08 seconds.

The eight-day competition finished last week with a



Kelsey Mellan competing in the 4x100-metre snowshoe relay race at the Special Olympics World Games in Korea earlier this month.

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Regan Millsap rushes the finish line in the 4x100-metre race.

closing ceremony, which the Manitoulin athletes described as a party, complete with the event’s volunteers doing a flash mob dance to Korean pop star Psy’s ‘Gangnam Style.’

Now back in Canada, both girls said they are looking forward to some down time after a busy winter preparing for the world.

“I’m actually heading off to Mexico on vacation in March,” Regan told The Expositor. “I can’t wait to just do nothing for a week.”

Kelsey is also enjoying some quiet time, winding down from her trip with her grandparents in Ottawa for a few weeks.

This summer Regan will be competing again at the provincial Special Olympics in Toronto for track and field, joined by the rest of her MSO track and field team as well as one of MSO’s baseball teams.

Manitoulin Secondary School Player Profile By Victoria Niven

Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association



Regan Millsap

This 18 year-old girl is tremendous and works to her full potential. Regan Millsap just graduated this semester from Manitoulin Secondary School. She enjoys a lot of different sports, curling being her most favorite. For all of Regan’s life she has participated in all Special Olympic Sports! Regan attended C.C McClean Public School and then attended Manitoulin Secondary School, where she was very dedicated and determined when she engaged in Special Olympics. The different sports that she partakes in are: baseball, bowling, curling, track and field, and snowshoeing.

Regan has made it far competing in snowshoeing. In addition, she has competed in the World Games winning 2 silver and 1 gold medal. This passed week from January 27th to February 7th Regan traveled to South Korea to compete in the Nationals for snowshoeing. She participated in the Special Olympics World Winter Games PyeongChang 2013. During the 100m snowshoeing race, Regan placed 2nd overall. She also ran the 200m receiving a silver medal as well. Regan’s relay team did a marvelous job, getting a gold medal! Good job Regan! Visiting South Korea was a big experience for Regan and she is very happy to have participated in the World Winter Games, “Thank you to everyone who supported me in anyway for my trip to Korea!” Regan is thankful to have everyone around her cheering her on. Congratulations Regan on your achievements and medals!

When it comes to Regan’s hobbies and talents, she enjoys riding her horse. In addition, she likes to hangout with her friends. She also really enjoys to just relax, especially in the summer time when she can relax down by the lake. When she is older, she hasn’t really decided what she would like to do, but she really wants to do something that involves animals! Good luck on all of your future adventures Regan and keep up the good work!

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Manitoulin curlers compete at the men’s NOCA provincials

by Robin Burrige

NIPIGON—After defeating the Dustin Montpelier rink twice at the Espanola Curling Club last month, the Jordan Chandler rink advanced to compete at the Men’s Northern Ontario Curling Association (NOCA) Provincial Championships in Nipigon last week where the team played hard, but unfortunately lost to the Brad Jacobs rink, who took the competition for the fourth consecutive year.

The Jordan Chandler rink of the North Bay Granite Curling Club is composed of skip Jordan Chandler of Mindemoya, third Pat Gelin of Mat-tawa, second Gavin Jamieson of North Bay, lead Tom Cull of Sudbury and fifth Kyle Chandler of Lively (originally of Mindemoya).

“We played really well,” Mr. Chandler told The Expositor about his team’s performance at the championships, “but we made one mistake each game.

Sometimes you get away with misses here and there, but last week our opponents capitalized every time. Every competition is a learning experience, and we took some good things away from this event.”

One of the good things that Mr. Chandler took away from the competition was the idea of bringing the championship to Little Current in the future.

“The event was held in

the Nipigon arena this year,” said Mr. Chandler. “They put the curling ice down on top of the hockey ice. It made for the best ice possible and helped better prepare the winning team as the Brier takes place in a NHL rink.”

Mr. Chandler added that Nipigon has the same population as Little Current and that the championship brought a lot of business to the area.

“It would be great for the

Island, especially with the new hotel, and great for curling on the Island,” concluded Mr. Chandler.

The Brad Jacobs rink will move on to the 2013 Tim Horton’s Brier in Edmonton from March 2 to 10.

Mr. Chandler noted that he wanted to thank his team’s sponsors this season, the Espanola and District Credit Union and McQuarrie Motor Products.



The Men’s Northern Ontario Curling Association (NOCA) Provincial Championships at the Nipigon Arena last week.

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Norman and James Debassige Memorial Tournament champs



Midget champs

Goalie Joey Roy, Michael Aibens, Daniel Lewis, Brandon Pheasant, Shanna Peltier, Jeremiah Cooper, Jache, Ominika, Adrian Trudeau, Ayden Manitowabi, Gregory Trudeau, Austin Pangowish, Andre Rivers, Amber Lewis, Taylor Peltier, Mark Jr. Roy, Jonas Aibens, Coach Patrick Peltier, Trainer Romona Peltier, Asst Coach Mark Roy, Manager John Manitowabi. Wikwemikong Hawks defeat Mindemoya Thunder 7-3 in the Midget final.

Peewee champs

Goalie Cassie Moggy, Megan Moore, Tyler Hore, Jason Millett, Carvin Wilson, Terrel Wichert Prince, Bethany Wesn, James Scott, Connor Mack, Jonah Gilmore, Michael Gibbon, Coach Mike Wesno, Trainer Ina Wesno, Manager Chrissy Wilson, Asst. Coach Jeff Gilmore. Mindemoya Thunder defeats M'Chigeeng Thunder Birds 4-2 in the Peewee final.



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Bantam champs

Goalie Michael Aibens, Shy Eagle Assinewai, Chase Assinewai, Joseph Lewis, Harley Maingowi, Samuel Manitowabi, Seneca Manitowabi, Matthew Oshkabiswens, Garrett Peltier, Joel Peltier, Justin Peltier, Landon Peltier, Seth Peltier, Cotton Trudeau, Javen, Trudeau, Jocelynn Trudeau, Sabrina Trudeau, Coach Josh Eshkawkogan, Trainer Joseph Naokwegijig, Asst. Coach Rachel Maingowi, Asst. John Ross Manitowabi. Wikwemikong Hawks defeat M'Chigeeng Thunder Birds 4-3 in overtime, game was very exciting in the Bantam final.



..Island snowmobile trails are open for business

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one groomer, as it has been in and out of the shop for repairs. At one point, the Sudbury club kindly donated one of its groomers for the Snowdusters to use, but it soon needed repairs too and was also out of commission, bringing the club back to one. However, "the trails are opened completely," she said.

"We've had a lot of challenges this season, but our volunteers are doing the very best they can," Ms. Middaugh said. "It's going to be an expensive year for us."

With the plentiful snowfall this winter, the Snowdusters are experiencing a good season on the trails, but permit sales are still down. It causes frustration for the volunteers who man the groomers and often see snowmobilers enjoying the trails without a permit. With the OFSC 'Try our Trails' permit on offer this Saturday through Monday, Ms. Middaugh hopes snowmobilers will download the permit, appreciate the trails, then buy a trail permit for the rest of the season or for the following year. This also coincides with the Family Free Fishing weekend, where those without a

fishing licence can fish licence-free, also from Saturday through Monday.

The 2013 'Try our Trails' permit is available only by pre-registering online at www.ofsc.on.ca, completing the Try our Trails permit application and printing out a permit good for the Family Day long weekend only. There is no charge for either the 2013 'Try our Trails' permit or the registration process, but to access OFSC trails, the printed permit must be affixed to the sled to which it is assigned in accordance with Ontario law. Any sled on OFSC trails without a permit on Family Day long weekend is illegal and the operator can be subject to a fine of up to \$1,000. Riders must also carry a valid driver's licence or Snow Vehicle Operator's licence, sled registration, proof of insurance, and follow all the rules and assumptions for safe OFSC trail riding.

This is also good news for those wanting to hit the trail for the second annual Manitoulin Snowarama for Easter Seals this Sunday. Sledders are asked to meet at the Mindemoya Community Centre between 11 am and 2 pm for registration. Participants must have raised a minimum \$25 in

pledges and have a trail permit and can look forward to a complimentary lunch. Prizes for top fundraising individual, oldest and youngest participant, youngest driver and oldest snowmobile will be up for grabs. For more information, please phone 705-282-2741.

For those looking to venture a little further afield, Ms. Middaugh confirmed that the pickets marking the way from Little Current to Killarney and from Gore Bay to Spanish are out, but that, as always, these ice trails are 'use at your own risk.' "Because it's a water crossing, it's not an official trail," she said. These trails are being enjoyed by some, however, as reports of upwards of 80 snowmobilers in Killarney over the weekend were heard by the club secretary.

"We've got snowmobilers out there, which is wonderful to see," Ms. Middaugh said. "This (Monday's weather) is the only bump in the road, weather wise."

"I know \$260 (the cost of a trail permit) seems like a lot, but if people don't buy permits we will lose our club," the secretary continued. "We have some beautiful trails on Manitoulin and we don't want to lose

them. We need to sell a minimum of 50 permits or they will take our club status. Financially, we're okay right now, but if people don't keep supporting the club, we will lose it. This region has gone from five clubs to two in just a matter of months."

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...clinic closure sees Manitoulin communities struggle to fill patient needs

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after several problems in the community involving stolen or sold methadone, one incident which led to a death, Chief Hare said it will be crucial to establish treatment for the patients close to home.

The Expositor also spoke with Manitoulin Health Centre CEO Derek Graham, who was able to confirm that discussions are in place between the Central Manitoulin FHT and M'Chigeeng involving the setup of methadone services.

"The FHT is in preliminary discussions with the M'Chigeeng Health Centre," explained Mr. Graham, "but it is still within its very early stages. Across the Island it seems as though communities are looking at coming up with local approaches to fill the upcoming gaps. The Manitoulin Health Centre would not be housing the methadone program, but we could be providing a space for video conferencing (an element of the program for rural areas) if something was to move forward."

In Little Current, Espanola Clinic Pharmacy owner Jim Roszell approached the Northeast Town about opening a new methadone clinic in the Manitoulin Chrysler building on Highway 6.

Due to the time restraints, Mr. Roszell requested that council exempt the project from the planning process in order to fill the gap by the time the Water Street clinic closes, however Northeast Town CAO David Williamson explained to council that it was against the Ontario Municipal Act for council to exempt a project from the planning board.

The Expositor spoke with Mr. Roszell regarding his

request and plans to open a clinic.

"Since I was told it would take at least two months to go through the planning process in Little Current, I looked for other spaces on the Island and approached many of the First Nations," Mr. Roszell told The Expositor, "but unfortunately there seemed to be some inner policies in place with the First Nations not wanting to travel to each other's communities. I was hoping to help and Dr. Dressler was willing to stay and work with the clients if I was able to find a new location, but I just couldn't get a space in time."

Mr. Roszell concluded that he hopes that Island communities are able to come up with a solution and that he would "love to work on a project in the future because it seems like there are ways to improve the methadone program and I would like to help."

The Expositor was unable to contact Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier or Mary Jo Wabano, health services director of Nahnaadweh Tchigehgaming, but last month, the community was also planning on transporting its members on the methadone program to Dr. Dressler's Larch Street Sudbury clinic.

The closure of the Water Street clinic has caught the attention of news outlets across the North, including MCTV. Amanda Eshkibok, a Wikwemikong band member on the methadone program, spoke out last week on the closure of the Water Street 19A Clinic during an MCTV interview.

"I am speaking on behalf of the situation with the methadone maintenance program," said Ms. Eshkibok. "The methadone clinic has to quit their service in Little Current and has been refused to relocate elsewhere on the

Island and methadone patients are devastated and left with few options and one of them is to travel to Sudbury twice a week to see the doctor and do urine screens and get their methadone drink. The other option is to discontinue the program and taper off methadone in 30 days, which doesn't seem possible. The last option is to enter a different methadone treatment clinic. People are going through hardships and they can't handle this. It will be cheaper to go back on drugs than travel to Sudbury."

The Expositor spoke with Ms. Eshkibok last week regarding her interview and why she decided to speak out.

"Someone had to speak out," explained Ms. Eshkibok. "I believe the program does help people, just a few people made bad choices, but myself and many others are good people who are clean. The closure of the clinic is really going to hurt a lot of people."

Ms. Eshkibok added that for herself and other First Nation patients, their transportation is paid for, but for others the cost of travel will be too much.

"The people who have the power need to help," urged Ms. Eshkibok.

...Manitoulin low water petition tabled in Parliament

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ment on the issue on Friday.

Ms. Hughes told her colleagues that low water has economic and environmental impacts that can no longer go unaddressed.

"Wetlands are endangered, docks and boat ramps are high and dry, exposed water lines are freezing, and the harbour at South Baymouth on Manitoulin Island will have to be dredged so the Chi-Cheemaun ferry can reach the dock," Ms. Hughes said. "Property values are affected and now freighters on the Great Lakes are running light so they don't bottom out."

"The International Joint Commission (IJC) has adopted a wait and see stance that isn't sitting well with the communities, businesses, and individuals affected," Ms. Hughes continued, referring to the Great Lakes Regional Adaptive Management Plan which was recently announced by the IJC. A Sierra Club press release states that in January, American IJC Commissioner Dareth Glance acknowledged that water levels were getting lower, but were still "within historical

ranges." Ms. Glance said that because there is "so much uncertainty," both Canadian and American governments should simply 'adapt' to the reality of lower water levels.

"They (constituents) want action and are pointing to the derelict work order for compensating structures in the St. Clair River as a good place to start," Ms. Hughes said.

The MP is calling for action on a century-old work order to create compensating structures that will reduce Lake Huron's flow into the St. Clair River as one part of a solution that could be addressed quickly.

While low water levels is a story that seems to be picking up momentum, Ms. Hughes is concerned that the government remains silent on the issue.

"With water levels down in all the Great Lakes, it's time to protect these Canadian crown jewels and reverse the mounting environmental and economic crisis," she said.

The Expositor contacted environmentalist Mike Wilton, who began the petition last summer, about seeing his hard work finally

tabled in Ottawa.

"I am certainly very pleased that Carol Hughes picked up on it," he said. "She deserves the vast majority of the credit, and her staff too."

Mr. Wilton said he was happy that his MP had implied that the issue of low water levels "is not over till it's over. It's really good to see that happening."

He said he believes Islanders are probably more aware of the problem as we are surrounded by water, but that the recent trend of national news agencies reporting on our plight is good news indeed.

"We can't let this keep happening," Mr. Wilton said of declining water levels, "especially for our future generations."

The petition reads, "Since 1999, the water level in Lake Huron has dropped 4-5 feet (150 centimetres) with no sign of rebounding 13 years later. This is far greater than previous fluctuations and has caused immeasurable damage not only to significant aquatic wetlands and spawning areas along the shores of the North Channel, Manitoulin Island and Georgian Bay, but is causing serious

economic and safety concerns to communities in this area, many of which depend in large measure upon tourism, cottaging and boating during the navigation season."

As of early December 2012, the level of Lakes Huron and Michigan (which share a common water level) was determined to have finally dropped below chart datum, establishing a new record low.



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LCPS speaks

The winners of the Little Current Public School public speaking contest participated in the Island championships last week (the winners of which can be found in next week's Expositor.) They are, from back, left, Yohana Ogbamichael, Kristina Renwick, middle, Mackenzie Cortes, Rheanne Green, Kaitlyn Keatley, Jessica Marshall, front, Jared Toope, Sydney Latva-Aro and Noah Volpini.

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Managing Your Money

by Daryl C. Heinsohn, CA, CFP
RRSP's Verses TFSA's: Which is 'Better?'

If you're reading this article...congratulations, you must have some surplus cash to invest! One of the next questions then becomes, in what tax savings vehicle should the investment be retained?

Both an RRSP (Registered Retirement Savings Plan) and a Tax-Free Savings Account (TFSA) allow for your investments to grow on a tax-free basis. A key distinction is that contributions to an RRSP are tax deductible while TFSA

contributions are not. Conversely, RRSPs become taxable income when collapsed while TFSAs have no impact on your income.

Ideally, RRSPs work best when acquired in your highest income years. To clarify, purchasing an RRSP when your marginal tax bracket is 46 percent and 'cashing in' that RRSP when your bracket is later reduced to 22 percent allows for a significant saving (in addition, your investment earnings are not eroded by income tax each year).

Where your ultimate retirement tax bracket is not much different than

your current working tax bracket, RRSPs allow you to simply defer tax. This still produces a favourable outcome since less tax paid now means more money working for you in the interim.

TFSAs are much more flexible than RRSPs. They are often utilized when you are unsure as to when you might need funds (i.e. a sudden home emergency or car repair) since the removal of funds has no tax consequences. Alternatively, as noted above, removing funds from your RRSPs to replace that 20-year old furnace triggers an immediate

tax cost.

I often suggest to clients that they purchase TFSAs when their taxable income is less than \$40,000 (the 20 percent tax bracket); saving funds in the TFSAs until their income increases. Once that occurs, they remove funds from the TFSA (tax-free!) and purchase RRSPs when they are in a higher tax bracket. This is a common strategy that works well for our younger clients as they began to progress in their career.

As your income (and tax bracket) becomes larger, an ideal solution is to purchase

RRSPs and utilize the resultant tax refund to purchase your TFSAs (arguably, this is not as enjoyable as purchasing a 60" plasma screen TV but it is more practical).

Care should be taken to ensure that you do not over-contribute to either of your RRSPs or TFSAs in order to avoid costly tax penalties. RRSP limits are a function of your income while TFSAs have statutory annual limits (the 'new' TFSA room for 2013 is \$5,500; increased from \$5,000 in prior years). Your specific limits can be easily confirmed with the Canada Revenue Agency or your professional investment advisor.

As you have undoubtedly noticed by now, there is no definite response as to which product is 'better.' Both are quite useful in

allowing you to meet your retirement needs and have their own unique advantages and disadvantages. The best advice is to ensure that you speak to a qualified advisor who can tailor a decision to meet your own specific circumstances.

Keep in mind that the TFSA versus RRSP decision can become more complicated if we consider whether your personal mortgage should be paid down. Alas, I shall save that discussion for another day. The important point to note is that you are savings towards your retirement now; undoubtedly a positive action.

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...Staff Sergeant Webb discusses speeding with council

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could easily have stopped a vehicle for excessive speed.

Mayor Hunt suggested that some drivers might not be aware of the (50 km/h) limit within this area. To this Officer Patterson advised, "In built up areas it is assumed the limit is 50 km/h."

A lengthy discussion into options such as designating part of the area, specifically by the entrance to Bridal Veil Falls as a Community Safety Zone (where fines would be doubled), installation of speed bumps, roundabouts, speed table, and a flashing light were brought forward by members of council.

Feedback was provided in the way of negative and positive issues for each suggestion. For example, a Community Safety Zone only works if there is manpower on site to enforce it. Espanola is an example where drivers slow down when approaching the town as they know there may be a police car sitting at the bottom of the hill, whether it has an officer inside or a "ghost car."

Speed bumps, while they may slow a driver down in a busy parking lot in an urban centre, may have a less than desirable effect and impact in a rural setting. Sgt. Webb advised that they cannot be installed on a highway. "You can within a community, however, but it comes with its own problems."

Councillor Sandi Hurcomb asked what some of the problems would be. According to Sgt. Webb

they include increased traffic noise, pollution and a potential slower response time for ambulance and other emergency vehicles, as well as damage to vehicles.

