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COW-CAPADES—This herd of cattle took to the ice on Mindemoya Lake last week close to the government dock and swimming beach. The sure-footed bovines managed to get onto the ice and then off again without mishap and were certainly proof to ice fishers and snowmobilers that if the ice was sufficiently thick to support close to 20 closely-packed cattle it would support just about anything local humans were likely to take on the ice.

photo by JP Leblanc

Sheg stalemate carries on

*School bus doesn't run, audit still unsigned
Some band staff laid off as standoff continues*

by Alicia McCutcheon

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION—The divide among members of the chief and council of the Sheguiandah First Nation continues, with the six outstanding band council resolutions and the community's audit

still going unsigned.

The Expositor learned last week that as a result of some unsigned resolutions, the cash flow to the reserve was being affected which has led to the indefinite layoffs of three band employees (one recreation direc-

tor and two tutors), with perhaps more in the future.

Chief Orville Aguonie explained that there are three to four drivers hired to transport band members to appointments and this transportation cost is paid for with money that comes from the band but is reimbursed through Health Canada on a quarterly basis. "These vehicles we have don't run on miigwetches," the chief noted. "The bills are being paid, but we've got to trim the fat."

Chief Aguonie explained that money from the reserve's general fund pays for the annual powwow, Christmas party and gifts as well as for the winter carnival and is then reimbursed at the end of each year through the

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Fellow trustee agrees Killens able to publicly state his opinion

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—It appears Larry Killens has at least one trustee of the Rainbow District School Board backing him and his choice to voice personal opinions through letters to the editor

through this newspaper and others within the Rainbow Board.

The Expositor was contacted last week after the front page article 'Trustee's letter to editor irks Rainbow Board chair, union president' was published on February 20, which tells the story of

Manitowaning OPP station under scrutiny

by Alicia McCutcheon with files from Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—During last week's meeting of Assiginack council, Councillor Les Fields shared with her fellow members of council the news of the possible the closure of the Manitowaning detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP).

Councillor Fields had the chance to bring forward the

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Wiky chosen to host new mental health, addictions unit

One of five across province

by Robin Burrige

WIKWEMIKONG—Ngwaagan Gaming Recovery Centre Inc. (Rainbow Lodge) in Wikwemikong has been selected as one of five First Nations communities in the province to host an Ontario Community Wellness Development Team (CWDT) to provide mental health and addictions expertise and support to First Nations communities seeking help in addressing prescription narcotics addiction by blending traditional and cultural practices.

"Rainbow Lodge (Ngwaagan Gaming Recovery Centre Inc.) will be hosting the Community Wellness Development Team with funding through First Nations and Inuit Health and the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care," explained Ngwaagan Gaming executive director Rolanda Manitowabi. "Rainbow Lodge was requested to host the CWDT due to its recent participation in National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (NNADAP) renewal, modifying our treatment program approach to addictions treatment for polysubstance abuse."

"We will be hosting one of the CWDT teams and will provide services

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Northeast Town passes bylaw controlling clinics' locations

by Robin Burrige with files from Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—Last week the Northeast Town council passed proposed amendments to the town's commercial and residential zoning bylaw to limit the placement of future clinics (prompted by recent methadone clinic problems) in the municipality, despite a letter warning against "people zoning" from the Ontario Human Rights Commission (OHRC).

Last month, the Northeast Town council proposed amendments to the current commercial and residential zoning bylaw to change the definition of a busi-

ness 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."

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Northland Power's wind farm project awaits OEB licence

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—Northland Power's McLean's Mountain Wind farm project has applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for a Feed-in-Tariff Program Electricity Generation Licence, a licence to be able to generate electricity in Ontario. The OEB is accepting written submissions for the licence's written hearing, with a due date of Wednesday, March 6. They are also requesting that if anyone objects to a written hearing, they must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary by tomorrow, Thursday, February 28.

"All written submissions sent to the board will be placed on the public record, which means that

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Special conferences to address seniors' needs

Upcoming in Mindemoya and Little Current

by Betty Bardswich

MINDEMOYA—Islanders over the age of 55 are invited to attend a two-day seniors' conference which will be held in Mindemoya at the Missionary Church on March 6 and in Little Current at the Northeast Town Recreation Centre on March 19. The forum, titled 'Life After 55, Living Island Style' is an initiative hosted by the Manitoulin Service Providers Network and is coordinated by Mindemoya resident Ron Kenney.

Lori Oswald, the executive director of the Mani-

toulin Central Family Health Team, is one of the organizers of the conference and she is excited that this event will be taking place.

"We have so many things in place to support seniors," Ms. Oswald told The Expositor. "We are hoping to showcase what there is for seniors to keep them independent, safe and healthy in their own homes. Seniors make up such a large portion of the Manitoulin population and we have to support them. We are hoping that people will come to both events."

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Evansville's Featherstone family farm receives OCA 2013 Environmental Stewardship Award

EVANSVILLE—The Ontario Cattlemen's Association (OCA) is pleased to announce that John, Pauline and Austin Featherstone of Evansville are the winners of The Environmental Stewardship Award (TESAward) for 2013, sponsored by RBC Royal Bank.

Mr. Featherstone and his family, owners of Stone Island Ranch on beautiful Manitoulin Island, operate a custom grazing operation pasturing roughly 150 head of cattle a year. Stone Island Ranch was nominated for the award by the Manitoulin Island Cattlemen's Association.

Stone Island Ranch has demonstrated their commitment and passion for environmental sustainability since they purchased the farm in 2008. Currently, their farm is divided into 22 paddocks and subdivided by portable poly wire so they can move their cattle with ease every day to fresh grass and also increase the rest periods between grazing. They have also made substantial improvements in their fencing system to fence cattle away from the three water sources located at various locations around their farm and installed a portable solar water system that pumps water through 7,000 feet of water pipe. When the cattle are moved the water tank is also moved with them, ensuring cattle have easy access to water and organic matter remains in the field to fertilize naturally.

"Stone Island Ranch has been working to make their farm more productive for a number of years since taking the Environmental Farm Plan Workshop in 2006," said Mary Scott, Manitoulin Island Environmental Farm Plan Program Representative. "They have restricted their livestock from wetlands and ponds and provided alternative water sources powered by solar. They have developed an extensive rotational grazing system that allows for improved pasture growth and production."

"Manitoulin Island has experienced a number of dry years recently, and John and his family have been able to provide feed and water for their livestock throughout these challenging seasons," Ms. Scott continued.

"The Manitoulin District is characterized by areas of flat limestone with shallower soils," explained Brian Bell, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs representative for Manitoulin Island. "Building soil organic matter holds many benefits, and proper pasture management aids in this process. Stone Island Ranch's approach to soil management is exemplary, resulting in improved cattle productivity gains on their farm. Improving pasture land without having high input costs is something we strive for on Stone Island Ranch."

"By decreasing our fossil fuel consumption, utilizing the alternative resources on our farm, and implementing a solar water system, we maintain our commitment to the environment and to our bottom-line profitability," Mr. Featherstone said. "With time, we hope to increase our herd capacity while keeping abreast of new developments in pasture management and improved environmental practices."



John Featherstone holds up a Canadian flag along with his son Austin and wife Pauline Featherstone during a rally held last in June of 2011 to wish Austin off to the Special Olympics Summer World Games in Athens, Greece where he was representing Canada in track and field.

file photo by Robin Burridge



Auxiliary launches fundraising campaign with \$1,000 donation

The Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary launched a new fundraising campaign last week, aimed at raising \$10,000 for the purchase of an intravenous (IV) pump for the facility. The auxiliary launched the new campaign with a \$1,000 donation. "During the flu season a number of patients had to travel to the hospital for IV treatment and spend a long time there hospital," explained auxiliary chair Linda Bowerman. "We are hoping to raise the money for the purchase of an IV pump so that the Manor will be able to provide the service in-house in the future. As part of the campaign, a small wishing well has been placed inside the entrance to the Manor, where individuals can place donations, with any donations over \$10 being eligible for a receipt. Shown in the donation photo, from left, is Centennial Manor administrator Carol McIlveen, Manor resident Bud McConnell and auxiliary members Liz Nollert, Ms. Bowerman, Lynda Richer, Brenda Hallett and Joe Williamson.

photo by Robin Burridge

Service Ontario at new location in Assiginack

ASSIGINACK—Ontario will continue to provide Manitowaning and area residents with easy access to health card, Ontario Photo Card, and driver and vehicle licencing services at the new Service Ontario centre at 14295 A Highway 6, effective this week.

The new location is about two kilometres from the old centre at 85 Arthur Street, which will close at 5 pm on Friday, February 22, and can be found on

Highway 6, north of Manitowaning. There will be no service gap.

The hours of operation are Monday to Friday, 12:30 pm to 5 pm.

Ontarians can also save time and money by accessing a number of services online, such as renewing licence plate stickers and applying for birth, death or marriage certificates.

Canadian Human Rights Tribunal on equity and fairness for First Nation children begins this week

OTTAWA—Assembly of First Nations (AFN) National Chief Shawn A-in-chut Atleo made the opening statement at the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal Monday of this week, further advocating and supporting the need for equity and fairness for First Nation children as the Tribunal begins its hearings on First Nation child welfare.

"There are more First Nation children in care today than during the height of residential schools," Chief Atleo said in an Assembly of First Nations press release. "This is completely unacceptable. The voices of our young people are gaining strength in the demand for fundamental and transformative change for all First Nations in ways that will unlock potential and support success. I look forward to a fair and independent process and, more importantly, getting to the work of implementing remedies to secure equity, fairness and the supports our children deserve."

"Equity for First Nation chil-

dren and families is essential and necessary to create safety, security and to ensure our children have the opportunity to succeed," the national chief continued. "All Canadians should be deeply concerned to learn that services for these First Nation children and their families on-reserve fall short of those provided to other Canadian children. Shortchanging our kids and families has a direct impact on every aspect of our communities' broader socio-economic realities and opportunities. First Nations stand firm in protecting our rights and our children. We will be vigilant, and we will not let them down. All Canadians can and should play a role in achieving remedies that ensure families and children have every opportunity to succeed. Success demands that governments work respectively and transparently with First Nations guided by the principles of fairness, respect for rights and honouring responsibilities.

"This case was filed as a last

resort after successive governments have failed to implement the solutions that would help First Nations children stay safely in their families," says First Nations Child and Family Caring Society Executive Director Dr. Cindy Blackstock. "The Government of Canada needs to do what caring adults do as a matter of course—put children first and end the inequities. We cannot, as a people or a country, afford to discriminate against children as a matter of public policy."

On February 27, 2007 AFN and the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada launched a complaint with the Canadian Human Rights Commission. The complaint alleges that the Government of Canada had a longstanding pattern of providing less government funding for child welfare services to First Nations children on reserves than is provided to non-aboriginal children resulting in inequitable services.

The hearings are expected to continue until August 2013.

Little Current Legion hosts H-3 zone Royal Canadian Legion public speaking contest

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—Last Sunday, the Little Current Royal Canadian Legion Branch #177 hosted the Zone H-3 Royal Canadian Legion public speaking contest, with youths from twelve legions in the area competing to move on to the next stage, the District H competition.

From Manitoulin, Kowan Orford of the Western Manitoulin Branch #514 placed

first in the Primary Grades 1-3 division for his speech on John Deere and farming, while Joel Mailloux from the Little Current branch placed second for his speech on monster trucks. Other Manitoulin winners included Amber Wahl of the Little Current branch who placed second in the Junior Grades 4-6 division for her speech on books and Jessica Marshall, also representing the Little Current branch, who

took home first place in the intermediate Grades 7-9 with her speech on Facebook.

Grace Selinger from the Espanola Legion/Branch #39 came in first in the Junior Grades 4-6 division with a speech on Bill 115, while second place in the Intermediate Grades 7-9 went to Gabrielle Rivet from Onaping Falls Branch #503 for her speech on the ozone layer.

Finally, first place in the Senior Grades

10-12 division went to Brooklyn Debruyne from Lockerby Branch # 564 with a speech on Rattle Snake Bundys.

The above first place winners will go on to compete at the District H Royal Canadian public speaking competition in Sudbury on Sunday, March 17 at Branch #76.

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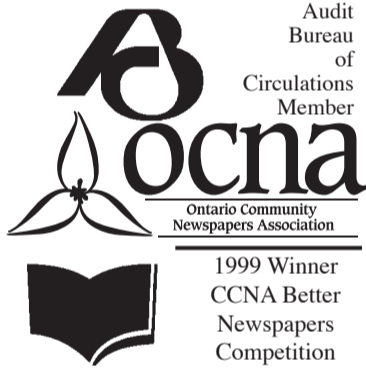
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opinion

editorial

M'Chigeeng's response to methadone emergency exemplary

The methadone treatment program remains in the news as the Northeast Council heard a delegation from the Manitoulin Addictions and Mental Health Partners Committee last week that urged elected officials to a benevolent view on any further treatment centres within the town.

The town is in the process of passing enabling bylaws that would see any future clinics of the same nature subject to site-specific criteria and the neighbouring Township of Assiginack is passing very similar legislation, at least on an interim basis.

Meanwhile, M'Chigeeng First Nation has moved ahead to establish a clinic where members of the community can visit their specialist physician in Mindemoya, acquire their methadone drinks at the pharmacy in the same community and receive the counseling they will need to help end their dependency close to home through the M'Chigeeng Health Centre.

Clearly the closure of the Little current clinic site on the town's front street has caused serious dislocation to people who have come to rely on it for the past three years, many of whom are now travelling to Espanola and Sudbury clinics, at least in the short run.

The community of M'Chigeeng, including its administration, elected officials and health providers, must be congratulated for acting promptly to put a system in place that seems, if anything, less oner-

ous to its clientele than the old model that saw a single treatment centre in one community, Island wide.

The topic is a delicate one and the issue on Manitoulin is merely a snapshot of dependency issues that affect communities large and small the length and breadth of Canada.

The M'Chigeeng model, that the community simply moved ahead to create, must be viewed as exemplary. People are treated close to home for their dependencies and in their home community receive vital assistance to move away from those same dependencies.

The issue will be with us for some time to come, no doubt, but hopefully we will be able to look forward to a series of freestanding clinics with associated counseling services just as the M'Chigeeng model demonstrates.

It would seem that if people can be dealt with closer to home there will be far fewer interruptions to education, family life and employment and if, as in M'Chigeeng, counseling can be provided in the home community or very close to it, this should help to reinforce the benefit of the freedom associated with a dependency-free life.

People's families, it is clear, want to help with this process. The closer people remain to caring family members through all stages of the rehabilitation process it would make sense the more effective this process will be.

Island restaurant fare delights visiting diner

'I look forward to moving here'

To the Expositor:

My wife recently got a job on the Island and was able to return home to her community. I had the chance to visit recently, and we went for dinner at three of Manitoulin Island's restaurants: Mindemoya's Roosteraunt, Wikwemikong's Eddy's Family Restaurant and Manitowaning's Muskie Widow Restaurant. I have to say the service and hospitality at all three restaurants was superb, along with the quality of the food.

At the Roosteraunt, the specialty was meatloaf with mashed potatoes and turnips and carrots. The presentation and taste was delicious. Eddy's Family Restaurant was the real deal in terms of home cooking.

The trip to the Muskie Widow could have been a lonely mid-week dinner in Manitowaning, but the cook, server and host, John, was more than a good cook, he was fast, courteous, and shared his knowledge about the theatre across the street (Debajehmugig), fishing in the area and numerous other Island activities.

I have to say, the food and hospitality around the Island is wonderful and I look forward to moving here to join my wife.

Thank you Manitoulin folks,

Richard Cywink
Ottawa

No on-ice officials, no hockey, including recreational hockey

Thanks to the many volunteers involved in the game

To the Expositor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers involved in the game of hockey. This year Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association had 38 teams and a schedule of 400 games from November 2012 to February 2013. It has been a very busy year for everyone involved in minor hockey and our hockey officials have been very committed and dedicated, but we are in desperate need of more for the upcoming 2013-14 season.

Currently, we have less than 10 officials capable of bantam and midget level hockey, and with six communities having this calibre of hockey, it puts pressure on the very few hockey officials we have in our system. Some communities on Manitoulin Island have no officials and need to pay travel to accommodate these levels of hockey and others.

Our hockey officials are also coaches, parents of children in hockey and have other commitments in and outside of hockey, which makes it difficult to accommodate our minor hockey system.

Furthermore, men and women tournaments that happen in several communities on weekends during the winter months rely on the same experienced officials to accommodate their games. Literally, hundreds of men and women participate in these non-sanctioned weekend events, but the convenors and players rely heavily on our Hockey Canada officials to commit themselves so they may enjoy these tournaments.

Our officiating program is in desperate need of officials and volunteers. We invite the hundreds of men and women who play on weekends and recreationally to come and assist.

Instead of showing up to the local arena and expect that there will be officials, perhaps show up as an official and give back some of your time to the local community that you reside. For further information on how to become a hockey official, contact Jason Thibault by email: district_7@hotmail.com.

Jason Thibault, Level 4 Hockey Canada Official
Little Current

Writer saddened by board chair's, union's response to Killens

Cites Island trustee's caring and passion

To the Expositor:

I write to disapprove of the treatment of Mr. L. Killens, resulting from his letter to The Expositor ('Larry Killens weighs in on strike,' December 19, 2012, page 4) urging teachers to resume extracurricular supervision. A Ms. Blasutti (union leader and writer of the complaint letter) and a Ms. Dewar (chair of the board) would have wished him to remain silent ('Trustee's letter to editor irks Rainbow Board chair, union president, February 20, 2013, page 1).

Ms. Dewar agreed with Ms. Blasutti's complaint and berated Mr. Killens in an unusually crude fashion, as quoted in an Expositor story. She cited bylaw 8.17 as the offended article (google "Rainbow District School Board Bylaws" and scroll down the conveniently numbered list).

A cursory reading of this bylaw leaves me unclear as to whether it was contravened by Mr. Killens. He stated that he was commenting "on (his) own behalf." His preliminary self-identification as a trustee was equally clearly stated, in the same sentence, as an easily understood attempt to avoid any reader confusion that he was exercising "governance" or acting in any official board capacity. He may also have intended simply to reassure readers of his good intentions by mentioning his work as a trustee on behalf of education.

Firstly, I find Ms. Dewar's research quite questionable in that she accuses a fellow board member of contravening a seemingly inaptly selected bylaw. Of Ms. Dewar's litany of castigation and menu of blood-curdling punishments that could await the miscreant Killens, I am insufficiently recovered to speak.

Secondly, and of greater concern, I find it curious that Ms. Blasutti grants to herself licence to urge—in a published newspaper (i.e., "in public") Ontario residents to rise up en masse to protest Bill 115 because "it could happen to you." In fact, the constitutionality of this bill has not, I believe, been decided. The governments of provinces and the federation have the right to deny Canadians' charter rights if certain conditions are met; and yet Ms. Blasutti has seemingly subsumed to herself this decision, as evidenced by her shrill cautions to all and sundry that the teachers are the victims of legal abuse that could soon engulf us all.

This is not necessarily true. The legislative arms must consider carefully any legislation that denies our Charter rights and defend their bills in the light of rigorous legal tests that have become Supreme Court precedents ("Oakes"). What is more, her declamations extend far beyond the ambit of education. One would wish that her legal concerns would remain just that—legal concerns, without trying to embroil the entire populace in uninformed protest. Until that great day when she is summoned from her union office to join her Supreme Court colleagues, we Ontarians must be content with the guidance of our present Court, deficient though it may be. Contrast this behaviour with the caring tone and passion of the letter of Mr. Killens and reflect.

In his letter, Mr. Killens pleads the students' cause when he likewise pleads with the teachers to resume extracurriculars. We must accept the work-to-rule concept in all its airtight legality and acknowledge it as a cogent legal labour tactic. But I can't help thinking that Mr. Killens was responding to a higher call—the greater good of the students—when he urged teacher forbearance while the wiser powers of union, board and province thrashed out their grievances. Mr. Killens' grief is the extensive collateral damage accompanying these legal, and indubitably wise, manoeuvres.

Not all thought and not all speech is governed by the bylaws of various and sundry boards and unions and committees, and I am saddened that these leaders should wish the silence of this good man. Teachers and boards and educational theorists are forever braying about creative thought and involvement, of independent thinking and courage of action. Then, when one good man practices these, he is pilloried. One would expect that this board chair and this union leader would possess the resilience and tolerance to weather and utilize Mr. Killens' rather noble deed.

Phil Dabous
Saigon, Vietnam
(summer resident of Little Current)

JUSTINE CAMPBELL

Justine Campbell did her stint for the war effort like so many other Manitouliners. She took on the guise of 'Rosy the Riveter' in layman's terms or 'Rosie the Bucker' within the business. "My friend and I put in the rivets that manufactured the big Lancaster bombers for World War Two. We added the engine casings, the cowling, on the assembly line in the third bay," Justine shares. "I was 'Justine the 'Bucker' and I held the cowling in place with a dolly made for this purpose. My friend Billie actually put in the rivets." Multiple gigantic bays and huge machinery along with several thousand employees made up the entire production capacity for the Lancaster Bombers.

"My mother's family, the Skippens and Morphets, were early settlers here. Grandmother Morphet made a quilt that is still in my home today. I use it as an extra blanket when someone is cold during the night. My mother never saw her children marry, so she didn't get to meet her grandchildren. My dad's family, David and Mary Laidley, came to Manitoulin in the mid-19th century. David was a farmer and he wanted to live beside a lake where farmland was cheaper. Mary, by all accounts, was a good seamstress. She made suits for men. Their home is located on the North Channel and was in the family for 100 years before it was sold two years ago."

The Laidleys contributed to the war effort in the First World War by saving fat in barrels. The barrels were picked up and the fat used to make ammunition. Mary also went into town to roll bandages which were sterilized by the Red Cross in Little Current before being sent to the front.

