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Chi-Cheemaun has five years to turn service around



OPEN FOR BUSINESS—The Chi-Cheemaun's ridership has been declining over the past several years so a marketing study released this week tells the Owen Sound Transportation Company that it must market the service much more widely.

Ferry service will actively focus marketing on tourist sector but status quo not an option

by Michael Erskine

OWEN SOUND—The Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC) released its highly anticipated market feasibility study for the MS Chi-Cheemaun this past Tuesday (March 12), along with planned changes to ferry operations for the 2013 season and beyond during a media event held aboard the ferry at its Owen Sound berth.

The marketing study, conducted by the management consulting and strategy advisory firm CPCS Transcom that specializes in the transportation sector, provided recommendations to the OSTC on how to increase ferry ridership and improve the passenger sailing experience.

The issue of declining ridership has been building over the past few years, falling from 232,000 passengers in 2005 to about 170,000 passengers in 2011. That trend is clearly unsustainable noted OSTC CEO Susan Schrepf, and she emphasized that the company needs to look beyond its existing customer base if it wishes to survive.

"If we focus only on our existing market, we will be out of business in five years," she said in response to a question from the audience about potential in the commercial trucking sector. "We can't just focus on one sector of the market." That being said, the ferry garners some 60 percent of its current revenues from the tourism sector and most of the potential for expanding that sector appears to lie among younger

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MPs support dredging at South Bay's entry

To accommodate Chi-Cheemaun as Lake Huron levels drop

by Michael Erskine

SOUTH BAYMOUTH—Low water levels in the Great Lakes are threatening the smooth passage of Manitoulin's ferry link to southern Ontario, leading the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC), operators of the Chi-Cheemaun, to engage an engineering company to survey the entrance to the ferry's South Baymouth berth in order to lay the groundwork for deepening the channel, should it be required in the future.

"We do have an engineering firm working on it for us," said OSTC CEO Susan Schrepf, describing the low water situation as being "no small issue."

Water levels over the winter have currently dropped to the point

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Feature interview

Assiginack Councillor Leslie Fields highlights OPP's community role

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOWANING—Following a presentation by Manitoulin Detachment Commander Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb to Assiginack's reeve and council last week regarding the possible closure of the Ontario Provincial

Police Manitowaning office, The Expositor sat down with longtime Manitowaning resident and councillor Leslie Fields for her thoughts on the importance of having a police presence in the municipality, not only in terms of safety, but community too.

Ms. Fields explained that the Manitowaning station began as a one-room office located in the old Hembruff Apartments building on Queen Street in 1951, where it was staffed by Constable Neville Ross. An office has been maintained in Manitowaning ever since, and after major renova-

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Aboriginal Affairs ministry will meet Island mayors, Reeves to hear land claim concerns

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—At the recent Ontario Good Roads Association/Rural Ontario Municipal Association joint conference in Toronto, representatives of the Northeast Town, including Mayor Al MacNevin, requested a meeting with provincial Minister of Aboriginal Affairs David Zimmer regarding the 1990 land claim

agreement amidst rumours that the claim was soon to be finalized.

"We gave them (Aboriginal Affairs representatives) our concerns and I was asked if I would be willing to attend a meeting with the negotiators, as well as contact the rest of the municipalities, and I said I would be happy to set that up," Mayor MacNevin told

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Rhetoric escalates at Sheg First Nation

Third-party management bogeyman raised by renegade councillors

by Alicia McCutcheon

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION—According to Sheguiandah Councillors Kevin Mishibinjima and Derek Assiniwe—the two Sheguiandah councillors who have been protesting their community's governance by not participating in council meetings for almost eight months—Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) may impose third-party management as early as April 1

at which point the federal agency could take over the day-to-day financial operations of the First Nation.

The two councillors state that one of the reasons that would necessitate a third party arrangement is the fact that "the First Nation's own council is unable to obtain any financial records from this band's administration," in a press release.

"The councillors believe that a lack of communi-

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The Sudbury Rising Stars provided great entertainment through song and skits at the Life After 55 Seniors Conference held in Mindemoya March 6.

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Life After 55 conference explores senior living on Manitoulin Island

by Betty Bardswich

MINDEMOYA—Just under 200 seniors attended the Life After 55, Living Island Style Conference held March 6 at the Mindemoya Missionary Church and by all accounts, the seminar was a resounding success and organizers are gearing up for part two at the Northeast Town recreation centre in Little Current on Tuesday, March 19.

"I gleaned so much information that is useful for now and for future reference," enthused Dianne Armstrong. "The presenters were clear and to the point."

Aili MacDonald, who travelled from Ice Lake to attend the conference with her husband Howard, was also glad she attended the sessions. "I really enjoyed it," said Ms. MacDonald. "I got a lot of information, especially from the lawyer and the doctor. I learned a lot."

The seniors' conference began with welcoming remarks by Master of Ceremonies Lou Addison of Gore Bay. As Ms. Addison explained, the forum was

held to give as much information as possible for seniors to live an independent life in their own homes. Part of that knowledge was the introduction to Islanders of the Little Red Book, a compilation of all the services offered for seniors on Manitoulin. "It took a lot of work and a lot of people to put this book together," Ms. Addison told the audience. "Anything you might need for seniors' services is in this book. This is a valuable book."

The first speaker at the conference was Heather Hawrelluk-Sirois, who dealt with the hot button issue of seniors and driving. As Ms. Hawrelluk-Sirois explained, the purpose of a recently formed Sudbury area group is to find ways to help people stay safe on the road. "We want to help people drive safely and maintain their independence," she said. "We value our independence so much. It is crucial in Northern Ontario."

Another topic under discussion at the conference

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Staff Sergeant Webb tells Assiginack council 'expect the best of the worst'

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOWANING—Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Manitoulin Detachment Commander Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb attended last week's meeting of Assiginack council, fielding questions and concerns in regards to the recent announcement that the Manitowaning office of the OPP could be slated for closure.

Reeve Brad Ham explained to Staff Sergeant Webb that following last month's meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Committee, council had some "deep concerns" about the future of the Manitowaning office.

Staff Sergeant Webb explained to council that he was asked to explore the possibility of closing the office by those at OPP headquarters in Orillia by way of a cost saving measure, this in light of recent reports of skyrocketing policing costs across the province. This began with a dialogue between himself, clerk Alton Hobbs and Reeve Ham, he said,

adding that the Manitowaning OPP staff was also informed of the exploratory mission in writing.

"The long term plan is to have one or two detachments (on Manitoulin) to be built. Where? I don't know," the staff sergeant said. "In Manitowaning, they want me to look at the possibility of closing it."

He said there were three possible options for Manitowaning: remain the same, have a storefront office, or close and bring officers in for patrols and calls. (There are currently five full-time staff in Manitowaning.) The development of a business case for the office will discuss all three options, then is passed on to headquarters for a final decision.

Reeve Ham asked if the community would have input into the decision as this would mean more than just the disappearance of the OPP's office, but would have a ripple effect throughout Manitowaning.

"The plan is to work together with OPP staff and community leaders on this business case," the staff sergeant responded.

"This has far reaching effects other than just the policing—as long as I've been here, officers have been involved in minor hockey, the school, etcetera and I can't see officers choosing to locate here if there's no detachment office," the reeve said.

Staff Sergeant Webb said the business case would include the history of the office, the impact on the community and its staff, "but the flipside of that is financial responsibility."

He noted that two of the building's cells are condemned and to bring them up to standard would be costly. "We're spending more and more money to keep them (offices) up to standard and up and running," the staff sergeant said.

(Councillor Leslie Fields later told The Expositor that the reason

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Education focus of prescription drug awareness conference

by Steph Burt Hillyard

WIKWEMIKONG—In light of recent headlines regarding prescription drug abuse and the methadone treatment program, those interested in learning more about prescription drug abuse will have the opportunity during a Prescription Drug Awareness Conference. The event is organized and sponsored by Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre, the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care and FNIHB-Ontario Region, Health Canada and runs from Tuesday, March 19 to Thursday, March 21.

Each session will run from 9 am to 4 pm, upstairs in the Wikwemikong Arena.

Guest speakers include Cristine Rego, Dr. Bertrand, Sherilyn Hill and Dennis Fitzpatrick.

"Education is one of the first steps in trying to recover or make life changes for people involved," said coordinator Sam Manitowabi. "The more information they have in prescription drug abuse, the better equipped they are."

The conference will discuss topics such as what it's like to go through withdrawals, methadone, and the pros and cons of various treatments.

"The event also provides the opportunity to network with the other service providers in the area," explained Mr. Manitowabi. "A lot of these organizations might be taxed already with the case loads they're currently carrying."

Please pre-register by calling 705-859-2324 or email sam.manitowabi@knet.ca.

Little Current OPP boathouse may soon be on the market

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—The Little Current Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) boathouse could be for sale in the near future, based on comments made by Madeleine Meilleur, minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services (CSCS), to Northeast Town representatives at the recent Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA)/Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference in Toronto.

"Ms. Meilleur informed us that it (the boathouse) was on a very valuable piece of property and that Infrastructure Ontario (the branch of the government responsible for the property) may be selling it," said Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin.

After countless attempts, including several meetings with local OPP, MCSCS officials, letters to the MCSCS and even a meeting with MCSCS Minister Madeleine Meilleur, council had been unsuccessful up to this year in getting a favourable response involving repairs or the replacement of the boathouse, which council claims has been in a state of dete-

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McLean's Mountain wind farm tells board Wikwemikong's request for an oral hearing should be denied

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—Council for the McLean's Mountain Wind Limited Partnership submitted a response to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) regarding its application for a Feed-in-Tariff Program Electricity Generation Licence and Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve's request for an oral hearing regarding the application, stating that Wikwemikong's oral hearing request should be denied.

Border Ladner Gervais (BLG), representing McLean's Mountain Wind Limited Partnership (McLean), which includes Northland Power Mnidoo Mnising Power Limited Partnership, responded to Wikwemikong's request for an oral hearing for the electricity generation licence stating that, "McLean respectfully submits that an oral hearing is not warranted in this matter."

Their response goes on to state that "no good reason exists to proceed with this matter by way of an oral hearing," giving the reasons that past requests for an oral hearing regarding the McLean's Mountain wind

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Credit Union announces Mindemoya branch location

by Alicia McCutcheon

MINDEMOYA—The Espanola and District Credit Union has announced that the board has chosen a location for its upcoming Mindemoya branch.

Lindsay Liske, Credit Union CEO, explained that the board received two proposals for the Mindemoya location and decided upon the 'Bondi block' of property along Highway 542, west of the four corners in Mindemoya by the entrance leading to the Island Foodland store. It is set to be 1,100 square feet in size with vaulted ceilings. The new building will house the Credit Union, as well as another storefront, which is yet to be filled. The building site was previously the location of a structure that most recently housed Wool n' Things and, previous to that, Cadieux Clothing.

Mr. Liske said construction on the new building would begin once the snow melts with project completion expected by September.

"October 1 we should be in and open," Mr. Liske said, adding that the Gore Bay branch will close at the end of September.

The engineer for the project is Whittington Engineering of Rockville and the builder will be John Deforge and his firm South Shore Builders.



An artist's rendering of the new Credit Union branch in Mindemoya which will be built along Highway 542, with a September completion date expected.

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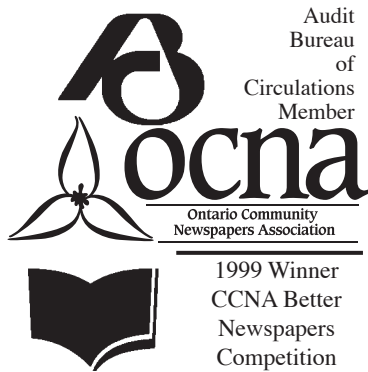
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opinion

editorial

A strong case for the Manitowaning OPP detachment

We're learning that the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has in mind one or even two new police detachment offices, but not yet where they would be located.

Members of the Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC) learned this at their February meeting and, following concerns expressed by Assiginack reeve and council, Manitoulin OPP detachment Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb attended last week's meeting of council in response to concerns about the future of the Manitowaning detachment.

Understandably, the members of Assiginack council are concerned they may be losing a significant Island institution and Staff Sergeant Webb did indicate to them the possibility of the closure of the existing detachment office on Highway 6 and replacing it with a "store-front" facility.

Quite a comedown from hosting the Island's OPP detachment headquarters, if this comes to pass.

In a related news story in this week's paper, an Expositor staffer asked long-time Assiginack resident, municipal councillor and former reeve Leslie Fields about the significance to the community of members of the OPP, and their families, over the years.

The positive impact of the local OPP community on the town of Manitowaning and surrounding area is quite remarkable and while OPP officers and their families are valued members of all Island communities, it's clear that particularly in Manitowaning, there has been a long tradition of community involvement and leadership on the part of members of the local detachment and those associated with them.

This notwithstanding, if there is to be a new OPP detachment headquarters created (or possibly one of two), there can clearly be a case made for locating it in Manitowaning.

Almost 20 years ago, Manitoulin was designated a single detachment area, a change from the previous four freestanding detachments located in Manitowaning, Mindemoya, Little Current and Gore Bay.

At that time, the betting was that the OPP offices in Little Current would become headquarters of the Manitoulin detachment.

When the dust settled, however, the detachment at Manitowaning had been declared the official headquarters and office of the staff sergeant.

Twenty years ago, the decision was made to make Manitowaning the local OPP headquarters and, in the scheme of things, not much has changed with the notable exception of the OPP sharing Island policing duties with two tribal police forces: the UCCM Anishnaabe Police and the Wikwemikong Tribal Police.

The three organizations work cooperatively and Manitowaning is Wikwemikong's closest neighbouring community and is also fairly directly linked to the UCCM Anishnaabe Police headquarters in M'Chigeeng via the Bidwell Road.

Then there is the simple political reality of locating a significant employer, in addition to one that confers positive status, in a community where it is clear that generations of police officers have enjoyed working and living to the extent that they have become involved in the life of this particular community at a level that is quite out of proportion to other Island towns where there also are and have been concentrations of OPP officers and their families.

This should count for more than a little and no doubt all of these aspects and more besides will be brought to bear by the lobby that we can doubtlessly expect the Manitowaning community to mount in order to maintain, or enhance, the OPP's management presence in this town.

Hopefully they will be successful.

letters

Chief agrees that there are two camps in Sheguiandah dispute

The right and the wrong

To the Expositor:

Re: 'Sheguiandah council should hold their noses, work for the community' (Mach 6, 2013, page 4).

You are right; there are two camps here on Sheguiandah First Nation (SFN). They are the right and the wrong. The majority are from the right and these are the people that gave me my second mandate as chief. They are positive, forward thinking people who embrace the positive changes that have been made here in SFN. They have recognized that if we were to survive as a community, radical changes needed to be implemented. They saw the need for policy change, structure and capacity building. They are inclusive.

The wrong or negative camp has only their own interests at heart. They want a return to the way things were. They pine for days when they would get personal loans, borrow band vehicles; free rent, free renovations and come and go on jobsites and still receive a full paycheck. These people do not care if the band went into debt because of these activities. They will vote for any candidate that promises a return to the free-for-all days.

I have been called a dictator because changes have been put in place to counter these unhealthy, unproductive, former policies. I knew these changes would not be popular with some band members. I choose the moral high ground and stand by all decisions made. The decisions were not popular but they were right. Does the right side have all the answers? No, but we continue to move forward in a positive, healthy direction and strive to better ourselves.

Councillor Ago Neh and myself have always been open to meetings

that would have business move forward. We have tried and tried but to no avail. It is not the council as a whole that is the problem. It is two councillors that will not sit down and put the community's needs above their own political aspirations. How do you convince other people and yourselves that not signing off on the audit and other funding agreements is somehow good for SFN? How do justify hurting the most vulnerable and poorest of the poor on our First Nation?

Respectfully yours,

Chief Orville Aguonie
Sheguiandah First Nation

Organ donation is a gift of life

Widow strongly urges people to sign cards

To the Expositor:

My husband signed his licence for organ and tissue donation, and with his passing his eyes were donated, giving the restoration of sight to two people. I would strongly urge everyone to sign donor cards. What a wonderful feeling this donation gives the loved one's family.

Rest in peace, Earle, and thank you for your donation.
Sincerely,

Carol Gilmore
Mindemoya

Trustee thanks school administrators and parent councils

Points out how lucky we all are for such tremendous administration and staff

To the Expositor:

I feel I have a compulsion to once again put pen to paper as an individual trustee from Manitoulin Island. To be perfectly clear, I am not speaking on behalf of the Rainbow District School Board.

Parents and stakeholders across Ontario are aware that day-to-day activities are not exactly the same at this time. Are there various unresolved issues? Yes!

I wish to point out a phrase, as the police do quite often when attributing the state of well being in a community, "The health of a community is directly proportionate to the support of its community members." For my letter, I wish to include mostly community members, and as well school staff and its students. In that method of measuring, we, the

school community, excel/rise above the crowd and I speak to the Manitoulin Island which I know best and serve.

This goes without saying as well, this would all come to an end abruptly if it wasn't for our principals, vice principals, and community members, parent councils, filling in and monitoring the requirements of our kids where needed at times. So, on my own personal evaluation, hats off to our school administration and I encourage everyone to pause for a moment, give not only yourselves a pat on the back and I hasten to point out how lucky we are for such tremendous administrative personnel and their staff.