An alternative to the speed bump is a mini roundabout. These are similar to a rumble strip, however circular in shape and cannot be driven over. A driver would have to slow right down and go around it.

Officer Patterson stated that this can be problematic as some drivers may be paying more attention to the speed bump, roundabout or other deterrent and not to what is around and ahead of them on the road.

Ms. Hurcomb asked if the roundabout would cause problems during the winter in regards to snow removal with the plow truck. Sgt. Webb indicated it would not. This would also be the case for a speed table where the town plow truck and fire truck would be able to straddle it and not have to slow down.

Mayor Hunt asked if there are similar speed bumps, roundabouts or speed tables in any other communities on the Island. To this Officer Patterson responded 'no.'

Councillor Brian Parker shared "it will get your attention."

"Yes, if you run over it," commented Ms. Hurcomb. Officer Patterson agreed, saying "you will feel it and have to slow down and go around it."

Mayor Hunt shared that the Township has "no jurisdiction on Highway 540."

Sgt. Webb responded, "To be honest, the real problem is Highway 540." The problem of vehicles parking on the roadsides, specifically in the summer months by Bridal Veil Falls.

Officer Patterson called this "an accident waiting to happen" and added that he was not aware there was a sign on the highway for drivers to slow down/not park on the bridge. Ms. Hurcomb advised the sign is facing the wrong way (towards pedestrian traffic, not vehicular traffic) and that she is "stunned" there has not been anyone hit at the falls.

Ms. Hurcomb asked if it would be an option to set up a two dimensional black and white vehicle somewhere in the community. Sgt. Webb said it might work, however it would not be able to bear the OPP logo or the word 'police' on it.

Officer Patterson asked them to be innovative in working out ways to implement safety in the community.

Mr. Parker shared that along Lakeshore Road a resident has very cleverly put a small child's toy beside his mail box and when drivers round the corner approaching his driveway, they definitely slow down. This is an example of implementing a solution to excessive speed in that part of the township.

Sgt. Webb said the sign would be brought out again in the spring. "We will continue enforcement when we can," he said.

Other issues discussed included continuing the high visibility of police in

the area such as foot and vehicle patrols on the Island and dealing with the "heaviest issues"—drinking and driving.

Statistics are looking much better in regards to reports of mischief, which is down from 25 to 5 reports. During the busy summer months, police "beef up" foot patrol on Fridays and Sundays, which are the big travel days for visitors to the area.

The marine unit is another high priority for the police force on the Island. "Keeping our waterways safe is paramount," Officer Patterson said. "Our priority is to service the community. Traffic management continues to traditionally be a hard to sell.

"We want to be fair in the community," stressed Officer Patterson. "We are here to do a job. There has to be balance."

Mayor Hunt thanked Staff Sergeant Webb and Officer Patterson for taking time to meet with council. Sgt. Webb stated. "I like coming to these meetings. In addition to our involvement with CPAC (Community Policing Advisory Committee), it is good working together. It is going very well and it is successful."

...Backyard bird count this weekend

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"where" you did your count, choose the city option and enter the name of your community post office such as Meldrum Bay or Manitowaning. If you want to do a little more, walk or drive round your community and note all the birds that you see. Your lists, and other checklists for each community (and maps for each bird species) will be available to see on the website within minutes of entering the bird counts. You may do your count on all four days or on just one day."

Which community will report the most checklists and which community will report the most types of birds this year? The Expositor will publish the results

in two weeks.

For those wishing to participate that do not have Internet access, phone Chris Bell at 705-368-3410 with your list and he will enter the data.

"I have not seen any purple finches or pine siskins

this winter so it will be interesting to see if anyone has them at their bird feeders," Mr. Bell said. "If you find unusual or tricky to identify birds call me. I may be able to sort out the problem."



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Change of the guard

Premier Wynne holds 'Northern' press conference

by Michael Erskine
TORONTO—Ontario's first female premier Kathleen Wynne held a Northern press conference by teleconference on the afternoon of February 5. Although Ms. Wynne was still the 'premier designate' at the time the conference was held, Ms. Wynne characterized the event as an attempt to reset the Ontario government's relationship with Northern Ontario. Ms. Wynne indicated that she hoped to make a Northern media scrum a regular part of her schedule.

Among the initiatives Ms. Wynne committed to putting in place once she had taken over the reins of the premier's office was to set up a Northern caucus cabinet committee. Ms. Wynne had made the commitment to set up the Northern cabinet committee during her leadership campaign. The details of who would sit in such a cabinet committee were not spelled out, but the reaction to the concept from the NDP was negative, assuming the committee would be made up entirely of Liberal members of the legislature.

During the press conference, Ms. Wynne reiterated her campaign commitment to hold a cabinet meeting in Northern Ontario within 30

days of being sworn in as premier on February 11, but she did not provide the location details or the precise date for that meeting during the press conference.

The Expositor queried the premier designate on her position regarding mitigation of the impact of dropping water levels in the Great Lakes for municipalities, marinas and homeowners impacted by the effects of low water. Ms. Wynne responded that while she recognizes the important impacts low water levels are having on the Great Lakes region, particularly in relation to tourism, and that the issue of low water levels had come up during the leadership debates, she would wait until she had an opportunity to consult with the government's scientists and regional leaders before deciding on a course of action for the government. "It appears to be a systemic problem," she noted.

Challenged by one reporter that she had committed to "taking a pause" in the government's plans to divest itself of the Ontario Northland Railway operations between Toronto and Cochrane, Ms. Wynne pushed back. "I am pretty sure I would stop the process," she said. The pre-

mier designate said that she had indicated that the process should proceed with local consultation.

Consultation and communication were the hallmarks of Ms. Wynne's plans to improve the government's role in the North. She pointed to the Northern and Rural Training Strategy as one area where such communication and local input can have a dramatic and positive impact on government programs in the North.

Muskoka's exclusion from the definition of what the government considers to be Northern Ontario came up in the press conference. Ms. Wynne noted that the issues being faced by the Muskoka region needed a response regardless of which region of the province it is categorized. "We need to ensure that Muskoka does not fall between the cracks," she said. "It is important that the Land of Between not become the Land of the Forgotten."

Ms. Wynne was also challenged on whether her government would commit to extending the provincial ombudsman's oversight role to the MUSH sector. The MUSH sector refers to non-governmental agencies such as municipalities

(except for the ability to investigate complaints about closed meetings in some cases), universities, school boards, hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, police, and children's aid societies. Currently, the Ontario Ombudsman has the least role in these areas of provincial spending in any of the provinces. Ms. Wynne responded that ensuring accountability and transparency in all areas to ensure that taxpayers are receiving value for their dollars.

In her opening statement at the press conference,

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Ontario's first female premier announces cabinet

by Jeff Brankley

ONTARIO—The new leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, Kathleen Wynne, selected her cabinet on Monday. The list, which includes nine cabinet newcomers, is not an insubstantial shuffling of the deck within the party, a response to the party's recent struggles. For the most part, however, the make-up will look quite the same.

Important to the North, the previous Minister of Natural Resources Michael Gravelle will move to Northern Development and Mines, replacing Sudbury's Rick Bartolucci who has announced that he will not be seeking re-election and who had previously indicated that he had requested not to be re-appointed to cabinet. David Orzietti, the MPP for Sault Ste. Marie, will take on the helm of the highly politicized Ministry of Natural Resources, itself another key ministry for the North.

What some would call the most 'high profile' position of Finance Minister will be charged to Charles Sousa. In his own bid for the leadership, Mr. Sousa branded himself, 'the jobs premier' but came fifth behind Ms. Wynne. At the leadership convention, he was the first opponent to offer his delegates' support to Ms. Wynne. As MPP for Mississauga South, Mr. Sousa has already served two cabinet portfolios including labour minister, and most recently, as Minister of Citizenship and Immigration. Before entering politics, Mr. Sousa's experience was in the financial industry, including 20 years as a director for the Royal Bank of Canada.

For teachers who continue to protest Liberal legislation that freezes wages, rolls back benefits and limits collective bargaining rights, another major move was the appointment of Guelph MPP Liz Sandals as the new Minister of Education. Ms. Sandals was the former president of the Public School Trustees' Association and has always expressed a concern and interest in educational issues.

Bob Chiarelli now assumes the politically-charged position of energy minister. Mr. Chiarelli, a corporate lawyer and the former mayor of Ottawa, seems unlikely to rock the boat or the Green Energy Act, but will certainly find his hands full with the recent \$230 million dollar costs associated with the cancellation of two proposed southern Ontario gas plants, a decision made during the last provincial election

and attributed to helping maintain Liberal MPPs seats in the affected ridings.

As a way for the city-stacked Liberal party to reach out to rural Ontarians, Ms. Wynne, the premier herself, will assume the Ministry of Agriculture. Ms. Wynne has explained the self-appointment as a means to become more informed on rural issues.

David Zimmer, a backbencher from the North York riding of Willowdale, has been asked by Premier Wynne to head the Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Mr. Zimmer having formerly served as the same department's parliamentary secretary.

Those interested in the fate and continuance of the wind turbines will be interested to know that both the health minister and the minister of environment, Deb Matthews and Jim Bradley, respectively, will remain at their posts. Opponents of the wind turbine industry have had little success in attempting to have these same ministers consider health studies and additional environmental assessments for new projects.

Regarded as progressive voices within the party, Glen Murray, the former Mayor of Winnipeg, becomes the new minister of transportation and infrastructure and Dr. Eric Hoskins will be the new minister of economic development and trade. Mr. Murray declared and then dropped out of the Liberal race and Dr. Hoskins, who was also a contender, brought his support during the recent Ontario Liberal Party leadership race to the eventual winner, Premier Wynne.

Other appointments include Windsor West MPP Teresa Piruzza as minister of child and youth services, Richmond Hill MPP Reza Moridi, in research and innovation, and Michael Coteau to citizenship and immigration. Harinder Takhar, another leadership contender but the only one to take his support to Sandra Pupatello, Premier Wynne's main opponent in the recent leadership bid, was perhaps hoping for that position, but will remain as minister of government services.

Linda Jeffrey, formerly the minister of labour, will be moved to municipal affairs and housing, while the MPP for Ottawa Centre, Yasir Naqvi, becomes the new minister of labour.

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Mindemoya's Brad Tann wins Dream Home Sweepstakes

by Steph Burt Hillyard

SUDBURY—For Brad Tann and his family, winners of this year's Canadian Hard of Hearing Association Dream Home Sweepstakes, everything is finally becoming real with the 'for sale' stake in the ground of their Lively home.

"One of the radio stations was live when they drew the winners," detailed winner Brad Tann about the January 28 draw. "I was out of cell phone service at the time. My wife found out over the radio. When I got back into service my phone went insane."

Mr. Tann said immediately after hearing the news he had to drive to the house to confirm it.

He and his wife had been shopping for a larger house, so they were thrilled with the extra 1,000 square feet the new house would offer.

"It worked out perfectly," said Mr. Tann. The prize package included either the three bed, three bath house in the Moonglo Subdivision in Sudbury, home security system, furniture, decorations and a new 2013 Toyota Yara, or the winner could exchange the house for \$325,000 cash.

"The biggest problem is trying to figure out which furniture we want to keep," laughed Mr. Tann. "Whoever buys our house is going to be well-off with a new fridge and stove!"

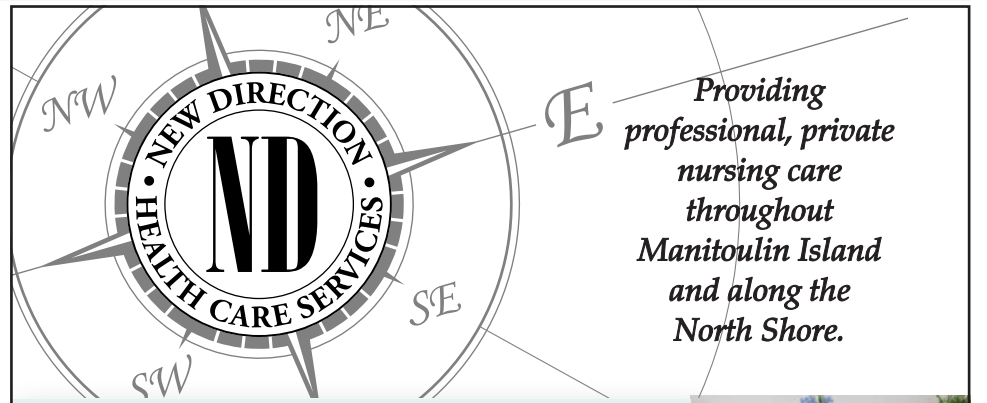
"It's getting more and more real, especially since we put the sign in the ground yesterday. My daughter was running around her new room."

The Tann's ticket was number 34954 of 58,000.

"I've been buying tickets as long as I can remember. I never figured it would happen," he said.



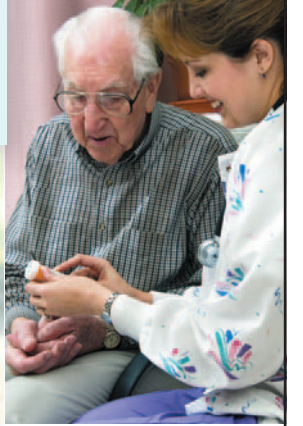
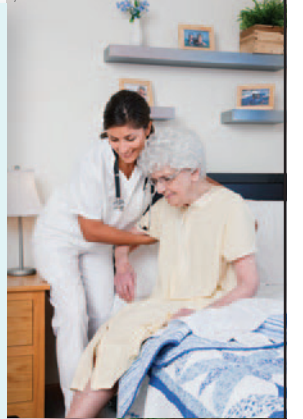
This artist rendering shows the Tann's new home in the Moonglo Subdivision in Sudbury, which Brad Tann won in the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association Dream Home Sweepstakes.



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...warns against 'people zoning' practice

...continued from page 1 December.

Last month, the Northeast Town council also proposed amendments to the current commercial and residential zoning bylaw to change the definition of a business or professional office to "an office in which any business is carried on or any profession is practiced but does not include a home occupation or a clinic" and limiting the placement of a clinic to "the same property as a hospital or home for the aged."

The motion for the proposed amendments was accepted, with the next steps in the planning process a public notification and meeting regarding the proposed zoning changes.

A major component of the letter to the Northeast Town from the OHRC is warning the town against 'people zoning.'

"Any amendment the town considers making to its zoning bylaws must not 'people zone'," states the OHRC. "Zoning decisions must not violate the Code (Ontario Human Rights Code) and bylaws should neither target, nor have a discriminatory impact on people with addictions. There needs to be a genuine planning purpose for all decisions, and the town should work to ensure that the needs of people with addictions are accommodated in any planning changes it makes."

The OHRC also writes that it "questions whether the town has established a causal link between providing methadone services and the events described (the disturbances that led to the clinic breaching the public nuisance bylaw 2002-31)."

"Even if a casual link is found, the town would have to show that it tried to accommodate the clinic's users to the point of undue hardship, as receipt of health service is a service under the Ontario Human Rights Code," continues the letter.

The OHRC warns the town against discriminating against the "highly stigmatized methadone client group," sighting section one of the Code, "prohibiting discrimination in services against people with disabilities, including addictions."

The OHRC states that the proposed actions of directing the clinic to cease dispensing methadone at the Little Current clinic location due to the bylaw breach and the proposed amendments to the town's commercial and residential zoning bylaw to limit the locations of medical clinics, "raise significant human rights issues with us and we urge you to reconsider." (The letter can be read in its entirety on our website, www.manitoulin.ca).

Referenced in the letter is a Kitchener case where the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) examined the issues of 'people zoning.'

"...when asked why counseling services were also being banned from (a particular) area, the city's planner replied that the community did not want social service users walking through the neighbor-

hood to counseling: 'That would add to the negative social environment.' That left little doubt that the focus was not on the uses, but the users."

The Expositor contacted Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin regarding the town's actions, proposed bylaw amendments and the OHRC letter, however the mayor stated that he was not able to comment on any of the issues at this time, as the letter is currently being reviewed by the town's solicitor.

The Expositor looked into various other municipality's methadone clinic planning and discovered a study done by the city of London, which took a similar approach to clinic planning as the Northeast Town is seeking to do.

The London study begins by identifying the issue of planning for methadone clinics and dispensaries and how it has been the subject of "considerable public debate."

Sighted on the first page of the report is a recommendation in response to a coroner's inquest into the methadone related deaths of four people is Oshawa by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MHLTC) Methadone Maintenance Treatment (MMT) Task Force in 2006.

"It is clear that the integration of Methadone Maintenance Treatment programs into communities is generally not well done," states the task force recommendation. "Clinics and physicians who provide MMT need to engage with and contribute to the community in which they are located. Most physicians who provide MMT are independent business people who are free to establish their clinics where they want, subject to local bylaws. This is also true of pharmacists. However, organizations funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care or Local Health Integration Networks should be required to engage the community when planning to provide MMT services."

The report goes on to state that "no known policies or regulations have been implemented at the provincial level that would assist local municipalities in planning for the location of MMT services."

The municipality explained that the purpose of the report was to establish policies and regulations to "direct these uses to the best locations for clients" and to mitigate the potential impacts of these uses.

The city approved an interim control bylaw to prohibit new methadone clinics and dispensaries within London for a one-year period during which the study would take place, which led to an appeal and OMB hearing.

The OMB in its decision ruled that the city's "comprehensive approach to the issue of methadone clinics is valid," that "methadone clinics and dispensaries have the potential to generate land use impacts, and concluded that there was no evidence to suggest that the city had failed to comply with the planning act."

London states in its study's findings that the importance of planning for a methadone maintenance facility is crucial, "as small waiting rooms, inadequate parking and high-profile locations can create problems of outside lining up for program participants and does not treat patients with respect or provide them with personal dignity when coming to the clinic."

This last issue stated in the study's finding directly echoes at least one of the many Little Current downtown business owners letters to the town about the location of the clinic, which states that the Water Street (methadone) clinic is an inappropriate location as it is very public for the clients and does allow them any anonymity.

As the Northeast Town moves forward, it will be attempting to create community-minded zoning for any future methadone clinics, while trying to walk a fine line as to not 'people zone' or violate the Ontario Human Rights Code.