"My dad Tom went west to work on farms and make some money. He met my mother shortly after he got back from the west, and in time they were married. Justine was born to Tom and Stella (Morphet) Laidley on April 15, 1925 on the old Laidley farm on Manitowaning Road. I was named after a teacher, Justine Foster, who taught out of the old No. One School, on Hwy 540 near Little Current," Justine offers. "My first memory seems a bit odd. I seem to be lying in my wicker cradle and dad's two sisters are gazing down at me. One said 'she looks like me.' I remember thinking I don't look like that old lady."

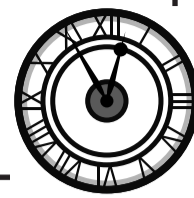
"I also remember coming home in our horse-drawn buggy. Ben, our horse, didn't need coaxing. He always moved at a good clip on that well-worn path leading home. One time he seemed to move even faster than normal. When we got home, my mother, who had been on the trip, announced she had heard a wolf howling. My father walked up the road to investigate. He came to the neighbour's house where he was told that a wolf had followed them home. It seems old Ben had heard or smelled the wolf and decided to cut some time off the journey."

"Wolves would often run into our yard. We had two pet lambs. Both were mauled by the wolves and died, even though they were right next to our barn which was close to our house. The predators seemed to be unafraid. I guess they were very hungry. In the summer, while berry picking, my aunt and my mother would always keep a running conversation going to keep all wild animals at bay."

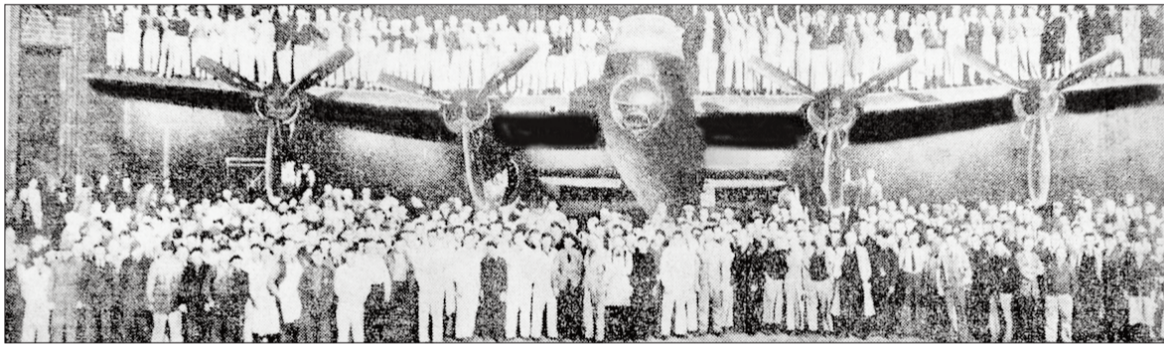
"My grandparents, John and Mary Morphet, moved into town and left us their farm on the outskirts when I was five. We used to come and go to town quite often. Mostly it was to visit my grandparents in Little Current for a meal. In later years, when any one of us worked at Turners, we stayed with our grandparents. My sister worked for my grandmother as well," Justine continues. "At home, we always had cats, dogs,



Now and Then
A Celebration of Life on Manitoulin
Mnaachtoong Maadsewin
By Petra Wall



Justine, held by her father, along with her Morphet grandparents and Mary.



Toronto Lancaster Production team, 1944, with Justine standing over the right propellor. Courtesy of the Toronto Star.

favourite calves, pigs and chickens. One chicken called 'Do-little' always wanted to come into the house, and he did get in a few times, but mother always got him back out in a hurry. Cows lived in a hierarchy, each had a different personality, meek or bold, and that determined their rank in the herd."

"Mother was part nurse and doctor too. She used to keep a two-quart jar of black currants in the basement. If any of us had a tummy ache she would bring up this dark, ominous jar. One tablespoon of the concoction would be placed into a cup and this was mixed with warm water to fill the cup. Despite the medicinal aspect, we took it willingly because our sore stomachs always felt better in no time!"

"We slept on straw filled mattresses or 'ticks.' Each year after the thrashing period, these ticks would be re-loaded with fresh straw. The old straw was discarded. The bed would be unusually high in the middle and you had to cling to the centre for fear of falling off. After a while, compression created a small dent in the middle and this prevented you from falling off. Not many kids had the privilege of sleeping on a straw tick!"

The old Number One Howland School boasted 33 kids. Ethel Putt was the first teacher in the one-room school. "She was one of the nicest people in town and we were privileged to have her. Annie Johnston from Mindemoya was also a good teacher. These were the only teachers I had. My favourite subject was art. I always looked forward to 'drawing' days. We all played baseball too, usually against Sucker Creek. I played all positions and even though I enjoyed this sport very much, I don't remember actually winning a game against them."

"Our main means of transportation was walking and we did a lot of that, day and night. I got familiar with all phases of the moon. I loved walking with my parents at night. You see so much of nature. My sister and I had twin girlfriends and we often walked with them to Sunday school. We spent a fair bit of time climbing the mountain from the base where Hwy 540 crosses Mountain Road. We used to sit

smoking just wasn't for me. Toronto was gigantic; I couldn't get over how many lights were glowing in the streets there."

Justine got a job doing housework for a family with three children. "I was working there when I saw the advertisement for Victory Aircraft. I applied for that job and got it. I stayed until the end of the war about a year later. There was an amazing spirit of camaraderie. We were all working to help our boys by building Lancaster Bombers at Victory Aircraft." Justine and Billie (a girlfriend and co-worker from Victory Aircraft) put the cowling on hundreds of planes. If there was news



Our wedding day, September 1948, at the Little Current United Church.

there at the top, with our cousins and our friends, just daydreaming." Justine also recalls the excitement of a gramophone coming in. John McKie was a favourite singer and they always had a few of his recordings.

"I left school at age 14 when the Second World War started and decided to help in the family garden. If the population grew more of their own food, the soldiers on the front would get more food too. That family garden would free up canned goods that could head east for the war effort. In 1938 Justine won the T. Eaton trophy for her school. Her garden, her crops and the quality of her 'hem stitching' was the highest. She won \$4.20, a lot of money for that time. That was enough for all our Christmas presents that year. Money was scarce."

All the young men were leaving in 1939. At 17, Justine decided she wanted to help Canada more directly. She travelled alone on the old train, known as 'The Agony.' An \$11 ticket took her from Sudbury to Toronto where she could stay with a cousin for a while. "I saw other girls on the train. They managed to smoke, crochet and talk, all at the same time. It looked so cool. I tried this later but the

of a Lancaster limping home in England, that information was broadcast on the loudspeaker by the lead hands, so all could enjoy the success. "Each time we wondered if this was one of our planes. We took great pride in having assembled these aircraft. We noticed that the bombers usually recovered from their shelling over enemy territory and returned to the war theatre. One of our lead hands, 'Lankie' had been on a few 'sorties' and he could describe the events like no other."

Just before Japan surrendered in 1945, Billie and Justine came home to Manitoulin. Victory Aircraft was no more. Billie was from Cooksville, but was not in a rush to go there until the fall, so she came home to Manitoulin with her friend. Billie got a job at Sagle's in Little Current for the summer. Justine got a job at the Fairway Store. "We walked to work each day, rain or shine. Sometimes we had to take the taxi back because we were soaked, change, and take the taxi back to town. The war ended in August. Billie met Clive Ballantine, another Little Current native and World War Two veteran, through his mum, a taxi driver who charged

\$10 to go to Toronto and back. Clive also had only intended to stay a while. In time, they decided to marry and move to Toronto to work. We still stay in touch. I saw both of them at Christmas last year."

Lawrence Albert Campbell was one of the lucky soldiers who returned from war. He had grown up in the Honora area south of town. "I knew he was the guy when I first met him. It was a serious relationship and soon a wedding was planned. Our nuptials were to be postponed when my brother and mother passed away but my mother had made me promise that her death would not delay our wedding plans. It was a quiet wedding with just the immediate family present, on a sunny September 28, 1948. We ate the bottom layer of the cake, preserving the two top layers as a souvenir." Justine remembers. "It was difficult not to share this special day with my mother. Thankfully, Lawrence's mum was one of the greatest mother-in-laws I could have had. She was a real blessing."

After the wedding, the Campbells began work at Polk's Lodge on an island in McGregor Bay. There was no time for a honeymoon. Lawrence became the caretaker and looked after the boats. Justine cooked for the men who were building the boat house. "I had to make pies for noon each day. After I had my baby daughter, I had to work faster to make sure I could still get the meals out on time."

Justine and Lawrence had five children. Sadly, Sharon, their first, died at 10 1/2 months of convulsions in the hospital. Dr. Jack Bailey tried to save her but no one really knew what was wrong with her. "After Sharon died we decided living on an island in McGregor Bay was not ideal for a family. We moved back to Little Current to a house on Draper Street, right across from the school." During the 1950s Lawrence worked on the coal dock there. Within a few years, Justine was looking after three boys and one girl. "Funny the things that come back to mind. I remember all three boys had their tonsils out."

"I used to thoroughly enjoy going to our camp with the kids. Every spring we would move there to spend most of our time in an idyllic setting. I just loved the wide open spaces with the North Channel right there. You could see the sun rise daily. We faced east so we missed the sunset. Our door was always open and you didn't have to worry about taking shoes off. It was a carefree life. One year we got a bigger boat and started visiting Killarney and Baie Fine. We did lots of boating and fishing, mostly for bass. Lawrence always cleaned the fish but I learned how to clean them too. I still don't like it much, but we both loved fried fish, so it was a necessary chore."

In 1956 the family moved to Elliot Lake. They bought a new house and stayed for six years. Lawrence worked in the mine and Justine, anxious to make friends, took on the milk delivery for her area. She also took in boarders. "Television came along in the 1960s and Ponderosa was our favourite family television show. 'Gone with the Wind' with Vivien Leigh and Clark Gable was my favourite movie by far."

In 1962, the Campbells moved to Sault St. Marie where Lawrence spent many years at the steel plant. "We really dropped our roots here. I became a member of the Genealogy Club and that was a wonderful experience. For the first time I was exposed to vast amounts of information. Both the Laidley and the Campbell histories were completed here. I loved living in the Sault. We stayed until the kids left home, about 36 years later. In 1998 we moved back to Little Current, back to the cottage on

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Throne Speech offers olive branches to opposition parties

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—The first Throne Speech by Ontario's first female premier was the first in history to acknowledge that Queen's Park sits on the traditional territory of a First Nation. "I would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the New Credit," was the second line read aloud by Lieutenant Governor the Honourable David C. Onley as he laid out the approach Premier Kathleen Wynne's government intends to follow in the coming session of the legislature.

This Throne Speech contained a number of 'firsts' and although it is a largely symbolic and philosophical document, its passages were strewn with olive branches and other offerings extended to the two opposition parties that hold the fate of the minority government in their hands.

The following eight lines of the Throne Speech paid homage to another first, the late Honorable Lincoln Alexander, Ontario's first black lieutenant governor who recently passed away.

Ms. Wynne needs the support of at least one of the two opposition parties in order to keep her government in power, and since the leader of the Official Opposition Tim Hudak has clearly stated that his party would vote against anything Ms. Wynne brought forward, regardless of its content, it is largely to NDP leader Andrea Horwath and her party that salvation for the fledgling Liberal leader's government lies.

Ms. Horwath did not defeat the government on the Throne Speech, but nonetheless indicated strongly that unless her party's demands are to be found among the line items in the first Wynne budget, there will be a spring election.

"We're prepared to let this throne speech go by, we're prepared to pass it," Ms. Horwath told reporters following the Throne Speech, but she also made it



Premier Kathleen Wynne gave her first Throne Speech last week at Queen's Park.

clear that the NDP will be much tougher on the budget. "Families are feeling squeezed by tough times. They want government action that creates jobs, improves healthcare and makes life affordable while we balance the books," said Ms. Horwath in an NDP release. "This Throne Speech has a lot of promising talk, but unless we see action in the coming budget, we won't be able to support it."

The NDP is in much murkier waters than their Tory counterparts, as much of the Liberal resurgence in the polls following Ms. Wynne's success in the leadership race came at the expense of Ms. Horwath's party. Currently, the three parties are in a statistical dead heat (with the Tories closer to the top of the spread and the NDP nearer the bottom), Ms. Wynne's Liberals taking two of the three polls in the immediate aftermath of her leadership victory.

Ms. Wynne has good personal appeal in the polls (Mr. Hudak still trails his

party), but Ms. Horwath remains the most personally popular of the three party leaders.

As to the content of the Throne Speech, it began with a paean to those things that join the province together, rather than that which divides us.

"Where people have different backgrounds and different views, where they gaze upon different skylines, but share the same hopes. Your new government sees a great province that brings together disparate elements and bonds them together as one. And your new government believes the legislature should work the same way. For the benefit of the entire province, your government intends to work with opposition parties, in a spirit of renewed cooperation, to get the people's business done. It does not believe that we are irreparably divided," read the lieutenant governor.

The focus of the speech was clearly on fiscal responsibility, "the central

objectives of your new government will be fiscal responsibility, economic growth and increased employment, the bedrocks on which it will build," he continued. "It will ensure opportunity for all without letting anyone slip through the cracks."

The government committed itself to eliminating the deficit by 2017-2018, "and after that, it will restrict overall spending increases to one per cent below GDP growth until the province's debt-to-GDP ratio returns to the pre-recession level of 27 percent," the document asserted.

Despite the promised focus on fiscal responsibility, the Throne Speech contained a number of promises geared to the near and dear of Premier Wynne's two opponents. Among the policy planks lifted from the two opposition parties were welfare reform, improvement to mental health services, tax breaks and incentives for small business, greater community say over the location of casinos, wind farms, quarries, and power plants and more help for the disabled.

It is in the question of more community say over the location of controversial projects that the Wynne government has indicated that it plans to set itself apart from the McGuinty government's 'Big Dad' approach. The removal of local input from such projects has been largely credited with alienating the Liberal government from rural and Northern Ontario.

In addition, the Throne

Speech singled out the importance of job and skills training, particularly for youth and First Nations. "Aboriginal communities must also have access to the tools and training they need to fully participate in economic development opportunities, including those related to our natural resources," reads the speech. "And so your government is working with aboriginal communities to ensure that the benefits of resource development are shared and opportunities for education, training and employment are established."

The Throne Speech also singled out rural and Northern communities. "Because our rural and Northern residents are unique, and their voices will be heard."

The Throne Speech signaled a focus on critical infrastructure such as bridges and roads and the need for smoothing out the transit of goods across the borders and from the far North. "Because Ontario cannot evolve if it cannot move."

The Throne Speech ended with as unique a salutation as it had began. "Thank you. Merci. Miigwetch."

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Ontario cabinet to meet in Sault Ste. Marie

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—Meeting one of the first commitments she made to reengage with Northern Ontario on becoming Ontario's first female premier, Kathleen Wynne's cabinet is scheduled to meet in Sault Ste. Marie this week, on Friday, March 1.

"Our government is committed to looking at everything through a Northern lens," Premier Wynne said in a release announcing the meeting. "I look forward to working with my cabinet to address the issues that matter most to Northern Ontario, such as job creation, transportation and the Ring of Fire."

The announcement of the planned cabinet meeting in the North received an enthusiastic response, as might be expected, from the two Northern cabinet ministers. "I am pleased to welcome Premier Wynne and my colleagues to Sault Ste. Marie," said David Oraziotti, Minister of Natural Resources. "This cabinet meeting

demonstrates the premier's commitment to listening to Northerners and provides an excellent forum for discussing the unique challenges and opportunities in the North."

Equally effusive was Michael Gravelle, Minister of Northern Development and Mines. "I am very excited about Premier Wynne's strong commitment to Northern Ontario," he said. "This is, indeed, a pivotal and dynamic time for our part of the province and under the Premier's leadership, our government is truly poised to seize the opportunities that lay ahead."

Among the issues likely to be slated for the table are the government's plans for keeping the Northern Growth Plan and the development of the Ring of Fire moving forward as well as means to implement the government's commitments to increasing opportunities for Northern and aboriginal youth.

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Manitoulin Minor spotlight

The Manitoulin Novice Championships were hosted by the Manitowaning Wolves organization over the weekend with a tournament format. In the A Division, the Gore Bay Bruins played spoiler to the Mindemoya Thunder's perfect season on Saturday with their win against the undefeated Central Manitoulin squad. On Sunday, M'Chigeeng earned the berth into the finals after a semi-final victory over the Thunder as well, setting up a M'Chigeeng vs. Gore Bay championship game. The Bruins prevailed in the high scoring, game 9-5, to lift the MMHA novice trophy for 2013. Congratulations to players: **Colton Chevrette, Lucas Wright, Jamison McQuarrie, Hayden Lloyd, Caleb McLaughlin, Zac Windle, Trent Bell, Jordan Bailey, Caylee Little, Tristan Tolsma, Damien Hore, Jesse Burella, Jorja Croft, Mason Leighton and Rylan Little.** The Coaching staff included: **Dave Lloyd, Chad Chevrette, Daryl Leighton, Mason Graham and Maria McLaughlin.**

The hometown Wolves were up against the formidable Wikwemikong Hawks for the B Division championship. After a hard fought battle the 'green and black' won the trophy on home ice before an ecstatic crowd. A shout-out goes to **Chloe Otosquaib and Jayden Hembruff-Rohn** who got their first breakaways. **Kaylee Assinewai** played the game of her life with several shots on net. **Joel Mailloux and Macie Setterington** got their first shut outs and **Cord Hughson** led the way offensively, with the most goals scored for the team. **Christopher White, Steven White and David Gibbons** also scored goals. **Drake Trudeau and Jack Pennie** played great defense for all three games. Wikwemikong gave the Wolves a run for their money and their goalie **Jorja Peltier** is to be commended for the number of shots she stopped as were the rest of her teammates who were true sports. Congratulations everyone.

Mustang Minute

Last week the NSSSA curling championships took place in Espanola. Manitoulin Secondary took third place over-all which is a great accomplishment for a team made up of Grade 9ers. The team included **Rebecca Dawson, Brad Sayyae, Sean Patterson and Jordan Moore.** MSS did not have enough girls try out this year to have a girls' team but Rebecca was allowed to take part in the boys' division and is the skip of the crew. Elliot Lake's CASS placed first and Espanola took silver and go on to NOSSA while the Mustangs will be a force over the next few years as they build onto this great year.

Over on the smooth ice, the Mustang hockey team is into the final round of the SDSSA playoffs. They polished off the Macdonald Cartier Panteres in two-straight games and then drew the perennial, powerhouse St. Charles Cardinals. As of press time, the Mustangs were down two games by close scores of 3-0 and 4-2 and game three scheduled for Monday night. Kudos for a great season, either way guys!

LU Grad runs Indoor for WU

Emma Tallman, who finished up her undergrad track career as a Laurentian grad last spring, is now burning up the track for Western University while she is enrolled in their physio program. She started up where she left off too with a great showing at the OUA's (Ontario University Athletics) Indoor Championships in Windsor last week. The Mindemoya ex-pat finished fourth in the 1000 m, her 4 x 800m relay team was third and then was top-ten in the 1500m. Keep up the good work Emma!

Great North Manitoulin Midgets playoffs

Mitchal Payette and Nevada Waindubence, who both skate for the Nickel City Sons in the AAA GNML, are in tough in the second round of the post-season. The pair is currently down two games in the best of five series against the league leading Soo North Stars. At the other end of town the Sudbury Nickel Capital Wolves are also into the second round with 5 Island lads: **Steven Green, Jeff Delange, Brenden Pheasant, Dylan Callaghan and Michael Laidley** on the squad. Michael had a banner game to tie up their series with the Kapuskasing Flyers with a game apiece. The Little Current native scored the first goal of the game and then set up the other two, all on the power-play to lead the Wolves to a 3-2 victory. Keep working hard Islanders!

Nickel City Bantam Sons

The Nickel City AAA Minor Bantam Sons had an amazing season in the very competitive NOBHL. The Sons featured Manitoulin sniper **Alex Smith** who finished 8th overall in league scoring despite missing the last six games of the season. Unfortunately, he injured his knee several weeks ago and tried to battle though it, but as it turns out, needs immediate surgery because he has a "bucket handle tear" in his right knee, ending his hockey and school sports season. Good luck on a speedy recovery Alex.

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Skipping to a win at the McQuay Memorial Mixed Bonsel

Bill Allen skipped his team to a win in the first event at the Dr. Jack and Mary McQuay Memorial Mixed Bonsel in Mindemoya recently. Jan McQuay presented the plaque and trophies to, from left, Bill and Linda Allen and Lorene and Carl Lewis. This was the second time the Allens have won the bonsel, which they also won in its first year in 2004. Manitowaning Mill and Building Supplies, and Williamson's Pro Hardware and Mum's Restaurant in Mindemoya generously provided gift certificates for the winning teams.

Mustang boys ready for NOSSA, come second in city championship

by **Steph Burt Hillyard**

SUDBURY—The Mustangs were ready to stable their competition, St. Charles College, in Sudbury Monday night in the deciding game of the best of five series, but thanks to what Coach Brad Bond calls a "disgusting" array of calls by referees against the boys, the Mustangs left Sudbury without the first place they were hoping for, but with a respectable second for the Sudbury District Secondary Schools' Athletics Association title nonetheless, and the passion to win turned up for their upcoming Northern Ontario Secondary School Athletics (NOSSA) gig next Monday and Tuesday (March 3 and 4).

The Expositor talked with Coach Bond as the 'Stangs made their way home Monday night after a frustrating game.

"We were up 2-0 and then it became the referees show," he said. "We just ended up losing 3-2. It was disgusting."