Larry Killens, trustee
South Baymouth

Best wishes to Catholics on Pope

An opportunity for a modern train of thought

To the Expositor:

I am very excited for my many Catholic friends about the upcoming vote for a new leader for the Catholic Church. They now have the opportunity to vote in a new Pope with a modern train of thought recognizing the equality of women and men in the priesthood and also marriage for the clergy, leaving behind age-old traditions that are depleting their congregations.

Wishing you all the best for your new leader.

Sincerely,

Lyle Dewar
Providence Bay

Why no women trappers?

Seeking a response and offering services

To the Expositor:

I'm writing in response to the article 'Youth get first-hand experience during trapping course' in the February 27 edition (page 16).

Before I jump on my soapbox...I wondered if whomever wrote the article found or can find out why young women aren't offered an opportunity to learn trapping and skinning on this weekend course?

If you need a chaperone, I volunteer! What other reason could there be to not give girls opportunity to apply to this course?

I look forward to anyone's response.

Catherine Joyce
Spring Bay

Op-Ed

A Conservative senator's take on the Idle No More movement in speech

EDITOR'S NOTE—Elizabeth Quinn, a resident of McGregor Bay for much of each year, contacted the office of senator Dennis Patterson, a Conservative member representing Nunavut, and asked if she could send the Expositor the senator's speaking notes from a speech he made in the Senate on February 7, 2013. Senator Patterson's office agreed. Ms. Quinn contacted The Expositor and asked that the paper publish the Conservative senator's remarks as an alternate view to the Idle No More phenomenon.

Honourable Senators,
I have been observing, with concern, the Idle No More movement—in particular, protests, some of which involve unlawful obstruction and blockades over impacts of some Bill C-45 legislation as perceived by Aboriginal leaders and misinformed media reports.

Amongst the more inflammatory claims made by the Idle No More movement is that C-45 has ensured an easier path to the "selling off" of First Nations lands. For example, in the December 12, 2012, edition of the Yukon News, AFN regional chief, Mike Smith, stated "We are the people of this land and what we have to say to the governments of Canada and the Yukon is: this land is not for sale."

Honourable Senators, this is simply not the case. C-45 makes two amendments with regard to First Nation lands: it replaces approval for lease of Aboriginal lands by Order-in-Council with approval of the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and it replaces the requirement for a majority of a majority ratification vote with simple majority rule vote for ratification - the same way the chiefs of first nations are elected.

What these amendments accomplish is the streamlining of the democratic process that enables Aboriginal governments and their members to approve leasing their own lands by drastically cutting the duration of the process down from 2-4 years to as little as six months and will save tens of thousands of dollars in administration costs. The AFN's Legal and Technical Advisor, Ms. Kathleen Lickers, stated at a November 19,

2012 House of Commons AAND Committee meeting that the process is "a lengthy, costly and oftentimes complex process." The new approach enables First Nations to more effectively capitalize on economic opportunities that would generate jobs and property tax revenue through leasing of reserve lands.

Furthermore, in a January 25, 2013 Star Phoenix Forum submission entitled "Real Head Shaker", the Honourable Senator Lillian Dyck "[shook] her head in disbelief" at the "temerity [of Minister Duncan]" to claim that the First Nations sought these changes. She stated there was insufficient evidence to support this.

Mr. Clarence T. Jules, Chief Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer of the First Nations Tax Commission and Chief Sharon

Stinson Henry of the Rama First Nation in Ontario representing the National Aboriginal Economic Development Board Spoke before the House of Commons AAND Committee on November 19, 2012 in support of the legislation.

Finally, an additional myth surrounding Bill C-45 is that it removes the protection of Canada's waters. In fact, the Navigable Waters Protection Act is an act from 1882 that was improperly named; it was never about protecting water and instead was written to protect navigation. With the passage of C-45, the act has been properly renamed to the Navigation Act and streamlines the review process for reviewing projects which will impact navigation, a move advocated by municipalities across the nation for years. NDP MP Nathen Cullen

was quoted in a December 26, 2012 Huffington Post article as stating that "...we went from 2.5 million protected lakes and rivers in Canada to 159."

However, the change in numbers reflects the number of major waterways and bodies of water that require a federal review of projects that potentially impede navigation. Canada's waters and the environmental impact of projects around waterways remain protected by legislation administered by different levels of government including the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, the Fisheries Act, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, the Migratory Birds Convention Act and the Species at Risk Act.

Thank you.

Northeast Town makes headway at Good Roads conference

by Robin BurrIDGE

TORONTO—Representatives of the Northeast Town, including CAO Dave Williamson, Mayor Al MacNevin, Councillor Michal Erskine and the manger of public works Glen Case, attended the Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA)/Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) joint conference earlier this month where they met with a variety of provincial ministers, tackling local issues such as the OPP boathouse, the 1990 land claim agreement and low water problems.

"The conference went exceedingly well," Mr. Williamson told The Expositor. "In addition to the meetings with the ministers, we also had the opportunity to hear from the new premier and her vision as well as other different perspectives from the province. The other major element of the conference is networking; meeting and having discussions with other municipalities and learning what's happening in the broader world."

The Northeast Town representatives met first with Madeleine Meilleur, minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services (CSCS), regarding the deteriorating

state of the Little Current OPP boathouse and its future.

"We brought a copy of the book 'Bridging the Centuries' as a thank you to Ms. Meilleur for finally solving the boathouse problem," explained Mayor McNevin, referencing a letter that the town received earlier this year from the minister stating that the boathouse would be taken down and replaced with a new boat slip and security fencing. "But we ended up leaving the meeting more confused than when we went into the meeting. When discussing the boathouse, Ms. Meilleur informed us that it was on a very valuable piece of property and that Infrastructure Ontario (the branch of the government responsible for the property) may be selling it."

Next, the Island group met with Minister of Natural Resources David Oraziotti to discuss low water levels.

"We focussed on asking if the ministry could direct more personnel towards applications for dredging and other construction due to low water levels and to help speed the process along," Mr. Williamson told The Expositor.

"His response was that we should encour-

age people to get their applications in early," added Councillor Erskine.

The final meeting the Northeast Town representatives had at the conference was with David Zimmer, minister of Aboriginal Affairs, concerning the 1990 land claim agreement.

"We discussed the impact of the 1990 land claim agreement with Minister Zimmer and voiced our concern with the land claim affecting our tax base. In the process, we asked if we would attend a meeting with the negotiation team," added Mayor MacNevin. "He also requested that I contact the heads of the other Island municipalities to see if they would be interested in being a part of the discussion as well."

"It was definitely an improvement from our discussions last year concerning the land claim," commented Councillor Erskine.

Besides the meetings with ministers, Mayor MacNevin also wanted to share that he and his Manitoulin colleagues had the pleasure of witnessing Glen Case being honoured by OGRA for his 30 years of service to the community.

Whitefish River First Nation plans to back youth initiative creating 'no gossiping zone'

by Michael Erskine

BIRCH ISLAND—Too often the tragic results of bullying and gossip are announced in newspaper headlines across the globe and far too often the victims of bullying and gossip are the children of our own communities. As a result, Chief Shining Turtle of Whitefish River First Nation and members of his community are exploring the possibility of making their community a 'no gossiping zone.'

"We are really in the very early stages of this yet," said Chief Shining Turtle, adding that he was reluctant to jump the gun on deliberations in his community. "I have been talking to groups in our community about the destructive

power of bullying and gossip, and how perhaps it is time to find some concrete expression in our community buildings to indicate that we are not going to allow this kind of negativity to fester among us."

Chief Shining Turtle noted that there have been many successes in dealing with social issues along health lines and he suggested that the time might be ripe for focussing the same kind of pressure on bullying and its communal symptom of gossip.

"We decided that we would have no smoking," he said. "What about no gossip?"

The plan is related to the Whitefish River First Nation's mental health strategy.

Chief Shining Turtle noted that the issue came to the fore in recent meetings he had with local youth at the community's youth centre. "Every community has

these issues to some degree. The message I had from the youth was clear," said the chief. "Let's do something about it."

Chief Shining Turtle noted that

the Whitefish River First Nation band council would be deliberating on what approach they would be taking to the scourge of gossip during their upcoming meetings.

MHC makes it official—fundraising tops \$1 million mark

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) announced Friday that the Tree of Life fundraising campaign for new diagnostic imaging equipment has far exceeded its original goal of \$650,000, raising \$1 million.

Thanks to this feat, the MHC is moving forward with the new x-ray units, with the Mindemoya site the first of the two hospitals to undergo installation.

"As a result of the work required to remove the existing equipment and install and certify the new unit, there will be limited x-ray services over the next few weeks at the Mindemoya site," a press release from the MHC states. "Urgent exams that can

be taken using a smaller portable unit will be available in Mindemoya, but other studies, including outpatients, will be redirected to the Little Current site. Please contact the diagnostic imaging department at Manitoulin Health Centre if you have any questions during this transition period."

The installation of the second new x-ray unit at the Little Current site will soon follow once the Mindemoya work has been completed.

The two new ultrasound units, bone densitometer and four echocardiograph systems, which were also purchased as a result of the fundraising, are now in use at MHC.

more letters

Writer asks where are the elders in Sheguiandah?

Seeking a paragon of impartiality and wisdom who can advise where reason and respect have faltered

To the Expositor:

Where are the elders in Sheguiandah?

The concept of an elder in the aboriginal community is sometimes a difficult one for non-aboriginal people to understand. The difference is in the language: in English, it is a title; a noun. In indigenous languages, it is a verb that describes the role. Putting the foolishness and ego driven problems of Sheguiandah's dysfunctional council aside, I wonder where the elders are.

My understanding was that elders were sought after for their wisdom, philosophy on life, cultural knowledge, ceremonies, and gifts that have been nurtured over time. I was taught that an elder is not one who has reached neither a certain age, nor one who has piles of eagle feathers, bundles and pipes, or one that gloats about how many ceremonies or sweat lodges they have done. I thought they were peacekeepers, honest, balanced, strong and solid guides for their people.

Our elders seem lost lately. I see them demand respect by virtue of age or the size of their sweat lodges. I see them choosing to stand idle, sometimes taking sides rather than advising and doing what is best for their communities. Some wish to be put on pedestals, expecting to be revered and often out of reach of their people. Their actions make me question their intentions, their inner balance and even their faith. Perhaps they are more lost than we?

So where are they? Even in the height of the protest, we had elders not just from Sheguiandah, but from other communities standing by this side or the other. Am I wrong in

thinking this is not what the ancient ones did? Historically, elders were the wise ones in a community, arbitrating and diffusing disputes, assisting with conflict and providing direction for the wellness of everyone. They remained impartial, neutral and focused on community wellness. They did what was best for the people and community with honesty to resolve problems and putting an end to hostilities. They helped guide and nurture the spiritual growth of all and in so doing, strived for their own constant inner growth.

I was taught that an elder is one who is disciplined and committed to a lifetime of learning; one who knows traditional teachings and is committed to helping people within this environment. An elder I thought was someone who was physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually healthy. They were born with, or sought the gifts of healing in apprenticeship with a traditional healer. They are people who walk the talk, and live a healthy lifestyle within the focus of traditional values. Do we not have any here in Sheguiandah? Perhaps we do not, at least any that fit that description.

In older days, they provided help when asked and intervened when all reason and common sense failed. You would spot an elder in the way they treated his or her family, spouse, children, parents, elders and other traditional healers in a respectful and caring manner. All people were equal, good and one in their eyes. They were positive role models for aboriginal people; and able to teach and correct behavior with kindness and respect without humiliating

the individual. They would spend a lifetime taming their egos and working towards that humility within.

I believe they are always hopeful of people and are able to see the goodness in everyone, and certainly do not use alcohol or drugs or engage in other destructive addictive behavior. They would help stop sickness before it spread, and not just physical sickness, rather emotional and inner sickness, and do what is always true given the teachings of their elders and those before them. They would share openly, teach unconditionally, and always kind towards all. They would truly live the teachings of the seven grandfathers and strive to remain true to themselves, their spirit and their creator.

So I ask again, where are the elders today? I myself am desperately seeking a real elder, one that is honest, true to themselves and their community, one that is humble, sincere, loving, brave, kind, just and respectful. Wow that is a lot to ask!

I pray for the veil of ego to be lifted from the eyes of those who think themselves as elders. I pray for their spirit to come through in an honest and just way, to live by their words and walk the talk, to be instruments of forgiveness, love and growth, to be peaceful and teach inner peace and to live right by their ancestors footsteps. If you come across such a creature or know of one, please let me know, I have much to learn and am in need of guidance and teaching.

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Crossfit Open Games begin

A large contingent of Manitoulin fitness practitioners have completed their first workout of five in the 2013 Crossfit Games Open. This is the 3rd year of the competition that is actually open to anyone, worldwide. The format follows that a work-out is posted on the Games website (www.games.crossfit.com) every Wednesday. Athletes have until Sunday afternoon to finish, and then post their results. Competitors who are part of an affiliate, like the Manitoulin Secondary-based Genetic Potential, have their efforts verified by the club. Individuals have to take a video of their work-out and then have on-line judges officiate.

The week-one post was just 17 minutes to get as many reps of burpees and an increasingly heavier barbell for snatches. Here are a few local results that are just amazing. **Phil Cress** scored 175 reps, sits at 11th place in all of Eastern Canada that is, some 2800 athletes! Close behind was **Lucas Proulx** with 167 total reps for 55th and at 87th was **Kyle McDermid** who ripped out 163. The trio are now all Crossfit coaches themselves having become certified over the summer. **Peter Tallman**, competing in the Master's division, is sitting in third place in Canada East! On the Women's chart **Tina Balfe** is 13th with 190 reps, using only a slightly lighter barbell. Student **Rachel Bondi** scored 154 reps to sit at 251st out of 1900 Canada East Women! Check out the Crossfit website today and try a work-out to get an idea how impressive these results are. Keep up the hard work everyone.

Tallman terrific!

Emma Tallman wrapped up her university career with a trip to the Canadian Interuniversity Sport Championships last week in Edmonton. The Mindemoya native has been winning for her school since she was a CMPS Eagle, then a Manitoulin Mustang, a Laurentian Vee and finally back to a Mustang again, as she competes for Western University of London. Against the best in all of Canada, Emma was 7th in the 1000m, in the 1500 m she took 9th place and then helped her 4 x 800m relay team to a 5th place finish. Congratulations, Emma, on an amazing fifth year of competing at the varsity level and to your crowning achievement of making it to the CIS!

Panther Points!

Congratulations to the Bantam Panthers on their excellent run at the Tournament of Champions last weekend! Playing in the B division of the NOHA up in Cochrane, the guys won their first over East Nipissing 5 - 0. Rocked South Porcupine 10 - 3 in game 2. Slipped up in their East Nipissing rematch 4 - 2 and then put down South Porcupine again to finish first in their double round-robin. In the semi-finals the Panthers doubled up on the Elliot Lake Jr. Vikings 4 - 2. In the Championship game however they had a close match but lost to the West Ferris Trappers. Hats off to great effort boys: **Michael Megwanabe, Parker Dickinson, Mason Pine, Patrick Snowdon, Logan Debassige, Braeden Case, Carter Noble, Timothy Pitawanuat, Nicholas Corbiere, Thomas Hayden, Hunter Abotossaway, Noah Moreau, Ben Haner and Riley Recollet.**

Island, Lady Wolves miss trip to Ontario's

The trio of Manitoulin players on the on the AA Midget Lady Wolves squad were heartbreakingly close to representing the district at the OWSA Provincials in April. **Victoria Pitawanakwat, Deidre Debassige and Kennedy Lanktree** and their Sudbury Lady Wolves ran into a hot, North Bay Ice Boltz squad. The Wolves took them to a fourth game but lost the match with a 1 - 0 squeaker. The Lady Wolves would rather of course be at the Provincials but one consolation is that most of this great team (13 of 16) will still be of age to play again next year.

Locals ski at loppett

Congratulations to seasonal residents, **Todd Withers and John Larmer** who both competed very well in the Sofie Manarin Nickel Loppet last month in Sudbury. John was in the 30km marathon while Todd completed the 14km.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR?

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Manitoulin can look forward to the much-loved Royal Canadian Mounted Police Musical Ride this June.

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RCMP's Musical Ride set to entertain Islanders this spring

by **Steph Burt Hillyard**

GORDON TOWNSHIP—One of Canada's most quintessential icons will be visiting the Island this spring. The red-coated Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and their horses will be performing their Musical Ride during their Northern Ontario tour. The Mounties will be performing at the Gore Bay Airport on June 18.

"Because this is the 100th anniversary of the Swing Bridge, our municipality thought we could do something too," said Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island Councillor Barbara Barfoot.

The Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island Culture and Recreation committee had made an application to the RCMP, asking if they'd be willing to include them during their tour. They were accepted and gladly included in the tour.

"I think it's quite a thing for the municipality to be taking it on and putting it on," said Reeve Jack Brady. "It's just the sort of thing we should be doing!"

The Musical Ride host is required to stable and feed each of the 32 horses, as well as provide a suitable area for the performance. Unless the weather is deemed dangerous, the riders will perform whether rain or shine. So far many community members have stepped up to provide hay, stables and feed.

Gates open at 4 pm, and the Musical Ride performance will begin about 7:30 pm. There will be

vendors and food available, and a pre-show will happen approximately an hour before the headline show begins.

"We want to have as many people as we can jam in there," said Ms. Barfoot. "A lot of people may not have seen it, and may never see it again."

Spectators are invited to meet and greet the Mounties and their horses at the stables the day prior to the event, the morning of the event, and at the event immediately following.