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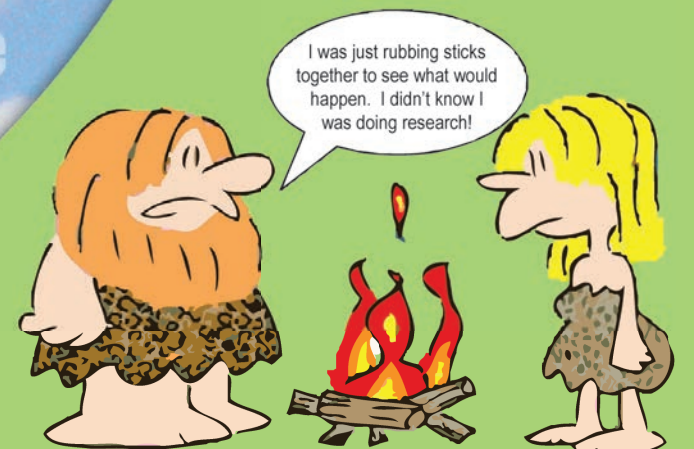
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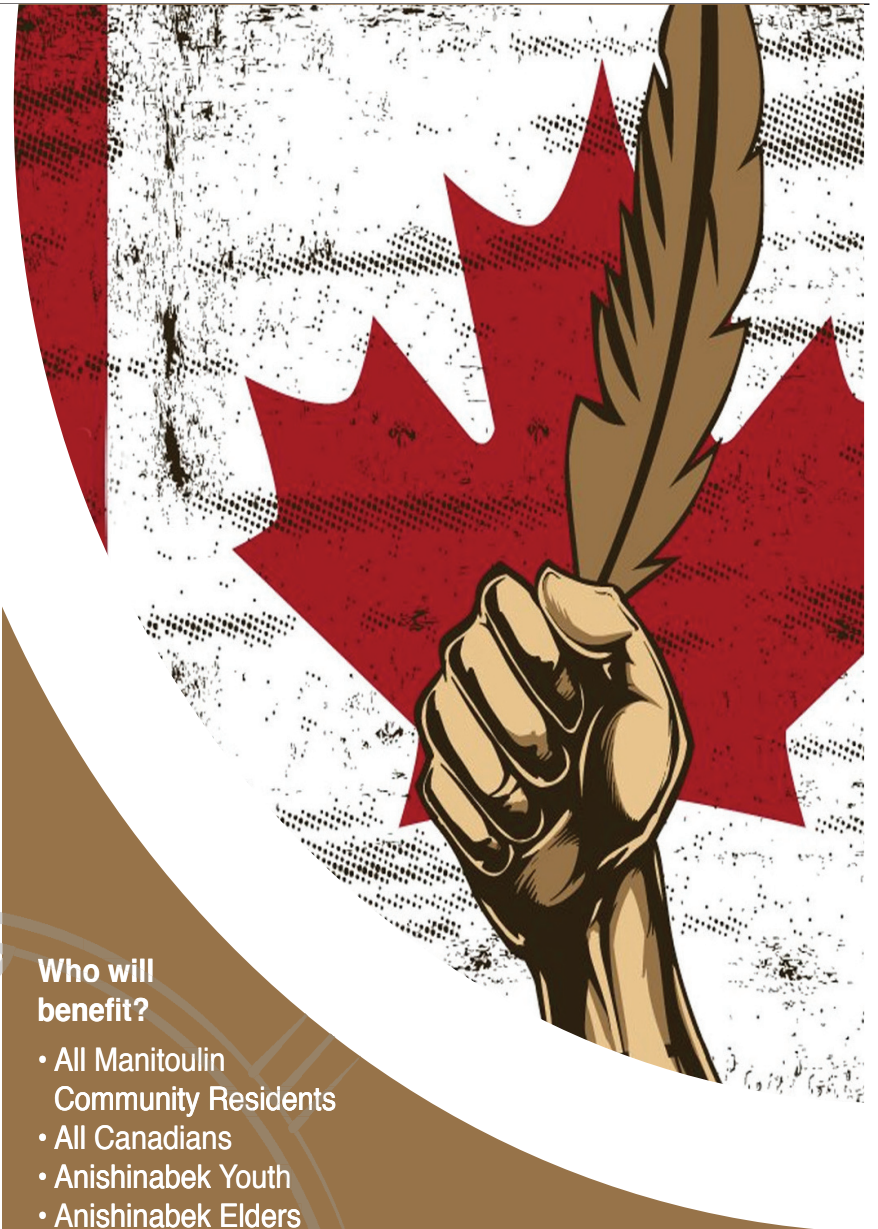
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Good Life Conference promotes health for children

by Betty Bardswich
 M'CHIGEENG—It was a day of play and learning at Lakeview School in M'Chigeeng on February 9 as the Noojmowin Teg Health Centre, under the direction of Mark Peltier, held a Good Life Conference to promote children's health.

The focus of the conference was on four aspects of healthy living and included mental, physical, and nutritional health as well as traditional teachings. Each workshop had several components and the children had to attend at least one session from each segment to be eligible for a draw for a mountain bike, complete with the requisite helmet.

The mental health workshops focussed on addictions with an emphasis on tobacco and the difference between commercial use and the traditional tobacco application for First Nation ceremonies, an anti-bullying session, anger management and self-discovery through art. The art class was led by well-known Ojibwe artist Mark Seabrook,



Odemin Beaudin, Aysia Francis and Summer Beaudin had a great time making masks at the Children's Conference under the guidance and expertise of well-known artist Mark Seabrook.

photos by Betty Bardswich

included medicines, traditional storytelling and foods as well as hoop dancing.

Lenore Mayers of Noojmowin Teg helped to organize the conference and she explained that although this was a day for children, adults were welcome to

attend the seminar. Mr. Chavis is a World Wrestling Entertainment legend and alumni.

This was the fourth annual Children's Conference presented by Noojmowin Teg Health Centre. The focus of the centre is to promote

holistic health for First Nations communities using both traditional and western medicine and services offered include diabetes wellness, aging at home, nurse practitioners aid and children's nutrition and recreation.



Participants in Mark Seabrook's Self-Discovery Through Art workshop at the Lakeview School Children's Conference.

who had everyone making brightly coloured masks, complete with sparkles.

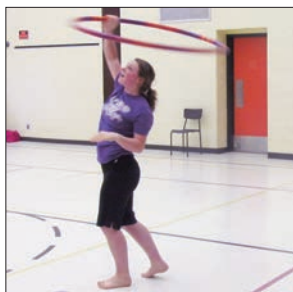
In the physical activity workshops, kids could learn how to hula hoop with instructor Natalie Hastings, or take in cheerleader dance, karate or ultimate Frisbee.

Ms. Hastings, who is a dietician, also taught nutritional classes and the kids could be heard singing, "Beans, beans, the musical fruit, the more you eat, the more you toot. Yeah, fibre!" as Ms. Hastings concluded her instruction on where to find fibre, why it's good for you and how to encompass it into your diet. Other nutritional classes, with dietician Crystal Morra and intern child nutrition coordinator Cody Leeson, included healthy lunches on a budget with a focus on easy, but healthy meals. "We are doing recipes that are really cheap and healthy and quick," Mr. Leeson explained. "Recipes that will stretch budgets." This included milk based lunch ideas, food safety, hints for a change from sandwiches and recipes for dips, smoothies and pita pocket and wraps combos.

The nutritionists also taught a class on hydration. "We talk about choosing water first," Ms. Morra said, "and the importance of staying hydrated during exercise."

"We also go into a little bit of the background into the science of why we lose water when we sweat and to use sports drinks sparingly," added Ms. Hastings.

Traditional teachings at the children's conference



Natalie Hastings, dietician and hula hoop dancer extraordinaire, taught the popular exercise at the Lakeview Children's Conference as a means to keep fit. Ms. Hastings makes her own hoops and took the kids and parents through a variety of hula hoop moves.

attend the classes and several parents could be seen in the classrooms and having fun learning to hula hoop dance. Also, there were prizes for the adults as well as the children. "We will be having a draw for parents for two gift certificates for \$100 for ValuMart," Ms. Mayers said. "But we also have a giveaway table with sporting equipment, such as fishing rods and volleyballs to get kids involved in sports. We also have spiritual/wellness books and board games. Everybody will get to take something home. We will just call people up at random. We will ask who likes to read or who has a birthday in February and people can come up and choose their gift."

The conference also featured a magic show with the Amazing Renee. Unfortunately, due to inclement weather in southern Ontario, special keynote speaker Chris Chavis, aka Tatanka, was unable to

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New owners of Carter Bay remain a mystery

by Michael Erskine

CENTRAL MANITOULIN—It has been several months since the property known as Carter Bay was sold to new owners and the colourful entrepreneur known as Arend VanVierzen relinquished his role as a Tehkummah councillor reputedly to move to Germany, but who the new owners are and what their plans for the property are is anyone's guess.

"I don't have any idea who the new owners are," said Central Manitoulin Reeve Gerry Strong. "We really haven't heard anything since it was sold."

That property was sold was confirmed by Bryan VanAcker, a real estate agent for CBRE, the commercial real estate agent with which the 6,400-acre Carter Bay Eco-Development property was listed for \$3,750,000, but Mr. VanAcker said that he had been instructed by the agents for the purchaser to not divulge information about the sale. "I am sorry," he said. "I can't help you." Mr. VanAcker did commit to passing on a request for information to the new owners' agent, but there has been no communication to this point.

The uncertainty is of some concern for the municipality. "At least with the previous owner we knew it would not be turned into a conservancy holding," said Reeve Strong. "Now we just don't know anything."

In a conversation with Tom Sasvari, the news editor for our sister publication the Manitoulin West Recorder, Sean McKay, a representative of an 'Ontario financial institution' indicated that the sale was expected to close sometime between December and March of 2013.

Mr. McKay also refused to divulge the names of the new owners, but he did indicate that the new owners have "strong ties to the Island." Mr. McKay went on to describe a southern Ontario business group with interests in Parry Sound and Oshawa. "I know they are financially secure and they seem to be above board—a good company and they have closed quite a few big developments," he said. "They want to mold their proposed development to be in a consistent manner with what local residents and the municipality would be in favour of. They want to develop it in a proper manner."

The new owners want to avoid any continuance of the history of controversy and difficult relations enjoyed by the previous development.

"One of their biggest concerns is that they don't want to fight with anyone," said Mr. McKay. "They want to work

with the municipality and get input from the local residents and the fact that they have made sure there is a lot of communications with our firm makes me think this will be very positive."

The Carter Bay property and its extensive 17 kilometres of water frontage on Manitoulin's southern shore was described as having over 2,100 legal descriptions, but was being sold "where is, as is."

A number of lots within the development were sold to individuals, but the development itself was locked in a long struggle over its development with the local municipality over the submission of a proper plan of the subdivision. The property's development mortgage was previously owned jointly by a number of companies.

The property was originally divided in a huge number of small lots, and has been cited as the impetus for the development of planning control legislation.

"The original development came in prior to planning control for developments," said Manitoulin Planning Board manager Alva Carter. "It was what was called a checkerboard development."

Ms. Carter has not yet heard from the new owners or their agents on the property. "Really, I have not heard anything."

Reeve Strong noted that although his council had a few concerns in not knowing anything about the new owners, he was very hopeful that a new relationship could be forged that would have a positive impact on the municipality. "The previous relationship was interesting, you could say," said Reeve Strong. "I would not have said it was smooth sailing."

Reeve Strong has good reason to be hopeful, the spokesperson for the potential new owners have signaled that they intend to make a positive impact on the community. "This is definitely going to be something positive for the Island," said the spokesperson. "We plan on generating additional employment for the Island and more business that will help bring in tourists and hopefully other businesses."

The spokesperson threw cold water on rumours that the new owners are affiliated with Blue Goose, another recent purchaser of a large parcel of Island property, stating unequivocally "we are not affiliated with the Blue Goose Company."

In the meantime, no word of the final closing has been announced.

Northeast Town announces new Waterfront Artisan Incubator and Technology Centre

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—The Northeast Town announced last week that it will be launching a new project, the Waterfront Artisan Incubator and Technology Centre, located in the Little Current post office building.

During Canada Post's lease negotiations with the Northeast Town last year, Canada Post stated it needed less space in the building than what they were currently occupying, leading to a space opening up in the building.

"We had been looking at what to do with the space in the post office and decided to develop an area that could be used for video conferencing, workshops and meetings," explained CAO David Williamson. "The key element of the centre is that we want to provide a venue to the Island community to stay connected with the



The Little Current post office building is set to undergo a transformation as it will soon become the municipality's Artisan Incubator and Technology Centre.

photo by Robin Burrige

world interactively."

The new Waterfront Artisan Incubator and Technology Centre will not only serve as an interactive business space, complete with fiber optics and smart boards, but will also be an open space for the Island's artistic communi-

ty to showcase work, featuring a gallery hanging and lighting system.

"The centre will be available to organizations on Manitoulin to help support the private and not-for-profit sector which often requires video conferences for training,"

continued Mr. Williamson. "It will be beneficial for the town as well for municipal purposes. It will also be great for driving traffic into our downtown business core."

Though an official funding announcement has not been made yet, Mr. Williamson did comment, "The town is looking forward to participation from FedNor in projects such as this."

...Premier holds 'Northern' press conference

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Ontario's first female premier noted the challenges ahead of her government when the legislature reconvenes on February 19. "I have met with (NDP leader) Andrea Horwath and I am meeting with Mr. Hudak in an effort to try to work together to make the legislature work," she said. Both opposition parties who hold the fate of the minority Liberal government in their hands going forward have announced a number of demands.

The ongoing labour dissatisfaction in the education sector and the need to wrestle a burgeoning provincial deficit under control without doing heavy damage to a still faltering Ontario economy will be among the first challenges Ms. Wynne will

have on her plate. "I have already met with the Ontario School Board Federation representing the public school board trustees and although I have not yet met with the Catholic and French associations, I will be," she said.

Ms. Wynne reiterated that her approach to re-engage with rural and Northern Ontario will be based on placing the tools needed by local governments to "shape their own destiny." One of the key elements that has impacted that relationship has been the Green Energy Act and its removal of local input or control over the placement of large wind turbine developments.

Ms. Wynne was to be sworn in (and announce her cabinet) this past Monday, February 11.

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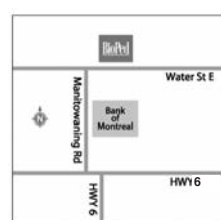
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Pope Benedict XVI the first to retire in office in 600 years

Next pope could be a Canadian

by Michael Erskine

ROME—Pope Benedict XVI surprised the world early this week when he announced his retirement due to health reasons.

“Yes, it came as a complete surprise to all of us,” said Bishop Jean Louis Plouffe of the diocese of Sault Ste. Marie. “It was probably the best kept secret in Rome, let alone here among us further down the line.”

Pope Benedict XVI, at age 85, will be the first pope to retire from the office as head of the Roman Catholic Church in over 600 years. As Bavarian-born Joseph Aloisius Ratzinger, Benedict XVI was first elevated to the post following the death eight years ago of the popular and long reigning pontiff John Paul II. Pope John Paul II was the second-longest serving pontiff and as a Pole, the first non-Italian in the post since 1523.

In announcing his resignation, Pope Benedict XVI said that he “had to recognize my incapacity to adequately fulfil the ministry entrusted to me.”

Bishop Plouffe praised the retiring pope, citing his incredible humility and courage to step down from a position usually seen as an election for life. “You need a lot of humility to go away from a position that has usually, historically, been seen as for life,” he said.

Bishop Plouffe noted that the retiring pope was first and foremost known as a theologian. Then-Cardinal Ratzinger was well known as the gatekeeper of Catholic orthodoxy prior to his becoming pope. “He was consistent in reminding us that there is no future for humanity without God,” said Bishop Plouffe. “That it was not unreasonable to believe, to have faith. His favourite themes tapped into

many of the issues of life facing us today and addressed the questions of faith and God.”

Shortly following the pope’s announcement, speculation around who might be his successor began, with Canadian Marc Cardinal Ouellet appearing near the top of the list on those taking book on who might become the future pope. If Cardinal Ouellet did become the next pope, he would become the first-ever pope elevated to the post from the Western Hemisphere.

Cardinal Ouellet, 68, is currently serving as the prefect of the Vatican Congregation for Bishops, the body that appoints bishops around the world. A powerful force within the Vatican, Cardinal Ouellet served as archbishop of Quebec City from 2003 to 2010.

Born June 8, 1944 in La Motte, Quebec in the Abitibi region across from Northern Ontario, he holds a B.A. in education from Laval University, a theology degree from the Grand Seminaire de Montreal and his License in Philosophy from St. Thomas Aquinas Pontifical University in Rome. He was first ordained in 1968 and became a bishop in 2001.

Bishop Plouffe cautioned not to read too much into such speculation. “Cardinals come from all parts of the world and often they see things differently, you really don’t know,” he said. “They go into seclusion to pray and a successor is often elected who was not one of those that was highlighted going in. It could be someone from Africa, or perhaps the cardinals will return to someone from Italy. It is really hard to know.”

Bishop Plouffe noted that he, as a bishop was not part of the electoral process. “No, no, we bishops are far down the

chain from that responsibility, on the bottom side,” he laughed. “That is the responsibility of cardinals. That is part of their job.”

Bishop Plouffe said that as a bishop, he could go to the mass in Rome celebrating the new pope’s elevation should he so wish and should his work responsibilities permit the time away.

The pope is selected through a congregation of the College of Cardinals who are sequestered in the Sistine Chapel while a crowd of the faithful awaits the decision, which could take days or weeks. The crown masses in St. Peter’s Square and the burning of each successive set of ballots signals the ongoing results, with black smoke indicating the decision is still in question, while a plume of white smoke rising to the heavens indicates the new pope has been chosen.

Pope Benedict’s resignation is to become official at the end of the month.

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MANITOULIN—This weekend Islanders are encouraged to enjoy our many lakes and bountiful fish with the winter Ontario Family Fishing weekend this Saturday, February 16 through Monday, February 18—a licence-free fishing event across Ontario.

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Ontario Government designates two periods throughout the year as licence-free, February 16-18, and July 6-14. During all other time periods, Canadian residents between the ages of 18 and 64 years must purchase a valid fishing licence to legally fish in Ontario.

There has never been a better time to introduce a friend to fishing!

Participants fishing without a licence must fish under the Conservation fishing licence limits, which are

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Social worker provides valuable role with Family Health Team

MINDEMOYA—A Family Health Team (FHT) is an approach to primary health care that brings together different health care providers to coordinate the highest possible quality of care for patients. These health care providers include the services of nurse practitioner, registered nurses, dietitians and social workers.

The social worker provides a range of services to enrolled patients of a Family Health Team. Social workers work together to help individuals, couples, and family’s deal with issues such as depression, anxiety, stress,

grief and loss, relationship problems and linkages to community resources.

Social workers are health care providers who are qualified professionals working in a short-term, focused, and confidential manner to find solutions. Support groups or workshops, are offered throughout the year free of charge for patients who are interested and would benefit from a group experience.

The New Year is often a time for renewal for many of us. The Manitoulin Central Family Health Team is aware that at this time of the year peo-

ple can be feeling particularly stressed. Groups sessions are now being offered: Coping with Grief and Loss, Stress Management and Care for the Caregiver.

The Manitoulin Central Family Health Team is accepting new patients. If you are interesting in attending any of the mentioned groups please call for more information 705-377-5372. Brochures on these topics are also available in the Family Health Team office. All sessions are free of charge.

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Northeast Town Council Notes

Former mayor awarded Queen's Jubilee Medal

Former Northeast Town Mayor Joe Chapman was presented with a Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Medal at council last week.

Current Northeast Mayor Al MacNevin presented the medal and certificate to Mr. Chapman on behalf of the town and council, noting the volunteer efforts of Mr. Chapman.

"It's an honour to receive this award," commented Mr. Chapman, as Mayor MacNevin pinned the medal onto his lapel. "I accept this award on behalf of all the volunteers of Manitoulin and the significant efforts they have made. My prior position placed me in the spotlight, but they are hundreds, if not thousands, of deserving volunteers on the Island that share in this honour."

Mr. Chapman also noted that the occasion was his first time back in the council chambers since stepping down as Northeast Town Mayor in December of last year.

"On a personal level I would like to thank everyone on this council for all you have done and all you do," said Mr. Chapman. "We may not have always agreed on everything, but we all had the same common goal to make NEMI (Northeast Town) a better place. You come together, sacrificing time with your families to make this community a better place and I thank you."