While the coach said he is never one to blame the referees for a loss, in this case he had to make an exception. "They just started putting us in the penalty box—I'm so sick to my stomach right now," he continued. "The guys played their hearts out and they deserved to win."

Coach Bond said he even heard from some parents on the opposing side saying they felt bad about the win.

"It was a tough, tough way to lose," he added.

The boys played their first

game against St. Charles on February 21, but lost 4-2. Coach Bond said the Mustangs picked up in the later periods, but weren't running full speed out of the gate.

The boys played their second game February 22 in Little Current, losing 3-0.

"They played two really good games," the coach said prior to the championship game Monday night.

The Mustangs have a week to regroup before hitting the ice once more for the Northern Ontario title.

"It's been 12 years since we qualified for NOSSA," he explained. "We're going to leave it all on the ice and play our best hockey."

With the city championship behind them, the boys are excited for the chance to meet up with some other Northern Ontario teams during the NOSSA championships, hosted by Lo-Ellen Secondary School this year.

As for any game, the Mustangs always appreciate a booster club to cheer them on. The boys play for their first game against West Ferris this Monday at 10:45 am followed by a 7:45 pm game against a team that was yet to be announced as of press time Monday with a third game against St. Mary's on Tuesday at 9 am, all at Country-side Arena in Sudbury.

Good luck, Mustangs.

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World-renowned hanshi leads Manitoulin workshop as part of cross Canada tour

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—World renowned Hanshi Alain Saily visited Manitoulin last week, leading a self-defense workshop, hosted by the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts, as part of his cross Canada tour.

“Hanshi Saily is from France and is here today as part of his cross Canada tour,” explained Sensei Dan Fletcher of the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts, prior to the workshop Sunday morning in Little Current. “I’ve trained with him several times in Ottawa. He is the founder of Goshindo, head the World Kobudo Federation and just an amazing teacher. He is great with kids and we are so thankful he was able to fit us into his tour.”

The sensei explained that over 30 individuals had registered for the workshop, varying in age and skill and from across Northern Ontario.

“We have people here from North Bay, Sudbury, Espanola, Sault Ste. Marie, and of course Manitoulin, that have come to learn from Hanshi Saily,” Sensei Fletcher told The Expositor.

Jessica Boyle of Little Current was one of the individuals present for the workshop. “I’m excited about learning something new,” explained eight-year-old Jessica of the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts. “I have been doing karate for three years and I have my orange belt.”

“I’ve trained with him before and I’m excited,” added green belt Kyler Fletcher, also of the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts. “Self defense is my favourite thing.”

The Expositor had the opportunity to speak with Hanshi Saily prior to the workshop.

“It is my first time on Manitoulin, but it is a superb place,” said the hanshi. “Full of energy.”

When asked what he enjoyed about teaching, Hanshi Saily explained, “To me it is a way of life. Meeting new people, making connections and trying to make a difference.”

Hanshi Alain Saily is the founder and possess an eighth degree black belt in Goshindo, a term that translated from Japanese into “way of the protection of the body” and is a defensive martial art form with a base in



ABOVE: Hanshi Alain Saily introduces himself to a group of over 30 individuals who travelled from across Northern Ontario to take a workshop with him on self defence last Sunday.

photo by Robin Burridge

BELOW: Participants of the Hanshi Alain Saily self defence workshop pose for a photo following the course.

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hakko-ryu ju jitsu. He has studied martial arts and combat sports for the last 50 years, as well as holding a university degree in physical and sport education.

The hanshi has a recognized teacher diploma in judo and ju-jitsu, freestyle wrestling, Greco-Roman wrestling and sambo and has been giving techniques and educational training for the last 30 years in more than 30 countries around the world.

After completing the workshop in Little Current on Sunday, which was well received from the group, Hanshi Saily was continuing his tour with his next stop in Gatineau, Quebec.



Hanshi Alain Saily leads a warm up exercise during his workshop in Little Current last weekend.



The Sportmen Ense-Hare Memorial Champions

The sportsmen championship was a fast paced and exciting game with the Redmen defeating the West Bay Braves by a score of 5 - 2. The champs are: Quentin Peltier, Clint Fox, Bryan Peltier, Owen Peltier, Jesse Peltier, Eugene Wabanosse, Dustin Peltier, Michael Bell, Mike Bondy, Launie Pheasant, Quinton Recollet, Beedabin Shonias, Blake Naponse, Branden Ominika and Coach Keya Rivers with presenter Kyle Debassige Jr.

photos by Geraldine Ense-McGregor



Women Ense-Hare Memorial Champions

Just Watch Us defeated the Manitoulin Sharp Shooters with a score of 5 - 1. The Champs are Amy Wheale, Lyn Osborne, Cheryl Gordon, Tammy Harderick, Lindsay Lawre, Maureen Pearce, Heather Pennie, Becky Stewart, Erin Rose, Tina Balfe, Bonnie Coultis and presenter Jaylyn Ense.

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Meranda Noble

This athlete is involved in a variety of extracurriculars including: basketball, volleyball, hockey, track and field, and tennis. Meranda Noble is in grade 10 this year at Manitoulin Secondary School and is looking forward to staying involved in different sports and activities. Rewinding back to when Meranda attended C.C. McLean, she won many different awards. In addition, she won the senior girls chess championship at a tournament, held in Manitowaning. Her girls' volleyball team also won the island tournament. When Meranda graduated from public school, she won the citizenship award, the award for most participation, and was valedictorian. When she entered high school, she joined the volleyball, basketball, hockey, track, and tennis teams. This year, the junior girls basketball and volleyball team placed second overall for NSSSA. In the next couple of months, Meranda is looking forward to playing tennis and badminton.

Since Meranda enjoys a variety of different activities, she also likes being involved in outdoor things. For instance, in the summer time, she likes to go fishing with her family at the camp in Kagawong. In addition, she enjoys going tubing, sea doing, hunting, and hanging out with her friends. In the wintertime, she is on the Gore Bay Bruins house league hockey team. This year, they placed 5th overall, and are currently in the B division play-offs against Manitowaning. In her spare time, Meranda likes to go visit her two horses, Nickel and Mindy, just down the road from her.

When it comes to Meranda's academics at school, her favorite class is science and phys-ed. In future, she would like to work with animals, hopefully going to school to become a veterinarian or a vet technician. Good luck on all of your future adventures and goals, Meranda Noble!

Congratulations, Meranda!

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for First Nation communities within the central Ontario area,” continued Ms. Manitowabi. “The team will consist of a coordinator, a mental health specialist and an addictions specialist. The team will assist, upon a request from the First Nation’s leadership, with facilitation of the development of an action plan to address prescription drug abuse in their community.”

Ms. Manitowabi revealed that the Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. will be recruiting one addictions and one mental health worker for the new fiscal year and expects to have the team fully operational by early spring.”

“The intent is that the team will facilitate a process within the community to assist with the development of a plan to address prescription drug abuse,” added Ms. Manitowabi. “This may mean enhanced collaboration, identifying community strengths, identifying gaps in services and/or structuring community recommendations along a continuum of care in addressing addictions, among many other possible benefits. The belief is that the community itself has the answers to address the issues surrounding prescription drug abuse. The team would be of assistance with the development of that plan.”

...bylaw controlling clinics’ locations

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A public meeting to discuss the proposed amendments was held prior to last Tuesday’s Northeast Town council meeting.

Members of the Northeast Manitoulin Family Health Team (FHT) were present for the meeting and asked council a series of questions, concerned at the effect the bylaw amendments would have on the placement of future clinics.

Judy Miller, director of the Northeastern Manitoulin FHT, was the first to speak, asking if the bylaw amendment was because of the recent closure of the methadone clinic (the 19A Water Street Clinic) and if the passage of the bylaw amendment will impact future locations of clinics.

To the first question town CAO David Williamson responded, “Are they directly related? No.”

“The closure of the methadone clinic had nothing to do with council,” added Mr. Williamson.

Mr. Williamson indicated that the notice given to the owner of the property where the clinic was located was strictly an administrative response to violations under the town’s nuisance bylaw.

Despite this statement, discussions at past council meetings indicated that the reason for the bylaw amendments was to control the location of future clinics, specifically methadone clinics.

At the January 8 meeting of council, council was informed by town staff that the owners of the 19A Water Street Clinic, the Robinson’s Pharmacy Group, had been 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. This notice led the company to evict Dr. Bryan Dressler and his methadone clinic, which shut its doors Friday, February 15, after an additional 15 day extension.

This information prompted council to discuss the location of the methadone clinic and controlling the location of future clinics.

“We all understand that people need treatment and we’ve tried to work with the clinic operators to try and find a more suitable location in the past, but this is simply not a good location,” stated Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin, adding that the location had not been suitable due to fights on the downtown

street involving clients of the clinic, theft in downtown businesses allegedly by clients, and other problems. “We need to have some kind of control to help have a say in where these (methadone clinics) buildings are allowed. I’ve asked staff to look into amending the commercial bylaw.”

The bylaw notice to the Robinson Pharmacy Group, and its subsequent closure, in addition to the proposed zoning bylaw amendments, led to a letter from the OHRC warning the Northeast 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).”

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).

To the second question from Ms. Miller regarding the effect of the proposed bylaw amendments to the location of future clinics, Mr. Williamson responded,

“Yes, but the bylaw amendment does not preclude a site specific variance.”

Mr. Williamson indicated that the bylaw change would give council and the public the opportunity to give input through the site-specific variance process, which includes the holding of public meetings.

Ms. Miller brought up the example of Little Current Medical Associates determining that an aromatherapy clinic would be beneficial to their clients.

Mr. Williamson pointed out that reaching out to the medical community, the hospital or the Manor would be the first order in that scenario.

The next to speak was Manitoulin Health Centre Chief of Staff Dr. Stephen Cooper.

Dr. Cooper asked what criteria was used to decide on the changes to the amendments to the bylaw.

“Council uses planning issues, the availability of parking, traffic flows,” responded Mr. Williamson. “From a planning perspective, services are best delivered in one location.”

He indicated that reports from the planning board and from municipal staff are considered as well as public input.

“Council’s focus is on planning and land use,” the CAO added.

“The methadone clinic is a totally different issue,” continued Mr. Williamson, indicating again that the closure of the 19A Water Street Clinic was linked to the creation of a public nuisance. “That nuisance had to stop.”

As to the criteria under which a site-specific zoning amendment would be supported by the municipality, Mr. Williamson replied, “every location is unique” and would require examination of the merits of diverging from the zoning bylaw.

Ms. Miller inquired about existing clinics citing the Canadian National Institute for the Blind Eye Van as an example.

Mr. Williamson said those clinics that are pre-existing to the bylaw would

be ‘grandfathered.’

Later during the council meeting, and following the public meeting, council carried a motion to approve the proposed amendments to the zoning bylaw.

Under the planning act, the zoning amendment can be appealed within 20 days of the decision (by Monday, March 11) to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Prompted by the Northeast Town’s recent action, the Township of Assiginack passed an interim bylaw at their council meeting last Tuesday, “being a bylaw of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack to impose interim controls in order to prohibit the establishment of new methadone clinics (a medical, dental or other professional office that dispenses methadone) and dispensaries (a business selling or filling methadone prescriptions for customers as the primary activity of the business, but excludes a pharmacy or a pharmacy that is accessory and ancillary to a medical clinic or hospital) for an interim period of six months in order to allow for the completion of a planning study on the potential regulation of these uses.”

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Expositor correction

In the front page story of the Wednesday, February 13 edition of The Expositor, ‘Human Rights Commission (OHRC) warns Northeast Town against ‘people zoning’ practice,’ the story states that “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)...” The Expositor learned after the publication of the story that the letter from the OHRC was in fact simply a response to the Northeast Town’s action and that if a claim had been filed against the Northeast Town it would have been made to the Ontario Human Rights Tribunal, which has not yet been confirmed. The Expositor apologizes for this error.

...Sheg stalemate carries on

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community's Casino Rama funds allotment. "This is nothing new," the chief said. "Derek (Assiniwe) has signed off on them (Rama fund transfers in his time as councillor on a previous council) before and is well aware of how things are done." Councillor Derek Assiniwe, with Councillor Mishibinijima, are the two elected officials choosing not to participate in the business of the band by way of a protest against Chief Aguonie. Jake Ago neh, the other elected councillor, sides with the chief to create a stalemate that began last summer.

And as for Councillors Derek Assiniwe and Kevin Mishibinijima's concerns with the audit, "the auditor (KPMG) walked them through it," the chief said. "It was the first time Jake (Councillor Jaek Ago neh) and I had seen the final audit too." The chief and council had met two weeks ago on neutral ground in Sudbury to consider some band business, including the annual auditor's report. Councillors Assiniwe and Mishibinijima had refused to sign off on it without explanation, in some detail, The Expositor reported last week.

In regards to the two councillors' concerns with signing the agreement with Northland Power, the chief explained that the original partnership was signed during a previous council, of which Councillor Assiniwe was a part. "These windmills are going to go up regardless if they're on board or not," Chief Aguonie said. "That's a lot for a small First Nation—\$7 million over 20 years. We would get half a million dollars right off the bat because of our close proximity, maybe even in May."

The Expositor questioned the chief in regards to a letter the paper had received from Shegtown Bus Lines and written by proprietor (and councillor) Derek Assiniwe (and addressed to the families of the school children he transports to and from school). It states, in part: "It is with great regret in which I address you today. I am sorry to inform you that February 22, 2013 may be the last day I am able to provide transportation



Jackie Bowerman, Monica Shawanda, Matthew Waindubence, Ethan Vautour, Ruby Thompson, Norm Aguonie and John Simon stand at the roadside Monday morning, protesting the lack of bus service for school children which they say is at the fault of the First Nation.

services for your children. Due to non-payment, I am no longer able to cover the operating cost of the school bus. I have made attempts in contacting the band regarding payment over the last few weeks, but have had no reply or payment as of yet. Invoicing is on a bi-weekly schedule and as of February 22, it will be six weeks of non-payment, I can no longer cover the cost out of pocket." On Monday, February 25, The Expositor confirmed that no school run was made by Shegtown Bus Lines.

The chief and band manager Alison Aguonie showed this reporter the cheques for Shegtown on Friday of last week, but said they needed to speak with Mr. Assiniwe in person to address "serious concerns" with his contract with the First Nation. The Expositor spoke with Mr. Assiniwe, who said "there was no reason to talk in person and not through email," refusing to meet with Ms. Aguonie in person. He also addressed the audit, about which he and Councillor Mishibinijima had yet to have their concerns addressed by the KPMG auditing firm. "We're just waiting to hear—we want to be as fully informed as possible before we make any decisions. It comes down to being responsible."

There were some parents in the community

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

who, along with their children, took their annoyance over the cancellation of bus service to the street Monday of this week. The protest, organized by Jackie Bowerman, was in full support of Mr. Assiniwe and his decision to stop busing the community's kids due to lack of payment.

"I think this is a personal attack against Derek because they (Councillors Assiniwe and Mishibinijima) won't sign off," Ms. Bowerman said from her post along Highway 6 in front of her home. "There are three kids missing school today because they had no ride." Ms. Bowerman said she phoned Little Current Public School principal Jamie Mohamed to inform him of the one-day situation.

The chief told The Expositor that alternative plans were being made for transportation in the interim, with the community's vans being driven by volunteers to get children to school. The parents at the protest claimed that no attempt was made to pick up their children Monday morning. "It's one thing to go after the adults, but another thing to go after the kids," Ms. Bowerman said.

Another Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada chaired band council meeting is scheduled for this Friday, March 1 in Sudbury.

...wind farm project awaits OEB licence

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the written submissions will be available for viewing at the board's offices and will be placed on the board's website," the notice of the application and written hearing states.

The applicant, McLean's Mountain Wind Limited, will be able to respond to the submissions on the record by March 13.

Anyone wishing to file a written submission must forward two copies, and if possible, an electronic copy in Word format and in searchable PDF format, to both the applicant and the board.

The OMB address is, P.O. Box 2319, 27th Floor, 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON, M4P 1E4, attention, board secretary filings:

www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/ and the OMB email is boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

McLean's Mountain Wind Limited's address is 30 St. Clair Avenue West, 12th Floor, Toronto, ON, M4V 3A1, Attention: Mr. Sushil Samant, email sushil.samant@northlandpower.ca.

The project number is EB-2013-0015 and all applications must quote the number as well as stating the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and email address.

The 24-turbine McLean's Mountain wind farm project received its Renewable Energy Approval (REA) last winter, and began work on the project in December, clearing trees and starting site preparations.

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...Manitowaning OPP station under scrutiny

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rumour at the most recent meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) and to Manitoulin detachment commander Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb.

“Staff Sergeant Webb made it clear that he should be invited to a council meeting to discuss it further,” Councillor Fields explained during the February 19 meeting of Assiginack council.

The councillor shared that she felt council should learn the business plan for each of the detachments across Manitoulin and what cost saving measures a closure would actually incur for the OPP.

“I would like to know what exactly it costs to keep this office open,” she said. Councillor Fields talked about the asset the detachment is to the community, not only in terms of public safety but also that the officers it employs become members of the community, as do their children, attending Assiginack Public School.

As for the openness of the business case, “if the Ontario government demands municipalities are transparent, the OPP should be too,” she added. “There needs to be some very significant rationale as to why this office should be closed.”

“We need to make our case clear as to why this office is so important to this community,” Councillor Fields reiterated. “The investigation on the possible closure of current detachments and the opening of new detachments in the future is in the very preliminary stage,” said Staff Sergeant Webb said during the CPAC meeting. “As we all know, the province is looking at efficiencies and there aren’t the dollars



The Manitowaning detachment of the OPP could be up for closure.

there were in the province have had in the past.”

“The (OPP) organization have identified in our OPP region some detachments that may be amalgamated,” said Sgt. Webb. “This is all based on numbers, calls of service numbers which are dwindling, and how many people work in each detachment throughout the province. The vision for Manitoulin Island in the future is to have two detachments, or possibly just one and to situate the detachment offices where they will service the Island best.”

“It’s inevitable—eventually we will have two or one detachments, not with the present facilities,” Sgt. Webb had told the CPAC meeting. “The OPP has identified seven detachments in the region requiring the development of a business case and how to move forward. I met with the reeve and clerk of Assiginack and I said we have to start looking at options. I told them, number one, the Manitowaning detachment is one of the detachment offices that is being looked at for closure; and number two, we need to look at what the OPP can do to lessen the impacts on the affected communities such

as possibly having a storefront office set up with a computer and a cruiser in the community. This would help deal with quick responses to an incident and would provide visibility in the community.”

“To say that the Manitowaning or any detachment is going to close in the near future may be premature,” the staff sergeant added. “We will start to look at all of this, and to get input from the community on how it will affect them.”

The Expositor spoke with Staff Sergeant Webb who explained that he will be putting together an inter-organizational business case that then goes “up the chain of command.”

“The first thing you have to do is go out and talk to the people it’s going to affect, including the employees,” he said.

The staff sergeant explained that in terms of cost saving measures, stopping crime leads to an increase in savings and that the Manitoulin OPP would continue to take a proactive approach to crime. “Our goal is to reduce offences,” Staff Sergeant Webb added. “Mischievous, thefts, etc. The more you see an officer the less

likely an individual would be to reach into a car and steal something,” he said as an example. “We had 25 mischief charges last year and five this year in the same quarter and I’d like to think that’s indicative of the continued good work of our officers.”

Staff Sergeant Webb is slated to attend the next meeting of Assiginack council on Tuesday, March 5 at the council chambers in Manitowaning at 7 pm.

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...Killens able to publicly state his opinion

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the Manitoulin trustee and his trouble with the board he represents after a December 19 letter to the editor appeared in The Expositor in which Mr. Killens urged teachers to rethink the suspension of voluntary activities.

“With school boards, under the Education Act, the trustees form the school board, but the board only exists when the trustees come together,” Trustee Bob Kirwan said. “When they’re not together, it doesn’t exist.”

“When you only meet once a month (as the trustees do), if there’s any information that has to be given to the media or any questions, it must come from the chair,” Trustee Kirwan said. “Unfortunately, there are some people who are of the opinion that the only trustee who is allowed to speak or to submit articles and press releases to the media is the chair of the board. That is true when the chair is speaking on behalf of the board of trustees as a whole, but there is nothing in legislation that prevents an individual trustee exer-

cising his/her fundamental freedom of expression.”

As a trustee of the board, Mr. Kirwan said that if he was to send a letter to the newspaper, they would automatically know him as a trustee, whether he gave himself the title or not. “The same goes for the chair. She shouldn’t speak on things that haven’t been discussed before the board,” he added.

Trustee Kirwan said there is very little communication between trustees from monthly meeting to monthly meeting. “Members of school boards have traditionally been very quiet, not like a municipal council,” he continued. “It’s not just a right (sharing school board information), but an obligation to our constituents. In between meetings of the board of trustees the members of the board (trustees) are obligated to meet certain responsibilities and duties in order to be prepared for the next meeting of the board of trustees, and in order to communicate with their constituents. Individual trustees are free to express their opinions and to make

public statements as long as they make sure people understand that they are expressing their own opinions and not speaking on behalf of the board of trustees.”

“Individual trustees can certainly let the public know if they why they opposed certain decisions or policies because constituents have a right to know why their elected trustee is not in favour of particular motions,” Trustee Kirwan continued. Trustees must “uphold” decisions, and they must not undermine or interfere with the work of the Director of Education nor can they say anything disparaging about the board of trustees or about any other trustee but they certainly do not relinquish their fundamental rights to free speech. In fact, they have a duty to communicate with their constituents.”

Since the article ran last week, Trustee Killens was happy to report a favourable response from a number of people who called or emailed to show support.

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...Special conferences to address seniors' needs upcoming in Little Current and Mindemoya

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There is so much information that we wanted to give out that we decided to go with two days. The themes and styles for the two days are similar, but there will be different topics."