With British military in many of its rider's backgrounds, the Musical Ride basis is cavalry drill movements. The first official ride was performed in Winnipeg in 1887. Today, each Mountie must serve at least two years of active police work before applying, and

only serve three years with the RCMP, so approximately a third of its riders are rotated every year.

Each ride is performed by 32 members and their horses, with multiple cavalry drills and movements choreographed to music. Not only are the horses and riders required to perform on tour, they must also perform at Parliament Hill, in parades and special events, and must be available for meet and greets with the public. Between May and October members of the ride will perform at 40 to 50 locations worldwide.

North Bay and Sault Ste Marie are other possible stops during their tour. Tour dates will be posted on the RCMP website (www.rcmp.gc.ca) in April.

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42nd Little NHL scores record 153 teams

by Michael Erskine

MISSISSAUGA—The Little Native Hockey League, better known as Little NHL, began as an opportunity for Island First Nations youth to play competitive hockey with kids from neighbouring reserves and has grown this year to become the largest organized hockey tournament. Last year there were 125 teams competing, this year a record 153 teams. Fielding more than 3,000 hockey players, boys and girls between the ages of three and 18, will take to the ice during the March break from March 10 to 14.

The players taking part in this year's Little NHL will hail from communities as far apart as Thunder Bay, Moose Factory, Attawapiskat and the host Six Nations Minor Hockey Association. The Six Nations Minor Hockey Association is hosting the event in conjunction with Tourism Ontario.

"The Six Nations Minor Hockey Association is thrilled to be hosting the 42nd Annual Little Native Hockey League Tournament and we look forward to welcoming the First Nations' community from across Ontario to the beautiful City of Mississauga," said Blaine LaForme, president of Six Nations Minor Hockey Association in a release announcing the games.

Over the past several years, the cities of Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie have vied for the privilege of hosting the massive hockey tournament, whose economic spin-offs can easily amount to the millions of dollars, not only through the filling of hotel and restaurant capacity in the host community, but bringing even larger economic benefits as accompanying parents, coaches and guardians from more remote First Nation communities take the annual opportunity of visiting larger urban centres to do some major shopping between games.

"We are really looking forward to this year," said Greg "The Goose" Sutherland, one of the many volunteer hockey coaches who make local minor hockey possible. He was loading up some supplies for the team's trip south at Turner's of Little Current.

The Little NHL teams will be playing the majority of their games on the multi-pad ice surfaces of the Hershey Centre and Iceland arena, with some taking place at the Meadowvale playing surfaces. The multi-pad arenas mean that teams and their parents will not have to travel as much to get from game to game. "We will be able to watch a few games too," added Mr. Sutherland. Between the three

venues there are 10 ice surfaces.

The tournament may well have outgrown the facilities available in Sudbury and the Sault, just as they quickly did their birthplace in the Little Current arena. The original organizers of the Little NHL were Reverend Len Self, Earl Abotossaway, former M'Chigeeng Chief Jim Debassige, Norm Debassige and former Whitefish River Chief Jim McGregor. The first tournament was held during the Christmas break of 1971.

Opening ceremonies for these 42nd games were scheduled to take place on Sunday, March 10, with most of the games themselves taking place from March 11-14.

The festivities begin with an opening ceremony, organized by the Woodland Cultural Centre, Sunday night at the Hershey Centre from 6 pm to 9 pm. A Tribe Called Red, a group that was recently featured in NOW Magazine for its innovative mix of electronic dance music and Indigenous culture, will headline the opening ceremonies.

"We are very excited to be producing the opening ceremony," said Janis Monture, executive director of the Woodland Cultural Centre. "It's great to be able to showcase the amazing talent of these artists to our communities."

Typical of Manitoulin First Nations, Whitefish River will have seven teams participating including tyke, novice, atom, peewee, bantam, midget and bantam girls.

"In the boys divisions there will be over 300 games played to arrive at the point of declaring champions," said Whitefish River Chief Shining Turtle. "That's a lot of hockey in four days."

Scheduling all those teams is a massive undertaking, largely handled by unsung volunteers who have been burning a lot of midnight oil lately. "Marvin (Assinewai, Little NHL president) has pulled a couple of all-nighters," said volunteer Natasha Abotossaway. Mr. Assinewai has been working to match up the draws for each contest between the 125 teams before heading south for the opening ceremonies.

For hundreds of young Native hockey players, the Little NHL tournament marks the apogee of the community's social and sports calendar, and parents and coaches have spent much of the intervening year conducting bingos, dinners and other fundraising events to help finance the undertaking.

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This enthusiastic and outgoing athlete brightens every sports team she is associated with. Her positive attitude and motivation of other teammates as well as athletic skills makes her an all-around great athlete. Bettina is now 18, and a senior in high school, who has participated on many sports teams throughout her career and has brought great triumph to MSS. She has participated on the cross-country, track and field and tennis teams throughout her 4 years and has been very successful. She has traveled to the NOSSA championships for cross-country, the 1500m and 3000m in track and field, placing in each and competed in NSSA championship for the women's, doubles tennis category, also being successful. Bettina also enjoys playing recreational basketball, volleyball and being active in general with her friends as her favorite class in school is gym.

Outside of school, Bettina enjoys skiing, dancing, and canoeing. She is a member of the Academy Dance Class, and has participated in ballet for several years now, becoming a senior dancer, she also attends a summer camp every year, where several outside activities take place. Bettina is also a very social person and loves hanging out with her friends and family in her spare time. Evidently Bettina loves meeting new people and experiencing new things. She is very excited for next fall, where she will start the next chapter of her life. She is planning on attending college and eventually becoming a nurse. We sure will be sad to see Bettina leave our school, as her bubbly presence on and off the track and courts will be greatly missed but we wish her all the best in her future dreams and goals, good luck Bettina!



Sharp shooters

On Saturday, February 23 the #348 Manitoulin Sea Cadets marksmanship team attended an area competition at Naughton. For the fifth year in a row, the team took first place in the team category with a combined score of 1,291 points out of a possible 1,600 points. In addition, Master Seaman Zoe Murphy won first place in the individual category with a score of 363 out of a possible 400 points. The team, in photo above, is comprised of Team Coach Lieutenant (Navy) Denis Blake, Able Seaman Ben Sayyae, Able Seaman Nick Harper, Master Seaman Brad Sayyae, Master Seaman Zoe Murphy, Chief Petty Officer Second Class Mason Dugas, #348 Manitoulin Commanding Officer Lieutenant (Navy) Maggie King.



Soaring high

The Central Manitoulin Public School girls' basketball team conquered Manitoulin at the Island championships recently, beating Pontiac School in the finals. The Eagles are, from back, left, Coach Gerry Holliday, Kay-Lynn Moore, Hanna Hutcheson, Roxanna Rojas-Brizuela, front row, Maddy Niven, Hailey Leblanc, Michelle Campbell, Brynn Kiley and Bethany Wesno. Missing from photo is Carissa Holliday.

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Manitoulin tyke champs

The Mindemoya Thunder Tyke team took the A division Island Championship this past weekend. The playdowns were tournament style and were held in Mindemoya. Mindemoya Thunder Tykes defeated the Little Current Flyer Tykes in the final. They are, front row, left, goalie Noah Thorpe, Aiden Case, Landen Smith, Liam Lariviere, Chase Becks, back row, coach Bart Case, Nevaeh Harper, Sadie Bridgeman, Brianna Moore, Tessa Prior, Cameron Leeson, Kohan Campbell, coach Fawn Bridgeman and coach Ryan Prior.



Manitoulin peewee champs

The M'Chigeeng peewees had an excellent year having gone undefeated in the regular season for the second year in a row. They also defended their title after having won the Island Championship last year. They defeated Wikwemikong in the first round taking the series 3-1 and then defeated Mindemoya White in the second round taking the series 3-1. The peewee champs are: Jeff Bebonang-Migwans, Cassandra Bisson, Caleb Blackbird, Oha Cada, Broadus Debassige, Pierre Debassige, Danny Feir, Jacob Genereux, Ashton Kozeyah (goalie), Niihge McLeod, Quentin Panamick, Matthew Roy, Jalen Waindubence, coach Shane Ense, assistant coach Rob Genereux, trainer Gary Genereux, manager Paula Corbiere and assistant manager Charlene Corbiere.

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New technology brings leading Indian dance troupe to Manitoulin

by **Steph Burt Hillyard**
MANITOWAING—Debajehmuijig Storytellers and Meneka Thakkar Dance Company are collaborating to bring a 'Gita Govinda-A Timeless Tale of Divine Love' featuring renowned Odissi dancer Sujata Mohapatra to Manitoulin through the world wide web. The dance depicts the relationship of Radha, Krishna and Gopis in Vrindavan and is based on one of poet Jayadev's most famous works. Dancer and Meneka Thakkar Dance Company founder Meneka Thakkar won the Canadian Council Walter Carsen Price for Excellence in the Performance Arts in 2013. Her dance company tours Canada, the United States, Europe, India, Japan and

Southeast Asia. The online streaming will happen in two parts. First, the performance will be streamed to the audience at the Debajehmuijig Creation Centre. Next, the performers will have a chance to interact with the audience members as the audience will be streamed back to Toronto's Fleck Dance Theatre. "I think in the future we will be collaborating with them more," said Joe Osawabine, artistic director, about working with Meneka Thakkar Dance Company. He explained Debajehmuijig and Meneka had acquired the technology around the same time, and had been looking for some way to collaborate. "We're really testing the technolo-

gy out right now. They already had the performance coming to Toronto and were looking for someone to stream with." He also said there are possible streams heading to Thunder Bay and Thornhill. The dance will be streamed via live webcast on Friday, March 15. Doors open at 6 pm, with an Indian buffet served at 6:30 pm with the live stream following shortly after 8 pm. There will also be a workshop demonstration of some of the key movements, gestures, and communication devices used in this type of storytelling dance before the live stream, and desserts around the same time, and a discussion on what else could be possible with this type of technology following the event.

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...MPs support dredging at South Bay's entry

...continued from page 1 where the ferry could not safely transit to its berth in South Baymouth should levels not recover by spring and even when water levels do rise in the spring, projections indicate that docking in South Baymouth may be restricted to calm water conditions. Luckily, rough weather in the region is usually not seen until much later in the season.

"As it stands, I would not go in there without sounding," said Ms. Schrempf. Although the issue is serious, Ms. Schrempf noted that water levels do rise every spring. The concern facing the company centres on whether the current trend to lower water levels continues.

Rumours circulating across the Island are suggesting that the ferry schedule for this year was going to be cancelled. Ms. Schrempf dismissed the suggestion that the ferry schedule for 2013 would be cancelled outright. "I am sorry," she said. "Where on earth is that suggestion coming from?"

The issue of low water levels has Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound MP Larry Miller sounding the alarm and his office issued a press release asserting the low water levels may prevent the Chi-Cheemaun from docking.

"Tourism is one of this area's main industries, and the Chi-Cheemaun is a primary draw of people to the Bruce Peninsula," said Mr. Miller. "The water in the channel is simply too low for the vessel to traverse, and service may not be able to resume in May if dredging is not done immediately."

Mr. Miller has a reputation for a colourful approach to issues, however, and Ms. Schrempf cautioned that it is too a bit too early to hit the panic button, but noted that prudence required the OSTC to prepare the way for the future.

Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes is also working to raise awareness of the issue with the federal government, recently bringing forward low water concerns in regards to the Chi-Cheemaun to the House of Commons, asking what the government is prepared to do for the many people who rely on the ferry's service should low water levels ever prevent it from operating.

That time has not yet come, as Ms. Schrempf gave a comparison of the soundings for this time of year in 2003. "The water is down by 11 centimetres for the same period in 2003," she said. "That is definitely a drop, but it is not as drastic as some are making it out to be."

Asked if the solution to a continuing drop in water levels would require blasting a deeper channel to the berth, Ms. Schrempf was cautious. "There is no easy answer," she said.

Before any action could



The water levels at the entrance to South Baymouth have reach an all-time low this winter leaving many concerned as to the safe passage of the Chi-Cheemaun ferry.



be contemplated, many questions would have to be answered by qualified engineers, including the current and projected future depth of the channel. "You have to be able to provide the answers," noted Ms. Schrempf. She indicated that there were no plans to alter ferry service at this point.

Before any dredging or blasting of a deeper channel can be contemplated, applications for permits must be submitted, and the answers to many questions have to be ready long before those submissions can take place.

Rumours of a problem with a sand bar at the Tobermory end of the run are not based on fact, according to Tehkummah Reeve Gary Brown, whose municipality recently passed a motion, echoed by other Island municipalities, calling for immediate action from the federal government to facilitate dredging to ensure safe passage of the Chi-Cheemaun.

The Northeast Town delegation at the recent Ontario Good Roads Association conference also met with Minister of Natural Resources minister David Orazietti to request the MNR increase resources allocated to permits for

dredging. The minister responded that while his ministry recognizes the importance of the issue, they encourage everyone to get their applications in as early as possible.

Nothing in the process happens quickly, admitted Ms. Schrempf. This is particularly true in the case of any work to be done in a navigable waterway. In order for the OSTC to be prepared for any eventualities going forward, the company must have the data in place to support any actions that may be required well in advance of those actions taking place.

"If the water goes down another 18 inches we are going to be in trouble," said Reeve Brown, who sits on the OSTC. "But right now we are just being proactive in looking into what would need to be done if that should happen. You can sit back and complain or you can roll up your sleeves and do something about it. We are doing what we can to make sure we are ready for any eventuality. The ferry is very important to our economy here on Manitoulin."

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photos by Norma Hughson of lower ridership numbers. The OSTC commissioned a marketing study focussed on turning those figures around that was due to be released yesterday (Tuesday).

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 tions in 1995 the detachment was designated as the main office for all of Manitoulin in 1997.

"Currently, there are four uniform members and one civilian staff stationed at the Manitowaning office and reside within the catchment area," Ms. Fields said. "In addition to these four officers, two other uniform officers, stationed out of Mindemoya but who reside within the Manitowaning area, start and finish their shifts from the Manitowaning office."

During the council meeting with Staff Sergeant Webb, Ms. Fields shared her concerns that without an office in Manitowaning, the community could lose valuable citizens.

"The Manitowaning Guardian Pharmacy is owned and operated by pharmacist Michele Hart, spouse of Detective Constable Steve Hart," she explained. "Joanne Mellan, our nurse practitioner at the Manitowaning Family Health Team (FHT), is the spouse of Provincial Constable Rob Mellan. The FHT also includes Leanne Hovingh, a registered nurse and spouse of Constable Mark Hovingh. Jennifer Ferguson, daughter of Carol Ferguson, the detachment's administrative clerk, is a full time teacher at Assiginack Public School."

"The services that these individuals provide are essential to the community and can be directly related to the fact that the Manitowaning office is the posting for their direct family members," she continued. "A large portion of these incomes, as well as those earned by OPP officers and their support staff, remain within the community."

Another factor that may

not be immediately obvious is the amount of retired members and their spouses who have chosen to make this area their home, Ms. Fields said. These include retired Sgt. Graham Lloyd, Retired Staff Sgt. JJ McCabe, retired Staff Sgt. Andy Atchison, retired Constable Rick Ross (son of the late Neville Ross), retired Constable George Rhijnsberger, retired Constable Larry Killens and retired Constable Pax McKenna. The latter two reside in Tehkummah which was traditionally part of the Manitowaning patrol area. "This list would also include Marilyn Logan and Bill Smith, retired civilian employees," Ms. Fields said. "All of these members were stationed at the Manitowaning office during their career. They not only are ratepayers within the community, but as in their professional lives they and their spouses continue to serve and support countless organizations and activities. The volunteer hours that they log are outstanding. They belong to church organizations, clubs for seniors, the Lions Club, Curling Club, and Rainbow Ridge Golf Club, to name a few."

"Jim White," she pointed out, "served with the Espanola OPP and returned home to run a successful gas station and garage. It continues to operate under the direction of his son Bob and his family. Gary Reid, retired OPP officer who served in Manitowaning, is now the Chief of Police for the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Force."

"Larry Killens, retired OPP officer who served in Manitowaning, is now in his second term as the Manitoulin representative

on the Rainbow District School Board," Ms. Fields continued. "George Rhijnsberger, retired OPP officer who served in Manitowaning, owns and operates one of the busiest greenhouses and garden centres in Northern Ontario."

Retired Sergeant Graham Lloyd was among the prime movers who organized the Rainbow Ridge Golf Course, she added.

"The OPP's impact on youth in this community has been recognized and appreciated for generations," she added. "One only needs to walk through our local arena to see the pictures of Manitowaning minor hockey teams and the faces of past and present detachment members standing as coaches and trainers. The children of past and present detachment members can be found in Assiginack Public School and Manitoulin Secondary School class photos. Unfortunately, with the likelihood that new members of the OPP will reside close to the community in which their detachment office is located, there will be a direct negative affect on the school and youth organizations within the town of Manitowaning. Young people from the community have benefited immeasurably from the mentoring of off-duty officers in the traditional Manitoulin activities of fishing, hunting, trapping and boating. Basketball, volleyball, softball, and mountain biking events have been planned, organized and financially supported by individual members of the OPP and their families."