Council supports Project YMCA Manitoulin Committee

Petra Wall and James Noble, spokespeople for the Project YMCA Manitoulin Committee, presented a deputation to the Northeast Council last Tuesday, seeking support and financial assistance towards establishing a satellite YMCA on Manitoulin.

Mr. Noble explained to council that the Island facility has been supported by the YMCA in Sudbury, as well as Central Manitoulin council, the Manitoulin Municipal Association and the United Chiefs and Councils of M'nidoo M'nising.

Ms. Wall expanded on the project, stating that the facility would "adopt a holistic approach to its programming that encompasses the six dimensions of physical, socio-cultural, intellectual, emotional, occupational and spiritual."

After their presentation, Mr. Noble and Ms. Wall requested council's support of the project through passing a motion of support and a financial contribution towards a feasibility study.

Council carried a motion to support the Island YMCA in principal and donated \$200 towards the project's feasibility study.

"Thank you for all your hard work," concluded Mayor Al

MacNevin. "We appreciate you coming here tonight."

BIA proposes façade improvement joint venture

The Little Current Business Improvement Area (BIA) made a presentation to the Northeast Town, proposing a joint project between the BIA and the town to improve the façades of the downtown building fronts.

BIA member Bruce O'Hare, proprietor of The Anchor Inn Hotel, explained to council that the idea of the façade improvement project came from a past Little Current BIA member's visit to North Bay which saw its BIA just finish a similar project.

"The idea resurfaced at our annual general meeting this year and the consensus was that this was a very good idea," Mr. O'Hare told council. "Huntsville has also had real success with façade improvement, as has Toronto. We're not reinventing the wheel, this is an idea that has proven successful."

Mr. O'Hare proposed that the town partner with the BIA to help downtown businesses improve their storefronts to complement the new \$10 million waterfront.

"As an example, if a business did \$20,000 worth of renovations, then \$10,000 would be taken off the merchant's tax bill over five years," explained Mr. O'Hare.

Town CAO David Williamson explained that the proposed plan wasn't possible under the Ontario Municipal Act, and that it would have to be done through a community planning process.

The consensus of council was to direct staff to look into the details of the proposed project and to come back to council with more information at the Thursday, February 21 Community Services and Public Works Committee meeting.

Pharmacist approaches council about opening new methadone clinic on Highway 6

The Northeast Council reviewed a letter from Jim Roszell, Espanola Clinic Pharmacy owner, requesting that council bypass the planning board to allow Mr. Roszell to open a new methadone clinic at the old Manitoulin Chrysler building on Highway 6 in order to continue treatment for clients of Dr. Dressler's Water Street (methadone) Clinic, which is scheduled to close Friday, February 15.

"Mr. Roszell is looking to set up a new methadone clinic in the Manitoulin Chrysler building on Highway 6," explained Mr. Williamson. "I told him that he would have to go through the planning board, but due to time restraints he requested that council review his request and exempt him from having to go through the Manitoulin Planning Board."

"Unfortunately, council cannot exempt a project from going through the required process," added Mr. Williamson.

Council requested that staff respond to Mr. Roszell's request and explain that he must go through the proper process.

MTO Connecting Link Program cancelled

Council received notification at their last meeting that the Ministry of Transportation's (MTO) Connecting Link Program had been discontinued.

"I appreciate the challenges facing municipalities in maintaining their infrastructure," states the letter from Minister Bob Chiarelli. "That is why the Ontario Government has incorporated the Connecting Links Program in the expanded Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII) funding stream."

"I think we need to respond that we are not pleased with this decision," stated Councillor Bill Koehler. "We were told by the MTO that they would be completing phase three of our connecting link program, so now what?"

Mr. Williamson reminded council that the town had already applied to the MIII for the Little Current lagoon expansion critical infrastructure initiative.

Councillor Paul Skippen suggested that council request a meeting with Minister Chiarelli regarding the program cancellation at the next municipal conference.

"We have one request in already, so hopefully we get it," responded Mayor MacNevin.

"They (the MTO) should finish what they started," added Councillor Gauthier.

Northeast Town to meet with First Nations

After reviewing letters from both Chief Patsy Corbiere of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation and Whitefish River First Nation Chief Shining Turtle requesting support from the Northeast Town in their negotiations with the Federal Government's Bill C-45 and the coinciding Idle No More campaign, council decided to have Mayor MacNevin arrange meetings with both chiefs.

"They (the First Nations) are fighting for us too," said Councillor Koehler after reviewing the letters. "We should be working together to help each other."

"I've always said that we should be meeting with our First Nations neighbours," added Councillor Michael Erskine. "We definitely have a lot of common interests and discussions could be mutually beneficial."

Mayor MacNevin agreed and told council that he would be looking into setting up meeting with both chiefs in the near future.

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1 - Summer Recreation Program Director
Must be a post-secondary student.

1 - Swimming Instructor
Eligible students must be planning to return to school full time in the Fall and be eligible to work in Canada.

Job descriptions are available at the Municipal Office.

Applications for these positions will be accepted by the undersigned until:

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NAHNDAAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG
Wikwemikong Health Centre

Employment Opportunity Registered Nurse Two (2) year contract

The NAHNDAAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a qualified and motivated individual for the position of a Registered Nurse within the Community Health Primary Care.

Job Summary

This position is community health nursing that promotes the health of individuals, families, communities and populations in an environment that supports health. The nurse is responsible for the delivery of community health nursing services and the delivery of a comprehensive health promotion, prevention and health protection programs.

Responsibilities

Deliver mandatory programs such as Communicable Disease Control, Respiratory infections (Tuberculosis program) and Vaccine preventable diseases (immunization). Works with other health care providers in the delivery of a broad range of community-based activities that enhance health and well-being of individuals. Focus on health promotion and include such programs for child, school, adolescent, adult and elder health. Assess clients in the walk-in clinic within an RN scope of practice. Collaborates within a multidisciplinary team which includes Nurse Practitioners, Physicians and other health care providers.

Qualifications & Skills

- Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from a Canadian University.
- Holds a current certificate of competence with the College of Nurses of Ontario, with knowledge and understanding of College Standards of Practice and Community Health Nursing Standards of Practice.
- Immunization training & certification will be provided.
- Experience in community health nursing considered an asset.
- Demonstrate clinical assessment skills of children, adolescents, adults and the older adult.
- Excellent organizational, interpersonal and communication skills.
- Willingness to undertake required orientation and training.
- Demonstrates professional responsibility and accountability.
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation communities and their culture is an asset.
- Ability to work respectfully in a multi-disciplinary team.
- Computer skills: MSWord, Excel, PowerPoint and internet.
- Valid Class 'G' Ontario Driver's License is required.

Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, three (3) letters of reference (2 work related and 1 character) dated within the last three months, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Registered Nurse

Attention: Leanne Mishibiniijima Personnel/Administration support
NAHNDAAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0 Fax: (705) 859-3153

Deadline: February 19, 2013

The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check. We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



ICAN - Independence Centre and Network is a community based non-profit organization providing services and resources to people who have physical disabilities.

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- Rising and retiring
- Dressing/undressing
- Meal preparation and eating
- Bathing/showering
- Transferring/repositioning
- Light house cleaning

Qualifications/Specifications:

- Post secondary education in Health related field or PSW Certificate
- Experience working with people with physical disabilities or in a long-term care setting preferred
- Mature, committed individual
- Current First Aid and CPR Certificate required
- Valid Driver's Licence and reliable transportation

Interested applicants are invited to submit their cover letter and résumé by 4:00 pm, Tuesday, February 19, 2013 to:

Marie Leon, Chief Executive Officer
765 Brennan Road
Sudbury ON P3C 1C4
E-mail: dmathias@ican-cerd.com
Fax: 705-673-6682

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**Municipality of Central Manitoulin
PUBLIC MEETING**

The 2013 proposed budget will be discussed on
Thursday, February 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
Municipal Council Chamber-6020 Highway 542

Copies of the proposed budget are available at the
municipal office prior to the meeting.



WORD OF THE WEEK—
Extent – is an outdoor cover-
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**NOTICE
to Creditors
and Others
In the Estate of
George Robert
Cosby, deceased.**

All claims against the
estate of **George Robert
Cosby**, late of the
Township of Howland,
now Northeastern
Manitoulin and the
Islands, in the District
of Manitoulin, in the
Province of Ontario, who
died on or about January
11, 2013 must be filed
with the undersigned
solicitor for the Estate
Trustee on or before
February 28, 2013.
Thereafter the Trustee
will distribute the assets
of the estate having regard
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filed.

**DATED:
January 31, 2013**

**LINDA McDONALD
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in memoriam

VAN HORN—In loving mem-
ory of Melvin E. Van Horn
It was twenty years ago that
you were called away unex-
pectedly, and not a day has
since gone by that you have
not touched our lives in some
way.
In your absence, you contin-
ue to be an amazing father
figure, even though we wish
you could have been with us
for so much longer.
Sincere and true in heart and
soul to the end of your days,
we are proud to cherish all of
the lasting memories that you
have left behind.
As well as the knowledge that
your love and guidance will
always overcome the sorrow
that we share,
And will live on forever in our
hearts.
Remembered with unending
love by Judy, Sue and
Dennis, Donna, Sharleen,
Donna and Kim, as well as all
of the grandchildren and
great-grandchildren.

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ALSTON—In loving memory
of Ken Alston (Doc), February
14, 1994.
Nothing can ever take away
The love a heart holds dear
Fond memories linger every
day
Remembrance keeps him
near.
From Craig, Kelly, Katrina,
Jordan and Bradley.

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in memoriam

FRANCIS—In loving memory
of a wonderful father and
grandfather, Ken Francis,
who left us three years ago.
In tears we saw you sinking,
We watched you fade away.
Our hearts were almost broken
You fought so hard to stay.
But when we saw you sleep-
ing,
So peacefully free from pain
We could not wish you back,
Dad,
To suffer that again.
Sadly missed and remem-
bered by Sam, Cindy,
Thomas, Nicholas, Tina, Niikii
and Alex.

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Death Notices

EVELYN AUDREY (NEE MADDEN) TRACY

Evelyn Audrey (nee Madden) Tracy passed away
peacefully at Trinity Village LTC, Cambridge, on
Thursday, February 7, 2013 in her 91st year. Beloved
wife of 61 years to Doug. Loving mother of Marilyn
Savage (predeceased by husband Larry), and Kim
Hopper (Tim). Cherished grandmother of Michael
Savage, Joy Hopper and Robert Hopper. Will be sadly
missed by her many nieces and nephews. Predeceased
by her parents, Reverend F.W. Madden and Stella Hames,
and by brothers PO Willard Madden R.C.A.F.
(predeceased 1943), Reverend Ewart Madden (Bea), and
Clifford Madden (Bette). A graveside service will be
held at Mindemoya Cemetery in the Summer of 2013.

WILLIAM JAMES DOUGHTY



In loving memory of William
James "Jim" Doughty, of 167
Holmes Street, Spring Bay,
Ontario, who passed away
December 26, 2012 after a long
and valiant struggle with his
illness. Jim was born in New
Liskeard, Ontario, son of Whitney
and Myrtle (Winters) Doughty,
both predeceased. Dearly loved

husband of Marilyn (Herbert) Doughty of Spring Bay,
Ontario. Loving father of Danny Doughty of Espanola,
Laurie (Doughty) Griffin, husband Paul, of Point
Roberts, WA, and Kerry (Doughty) VanOort of Azilda.
Beloved "Gramps" to seven grandchildren, Steven and
Chris Doughty of Sudbury, Lindsay VanOort of Kanata,
Katlyne (VanOort) Ghitilescu, husband Bogdan, of
Gatineau, PQ, Kristen and Brad Griffin of Point
Roberts, and Tiffany Griffin of London U.K. Dear
brother of Robert and Hilda Doughty of Campbell River,
Shirley (Doughty) Wilson of Selkirk, MB, and Patsy
(Doughty) and Ronald Reed of Sudbury. Dear brother-
in-law of Sharon Greer of Innisfil. Sadly missed by
many nieces and nephews. Jim worked for CP
Telecommunications (now AT&T) for 33 years. He also
worked as a Marketing Manager for Ratko Pumps and
Slingchoker in Sudbury. For much of his life he was an
active member of the Pentecostal Church in Sudbury as
a Sunday School teacher, choir member, and men's
fellowship president. After retirement he moved to
Manitoulin Island where he and his wife spent many
wonderful years. The past 17 years they spent their
winters in Lakeland, Florida at the Holiness Camp
Ground where they formed many lasting friendships.
Jim will always be remembered by his friends and family
for his honesty, his wonderful sense of humour and his
warm, loving hugs...in fact, he was known by many as
the "Huggy Guy". He left a legacy of love for his family,
and often expressed thankfulness to God for the years of
happiness he enjoyed with his friends and family and his
one desire is that each of them have a personal
relationship with his Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ so
that he could be united with them again some time in the
future. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the
race, I have kept the faith" 2 Tim. 4:7. In lieu of flowers,
donations to Christian Ministries Resource Center
(Doug Springer), Regional Cancer Program or Spring
Bay Pentecostal Church would be appreciated. Rested at
the Jackson and Barnard Funeral Home, 233 Larch
Street, Sudbury. Friends called after 10:30 am on
Monday, December 31, 2012. Funeral Service was in the
R.J. Barnard Chapel on Monday, December 31, 2012 at
1 pm. Interment will be held in the Spring in the
Grimesthorpe Cemetery, Spring Bay. To light a
memorial candle, for donations and messages of
condolence www.lougheed.org.

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and
can be made at the admitting office to the
auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the
Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current
and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary
Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P
1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary,
Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current,
Ontario, P0P 1K0. Donations can also be made to the
Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little
Current, Ontario P0P 1K0.

Church Directory

GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP

Aundeck Omni Kaning
Pastor Charles Nahwegahbo
368-2880
M'Chigeeng
7pm Tuesday - Bible study
4:30pm Wednesday - Kid's Club
7pm every other Friday -
Young People's
Pastor Richard Williams

MISSIONARY/EVANGELICAL

Spring Bay
10am Sunday School
11am Worship service
7:30pm Wednesday - Bible Study
Pastor Al Wilkinson 377-5207
Little Current - Grace Bible
9:45am Sunday School
11am Sunday Morning Worship
Pastor Paul Van Kesteren
368-3208 - 368-0436

Mindemoya Missionary
11:00am Sunday Worship Service
Sunday School & Nursery Provided
Pastor Ray Kloetstra 377-7255

UNITED CHURCH

Manitowaning Pastoral Charge
859-3257
Rev. Martin Garniss 377-4527
Sunday School: 10am
Knox & St. Andrew's
Services: 10am Knox, Manitowaning
11:30am alternate Fairview,
Tehkummah & St. Andrew's,
South Baymouth

Little Current Pastoral Charge

10am Little Current
11:30 Sheguiandah
(open from June 1 - Sept. 30)
Rev. Faye Stevens 368-0835
Mindemoya Pastoral Charge
10am Mindemoya
11:30am Providence Bay
1:30pm Kagawong
Rev. Mary-Jo Eckert Tracy 377-6655

Gore Bay Pastoral Charge

11am (Nursery & Sunday School)
Rev. Jim McKean 282-2011

Western Manitoulin

Pastoral Charge
9:15am Meldrum Bay
11am Silver Water
1:30pm Elizabeth Bay
Pastor Erwin Thompson
283-3068 or 282-8265

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Little Current
Rev. Paul Walmsley 368-3063
Sunday 8:30 am Service
+ Sunday School
9am St. Paul's, **Manitowaning**
11am St. Francis-of-Assisi, **Mindemoya**
Communion & Sunday School
Rev. Bain Peever 377-5162
10:15am St. John's, **Kagawong**
11:45am All Saints, **Gore Bay**
2pm St. Peter's, **Silver Water**
Parish Telephone 282-3030

COMMUNITY OF CHRIST

Providence Bay

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11am Worship Service
Pastor Wes Leeson
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Tehkummah
Pastor Dave Pulsifer
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Spring Bay
10:30 am Kids' Church
10:30 am Sunday Morning Service
7:00 pm Sunday Evening Service
7pm Wed. Bible Study
Rev. Dan Thompson

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Pastor:

Rev. Aaron Tardif 705-368-2506

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9:30am Sunday - **Little Current**
9:00am Sunday - **Kaboni**
11:00am Sunday - **Wikwemikong**
1:00pm Sunday - **South Bay**
4:00pm Sunday - **Buzwah**

10:30am Sunday - **M'Chigeeng**

1:30pm Sunday - **Sheshegwanning**
(1st & 3rd Sundays only)

4:00pm Sunday - **Gore Bay**

11:00am Sunday - **Birch Island**
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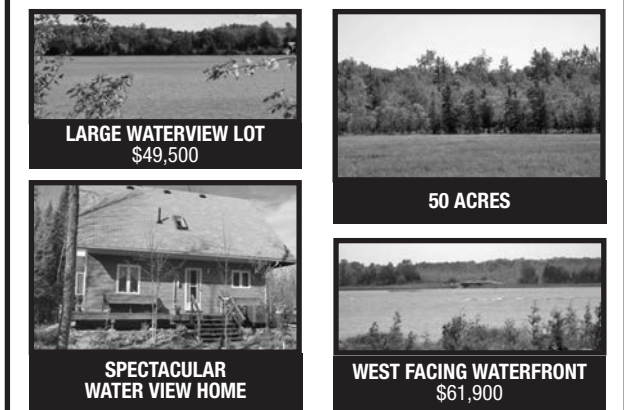
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 EVANSVILLE HOME \$169,900 Three bedroom, two washrooms, sidesplit design, recent upgrades including living room, deck, open concept kitchen and dining room, oil, wood and electric heat, detached garage plus workshop, large private yard, asking (1346) (MLS#1014817) Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113	 HOUSE PLUS 100 ACRES \$209,000 in good deer country, 4 bedroom house off grid, drilled well, wood stove, generator, delco plant, watt inverter etc, detached garage, shop, outbuildings, cedar siding, only 15 minutes from Mindemoya shopping, asking (1311) (MLS#1013381) Norm Morrell 705-282-2430	 GORE BAY BUNGALOW Attractive three bedroom home with stone fireplace and electric heat, paved drive, attached garage, full block basement, one washroom, approx. 1200 square feet, nicely landscaped yard, walk to all downtown stores, very well maintained, ready to move into, (1350) (MLS#1015325) Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231	 TEHKUMMAH VILLAGE HOME \$120,000 three bedroom, two storey home, approx. 1800 square feet living space, basement, front deck, drilled well, septic system, solar and wood heat, Located at west entrance to this attractive Hamlet. (1359) (MLS#1016032) Norm Morrell 705-282-2430	 NEVER GORE BAY COMMERCIAL \$185,000 Built in 1999, high traffic location, two storey, each floor approx. 1320 square feet, electric heat, lower floor jewellery store, second floor has a three bedroom apartment, inventory extra, parking on street or at rear of building. (1353) (MLS#1015566) Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231	
 LITTLE CURRENT AREA HOME \$129,900 Four bedroom home, 1 and one half washrooms, approx. 1500 square feet of living space, electric heat, wood and stone exterior, block basement, shed, over 2 acres of land, detached single garage, building age approx. 25 years, recent upgrades, asking \$129,900 (1361) (MLS # 1016051) Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113	 100 ACRES MILLS TOWNSHIP \$110,000 frontage on paved Union Road, includes old trailer, hydro on site, driveway, mixed bush, good deer area, an above average quality location for the deer enthusiast, asking (1360) (MLS#1016079) Norm Morrell 705-282-2430	 GORDON TOWNSHIP HOME \$129,000 Cute country charmer, large well manicured lawn, apple trees, two bedroom home, electric heat plus wood stove, deck, shed and sleep cottage, drilled well, paved road, only 5 minute drive to golf course and Tobacco Lake public beach area. (1355) (MLS#1015642) Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231	 GORE BAY HOME \$319,000 Quality two storey home backing onto mature treed area, three plus one bedrooms, three washrooms, second kitchen in finished basement, central air conditioning, oil heat plus propane fireplace, upper scale hardwoods, ceramic and tile flooring, large double attached garage with high ceilings, covered front verandah, approx. 2700 square feet not including lower level, shed, fenced yard, quiet residential location. (1356) (MLS#1015651) Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231	 SPACIOUS GORE BAY BUNGALOW \$204,700 Approx. 1500 square feet of living area not counting lower level, 3 bedroom, 3 bathroom, electric and wood heat including wood fireplace and pellet stove, paved driveway, double attached garage, large lot, private rear yard, numerous recent upgrades. (1364) (MLS#1016634)	
 HUNT CAMP AND LOG SAUNA \$99,500 on 100 acres, close to Little Current. Several tree stands and quad trails make this camp ready for the fall hunt! (MLS#1016274) Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113	 SOUTH BAYMOUTH WATERFRONT HOME \$499,000 Your own private dock, large garage/work shop approx. 60 x 60 feet, over 2000 square foot two storey home, three bedrooms, two washrooms, oil and wood heat, surveyed lot, walk to ferry dock, municipal water, lots of potential for other uses, salmon fishing at your door step. (1313) Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113	 MANITOWANING BAY \$124,900 Approx. 26 acres and 80 feet of frontage on the water, only a short drive to the ferry, new driveway installed, tree stands, good deer hunting location. (1352) (MLS#1014840) Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231			