The seniors' conference came about as a result of a government initiative named the New Horizons for Senior's Program, a federal grants and contributions program that supports projects led or inspired by seniors who want to make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities. To this end, the coordinator of the conference is a senior as are Rosella Kinosheneg and Leslie Fields who will serve as Masters of Ceremonies for the event.

The topics at the conference include 'Seniors and Driving,' which will be held

in association with the OPP and will showcase the launch of a new program on safe driving. This forum will address the loss of a driver's licence and will offer support to seniors that do drive and will help to keep them independent longer.

"The Legalities of Aging' is another issue that will be discussed at the Mindemoya function. Lawyer Graham Webb, who specializes in advocacy for seniors, will talk about living wills, inheritance and ways to maintain independent control over ones finances.

Also on the agenda for the event will be a talk on 'When You Get Sick.' "The premise," Ms. Oswald said, "is to take the audience through a case scenario. There are a number of agencies that will support you through your illness or your accident, through

your hospital stay and back at home. There are so many agencies here on the Island that people don't know about. We are here to support their independence."

Josee Meilleur, of the Ontario Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, will be a keynote speaker at the Mindemoya conference. "This is a topic that people don't talk about," Ms. Oswald explained. "We want people to be independent and we want them to know that there is support for them in these situations. We need to get the information about abuse out."

Ms. Oswald also stated that it is very important that caregivers for seniors come to the conference and there will be a special 'Care for the Caregiver' discussion at the Little Current event as organizers want to provide support for the caregivers as well as the

people being taken care of.

Also at the Seniors' Conference will be guest speakers Dr. Janet McElhaney and Dr. Irene Turpie. Both doctors are geriatricians and will speak about their experiences as a doctor working with seniors.

The Sudbury Rising Stars, a popular entertainment troupe, will perform at this event. The members of this group range in age from 55 to over 80 and they perform skits that educate and increase awareness around issues affecting seniors.

Also available at the conference will be the Little Red Book on Manitoulin Island Seniors Services. This directory specifically outlines services that are local and will be available to all at both the Mindemoya and Little Currents functions. The Service Providers network mem-

bers will have copies of the book for those who cannot attend the conference.

The conference starts at 8:30 am and runs until 4:30 pm. Coffee, snacks and

lunch will be provided. Seniors from the Mindemoya area who need transportation to the conference can call 705-377-4088.

Assiginack Council Notes

Council concerned with Island winter road conditions

During the February 17 meeting of Assiginack council, a motion was passed to direct staff to write a letter of concern to the Ministry of Transportation (MRO) in regards to the winter maintenance of Manitoulin's highways.

The matter was also discussed at the monthly meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC), of which Councillor Les Fields is a part. She reported that most CPAC members shared frustration about the state of the highways this winter and said many municipalities are also writing letters to this effect to the MTO. It was also suggested at this meeting that the Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) write to the MTO on behalf of all municipalities as the MMA had met with the MTO and contract holder DBi in the late fall on this same issue, Councillor Fields reported.

"I don't think it's been that challenging of a winter to not have the roads cleared properly," she added.

Interim bylaw regarding methadone clinics passed

Council passed bylaw 13-04, "being a bylaw of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack to impose interim controls in order to prohibit the establishment of new methadone clinics (a medical, dental or other professional office that dispenses methadone) and dispensaries (a business selling or filling methadone prescriptions for customers as the primary activity of the business, but excludes a pharmacy or a pharmacy

that is accessory and ancillary to a medical clinic or hospital) for an interim period of six months in order to allow for the completion of a planning study on the potential regulation of these uses.

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Staff will undertake the six-month study.

Library board proposes changes

During the February 17 meeting of Assiginack council, librarian Debbie Robinson and library board chair Alison Greenhill made a presentation regarding changes to the library over the past year, including the facility becoming fully automated. Ms. Greenhill explained that the role of the library in the community is changing each year and that because of these changes, 22 hours each week is not sufficient to fill the role as administrator and librarian. The board requested that Ms. Robinson be funded for an extra three hours per week as per the 2013 budget which would help her set aside separate time for such duties as applying for grants.

Council agreed that the role of the library is ever changing and that Manitoulin is fortunate to have a very busy and well-used library.

Ms. Greenhill also asked that council deliberate on making the plans for the library expansion public

so the board can begin a fundraising campaign.

An open house for the library is planned for April which the board hopes will "boost visibility in the community and get more people involved," Ms. Greenhill said.

Ms. Robinson agreed, adding that the library should be seen as "less like a grocery store (in and out) and more like a community kitchen."

Next year is the 75th anniversary of the library, council also learned.

Council agreed to deliberate on Ms. Greenhill's and the library board's requests.

Council accepts correspondence regarding low water levels

Assiginack council received correspondence from the North Channel Marine Tourism Council regarding the historic low water levels of Lake Huron.

"Our entire membership area is experiencing significant low water levels," the letter states. "We are quite concerned with the negative impacts we will be facing this coming season as levels continue to drop."

The letter continues by outlining three basic concerns: expediting the approval process for maintenance dredging; funding assistance to ease the financial burden for the necessary alterations that many marinas will require to operate; and retroactive funding to those marina operators who have or may have to take immediate steps ahead of any formal funding announcement.

Council accepted the correspondence, but noted they had far greater concerns with decreasing water levels than the ones

supplied.

Assiginack authorizes borrowing for replacement of force main

Assiginack council passed bylaw 13-05, authorizing the municipality to borrow \$290,386.90 from reserves for the 2012 replacement of the force main—the municipal one-third share of the total cost.

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Manitoulin raises awareness of violence against women

by **Steph Burt Hillyard**

M'CHIGEENG—Women and men alike joined together to support V-Day's One Billion Rising (OBR) Event to raise awareness regarding violence against women on Valentine's Day in the M'Chigeeng Community Centre.

"At times, the healing process can start to happen when survivors are able to start to express themselves through a creative process. It mirrors the healing process in creativity, and is a good way to engage people," explained organizer Dagmar Werkmeister about why having an art show and dances was such a significant part of the event.

Manitoulin community members were encouraged to submit a piece of art that reflected violence against women.

"This whole Island is in blossom with artists," said Helen Sisksek, one of the judges and a prominent member of the arts community on Manitoulin. "And if there is any way we can connect to the next generation with galleries such as this, then we've done our jobs as artists."

Judges included artists Helen Sisksek, member of the Manitoulin Fine Arts Association, Marc Brzustowski, member of the Manitoulin Fine Arts Association, Mark Seabrook, traditional Ojibwe artist, and Ann Beam multimedia artist and director of the Neon-Raven Art Gallery.



Casey Boisvert leads part of her Zumba troop in a flashmob. The dance and song was specially written and choreographed for OBR and was performed all over the world.

"For me, for someone to create this in such a way... this is the portal from which all humanity comes," Ms. Sisksek said about the first place winner, a piece titled 'Vulva.' "And we'd like to see it honored more and see less violence against it for future generations."

Second place was a tie between a painting of a woman holding her child by Dan Hawke and a photograph of a pregnant Kerri Lattimer taken by Boo Watson. "The woman's tears are blood, and she has a black eye and a broken arm. This symbolizes violence," explained Ms. Sisksek about Mr. Hawke's painting, "but also tenderness and compassion in the way the mother is holding her child and pro-



Judges debate over the various art submission during the 1 Billion Rising art exhibit.

photos by **Steph Burt Hillyard**

tecting her from what is happening around her. The woman in the photograph symbolizes nature in a natural setting. Ann said she wanted them to share second place because they are the experiences of mothers. One extreme versus the other extreme."

"They are polar experiences. This is where she is, and this is where she wants to be," described Ms. Beam as she pointed first to the painting, then to the photograph during the judging.

Third prize went to a collage of women from all cultures against a background of nature, space and universe.

Honourable mention went to an abstract poem by Algis Tribinevicius, written with lines taken from a single edition of the Toronto Star newspaper. It detailed various abuse cases against women across the globe.

In the evening, a flashmob was performed to 'Break the Chain,' the anthem to the OBR Campaign. Led by Zumba instructor Casey Boisvert and some of her Zumba students, the group not only performed but also taught the dance to audience members and had them join them for a second rendition.

Ms. Boisvert became involved in the event when she was approached by one of her Zumba students. Her student told her she was organizing an event for OBR and asked if Ms. Boisvert was willing to learn and teach a dance specially choreographed for the OBR event.

"Aside from the flash mob being something new and exciting on Manitoulin (and to help me chase away the winter blues), I had read an article not too long before Anita had approached me," started Mr. Boisvert. "It stated that we live in a society that teaches women how not to get raped, instead of teaching 'don't rape.' I just found that so

powerful. So when the opportunity to do something about it arose, I just had to be involved. I never pass up a chance to dance. Ever since I was a little girl and I would watch movies where people just broke into dancing I would ask, 'how do they just all know the dance, and why doesn't this ever happen in real life?' I always wanted to be part of a flash mob so I made it happen."

According to Eve Ensler, one of the masterminds behind One Billion Rising, the purpose of dancing together on V-Day has multiple facets.

"Dance is dangerous, joyous, sexual, holy, disruptive, contagious. It breaks the rules. It can happen anywhere, anytime, with anyone and everyone and it's free. Dancing insists we take up space, we go there together in community. Dance joins us and pushes us to go further and that is why it is the center of One Billion Rising."

After the flashmob, a drum group performed some traditional songs. A round dance was quickly picked up by some of the OBR participants.

For more information about V-Day's campaign to end violence against women, visit their website at vday.org.

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New Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre set to open in May

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—Last week The Expositor was given an exclusive tour of the construction site of the new Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current and learned that the facility will be officially opening its doors to the public in May.

The Expositor's guide of the facility was Great Spirit Circle Trail (GSCT) manager Kevin Eshkawkogan, who led the tour of the construction site as he explained the various elements of the project and the vision for Manitoulin's first hotel and conference centre.

The GSCT is the organization representing the consortium of area First Nations including Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve, M'Chigeeng First Nation, Sheshegwaning First Nation, Sagamok First Nation, Whitefish River First Nation and Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation that are building the new facility.

Construction of the \$10.8 million, 58-room hotel and conference centre began in June of 2011 with a one-year construction schedule that was pushed back to the beginning of 2013 due to the addition of geothermal technologies and financing delays.

"Construction works its way up and then finishes heading down," explained Mr. Eshkawkogan, as he led The Expositor up to the top, fourth floor of the hotel. "It's amazing how quickly it's all coming together now. The toilets have been installed in the rooms, and the tiles and glass in the showers have been completed on the third and fourth floors, with the second and first to be completed by the end of the week. Then we pretty much just have painting and carpeting left in terms of the rooms."

As Mr. Eshkawkogan led the way down the fourth floor corridor, peaking in the rooms, one could see light fixtures in place, as well as some built-in cabinetry in one of the four corner suites.

The four large corner suites will feature a small kitchenette, living room area, and king size bed, while the wheelchair friendly rooms will double as business suites, being larger than the standard rooms in size and having a bigger bathroom.

As Mr. Eshkawkogan reached the end of the hallway, he pointed out that the elevators are installed and operational, just awaiting final inspection that will occur as part of the building's overall inspection following construction at the end of March.

"Construction is scheduled to be completed at the end of March, followed by inspection and move in," added Mr. Eshkawkogan.

The main floor of the hotel features four pillars at the front entrance (four directions) and the large teepee structured lobby.

Due to issues with weather, the concrete wasn't poured in the lobby until a few weeks ago, but the teepee structure is shingled and other elements seemed to be coming along on the main floor as well.

"The teepee design has a great deal of cultural significance," Mr. Eshkawkogan previously explained to The Expositor. "The seven pillars represent the seven grandfather teachings. It is said that it takes your whole life to learn the six teachings in order to understand the seventh and the way the structure is designed represents this element as does the fire which some believe is the doorway to the spirit world."

The teepee structure is composed of huge pillars which form a circle, continuing from the main floor down to the ground floor. In the centre will be another pillar with a fireplace. On both the lobby and ground level, the teepee will have floor to ceiling windows. The lobby space will serve as a sitting area and place for people to congregate, while below, the 1,500 square foot space originally built for the spa will overlook the pool, which curves around the teepee structure.

With the GSCT having not received any interest in the spa space, the area will now serve as a small gathering room for parties.

The conference area (with a capacity for between 300 and 350 people) of the facility had also progressed since The Expositor's last tour prior to Christmas, with the electrical work now in place.

The 1,600 square foot restaurant, which features an impressive view of the North Channel and will accommodate 40 seats indoor, plus additional seating on an outdoor 1,400 square foot deck, was coming along as well, with drywalling scheduled to take place this week.

A request for proposal (RFP) for the restaurant was put out last month, with the RFP closing on February 14. The Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre board of directors is seeking a party to lease and operate the restaurant, with exclusive catering to the facility.

Sagamok First Nation is handling the restaurant RFP process, with Nikki Manitowabi, general manager of the Sagamok Development Corporation, commenting that they have received several submissions, one from a Manitoulin chef currently working on the Island.

"We are currently reviewing the RFPs and will be presenting them to the board of directors for further review," explained Ms. Manitowabi.

As construction nears completion, the GSCT has been busy organizing administrative elements such as collecting



The hotel restaurant will seat 40 people in a 1,600 square foot space overlooking the North Channel through large windows. The indoor space will be matched by a 1,400 square foot deck with additional outdoor seating.

photo by Robin Burrige



The elevators have been installed and are operational, but are awaiting inspection.



The bathrooms are coming along, with toilets and showers installed on the third and fourth floor and the first and second bathroom's scheduled to have been finished last week.

resumes, offering hospitality training and promoting the new facility.

Pacrim Hospitality will be overseeing the operations of the hotel with a general manager reporting to the management company, who will then report to the board of directors made up of representatives from the seven project partners.

Rumours have been circulating over the possible hiring of the facility's new general manager, however Mr. Eshkawkogan said a decision has not yet been made.

"The GSCT has hired Sheila Bellefeuille as a training coordinator," said Mr. Eshkawkogan. "She has 20 plus years in the

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Mindemoya hosts second annual Snowarama

by Betty Bardswich

MINDEMOYA—Easter Seals Ontario has provided financial assistance to the families of children and young adults with physical disabilities for the past 90 years. Thirty-eight of those years have seen a winter season snowmobile ride fundraiser in 20 communities across Ontario and on February 16, Mindemoya hosted this second annual Snowarama event for Manitoulin.



From left, Manitoulin Snowdusters Club Secretary-Treasure Sue Middaugh, Easter Seals Sudbury Development Officer Joanne Bowers, Easter Seals Snowarama Ambassador Cassandra Moore, Darlene Moore and Snowdusters Club member Bill Sloan.

Eleven members of the Manitoulin Snowdusters Club (MSC) snowmobiled to Mindemoya from across the Island on Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) groomed trails and met at the Community Hall for lunch and prizes.

Joanne Bowers, development officer with Easter Seals Sudbury, welcomed the Snowarama participants and handed out goodie bags complete with ice scrapers, pens, hats, digital pressure gauges, official trail guide maps, Rainbow theatre movie passes and a thank you card from Easter Seals and sponsors including 100.7 The Island, Cambrian Insurance, The Shop Industrial Inc., Jake's Home Centre and the Municipality of Central Manitoulin as well as the Snowdusters. Ms. Bowers also had many gifts for the snowmobile club members including store certificates, hoodies, booster cables, sheet and screwdriver sets, t-shirts and hats, all donated by local businesses.

This is the first year of involvement with Easter Seals for Ms. Bowers who is an advertising and marketing specialist with 30 years experience. She has worked with not-for-profit groups for the past 20 years, including 11

years with United Way Sudbury. Ms. Bowers was grateful to the Snowarama participants and to Island businesses that supported the snowmobile run. "We received great support from local businesses," Ms. Bowers said, "including the donation of a 43-inch television from Jake's. We are also grateful for the support of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin."

Sue Middaugh is the secretary/treasurer of the Snowdusters and a participant in the Easter Seals run. She was effusive in her praise for the people who groomed the trails that the participants used. "We are so grateful to all those volunteers who groom the Island trails," Ms. Middaugh enthused. "They spend hours doing this and can sometimes spend 12 hours grooming from Little Current to Manitowaning and then on to Mindemoya, and they go all over the West End and into Providence Bay. Some of these volunteers work days, so they are out there grooming the trails at night and on weekends."

Cassandra Moore of Mindemoya is this year's Easter Seals Ambassador for Snowarama and she attended the event along with her mom Darlene and helped to hand out the prizes to the participants as Kelly Timmermans of 100.7 The Island announced the winners. The first prize went to Connor Mandigo who was the youngest rider to take part and who collected \$97 in pledges.

The next prize went to Snowdusters Club President Bill Sloan of Gore Bay who won for oldest rider at age 75 and who also won the television donated by Jake's Home Centre for collecting the most pledges. Mr. Sloan's total stood at \$1632.75. In all, the Snowdusters collected \$2261.75 for Easter Seals Kids of which 95 percent will stay on the Island.

Mr. Sloan thanked everyone who attended Snowarama and expressed the need for more members for the club and for the Easter Seals Kids event. "We need more volunteers," Mr. Sloan said. "This is for a good cause and the money stays here."

All monies raised assist in the funding of mobility and communication equipment on Manitoulin.

The snowmobile club started in the Gore Bay area and went Island-wide and affiliated with OFSC in 1992. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at the public school in Gore Bay except for March when the meeting will be held after the March school break. For more information, call Snowdusters Club President Doran McVey at 705-368-1177 or Sue Middaugh at 705-377-5627 (after 6 pm. For more information about Easter Seals Kids, go to easterseals.org.

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4elements to bring arts to kids during March Break

by Steph Burt Hillyard

LITTLE CURRENT—Crafty kids will have a chance to get their creative juices flowing during the 4elements Living Arts March Break Arts Program.

The event is for children age 8 and over, and will take place from 1-4 pm each day from March 11 through March 15 at the Little Current Public School. Cost is \$30 for a single afternoon, \$80 for three days and \$125 for all five. All materials are included, but a digital camera and USB are required for the photography workshops. Family rates are also available.

The sessions for each day are as follows:

Monday's topic is part one of a two part series on photography. 'Photography: Light and Shadow' and will be run by Danielle Bour-gault.

On Tuesday, Heather Thoma will be leading children in 'Exploring Nature through the Arts' in both indoor and outdoor activities.

Wednesday, kids will get a chance to learn an older art form that is rapidly coming back in style when they learn some 'Creative Knitting' with Mariana Lafrance.

Basic drawing and painting skills will be taught by Marc Andre Brzustowski on Thursday.

Photography part II will be taught on Friday. Children will have an opportunity to learn about lines and patterns in their photos.

"It's a mix of visual art-work, craft work and the outdoor work will be multimedia. We wanted to offer a range of hands-on activities," said Heather Thoma, one of the workshop leaders

and organizers of the program. "These are all artists we've worked with in the past. There's been a great response with them before, so we're really excited to work with them again in this context."

4elements living art has been running classes and activities since January for adults and children. While they are all art based, the purpose of them is more than just handing someone a new skill.

"We're working with activities trying to link the land and landscape and community building and relationship. It's more than just teaching a skill of how to paint, but using them as an art form and the relationship between them."

To register please call 705-368-1855 or email info@4elementslivingarts.org. More informa-

tion can be found on their website at 4elementslivingarts.org.

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hospitality field and will be leading training at the GSCT. We have had over 75 individuals apply for training this spring and many who have applied to work at the hotel. Ms. Bellefeville will be leading training, with the potential to become the hotel's general manager."

As for employment at the hotel, the facility could mean many new jobs, but Mr. Eskwakogan commented that right now they are just reviewing applications and possible positions to try and match skills with the needs of the facility.

"Some individuals might have the skills to fill dual roles, so right now we are not sure how many people we will be hiring," Mr. Eskwakogan told The Expositor.

The Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre has also launched a RFP for local artists to submit work for the hotel.

"The board of directors is inviting First Nation artists to submit photographs of their work for printing to integrate the art in the hotel facility," states the RFP. "In addition to these opportunities, spaces will be made available on a commission basis for original pieces in the lobby, conference room, registration area, hallways and throughout the hotel."

"We could have just ordered prints online, but we really wanted to create an opportunity for local artists, providing exposure for them and display local content in the hotel," added Mr. Eskwakogan.

Mr. Eskwakogan revealed that the GSCT has been aggressively promoting the new hotel and conference centre and Manitoulin tourism in general through attending various tourism shows across North America and Europe.

"We are attending the Toronto Outdoor Adventure Show this weekend (February 22-24) and then next Wednesday and Thursday we will be heading to London (England) as part of the Canadian Tourism Commission's Signature Experience Collections," explained Mr. Eskwakogan. "The GSCT is the only group from Manitoulin that is part of the Signature Experience Collection, a group of once-in-a-lifetime travel experiences found in Canada selected to represent Canada's tourism brand globally. We will be matched up with United Kingdom tourism operators during our time in London to market the GSCT and the new hotel and conference centre to the international market."

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Youth get first-hand experience during trapping course

MANITOULIN—For the second year in a row the Manitoulin Stewardship Council held its four-day youth trappers course in November with six youths from Manitoulin Island and the North Shore participating. A presentation at the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) Zone D meeting in Sudbury last January about the success of the first youth trappers course resulted in OFAH Zone D helping to support this year's youth program by providing six trapper starter kits and a one year membership with OFAH including a subscription to Ontario Out of Doors.