"Officers from the Manitowaning office, in partnership with local health care providers, have developed a highly successful,

hands-on WilderMed program to train medical students, first responders and those involved with search and rescue operations in remote and challenging locations," she continued. "Children from OPP families have been, and are, leaders within our schools. They babysit, write a high school column for the paper (Laura Hovingh is the co-author of the weekly MSS news columns Kids in the Halls in the Expositor), work in our shops and businesses, attend our churches and participate in local theatre and all aspects of our municipal recreation programs. One young woman, Kelsey Mellan, has recently won international recognition in the Special Olympics World Winter Games. A number of children of former OPP officers have completed their education and joined law enforcement agencies across the province. Others

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Managing Your Money

The stresses of retirement planning by Guy Venne

At this time of year, newspapers publish tons of articles on all topics surrounding financial and retirement planning. I recently came across an article that presented the notion that we needed to save up to eight times our annual income in order to enjoy a secure and worry free retirement. Eight times! Is this right? I wasn't sure so I decided to delve further into this question. This is what I found.

Alright, if we were to accumulate eight times our annual income for our retirement, how much would we need to put aside each and every year? If we assume that we would have 45 years to save for retirement, then each year we would have to put aside 8/45th or 18 percent of our income. Interestingly, 18 percent of income is the maximum percentage that every Canadian can put towards an RRSP. So we already have a system seemingly designed to help us reach this goal.

So why can't all Canadians reach this goal? Why

are some of us unable to save? In a recent news conference the CEO of the CIBC, Gerry McCaughey surmised that 8.4 million Canadians will experience a decline in their standard of living in retirement because of their lack of savings. He also recommended that Canadian be able to shore up this shortfall by making additional voluntary contributions to the CPP. Whether Canadians save more by making more contributions to the CPP or RRSP is not the issue. It seems that saving is the problem.

When we examine the incomes and spending patterns of Canadians we see that things are not as good as one would think. In 2009 the average family income in Canada was \$72,400 while total average household expenses were \$71,117. You'd think that Canadians are living paycheque to paycheque. When you delve into the expenses, you see that 79 percent of our income is spent on the necessities (taxes, 20 percent; shelter, 20 percent; transportation, 14 percent; food, 10 percent; health, hygiene and clothing, eight

percent; and household, seven percent). The remaining 21 percent was spent as follows: retirement saving, six percent; recreation, five percent; education, two percent; tobacco and alcohol, two percent; gifts, two percent; other, two percent and a small surplus of two percent. The six percent of retirement savings falls far short of the recommended 18 percent. Where should Canadians cut in order to find the missing 12 percent?

Or should they? Canadians need a reality check. They need to assess their personal situations and understand what effect their current decisions will have on their future. Maybe many won't be able to save 18 percent and that six to eight percent savings will just have to do. Understanding that this may push back retirement or force them into semi-retirement where they are working less. Regardless they need to be OK with it. For some Canadians there just isn't enough room to do it all and we should just accept it and be happy. Life is too short.



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The Expositor.

So far, the mayor said he has heard from the head of each of the municipalities with the exception of Cockburn Island's Mayor David Haight, who he hopes to hear from soon.

"I'm hoping to arrange the meeting on Manitoulin—we haven't heard a date yet—but I'm guessing we could arrange it on the Island when they're here for negotiations," Mayor MacNevin explained.

When asked how close the ministry was to finishing negotiations, the Northeast Town contingent was told, "they were not finished. They didn't confirm or deny," he said.

Mayor MacNevin said the three main concerns the Northeast Town, and the rest of the Island municipalities, have with the land claim agreements are the potential for lost revenue due to lands being placed in trust by First

Nations that would therefore become tax exempt as they acquire land or businesses within municipalities. The municipalities worry that should these lands be placed in a land trust, the assessment value would remain with the municipality, and therefore the municipal costs associated with those properties, such as the Manitoulin Sudbury District Services Board, the Rainbow District School Board and policing, would still remain, despite the loss in tax revenue. The rest of the ratepayers would then be charged correspondingly higher taxes to make up for tax income lost on properties within these land trusts.

The Northeast Town has had a longstanding issue in this respect with farmlands acquired by Aundeck Omni Kanning and Sheguiandah First Nation. The properties acquired by First Nations are subject to assessment and tax bills are sent to the owners who have declined to pay them.

So far, the province of Ontario, under duress, has reluctantly paid the taxes on behalf of the First Nations but

have said this practice will end when the land claim agreement is finalized.

"We want to find a way to make up that lost revenue," the mayor said.

The municipalities are also concerned with how zoning bylaws and road allowances would be affected by these lands, as well as service agreements (i.e. sewer and water).

"How do you even enforce service agreements when there are two separate sets of laws: provincial and federal?" he added. "I think it's important that they understand what the issues are."

"It would be nice to get it settled," Mayor MacNevin said.

...Rhetoric escalates at Sheguiandah First Nation

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cation between the parties created this no-win scenario," the press release continues. "Even with the threat of third-party management lingering, the councillors remain hopeful that an alternative—co-management—could be put in place where an independent CEO assists the band and reports back to chief and council."

When contacted on Monday, Chief Orville Aguonie denied the councillors' claim that the First Nation was nearing third-party management. "The only time Aboriginal Affairs will step in is if you're mis-managing your funds or if there's a failure to deliver vital services," he said, "and that's not the case."

The chief said he is still waiting to hear back from the community's lawyer in regards to a judicial review, whereby a judge could overturn the two councillors' previous motions to vote down the passing of the audit. (At a meeting held on "neutral ground" in Sudbury early last month, Councillors Assiniwe and Mishibinijima declined to accept the audit of last year's finances, saying they had not been provided with sufficient information.)

In what appears to be a lack of communication between the two sides, the chief told The Expositor he too would agree to co-management with the help of the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnisising, but said the idea was turned down by Councillors Mishibinijima and Assiniwe—the opposite of what was said in their press release.

"This has nothing to do with mismanagement, they



While the roadside protest may have ended, problems continue between chief and council.

Expositor file photo

just think 'there must be something wrong here'," Chief Aguonie said.

"We have repeatedly attempted to engage the chief and our band's government over spending, financial statements and other details only to be met with unnecessary hostility," Councillor Assiniwe said.

"As councillors, we have an obligation to know where the money comes from and where it goes," Councillor Mishibinijima added. "The chief and his brother (Councillor Jake Ago Neh) refuse to have this kind of conversation with us. We are sick of waiting—now is the time to talk."

In their press release, the councillors say they are insistent that their message has never changed since the protest last summer and fall. "What we did was, we tried to shut him down without a visible protest and without violence," Councillor Assiniwe said. "We knew we had the support of most in the community. Those who don't support us, Kevin and I aim to win over by working together, as a communi-

ty. It has taken a very long time to be able to get to this point. We hope the other side is willing to finally have a conversation with us about the real issues."

The chief told The Expositor he has engaged Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes who, he said, has been in touch with the minister's office (AANDC) "to try and find a resolution."

The chief said he has an information session planned for the community next Monday, March 18 at 5 pm at the band office with guest speakers to talk about the distinction between governance and administration.

The Expositor heard from AANDC Monday evening in an email from Claudia Fournier, she writes: "Under its funding agreement, the Sheguiandah First Nation is required to submit audited consolidated financial statements. However, as the First Nation has not submitted its audited financial statement for fiscal year 2011/12, AANDC has halted non-essential funding to the First

Nation. AANDC remains optimistic that members of council will be able to resolve their issues and meet its reporting requirement stipulated in its funding agreement."

As for whether third-party management is in the community's future, Ms. Fournier said AANDC is prepared to intervene if the delivery of essential programs and services to community residents is jeopardized, but "it is up to the Sheguiandah First Nation to come together to resolve their differences."

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have returned to Manitoulin as teachers, nurses, business people and summer residents."

Ms. Fields said she doesn't doubt that the OPP would continue to provide the best police service possible to the Manitoulin community it serves. However, she said, the loss of the detachment would lead to a natural loss of OPP members living within the immediate Manitowaning area. "As those officers who currently reside within the detachment area retire (most of which will occur within the next five years) their replacements will undoubtedly choose to live closer to the detachment area in which they will report," Ms. Fields said. "This will result in less of a police presence in the Manitowaning and South Eastern Manitoulin areas. The impact would not be just the loss of the marked

cruiser or the uniform walking through town, but as anyone who has worked or lived in a small community knows, the 'town cop' who lives in town is identified as such whether he or she is line for groceries or at the beach with their kids. This is accepted by those who serve as part of the job. It is seen as a sense of community security to all who live within that community."

"If, when current OPP officers working in the Manitowaning area begin to retire and are not replaced, the socio-economic impact to this area of Manitoulin will be significant," Ms. Fields concluded. "In times when all small communities are struggling, the loss of well-educated, highly trained professionals who earn respectable salaries will negatively influence the viability of small town, rural Ontario."

Northeast Town Council Notes

Council opposes development of Community Improvement Plan

After numerous Northeast Town council discussions exploring the creation of a Community Improvement Plan, council defeated a motion to explore the cost and process to develop a such a plan.

Staff came back to council last month after being directed to look into façade improvement, prompted by a proposal from the Little Current Business Improvement Area (BIA) to undertake a joint project between the BIA and the town to improve the façades of the downtown building fronts, and explained that since the proposal would involve the town supporting the improvements through tax exemption, it would not be possible under the Ontario Municipal Act as it would be considered “bonusing the private sector.”

Town CAO David Williamson added that if council was interested in façade improvements, they would have to have a Community Improvement Plan which could cost upwards of \$30,000 (basing the estimate on the cost of Central Manitoulin’s Community Improvement Plan).

Council was divided last week as they rediscussed the development of a Community Improvement Plan and façade improvements.

“Is façade improvement that only reason to move forward on the Community Improvement Plan?” questioned Councillor Dawn Orr. “Because if that is the case, that is a lot of money for one thing when we already have a Strategic Plan in place for the community.”

“The tax loss from the exemption if we were to go through with the Community Improvement Plan and then the façade improvement would have to be recouped from somewhere,” added Councillor Christina Jones, “and I have a problem with it coming from our taxpayers.”

“A Community Improvement Plan is not just about the façade improvements,” rebutted Councillor Michael Erskine. “Central Manitoulin, for example, is developing one to figure out how to make improvements to the whole municipality including business in the town, Providence Bay and the outer businesses as well. It is a good idea to look at what exactly it would cost us for the plan.”

In the end, the motion to explore the costs and process to develop a plan was defeated by council.

Council considers request for Stewardship Council donation

Mr. Williamson presented a letter to council from the Manitoulin Area Stewardship Council (MASC), requesting funds to help pay for an invasive species intern for MASC.

Mr. Williamson explained that council received the request in October of 2012, but due to a similar request from Manitoulin Streams for a municipal contribution towards an intern, confusion arose with staff believing the requests were for the same intern.

During the 2013 budget process, council incorporated a \$5,000 contribution into their budget for the hiring of an intern for Manitoulin Streams.

He stated that the request from MASC is for \$1,200 towards the invasive species intern.

Mayor Al MacNevin suggested that since \$5,000 had already been budgeted, that the \$1,200 be used from the funds allotted for Manitoulin Streams.

Councillor Erskine said that he did not like the idea of taking some of the money away from Manitoulin Streams after the full amount had been promised, but that he could not support an additional \$1,200 donation when something such as an invasive species intern should be supported financially from the government, not downloaded onto municipalities.

Council decided to let Manitoulin Streams decide if they would be willing to share their funds with MASC.

Council supports curling club

The Northeast Town council had words of praise as they carried a motion to donate \$200 towards the Little Current Curling Club and a fundraising dinner the club was organizing.

Council reviewed a letter from the Little Current Curling Club last week requesting a donation towards a fundraising dinner they were catering at the recreation centre for the seniors’ conference on March 19.

“Everyone knows that the curling club has had money problems, but they have been working really hard this winter, under new management, and they have been doing really well,” commented Councillor Marcel Gauthier. “They have really gone out of their way to fundraise and I think we should help to continue their efforts.”

Little Current and Sheguiandah water treatment plant reports accepted

Mr. Williamson reviewed with council both the Little Current and Sheguiandah Water Treatment Plant Annual Summary Reports last Tuesday.

After careful review, the Northeast Town council accepted both reports.

Mayor meets with First Nation neighbours

After being directed by council last month to meet with the municipality’s First Nation neighbours, Mayor Al MacNevin reported back to council on his meetings with Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Chief Patsy Corbiere and Whitefish River First Nation Chief Shining Turtle.

The mayor explained that the meeting went well and that the three simply talked about building on their relationship and supporting each other in community events and possibly through economic development in the future.

Aundeck Omni Kaning gets waste management extension

The Northeast Town council added another extension on its waste management agreement with Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) last week.

AOK requested a second extension (one was previously granted last year) on its agreement with the Northeast Town, allowing the First Nation to dispose of its waste at the town’s landfill.

“AOK is working on developing a new option for the disposal of their waste, a transfer station on the grounds of their closed landfill,” explained Mr. Williamson. “There has been a delay in funding though, and their contact with us expires in March of this year so Chief Corbiere is requesting an extension to March of 2014 to allow them time to develop their plan. Chief Corbiere is convinced that their work can be carried out by this fall, but is requesting the extension until next March just to be safe.”

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	7:20 pm	Little Current	Opening	Ceremonies
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SATURDAY, MARCH 16th, 2013

#	GAME TIME	ARENA	HOME	VISITOR
03	10:00 am	Little Current	Manitoulin	Iroquois Falls
04	11:50 am	Little Current	Elliot Lake	West Ferris
05	4:40 pm	Little Current	West Ferris	Manitoulin
06	6:30 pm	Little Current	Elliot Lake	Iroquois Falls

SUNDAY, MARCH 17th, 2013

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rioration for sometime.

On January 14, a letter from Minister Meilleur was sent to the Northeast Town stating, "I am informed that the OPP has initiated discussions with Infrastructure Ontario (IO) for the removal of the existing boathouse building, which is to be replaced with a new boat slip complete with security fencing."

"This will ensure the OPP is provided with the appropriate accommodation to meet, without interruption, its marine program requirements," the letter continues.

Between the January letter and the meeting with Minister Meilleur earlier this month, Mayor MacNevin said that town is "confused as to the future of the boathouse or property."

The Expositor contacted IO, looking for clarification regarding its intentions concerning the OPP boathouse.

"We manage the property on behalf of the government and CSCS," explained Jeff

Giffen, a spokesperson for IO. "The CSCS has recently identified the property (the OPP boathouse) may no longer be required for the OPP's programs."

When asked if that meant the end of Manitoulin's OPP marine unit, Mr. Giffen replied, "I can only speak to real estate, not policing matters."

"If the ministry declares a building surplus to their needs then IO accesses the potential for future uses," concluded Mr. Giffen, "and CSCS has indicated that they may no longer require the property."

Despite the possible sale of the Little Current boathouse, the decision appears to not be related to the end of the Island's OPP marine services as Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb indicated at a recent Assiginack council meeting that Manitoulin's marine program would continue out of the Port of Little Current. The Expositor has learned that the OPP may be looking at alternative measures to house its vessels.

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farm project have been denied by the OEB.

"McLean submits that the reasons for denying the oral hearing request in the current case are similar," the letter continues. "The matters being raised by Wikwemikong are beyond the scope of this proceeding and there is not need to conduct an oral hearing to acquire additional factual evidence in order for the board to reach a decision or as a means of allowing parties to cross-examine on the written evidence."

The letter also states that McLean met with Wikwemikong "as early as June 2006 to discuss the generation facility and on numerous other occasions to discuss the details of the then proposed project" and that "the generation facility was the subject of a public REA (Renewable Energy Approval) process with numerous opportunity for aboriginal and public consultation."

BLG concludes that "Wikwemikong has raised no

issue that would justify an oral hearing and McLean respectfully requests that the oral hearing request be denied."

Wikwemikong officially requested an oral hearing for Northland Power's McLean's Mountain wind farm project's OEB application for a Feed-in-Tariff Electricity Generation Licence on Thursday, February 28.

In the letter from Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier, he outlines several reasons why an oral hearing should be held, including: that the project could interfere or infringe on Wikwemikong's aboriginal treaty rights; that the OEB has not consulted with Wikwemikong on the application for the feed-in-tariff; that the First Nation "requires time to fully consider the scope and nature of this project and the impact it may have on our aboriginal treaty rights;" and that an oral hearing is necessary to allow community elders to "share their historical understanding of

the aboriginal perspective of the purpose and intent of the Bond Head Treaty of 1836 and the rights and responsibilities attached to the treaty" because "they must only community orally and in the Anishinaabe language."

Chief Peliter was unable to be reached for comment.

The OEB, as of press time Monday, had not yet released a statement regarding a decision on an oral hearing for the licence.

The applicant, McLean's Mountain Wind Limited Partnership, will be able to respond to the submissions on the record up until today, Wednesday, March 13, but the deadline for written submissions and requests for an oral hearing has passed.

To read the full letters and responses regarding the application visit the OEB website, www.ontarioenergyboard.ca. Once the board's decision has been reached regarding the oral hearing or the application, it will also be posted on the site.

...Staff Sergeant tells council 'expect the best of the worst'

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the two cells were not in use was due to a lack of video surveillance equipment.)

Councillor Fields asked the staff sergeant about the costs of running the Manitowaning office, which he said he did not have, outside of the municipal cost.

She also reminded council that this is not the first time the issue had been brought forward by previous staff sergeants. "Is it more serious this time?" she asked.

Staff Sergeant Webb said he did not know, as he was not here before. "The OPP wants to provide core policing and are looking at eliminating several detachments in the province," he reiterated. "I can guarantee that service will not change. There are 28 officers in four detachments and on a regular basis there are no officers in one or two of those buildings."