LOTS

DOUBLE FRONTAGE waterfront lot w/200 ft. on Little Lake Huron & over 15 ft. on Lake Huron. Wooded 1.2 ac. on the little lake & the big water. \$24,500 (1044)

SUNSITE ESTATES large building lot w/117.35 ft. Moggy Parkway frontage & over 400 ft. deep. Tree covered 1.2 ac. w/new growth hardwoods & serviced by hydro, telephone, year round road, municipal water. Parkland & lake access across the street. \$19,900 (1049)

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ELIZABETH BAY LOT w/134.8 ft. of frontage facing east. Wooded building site about 165 ft. deep w/hydro & telephone available. \$54,500 (1014)

SOUTH BAY LOTS accessed via D.R. McLay Drive each about 150 ft. water frontage. Tree covered building sites w/driveway installed, year round road, hydro & telephone available. Lots 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 each \$69,500 plus HST (996 to 1003)

SPECTACULAR LAKE KAGAWONG 9.47 ac. w/202 ft. west facing frontage & year round access from Lakeshore Road. Upper & lower meadows separated by forest with paths & trails. Driveway & hydro installed partway to water. \$135,000 (941)

LAKE MINDEMAYA waterfront lot w/120 ft. frontage on Ketchankookem Trail & 172 ft. deep. Your own sand bottom swimming & dock area in view of public beach, dock & boat launch. Golf course a few hundred feet. Great location. \$67,000 (916)

MELDRUM BAY LOT w/230 ft. frontage on crystal clear North Channel. Clean shingle beach & about 1.3 ac. forest w/year round access, hydro, telephone. \$69,000 (903)

ELIZABETH BAY 605 FEET w/year round access on Beach Road East. Sandy shoreline & excellent swimming on this 4 ac. wooded lot. \$129,500 (786)

BUILDING LOT on Doc Strain Dr. at south end of town w/all services available. Open site w/hardwood in the back. Southern exposure. \$25,000 Offers welcome (729)

MAPLE RIDGE LOT 32 w/210 ft. Maple Drive frontage. Tree covered w/year round access, Kagawong municipal water, hydro & telephone. Water capital paid in full. \$22,900 (742)

TREASURE TRAILS ridge lot overlooking Lake Mindemoya w/frontage on Rainbow Trail. Lot 51 being 120 x 167 ft. w/year round access, hydro, telephone & in view of public beach, dock, boat ramp & golf course. Great building site. \$44,500 (915)

GORE BAY LOT on lower part of town w/60 ft. frontage on Phipps St. & about 115 ft. deep. Cedar hedge for privacy from road. Perfect for a retirement home. Subject to MPB approval. \$49,000 (958)

GREENWOOD LANE building lot w/legal access to Lake Kagawong over Block A. Open level 0.95 ac. w/view of water. Year round road, hydro & telephone. \$14,900 (963)

TOLSMVILLE LOT on Cockburn Island south of developed part of village. Part Lot 9 Concession 11 being Lot 26 south side H Street. \$5,900 (973)

LARGE UNIQUE LOT in Gore Bay consisting of 0.75 ac. w/access from Meredith St. near the school. Old house on part that could become the driveway to a spacious building site 100x242 ft. tucked away in the middle of town from any road. \$44,000 (988)

GORE BAY ONE ACRE SITE w/partial water view. Thorburn St. elevated lot 124.08 x 350 ft. w/all Town services available. \$39,000 (1006)

GORE BAY 3.21 ACRES of variable terrain for an estate home, market garden operation or lot development. Mostly open good land w/town water & sewer available. Doc Strain Dr. frontage 87.19 ft. & Park St. frontage 45.26 ft. \$58,000 (1007)

BAY ESTATES BACKLOT with 100 ft. year round road frontage. Treed land with hydro & telephone available. \$8,900 (1026)

MANITOWANING VILLAGE LOT w/509.9 ft. fronting on Meredith St. & about 8.5 ac. of open grassland across from the racetrack. Lot of potential. \$49,500 (1053)

WATERVIEW 2.4 ACRES in Manitowaning w/264 ft. fronting on Arthur St. Large open building site w/easy street access on three sides. \$29,500 (1054)

SMALL LOT BIG VIEW in Manitowaning w/frontage on Cardwell St. Triangular shaped building site about 0.5 ac. overlooking the water. \$5,900 (1055)

MANITOWANING BAY lot nestled in the shelter of Narrow Point w/129.2 ft. of frontage. Tree covered site about 0.5 ac. accessed via Bay Road. Call Norma Sprack 705 859 3919. \$20,000 (1011)

ACREAGES

CLOVER VALLEY 125 ACRES in Assignnack Township. Mostly tree covered lot w/field in north end. Year round road & hydro available. Call Norma Sprack 705 859 3915. \$169,000 (1005)

CAMPBELL 100 ACRES 1.6 km east of Lanktree Sideroad. Road allowance cleared & accessible by truck. All tree covered hunting land. Lot 16, Concession 8. \$59,900 (708)

BURPEE 10 ACRES w/legal truck road access off south end of Bell Road. Fully surveyed w/mostly coniferous forest. \$15,900 (745)

MILLS 100 ac. one lot west of Poplar Road w/seasonal access. L12C5. \$64,000 (750)

MILLS 100 ac. 0.8 km west of Poplar Road w/seasonal access. L13C5. \$64,000 (751)

MILLS 100 ac. 1.0 km west of Poplar Road w/seasonal access. L15C5. \$64,000 (752)

MILLS 101 ac. two lots west of Poplar Road w/seasonal access. L13C4. \$64,000 (753)

SECLUDED 5.45 ACRES in Howland Township at end of Green Bush Road & trail. Wooded lot 360 x 660 ft. w/only 330 ft. of right of way to open. \$6,999 (949)

CARNARVON 97 ACRES w/frontage on Government Rd. & access to hydro & telephone. All wooded mixed forest w/hardwood ridge. Good bush road about half the length to old gravel pit plus truck trail on road allowance down full east side. \$89,900 (1037)

SANDFIELD 295 ACRES including Duck's Lake w/good access over Frawley's Lane. Three lots each fully surveyed as Parts 1, 2, 3 Plan 31R1839. Great recreational property. Subject to MPB approval. \$159,000 (1040)

SANDFIELD 101 ACRES w/good access over Frawley's Lane running through northwest corner. Fully surveyed lot as Part 1 Plan 31R1498. \$74,000 (1042)

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MANITOWANING HOME & 4.5 ACRES of grassland w/many upgrades to shingles, windows, septic system & central air. Multilevel 1969 sq. ft. on full basement w/3 bedrooms, bath, eat in kitchen, living room w/vaulted ceiling & large entry area. Municipal water & some bay view. \$178,000 (1052)



NEW ST. HOME in Gore Bay with a very private yard of about 0.5 ac. Vinyl clad 1.5 storey of 1032 sq. ft. w/3 beds, open concept great rm., 4 pc. bath & large utility/mr. \$69,000 (1057)



MANITOWANING BUNGALOW 1400 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms on Arthur St. Separate dining, living, kitchen & sunroom on block foundation. Shingles & deck in 2005. Wood pellet & electric heat. Some contents & 3 appliances. Call Norma Sprack 705 859 3919. \$95,500 (859)



COUNTRY LIVING ON 4.5 ACRES on Corbetts Beach Rd. in view of Manitowaning Bay. Stone clad raised bungalow 1200 sq. ft. on full mostly finished basement w/2+2 bedrooms, eat in kitchen, living room, 2 baths, 2 fireplaces for wood & propane, family room, laundry area & spacious mud or other room. Include large storage sheds & office garage workshop building. Call Norma Sprack 705 859 3919. \$295,000 (957)



KAGAWONG CORNER COMMERCIAL space for your enterprise w/3000 sq. ft. on level lot w/325 ft. of Hwy540 frontage. Well maintained 2 storey in view of Bridal Veil Falls area zoned Hamlet for many uses. Slat board walls, fluorescent lighting, storage, change area, 1 staff bath, service counter, displays. \$159,000 (897b)



LAKE HURON HOME on Milton Point 1.8 ac. w/westerly facing frontage 151 ft. Beautiful flat limestone shoreline for long walks. Newer raised bungalow 964 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, great room w/cathedral ceiling & lots of wood, large closed screened porch. Partly finished basement w/sitting room, third bedroom, insulated garage. Extras of most contents, finished bunkie & outdoor bath w/running water. Quiet enough to hear the surf. \$289,000 (1047)



SANDFIELD HOME w/100 ft. of Highway 542 frontage but hidden in a garden of trees. Brick bungalow 891 sq. ft. on a full basement w/3 bedrooms, bath, eat in kitchen & living room. Some decking & garden shed. \$129,000 (1008)

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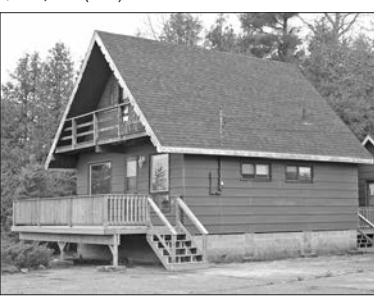
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ELIZABETH BAY COTTAGE w/easterly exposure over Beach Road West. Bungalow 1120 sq. ft. w/spacious enclosed sun porch, 3 bedrooms, 3 pc bath & open kitchen dining living on level landscaped lot w/100.99 ft water frontage. Sandy small stone beach. New drilled well & all contents ready to occupy. \$165,000 (863)



OCEAN POINT COTTAGE on surveyed lot w/162 ft. sandy Lake Huron frontage. Cabin about 840 sq. ft. in beautiful south shore setting w/bedroom, great room, sunroom & composting bathroom. All contents including propane appliances & wood stove. Storage barn 12x12 & privy. \$105,000 (909)



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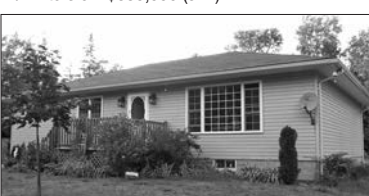
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CORBETT'S BEACH ROAD HOME within 500 ft. of direct access to Manitowaning Bay. Well maintained bungalow 1380 sq. ft. on full basement w/3+1 bedrooms, spacious living room, open kitchen, 2 baths & family room in progress. Hardwood & laminate flooring, lots of decking, gazebos, stylish shed, 4 appliances & all the water you can use from the lake. Call Norma Sprack 705-859-3919. \$259,000 (1032)



GORE BAY HOME w/great view of water & parkland. Recently renovated Water St. bungalow 1600 sq. ft. living space w/2+1 bedrooms, 2 full baths, kitchen, dining & living rooms on full finished walk-out basement w/family room & garage/workshop. Extras include all laminate floors, oil stove, 4 appliances, paved driveway, large deck. \$179,000 (978)



RUMLEY ROAD on surveyed 50 ac. plus 1120 sq. ft. cottage home 4 years w/3 bedrooms, 2 pc. bath, open living & kitchen w/lots of cupboards. Steel roofed bungalow completely insulated w/propane hot water, refrigeration, cooking, heat & lights. Wired for 12 volt & 120 w/batteries, solar panels & generator. Extras included year round drilled well, sheds, trails & deer stands \$132,500 (955)



PROVIDENCE BAY COMMERCIAL space on 0.75 ac. on corner of Mutchmor & Mira offering over 10,000 sq. ft. floor area plus over 6,500 sq. ft. storage shed. About 63% on main floor. Visible location in sight of sand beach & boardwalk. \$209,000 (945)



COUNTRY HOME just north of Sandfield on 0.56 ac. w/125.8 ft. highway frontage. Bungalow 854 sq. ft. on full basement w/2 bedrooms, 4 pc. bath, kitchen, dining & living rooms plus side entry mud room, south facing deck, 4 appliances & new oil furnace 2007. \$79,000 (1050)



RUSTIC COTTAGE on Little Lake Huron w/100 ft. frontage & 4.8 ac. of forest. Off the grid cabin 635 sq. ft. plus full loft accessed by stairs. Wired for generator power & includes contents, building supplies, outdoor privy. \$54,000 (1029)



NEW STREET HOME in Gore Bay on 80x206 ft. lot providing private spacious backyard. Classic concrete 1.5 storey 1556 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 4 pc bath, double living room, separate dining room & kitchen. Beautiful original trim & pillars plus traditional fireplace in front section accessed from full covered verandah. \$119,000 (1028)



LITTLE LAKE HURON COTTAGE w/easy access to big water. Fully equipped 1.5 storey 1245 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, open kitchen dining living w/cathedral ceiling, stone fireplace w/insert, upper & lower decks. Well insulated w/lots of double pane windows, metal roof, wood fired sauna, propane appliances & water heater, septic, well, 12 volt system, 10000 watt generator for washer, dryer, etc. \$129,500 (937)



GORDON TOWNSHIP 4 bedroom home w/recently built master 14x19 ft. w/wood cathedral ceiling plus 2 walk in closets. Bungalow 1940 sq. ft. w/spacious kitchen dinette, living room, 1.5 baths, family room & attached garage. Extras of electric, wood & pellet heat, back yard w/deck & gazebo, some appliances. \$119,500 (970)



GORE STREET HOME on level lot 71x176 ft. plus double garage w/full second floor storage loft. Bungalow & 1.5 storey 1477 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms & bath upstairs plus bedroom & full bath on ground level. Eat in kitchen, laundry area, large pine finished entrance, separate dining & living rooms. Good back yard & all Gore Bay services. \$123,000 (1056)



TWO SEPARATE COTTAGES, 2 garages & all the contents on 1.92 ac. with 200 ft. of Mudge Bay frontage & year round access on Grandor Rd. Bungalow 796 sq. ft. & chalet 754 sq. ft. each w/2 bedrooms, living rooms, kitchens & baths. Garages 20x32 & 16x24 ft. Lots of extras. \$205,500 (1022)



WATERVIEW HOME IN MANITOWANING on Michael's Bay Road lot of 2 ac. Well maintained side split about 1665 sq. ft. living space of 3+1 bedrooms, 2 full baths, eat in kitchen, living & dining rooms, family room, double garage & more. Landscaped property w/swimming pool, fenced deck, municipal water, propane fireplace, whirlpool tub. Call Norma Sprack 705 859 3915. \$299,000 (1038)



LOWER SLASH LOT w/100 ft. road frontage & 419 ft. deep. Building or camping location w/many extras including 30x50 ft. steel building w/200 amp service, fully equipped 28 ft. travel trailer w/deck, about 80 loads of soil suitable for septic systems being stored on site ready to sell. \$99,900 (1043)



LAKE VIEW HOME & INCOME PROPERTY – Very attractive setting in Little Current overlooking the North Channel. Fully serviced level site with spacious, predominantly maintenance free 3 bdrm bungalow. Also included, is a modern 6 unit motel & a detached 2 bdrm rental home. Great income! New Lower price! Please call for full particulars. MLS#1016966



CHARMING BAY ESTATES HOME/COTTAGE - Raised ranch style 2 bdrm insulated cottage with full, partially finished basement. Features cathedral ceilings, huge decks & a relatively level site with exceptional landscaping & spectacular views. Oversized site with 151 feet shoreline. Asking \$235,000. MLS#1016964



LITTLE CURRENT - 3 bdrm home in move-in condition with water views over the North Channel. Finished basement family room with fireplace & bar plus separate laundry room. Attached garage with door opener & paved drive. New shingles in 2011 & most windows in 2012. Master bedroom en-suite & hardwood floors. Nicely finished interior with plenty of closets. New fireplace insert & chimney in 2008. A very nice home to show! Great family location! Asking \$249,000. MLS#1016938



MAPLE RIDGE POST & BEAM HOME – Great appeal with open concept main level & spacious room sizes, custom built maple counters, fireplace, two full baths & 4 bdrms. 1.19 acre lot with municipal water supply, mature hardwood forest setting & public beach access. A must see at only \$179,900. MLS#1016772



WATERFRONT! – Very nice 2 bdrm cottage on the year round Bay Estates Road. Nicely finished interior with woodstove. Block foundation with crawl space. Water treatment system, 200 amp service in main cottage & 100 amp service in bunkie. Nice decks & good swimming. Enjoy some of the best fishing & boating that Manitoulin has to offer. Asking \$199,900. MLS#1016710



SHEGUIANDAH LAKE VIEW HOME – Appealing 3 bdrm bungalow with very attractive south view overlooking Bass Lake. Large residential site, full basement, attached garage, paved drive, municipal water supply plus drilled well & a wonderful garden area for the gardening enthusiast. Great Price @ only \$139,900! MLS#1016640



MICHAEL'S BAY HOME/COTTAGE RETREAT – Exceptional well landscaped waterfront site with sand & flat limestone shoreline improved with modern home offering fantastic appeal plus both attached & detached garages. Extra's include lofted ceilings, finished basement, built in appliances, trex decks & a relatively maintenance free setting in one of the finest locations available on Manitoulin. Attractively priced at \$395,000! MLS#1016635



SUPERB LAKE KAGAWONG WATERFRONT LOG HOME WITH A SPECTACULAR VIEW!! - This magnificent 2 bdrm rustic home plus 11 X 14 ft loft comes with all major appliances, new hardwood flooring, 3 yr old septic tank, new water system for the 117ft deep drilled well, a large living area with cathedral ceiling, beautiful hand crafted kitchen cupboards, a new 10 X 32ft front cedar deck, & a main floor laundry room. The 187ft of waterfront has hydro at the shoreline dock. The large 6.3 acre hardwood bush lot features a 15 X 32ft implement shed, a 2 bay garage with electric doors and an attached 12 X 24ft heated workshop & small green house all with its own 100amp power service, 3 very large gardens, & 2 garden sheds. MLS#1014400