Trapping is one of the oldest harvesting activities on Manitoulin Island. Fur trapping has been a historic part of First Nations cultural heritage and provided sustenance to Island residents for centuries. At one point in time, Manitoulin Island had an exceptionally large number of trappers involved with the sale and trade of furs and it provided an important source of supplementary income for rural families. Trapping furbearing animals is an essential component for sound wildlife management because it helps prevent severe habitat alteration and damage to property, it aids in reducing the number of conflicts between people and wildlife, provides protection of livestock and it helps to diminish the risk of potential flooding that can negatively affect farming, forestry, roadways and bridges. Trapping also helps con-

impact the delivery of sound wildlife management in the future and might entail a risk to public safety if nuisance wildlife was not controlled. They were also concerned about the loss of vital knowledge that should be passed down to the next generation. In their desire to reverse this trend, MASC rejuvenated this land-based activity by initiating and sponsoring the first Youth Trapping Course in 2011 and helped to support the revitalization of the Manitoulin Trappers Council.

"We really need trappers," Mr. Seabrook stated. "If you don't manage the animals they overpopulate and start bothering you by cutting down your trees or killing your dog. If there are too many they start dying off because of disease. They're an important link in the chain. You need someone to catch a few or you just get too many."

The course consisted of both fur harvest/management and conservation courses. It was delivered by certified instructor George Hagen, an experienced and knowledgeable instructor, with assistance from Mr. Seabrook. The program took place at George Hagen's cabin and trap line, north of Nairn Centre. To complete their four day course, the six youths had to review fur trapping manuals and videos, learn how to set up a trap line, retrieve their harvest and prepare and skin their furs. Furthermore, the youths were taught how to look for signs of activity such as where critical habitat and food

course had to submit a handwritten letter requesting sponsorship for the course and why learning how to trap was important to them. The successful candidates were Morgan Hudson, Stephane Charette, Cody Richor, Shawn McLennan, Stewart Jordan and Mathew Scott.

The students found out that trapping is not an easy life; up at 5:00 am each morning and busy until 10:30 at night. A lot of hard work, sweat and tears were put into taking the course, running the trap lines and skinning the animals. In addition to the course requirements, each youth was also responsible for assisting with the meals and housekeeping.

All the youth were up Friday morning at 5 am watching a video on how to skin a muskrat. After the video and question period all the kids received a skinning knife and retrieved their muskrats and began to skin, scrape and stretch their pelts. Morgan Hudson won an axe for the best muskrat pelt.

After lunch they all headed outdoors and set two beaver and one otter trap and continued to check many more traps on the trap line. The students trapped three beavers and were home at dark, but the work still wasn't done. The trappers then watched a video on skinning beaver and during question period Stewart Jordan won an axe and Cody Richor won a beaver skinning knife.

Saturday morning the group checked their trap line and got two muskrats, an otter and learned how to set a raccoon trap and a fisher running pole, later receiving a martin and fisher demonstration.

Other types of trapping sets that were demonstrated by George Hagen were the beaver foot set, fox snares and the bird nest fox trap set. Furbearers that were caught and skinned during the four day course were beaver, otter, muskrat, mink, fisher, raccoon and martin.

"The most interesting part of the course for me would be to watch a kid actually skin a beaver who had probably never had a knife in his hands before, and he was so into it," said Mr. Seabrook. "For a kid who's dad wasn't a trapper, he doesn't have a hope in hell of being a trapper without this program."

Monday was test day. The youth trappers had an hour review before being tested. MASC is happy to report that all six youths passed the trapping course. It involved both a written and a practical test (setting two traps of any kind). The lowest written mark was 92 percent and the highest written mark was 100 percent which went to Mathew Scott.

MASC plans to offer another course next fall and is looking at the possibility of offering this course to girls that are interested in trapping as well. "Overall, in my opinion this course was a huge



The students with their successful harvest.



Setting traps along a beaver dam.

success and I know we made trappers today and a made a difference in the lives of these youth," said Mr. Seabrook.

Young men who want to take the trapping course can do so by writing Mr. Seabrook a letter detailing why they want to be in the course. They can send the letters to: John Seabrook, RR#1, Site 1, Compartment 9, Spring Bay, ON, P0P 2B0

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Trapping provides important social and economic benefits for people in rural communities. Additionally, it supplies vital information on population dynamics and distribution including reports on the spread of disease (rabies and parasites).

In the last couple of decades the number of trappers on Manitoulin Island has dramatically decreased largely due to an aging population and the reduced sale of furs.

"I trapped a lot as a kid, the same age as these guys. All the kids trapped in those days," said John Seabrook, one of the supervisors of the course. Mr. Seabrook ran a registered line until he was married, but recently started one up again. "I'm back at it now and having a lot of fun with it."

MASC felt this erosion of trappers could negatively

sources are and entrances furbearers naturally frequent.

Instructions included clean skinning techniques (being able to skin a furbearer with no skin or meat left on it), which initially takes more time but pays off with less time 'scrapping' later. The youths were also taught how to size a hide, tack it on a board and sew up the legings. Various other procedures and techniques such as how to hang your catch to dry before skinning and how to comb out any burs or debris from the fur to prevent any tearing were learned as well.

"The thing with the course is that it throws a lot of stuff at these kids in a short period of time," Mr. Seabrook explained. "They have to absorb a lot of stuff in a short period of time. They're actually skinning beaver and racoon and setting traps they've never seen before."

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Support Group for Women with Cancer. If you or someone you know has had cancer and would like to meet with other women to share experiences and concerns call for more information and to find out about meetings. Shirley 705-859-2103 Maureen 705-282-3319 Ciann 705-368-3030. tfn

Are you concerned about someone's drinking? Al-Anon has but one purpose, by welcoming and giving comfort to help family and friends, and by giving encouragement and understanding for themselves and their loved ones. Mindemoya Al-Anon meetings: Thursdays at 7 pm, 51 Young Street, Missionary Church fellowship room, 705-377-4892 or 705-377-5138. Espanola Al-Anon meetings: Tuesdays at 7 pm, 213 Tudhope Street, Anglican Church, 705-869-6595. tfn

Manitoulin Family Resources offers programs to support and promote positive family relationships on Manitoulin and the North Shore. **Violence against Women Services;** Haven House Shelter, Outreach Counselling Crisis Line (705)377-5160, Toll Free Crisis line (800)465-6788; **Children's Services;** Manitoulin Best Start Hub, Child Care (705)368-3400; **Help Centre;** Treasures Thrift Shop, Food Bank (705)377-5160; **Administration** (705)377-5532. t2fn

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rentals

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FOR RENT

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For further information please contact the **Gore Bay Town Office at:**

Tel: 705-282-2420

e-mail: aclarke@gorebay.ca

rental wanted

New hospital employee is looking for a house to rent, must be pet friendly, preferred a fenced in yard. Please contact Connie Laidley at 705-368-2300, ext. 2504 or email claidley@mhc.on.ca. 42oa

Minimum three bedroom house rental wanted, long-term preferred, Mindemoya area, pet friendly. 705-377-6190 or pat@amtelecom.net. 42-42c

coming events

Manitoulin Community Circle meets Thursdays from 10 am to 6 pm in the Little Current United Church hall. Manitoulin Community Circle group with the leadership of artist Judy Martin, continues their project of hand stitching to make several large quilted pieces. You are most welcome to come for as long as you like. Contact 705-368-3819. Tfn

International Women's Day Movie Night will show "The Help", Friday, March 8, Park Centre, Kagawong, 7 pm. Popcorn, punch, door prize from Our Garden and draw on a gift certificate for a retreat weekend. Cost: \$5. Call 705-368-3030 or 705-282-0274. Sponsored by Seeds of Joy and Manitoulin Family Resources. 42oa

Irish Stew Supper at Knox United Church Hall in Manitowaning on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 beginning at 5 pm. Adults, \$10; 6-12, \$5; 5 and under, free. Take-outs available by phoning Jean at 705-859-3174. Proceeds to Knox United Church. 42-44p

2013 Winter Rummage Sale at Knox United Church Hall in Manitowaning. Wednesday, February 27, 10 am to 5 pm; Thursday, February 28, 10 am to 5 pm; Friday, March 1, 10 am to 6 pm; Saturday, March 2, 10 am to 1 pm. Proceeds to Knox United Church. 40-42p

Join us on Saturday, March 2 for a Decadent Pancake Breakfast at the Providence Bay United Church, 8 am to 11:30 am. Cost: adults, \$10; children under 10, \$5. Our menu is French toast, sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, pancakes, fruit cup, orange juice, tea, coffee. 41-42p

Sea Cadet Events

#348 Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps: Sea Cadets meeting each Monday from 6:30 pm - 9 pm, 2nd floor NEMI arena, ages 12 to 18. For information call 705-368-2031. 16tfn

Legion Events

Indoor garage sale, March 2, 9 am to 12 noon at the Little Current Royal Canadian Legion on Vankoughnet Street. Looking for donations of gently used items. Call Nancy at 705-368-3177 for information and/or pickups. 41-42oa

coming events

Beat the winter blah's! Have Sunday out with Tehkummah Triangle Senior Citizen Club at Tehkummah Triangle Senior Citizen Hall on Sunday, March 10. Pancake breakfast, 9 am to 12 pm. Adults, \$8; children 6-12, \$4. Euchre tournament at 1:30 pm, \$5 a person. Bowl and Roll at 4:30 pm. Chili or stew, dessert included. Adults, \$6; children 6-12, \$3. Proceeds to Triangle Seniors Generator Fund. 42-43oa

i coming events

Come and enjoy an afternoon of music! Swing, fiddle and some country! Featuring: Doug and Norm Hore and Joanne and Jim Smith. Sunday, March 3, 1 pm to 3 pm, Sheguiandah Seniors' Hall. Admission \$7. Enjoy a light lunch!

42p

The Board of Directors of Manitoulin Health Centre will be holding their next regular board meeting on Thursday, February 28 at 7 pm in the boardroom of the Little Current Hospital Site. Regular meetings of the board are open to the public to attend and observe, with the exception of in-camera issues.

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SUMMER STUDENT HELP WANTED

The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

has openings for several students in different departments within the Municipality.

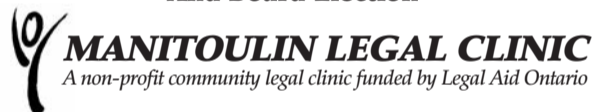
These opportunities range from Marine Services to the Municipal Offices.

We encourage students to apply by March 15th 2013.

Apply to Pam Cress at the Town office
pcress@townofnemi.on.ca
FAX 705 368-2245



NOTICE Annual General Meeting And Board Election



Our Annual General Meeting will be held at the Clinic office, 12A Hillside Road, Aundeck-Omni-Kaning, on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a new Board of Directors. Anyone interested in the aims and objectives of the Clinic, and who would like to vote at the Meeting must complete a membership form (available at the Clinic) and return it to the Clinic by March 25, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

Community members interested in becoming Board members, and who are prepared to commit to attending monthly Board meetings, are encouraged to contact the Clinic during office hours at 368-3333, before March 25, 2013.

Michael Shain
Executive Director



Children's Literature Theme

NEMI Recreation Centre
Saturday March 2 - 10:30am

Admission is a donation of one non-perishable food item per person.

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for Rick and Barb Edwards
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Friday March 1, 2013
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**LAMBAC**A Community Futures Development Corporation
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LaCloche-Manitoulin District****Job Description**

The Youth Entrepreneurship Program Coordinator will deliver Youth Entrepreneurship programming throughout LaCloche – Manitoulin.

Responsibilities

Based in **Espanola**, this one year contract position will offer a student first-hand work experience in a professional office setting. The position will assist with the Youth Enterprise Camp and the Business Plan Challenge Regional Project. It will offer the intern experience in implementation of youth programming in rural Northern Ontario.

Qualifications

Candidates must have experience in providing training through presentations and workshops, with excellent oral and written communication skills in both Official Languages. Experience in Business or Marketing would be considered an asset. The candidate must possess a valid driver's license.

Under the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation Youth Internship Program, Northern Ontario secondary school graduates 29 years of age or under who recently graduated from an accredited college or university are eligible. Graduates from a high school outside of Northern Ontario who have resided in the North for at least one year are also eligible. Mature graduates may be considered.

Application Deadline: Friday, March 8th, 2013

Please forward a comprehensive cover letter and resume to:

Attention: Mary Nelder, General Manager
LAMBAC
P.O. Box 130
Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0
Fax: (705) 282-2989
email to: info@lambac.org

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing****Program Worker
Aboriginal Re-integration Support Services**

Position Status: Full-time permanent beginning April 1, 2013
Reports to: Justice Co-ordinator, UCCMM Tribal Council

Position Objective:

The Aboriginal Re-integration Support Services (ARISS) Program Worker will provide support to the Youth Case Manager, Manitoulin Youth Justice Services with respect to Aboriginal young persons aged 12-17, at the time of the offence, who have been found guilty and are currently on probation, conditional supervision or community supervision. Support will be provided in the following 5 areas in order to help youth on Probation fulfill the requirements of their Probation Order, or as directed by their Probation Officer and in doing so, lead more positive and healthy lives.

1. Mentorship
2. Anger Management
3. Community Service Hours
4. School Support
5. Re-integration Support

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing is a Tribal Council which represents six member First Nations. The six member First Nations are: Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, M'Chigeeng First Nation, Sheguiandah First Nation, Sheshegwaning First Nation, Whitefish River First Nation; and Zhiibaahaasing First Nation. Through this program, UCCMM Justice serves the six member First Nations, Wikwemikong and the off-reserve First Nation population in the District of Manitoulin.

Responsibilities:

- Meet regularly with the Youth Case Manager, Manitoulin Youth Justice Services and Justice Co-ordinator and other stakeholders to discuss individual clients, cases, community supervision plans, evaluation of progress and develop treatments plans for youth
- Work closely with home communities of youth clients in developing re-integration plans, case management conferences, and ensuring all potential community supports are secured before discharge
- Liaise with community service providers (i.e. Elders, Social Service and Health Service providers, cultural programs, youth programs, UCCMM Justice) to identify resources for youth to assist him/her while on Probation
- Develop community profiles which highlight existing supports and resources, gaps and plans to develop programs and services for youth
- Maintain client files, database, and quarterly financial, activity and statistical reports
- Follow all monitoring directives as laid out in the service contract
- Maintain strict confidentiality of client identity and information at all times
- Develop an evaluation tool to solicit feedback from Youth Justice Services, and resources utilized within the seven First Nation communities and justice stakeholders (UCCMM Anishinabe Police, Wikwemikong Tribal Police, Manitoulin OPP, Courts, and Service agencies, etc.)
- Provide the following supports to youth, as referred by the Youth Case Manager:

- Mentorship
- Anger Management
- Community Service Hours
- School Support
- Re-integration Support

- Other related duties

Requirements:

- A minimum College Diploma in Child and Youth Worker or Social Services Worker
- At least one year of experience in working with First Nation youth and families in social services or justice
- Experience working with a Community Justice Program in Ontario
- Willingness to support Anishinabe red road teachings, promotion of positive role models and healthy lifestyles
- Knowledge of First Nation programming and services
- Excellent communication skills – written and verbal
- Available to work evenings and weekends as required
- Must possess a valid driver's license, access to a vehicle and able to travel.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Anishinabek, language, customs, traditions, ceremonies, treaties and history.

Annual Salary: \$42,000.00 (and benefits)
Closing Date: March 13, 2013 at Noon

To Apply: Mail complete package (complete packages includes application letter, resume and three written work-related reference letters. Incomplete packages will not be accepted). Current Criminal Reference Check will be required if candidate is successful.

Mark "Confidential" to:

United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing
Attention: Hazel Recollet, CEO
P.O. Box 275 M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0 **Contact Info:** Phone (705) 377-5307

**LAMBAC**A Community Futures Development Corporation
Une Société d'aide au développement des collectivités**Youth Internship
Tourism Projects Research Assistant**

The Intern will assist the LAMBAC Community Economic Development Officer with research into feasibility and costing of three tourism projects identified in the LaCloche-Manitoulin Strategic Plan.

Responsibilities

Based in **Gore Bay**, this one year contract position will offer a student first-hand work experience in a professional office setting, conducting research into real-world issues. The information generated will help LAMBAC meet goals established by the community as economic development priorities. It will offer the intern experience in implementation of community-based economic development initiatives in rural Northern Ontario.

Requirements

Candidates must have an undergraduate diploma or degree in a tourism-related field such as marketing, finance, business administration, economics, or tourism administration. The Intern will be required to have excellent telephone manners and superior communication skills as well as the ability to work well independently following detailed instructions and to produce well-written reports. The ideal candidate will have first-hand understanding of the economic realities of the tourism industry in rural communities in Northern Ontario.

Under the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation Youth Internship Program, Northern Ontario secondary school graduates 29 years of age or under who recently graduated from an accredited college or university are eligible. Graduates from a high school outside of Northern Ontario who have resided in the North for at least one year are also eligible. Mature graduates may be considered.

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The Waste Management Intern will generally:


- Review existing Landfill Studies/reports and determine the next steps that need to be taken
- Evaluate the options for modern waste management strategies at our landfill
- Evaluate options regarding recyclables, increase diversion strategies
- Assist with the plan to extend the existing footprint
- Develop a Waste Management Plan

The Candidate must fall within the following criteria:

- Northern Ontario Secondary School graduate 29 years of age or under who recently graduated from an accredited College or University
- College or University Degree in Environmental Technology, Environmental Studies or Environmental Science
- Excellent communication, organizational, analytical, problem-solving, time-management skills
- The ability to work flexible hours, which may include nights and weekends

Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter addressing how the minimum qualifications are met and a resume, marked confidential, by no later than **4 p.m. on March 13, 2013** to:

Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer,
 Township of Billings, PO Box 34 Kagawong, ON P0P 1J0
 or email clerktreasurer@billingstwp.ca
 Telephone inquiries 705 282 2611 ext 223
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Wikwemikong Board of Education Short-Term Contract Opportunity

Position: Education Organizational Planning Tool Consultant
Salary/ Contract Fee: Based on Proposal Funding from AANDC
Contract Duration: February 25, 2013- March 31, 2013

Under the direct supervision of the Wikwemikong Board of Education/ and Education Director/ and Education Organization Planning Tool (EOPT) Committee. The EOPT Consultant will utilize the tool that has been developed to support and strengthen the capacity of regional First Nation organizations or education authorities (Wikwemikong Board of Education) with the delivery of education programs and services for band-operated schools. The EOPT consultant will meet with all stake holders for the purposes of creating an education system audit and will create a community-focused, long-term plan for governance capacity development based on current capacities, assets, gaps, and priorities.

The core functions of the Education Organizational Planning Tool and guide for the Consultant, which were derived from the core functions of the GCPT, represent the key elements of organizational capacity:

Review Items and Responsibilities:

- Governance and Leadership
- External Relations (Federal Government, Provincial Government, First Nations Political Organizations etc)
- Parent/Community Involvement and Engagement
- Planning, Performance Measurement and Risk Management
- Financial Management
- Human Resource Management
- Information Management and Information Technology

The EOPT work and audit will be a two part task: Part A is designed to assess the organizational governance capacities and Part B is designed to assess the level of school supports and services that regional First Nation education organizations deliver to First Nations students and schools. By building and supporting these two parts organizations will enhance their capacity to deliver school supports and services.

Qualifications Required from the Consultant:

- Possess a Bachelors Degree, Bachelor of Education and Masters Degree
- Supervisory Officer's Certificate
- Principals Qualifications and minimum 5 years experience overseeing staff
- Experience in school system organization and planning
- Experience with policy review and development regarding school operations
- Human Resources knowledge base for school board staffing
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- Experience in Senior Level School Board Administration
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- Provide 3 current work related references on letterhead
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Please send your CV/ Resume and documentation to:

Dominic Beaudry, Education Director
 Wikwemikong Board of Education
 34 Henry Street
 Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0
 Telephone: 1 (705)859-3834 Fax 1(705)859-3787

Deadline: February 22,2013@2:00PM
 Only those selected for interview will be called

...Now and Then: Justine Campbell

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the lake. We both wanted to travel a little more, see both coasts, but camp always beckoned with its promise of relaxation.”

“I feel my strengths are patience and determination. I got this from my mother’s side of the family. I only wish she could have enjoyed her grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, all boys. She would have been as proud of them as I am. It was a great satisfaction to see them all doing well. Everyone, young and older, loves the camp. Memories abound. I still harbour warm recollections of my parents and my first little baby, Sharon Ann. The few precious photos I have of her show her smiling and happy. It was heartbreaking to get these in the mail after she died. Nevertheless, I learned to appreciate them when I was brave enough to get them out again.”

“Although I didn’t join any associations, I have always baked for the Legion and the United Church. I spend less time going to church these days because I can no longer hear the sermons and this may be relat-



Lawrence and Justine on their 50th wedding anniversary.

ed to my ‘riveting’ years at Victory Aircraft. I still get the written sermons though. Gail Josh leaves them in the door or in my mailbox if I am not home. I am very grateful to Gail for this kindness.”

“Christmas was always special with its decorations and family visiting. Spring is my favourite season. I look forward to that time each year. It is a reawakening of nature and life, a renewal for all of us and a time to open the camp. My husband died in 2009 and I am alone now. We were married 60 years. I miss him a lot, but

he is always with me whether I am at home, in the car or at camp. It is comforting to know he is there. The two top hollowed-out layers of our wedding cake



Timothy Eaton trophy of 1938.

are still preserved, icing intact, in my china cabinet.”

“My family wants me to update their copies of the genealogies I completed in the Sault, but I haven’t updated my own yet. I was hoping they would each do their own and keep it going

for their line, as new members are born. Getting all that information initially put me on a real high. It felt like such an accomplishment. My family calls and visits regularly. Larry, our second child, is retired now and lives in Hamilton. His wife is a nurse, also retired. Don, their third child works for Day Construction in Sudbury. Mark works in the Mill at Terrace Bay and Sandra is a Registered Nurse in Columbus, Ohio.”