Councillor Fields said she doubted that having the Manitowaning office closed would mean the same amount of police presence or visibility in the community. "You talk about being proactive, well whether in uniform or not, kids look up to them (officers) and they set a standard," she said.

The councillor also noted that organizations such as the Manitoulin Sudbury District Services Board, Rainbow District School Board and Sudbury and District Health Unit all have their headquarters off of Manitoulin, which has been a disservice to the people of this island. "A solid, good community in Northern Ontario is what we strive to have, and if this office were to close, it would have a huge impact on the lives of the people in Manitowaning."

"Ideally, there would be a station house and officers in every community, but it just can't continue in that way any more," the staff sergeant said. "I want you to consider the best of the worst—a storefront office and a marked car, for example."

Councillor Fields asked Staff Sergeant

Webb about the need for policing on Manitoulin and whether crime is up or down.

"I don't think there's been a change—I like to think some of the proactive things we've been doing has something to do with that, but there hasn't been a significant change," he said.

She also asked if the numbers of officers were to decrease (which they are expected to do by two, as officers who leave or retire will not be replaced), would costs decrease too? He said he expected they would, as 85 percent of OPP costs are human resources. "But to do the job we're doing now, and the officers work very hard, they are spread pretty thin," he added, noting he was hoping to change the minds of the OPP in regards to officer replacement.

Councillor Paul Moffat asked the staff sergeant if Manitowaning's close proximity to Wikwemikong, Manitoulin's largest community, would play a role in his business case, to which the staff sergeant said it could.

Councillor Fields brought forward the idea of contracting policing services out with the Wikwemikong Tribal Police, as an example. Staff Sergeant Webb reminded council that the OPP provides different levels of service other than just responding to calls, and while they have a good rapport with the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Anishnaabe Police and Wikwemikong Tribal Police, there are value-added services with the OPP, giving the example of assigning two officers to accompany the cyclists on the Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates' annual ride from Tobermory this summer.

As the deputation concluded, Reeve Ham reminded the staff sergeant that Manitowaning would always welcome one of those new detachments to be built in that community.

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Loco Beanz raises funds for breast cancer donation

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—Loco Beanz presented patients of the Mindemoya Hospital cancer centre with blankets last month which were fundraised for throughout October during Breast Cancer Awareness month.

The Loco Beanz coffee house locations throughout Manitoulin sold Courage Blend Coffee, breast cancer travel mugs and featured donation jars on their counters throughout October, raising a total of \$400, which paid for 20 blankets made by My Ol' Blues in Gore Bay.

This is the third annual event for the Loco Beanz breast cancer campaign and its third blanket donation to the hospital.

"We are fortunate on the Island to have the cancer treatment facility in Mindemoya so we wanted to support it," explained Loco Beanz owner Shannon Cranston. "I have been told that when receiving treatment, a patient can get cool. This led us (the Loco Beanz locations) to come up with the idea of donating blankets. We thought that maybe we could make someone a little more comfortable while receiving treatment. With the support of the communities, we hope to continue the fundraiser for years to come."



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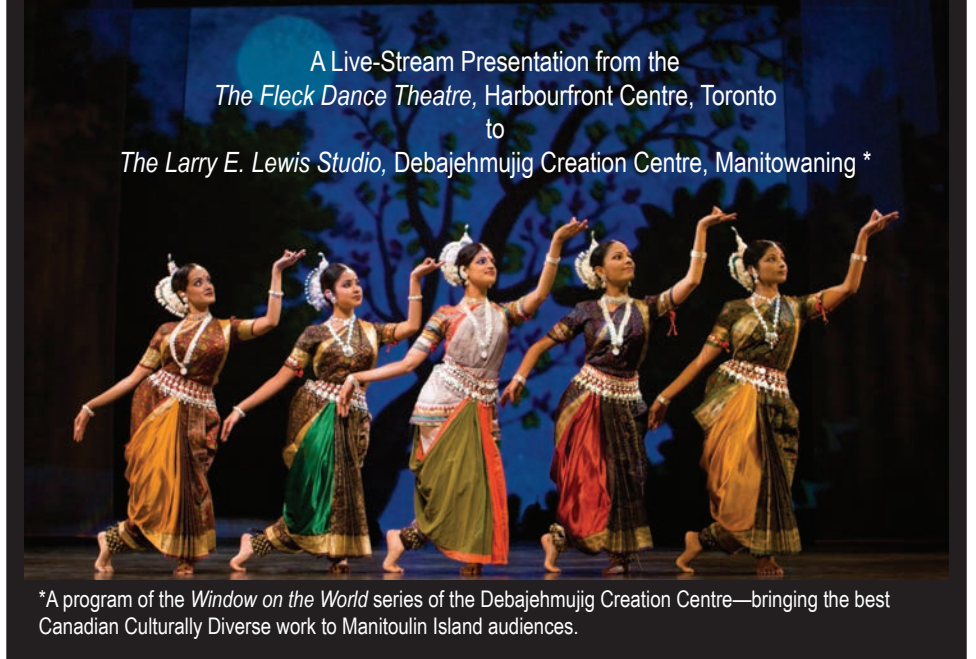
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Private in-home care services now available to Manitoulin Island and the North Shore

by Steph Burt Hillyard
LITTLE CURRENT—People looking for private home care on Manitoulin and the North Shore can now look a little closer to home.

Located in Little Current, New Direction Health Care Services is now open for those, along with their family members, who are looking for a little extra help. President Terri Buck-Orr said everything is rooted around private health care, rather than funded through the government or Community Care Access Centre (CCAC).

“We are providing professional, private nursing care throughout Manitoulin Island and along the North Shore,” she said. “I am a nurse and for the past 10 years I have been working in Long Term Care either as a charge nurse or in management. While in management I worked alongside the hospitals, CCAC, Native reserves, the ambulance services, and the Ministry of Health. During this period I noticed the gap in the levels of care that were being provided to the people in the community and even to the people that were in the long term care facilities.”

She explains the ratio of personal support workers (PSWs) to residents is one to 12, and each PSW is given approximately seven minutes per resident in a long term care facility



Terri Buck-Orr

(LTC facility) based on the amount of funding provided by the Ministry of Health.

“What I frequently saw were increased behaviours for those with dementia as their confusion worsened during this busy time in the morning or sadness from those people who did not even want to live in the facility but felt that they had no other alternative. I also had many complaints from over worked staff, many incidents of injuries to staff i.e. back or shoulder injuries from the constant wear and tear on their bodies. This was due to the high PSW to resident ratio and the very difficult time constraints placed upon them.”

Currently, New Direction Health Care Services offers in-home housekeeping and laundry, errand running and transportation, personal care such as bathing and grooming, medication reminders, palliative care, overnight and respite care

and Alzheimer’s and dementia care, all in the comfort of home or in a retirement home or hospital.

Ms. Buck-Orr explained another issue is the lack of respite for the caregivers of these people.

“Whether it is a few hours or overnight or for an extended stay, New Direction will provide the appropriate person to keep the loved one safe and give the caregiver some peace of mind.”

Ms. Buck-Orr does the initial assessment of the client herself, and then matches the client up with one of her nurses or personal support workers (PSWs). “It’s between the client and I,” she said. “Whatever they want, I provide.” She explained one of the biggest needs right now seems to be time, and the flexibility to help in whatever area is needed.

“New Direction’s vision is to be a community-based operation by working in conjunction with families and services to provide the best professional, compassionate and integrated care people deserve,” said Ms. Buck-Orr.

Ms. Buck-Orr hopes that in future she’ll be able to open a storefront and hire more employees. “Mainly,” she elaborated, “I hope that this is a go.” She explained that she had worked in long-term care

for a few years so she knew there was a need on Manitoulin and the North Shore.

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Whitefish Falls ceremony installs chief and council

by Michael Erskine
BIRCH ISLAND—The new chief and council of Whitefish River First Nation were sworn in recently at a ceremony incorporating cultural traditions.

Chief Shining Turtle, re-elected to his sixth term of office, began the ceremony by lighting a sacred fire into which prayers and offerings were carried skyward. Both elders and pipe carriers from the community bore witness to the event, as is customary, but this year there was another guest at the event, Northeast Town deputy mayor Marcel Gauthier. Mr. Gauthier was attending at the invitation of the new chief and council as part of an initiative by Whitefish River First Nation to work more closely with neighbouring communities on matters of mutual concern and benefit.

"It is about concentrating on the positive aspects of our relationship," said Chief Shining Turtle. "We have many more issues and concerns in common that we should be working together on than those that divide us."

"This is the first time I have attended a ceremony like this," said the deputy mayor. "The whole community was out for it. I thought I might be a little bored by it all, but it was really actually quite interesting."

Mayor MacNevin noted that he was unable to attend the invitation due to his commitments with the Ontario Good Roads Association, so he requested that the deputy mayor represent the Northeast Town.

Following declarations by the elders and pipe carriers,



Chief Shining Turtle and his council were sworn in at a ceremony that incorporated traditional and cultural elements paying tribute to Whitefish River First Nation history and Anishinaabe culture and traditions. Pictured are Chief Shining Turtle (Franklin Paibomsai) and the new council consisting of Dave Shawanda, Gerry McGregor, Leona Nahwegahbow, John Recollet, Jerome Pakosigan and Jeff McGregor.

riers, the re-elected chief and his councillors processed into the council chambers in a walk-in ceremony while accompanied by a song offered by the Bitabaness Singers.

Chief Shining Turtle wore a ceremonial headdress designed and created by Whitefish River First Nation artisan Tim McGregor. The headdress was crafted to incorporate all of the former chiefs of Whitefish River First Nation beginning with Chief Shawanosowe up to the present leadership, with room to include those who come after.

"After the ceremony there was a really nice feast," said deputy mayor Gauthier. "Then they had the swearing in." Deputy Mayor Gauthier noted that much of what went on was conducted in Ojibwe. "So it was a little hard to follow," he said. "But it was all very nice."

Joining Chief Shining Turtle around the council

table for the next two-year term were Dave Shawanda, Gerry McGregor, Leona Nahwegahbow, John Recollet, Jerome Pakosigan and Jeff McGregor.

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...conference explores senior living on Manitoulin Island

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revolved around the many professionals who are available to help when a person gets sick or is being discharged from hospital and needs other care. A panel consisting of nurse Janet Fathers, Manitoulin Health Centre manager Paula Fields, Senior Mental Program Manager Marilyn Proulx, Community Care Access Centre Manager Christine Barbeau, First Nations Case Manager Debbie Selent, Alzheimer Service Coordinator Sherri McDougall and VON Coordinator Tammy Legge explained the services available to seniors. These include transition to home or to rehabilitation, home care, palliative care, home visits, physical and occupational therapies, service to caregivers, Meals on Wheels, light housekeeping and professional nursing help as well as other aid.

Guest speaker Graham Webb was especially well-received by the conference attendees as he spoke on the

Legalities of Aging. Mr. Webb is a Staff Litigation lawyer with the Advocacy Centre for the Elderly (ACE) in Toronto, which provides free legal services to low income seniors across the province. Such services include cases involving denial of government pension benefits, poor care in long-term care homes, problems with hospital admission, detention and discharge and abuse, to name a few. Mr. Webb spoke at length about the Power of Attorney (POA) documents and surprised the audience when he said, "The most important thing I have to say to you today is that you don't have to have a POA. You have to be very careful in naming a person for POA as trust issues abound."

As the seniors' conference showed, there are not just cases of financial abuse, there is also blatant physical, mental, psychological, and sexual abuse of elderly folks as well as neglect and denial of human and civil rights. Josee Mili-



Jennifer Piche, division manager of Care Link Independent Living Solutions, discusses information available for seniors with Marg Elliott of Mindemoya.

jours, the Regional Elder Abuse Coordinator for the Ontario Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (ONPEA), believes that there are between 60,000 and 150,000 elders abused in Ontario. ONPEA envisions an Ontario where seniors are safe and respected and the eight Elder Abuse Networks in the Northeast Area of Ontario work to that end.

The Sudbury Rising Stars, an entertainment troupe, provided a great performance, using song and skits, complete with the Fairy Good Health Mother, to outline issues affecting seniors. With great good humour, the group performed to emphasize the importance of good health maintenance and activity.

Keynote speaker Doctor Janet McElhaney, a world-class geriatrician,

researcher and expert in senior's health, shared her concerns regarding the health of frail seniors who enter Canada's hospitals. Ms. McElhaney, who is the medical lead for seniors care at Health Sciences North, spoke of how most Canadians will spend the last 10 years of their lives dealing with chronic illnesses. She outlined her 48-5 program, used province-wide in British Columbia, in which health care professionals aim to address five aspects of senior's health within 48 hours of admittance to hospital and thus reduce the length of hospital stays.

The seniors' conference continues Tuesday, March 19 at the Northeast Town Recreation Centre in Little Current.



Marlene and Albert Laidley of Little Current peruse the information pamphlets available for seniors at the Life After 55 Living Island Style conference.

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...Chi-Cheemaun has five years to turn service around

...continued from page 1 families in the GTA and Golden Horseshoe seeking relatively close and cost effective vacation experiences.

The marketing study sought to “identify those markets not currently using the ferry service, and outline procedures and operational changes required to attract these potential passengers to the ferry while retaining its current customer base.”

The consultants not only conducted an in-depth analysis of market factors to prepare the report, but also held public information sessions during the fall of 2012 in South Baymouth and Tobermory on the Bruce Peninsula, the north and south terminals for the ferry’s operations. The public sessions gave “our communities on the Bruce Peninsula and Manitoulin Island an opportunity to voice their concerns and provide feedback to the consultant,” said Ms. Schrempf. “The public input was very insightful and assisted CPCS with identifying issues that required immediate attention.”

As a result of the findings in the marketing study, passengers of the Chi-Cheemaun can expect to see some key operational changes in the 2013 sailing season, according to Ms. Schrempf. Among those changes will be the elimination of the reservation fee. A reservation can now

be made on any sailing at no additional cost.

The reservation fee was clearly identified as an irritant to existing users of the system at both of the public information sessions, and that negative impact was borne out by the consultants’ other studies.

In addition to removing the reservation fee, the ferry will move to an on-peak/off-peak fare structure, announced Ms. Schrempf. “On-peak fares will be charged for all summer sailings and off-peak fares will be charged for all spring and fall sailings,” she said. The shoulder season will see fares remain the same as last year, while the peak summer months will see an increase. The result will be that an average user, a single passenger in a commuter vehicle who would normally utilize the reservation system, will see about a net five dollar reduction in the cost of using the ferry for a one-way trip.

The ferry will also introduce a customer loyalty program to reward frequent users, but the details of how that will work are still being formalized. It will not be a traditional discount program, but is more likely to focus on moving traffic from busy crossings to those crossings with lighter loads. In any event, any kind of loyalty program must first be approved by the board of the OSTC and then signed off by the company’s shareholder, the Province of



Owen Sound Transportation Company CEO Susan Schrempf delivers the report on the Chi-Cheemaun’s marketing study on Tuesday of this week aboard the ferry.

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Key to the success of the marketing efforts will be “enhanced marketing efforts focussed on the leisure traveller.” It is this group who currently provides the bulk of the ferry traffic, and it is attracting a greater share of this market by targeted marketing in which its greatest hope for viability lie. The study clearly shows that relying solely on its role as a transportation link would be a recipe for financial disaster.

Although the financial position of the ferry operation combined with the current challenge provided by the provincial fiscal challenges do not provide a comforting environment for securing the marketing

funds for expanding the ferry’s profile in target market sectors, Ms. Schrempf said that the province has indicated that they would be supportive of the initiative.

Future projects resulting from the study will include improving the company website to make online reservations quicker and easier. The website was identified as an irritant to potential customers during the public session. With more and more travellers planning their vacations through online research, the first point of contact with the market is centering more and more upon the Internet.

Other projects being planned for the future include improving on-board amenities, such as

cafeteria upgrades and providing more activities or entertainment while sailing, as well as improving the visibility of the ferry option through providing better highway signage.

The report highlights the importance of creating vibrant experiential products that include the ferry and the need for inclusion of tourism stakeholders such as the Manitoulin Tourism Association (MTA) in marketing those products and tourism sector partnerships in the creation and packaging of those products.

“This is not something that we at OSTC can do for ourselves or something that we have the budget for,” she said. “As you know we are owned by the province, we are funded by the province, and the province is having its own financial difficulties right now, but the province has told us they will support us in this effort.”

The OSTC will be going outside of itself to engage the proper marketing firm to put together “an appropriate marketing package to focus advertising, promotions and customer relations efforts in those areas where we need focus,” said Ms. Schrempf.

The focus of marketing programs will be on regions like the GTA (Greater Toronto Area), as it is in these areas that the ferry as an experience and vacation option is relatively unknown and where the potential market for expan-

sion is huge. “That is where the most benefit is going to come from,” noted Ms. Schrempf.

Ms. Schrempf noted that consultation with the trucking industry indicated that the main player (later identified as Manitoulin Transport) in the region utilizes Sudbury as a hub. The problem is not simply one of cost but is far more complex, noted Ms. Schrempf. “It is also a question of logistics,” she said, adding that the ridership issue contains a complex mix of factors. “We are not going to solve this issue one truck at a time.”

The OSTC focus over the next three years will be on tourists, but the OSTC is keenly aware that they must also keep their existing customers happy. “Commercial truckers are not outside of the conversation,” noted Ms. Schrempf, but at less than seven percent of the traffic volume, and given the limitations of space during the peak operations, the future of the ferry lies in the expanding its reach in the leisure market.