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COTTAGE - Located on the shore of beautiful Lake Manitou. It has 3 bedrooms, a double garage, and a gently sloping lot to the shoreline with a great view. It also features a stone fire place, hardwood floors and a covered verandah across the front. There is also a pebble stone beach area for swimming and boat storage. A great place for a summer getaway. MLS#1016345



COTTAGE ON SOUTH BAY - with a beautiful view of the bay. The 920 sq. ft. cottage has 2 bdrms, kitchen, bathroom, utility room, drilled well & many other features. It faces east toward the morning sunrise & has a storage shed, a garden shed & a stairway to the water. There are trees for privacy & many flowers throughout the lawn area. Reduced to \$169,000. MLS#1016304



MAGNIFICENT LAKE HURON - Year round 3 bdrm home or cottage. Spectacular south facing over Lake Huron with private setting. The shoreline is bald limestone bedrock with a slow drop into the water. The master bdrm has en-suite & private balcony. The house has a full unfinished basement with attached garage, kitchen skylight & built in appliances. Asking \$352,000. MLS#107954



YEAR ROUND CHALET STYLE COTTAGE OR HOME - Located on the year round Bay Estates Road this property boasts 165' of shoreline and a nicely landscaped lot. 3 bedrooms & one and half baths. New driveway & survey in 2012, new shingles & deck in 2011. Wood stove insert to lower utility bills. A very private & peaceful setting yet only 15 mins from Little Current. Asking \$239,000. MLS#1016152



QUIET AND PEACEFUL - 200 ft of lakeshore property on South Bay with a little garden, 20 x 26 cottage, 8 x 12 storage shed & 10 x 10 workshop. Great property for a family with small kids. Call Al Frank, Sales Person, 705-859-3297 for an appointment. Asking \$144,000. MLS#1015157



WINDFALL LAKE - Very private chalet style cottage with 210 ft frontage, excellent shoreline for kids. 1.16 acre lot. Solar & wind power, drilled well with water purification system. Oak & cedar floors, cedar & pine tongue & groove walls & ceilings. Black cherry kitchen cabinets. New propane fridge. The hot water tank, kitchen stove & furnace are also propane. Woodstove in living room. Call Al Frank, Sales Person, 705-859-3297. Reduced to \$249,000. MLS#1010367



HARDWOOD ACREAGE WITH MODERN COTTAGE/HUNT CAMP - Very well treed 100 acre property with municipal road access as well as hydro service to well built, fully equipped two bedroom cottage. Very good trail system and six stands in place for deer hunting. Great location fronting on Tower Road in Bidwell Township. Call for details. MLS#1016629



MILLION DOLLAR VIEW! - This year round waterfront home or cottage is situated on a spacious lot with separate sleep bunkie for guests. Most recent upgrades include shingles and most windows. Enjoy Gore Bay's deep clean water and good fishing directly in front of your property close to the excellent dockage at the Gore Bay Marina. Asking \$198,900. MLS#1015004



SANDFIELD - Very well maintained 2 bdrm cottage located close to the shores of Lake Manitou. Drilled well & septic. Everything neat & tidy in this nice getaway at an affordable price. Roof, soffit & fascia & chimney all replaced four years ago. Enjoy this camp as a hunting or fishing home base! Asking \$99,000. MLS#1017066



MCGREGOR BAY GEM - Enjoy your morning sunrise from this cedar log cottage with wrap-around sundeck. Breezeway leads to sleeping quarters & separate guest building. Tastefully finished in knotty pine throughout. Nicely tucked away in a quiet channel near landing. Most furniture included, also 16 foot Naden boat & motor. Reduced to \$329,000. MLS#109430



PRIME CORE COMMERCIAL LOCATION - Large commercial retail building with spacious second level two bedroom owners accommodations or rental apartment. Excellent locational factors with high visibility corner lot overlooking the North Channel from downtown Little Current. Great opportunity to start your new business! MLS#1016548

BAY ESTATES
3 bdrm, stone-faced, Lake Huron water front home!! Located only 15 mins from Little Current in Bay Estates, this 1800 sq.ft. home or cottage comes beautifully landscaped with shade trees & frog pond/waterfall. You get a spectacular view of the eastern sun rise from the large deck while relaxing in the hot tub which is included with the sale. Pheasants & deer are frequent visitors & fishing is very good for most freshwater species. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1017163



INCREDIBLE VISTA - One of a kind building lot on municipal water overlooking Strawberry Channel. 315.55 ft frontage with south east exposure on a year round road. Two mins from Little Current. Call for details. MLS#1014571

WATERFRONT ACREAGE AT WEST END - Approximately 63 acres located on the South shore of Lake Huron. Island directly South also for sale - MLS# 101673. Lots can be purchased separately or together. Asking \$95,000. MLS#1016974

BUILDING LOT WITH A VIEW - 1.95 Acres with view of LaCloche Mountains & North Channel on year round road with municipal water. Only 3 miles from Little Current hospital & shopping. 1 mile to boat launch & 7 miles to the Manitoulin East Airport. Nice level building lot. A must to see. \$59,900. MLS#1012613

NORTH CHANNEL WATERFRONT ACREAGE - Only a short drive from Little Current this mainly level 15.52 acre site has it all. Year round access, hydro & telephone available, north west facing shoreline for sunsets and an attractive gravel and sandy shoreline for swimming. Great spot for a year round home or summer cottage! A great deal at \$99,000. MLS#1016603

LOT ON MAJESTIC LAKE MANITOU - Magnificent sunrises. 2.80 acres with 167 feet frontage on cool clear water. Mature hardwoods, with gradual slope to water. Located in a quiet subdivision on a dead end road. Call Al Frank, Sales Person 705-859-3297 for details. MLS#1015032

VACANT ACREAGE SITE AT BAY ESTATES - 49.45 acres fronting on Bay Estates Road offers year round access and an attractive location for home or cottage construction. Natural spring bubbling out of the ground, relatively level site, close to public beach access, shopping and hospitals and very reasonably priced. Asking \$69,000. MLS#1017001

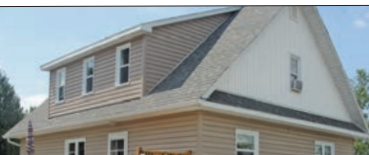
RIVER FRONT LOT !! - Large 4.48 acre lot accessible via year round road with approximately 800 feet of shoreline on the Kagawong River. Hydro & telephone available at lot line. Great fishing in Lake Kagawong (perch, bass, walleye & pike) just a short boat ride up the river. Only \$80,000. MLS#109944

MICHAELS BAY WATERFRONT LOT - Very scenic setting with spectacular south view over Michael's Bay, sand & limestone shoreline, mature tree cover & one of Manitoulin's premier south shore locations. Ideal spot to build your dream home or cottage. \$74,900. MLS#1016852

PRIME DEER HUNTING PROPERTY!! - 100 acres of mostly cedar & evergreen bush with small ponds & open fields. There is a road extending through the length of the property which contains plenty of deer & small game as well as bears. Access is over an open concession road. Asking \$89,000. MLS#1015094

BUILDING LOT WITH A VIEW - 2.02 Acres with view of LaCloche Mountains & North Channel on year round road with municipal water. Only 3 miles from Little Current hospital & shopping. 1 mile to boat launch & 7 miles to the Manitoulin East Airport. Nice level building lot. A must to see. \$59,900. MLS#1012614

QUALITY NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION - SOUTHVIEW - Spacious 3 bdrm bungalow built on one level with attached garage & excellent appeal. Quality finish includes modern open concept layout, steel framing, stucco siding, architectural shingles, economical in-floor hot water heating, large room sizes & oversized master suite with walk in closet & en-suite bath! Comes complete with full Tarion Warranty for worry free ownership. MLS#1012520



GORGEOUS BRICK WATERFRONT BUNGALOW !! - This 3 bdrm brick home is situated on a beautifully manicured 1.22 acre lot located on Big Lake with a great view of the water. Included with this property is a smaller front bricked 1 bdrm house for guests or rental income. The interior has spacious rooms, a spectacular kitchen, beautiful hardwood & ceramic tile flooring & a piano room. Asking \$299,000. MLS#1013862



NEWLY RENOVATED LAKEFRONT HOME WITH WESTERN VIEW! - Nice waterfront 2 storey home with 3 bdrms including main floor master bdrm, 2 baths, full basement, very good dock for your boat & a great sunset view over Big Lake. Good fishing for jumbo perch, small mouth bass & large pike & musky have been known to patrol these waters as well. Asking \$249,000. MLS#1015056



LAST 3 CONDO'S - Overlooking the sparkling waters of the North Channel as well as local marina's and Little Current's spacious waterfront park, this location has it all! Spacious 2 & 3 bdrm units with main level parking & lower level walk out to patio area. Large deck to enjoy the views. Walking distance to downtown shopping & most amenities. Quality finish throughout! New price! MLS#1014473

PRIME CORE COMMERCIAL LOCATION - Large commercial retail building with spacious second level two bedroom owners accommodations or rental apartment. Excellent locational factors with high visibility corner lot overlooking the North Channel from downtown Little Current. Great opportunity to start your new business! MLS#1016548



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DOWNTOWN LITTLE CURRENT - prime location previously run as a busy deli-style restaurant (breakfast and lunch - home of 'Manitoulin's Best Sandwich'), with great potential for retail uses as well. Excellent exposure in middle of downtown business core directly across from the harbourfront - don't miss this opportunity to take advantage of this prime location! MLS#1015993



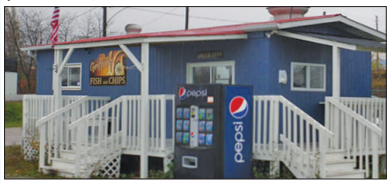
MINDEMOYA - Large 4 bedroom 3 bathroom bungalow in a great Mindemoya location. Easy walk to downtown yet in relatively private setting. The exterior of the house and the 28' x 24' garage is stone. The master bedroom has an ensuite bathroom, walk-through closet, and direct access to the hot tub room. In the basement is a large 32' x 13.5' family room with a stone fireplace. List price \$239,000. MLS#1010618



CAMPBELL BAY - Quality built waterfront home with wonderful sunset views over a sheltered bay on the North Channel. 659' of frontage on Campbell Bay with a large sand beach. Over 1800 sq.ft. of finished living space on the main level with primarily oak flooring throughout. There are cedar ceilings in many of the main level rooms. The large main level den with a fireplace could also be a 3rd bedroom. Off the master bedroom is a walk-in closet and a 3-piece ensuite bathroom with a whirlpool tub. Also on the main level is a laundry room and a stone fireplace with an insert. In the basement is the 4th bathroom and a storage room. The remainder is a large open area that is greater than 1200 sq.ft. To further compliment this property is a gazebo on the beach and a 16' x 24' detached garage. \$435,000. MLS#1016678



LITTLE CURRENT - Older 2 bedroom home in a great location close to downtown. Nice level lot, some nice wood features such as banisters, flooring, and ceiling. Some TLC required, attractively priced! \$72,000. MLS#1016780



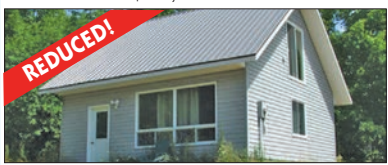
BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY! Established, busy fish and chip business in Little Current. Griffin's Fish and Chip Stand is in a great location and has plenty of potential to be even better. Newer appliances - fryers, fridge, wash basins, deep fryer fire extinguisher, security system, pop machine, most food supplied through a local supplier. Land is leased and paid up until the end of April 2013 with renewal options to be negotiated. This is a turn key business waiting for the right new owner. Please call for full details! MLS#1016204



MUDGE BAY/NORTH CHANNEL - Prime Sand & Water Access - First Time Offered. Spacious seasonal home - 1000 sqft. with 2 bedrooms, modern kitchen, wood burning unit, all electric heat, detached bunkie with washroom, garage and large deck offering a breathtaking view over the North Channel - LaCloche Mountains - Oh Yes! Fully Furnished and municipal water service. \$309,000. MLS#1012905



WATERFRONT CONDO - Worry free condo living! Mariner Village, located across from Spider Bay Marina and Low Island parks and trails - fantastic location just a short walk from downtown amenities. One level walk-out 2 bedroom unit with hardwood flooring (radiant in floor heat), crown mouldings, propane gas fireplace. Open concept kitchen, living and dining areas, master has 4 pcs ensuite bath and walk-in closet. A great quiet place to retire to or for the active professional seeking a maintenance free home! \$229,900. MLS#1012396



SHEGUIANDAH - Charming and quaint 1 bedroom chalet style home in the historic village of Sheguiandah! Just across the street from the river and a short walk to public marina and parks - an excellent spot for the single person or retired couple with minimal maintenance. Built in 2011, features upper level bedroom plus 3pcs bath with shower, lower level is all open concept living, dining and kitchen area. Please call for details and a viewing. \$136,999. MLS#1014960

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MCGREGOR BAY

Drive-to year round cottage on a nice leased lot, east facing with gorgeous views of the bay, islands and mountains! Aluminum dock and boat lift system, multi level decks and patios to enjoy the spectacular vistas and direct boat access to the most beautiful waters in the North Channel! Current lease is \$1622 per year and lease is good until 2040! Very affordable worry free vacation retreat to enjoy for at least the next 27 years!! Only \$109,500. MLS#1017171



LAKE KAGAWONG RETREAT - This 1922 square foot stunning year round waterfront cottage has 155 feet of frontage on Lake Kagawong. There are three bedrooms including the spacious loft with main floor full bathroom/ensuite. The kitchen/living/dining is open concept with propane fireplace and a walkout to the waterfront deck. Included is a multilevel dock and boat lift system. The detached 24' x 28' garage is large enough for two full vehicles and enough room for a workshop area. The cottage comes furnished minus a few personal items listed at \$364,900. MLS#1014727



WATERFRONT CHARMER! - 2 bedroom main cottage, open concept living/kitchen/dining areas, 2 pcs bath, porch, and walk out to large patio deck with gorgeous westerly views over the North Channel. Guest bunkie currently set up as 3 bedrooms, but could also be used as a 2 bedroom with small living/sitting area, plus additional bathroom building with composting toilet. Great gentle sloping lot to shoreline with nice sandy areas, very kid friendly! If you want to have a first row seat for some of the most fantastic sunsets in the world, this is the place to be! List price \$169,000 MLS#1014930



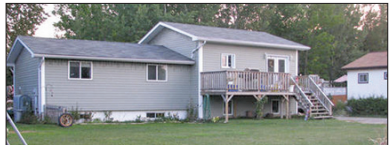
SUMMER RETREAT - 1100 Square foot cottage with 3 bedrooms, kitchen, dining, large living room with limestone fireplace, walkout to fully screened liesure porch. Municipal water, shared boat harbour, Eastern exposure to Manitowaning Bay - Priced to sell at \$229,000.00. MLS#1013579



VIEW OF THE HARBOUR! - 3 bedroom bungalow with walk-out basement and 2nd floor loft bedroom. Double attached garage, electric heat with wood furnace back-up. Concrete double driveway, limestone front exterior. Estate sale includes some furnishings and appliances. Sold "as-is" for only \$154,900! MLS#1015816



HOME WITH A VIEW! 3 bedroom bungalow with an easterly view of Manitowaning Bay. A 3-piece bathroom on the lower level and a 4-piece bathroom on the 2nd level. Large deck on the north-east corner of the house. Detached garage has been partially finished in the interior. Attractively priced at \$147,500. MLS#1017219



LITTLE CURRENT BUNGALOW - With 24'x24' addition built in 2008. 3 bedrooms with large open concept kitchen/living/dining with cathedral ceilings. Kitchen has island prep area with oak cabinets and plenty of counter space. 3 bedrooms on the main floor with a partial bedroom in the basement. There is also a partially finished rec room in the basement. Great potential for an inlaw suite or an apartment. List price \$199,000. MLS#1015615



BAY ESTATES WATERFRONT - Gorgeous log home on a private 132' lot (almost 1 acre) in this popular year round subdivision. Only 7 years old, this finely constructed home features a large master bedroom and bathroom on the upper level, very spacious kitchen, dining and living areas on the main level (hardwood and ceramic flooring) plus a finished basement with 2 additional bedrooms, rec room/exercise room area and utility area. The basement is also prepped for a 2nd bathroom. Great level lot and shoreline (kid friendly) and fantastic views of the islands and distant mountains - must be seen to be appreciated! List price \$344,900. Please call for your appointment to view! MLS#1013796



SOUTH SHORE MANITOU LIN - 5 yr old cottage nestled on 2.2 acres with 150' of shoreline on Lake Huron. Just 15 minutes from Evansville, with legal access over Little Lake Huron and Pebble Roads. Great privacy and fantastic views from the deck. Cottage is fully wired/insulated and comes with generator, woodstove, composting toilet, propane fridge & stove, and grey water system. Just come and relax! \$125,000. MLS#108957.



THIS WATERFRONT HOME - in Sunsite Estates has it all. 2 bedrooms with potential for a 3rd, and 1 bath. The living/dining room has a new gas insert fireplace and a spectacular view of the water. The kitchen has been upgraded with new floors and plenty of cupboards, plus a large countertop. All new windows and patio doors installed. There is also a large mudroom that has plenty of closet room and laundry. Included is a 2 bedroom bunkie and a large 40'x38' garage with loft and plenty of storage space. This private waterfront home is situated within a cul-de-sac and can be enjoyed as a home or cottage. You have to see it to believe it! \$244,500. MLS#1013321

BAY ESTATES LOT - Great 100'x300' building lot with culvert/driveway installed - nicely treed and priced to sell at \$13,500! MLS#105278

MAPLE POINT - Choice of 2 prime North Channel waterfront lots each with 150' frontage and western exposure. Year round road, hydro and telephone available. Over 1 acre in size each. List price \$59,900 each

KAGAWONG LOTS - Choice of 2 large private lots approx 3 acres in size, water and hydro service available. A great place to build. Priced at \$28,000 each. MLS#104266-67.

LITTLE CURRENT LOTS - 4 adjoining building lots (66'x165' each) fronting on unopened Brough Street in nice west end location. One lot fronting on municipal road, close to services, great development potential or to build your home on an estate size property. \$48,000. MLS#091934

DOWNTOWN BUILDING LOT - Prime corner lot in Manitowaning, municipal services, 0.32 acres with frontage on 2 streets. Owner wants an offer! List price only \$30,000! MLS#1016458.

PRIME WATERFRONT LOT - Landsdowne Channel (Killarney) Prime building site, 1.4 acres with 200' waterfrontage in protected channel 5 miles by water to village of Killarney. White Pines, great shoreline for boat docking & swimming - \$129,000. MLS#108877

7.4 ACRES GORE BAY - A large 7.4 acre building lot in the town of Gore Bay with development potential. Hydro service fronts on the property, water and sewer close by. Potential views of the bay from the 2nd level of a house! \$69,500. mls#1013653.