“I have never gone back to the house on Draper Street across from the school. It was our first place of our own, as a married couple. I see they have put on some additions. I wonder what it looks like inside, but I haven’t tried to contact the

owners yet,” Justine shares. “I do fear getting older and less independent but Manitoulin is one of the greatest places in the world to get older in. It has been good to me. I really like the atmosphere of the island. It is quiet. You can be solitary and happy or you can be very busy with others. Each person can do what they wish. Manitoulin is a place I’ve always wanted to come back to. It ‘calls me.’ Today I have to go to a funeral for Carl, the youngest brother of Lawrence. Our time is running shorter but I still feel I have some good years to enjoy my life here with my family and friends nearby.”

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NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW

Take Notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands passed By-law No. 2013-09, amending Zoning By-law No’s. 2002-31 and 2002-32, during an open meeting on February 19th, 2013, pursuant to the Planning Act, Chapter P. 13, R.S.O. 1990, Sec. 34, as amended.

The Purpose and Effect of By-law No. 2013-09, provides for the following text revisions of Zoning By-law No’s. 2002-31 and 2002-32:

1. Amends the definition for ‘Business or Professional Office’ under Section 5 of Restricted Area Zoning By-law No’s. 2002-31 and 2002-32 to: *‘shall mean an office in which any business is carried on or any profession is practiced but does not include a home occupation or a clinic’*
2. Amends Section 7.4.1(b) of Restricted Area Zoning By-law No. 2002-31, to add as a permitted use within an Institutional (I) Zone:
 - A clinic when located on the same property as a hospital or nursing home
3. Amends Section 7.3.1.4 of Restricted Area Zoning By-law No. 2002-32, to delete as a permitted use under - Commercial Uses – within a Hamlet (H) Zone:
 - a clinic

And Take Notice the last day for filing a notice of appeal must be filed no later than *March 19th, 2013*, with the Clerk of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands stating the reasons for the appeal and must be accompanied by the fee required by the Ontario Municipal Board.

Only individuals, Corporations and Public Bodies may appeal a Zoning By-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or a group on its behalf.

No person or Public Body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the By-law is passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the Date of Passing subject to the expiration of the 20 day appeal period provided in Section 34(19) of the Planning Act and subject to the approval of the Ontario Municipal Board where objections to this by-law are filed with the Clerk.

Dated this 27th Day of February, 2013 Pam Cress, Clerk
Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
Postal Bag 2000
Little Current ON POP 1K0

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MUNICIPALITY OF ASSIGINACK



The Corporation of the Township of Assiginack Notice of Passing of an Interim Control By-Law

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack passed By-law #13-04 on the 19th day of February, 2013 under Section 38 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended .

THE PURPOSE of the By-law is to place an Interim Control By-law on all lands within the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack.

THE EFFECT of the Interim Control By-law is to prohibit the establishment of new Methadone Clinics or dispensaries as defined by the by-law for the time period outlined within the by-law.

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack has authority to extend the period during which the by-law will be in effect to a total period not exceeding two years.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack not later than the 22nd day of April 2013 a notice of appeal. The notice of appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the Township of Assiginack, must set out the reasons for the appeal and must be accompanied by the \$125.00 fee required by the Board and must be payable to the Ontario Minister of Finance.

AND TAKE NOTICE that only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal an interim control by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

A COMPLETE COPY of the by-law is set out below.

DATED at the Township of Assiginack Office, this 27th day of February, 2013.

Alton Hobbs, Clerk, Township of Assiginack
P.O. Box 238, Manitowaning, ON, POP 1N0

The Corporation of the Township of Assiginack

BY-LAW # 13-04

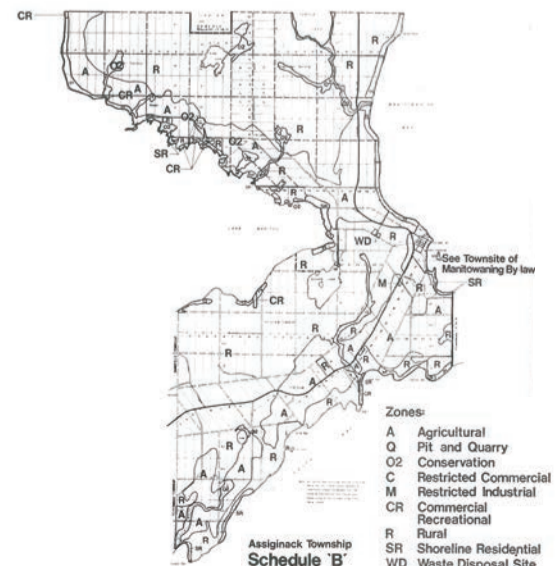
BEING A BY-LAW of the Corporation of the Township of Assiginack to Impose Interim Controls in order to Prohibit the Establishment of New Methadone Clinics and Dispensaries for an interim period of six months in order to allow for the completion of a planning study on the potential regulation of these uses.

WHEREAS the necessary authority is found in Section 38 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, c. P.13 as amended which permits the Council of a Municipality to pass an Interim Control By-law, where Council has directed that a review or study be undertaken in respect of land use planning policies within the municipality or in any defined area or areas thereof;

NOW THEREFORE that the Council of the Township of Assiginack Enact as Follows:

1. THAT for the purposes of this Interim Control By-law, the following definitions will apply:
 - a) ‘Methadone Clinic’ means a medical or dental or other professional office use that dispenses methadone.
 - b) ‘Methadone Dispensary’ means a business selling or filling methadone prescriptions for customers as the primary activity of the business, but excludes a pharmacy or a pharmacy that is accessory and ancillary to a medical clinic or hospital.
2. THAT while this by-law is in force and effect no new Methadone Clinics or Dispensaries will be permitted on the lands within the municipal boundaries of the Township of Assiginack as shown on Schedule ‘B’, attached to and forming part of this by-law.
3. THAT this by-law shall be in force and remain in effect for a period of six months from the date of passing of this by-law.

**Read a First and Second time, this 19th day of February, 2013.
Read a Third and Final time and Enacted in Open Council,
this 19th day of February, 2013.**





Corporation of the Town of Gore Bay

NOTICE

All Gore Bay residents are invited to attend the

PUBLIC MEETING

**In the basement of the Royal Canadian Legion
26 Phipps Street
on March 7, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.**

Topic of discussion:
Town of Gore Bay 2013 Budget

QUESTION OF THE WEEK—Would herpes be a half of hispes and best served with potatoes and gravy? If you know, phone 368.

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Passport photos are taken Tuesday to Friday at the Expositor Office. \$20.50 including tax. **Must make an appointment.** 705-368-2744.



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M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION
CUSTOM ELECTION CODE 2005



ELECTORAL OFFICER

INVITATION TO TENDER

PURPOSE

To administer the registration of voters, the nominations process and conduct the taking and counting of a vote under the M'Chigeeng First Nation Custom Election Code and Election Code Regulations.

To exercise the powers, and perform the duties set out in the M'Chigeeng First Nation Custom Election Code and Election Code Regulations and such duties as are assigned by the Council.

SUMMARY

The successful candidate will ensure the duties and responsibilities as set out within the M'Chigeeng First Nation Custom Election Code and Election Code Regulations are carried out.

The successful candidate must not nominate or second a candidate, or stand as a candidate, in the election. The successful candidate may not be a member of the Election Appeal Committee.

REQUIREMENT

An Electoral Officer, must prior to appointment, provide to the Council with an undertaking to discharge their duties and responsibilities of the position in a fair and neutral manner.

SCOPE OF WORK

Responsibilities:

The Contractor shall perform all services required of an electoral officer pursuant to the Custom Election Code to conduct the Election including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Adherence to the M'Chigeeng First Nation Custom Election Code;
2. Determine the positions to be elected;
3. Conduct the Election in accordance with the Code;
4. Strictly adhere to the Election timeline as per the MFN Custom Election Code;
5. Report the results of the Election to the members of the First Nation immediately after the filing of the return of poll;
6. The final report on the overall election must be provided to the First Nation upon completion of the Election.

In addition to the Duties of Electoral Officer as outline in Part 4 Section 24 of the M'Chigeeng First Nation Custom Election Code, the Electoral Officer will be responsible to provide:

- An election report and results to Chief and Council, First Nation, Band Membership
- Training session to the Election/Appeal Committee if required

➤ **Tender Submission** must include the following information and documents:

- Details of work to be performed along with costing thereof;
- Previous election work performed;
- Three written reference letters from other First Nation, which is subject to reference checks;

To request a copy of the M'Chigeeng First Nation Custom Election Code 2005, Timeline, and/or questions, please contact Brenda Ense, Chief Administrative Officer at 705 377-5362, ext. 202 or via email chiefadminofficer@mchigeeng.ca.

Sealed tenders will be accepted by the undersigned up until March 5, 2013 at 4:00pm

**Attn: Chief & Council
c/o Chief Administrative Officer
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333
M'Chigeeng, Ontario
POP 1G0
www.mchigeeng.ca**

Posted February 20, 2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO CONSIDER A PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN PURSUANT TO SECTION 28 OF THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O 1990, c. P.13, AS AMENDED

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Municipality of Central Manitoulin will be holding a public meeting on **Thursday, March 21, 2013 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers** to consider a Community Improvement Plan for Central Manitoulin.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT of the proposed Community Improvement Plan is to establish a planning and economic development framework of financial incentive programs designed to stimulate private sector investment considered necessary to meet identified community improvement objectives of the Municipality. Mindemoya, Providence Bay and commercial accommodation lands across the Municipality represent important commercial and tourist areas/assets within Central Manitoulin, the comprehensive development of which represents an important investment in existing economic activity. The proposed Community Improvement Plan allows for a program of financial assistance to eligible registered owners and tenants of lands and buildings within an identified Community Improvement Area in developing their properties, where such development meets the objectives of the Community Improvement Plan.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting to make written or verbal representation in support of or in opposition to the proposed Community Improvement Plan. Written submissions regarding the proposed Community Improvement Plan can be made to Amanda Gunner, Municipality of Central Manitoulin, P.O. Box 187, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya, Ontario, POP 1S0, facsimile 705-377-5585, telephone 705-377-5726, ext. 36 or email at centralecdev@amtelecom.net.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED of Council's decision regarding the proposed Community Improvement Plan, you must make a written request to Amanda Gunner at the address shown above.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council of The Municipality of Central Manitoulin before the proposed Community Improvement Plan is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of The Municipality of Central Manitoulin to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB).

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council of The Municipality of Central Manitoulin before Community Improvement Plan is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Community Improvement Plan will be made available to the public on Friday, March 1, 2013 at the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Municipal Office located at 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya and on the Municipality's website www.centralmanitoulin.ca.



**View the obituaries online go to
www.manitoulin.ca**

thank you

A big chi miigwech! On behalf of the Holy Cross Mission Church and the St. Ignatius Parish we would like to thank everybody who helped out to make this a successful event...especially a big thank you to Adam Smith of Jakes Furniture in Mindemoya, John Dube of Rainbow Ridge, Jenni Manitowabi of Andy's Shell, cash donation from Cynthia Pitawanakwat-LeBrocq and to everybody who donated prizes, baked goods and mini raffles and to all those fabulous bingo players and we cannot forgot our hardworking volunteers Cindy Ominika, Eleanor Abel, Mable Manitowabi, Joanne Peltier, Kim Manitowabi, Agnes Kanasawe and Audrey Wemigwans. We raised \$1505.20 and immediately purchased the appliances and with the few dollars left were able to purchase other things needed for the hall.

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in memoriam



MENDES--In loving memory of a dear son and brother, Adam Paul Mendes, January 31, 1985 to February 26, 2010.

We must carry on, although we feel like you've been left behind. It may be a long time until we see you again; you left us far too soon.

Adam not a day goes by that we don't think of you, we love you with all our hearts. But life goes on and we feel like you have been left behind.

It's hard to believe three years have passed and we haven't heard your voice or seen your bright smile. Love and miss you, Mom, Dad and Andy.

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MCDONALD--In loving memory of mother and grandmother, Mary McDonald, February 26, 1923 to March 10, 1999. Hard to believe another year has passed.

Thinking of you today and every day. Happy Birthday Mom! Love and miss you, Susan, Carlos and Andy.

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in memoriam



CORBIERE--In loving memory of Angeline Yvonne Corbiere (nee Shogga) of M'Chigeeng, who passed away on February 21, 2011. February is the month you came to this world, and also the one you left. Everyday we think of you. You loved to visit friends and family, you loved to laugh, you loved good food, and you loved life. You worked hard all of your life to give us all that you could, all that you never had. You taught us by example. You taught perseverance, diligence, kindness, generosity, sacrifice and most importantly love. Ensa-giizhgad g-mikwenmigoo, geyaabi g-zaag'i-goo, aapji go naa g-mesni-goo.

Remembered and always loved by Alvin 'Ted' Corbiere, Tim Shogga (Yvette Debassige), Alan (Tammy Gordon), Yvonne (Bill Jones), Charlene (Joseph Stoneypoint), Lisa (Fred Roy). Grandchildren Sheldon, Koady, Sasha, Bnehns, Mnawaate, Mentaagzid, Dakota, Nchiawat, Niihge and by great-grandchildren Angelina, Dawson, Noah, Scarlett, and London.

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STRAIN--In loving memory of a dear brother and uncle, Harold, who passed away March 1, 1980.

He meant so much to us But nothing we can say Can tell the sadness in our hearts

As we think of him each day. He always was true and tender

He lived his life for those he loved And those he loved, remember.

Sadly missed by Gary, Elva, David, Jim and Karen.

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Death Notices

SARAH (SALLY) GEORGINIA (NEE MONKHOUSE) WILLIAMSON



Sarah (Sally) Georginia (nee Monkhouse) Williamson passed away peacefully at the Mindemoya Health Centre, with her family in her 79th year. Beloved wife of the late Harold (Dub) Williamson (2009). Dear daughter of the late Catherine and Clifford Monkhouse. Sister to Shelva Wiseman, Greg

Monkhouse, predeceased by brothers John and Jim Monkhouse and sister Valena Lamb. Loving mother to Katherine and husband Paul Schaeffer and Floyd and wife Caroline Williamson. Will be forever missed by her grandchildren Jamie Schaeffer, Jennifer, Michael, Jessica Williamson and Shawna Schaeffer. After graduating from nursing school in 1956, Sally worked in Mindemoya and Little Current Hospitals for many years. She earned a reputation as a devoted and compassionate nurse. She also volunteered with the Canadian Cancer Society receiving a Commemorative Medal from the Governor General of Canada, recognizing her for her years of service. Sally loved to sew, making many of her own clothes and quilts. She also loved to knit and enjoyed sharing that passion with her grandchildren. Sally was also an avid baker, with butter tarts, pies and cookies as her specialties. Sally and Dub ran a Bed and Breakfast in their home for over 30 years, meeting people from all over the world. Funeral Service will be held on Saturday May 4, 2013 at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church, Mindemoya, Ontario. Visitation preceding the Service from 12 noon to 2 pm. Burial at Mindemoya Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Mindemoya Hospital or St. Francis of Assisi Church will be gratefully accepted. For online condolences www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

SYLVIA WILHELMINA CLARKE 1935 - 2013



In loving memory of Sylvia Wilhelmina Clarke who died peacefully at Centennial Manor on the morning of Monday, February 18, 2013 at the age of 77. Predeceased by husband Phillip (1991). Dear mother of Roberta Hughson (Blake) of Manitowaning, Terry Moore (Dave) of Rockville, Joyce Clarke,

Lorrie Clarke (Larry Myers), Ruth Eadie (Tony Bell), Doug (Charlene) and Cecil; all of Little Current. Proud grandmother of Leslie, Cindy, Jaimie, Leslie Ann, Rebecca, Jason, Kari, Kyle, Kayla (predeceased), Ryan, Mitchell, Derek, Stephaine, Chelsea, Melissa, Trevor, Dailynn, Matilda, and great-grandmother of many. Loved sister of Colin Patterson (predeceased) (Mary Lou), Ken Patterson (predeceased), Velda Secord (Bob predeceased), Myles Patterson (predeceased) Gail, Marvin Patterson (predeceased) Heather, Elaine Lanktree (Morley) and Bev Patterson. Visitation was from 7 pm to 9 pm on Wednesday, February 20, 2013. Funeral Service was at 11 am on Thursday, February 21, 2013, all at Island Funeral Home. Burial in the spring in Coldsprings Cemetery. Donations to Haven House are appreciated. On line condolences at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted with Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

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.

JOAN MARGARET LEMONS (NEE CORRIGAN)



Joan Margaret Lemons (nee Corrigan), born in Warton, Ontario on July 5, 1926, passed away peacefully February 15, 2013 at age 86. Daughter of Stanley "Cork" Corrigan and Alice (nee Swinton) and predeceased by her husband Robert Lemons. Joan is survived by her brother James Corrigan (Monica) of Mindemoya,

Manitoulin Island, Fran Hammond (Orv) of Bracebridge, Ontario, daughter Fran E. Parry of Kitchener, her son Stan "Cork" Lemons (Linda) of Cairo, NY, Ed Josefchuk (Mary Ann) of Somonauk, IL, ten grandchildren: Tammy, Scott, Amanda, Tiffany, Nicole, Spencer, Suzanne, John, Julia and Jared, ten great grand children, and many nieces and nephews. After graduating high school, she joined the Canadian Women's Army Corp during World War II. She met her future husband, Robert Lee Lemons, a sailor in the United States Navy in Washington, D.C. After two years, Robert and Joan were married on February 9, 1946. Married for 32 years, they lived in Lisle, Illinois. Joan was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She led a life of service to others. After receiving a graduate R.M.A. degree, she worked as the office nurse for a doctor and as a geriatric care nurse in her area. She always made time for helping others and especially loved young people. Joan was one of those people who are always young at heart. She had a bright and ready smile, an easy laugh, and an understanding way. Joan and Robert travelled around the world. After her husband's death in 1978, Joan took in many hockey boarders. A great friend to so many, they called her Mom L or Mrs. L. Retiring from nursing, Joan worked for Tellabs in the U.S. as a supervisor. Finally retiring from the work force, Joan moved to Bracebridge to be near family. Joan loved her Church and her country; she was a past director of the Bracebridge Kinettes and a member of the Eastern Star. To be closer to family, Joan moved from Bracebridge to Elmira and then residing at The Village of Winston Park in Kitchener, Ontario. Joan was known by many and loved by all. The "beautiful one" will be remembered always. Visitation took place Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at Reynolds Funeral Home, 1 Mary Street, Bracebridge, from 2 to 4 pm and 6 pm to 9 pm with an Eastern Star service at 6:30 pm followed by a chapel service. Committal will take place in the spring on Manitoulin Island. As expressions of sympathy donations may be made to The Manitoulin District Cenotaph or The Canadian Diabetes Association.

JARVIS GILBERT TRUDEAU AUGUST 15, 1950 - FEBRUARY 14, 2013 62 YEARS

In loving memory of Jarvis Gilbert Trudeau, a resident of Wikwemikong. Jarvis passed away at home surrounded by family and friends. Dear son of the late William and Helen (Anderson) Trudeau. Dear brother of Jerome, Howard, Alan (predeceased), Evelyn, Stella, Catherine, Doreen, Theresa, Marion, Bernice and Carol. Dear husband of Judy of Wikwemikong. Loving father of Mark Pitawanakwat (Stepson) Rodney, Alison (predeceased), Chelsea and Jules (predeceased). Dear Godfather to Pamela Pitawanakwat and Yvette Roy. Jarvis will be sadly missed by his grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Jarvis enjoyed playing guitar and singing. He also enjoyed fishing, camping, the great outdoors and was a "Jack of All Trades". Family and friends called at 493 Lakeshore Road on Saturday, February 16, 2013 and at Buzwah Church on Sunday February 17, 2013. Funeral Mass was at St. Ignatius Church, Wikwemikong on Monday, February 18, 2013 at 11 am. Cremation to follow. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.