“I think it is great that the OSTC is pursuing improving the service and making it more viable,” said MTA president Ken Ferguson. “We are looking forward to the next stages and we will be glad to work with them.”

The full report can be viewed at www.chicheemaunmarket-study.com

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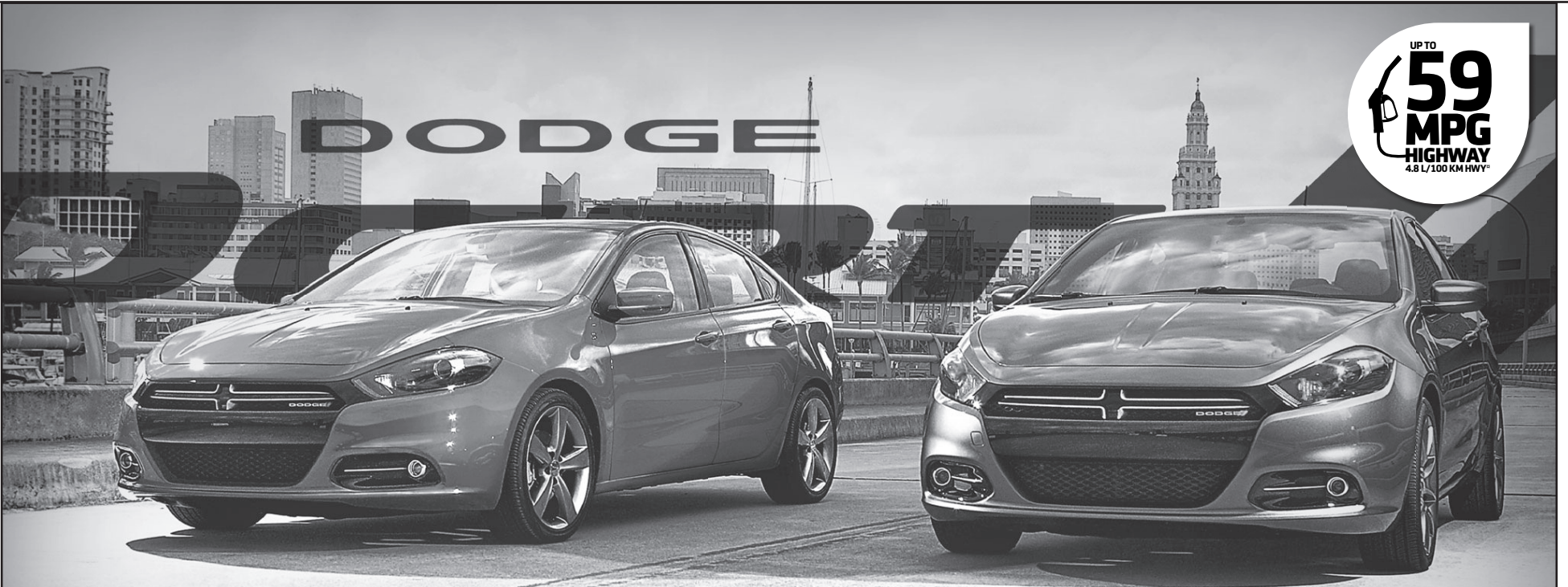
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Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. To receive adult or youth/parent information on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis, more commonly known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, or to volunteer with our Association, please contact: The Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Association of Ontario. Tel: 416-222-8820 or 1-877-632-6682 (outside GTA) or write to: Ste. 402, 170 Donway West, Toronto, ON M3C 2G3. Please visit our web site at: www.meao.ca.

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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.

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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
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services

Have you a DRINKING PROBLEM? Maybe Alcoholics Anonymous can help you. Meetings Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8 p.m. at St. Bernard's Church, Little Current. tfn

Manitoulin Supervised Access provides a safe, neutral child focused centre for visits and exchanges between children and non-custodial parties. Visits and exchanges take place during evenings and weekends. Service can be requested by individuals, lawyers and judges. For further information call (705) 377-6080. 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

Questions or concerns about diabetes? We can help. Please contact the MHC Diabetes Training and Care Centre. Individual and group appointments available with a registered nurse or dietitian certified in diabetes education. Clinics in Little Current, Mindemoya, Silver Water, Gore Bay and Manitowaning. Please call 705-368-2300 ext. 2415 for more information. Self-referrals accepted. tfn

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rental wanted

House wanted to rent in Mindemoya area: Providence Bay, Rockville, etc. Looking for three-bedroom pet friendly home, long term option preferred. Phone 705-377-6190 or email pat@amtelecom.net. 43-44c

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. 44oa

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

coming events

Manitoulin Community Circle will not meet Thursday, March 20. Please consult this notice for further information. Tfn

rentals

Storage units for rent in Little Current area, clean and secure. 705-368-0477. 43-46p

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coming events

Come for fun, friendship and some quilting too. Plan to attend Island Quilter's Guild at 7 pm on Wednesday, March 20 at the Mindemoya Community Centre. New members always welcome! 44oa

The Fabulous Fifties presented by Rick Piche and the Hawberry Boys. Come hear the music of Elvis, The Everly Brothers, Patsy Cline, Bill Haley and His Comets, The Platters, Chuck Berry, Hank Williams and many more. "Some of the best music every made." Friday, April 19 at 7:30 pm at St. Francis Anglican Church, Mindemoya. \$15. Tickets at Manitoulin Island Computers, Mindemoya or phone 705-859-3925. Reserve this date now! Proceeds to St. Francis Church. Barrier-free access at the south door. 44-45p

Holy Trinity Anglican Church roast beef dinner, March 22 at 6 pm. Tickets \$15 for adult, half price under 12 years. Available from Ursula, 705-368-0791; Carol, 705-368-3251; Marilyn, 705-368-3640. Delicious meal, good company, please come. 44-45p

Country Musical Show coming to Tehkummah Seniors' Hall, Saturday, March 23, 1 pm to 4 pm. Admission: Adults, \$8; 6-12 years, \$4. Round dancing, square dancing (calling by Fred Hunter) or just sit and enjoy! Starring: Back Road Country Band with performers from the North Shore and Manitoulin (Phyllis Lowery, Bob Eadie, Lenny Alexander, Fern McCoy, Chuck Shelf, lead singer Barry Hunt, Betty Emerson, Billy McClean). Soup, sandwich and pie available. Proceeds to Seniors Triangle Club Generator Fund. 44-45oa

coming events

Ladies...The Christians Women's Club (Manitoulin Prime Time Connection) invites you to an afternoon away on Monday, March 18 at 1 pm at the Knox United Church Hall, Manitowaning. Speaker: Judy Brown, Evansville "On Being A Princess." Special Music: Ramona Daniso. Feature: Wendy Gauthier "Early Spring Gardening." Door prize. Light luncheon served. \$7 all inclusive. For reservations call Theresa at 705-377-5138 by March 15. 44p

Mindemoya United Church Pastoral Charge is having a congregational meeting on Wednesday, March 20 at 7:30 pm at the Mindemoya United Church. The agenda will be to discuss the results of the Joint Needs Assessment Committee. Congregations from all three churches of the pastoral charge are urged to attend this important meeting. 44-45p

Movie Night, Friday, March 15, 6:30 pm, Little Current Holy Trinity Anglican Church. Showing: Universal Studios 'Hop'. Free admission and refreshments. Donations for the Food Bank appreciated. 44p

Calling all quilters! We have two quilts to do and we need your help. Come to Little Current United Church on March 27 at 9 am. Bring your thimble and brown bag lunch and help us. Please come when you can, leave when you need to. Every stitch helps. Thanks! 44-45p

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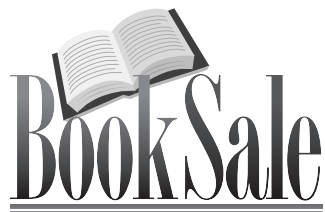
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Our Annual General Meeting will be held at the Clinic office, 12A Hillside Road, Aundeck-Omni-Kaning, on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a new Board of Directors. Anyone interested in the aims and objectives 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

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Megan Wickett
 Executive Assistant
 Community Living Manitoulin
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- Degree in social work, psychology, nursing or a related profession preferred or graduation from an accredited College level addictions program;
- Minimum of 5 years in direct service in the addiction field;
- Experience in First Nations communities with health or addictions programs;
- Experience in working with a bio/psycho/social model of addiction and recovery;
- Work experience in addictions treatment centres an assets;
- Knowledge of matters specific to determinants of First Nations health and addictions;
- Sensitivity to cultural matters pertaining to addictions in First Nations;
- Sensitivity and ability to work with First Nations cultural-specific approaches to addictions;
- Skills in conducting assessments of addictions in individuals;
- Teaching abilities in a setting that employs personnel with a variety of expertise in addictions, such as paraprofessionals;
- Flexibility to support community-based strategic approaches to address addictions;
- Previous positive working history with the communities would be a decided asset.

Duties

- Working closely with the CWDT Coordinator and Mental Health Specialist, serve as the overall resource person to the CWDT, communities and entities such as the respective treatment centres, LHIN or FNIHB Health Canada representative in matters concerning addiction with respect to the communities served;
- When required and requested, provide training to community-based health workers in matters related to addictions;
- Serve as principal advisor in program development relating to addictions with communities served;
- Provide clinical and community engagement guidance for other CWDT team members in assisting communities to address addictions;
- Assist with interpretation of data related to addictions for community needs assessments;
- Provide guidance to community personnel in gathering information concerning addictions;
- Work with the coordinator in developing an evaluation strategy pertaining addictions for communities receiving services from the CWDT.

Work Hours: While in the community, the Addictions specialist must be able to work evenings and possibly week-ends as required to support the community.

Submit Cover Letter, Resume, and three references to:

Rolanda Manitowabi, Executive Director
Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. (Rainbow Lodge)
56 Pitawanakwat Street, P.O. Box 81
Wikwemikong, Ontario, POP 2J0

Closing Date/Time: Friday March 22, 2013 at 3:00 pm

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT CLOSING DATE: April 5, 2013

Fresh air, beautiful sunsets, multiple lakes, hamlet, lakeshore and rural areas are but a few of the outstanding features of Township of Billings which is seeking a Public Works Superintendent. The Public Works Superintendent is responsible and accountable for maintenance and construction of all Township roads within the budget guidelines set. This position also requires the assistance in the maintenance of public works, municipal landfill, parks and municipal property. The Public Works Superintendent is responsible for assisting in the maintenance of the water distribution system.

The Township is seeking a graduate of a community college or university in a related field or equivalent experience and education. A minimum requirement of five years of senior level management experience in municipal public works will be an asset. The successful candidate will have a CRS designation, or be willing to take the appropriate courses to have the designation completed within three years of the date of hiring. The successful candidate will have knowledge of equipment and procedures for necessary repair, construction and maintenance of roads and facilities. Good organization, administration, computer and communications skills are required. The ability to complete all documentation as required by the municipality and legislation is a must. Successful candidate is required to obtain a minimum of a Class D drivers licence with a Z endorsement within the probationary period.

The Township offers a benefit package and a salary range of \$43,000 to \$57,000.

Qualified candidates are invited to submit a covering letter and resume by
Noon on Friday, April 5, 2013.

To: Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer
Township of Billings
15 Old Mill Rd. PO Box 34
Kagawong, ON P0P 1J0
clerktreasurer@billingstwp.ca
705 282 2611 ext 223



Building Positive Futures For Our Children

The Children's Aid Society of the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin is an organization that values children, and is respectful and sensitive to their needs.

Currently, we are accepting applications as part of a **Pool Recruitment** in order to fill upcoming **temporary** vacancies over the next several months at our **Sudbury** and **Manitoulin** offices:

BILINGUAL CHILD PROTECTION WORKERS FIRST NATION CHILD PROTECTION WORKERS AFTER HOURS BILINGUAL CHILD PROTECTION WORKERS Salary Range: \$45,436 to \$70,471 per Annum

Job Function

The Child Protection Worker provides comprehensive Child Welfare services to children, youth and families. This includes responding to inquiries and referrals; completing community links; investigating allegations of child maltreatment; and providing short-term and ongoing child protection services.

Qualifications

Bachelor of Social Work Degree (BSW) preferred or a degree in an equivalent field of study with relevant experience.

Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter and resume no later than **April 30th, 2013** quoting **POOL RECRUITMENT** and *clearly indicating the position and location you are interested in* to: hr.recruitment@casdsm.on.ca or fax to: (705) 521-7371.

Duties, Responsibilities & Additional Requirements can be found at:
www.casdsm.ca - careers section

We are an equal opportunity employer and as such encourage all qualified applicants to apply. Thank you to all that apply however only the candidates being considered for an interview will be contacted.

Note: Please visit our website before applying. Additional instructions regarding application requirements are outlined on our site.

The Children's Aid Society
of the District's of Sudbury and Manitoulin
La Société d'aide à l'enfance
de districts de Sudbury et de Manitoulin





Conseil des Services du District de
Manitoulin-Sudbury
District Services Board

210 boul Mead Blvd
Espanola, ON P5E 1R9
Telephone/Téléphone: (705) 862-7850
Fax/Télécopieur: (705) 862-7805
<http://www.msdsb.net>

The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board is a municipal service management organization created by the provincial government to oversee the local planning, coordination and delivery of a range of services and programs divested to the municipal order of government. The specific programs our DSB is responsible for are: Ontario Works, Social Housing, Emergency Medical Services (Land Ambulance), and Early Learning and Child Care services.

The following Employment Opportunity is now available to anyone interested in joining our highly dedicated workforce.

MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR
Permanent Full-Time Posting, Espanola, Ontario
Salary Range: \$58,106 to \$67,976 per annum
Competition #2013-02-AD
Closing date: March 22, 2013

For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at www.msdsb.net.
While all responses are appreciated, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc.
(Rainbow Lodge)

OPPORTUNITY FOR EMPLOYMENT

Mental Health Specialist, Community Wellness Development Team (CWDT)

Objective: Guide and coordinate the Community Wellness Development Team in assisting First Nations Communities with the development of locally-based strategic action plans to address prescription drug abuse

Qualifications

- Degree in social work, psychology, nursing or a related profession;
- Minimum of 5 years in direct service in the mental health field;
- Experience in First Nations communities with community-based health or mental programs;
- Knowledge of matters specific to determinants of First Nations health, mental health and addictions;
- Sensitivity to cultural matters pertaining to mental health problems in First Nations;
- Sensitivity and ability to work with First Nations cultural-specific approaches in mental health programming;
- Skills in doing clinical assessments and community mental health strategies;
- Teaching abilities in settings that employ personnel with a variety of expertise in addictions;
- Ability to work in an interdisciplinary health-care setting;
- Flexibility to support community-based strategic approaches to mental health matters;
- Previous positive working history with the communities would be a decided asset.

Duties

- Serve as the overall advisor and resource person to the CWDT, communities or entities such as the respective treatment centre, LHIN or FNIHB Health Canada representative in matters pertaining to mental health with communities served;
- As requested provide training to community-based workers in matters related to mental health;
- Serve as principal advisor with program development pertaining to mental health issues within communities;
- Provide clinical and community engagement guidance for other CWDT team members in assisting communities to address mental health problems;
- Assist with interpretation of mental health data for community needs assessments;
- Provide guidance to community personnel in gathering information concerning mental health issues;
- Work with the coordinator in developing an evaluation strategy pertaining to mental health issues for each community receiving services from the CWDT.

Work Hours: In the community, the Mental Health specialist must be able to work evenings as required by the community to accomplish the tasks required for community assessments and planning.

Submit Cover Letter, Resume, and three references to:
Rolanda Manitowabi, Executive Director
Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. (Rainbow Lodge)
56 Pitawanakwat Street, P.O. Box 81
Wikwemikong, Ontario, POP 2J0

Closing Date/Time: Friday March 22, 2013 at 3:00 pm

Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc.
(Rainbow Lodge)

OPPORTUNITY FOR EMPLOYMENT

Senior Mental Health Specialist, Community Wellness Development Team (CWDT)

Objective: Guide and coordinate the Community Wellness Development Team in assisting First Nations Communities with the development of locally-based strategic action plans to address prescription drug abuse

Qualifications

- Degree in social work, psychology, nursing or a related profession;
- Minimum of 5 years in the addiction and/or mental health field;
- Experience in First Nations communities with community-based health programs;
- Knowledge of matters specific to determinants of First Nations health, mental health and addictions;
- Skills in research, facilitation, consultation, budget preparation, training and information analysis;
- Knowledge of community development and applications to the social environments of First Nations;
- Sensitivity to and ability to work with community-driven aspirations;
- Ability to work under pressure and within tight timelines;
- Previous positive working history with the communities would be a decided asset.

Duties

- Provide overall leadership for the CWDT team in community engagement, clinical issues and program development and planning;
- Coordinate logistics of visits to communities requesting services;
- Assist communities with budget and proposal-preparation for program development;
- When required, provide training to communities in the organization and development of interventions/strategies to address Prescription Drug Abuse (PDA);
- Become familiar with the content and methodology of the toolkit and provide orientation to the mental health and addiction specialists on the model;
- Update the toolkit as needed to ensure it remains the reference document for this work;
- Provide a clinical context for case discussion of assessment and action plans with the other team members;

Work Hours: In the community, the CWDT Coordinator must be able to work evenings and possibly week-ends as required by the community to accomplish the tasks required for community planning.