HIDEAWAY COVE - Choice of 2 waterfront lots and 2 back lots all on year round maintained road with hydro, telephone and water service available. All lots have access to the North Channel waterfront, priced from \$21,500 to \$65,000 and \$83,500 for the waterfronts. Please call for details!

PRIME NORTH CHANNEL WATERFRONT - 453' frontage with eastern exposure, panoramic view of LaCloche Mountains. Only minutes from Kagawong, with century old cedars, hydro and road running width of the lot. Sand and gravel shoreline with good water depth. Great opportunity at \$114,500 MLS#1015697.

TEN MILE POINT - 1.2 acre lot with approx 420' lakefront, boat access from Sheguiandah Bay - a great secluded spot for your cottage and a view! \$62,000. MLS#102017.

GORDON TWP - Two 5.45 acre bush/hunting lots. Must be sold together. Within approximately 750' of a seasonal road. Right of way access. List price \$18,000. MLS#108368

BUILDING LOT - Fully serviced vacant residential building lot located on a cul-de-sac on the west side of Little Current. Great location, great price! Please call for full details. \$46,000. mls#1015963

MANITOWANING LOT - Great building lot with walking distance to the golf course, marina, beach and downtown area. Come build your dream home in Manitowaning! List price \$19,000. mls#1013607.

WHITE'S POINT LOT - Waterfront building lot in sought after prime residential location just minutes from town of Little Current. Driveway access started at roadway - telephone and hydro service available. Great location to build your dream home! \$99,000. mls#1014979

GORE BAY - Large town lot (2.44 acres) with potential for westerly views over Gore Bay. Connection to municipal water and sewer services a possibility. \$44,900. MLS#1014239

LITTLE CURRENT WATERFRONT - Just south of town, newly developed lot with legal access off Hwy 6 on protected sand bottom bay with boat access. Price reduced to \$97,999. MLS#106451

BUILDING LOT - Prime level cleared building lot in Manitowaning within walking distance to the downtown and public school. 20 minutes to Little Current and 20 minutes to the ferry docks in South Baymouth. Priced at \$16,500. MLS#1015233

LITTLE CURRENT LOTS - Brand new subdivision in Little Current with great views of McLean's Mountain to the south. Choice of several building lots including municipal water and sewer connections. Please call for full details! Priced at \$32,000.



GORE BAY HOME - Well maintained 1 3/4 storey house close to the public school. A 4 (possibly 5) bedroom home with a bathroom on each floor. Laundry on the main floor. Original hardwood floor available throughout. Stone fireplace. New forced-air oil furnace in 2003. List price \$179,900. MLS#1016685



LAKE MANITOU - Majestic timber frame structure is the focal point of this waterfront home. Over 400' landscaped frontage with boat harbour and water's edge patio. Home features nearly 3,000 sq. ft. with 1,500 sq. ft. basement. 3 bedroom detached guest house with stone fireplace. Fully self-contained guest apartment over 2 bay garage. Oak trees, great privacy, southeast view over lake. Please contact listing broker for full details. MLS#1016086



COMMERCIAL - 60' x 50' commercial building with highway exposure. 33' x 34' unfinished warehouse space with a mezzanine and with a 14'w x 15'h commercial grade roll up door. The remainder (approx. 1850 sq ft) is air conditioned finished office space which is comprised of a boardroom, storage area, kitchenette, 2 offices, and the remainder is open office space. Priced well below replacement value! MLS#108205



EXCEPTIONAL PROPERTY - New beautiful country retreat with approx 2000' of waterfront at the west end of Manitoulin Island. The 3,100 sq. ft. quality built home and 3 bay detached garage blend in well with the 10 acre parcel of land. It has its own bay with a boat launch and suitable for a float plane. Also a trout and salmon stream. Master bedroom and ensuite on the main level. Open concept main level with large windows and doors. Must be seen to be appreciated! MLS#107236.



TIMELESS CLASSIC - Century home on a prime corner lot in Little Current with view of the North Channel and LaCloche mountains. The main floor family room could also be used as a home based office, with a separate entrance, or even as the master bedroom if desired. The main floor also features bay windows, a spacious living room, a bright kitchen and eating area, plus a full bathroom and laundry area. The upper level has 4 bedrooms and full bath. The detached garage is large enough for a car plus a workshop! This home provides excellent accessibility for those with disabilities. Brand new FA oil furnace and tank. Attractively priced at \$139,900. A wonderful new home for growing families or those seeking more space! MLS#109855



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY - Formerly used as an emergency vehicle dispatch base, 3,600 sq. ft. metal clad building containing central corridor 2 bay garage with concrete floor, metal clad walls and suspended ceilings. Garage doors are electric with auto door openers. On each side of garage area are offices, meeting rooms, storage, two 3 pcs baths and one 2 pcs washroom. Municipal water/sewer and C2 zoning allow for various commercial uses. Please call for full details. MLS#106790



VIEW THE SUNSETS! Single storey waterfront home with 196' of west facing frontage on the North Channel. Features attached heated garage, 3 bedrooms, 4 piece bath (Jacuzzi Tub), large kitchen/family room, dining area overlooking the lake. Fireplace with insert, wood burning stove in basement(2nd bath in basement). F.A. oil heat, large landscaped lot, lake water supply (recently upgraded) plus back up in ground cistern. Just minutes from Little Current. \$179,000 MLS#1010927.



COUNTRY PRIVACY - Large family home in a country setting, only minutes north of the ferry terminal at South Baymouth and approx 40 min drive from Little Current. Large living room, huge kitchen and dining area with walk-out to patio deck, 3 bedrooms and bath on main floor, 4th bedroom in basement level, plus roughed in and partially finished second bathroom. Rec room area in basement with drywall and wood wall coverings, propane gas stove - tonnes of storage space! Large attached double garage. Plenty of privacy from the back deck to enjoy the natural surroundings. List price \$195,000 MLS#1016881

The winter comes alive on Manitoulin

Canadian winter frolic fills Kagawong Winterfest weekend with traditional pastimes

by Sharon Jackson

KAGAWONG—Beautiful weather set the stage for a day of indoor and outdoor activities this past weekend. Kagawong Winter Fest was organized by the Recreation Committee and other community groups.



Face off during championship game. Chris Kings of Chernoble takes on Patrick Shaw of Ted's Little Bears.

Some of the featured activities included a mixed ball hockey tournament, kids' games, a chili cook off, euchre tournament and a visit from volunteer firefighters to show off the newly purchased fire truck.

Five teams took part in the ball hockey tournament. The championship game saw two undefeated squads face off. Harrison Noble's CherNoble foursome was the victor in a 7-5 score against last year's champs led by Zach Whalen of Ted's Little Bears. Members of the Little Bears included captain Zach Whalen, Craig Jackson, Jordan Whalen, Patrick Shaw, Keith McKeen, Brian Stapleton and Gail Los.

Three other teams Brett's team led by Brett Varey, Pickard's Picks and the Fox-

tower Flyers also took part in the sixth annual tournament.

The slogan for the ball hockey tourney was "before you can win you have to believe you are worthy."

Several youngsters enjoyed painting and other crafts indoors followed by heading outside to check out the fire truck and make some creations in the snow with coloured water in spray bottles.

Volunteer firefighters Martin Connell and Roger Lloyd were available to show off features of the new fire truck and to emphasize the importance of practicing an evacuation plan with your family. Kids were given fire hats, stickers, reflectors and handouts on fire prevention in the home.

Five cooks shared their best offering of chili in the first annual cook off. With \$50 on the line, it ended in a three-way tie for the People's Choice. The winners decided to donate the money to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. One dollar from each bowl of chili sold also went to this very worthy



Winning ball hockey team lead by Harrison Noble. Chernoble is Harrison Noble, Kennedy Lanktree, Chris King and in goal Cole Dumond.

cause.

Forty-two card players enjoyed an afternoon of euchre. Susan Arbour welcomed everyone saying, "I am so pleased to see so many show up today. It will be the same as any other game, with first and second place winners, door prizes, special prize draw. We will be donating the remainder of money



Volunteer firefighters Roger Lloyd, far left, and Martin Connell, far right, pose with two youngsters. They were on hand with the new fire truck and to give away handouts on fire safety, hats, reflectors and other fire prevention information.

raised to the Heart and Stroke."

Winners included Sharleen Vanhorn, Janis Phillips, Muriel Hunt, Lillian Boyd, Leila Coulam, Marisa Martin, Eunice Sagle, Lilly Third, Sharon Montgomery, Bill Trainer, Eva West, Brad Parkinson and Mike Arbour. Thanks to Hunt's Store, Bridal Veil Esso and Main Street Cafe for donation of door prizes.

Jill Ferguson summed up Winter Fest, saying, "what an amazing day. Perfect weather, bright and sunny; lots of people coming from all over for the festivities too. Congratulations to the CherNoble team,



Kids enjoy indoor crafts

captained by Harrison Noble. They won the ball hockey tournament taking home the trophy, and bragging rights for the rest of the year."

"Thank you to everyone who came out," she continued. "Special thanks to Tom Imrie and Barb Erskine for their roles as referee and time keeper during the day long hockey tournament."

Two hundred and fifty-six dollars was raised for Heart and Stroke.



Mayor Aus Hunt fills his bowl with chili during the first annual Chili Cook Off. Bottomless bowls were sold for \$7.50 with \$1.00 from each going to Heart and Stroke.

Little Current Lions Club hosts another great Winterfest in Northeast Town



Islanders enjoy a fun night of curling at the Little Current Curling Club on the Friday night of Winterfest weekend.

photos by Robin Burrige



Emily Tardis and her brother Joseph Tardis try curling at the Low Island Sisson Park Rick on Saturday. Participants enjoyed free hot chocolate and learned curing basics.



From left, Cindy Tarr, her daughter Kristin Bowerman, age three, mother-in-law Linda Bowerman and grandson Cassey Bowerman, pose with their prizes from winning the Winterfest Scavenger Hunt. During the scavenger hunt, the group were asked a question about three fisherman who caught a record 125 sturgeon at Turner's. It turned out that one of the fisherman was Ms. Bowerman's father and Cassey and Kristin's great grandfather.



Aline Authurs, age nine of Little Current, and her five-year-old brother Rhyis Authurs make ground hog puppets as part of the Ground Hog Day activities taking part at the Little Current Recreation Complex on Sunday afternoon.



Allen Smith, left, of Little Current and Norm Pellerin, right, of Sudbury pose with Lion Dave Draper at the Winterfest Texas Hold'em poker tournament. Mr. Pellerin placed first, Mr. Smith, second.

photo by Lori Draper



AJ Steeves and Braeden Makey race to the finish line in the tire pull event.



Sunday at the recreation center featured a large display of antique snowmobiles. Islanders shinned up their prize sleds for the display. The crowd that came out to view the sleds proved that nothing beats a classic.

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M'Chigeeng youth seek to educate public on Idle No More

by Lynzii Taibossigai
M'CHIGEENG—"Idle No More...think of our future!" That was one of the key messages from Lakeview School student artwork done for #J28, the latest day of action in support of the Idle No More movement. About a week before the day of action I was invited to Lakeview School by teachers Nicky

water and how it affects everyone in Canada. And then they were challenged to do something about it!

They created artwork to display for the J28 Day of Action and for our local Idle No More community info session that night. Grade 5 student Summer Beaudin prepared a speech on the topic of Idle No More for the school's pub-

licity updated on future events. We also want to do something on the next day of action, which is February 14, 2013. We closed the evening in a fun, positive way, just as the movement calls for, with a round dance! The drum has been an integral part of the quick growth of the Idle No More movement, and I think it's because it stirs something in people. It's our connection with Mother Earth and it's like telling us to shkozin - wake up! I think it's safe to say M'Chigeeng is waking up.

Another 25 or so community members boarded a bus at midnight and drove to Ottawa to participate in the J28 day of action rally and march to Parliament Hill. At Lakeview School, we shared a video slideshow of our community members who have participated in various Idle No More rallies, round dances and road closures in the past two months. We felt it was important to share with people that our local community members are very active in this movement and that it was a good thing.

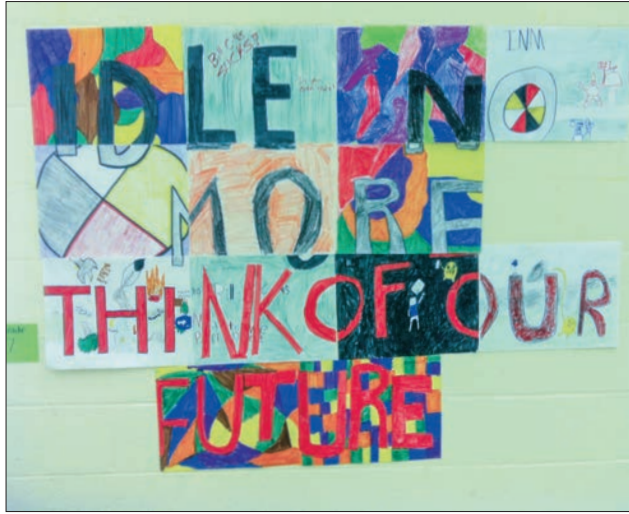
We handed out handmade buttons, book marks and an info sheet on Idle No More and Omnibus Bill C-45, which we obtained from the Anishinabek Nation website. Community members were also able to share their thoughts, concerns and ideas for next steps and the recommendation we followed up on right away was to create a M'Chigeeng Facebook group to keep our commu-

nity updated on future events. We also want to do something on the next day of action, which is February 14, 2013. We closed the evening in a fun, positive way, just as the movement calls for, with a round dance! The drum has been an integral part of the quick growth of the Idle No More movement, and I think it's because it stirs something in people. It's our connection with Mother Earth and it's like telling us to shkozin - wake up! I think it's safe to say M'Chigeeng is waking up.



This group photo is of community members who travelled to the event in the nation's capital.

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A colourful poster exhorts participants to take action to ensure the future of the Anishinabe.

photos by Lynzii Taibossigai

Fox and Patty Debassige to help present to students on what Idle No More was all about. We held three different sessions for the Primary, Junior and Senior classes. Students learned a little about the history of Idle No More and Bill C-45, primarily the changes in legislature regarding

lic speaking contest and shared it with us that evening. "Imagine, all our water with no protection from harm, Mother Earth will greatly suffer," Summer shared in regards to the changes brought forward with the Navigable Waters Protection Act, which now only protects 62



Presentations at Lakeview School in M'Chigeeng try to educate people on what the Idle No More movement is all about and what it hopes to accomplish.

MANITOULIN WIND NEWS

WINTERING UPDATE



By Rick Martin,
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Over the last past week, you may have noticed our heavy equipment being loaded up and leaving the Island. This is not due to the winter conditions, but rather because we have completed the initial tasks related to site preparation including brush clearing and tree harvesting for most of the project footprint. Pre-construction studies, in compliance with the REA (Renewable Energy Approval), have limited us from clearing some of the remaining areas.

The winter raptor study is nearing completion, having been underway for roughly one-and-a-half months. The raptor wintering study will continue for one last week. As you know from previous columns, the field investigations of the various bird species started in 2004, so we have recorded several years of spring and fall migration patterns, winter resident studies as well as breeding surveys. As you well know, I am not an ornithologist, but from the preliminary, unofficial raptor wintering observations, the only sightings have been ravens. This in itself is interesting. We will see what next week's observations record.

I mentioned the heavy equipment is gone, but you may still see survey crews working in the field. Surveying work isn't considered part of construction activity, nor is it deemed invasive or potentially disruptive to wintering birds. The survey crews are out to finalize the mapping of road allowances and the transmission route. Starting in April, construction will be ramping up. It will continue throughout the summer and fall of 2013.

The other activity underway is the establishment of the project's Community Liaison Committee (CLC). Hopefully, you saw the two public notices that appeared in the Expositor about the recruitment of residents within 1 km of the project, other stakeholders, community groups and interested individuals. Last week's column also focused on the purpose of the CLC.

The CLC is a requirement of the REA, but as you know, community outreach and engagement has been an important part of this project's process and commitment throughout. We have been pleased by the

public response, having received several expressions of interest in participating in the Committee. As mentioned, we may get more applications than positions available, so will be encouraging everyone that even if you don't get a seat on the Committee we hope you come out as observers to the meetings. The selection process will begin after the February 15 deadline, with the goal of capturing the broadest community representation possible. The meetings will be held at the Lion's Den.

The Manitoulin Winds News column – which is not an REA requirement – will continue to be your most up-to-date source of information on the latest activities of the wind farm project. The column will also share the information covered at the CLC meetings with the entire community.

On a personal note, a number of people have called or stopped me on the street and in local shops, commenting that they had been concerned when there was a bit of a post-holiday season gap in the columns. Apparently, a number of you are faithful column readers and enjoy getting the facts and news about the wind farm from this regular source of information. I confess, it makes me feel good to get that kind of feedback.

Open communication is a part of the Northland promise and our way of doing business. Community acceptance of the Manitoulin Wind News column as a trusted source of wind farm information has resulted in the company using a local newspaper column as a best practice communication tool in other projects too.

I am still manning the project office over the winter, so feel free to give me a call, send an email or make a time to come in and chat about anything related to the next phases of the wind farm development.



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Amid the quickly changing weather these past few weeks, the early morning provided the perfect time to capture a glimpse of some of the beauty winter has to offer.

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Randy and Mr. Lahey bring Nova Scotia laughs to Little Current

By Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—Last week, Trailer Park Boys Randy and Mr. Lahey performed their mixed hat comedy act to a full house the Anchor Inn Hotel.

The audience was as varied as the show, with individuals from across the Island joined together through their love of the hit Showcase television show, which launched in 2001 and has since become the network's highest rated Canadian series.

Actors John Dunsworth, who plays Jim Lahey, trailer park supervisor on the show, and Patrick Roach, Mr. Lahey's partner Randy, performed a 90 minute comedy act based on their characters, mixing standup with songs, skits using 'R' rated props and audience participation.

One special audience member called up on stage was The Expositor's own Julia McCutcheon, who, it turned out, had attended Dalhousie University with Mr. Dunsworth in the mid-sixties where they were friends.

"Talk about six degrees of separation," commented co-owner of The Anchor Inn Hotel Rob Norris.

Throughout the show, the audience was fully engaged and laughing up a storm, as the duo poked fun at the crowd and themselves.

The highlight of the night for most, however, was the pair visiting with



Marilyn Harasym and Julia McCutcheon, foreground left and right respectively, were part of the Expositor table that enjoyed the Trailer Park Boys show last Thursday at the Anchor Inn in Little Current. Ms. McCutcheon also received a surprise call-up to the stage later on from actor John Dunsworth, centre left (aka Mr. Lahey in the TV series), as they had been friends when they both attended Dalhousie University in Halifax in the mid-sixties. 'Randy,' Mr. Lahey's assistant trailer park manager in the popular 2000s series, is shown centre right.

audience members and signing autographs after the show.

The Expositor spoke to the Canadian treasures about their time in the North and their cross-Canada tour.

"We just finished up in Sault Ste. Marie yesterday," explained Mr. Roach. "We have been all over Northern Ontario, from North Bay to Sudbury and Kirkland Lake, and before that we were in Alberta."

When asked if Mr. Roach had had a chance to take in any Northern Ontario activities such as ice fishing or snowmobiling, he responded, "Unfortunately not, we have just been travelling a lot but we have been impressed by the snow removal."

Mr. Dunsworth commented that he too had been enjoying his time in the North. "Manitoulin seems really nice, similar to Nova Scotia. My house is on the water there and from my room (at the Anchor Inn Hotel) I can see the channel. It's neat."