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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
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 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	 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
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 PERFECT HOME \$152,500 For your growing family. Four bedrooms and two baths within walking distance to school. This home has had recent upgrades to insulation, siding, windows and shingles. It is also wheelchair accessible. Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113	 LITTLE CURRENT WATERFRONT \$99,000 2 to choose from, level lot each approx. 1 acre in size, near Whites Point, one lot has dredged harbour for boats, good access, only 5 minutes south of town, access off Hwy. #6 (1268) Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113
 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	 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

100 ACRES CAMPBELL TOWNSHIP - bush road access on road allowance, mixed tree cover, hydro in area, good access off Hwy. 542 on Pine Tree Trail, great deer area, asking \$87,000 (1333) (MLS#1013897) CALL JORDAN 705-368-3113

95 ACRES ROBINSON TOWNSHIP - recreational lands located just east of Silver Water village, frontage on Hwy. 540, good deer country, also suitable for seasonal or year round home construction, asking only \$72,900 (1367) (MLS#1016811)

LONELY BAY LAKE HURON - one large waterfront lot, nicely treed, year round road, surveyed lot, area of newer homes and cottages, 15 minutes to Mindemoya shopping and golf, asking \$59,000 (1269) CALL JORDAN @ 377-4532

5 ACRES ALLAN TOWNSHIP - nicely treed parcel in Checkerboard Lane area, camps in the area, great deer country, ATV access for last distance, survey and building permit required to build on this parcel, asking \$9,900 (1334) (MLS#1013978)

MINDEMOYA BUILDING LOT - located on Thorne St, near public school, lot size 150 x 150 feet water and sewer available, walk to downtown stores, asking \$15,000 (1368) (MLS#1016812)

100 ACRE LOT with municipal road access. Located just west of Spring Bay, this lot is ideal for hunting or building a country home. Hydro is located at the road. Asking \$89,000. (MLS#1015966) CALL JORDAN at 705-368-3113

APPROX. 270 ACRES ROBINSON TWP. - located just east of Silver Water village, high water frontage, mixed bush, small lake at road side, great deer hunting location, ideal seasonal or year round home location, asking \$160,000 (1366) (MLS#1016798)

NEWER 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

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)

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)

WINDFALL LAKE DEVELOPMENT property assessed as 3,432 ft. of waterfrontage facing the western sunsets & supported by 52 ac. w/good access over Frawley's Lane. Improved by chalet shell w/hydro & septic plus very large steel garage. Subject to MPB approval. \$437,000 (1039)

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 MINDEMOYA 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 Assinack 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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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)



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)

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SOUTH BAYMOUTH WATERVIEW living in beautiful apartment w/excellent 6 month business. New 2008 two bedroom suite 1120 sq. ft. w/laminate flooring & cathedral cedar ceiling, 3 pc bath, spacious great room w/elegant oak kitchen. Upper deck 40 ft. Island Fish N Chip has 1120 sq. ft. preparation space, 504 sq. ft. indoor licensed restaurant w/part of the decorated rock garden eating area also licensed. Fully equipped take out for summer w/winters off. \$339,000 (924)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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)



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 (910)



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)



GORE BAY HOME on south bluff lot 101x284 ft. w/great view over town & bay. Bungalow 1416 sq. ft. w/additional 1416 recently completed lower level. Split rear entrance w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, eat in kitchen, large dining living room w/limestone fireplace & maple flooring. Full basement finished in drywall & laminate w/pellet stove, laundry & hobby rooms. No carpets, some appliances, quiet area, serene southern view. \$224,000 (1059)



WINDFALL LAKE DEVELOPMENT property assessed as 3,432 ft. of waterfrontage facing the western sunsets & supported by 52 ac. w/good access over Frawley's Lane. Improved by chalet shell w/hydro & septic plus very large steel garage. Subject to MPB approval. \$437,000 (1039)



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)



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)



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)



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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. \$49,000 (1029)



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CENTRALLY LOCATED HANDYMAN SPECIAL !! - Single storey raised bungalow on spacious cleared lot in quiet location at entrance to dead-end road. Close to main highway & convenience store. 806 sq.ft. with eat-in kitchen, front & side decks, wood-burning fireplace in living room & woodstove in full unfinished basement. This property would make a good retirement home or starter home or rental unit. House does require a little work & TLC & is being sold as is & without warranty. Asking \$75,000. MLS#1017371



LITTLE CURRENT FARM!! - 94 acres with pasture land, mixed & maple hardwood bush, great deer hunting, year round ponds & a river in which fish from Lake Huron swim up to spawn. On the property is a large barn & a newly renovated 3 bdrm with loft farm house with a magnificent view. All located only 2 mins south of Little Current & the many amenities that town has to offer. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1017280



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



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 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



QUALITY CONSTRUCTION, SPACIOUS LAYOUT & SPECTACULAR VIEW - Open concept 3 bedroom bungalow located on a 3.13 acre lot overlooking the North Channel. Features include full basement, large deck, hardwood and ceramic flooring and a great central Manitoulin location close to most amenities. Please call for complete details. MLS#1016443



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 great fishing directly in front of your property close to the excellent dockage at the Gore Bay Marina. Asking \$198,900. MLS#1015004



MANITOWANING COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL - 1500 sq ft brick building on the corner of Arthur and Queen Street in Manitowaning with some surrounding land. Has been used as offices. Great view of Manitowaning Bay. Asking \$200,000. Call sales person Al Frank 705-859-3297. MLS#1016340

McGREGOR BAY LOG COTTAGE
Very well maintained log cottage formally known as "Channel Lodge" offers 3 bdrms, formal dining area plus great room featuring large stone fireplace & spacious front porch overlooking the Bay. Large guest cottage with open layout for company or extended family. Buildings nestled amidst a mature white pine forest on 5.9 acres with excellent privacy & superb views to the south & west. Also includes boat house, excellent docking facilities, most furnishings, hydro & modern septic system.
Attractively priced at \$360,000.
MLS#1017361

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

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

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



BAY ESTATES COTTAGE - Rustic and highly appealing 2 bedroom cottage situated in a picture perfect setting with spectacular views, year round access, beautiful lot and quality built cottage/home for enjoying the North Channel. Extra's include stone fireplace, lofted ceilings, great decks and large lot. Only \$239,000. MLS#1015620



COTTAGE - Located on the shore of beautiful Lake Manitoulin. 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



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

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

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



SHEGUIANDAH BUILDING SITE - Spacious 2.1 acre vacant lot with frontage on Highway No.6 as well as Sydenham Street. Ideal location for higher profile and possible home business. Hamlet zoning permits many uses! Heavily treed, walking distance to public beach area and boat launch, relatively level and attractively priced. Please call for full details! MLS#1017108

INEXPENSIVE BUILDING LOT IN MANITOWANING!!! - This great little building lot is only a short walk to the town stores & beautiful sand beach & public boat docks. The lot is serviced with hydro, water & sewer. The capital upgrade charge for the water & sewer is only \$2662 & is paid by a small monthly charge added on to the water bill over a 20 year time frame. Asking only \$7,500. MLS#1017008

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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



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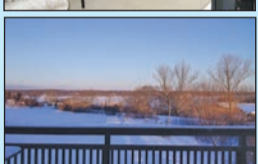
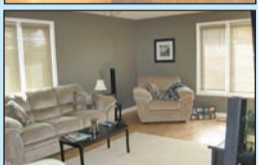
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LITTLE CURRENT BUNGALOW - With 24'x24' addition built in 2008. 3 bedrooms with large open concept kitchen/living/dining with cathedral ceilings. Kitchen has island prep area with oak cabinets and plenty of counter space. 3 bedrooms on the main floor 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 MANITOULIN - 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



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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

Brrr...braving the waters in the name of safety

Youths take part in real-life ice safety demo

by Steph Burt Hillyard

ESPANOLA—Imagine you're enjoying your day off, spending some time on the snowmobile trails when it happens. You hit a patch of water and your machine goes through the ice. What do you do?

That was the climax of a two-day course for youths in the Espanola area.

Students were required to spend a day in class learning about trail safety, survival, what to do in case of an emergency and then take part in a live demonstration. Ministry of Natural Resources Conservation Officer Denis Lefebvre braved the frigid water not once but four times to give the students the opportunity to see how to save yourself as well as someone else from winter waters.

"The trick to going in and out and in and out is to have a [diver's] drysuit on," he laughed.

One of the most prominent things the youths were taught about ice safety was preparation. Mr. Lefebvre showed the students the gear he carries on his snow machine and with him when out patrolling the trails, explaining that each piece was weather-sealed by packing them in multiple zip-lock bags. This included extra clothes such as hats and mitts, fire starters, rope and snacks. He also explained that when you get cold, you lose your basic motor functions, making a seemingly easy task like striking a match a nearly impossible activity. Rather than



Participants gather for a group photo.

keeping matches, Mr. Lefebvre suggests packing a flint and multiple flares- which can double as a help signal and fire starter.

When it came time for the demonstration, the youths were quizzed on what to do if you or someone else falls in open water. The group decided the top actions were to call for help, get out, build a fire and seek shelter. The youths were each assigned a task in the demonstration including helping pull Mr. Lefebvre out of the water, building a fire or deciding the next step to take.

"Let go!" was Mr. Lefebvre's advice if you hit a patch of water and your snow

machine starts to sink. "Sometimes people forget, or they try to ride it out, but when that cold water hits you in the face, then you'll remember!"

Mr. Lefebvre demonstrated using ice picks to pull yourself out of the water and using a rope to pull out someone else. Mr. Lefebvre said he had fallen in the water half a dozen times himself, but never in the winter.

"But this is a good training experience," he said, speaking of both himself and the youths. "Practical experience is always the best. If we could set it up safely with a sauna and if they all brought a change of clothes, I'd love for all the kids to be able

to try it."

Chair of the Espanola and Area Safety Coalition, Mike Pichor, agrees. "The whole program is run around snowmobile safety. Sometimes it's not all fun and games. This course helps them to prepare themselves better for being outdoors and on the lake."

While Espanola and District Snowmobile Club president Dennis Lendrum is happy the course is running, he's also a little surprised at its numbers.

"If I was in high school and had the opportunity to take two days off school, get some of these prizes and spend a day snowmobiling...I'm surprised there were only 14 registered."

Participants Bryce Millett, Chad Haridridge and Jaden Stewart were glad for the day to be out of school and on the trails. Learning how to stay safe was an extra bonus.

"The best part of the demonstration



MNR Conservation Officer Denis Lefebvre braves the frigid water during his safety demo.



Kurtis Verch pulls ahead to win during an ice pick crawl race.

photos by Steph Burt Hillyard



Students pull MNR Conservation Officer Denis Lefebvre out of the water.

was that he actually went in," Bryce explained. "It wasn't staged."

Chad and Jaden agreed, adding that it showed them what to do and what not to do in a real situation.

The fifth annual Ride with Respect: A High School Snowmobile Safety Program was put on through a joint effort by the Espanola and Area Safety Coalition and the Espanola and District Snowmobile Club. Students of Espanola High School and École Secondaire Catholique Franco-Ouest also participated.

During the trail ride and ice safety demonstration students were accompanied by the Espanola Police Service, Ontario Provincial Police and the Snowmobile Trail Office Patrol program, volunteers from the Espanola District Snowmobile Club and members from the Espanola and Area Safety Coalition.

Old-fashioned fun at Birch Island winter carnival



One young participant splits a piece of wood like a pioneer.



Horse-drawn sleigh rides were a popular highlight of the event.



Carnival goers try their hand at drilling a fishing hole.



Time for tea? Two carnival goers try boiling water over a fire.

photos by Michael Erskine

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Anishinaabe motivational speaker pumps up youth at M'Chigeeng First Nation conference

by Michael Erskine
M'CHIGEENG—Most of the seats are filled at the Inspiring Minds Youth Conference presented by the M'Chigeeng First Nation at the community complex recently as a thumping backbeat rhythm begins to fill the hall. Before the gathered youth can begin to fidget, the big screen to their left starts to pulsate with action as a hyper-energetic figure bounces through the on-screen audience, bumping fists and pausing to interact with each audience member in the video. The scene onscreen continues for a few moments before the action suddenly leaves the realm of light and canvas to explode into the current audience.

Barreling through the hall and stopping to meet and greet each participant in the hall, keeping up a high-energy manic pace that would shame a Jagger in his prime, motivational speaker Earl Lambert is, very much, in the house.

A few moments before the action started, The Expositor spoke with Mr. Lambert about his vocation, his mission and his life. A Cree from British Columbia, Mr. Lambert currently resides in Brantford. The self-described inspirational storyteller and Red Road warrior explains that he moved from Prince George, British Columbia where he worked in a variety of professional capacities. Those capacities included a stint as an executive director for a First Nations non-profit organization, a college instructor of business, a life-skills, employment and business facilitator, a HIV/AIDS educator, an advocate, fundraiser and events coordinator for various homeless initiatives



Aboriginal motivational speaker and inspirational storyteller Earl Lambert works the room at the beginning of the youth conference, making personal contact with each person in the room with an explosive blur of manic energy that chased away any early Saturday morning cobwebs that might have lingered in teenaged minds.

and lastly, as a programs developer and group facilitator for an aboriginal child and family services organization.

Life was not easy growing up as the child of a single parent in a community rife with substance abuse and multigenerational abuse. His father died under tragic circumstances when Mr. Lambert was nine-years-old and with an early life spent in a revolving door upbringing in foster homes, he was soon on a path all too familiar to aboriginal youth, a trail of tears that included drug abuse and incarceration first in juvenile centres and then, as a young adult, in correctional facilities.

Unlike too many of his peers, Mr. Lambert managed to break that cycle through a mix of traditional and western treatment regimens to become a highly successful and powerful voice for holistic healing and the power of change.

Joining Mr. Lambert in M'Chigeeng was Ashley Kecheho-Nichols, a young Anishinaabe kwe Muay Thai/kickboxing/Brazilian jiu-jitsu international gold medalist from the Chippewa's of the Thames and Oneida Nation. "I am just here to help out Earl," said Ms. Kecheho-Nichols. A graduate of the Human Services Foundation, the accomplished athlete is currently studying protection/security and investigation at Conestoga College.

M'Chigeeng First Nation Chief Joe Hare greeted the young participants both as the local chief and as chair of the United Chiefs and Councils of M'Nidoo Mnisising Tribal Council following a smudge and prayer conducted by M'Chigeeng elder Victor Migwans and

a welcome song by the M'Chigeeng Community Drum.

Mr. Hare noted that life can be a struggle, referencing his own upbringing as one of 200 youth living year-round at the St. James Garneau residential school and the lack of cultural underpinning available. "When I was 13-years-old or so like many of you, we did not have the kinds of ceremonies they have today, like the smudge, to clear your hearts and to clear your minds," he said. "We didn't have the drum."

"At the residential school they wanted us to become like white boys and girls," he recalled. "They cut our hair, wouldn't let us talk our language. Today I wear my hair long," said Mr. Hare. "To object to what I had done to me."

Mr. Hare added that he tries to also wear colours, particularly the four colours of the medicine wheel. "They help me to have confidence in myself," he said. "To build that desire to succeed. If you can desire, aspire to achieve, dedicate yourselves to succeed, you can do it."

Mr. Lambert said that the keys to reaching Generation Y anishinnabe youth follows four key routes. "Understand them," he said. "Let them



Earl Lambert speaks to the crowd.

know that you understand their struggles, put yourself in their shoes."

"Second, generate a sense of belonging," he continued. "Create a sense of unity.

"Third, allow them to be heard," said Mr. Lambert. "Genuinely listen to what they are trying to say and get feedback."

"And fourth is respect,"



Aboriginal motivational speaker and inspirational storyteller Earl Lambert takes a group of youth through a group warm up and ice-breaker during the Inspiring Minds Youth Conference in M'Chigeeng.

he said. "I never demand, I give in order to receive."

"Youth today are not so different from when I was young," said Mr. Lambert. "They want to be seen, they want to be heard. They want to be able to contribute. To be believed in. To be told they can accomplish anything. Not only to be told, but to see someone that has overcome that place of destruction."

Mr. Lambert said that as anishinaabe people, "we need to stop living in the

ties any sense of cynicism borne out of what might first have been dismissed as corny and formulaic beginning drops away, to be replaced by a nascent sense of hope.

On this bright sunny Saturday morning, at far too early an hour for willing teenage engagement

and with a host of other options vying for their time and attention, Mr. Lambert's energy and enthusiasm is infecting the room. These youth are engaging with him and his conference associate. It seems that positivism and confidence are contagious.

photos by Michael Erskine



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Indigo bunting included in this year's backyard bird count

by Chris Bell

MANITOULIN—Many people over the recent four day Great Backyard Bird Count enjoyed watching and listing the birds at their bird feeders. Counts took place in all communities.

The highlight of the 2013 Count was an indigo bunting at a bird feeder in Central Manitoulin. The bird appeared on the Friday and was seen by the homeowners several times over the next few days feeding on the ground on spilled seeds. The little bird was mainly brown with patches of indigo blue and it took a while to figure out that it was a male indigo bunting in winter plumage. Indigo buntings are all bright indigo in the spring when they arrive back here in May to visit bird feeders for a few days before moving away to start nesting. In winter they moult into more somber plumage and migrate to Central America. This bird is the only sighting for all of Canada!

Another interesting report was of a pair of white-



This great grey owl was spotted on Indian Mountain Road last week, perhaps the same one spotted during the bird count in Sheguiandah.

photo by Peter Baumgarten

winged crossbills visiting a bird feeder in Kagawong. Crossbills are finches with crossed bill tips that are usually used to pry out seeds from pinecones. Life is easier at a bird feeder with sunflower seeds.

A very respectable 55 species of birds were reported in the Manitoulin District, which includes Killarney. The list may be found on the website—look for results, then high counts, then Canada, then Ontario then counties and Manitoulin.

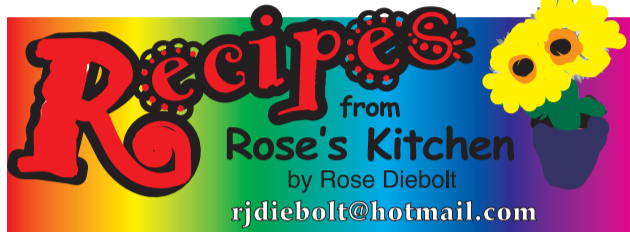
Other uncommon birds here included a great grey owl near Sheguiandah, a boreal owl in Killarney Provincial

Park, a belted kingfisher near Sandfield, several red-bellied woodpeckers, and two gyrfalcons—one in Providence Bay and one hunting ducks on Wolsey Lake. The first reports for 2013 of pine siskins came from the Spring Bay area and the only purple finch this year was at a feeder in Manitowaning. A red-winged blackbird was found in Little Current.

Manitoulin had the highest counts in Ontario for several bird species. Four hundred and eighty common goldeneye were counted on Wolsey Lake, 15 pheasants were reported at a farm near Sheguiandah and a flock of 15 sharp-tailed grouse were seen in Gordon Township.

Black-capped chickadees and common redpolls were reported at most feeders.

The Great Backyard Bird Count reporting process was changed this year and results by postal code are no longer provided. This has meant that no community can be declared the winner this year. Perhaps this decision can be reversed next year and the local rivalries resume.



The Regency Bakery and Deli, 1355 Regent St., Sudbury sells fresh pasta sheets perfect for making lasagna. You have to ask at the deli counter and you need to know what size of sheets you need for your pan. If you buy extra for future use you can freeze the sheets. Keep the sheets flat and wrap each one in saran wrap and place carefully in your freezer. If the sheets break up you can still use them, it will be like putting a puzzle together. The best part of using the fresh pasta is you don't have to precook them, are more delicate in taste, and not as thick as a regular lasagna noodle.

Roasted Vegetable Lasagna

The recipe makes two 8-inch square pans, easy to freeze one for another night. The recipe seems time consuming but you can do it over a couple of days. If you don't want to make the Béchamel sauce substitute with 4 cups cottage cheese, 3/4 cup milk, and 1 1/4 cups shredded provolone cheese combined together.

Noodles:

10 oz. lasagna noodles (about 16) cooked and cooled
3 cups shredded provolone cheese (12oz)

Roasted Vegetables:

2 Tbsp olive oil
1/2 tsp salt and pepper
1 each sweet yellow, red, and green pepper
3 zucchini
1 onion
6 cloves garlic
1/2 butternut squash (3 cups in 1/2-inch cubes)
Seed and core the peppers, cut into 1-inch chunks. Cut zucchini lengthwise into 1/4-inch thick slices and 1-inch lengths. Peel and cut the squash into small about 1/2-inch pieces. Peel and chop the onion. Cut each garlic clove in half. In bowl, toss together all the vegetables with the oil, salt and pepper; spread on greased large rimmed baking sheet. Roast in 350°F oven until browned and tender, about 45 minutes. Set aside. This can be done ahead and placed in the refrigerator for up to 3 days.

Mushroom Sauce:

1 Tbsp olive oil
4 cups sliced mushrooms
3 cloves garlic, minced
1/2 tsp dried oregano
1/4 tsp salt and pepper
1/3 cup tomato paste
1 can (28 oz) diced tomatoes (to save time replace the tomatoes with a pasta sauce)

In large saucepan, heat oil over medium heat. Fry mushrooms, garlic, oregano, salt, and pepper, stirring occasionally, until tender, about 5 minutes. Add tomato paste; cook stirring, until slightly darkened, 1 to 2 minutes. Add tomatoes and bring to boil; reduce heat and simmer until spoon scraped across bottom of pan leaves gap that fills in slowly, about 20 minutes (if you are using a pasta sauce you don't need to cook it as long). Let cool. This can also be done ahead of time.

Béchamel Sauce

1/4 cup butter
1/2 cup all purpose flour
4 cups milk
1/2 tsp salt and pepper
1/4 tsp nutmeg
1 cup shredded provolone cheese or asiago cheese
1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese

In saucepan, melt butter over medium heat; stir in flour and cook, stirring for 2 minutes. Gradually whisk in milk, salt pepper and nutmeg. Cook, whisking often, for 10 minutes or until thickened. Remove from heat and whisk in cheeses. Set aside.

Spread about 1/4 cup of the mushroom sauce in each of two 8-inch square baking dishes. Top with one-third of the noodles, trimming to fit. Top with half of the béchamel sauce, the roasted vegetables, and then 1 cup of the cheese. Top with half of the remaining noodles, trimming to fit. Top with remaining béchamel sauce and 1 cup of the remaining cheese. Top with remaining noodles, remaining mushroom sauce, and remaining cheese. Cover with foil. Bake in 350°F oven until hot and bubbly about 35 minutes. Broil until cheese is browned.

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Debajehmujig Theatre Group seed swap a “blooming” success

by Heather Pennie

MANITOWANING—It was an evening of supper, seeds, songs and stories at the second annual seed swap, which took place at the Debajehmujig Creation Centre in Manitowaning.

The evening began with a community potluck dinner, which was followed by the swapping of seeds inside the theatre. With seed varieties ranging from flowers to vegetables and all types in between, there was something of interest for every local gardener.

Marilyn Moggy, a member of the Assiginack Horticultural Society, was thrilled to see such a wide variety of seeds available at the event. “Hugh (Marilyn’s husband) keeps saying he’s not going to have a big garden—he’s found half a dozen (new types of seeds),” she laughed.

Elisha Sidlar, one of the event organizers from Debajehmujig, was pleased with the success of the evening. She explained that in 2009, Debajehmujig started its first company garden. “Last year, we planned the planting with the intent of harvesting seeds as we didn’t want to be always buying seeds,” explained Ms. Sidlar. Fact sheets were made available to event attendees with tips on how to save seeds from your own garden each year.