Contact: Rolanda Manitowabi, Executive Director
Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. (Rainbow Lodge)
56 Pitawanakwat Street, P.O. Box 81
Wikwemikong, Ontario, POP 2J0

Application Deadline: Friday, March 22, 2013 at 3:00 pm

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Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services provides prevention and foster care services to seven First Nation communities within the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin Island.

We are currently recruiting professional and progressive individuals to join our team in the following capacities:

- **Coordinator of Training and Planning** (2 year contract)
Coordinates training program development and implementation for all agency training needs; plans and organizes training initiatives to meet regulatory requirements for foster care and child welfare programs; provides agency-wide and departmental research, strategic planning, and reporting support; and collaborates with senior management and various external resources to develop and deliver effective training for all agency resources.
- **Customary Care Coordinator** (full time – permanent)
Coordinates the development and implementation of Customary Care Agreements; supports permanency alternatives for children and youth living with members of their extended family or First Nation community; and assists extended families and First Nation communities deliver successful customary care arrangements.
- **Finance Clerk** (full time – permanent)
Organizes and prepares payments and receipts for processing; Processes daily financial transactions and maintains an efficient system of filing. Ensures that all agency inventories, property, vehicles and equipment are adequately maintained.
- **Human Resources Officer** (full time – permanent)
Oversees and manages the effective delivery of Human Resources services including agency and employee compliance with applicable policies and regulations; policy development and implementation; provides support services for employees; assists with the delivery of the pension/benefit plans; and completes related administrative tasks.

For additional information or to obtain a detailed job description, please visit our website at www.kqcfcs.org or the Manager of Administration at 705-859-2100 ext. 2041.

We invite applicants to submit a cover letter, resume, and three letters of reference (one from most recent/current employer) marked confidential to:

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services, Attn: Manager of Administration
98 Pottawatomi Avenue, Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0
Closing Date: Tuesday, March 19th, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

All applications appreciated; however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check including a vulnerable sector screening and a driver's abstract.

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JEFF'S TAXI & DELIVERY




DELIVERY DRIVERS WANTED

For deliveries between Mindemoya and Little Current
Part time delivery driver for Little Current area.

apply to jeff@jeffstaxi.ca
 or call **705-377-6222**

Call for daily pickups and deliveries to and from Sudbury & Espanola

MUNICIPALITY  OF ASSIGINACK

TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK

LOAD RESTRICTIONS

Further to Section 122 of the Highway Traffic Act and applicable Municipal By-laws, reduced load limits on roads throughout the Township may be in effect commencing March 15th and extending until May 31st.

Vehicle loads will be restricted to **5 tonnes per axle** on those roads where signs have been installed. Such restrictions are in effect and may be adjusted at the Public Works Superintendent's discretion during freeze thaw cycles.

Ron Cooper
 Public Works Superintendent
 Township of Assiginack
 Box 238
 Manitowaning, ON P0P 1N0
 705 859 3780

TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS


WATER REPORT AVAILABLE

The 2012 Annual Summary Report for the Kagawong Water System is available for review at the Municipal Office, 15 Old Mill Rd., Kagawong, during regular office hours.

Kathy McDonald, Clerk Treasurer
 Township of Billings
 15 Old Mill Rd, PO Box 34
 Kagawong, ON P0P 1J0

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NOTICE RE: ICE TIME

We are pleased to announce that the NEMI Rec Centre has ice available through to April 14, 2013.

Please call 705-368-2825 to book your time slot.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK--
 Would kite testers ever get strung out? If you know, phone 368.

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Notice to Creditors and Others

All claims against the **Estate of Michael James BURNFORD late of Suffolk England** who died on or about the 29th day of November, 2012 must be filed with the undersigned solicitor for the Estate Trustee on or before the 24th day of April, 2013; thereafter the said Estate Trustee will distribute the assets of the said estate, having regard only to the claims then filed.

DATED this 4th day of March 2013

Terrence E. Land
 Barrister and Solicitor
 P.O. Box 90
 Gore Bay, Ontario
 P0P 1H0



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH
WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

The Township of Tehkummah invites proposals from qualified web designers and developers for the design, development and hosting of its municipal website.

The goal of the project is to create a website that will meet the needs of the township's audience, a website that is a credible and valuable resource.

The RFP must be submitted to the Township of Tehkummah in a sealed envelope marked "RFP—Township of Tehkummah Website Development" by **April 5, 2013 by 4:00 p.m.**

Any proposals delivered to the municipal office must be done during regular business hours.

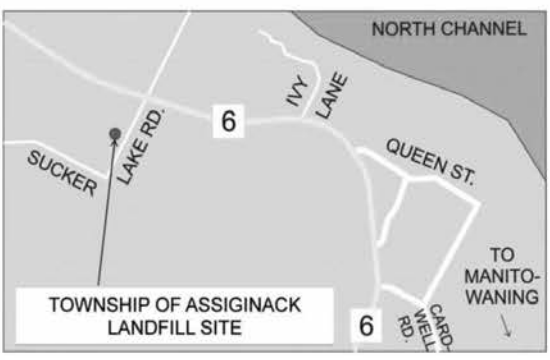
For more information please contact:
 Barbara Deforge, Deputy Clerk
 456 Hwy 542A
 Tehkummah, ON P0P 2C0
 Phone 705-859-3293 Fax 705-859-2605

Township of Assiginack Landfill Expansion

Notice of Commencement
Environmental Screening Process

The Township of Assiginack has initiated the Environmental Screening Process (ESP) in accordance with Ontario Regulation 101/07 under the *Environmental Assessment Act* (EAA) for the proposed expansion of the Township's landfill site, located on Sucker Lake Road. This regulation is directed partially at small, rural waste disposal sites and select waste projects are exempt from Part II of the EAA if the ESP is completed.

The Township's current landfill site has a waste disposal capacity of approximately 35,000 m³ and is anticipated to have filled that capacity by 2015. The Township is proposing to expand the landfill site's current waste disposal capacity from 35,000 m³ to approximately 70,000 m³.



The Process

The ESP is intended to determine the feasibility of the landfill expansion and will assess the potential effects of the proposed project. The screening of the proposed project will be consistent with the process described in the Government of Ontario's *Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Waste Management Projects*.

Consultation

Members of the public, agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning of this undertaking by attending consultation opportunities or contacting the project team directly with information, comments or questions. Consultation opportunities are planned throughout the process and will be advertised in the Manitoulin Expositor and on the Township's website (www.assiginack.ca).

To request more information on the project, provide comments or be added to the project mailing list, please contact:

Alton Hobbs CAO Township of Assiginack P.O. Box 238 25 B Spragge Street Manitowaning, ON P0P 1N0 Tel: (705) 859-3196 Fax: (705) 859-3010 E-mail: assiginackinfo@amtelecom.net	John Smith Project Manager Exp Services, Inc. 1596 Clark Boulevard Brampton, ON L6t 4V1 Tel: (905) 793-9800 E-mail: john.smith@exp.com
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Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and will be released, if requested, to any person.

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, P0P 1S0, facsimile 705-377-5585, telephone 705-377-5726, ext. 36 or email at centralecddev@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.



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SEEKING PROPOSALS

HB White Canada Corp. is an Equal Opportunity Employer who is currently seeking proposals from qualified First Nations vendors to **haul aggregates** for the McLean's Mountain Wind Project near Little Current, ON. Trucks must meet all provincial requirements for safety, licensing, and roadworthiness. The qualified vendors must have all required insurance. All First Nations' vendors are encouraged to submit proposals by **April 19th, 2013**.

For further information or to submit a bid please contact:
 Michael Prodanovski
 905-793-9696
 mprodanovski@hbwhitecanada.com
 70 Summerlea Road
 Brampton ON L6T 4X3.



SEEKING PROPOSALS

HB White Canada Corp. is an Equal Opportunity Employer who is currently seeking proposals from qualified First Nations contractors to **perform hydro-seeding on approximately 200 acres** for the McLean's Mountain Wind Project near Little Current, ON. The qualified contractor **MUST** be signatory to the applicable unions and have all required insurance. Interested qualified hydroseeding contractors are encouraged to contact HB White Construction, Inc. for the relevant specifications and quantities. All First Nations' contractors are encouraged to submit proposals by **May 3rd, 2013**.

For further information or to submit a bid please contact:
 Michael Prodanovski
 905-793-9696
 mprodanovski@hbwhitecanada.com
 70 Summerlea Road
 Brampton ON L6T 4X3.

BROWN--In loving memory of my dear husband, Goldwin (Goldy) who passed away March 12, 2010.
 I hear your footsteps
 I hear your voice
 I see your smile
 But I know I am only dreaming
 I miss you and love you and I know we will meet again.
 Your loving wife Joyce and Muffen.

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**Fax
 your
 ad!
 368-3822**



SEEKING PROPOSALS

HB White Canada Corp. is an Equal Opportunity Employer who is currently seeking proposals from qualified First Nations vendors to **provide portable toilets** for the McLean's Mountain Wind Project near Little Current, ON. We will require a maximum of 20 portable toilets distributed around the project beginning May 1st, 2013 through December 31st, 2013, all fixtures and maintenance thereof must comply with all municipal and provincial regulations. The qualified vendor must have all required insurance. All First Nations' vendors are encouraged to submit proposals by **April 19th, 2013**.

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 Michael Prodanovski
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SEEKING PROPOSALS

HB White Canada Corp. is an Equal Opportunity Employer who is currently seeking proposals from qualified First Nations vendors to **provide bulk gasoline and diesel fuel** as required for the McLean's Mountain Wind Project near Little Current, ON. We will require approximately 560,000 litres of diesel and gasoline. Bulk Tanks that meet all provincial regulations must be provided at our laydown yard on Green Bush Rd. The qualified vendor must have all required insurance. All First Nations' vendors are encouraged to submit proposals by **April 19th, 2013**.

For further information or to submit a bid please contact:
 Michael Prodanovski
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Church Directory

GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP
Aundeck Omni Kaning
 Pastor Charles Nahwegahbo
 368-2880
M'Chigeeng
 7pm Tuesday - Bible study
 4:30pm Wednesday - Kid's Club
 7pm every other Friday - Young People's
 Pastor Richard Williams
MISSIONARY/EVANGELICAL
Spring Bay
 10am Sunday School
 11am Worship service
 7:30pm Wednesday - Bible Study
 Pastor Al Wilkinson 377-5207
Little Current - Grace Bible
 9:45am Sunday School
 11am Sunday Morning Worship
 Pastor Paul Van Kesteren
 368-3208 - 368-0436
Mindemoya Missionary
 11:00am Sunday Worship Service
 Sunday School & Nursery Provided
 Pastor Ray Kloetstra 377-7255
UNITED CHURCH
Manitowaning Pastoral Charge
 859-3257
 Rev. Martin Garniss 377-4527
 Sunday School: 10am
 Knox & St. Andrew's
 Services: 10am Knox, Manitowaning
 11:30am alternate Fairview,
 Tehkummah & St. Andrew's,
 South Baymouth
Little Current Pastoral Charge
 10am Little Current
 11:30 Shegiandah
 (open from June 1 - Sept. 30)
 Rev. Faye Stevens 368-0835
Mindemoya Pastoral Charge
 10am Mindemoya
 11:30am Providence Bay
 1:30pm Kagawong
 Rev. Mary-Jo Eckert Tracy 377-6655
Gore Bay Pastoral Charge
 11am (Nursery & Sunday School)
 Rev. Jim McKean 282-2011
Western Manitowaning
 Pastoral Charge
 9:15am Meldrum Bay
 11am Silver Water
 1:30pm Elizabeth Bay
 Pastor Ervin Thompson
 283-3068 or 282-8265
ANGLICAN CHURCH
Little Current
 Rev. Paul Walmsley 368-3063
 Sunday 8:30 am Service
 + Sunday School
 9am St. Paul's, **Manitowaning**
 11am St. Francis-of-Assisi, **Mindemoya**
 Communion & Sunday School
 Rev. Bain Peever 377-5162
 10:15am St. John's, **Kagawong**
 11:45am All Saints, **Gore Bay**
 2pm St. Peter's, **Silver Water**
 Parish Telephone 282-3030
COMMUNITY OF CHRIST
Providence Bay
 10am Church School
 11am Worship Service
 Pastor Wes Leeson
PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Tehkummah
 Pastor Dave Pulsifer
 Sunday Service 10:30 am

Kids' Church also at 10:30 am
 Kids' Gym Nights 1st & 3rd Friday
 Nights
 call 705-859-3224 or 705-863-3634
 email:
 tehkummahpentecostalchurch@yahoo.ca
Spring Bay
 10:30 am Kids' Church
 10:30 am Sunday Morning Service
 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Service
 7pm Wed. Bible Study
 Rev. Dan Thompson
Little Current
 Gateway to Life Church
 Sunday 10:30am Worship Service,
 11am Children's Church;
 Tuesday 7pm Bible Study
 Pastor:
 Rev. Aaron Tardif 705-368-2506
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ice Lake
 9:45am Sunday School
 11am Sunday Worship
 7:30pm Wednesday:
 Bible Study For All Ages
 705-282-2908 or 705-377-4019
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
9050 Hwy 6 Little Current
 11am-1pm Sundays
 Br. Pres. Edgar Sagle 859-2333
CATHOLIC CHURCH
 7:00pm Saturday - **Mindemoya**
 9:30am Sunday - **Little Current**
 9:00am Sunday - **Kaboni**
 11:00am Sunday - **Wakemikong**
 1:00pm Sunday - **South Bay**
 4:00pm Sunday - **Buzwah**
 10:30am Sunday - **M'Chigeeng**
 1:30pm Sunday - **Sheshewgwaning**
 (1st & 3rd Sundays only)
 4:00pm Sunday - **Gore Bay**
 11:00am Sunday - **Birch Island**
 Fr. Jim Kelly, S.J. 377-4985
 Fr. Doug McCarthy, S.J. 859-3259
 Fr. George Gardner, 368-2034
 Fr. David Shulist, S.J. 285-1940
GOD'S ISLAND WORLD HOUSE
OF WORSHIP OF TRUTH
OF JESUS CHRIST & GOD
 Br. Pr. St. Apostle Disciple Scott Orr,
 705-968-0269
GOSPEL CRUSADE OF CANADA
South Bay Chapel The Bridge
 South Baymouth
 Saturday Evening Service: 7:00 pm
 Sunday Worship Service 2:00 pm
 Thursday 7:00 pm Bible study classes
 Friday Bible studies: 7:00 pm Teens and
 singles, all ages welcome
 Wedding Chapel, booking weddings for
 2012
 Rev. Charlene Fretz-Hyytiainen
 705-859-2099
INDEPENDENT ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
 Cornerstone Christian Assembly, 440
 Clover Valley Rd., Manitowaning.
 Services: Sundays at 10:30 am
 Pastor Rodney (Barney) Deforge
 (705)859-2448 and
 Pastor John Sauder (705) 859-2493
 Bible Study:
 Tuesdays at 7 pm at the Church
 Wednesdays at 7 pm Shegiandah
 Visitation Team Pastors Frank and
 Verna Trudeau (705) 859-1956



SEEKING PROPOSALS

HB White Canada Corp. is an Equal Opportunity Employer who is currently seeking proposals from qualified First Nations vendors to **furnish cubed ice and a freezer to our laydown yard** as required for the McLean's Mountain Wind Project near Little Current, ON. We anticipate needing approximately 40 bags of potable ice per day from May 15th, 2013 to November 15th, 2013. The freezer and the ice will be delivered to our laydown yard on Green Bush Rd during regular business hours on weekdays. The qualified vendor must have all required insurance. All First Nations' vendors are encouraged to submit proposals by **April 19th, 2013**.

For further information or to submit a bid please contact:
 Michael Prodanovski
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 70 Summerlea Road
 Brampton ON L6T 4X3

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BROWN—In loving memory of Goldwin Brown, March 12, 2010.
 The setting sun hovers briefly between the trees silhouetting the bare branches with its orangish glow. The boughs sway back and forth in time to the gusting wind. What a wondrous sight to see at the closing of the day. But I feel that familiar building of the heartache that hides deep within my soul. Only if my dad could see what I see, only if he could hear what I hear, he should be here, but he is not. Three years, I have been without his presence. Everyday I try to fill the emptiness of loss with the happy memories of my dad's being. Sadly missed but hoping he does see what I am seeing with the setting of the sun and that he is comforted and at peace. Miss and love you always, daughter Nancy.

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† in memoriam



ROBINSON—In loving memory of Alice Robinson, October 20, 1927 to March 15, 2011.
 Those we love don't go away,
 They walk beside us, every day.
 Unseen, unheard, yet always near
 Still loved, still missed, still very dear.
 Lovingly missed every day by Sandy, Bill and family.

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**Visit us online at
 manitoulin.ca**

Death Notices

MYRNA LEWIS (NEE CLARKE)



In loving memory of Myrna Lewis (nee Clarke), 68 years, who passed away peacefully with her children at her side on Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at the Elizabeth Centre. Beloved wife of Jack Lewis predeceased in 2008. Loving mother of Wendy Beauparlant (Bruce) and Michael Lewis (dear mother-in-law to Nathalie). Dear grandmother of Justin, Adrien, and Hunter. Beloved daughter of Gladys Galloway and the late William Clarke predeceased in 1969. Dear sister of Willie Keller (Morris), Jim Clarke, predeceased in 1977, Don Clarke (Judy) and Robert Clarke. She will be missed by many nieces and nephews. Myrna was an elementary teacher for many years with the Sudbury Board of Education. Myrna was a woman of faith and she spent many years of her life as a CGIT Youth Group Leader with the United Church and at one time served as the President of the CGIT Executive for the Province of Ontario. She also enjoyed spending time with her family on Manitoulin Island. She was very proud of her children and their accomplishments and she loved her grandsons dearly. Friends called at the Jackson and Barnard Funeral Home on Friday, March 8, 2013 from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm and after 10:30 am on Saturday, March 9, 2013. Funeral Service was in the R. J. Barnard Chapel on Saturday, March 9, 2013 at 11:30 am. Cremation with interment on Manitoulin Island. Memorial donations to the Huntington Society would be appreciated by the family.