Mr. Dunsworth is most famously known for his role on Trailer Park Boys, however he has an extensive background as a stage actor as well as starting the Pier One Theatre in Halifax and founding the Filmworks Casting Company.

Mr. Roach's acting career started with the Trailer Park Boys and has continued with the show's success, being featured in all seven seasons of the show and its spin-off films.

photo by Robin Burridge

Mr. Roach will also be appearing in the upcoming 'Swarnet: The Movie,' set to hit theatres this year, which is directed by Warren P. Sonoda and features the cast of Trailer Park Boys, and sees their hilarious attempts to launch their own Internet television network.

'Swarnet: The Movie' was filmed in Sault Ste. Marie last fall and will also feature Canadian comedian Tom Green.

Unfortunately, Mr. Lahey will not be in the film, as Mr. Dunsworth explained to The Expositor that he was already committed to other projects such as the supernatural drama 'Haven,' in which he plays Dave Teagues and a new television series 'Forgive Me,' in which Mr. Dunsworth will be playing

a priest.

However, both actors were pleased to announce that both Randy and Mr. Lahey will be returning to the big screen in a new Trailer Park Boys feature film which is scheduled to begin filming next month.

"We are really excited

about the third Trailer Park Boys movie," said Mr. Dunsworth, "and we can't wait to get started."

The evening concluded with drinks and laughs as the actors remained in character, shutting the bar down in a manner fit of the Trailer Park Boys.



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Kids in the Halls

Second semester is in full swing! The guidance office is working in overdrive as a flood of students signed up for guidance appointments to switch in and out of classes so they'll be content for the next five months. To make MSS even busier, Grade 12 students had to get their graduation pictures taken. And all of this frenzy is taking place while the volleyball and basketball teams continue on with their seasons, which are coming to a close.

Graduation Pictures

Would you prefer eight cap and gown, two casual and one outfit change, or ten cap and gowns, six casual and two outfit changes? These are the important decisions that had to be made by parents and students as they decided what picture poses would be made to grace the top of the piano long after students had left the house. Two photographers slowly but surely made their way through the entire grade twelve portion of the student body in four day last week. Picture proofs will be coming in within the next month for the final decision to be made.

Volleyball and Basketball

It has been a rough week for the senior boys' basketball team. After travelling to Central Algoma Secondary School early Tuesday morning, they had to then travel to Elliot Lake where they suffered their second

loss of the day, losing by only one point in overtime. Elliot Lake then travelled to Manitoulin Island on Thursday. Unfortunately, the Mustangs had even worse luck, losing by a score that shall not be mentioned. The semi-finals and finals of the season are coming up next week. The senior and junior girls' volleyball teams have qualified for the finals! The junior team has had a very successful season, ending up in first out of the four teams! The senior team has had more of an uphill battle, just managing to squeeze into the semi-finals in fourth place. They will be travelling to Espanola on Wednesday to see if they can manage to beat the first place team! Good luck everyone in the next few weeks!

Bake for Buddies!

What's one of the best ways to celebrate Valentine's Day week? With delicious baked goods of course! That's not the only reason why there's a bake sale though. The students involved with Best Buddies are baking and selling the treats to raise money for their group. Best Buddies is a program at MSS that pairs up students from the life skills class with other students from the school. The program hosts lunches for the buddies and many different get-togethers so it's great to have some extra money to buy food and materials for these get-togethers. The bake sale will be Tuesday the 12th

and each member of the program is baking a plate of treats to bring in. Hopefully everyone enjoys the snacks and the program is able to raise the money they need.

Magazines and Movies

The best way to end the first week of semester two is to watch a movie instead of doing work. Last Friday the Student Council set up a movie in the cafe for the students who sold magazines during the annual magazine fundraiser. Those who sold magazines were let in free, but students who wanted to watch the movie and didn't sell magazines had to pay \$4. The movie that was selected for the event was Pitch Perfect. There was also free popcorn and water to complete the theatre feeling in the cafe. The movie day is not the only reward that students get for selling magazines though. A magician was also promised to the student body if they sold the required amount of magazines. So there's plenty more fun to look forward to!

So much has happened over the last week and there's so much happening next week! Grad pictures, volleyball, basketball, bake sales, and movie days are all what makes MSS busy and never boring place that it is known to be. The new semester is sure to bring new memories and excitement so there's so much to look forward to Mustangs!

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News from the Mindemoya Library Book Mice

by Claire Cline

1. Shadow Woman by Linda Howard
2. Touch and Goby by Lisa Gardner
3. Beyond Belief by Jenna M. Hill
4. Deadly Stakes by J.A. Jance
5. Two Graves by Preston & Child

Shadow Woman by Linda Howard—This was a thrilling novel of romance, suspense, intrigue and memories that can kill. It's about a woman named Lizette Henry that wakes up one morning and makes a terrifying discovery: she doesn't recognize the face she sees in the mirror. She remembers what she looks like, but her reflection is someone else's. Strange memories soon begin to surface and some unusual skills and talents that Lizette hasn't a clue about acquiring. As the story continues, Lizette confronts a conspiracy that is treacherous and far-reaching and a truth, that once revealed, may silence her once and for all. A good read.

Touch and Goby by Lisa Gardner: This novel is a heart-stopping story of what lurks behind the facade of a perfect family. Justin and Libby Denbe and their 15-year-old daughter Ashlyn have the kind of life that looks good in the pages of a glossy magazine; beautiful home, a great marriage, admired by friends and family—a perfect life. When investigator Tessa Leoni arrives at the crime scene in the Denbes' home, she finds scuff marks on the floor and Taser confetti in the foyer. The family appears to have been abducted. No witnesses, no ransom demands, no

motive. Just an entire family, vanished without a trace. The worst is yet to come.

Beyond Belief by Jenna Miscavige Hill: With Scientology being in the news so much lately I thought I would read something different. This is the secret life of Jenna inside Scientology and her harrowing escape. Jenna was the niece of the Church of Scientology's leader David Miscavige. She grew up at the center of this highly controversial and powerful organization. At 21, Jenna made a daring break, risking everything she had ever known and loved to leave Scientology once and for all. Now she speaks out about her life, the Church, and her dramatic escape, going deep inside a religion that, for decades has been the subject of fierce debate and speculation worldwide. This book was disturbing as well as interesting and was an eye-opener.

Deadly Stakes by J.A. Jance: This is a thrilling mystery by one of my favourite authors. This time the main character is Alie Reynolds, who finds herself working against the police to add up the clues that connect one frightened teenager, two dead bodies and \$300,000...with the body count rising. Though Alie's friends in the police department grow increasingly irritated by her involvement, Alie must stop a ruthless killer from claiming another victim...before she is lost in this game of deadly stakes.

Two Graves by Preston & Child - For 12 years, he believed she'd died in an accident. Then, he was told she'd been murdered. Now,

FBI Special Agent Pendergast discovers that his beloved wife, Helen, is alive. But their reunion is cut short when Helen is brazenly abducted before his eyes. And Pendergast is forced to embark on a furious cross-country chase to rescue her. But all this turns out to be mere a prologue to a far larger plot: one that unleashes a chillingly—almost supernaturally—adept serial killer in New York City. His pursuit of the murderer will take him deep into the trackless forests of South America to a hidden place where the evil that has blighted both his and Helen's lives lies in wait—a place where he will learn all too well the truth of the ancient proverb: "Before you embark on a journey of revenge, dig two graves." A good read.

Lots of good books to read to help one get through the cold winter nights. Remember, Providence Bay library is now open Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Wednesdays, 1 to 3:30pm, and Fridays 1 to 4:30 pm.

There are many new books to find at the Providence Bay library and we need you, the people, to come to your library. There are computers for you to use, we have a photocopier machine that can make copies for you in colour or black and white, as well as DVDs and talking books. Hope to see you soon.

At the Mindemoya library we are fundraising for a much needed addition. Friends of the Library will be holding a raffle in the spring to raise money as well as designing

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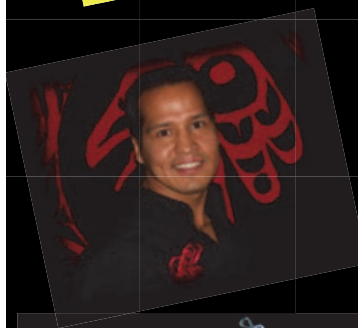
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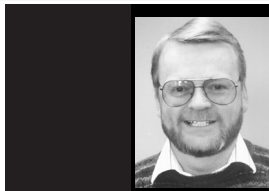
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The Canada Beef Inc. website www.canadabeef.ca is geared to Canadian beef producers and has lots of information just a click away. The site has been up and running for a few months, and is designed to provide information, merchandise and resources that may be useful when selling, discussing or promoting Canadian beef. The main tools available on the website consist of resources,



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newsroom, beef ambassador and The Brand newsletter, and provide a wide range of information and tools. In the resources tab, producers will find direct links to image libraries, industry fact sheets, recipe booklets and infor-

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Inventory time

December 31 is the year-end for many farm businesses. Many operations complete a business overview and farm analysis for this 12-month period. An impor-

tant part of the year-end summary is taking inventory. This means a making a list of farm business assets at year-end. It is important to have an accurate count of crops in storage, stored hay and straw, livestock, crop inputs like fuel, fertilizer, etc. A value is put on each item, which is usually current market value. This value is used in summarizing the year's business and as a comparison from year to year.

Assiginack Public Library Feature

by Debbie Robinson

"Heading Home: On Starting a New Life in a Country Place" is a sensible, realistic guide to creating a life beyond urban boundaries. Canadian author Lawrence Scanlan chronicles the road from city to country dwelling—the bumps, the ruts and all its ups and downs. It is the true story of a journey from traffic lights, malls and cement to back-roads, farmers' markets and green space. Every trip needs a guide—this book is it!

There are many examples of fine women pilots. "The Sky's the Limit: Canadian Bush Pilots" by Joyce Spring clearly profiles some of these fearless women. They have flown everything from survey runs and water-bombing

missions to cargo freight routes and medical emergency operations. This is an interesting, well-researched and entertaining look at the ladies who sit in the pilot's seat.

Everyone is getting married or at least that's how it seems in Catherine McKenzie's novel "Arranged." This is the story of one woman's search for love, commitment and the right man—things don't always go as planned or run smoothly. This is a tale that looks at happy endings and their complications. A fun read!

"Life Sentence" by Laura Lippman is the story of a young woman's triumphant return to her hometown. As a celebrated author she sets about looking for the subject of

her next bestseller. All however do not appreciate her quest and she soon comes head-to-head with a nest of local secrets that threaten to change her world forever.

Young Adult Reads: "Pop" by Gordon Korman and "The Dragon Seer" by Janet McNaughton.

DVD Pick: "Robin Hood" starring Russell Crowe and Cate Blanchett—an epic telling of the tale behind the legend!

The Library has free wireless Internet during Library hours for patron convenience so bring your Internet device and log on!

See you at the Library!

Spring Bay Rural Route

We still keep having cold weather, but then that's winter.

On February 20 there will be a noon luncheon of soup, sandwiches and dessert at St. Francis Anglican Church in Mindemoya from 11 am to 1:30 pm. Price is \$10.

The euchre at Providence Bay on Tuesday night had six tables. It was a snowy blowy night.

Had a call from Betty Greenman on Tuesday. She had an

operation on her ankle and is doing very well.

A Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper will be held on February 12 at Mindemoya Mission Church (by the four churches) from 4:30 pm to 7 pm. Adults, \$10; children over five, \$5.

Reverend Bain and Lynda Peever is home this week after holidaying in Mexico for a couple of weeks.

Nola Haner called from Florida and she is doing fine. She said hello to everyone.

Not much news this week.

Happy Valentine's Day to my relatives, friends and readers, also the staff at the Expositor and Recorder.

Have a good day!

Providence Bay News and Notes

Some of ours and yours are in the Mindemoya Hospital. We wish them all a speedy recovery. Also, the Providence Bay Library is open on Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 pm with a great selection of new book available for reading on a cold winter night.

Ladies' quilting is on Fridays from 10 am - 4 pm at the

hall. The coffee club held their pancake breakfast last Thursday. Remember the first Thursday of each month is Pancake Breakfast day. A great breakfast was served.

This weekend is the Ladies' Bonspiel at the Providence Bay Curling Club. Come out and cheer the ladies on.

A great turnout to the first annual Providence Bay Jr.

curling bonspiel was held on the weekend. There was teams from all over the Island, Espanola and Conniston. A special thanks goes out to the Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions Club for all your help. Please phone 705-377-4449 with your news.



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Tehkummah Talk and Times

My coffee got cold while talking on the phone. It seems I'm always drinking cold something or other or warm if it's supposed to be cold, if you know what I mean.

My golly! It's time to get out my warmest blankie and sit outside. That beautiful sun coming up this Saturday morning tempts me. I was up early though, made another pan of squares for our tea, had to go around to the hall about seven and get my cake pan. Somehow I'm one large pan short. Got the veggies chopped for the sandwiches, had my coffee so I only have to get fully dressed and get moving. It's already ten after nine and as usual I'm behind time, and here I sit writing, but gotta vamoose. See you later!

Here I am, twenty to one Monday morning. I just woke up. Cal had come over for supper and brought his own can of soup! I had leftover sandwiches and a few squares from our Valentine Tea, and we extended that luncheon to our after church on Sunday and before our annual Church board meeting lunch. I went in earlier and got the coffee and tea ready. Lynda brought good soup, there was ham, devilled eggs and a delicious cabbage salad as well. So as usual we all fared well. Do you ever notice, ha, ha, that I talk about food a lot in the column? Of course it is one of my favourite subjects and one of my favourite things to do—make, bake and/or eat!

As you can well imagine, our last few days around here have been busy and I in my old age am feeling the effects of overdoing it, but I don't know how to not do!

We had a cute little fellow join his and our church family today at church. He was about the same size as Rummy and he moves around a little quicker. My he's a sharp young fellow, is "Quinlan", walking around holding on, of course, but a very secure young fellow, he's cute, he took a liking to Burt. He's only 10-months-old, and he brought Aunt Rosie to church as well as his dad and grandmother. We hope he comes back, a good little fellow.

Burt Bosje is feeling some better after the surgery on his legs.

Everyone almost is treadmilling these days. We are still walking at the hall!

Well once again due to the amazing ladies of our Sr. UCW here in Tehkummah, we held a very successful Valentine Tea. Not only did the day cooperate weatherwise with beautiful sunshine, but all sorts of beautiful smiling people came through the doors of our hall and were still smiling (and that's a good thing) when they left. We had over 20 door prize draws and 22 regular draws. This time we also had two lucky chair draws, they had red hearts taped underneath. The hall looked very festive with the white tables clothes, the colourful bouquets and napkins, and the lovely fancy cup and saucer at each place. I had just got most of the decorations up the day before while I was walking or instead of. Lorna and Reta put up some higher ones, when we set up on Friday afternoon. Thanks to Terry, Wayne and Richard as well as "my crew" for all the work moving tables too. The girls came in on Saturday morning for the sandwich making. The dessert trays looked just beautiful and the Valentine heart cookies just set the trays off. Once again to my crew, thanks so much for making the day go so well. Thank you so much for the door prizes and draw items and the beautiful Valentine basket. Kid's door prize winners: Faer, Skylar, Kirsten. Adult door prize winners: Erma McAllister, Irene James, Joan VanEvery, Connie Townsend, Mira Kolcheff, Sharon Gleason, Phyllis Middaugh, McKenzie Dick-ee, Sheila Armstrong, Sharon Savage, Jean McCulligh, Diane Gee, Joan McMurray, Karen Wyman, Mary O'Neil, Irwin MacIntyre, Irene MacIntyre, Elaine McCauley, Vivian Bowerman, Shirley Bond, Dot Watson. Draw winners: bath basket, Jean McCulligh; lamp, Marilyn Moggy; bear and beads, Faer; surprise red bag, Skylar Reckahn; candy hearts, Kirsten Bowerman; surprise, Jean McCulligh; Valentine special basket, Jackie Hallett; wildlife photos, Jean McCulligh; blueberry and crabapple jelly, Pauline Martin; preserves, Nancy Halloway;

draw, Louise Marselle; hat, scarf, mitts, Fay Gilliard; wild raspberry basket, Carol Collins; kissing bears, Pauline Martin; surprise, Linda Bowerman; tea, Marlane Ste. Croix; floating hearts, Sherry Case; cup, saucer, teas, Joan VanEvery; cup and saucer, Marilyn Moggy; chimes, Sandra Pope; vase, Pat Hall. The lucky chair winners were Dot Watson and Cindy (I'm sorry I didn't get her last name). I was introduced to Amanda Robinson's pretty little daughter "Lauren". (I hope I spelled it right.) Elaine McCauley was back to her old stompin' grounds too for the day from Little Current way and from Meldrum Bay. We are so glad to see you all!

I was dragging my (well never mind) but Cal came along after and took me to Carol's and Earl's for a light supper. Colleen McCauley was celebrating her 46th (she said) birthday! Reegan came in ahead and ordered a brownie with a candle in it, so we all sang Happy Birthday to her! Dennis was with them. Then Cal beat me at cribbage again, I did win once this week and once at Mum's skunk, but most days I walk away on the losing end.

I was muttering about my darned toaster oven thinking it was done for (fairly new it is) but then I realized it was unplugged, because last time I used it, it didn't shut off. The darned appliances ya hafta be so careful these days! Does anything really work right? Me included? Not so much!

Pauline was in having a visit with Mum this Wednesday morning when I stopped in with her mail. Sis Susan too hasn't been feeling so good and she loves to snowshoe. At least we have the snow for it!

I have to clean the bird

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feeders off every day it seems and I wade the stuff right to my knees!

Wasn't that an amazing life, in the tribute to Barney Reilly? What a nice man! They had written to me (because of my column) long before they moved to Manitoulin. Sympathy Helga and the family.

For all who are ailing, get well soon. Sherman overdid? Take it easy!

Happy Valentine's Day! I send you all my new repaired heart.

God Bless and hello to all my long distance friends, fans, and folk in the nursing homes.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Papa O & Lydia

Love Chris, Denise, Brianna, Nick,
Andrew, Mike, Nick and Little Bri

CUPE Local 2624 Members Express their Big Hearts!



On behalf of CUPE local 2624, member Chris Smith presents \$1,000. to Special Olympics Coach Katherine Tipper and Special Olympics Floor Hockey Team.

In honour of Developmental Service Worker Appreciation Day on January 19th, Local 2624 union members with their generous hearts, are proud to continue much needed support to Manitoulin Special Olympics. CUPE Local 2624 donated one thousand dollars towards travel costs for special olympic athletes to enrich their lives!

CUPE Local 2624 would also like to challenge Community Living Manitoulin board of directors to match our donation to Manitoulin Special Olympic athletes.

CUPE Local 2624 invites you to join us, as we co-host an event on February 14th from 1pm – 3pm at C.L.M. day program in celebration of Developmental Service Worker Appreciation Week. This is an opportunity to receive thanks and give thanks to the special people who enrich our lives that community living supports! We invite front line staff, C.L.M board members and management, special olympic coaches, employers of our individuals, and community members who have made a special attempt to enrich the lives of these amazing individuals! Take your coffee break on us, as we serve you a hot beverage and treats and share a big thank you.

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