Earlier in the day, Ms. Sidlar invited the Junior Kindergarten and Grade 2 and 3 classes from Assiginack Public School to visit the centre and take part in seed activities. The students were divided into several stations and had the opportunity to extract seeds from pumpkins, squash, beans

and marigolds. Students also included the arts in their visit, and worked together to musically produce the sounds of an approaching rainstorm.

“The next time they come we will plant pumpkins and record the storm,” said Ms. Sidlar.

Nathalie Parrington and Gino Cacciotti, who are Bidwell area garlic producers, have joined together with Debajehmujig for a joint gardening initiative.

“The seed swap is a part of the movement towards sustenance,” noted Ms. Parrington. “My husband and I live that way. Most of the food we eat, we grow and raise ourselves.” The couple assists with gardening and growing workshops with Debajehmujig.

As with any event at the Creation Centre, the evening wouldn’t be complete without an arts component, and attendees were not left disappointed. Stories of the past by Elders Gone AWOL Lillian Webkamigad, Marjorie Trudeau and Josephine Pelletier had audience members reminiscing and laughing about stories from down on the farm. Musical entertainment by the Debajehmujig house band rounded out the event-filled evening.

The seed swap is a part of the 6-Foot Project, which involves creating a relationship with a 6 by 6 foot plot of land, culminating in a festival in October 2013. For more information, contact the6footproject@hotmail.com.



Elisha Sidlar (far right), the organizer of the Debajehmujig seed swap, listened to stories of life in the past by Elders Gone AWOL Lillian Webkamigad, Marjorie Trudeau and Josephine Pelletier.

photos by Heather Pennie



Ethan Leblanc, a student at Assiginack Public School, shared a song about seeds with seed swap attendees, while Elders Gone Awol cast members look on.



Gino Cacciotti and Nathalie Parrington display some of the many seeds that they brought in to show and share at the second annual Debajehmujig seed swap.



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Tehkummah Talk and Times

For a while there was no poetry in me, but I was writing the odd song. Now this week I am writing much and it comes easily. Must be the weather or the moon? Phases I wonder. I'm having a hard time getting anything else done.

Sharon Alkenbrack emceed the Town Line show at the Tehkummah Hall on Saturday, February 16 in the afternoon. The show was interspersed with blonde "men" jokes. So I for one was relieved! They were cute! Her husband Doug, guitarist, and singer/songwriter, the leaders of the group, Steve and Dale Wood, songs and guitars, Jamie Ward (good guitarist and voice), did some lovely harmonizing too with Christie Middleton, fiddler. Their drummer Nora? Norah? (sorry, no last name). This group generously gave back \$100 to the Triangle Club generator fund presenting it to the president Andy Bowerman. During the afternoon some of our club members served up coffee, soup and sandwiches to the crowd from the canteen. So thank you to all who support our causes. We appreciate you! Sorry, I forget who won the door prize.

Wednesday—I was allowing my mother to whomp me at cards, as per usual, when Cal came in and picked me up. We went to Mindemoya and had a lovely visit with Sherman and Eileen. Once again, being easily "coxed" into staying for supper and biscuits that could float. Delicious! While we were there their sons Steven and Ted phoned and before we left Rick and Kathleen came in. They are the nicest young couple too! Fun to visit with.

I really don't win too many cribbage games with Cal but I did have the pleasure of skunking him once this week.

Thanks to Reuben and Jeneen we now can see the cross lit up at the front of our church at night and it looks lovely. Thank you so much!

The poetry has been flowing freely lately. It's strange how it goes and somehow it's on a bit of a cheerier note? I've written so much while depressed. Dark stuff.

Thanks Margaret for the help with the euchre lunch at the hall on Thursday, February 21 in the evening. I looked after the board and all the numbers added up cor-

rectly. And that's a good thing. Amazing actually. Brad and Kevin were first with 87 points. Margaret and Betty Jean came second with 72 points. John and Pat won third with 70 points. Fourth was Pat and Sharlene with 63 points. Low were Gib and Florence with 49 points. The door prize winner was Audrie Williamson. Must be spring. Even a few skunks were out—Donna, Eva, Marilyn and Reta!

The Mellow Movers, under the direction of Debbie Graham, have been enjoying this fun exercise group. This group of generous folk donated over \$150 on February 21 to the Tehkummah Triangle Club's generator fund presenting it to Margaret McCarthy, treasurer of the club.

Poppy gave me a bit of a surprise after the euchre when she met me at Mum's front door. Kind of startled me when this big yella dog ran out to me. I just drove home and called her, opened my door, but much to my amazements, she (for the first time in her life) ran to her doghouse and sat down and waited for the chain. Miracles still occur!

A phone call from Joan Wood this morning reminded me that I had heard she had broken an ankle again. Did she say six years since she broke it before? She was awaiting some info from our Sr. UCW group and strangely enough I had just written a note to her yesterday. Anyway, she is getting a bit of therapy and hoping for spring when she can perhaps walk outside. Be careful Joan. Get well soon!

Did you miss "Flag Day" too? How are we all so unaware?

Hello Darlene! "Happy Hearts" Day to you too way over in Port Carling.

Well here it is Friday afternoon snowing again. I got beat at cards again, by my Mum too. There should be a law against mother's "beating" their children. I've sure got a lot of comments about Mum's cute poem in my last column!

This morning up at 5:30. I went to Espanola with Cal when he took his truck over for a medical check. We ate breakfast at Roger Rabbit, shopped a wee mite at GT Boutique and were back to his place

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Everybody loves a long weekend! All students experienced the wonderful winter weather that we are getting on their day off for Family Day. It was a much-needed break after everything that happened last week! With basketball and volleyball wrapping up their seasons and the One Billion Rising spectacular, nobody can say that nothing has been happening. And even though March is on the horizon, plans are underway for MSS students to experience the wonders of the Stratford Festival this upcoming May!

Basketball and Volleyball Semi-Finals
Both the Junior and Senior Boys' basketball teams travelled to Elliot Lake to take part in the semi-finals last Thursday. Both teams left everything they had on the court, but it was unfortunately not enough to give them the win. Well done boys, you made MSS proud! The Senior Girls' volleyball team travelled to Espanola on Wednesday of last week to play off against the Spartans. The Spartans were the first place team, going undefeated all season, while the Mustangs were placed fourth. But that didn't mean MSS didn't give them a run for their money! The Mustangs, unfortunately, were unable to beat the Spartans overall, but

they did win a set, shattering Espanola's confidence. The Junior Girls travelled to Elliot Lake. They beat Espanola in the semi-finals, and then took the Elliot Lake Atoms to five sets in the finals. Congratulations on winning the silver medal!

Stratford Festival 2013
Even though teachers aren't allowed to organize extracurricular events like the Stratford Trip, it doesn't mean that students can't! Two students have taken over heading the Stratford Trip. Plans are well underway to take a group of 20 students to the Stratford Festival over May 16, 17, and 18 to watch four different live performances. These shows will include Romeo and Juliet, Fiddler on the Roof, The Three Musketeers and Tommy. While in Stratford, students will have the opportunity to explore the city and all the sights it has to offer. Hurry up, May!

One Billion Rising
Valentine's Day doesn't only bring chocolates and flowers, it also brings flash mobs! The ladies of a local Manitoulin Zumba group took part in the worldwide stand against the abuse of women called One Billion Rising. The ladies held a flash mob at lunchtime in the cafeteria in order to

raise awareness for the cause. Ladies all over the world are dancing for the cause in over 200 countries. Some women are even risking their lives to stand up for those who need support. One in three women are either raped or abused in their lifetime. This is why it is important for the world to try to stop this violence, and the event is the start of the rally to stop the abuse of women. It is said that at least one billion people around the world participated in some sort of dance to support the cause. Thank you to the ladies of Zumba for involving MSS in this event! For more information on One Billion Rising, visit www.onebillionrising.org.

It seems that each week at MSS brings something new, and also new things to look forward to. Flash mobs, future trips, and playoff results all make life at MSS interesting. Graduates are starting to look a little bit farther in the future as grad photos were recently taken which makes graduation feel that much closer. It also reminds all of us to keep on striving to study hard and focus on schoolwork so that diploma can be reached. So Mustangs, although there's a lot going on outside of your classes, remember that school comes first.

MANITOULIN WIND NEWS

COMMUNITY REPORTING



By Rick Martin,
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Community awareness of and engagement in the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project has been important to us at Northland from the project's beginning. The establishment of the Community Liaison Committee (CLC), required by the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) permit, is an extension of the kind of open and regular reporting to the community that has characterized this project. Open, two-way communication and a healthy dialogue on wind energy and renewables are important. This was demonstrated in the response to our request for applications to the CLC issued over the past few weeks.

We were pleasantly surprised by the number of applications received to participate in the CLC. In fact, we had almost twice as many applicants as positions to fill. The goal was to have a broad cross-section of participants ensuring priority to those living within 1 km of the project, residents outside the project boundaries, community groups and First Nations. It wasn't an easy task. We planned to have 12 members, but due to the response expanded it to 14, plus the two partnership representatives, for a Committee of 16. Please see the announcement of the participants included with this column.

This meant we couldn't accept everyone, although we have asked all applicants to attend the sessions as observers. That holds true for any resident, business or community group on Manitoulin Island as well; you are welcome to attend the four CLC meetings. The meetings will be open to the public.

It is important for the entire community to be aware of the next stages of the wind farm development. The Minutes of the meetings will be made public by being posted to the Northland Power website under a separate Community Liaison Committee tab, within the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project section.

The sign of a strong community is the level of volunteer engagement and participation. The First Nations of Mnídoo Mnísing along with the NEMI community have come out strongly to be part of this Committee and for that we are grateful.

The first meeting will be held on March 20, 2013. There will be an update prior to and following each CLC meeting through this column or an ad in the Expositor.

Since the last column, there has been another routine filing with the Ontario government as part of the project's next steps in development. You may have seen or heard about the filing to the Ontario Energy Board.

McLean's Mountain Wind Limited Partnership is in the process of obtaining its "Feed-in-Tariff (FIT) Program Electricity Generation Licence". The Ontario Energy Board (OEB)

issues various licences to the market participants in the Ontario electricity sector. These licences can be for generators, transmitters, retailers etc. Northland Power has an Ontario Power Authority FIT Contract (issued in 2010), and needs to obtain the OEB's generator's license as a FIT Program participant. With the issuance of the REA, it makes sense to proceed now with this application for the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm project. The Application for the FIT Program Electricity Generation Licence and its supporting documents are available to be viewed at Northland's local office in Little Current and its main office in Toronto.

This is the type of information that will be made available to the CLC and to the public as we enter each phase of the project's development. The CLC focus, as mentioned in the previous column, is to provide additional information related to the construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of the project. The purpose of the Committee is to provide a forum where the Project representatives can meet with community members and share information about the Project and discuss concerns. The community committee members can then share this information with the greater community at large.

There are no "insiders" to this project regardless of whether you are a participating landowner or a member of the community at large. We will be reporting back to all of you.

I remain a phone call or email away and the Project Office remains open. I may not always be in the office, as activity increases on the site, but I can meet with you at the office at a time that's convenient to anyone interested in sitting down, reviewing documents or discussing the next phases of the wind farm. Thanks again to all who took the time and made the effort to apply to the CLC. It means a lot to us.

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...Tehkummah Talk and Times

...continued from page 5A before noon and before the blast of snow here in Tehkummah.

We hear the snowbirds in Mississippi are having a bout of the flu I guess snowbirds aren't exempt.

Derek and Jodi's plenty ninth wedding anniversary on February 28. Happy birthday soon to Cole Bowerman and Jase Gordon.

Gib and Florence had their supper at Carol's and Earl's, then after came to Cal's where Florence and I came out the winners. Three out of five games of cribbage!

Hooked on Jesus, a cut cap bears that motto and so was our sermon following a few fishing jokes!

There were five of us for lunch today—Mary Yett, Martin and Lynda, Mum and I. A nice couple from Manitowaning Lodge named Helen and Jake joined our table. We do take on some interesting topics?

I have to thank Ross Ward who gives the snow at the back of my van a push every day (almost). Donnie too, blows a bit of it. So thanks guys! I have quite a nice high collection in my yard! Puddles Sun-

day, beautiful sunshine and warm maybe?

Saturday evening our International Dinner Group met at Willow Shores Bed and Breakfast. We had a house tour too! Korea was represented with some actual photos taken in 1995 by Marie Butler and some money. Lance filled us in a bit after a year there, teaching conversational English. Interesting! Joan Wood made it out, crutches and all. Debbie Robinson, Marjorie Holmes, Norma Moggy, Les Fields, Marnee McKnight, Judy Blue, Susan Holmes, Charlene Gorman (our

hostess), thanks so much! Sandy, a friend of Charlene's, joined us in our food fare (mostly salt free). Very delicious and a wonderful variety of flavours. Helen, Elaine, Bertha and Colleen missed.

Have you ever seen a winter when the scenery stayed Christmas card perfect day after day? When draped and crystal decorated trees, shone in glory? This morning I looked out at five, it was raining. I heard the wind when I went back to bed, looked out again at seven and everything is decorated in white again and huge snowflakes are angling across the yard in the strong wind. Such an unusual winter, lots of icy patches. So watch your

step! I can't believe how close we are to spring (even though it doesn't look or feel like it)!

On March 10 the Triangle Club is putting on a pancake breakfast, euchre tournament in the afternoon and a chili supper.

One March 17 our Fairview Church group is holding a potluck after church at the Tehkummah hall at 1 pm. \$5 per person. So hope you will join us. This is a bit of a fundraiser.

Sympathy to the family of Sally Williamson.

I missed this page three weeks ago—Joy, joy, joy! Somebody won big at bingo on Monday, February 4. Happiness is yelling bingo!

Well this time I was a day early for my medical

appointment. One of these days I'm going to get it right. I had my lunch at Mum's restaurant. Terry and Kathy Hill joined me, so we had a nice visit.

I had company for supper. I just made hamburgers, nice and easy.

I've got so much to do and I spend so much time thinking about it I can't get it done.

I had a nice visit with Joan in the afternoon and a good cuppa. I've been missing visiting her.

Oh, I did do my laundry earlier. I meet the nicest folks at the Laundromat! And it's always visitors days at the grocery store or the post office, right?

I guess I'd better get going. This is the really (I think) appointment day.



farm facts and furrows

by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell

Growing the North

The Growing the North agriculture symposium will be held on March 15, 2013 (11 am) and March 16, 2013 at the Civic Centre in Kapuskasing. For more information please contact Kate Spacek, NeCN Project Coordinator SADC North Claybelt CFDC, 6 Ash Street, Kapuskasing, ON P5N 1C8, (705) 337-1407 or (888) 289-4233. www.north-claybelt.com or email: kate.spacek@northclaybelt.com

Grower Pesticide Safety Course

New this year! You can take the Grower Pesticide Safety course through the Internet. Three courses are scheduled for this year: February 27, March 19, and April 16. The course takes place over five days. Interested? Call the Ontario Pesticide Education Program at 1-800-652-8573 or 519-674-2230 or visit www.opep.ca

Risk Management Program

Details Available for Risk Management Program 2013: In March 2012, the provincial budget announced that the Risk Management Program (RMP) will continue and that \$100 million in annual government funding will be available for the program. The program is available for the cattle, edible horticulture, grain and oilseed, hog, sheep and veal sectors. The 2013 program will run essentially as it did in 2012, with payments being triggered when the average market price falls below

the support level. Producer premiums will be collected by Agricorp and will be placed in a separate fund that will be managed by the participating commodity groups. This fund will provide additional support to farmers when they need it most. Renewals and applications will be available in the spring 2013. Agricorp will

keep producers updated as more information becomes available. Updates for the 2013 program year will be posted on Agricorp's website at www.agricorp.com. Producers can also find information on commodity group websites.



We would like to express our deep gratitude and thanks to our friends, neighbours and family for their every kindness towards us. We have been overwhelmed by the generosity and concern of our community. Thank you for your generous donations, food brought to our home, flowers and visits, phone calls, cards and everyone's prayers. It has certainly made a difficult time much easier for us.

We would also like to thank the many local doctors and the hospital staff at the Manitoulin Health Centre at both Little Current and Mindemoya locations. A very special thank you to our family doctor, Ben Quackenbush. Also, thanks to the many doctors and nurses of the Northeastern Ontario Cancer Centre in Sudbury and the staff on the 400 floor at Health Sciences North Hospital.

Thanks also to our employers—Linda Case of Hair Trends and Tans, and Stan and Beth Ferguson of Harbor View Marina—and our co-workers for their support and concern.

Last but not least, thanks to our family for everything—being on-call to babysit, traveling to be with us, driving Sean to appointments and just being a phone call away. We couldn't do this without you.

We are so grateful that we live in this wonderful community of Manitoulin and thank all of you from the bottom of our hearts.

Sean, Danielle, Xavier and Laine Coleman

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Providence Bay News and Notes

The ladies' bonspiel was held at the Providence Bay Curling Club. It was well attended.

Our prayers and thoughts go out to the Campbell family in the passing of Ken. He will be missed.

Rick and Wendy Hibma surprised everyone with a visit to Providence Bay this past weekend. They came to visit us and we all had a great time. It was nice for them to see quite a few of their friends.

We hope the people who are in the hospital will be well soon.

Our weather this year has been quite different with lots of snow and cold weather.

If there are seniors or veterans living near you please

check to see they are okay.

Here is a little joke to cheer you up.

We all get heavier as we get older because there is a lot more information in our heads. That's my story and I am sticking to it.

After serving the community for 46 years Denovan's Garage has been closed for business. Sandy's service will be surely missed but we all wish him a happy retirement. We visited the new Simply Soup and Sandwich shop in Mindemoya and enjoyed ourselves. A group of people participated in a Land Art workshop on the beach here in Prov on Sunday. Keep your eyes open for ice sculptures on the beach. It was put on by 4Elements and Erin Blythe. Begin-

ners yoga classes are on Mondays at 4:15 pm at the Providence Bay Curling Club. All are welcome to attend, \$10 per class. Rick and Wendy Hibma arrived here for a visit from London. We had a good time. Rick and Sandy went to the coffee club where he saw a lot of his old friends. They left on wed to return to London with a quick stopover in Toronto to see Wendy's sister.

Remember to smile and be thankful for what we have on this beautiful Island.

Take care and have a great week. Do not forget to be kind to one another.

If you have any news give me a call at 705-377-4449.

Out and About in Sheguiandah

Sure is nice to have the sun today. You can feel the warmth from it already, and it helps warm the house. Seems to have been a long winter—guess we had forgotten what Manitoulin winters could be like. This winter reminds me of when we were kids and the snow was always piled high. The temperatures did not seem to bother us too much back then. We spent as much time as possible out sleigh riding and ice skating on the pond behind what use to be Buck's Lumber. I think now it is the marina.

While waiting at the clinic last week we had a nice conversation with Marie Stringer, a former Sheg resident. She owned a farm on Townline Rd. Much to our surprise we thought she still lived there, but she told us she had moved to Little Current some time ago. It was nice to get reacquainted.

The nicer weather has been bringing out the ice fishermen. Last week I talked to several people who were out on the ice at the government dock. We had hoped to get out

ourselves and try our luck, so hope it warms up some soon.

The horticultural society in Manitouwaning had Joan Beard come and give a talk about planning a vegetable garden and doing preserves. She shared a lot of good ideas and answered a lot of questions. A nice lunch was served after the meeting. There was a good turn out. We decided to join the group as we have always enjoyed the society when we lived in other communities. They are planning a lot of activities for the upcoming season. You might want to check it out if you are interested in gardening. While down that way we stopped into the new store on Queen Street. They make a real good loaf of bread. We wish the new owners well in their new venture.

Happy Birthday goes out to our very, very special aunts. Pearl Smith and Dorothy Wisson both celebrated this week. I am sure many people in the area remember them both. Pearl celebrated her 90th this year, she had been sick a bit this winter but tells us she is feeling much better. Aunt

Dorothy is celebrating her 89th. Both ladies live in the Toronto area but still get to Manitoulin in the summer as they enjoy spending time with family and friends here in Sheg. Everyone sends their love and best wishes.

News is a little scarce this week. If you have something you would like to add, give me a call at 705-368-1826. I would be happy to pass it on for you.

One night a clergyman was walking to church when a thief pulled a gun on him and demanded his money or his life. When he reached in his pocket to hand over his wallet the thief could see his clerical collar and said, "I see you are a priest. Never mind, you can go." The clergyman, surprised by the robber's unexpected act of piety, offered him a candy bar. "No thanks," the thief replied. "I don't eat candy during lent!"

Keep smiling.

Spring Bay Rural Route

February 21—As I write this morning it's very cold but sunny.

The luncheon at St. Francis Church in Mindemoya on Wednesday did well. They had around 60 take-outs. Thanks to all who contributed, worked and supported it.

Brent, Tammey, Ava and Easton visited me last Saturday. Providence Bay Curling Club held a ladies' bonspiel last weekend and had a good weekend.

Ken and Sheila Maeck had some of their grandchildren

visiting them last weekend.

On February 28 at 11:30 am there will be a luncheon in the Pentecostal fellowship room at Spring Bay. Soup will be provided. Sandwiches and dessert is needed. All seniors are welcome.

Last Sunday Allen and Rosemarie Eagleson, David and Connie had dinner with Erma McAllister.

Watching curling, Ontario and Canada are doing well. A bus from the Island left Thursday to attend some of the

games.

We extend sympathy to the Van Horn families and other relatives in the passing of Marvin. He was raised here in Spring Bay. The funeral was Wednesday in Sudbury.

Some from here attended the Christian Women's meeting in Kagawong on Monday. Next meeting will be in Manitouwaning. All are welcome.

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