PERRY ROSSWELL WILLIAMSON



Perry Rosswell Williamson, age 83, passed away peacefully on March 9, 2013 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, MI. Perry was born on February 21, 1930 in Ecorse, Michigan to the late Henry ("Harry") and Clarice (Card) Williamson. He married Rosemary ("Mickey") Stone in 1952 who preceded him in death in 1986. Perry married Effie McQuarrie on March 7, 1996 in Florida. Perry honorably served our Country in the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict. After his time in the service, he was a court reporter in Wayne County, salesman for C.L. Rieckhoff Company and was vice-president of Tezak Construction Company. He was active in the Grand Traverse Hockey Association for many years as well as the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization and had a lifetime membership to the Trenton-Wyandotte Lodge of the Masons. He was also a dedicated member at the Central United Methodist Church where he attended for many years. In his spare time, Perry enjoyed gardening and fishing. He also loved spending time on Manitoulin Island in the Eagle's Nest Area and was a member of the LMAA. Surviving Perry is his wife Effie, children, Mark Williamson, Laura (Rob) Tubbs, and David Williamson, step-children Rob (Nadine) Williamson, Janet (Brian) Besley and sister Marjorie (Carl) Mihalyfi. Also surviving Perry are his grandchildren and step-grandchildren Isaac Williamson, Natalie and Olivia Tubbs, Owen and Ross Parker Williamson, Kaitlyn Williamson and Taylor and Brenden Besley. Numerous cousins, nieces and nephews also survive. Perry is preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Rosemary and brother James Douglas Williamson. Funeral services will take place for Perry at 11 am on Friday, March 15, 2013 at the Central United Methodist Church with a visitation held from 10:30 am to 11 am. Pastor Dale Ostema will officiate. Burial will take place in the Spring at Monroe Center Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to a charity of one's choice. Please sign Perry's online guestbook at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com.

BESSIE FLORENCE HOTTE DECEMBER 4, 1925 – MARCH 7, 2013



In loving memory of Bessie Florence Hotte who passed away peacefully at the Manitoulin Lodge, Gore Bay on Thursday, March 7, 2013. Bessie was born in Sydney Mines, Cape Breton Island to the late Alexander and Cecilia Osmond (Ryan). Bessie loved her life as a homemaker. She loved quilting and sewing. She was a committed and active member of the Manitoulin Island Christadelphian Ecclesia for 43 years, and was known as Aunt Bess to many. Beloved mother to Sandra Grainge (late Danny), Paulette Miller (Ron), Brenda Hotte (Frits) and Lori Dzingala (Ed). Predeceased by husband Celestin Joseph Hotte and her daughter Donna Barr (October 29, 2012). Survived by her sister Daisy Costello and Minnie McDougall and her brother William (Marybelle). Loving grandmother to Robert Brooks, Steven Brooks, Julie Huc (Rob), Ryan Robertson (Katie), Leah Barr, Edward Dzingala and Scott Dzingala. Great-grandmother to Lindsay Brooks, Lacey Brooks, Allyson Huc, and Emmalie Huc. Friends may call at Culgin Funeral Home on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 after 11 am with service to follow in the W.G. Turner Chapel at 1 pm. Joe Cooper officiating. Spring interment in Kagawong Cemetery. If desired, memorial donations to the Manitoulin Island Christadelphian Ecclesia or charity of choice would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

CEDRIC REVELY BENNETT DECEMBER 31, 1914 – MARCH 5, 2013

In loving memory of Cedric Revely Bennett who died at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, and like the man himself, his passing was gentle and quiet. Cedric was born in Creighton Mines, Ontario on December 31, 1914. He is predeceased by the love of his life, Jean Burns, his parents Oliver A. Bennett and Nellie B. Nelles and his brother F. Nelles Bennett. Survived by his nephew Howard Bennett, brother-in-law Roderick J. Burns and his good and special friends Murray Dixon, Goldie Duxbury, Frances Porter and Jim White. Cedric graduated from Pharmacy School in 1939 and served in the Canadian Army during World War II as a pharmacist aboard the troop ship "Queen Mary" which made several trips to England. Later, he worked in the Toronto area before purchasing a business in Manitowaning. It was here that he met his wife Jean. Following Jean's death, Cedric continued to reside in Manitowaning until his move to Wikwemikong Nursing Home in 2007. Cedric was a member of Doric Lodge No. 455 A.F. and A.M. for close to 60 years. He was an avid Toronto Maple Leafs and Blue Jays fan for years. Many will remember Cedric as a true gentleman and we will cherish his memory in their hearts. There was a visitation at 2 pm on Friday, March 8, 2013 at Knox United Church in Manitowaning which was followed by a service at 3 pm with Rev. Faye Stevens officiating. Spring Interment in Hilly Grove Cemetery. If so desired donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

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.

THERESA ANN (BOULAY) MCCOY NOVEMBER 12, 1920 – MARCH 7, 2013



Theresa Ann (Boulay) McCoy affectionately known as Terry - November 12, 1920 – March 7, 2013, born in Belledune, New Brunswick and married Al McCoy from Stittsville. They moved to Sudbury after WW2 and soon settled in the INCO town of Lively. She was always a fun loving and caring person, full of energy till the end. She will be sadly missed by her children and their families, Sandra (Dennis), Bill, Linda (Chuc), Debbie (John) and Colleen (Joe). She has 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren who loved their Great-Granny dearly and many nieces and nephews. Her father Horace lived to 106 years old and her sister Doris to 103 so there sure is longevity in her family. In fact, Terry and her family are involved in a long-life study at the University of Boston. She passed away peacefully at the Manitoulin Lodge on March 7, 2013 at the age of 92 with her loving daughter at her side. She is predeceased by her husband Al and her mother Albina and father Horace, her brothers Lionel, Horace, Alfred and Everett and sisters Doris, Sadie, Lea, Mary and Carmel. She will be sadly missed by her remaining sisters Pat, Bunny (Bernadette), Esther and Ann and sisters-in-law, Pat, Rose, Ena and Georgina. With all those aunts and uncles and 75 cousins you can imagine the excitement of a family reunion. She moved to Gore Bay in 2002 and made fast friends with folks there especially at Millsite enjoying the parties and card games. Terry lived her whole life giving to others and adored her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved skating, dancing and bowling. She was an avid sports fan, never missing a Saturday night hockey game or a baseball game, especially if her Toronto teams were playing. She was an ace at bowling, winning many trophies over the years. She was also a card shark and her favourite game was bridge. An active member of her community, Terry was always involved in some activity or fundraiser and when she lived in PEI in her 60's and 70's, she was very active organizing activities and felt it quite an honour to receive Senior Citizen of the Year Award in 2000. Terry would say she had a very happy and productive life and always took the sorrows in her stride and savoured the many joys to their fullest. Above all, she loved her children – they meant the world to her. She was a tiny minute of a thing, but those who knew her appreciated and enjoyed her zest for life and her feisty spirit. To respect her wishes there will not be a funeral but there will be a celebration of her life in August when all of her family will be able to attend. Donations in her memory can be given to The Manitoulin Lodge volunteer committee that she supported in her day and that so lovingly entertained her these last two years while at the Lodge or the Kidney Foundation. Many thanks to Dr. Wilson and the staff at the Manitoulin Lodge for their many acts of kindness and for the excellent care they gave Mom and to the lovely people of Gore Bay who were always so kind to Terry.

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 SILVER LAKE COTTAGE \$75,000 Potential hunt camp with Silver Lake access, rustic log cottage on east side of lake, wood fireplace and oil heat, tool shed and wood shed, metal roof, very attractive offering. Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113	 HOUSE PLUS 100 ACRES \$209,000 in good deer country, 4 bedroom house off grid, drilled well, wood stove, generator, delco plant, watt inverter etc, detached garage, shop, outbuildings, cedar siding, only 15 minutes from Mindemoya shopping, asking (1311) (MLS#1013381) Norm Morrell 705-282-2430	 GORE BAY BUNGALOW Attractive three bedroom home with stone fireplace and electric heat, paved drive, attached garage, full block basement, one washroom, approx. 1200 square feet, nicely landscaped yard, walk to all downtown stores, very well maintained, ready to move into, (1350) (MLS#1015325) Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231	 TEHKUMMAH VILLAGE HOME \$120,000 three bedroom, two storey home, approx. 1800 square feet living space, basement, front deck, drilled well, septic system, solar and wood heat, Located at west entrance to this attractive Hamlet. (1359) (MLS#1016032) Norm Morrell 705-282-2430	 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	
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LOTS

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

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)

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)

BURPEE 10 ACRES w/legal truck road access off south end of Burpee Rd. 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)

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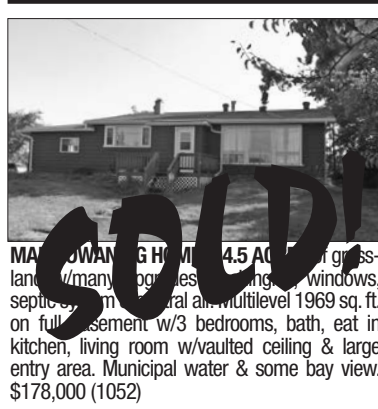
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NEW ST. HOME in Gore Bay with a very private yard of about 0.5 ac. Vinyl clad 1.5 storey of 1032 sq. ft. w/3 beds, open concept great rm., 4 pc. bath & large utility/mr. \$69,000 (1057)



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



COUNTRY LIVING ON 4.5 ACRES on Corbets 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)



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)



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



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

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EVANSVILLE HOME w/some view of Campbell Bay on 150 x 166 ft. lot w/large garage heated workshop 18 x 44 ft. Bungalow 1634 sq. ft. w/extra lower level finished space as family room & bedrooms being overall 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, large dining kitchen area, spacious living room w/wood stove & sunroom office. Private yard & lots of interior wood accents. \$169,000 (1061)



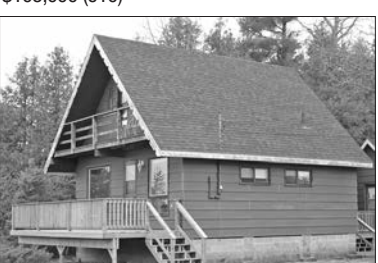
ELIZABETH BAY COTTAGE w/easterly exposure over Beach Road West. Bungalow 1120 sq. ft. w/spacious enclosed sun porch, 3 bedrooms, 3 pc bath & open kitchen dining living on level landscaped lot w/100.99 ft water frontage. Sandy small stone beach. New drilled well & all contents ready to occupy. \$165,000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



OCEAN POINT COTTAGE on a lot w/162 ft. sandy beach & frontage. Cabin about 840 sq. ft. w/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)



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)



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



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

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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)



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



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



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



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



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



RUSTIC COTTAGE on Little Lake Huron w/100 ft. frontage & 4.8 ac. of forest. Off the grid cabin 635 sq. ft. plus full loft accessed by stairs. Wired for generator power & includes contents, building supplies, outdoor privy. \$49,000 (1029)



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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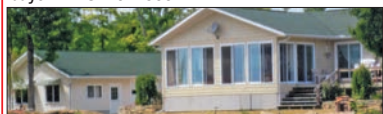
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LAKE MANITOU CHARMING! - This lovely 1,400 sq ft, year-round, stone home is one of the best offerings on Lake Manitou. Completely renovated & carefully maintained with new appliances & mechanicals, tongue & groove walls & ceilings, & a custom kitchen with cabinetry built by a local artist. A wonderfully landscaped property with appeal from the entrance gate all the way to the water's edge includes a built in boat harbour large & deep enough to accommodate a 24' boat. The home boasts a steel roof, wrap around deck, open concept living, dining & kitchen areas with see through fireplace. The master bdrm is on the main floor with a full bath & 2 separate bdrm lofts. The finished full basement has lots of storage space, a family room, 2 bdrms, a full bath & a laundry room. And, did I mention the wonderful artist studio? This is a complete package for the discerning home buyer. MLS#1017560



VERY PRIVATE LAKE MANITOU RETIREMENT HOME!! - 290 ft of shoreline with hard packed rippled sand lake bottom & private boat launch on over 6 acres of land. This 3 bdrm quality home is south facing, built close to the water with a beautiful manicured landscaped lot & a 3 bay garage with a workshop. Located close to the golf course & amenities of the town of Manitowaning & the ferry in South Baymouth or the bridge in Little Current. The lake has extremely good summer & winter fishing. To book your viewing call Tim Fenerty, Broker at 705-377-7216. MLS#1017505



SHEGUIANDAH COTTAGES! - 4 cottages located on a hill in Sheguiandah with nice views overlooking the Bay. This property could be used as an income property, a family compound or build a dream home. On municipal water and just minutes from Little Current. HST is in addition to the sale price. Asking \$109,000. MLS#1017484



CENTRALY 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



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



LITTLE CURRENT - INCOME PROPERTY - Ideal location fronting on Hwy #6. 2 residential units plus 1 commercial. Recent updates, newer roof & siding. Good income, lots of room to expand. Call for details. Price Reduced to \$229,000. MLS#1016689



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



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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

EXCEPTIONAL OFFERING ON LAKE MANITOU

A truly spectacular setting with 189 feet frontage and quality finish of improvements throughout make for one of the finest waterfront home offerings available. Mainly level lot, exceptional landscaping, air to air heat pump, fieldstone fireplace, insulated garage, good dockage, picture perfect sauna and separate guest accommodations worth fighting over. Please call for full details. MLS#1017542

McGREGOR BAY JEM - Great boat access building site in this very popular recreation area offers very protected shoreline for dockage, lots of room to build your getaway cottage and a very quiet location on the East Channel of McGregor Bay surrounded by a mature white pine forest setting. Fantastic location for getting away from it all. Just \$98,900. MLS#1016602

WATERFRONT - Lake Manitou - Lovely year round vacant lot on the Rockville Rd. Very nice wooded lot with some hardwoods to build your cottage or home. Good, safe area for swimming and wonderful views over Lake Manitou. Driveway is roughed in and survey lines are cut. Asking \$129,000. MLS#1015990

BASS LAKE - Desirable waterfront lot with exceptional Southern exposure. Year round road. Hydro & telephone available at lot line. Don't overlook this picturesque building site. Asking \$89,000. MLS#1014313

MANITOWANING - Vacant town building lot on Walcot St. Asking \$6,900. MLS#1016884



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

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

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

NEW PRICE! - 5.45 Acre Lot in the Green Bush area. Asking \$5,900. MLS#1016839

MANITOWANING - Vacant lot with tremendous view overlooking Manitowaning Bay. One acre in size and ready for your home! Asking \$24,900. MLS#1016885

BEAUTIFUL LOT ON MANITOWANING BAY - off of Corbets Beach Road in a very good neighbourhood close to town and all amenities. Hydro at property line. Asking \$89,000. Call Sales Person Al Frank at 705-859-3297. MLS#1014316

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

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



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



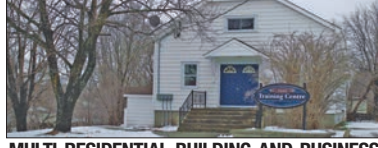
MAGNIFICENT LAKE HURON - Year round 3 bdrm home or cottage. Spectacular south facing over Lake Huron with private setting. The shoreline is bald limestone bedrock with a slow drop into the water. The master bdrm has en-suite & private balcony. The house has a full unfinished basement with attached garage,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



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



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



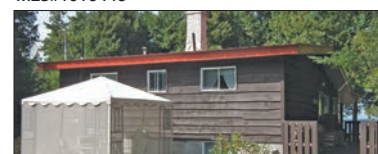
MULTI-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING AND BUSINESS FOR SALE!! - Known as the Island Training Centre this 1550 sq. ft. building has many rental uses including various dance classes and martial arts studio. The basement below consists of 2 bachelor apartment rentals. The building has been newly renovated to facilitate these uses. Call for details. MLS#1016730



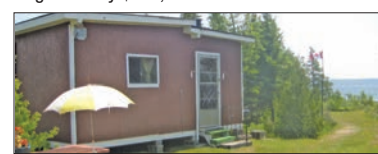
COTTAGE ON SOUTH BAY - with a beautiful view of the bay. The 920 sq. ft. cottage has 2 bdrms, kitchen, bathroom, utility room, drilled well & many other features. It faces east toward the morning sunrise & has a storage shed, a garden shed & a stairway to the water. There are trees for privacy & many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



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



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



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



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



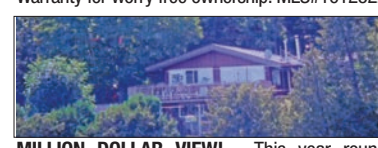
WINDFALL LAKE - Very private chalet style cottage with 210 ft frontage, excellent shoreline for kids. 1.16 acre lot. Solar & wind power, drilled well with water purification system. Oak & cedar floors, cedar & pine tongue & groove walls & ceilings. Black cherry kitchen cabinets. New propane fridge. The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



LITTLE CURRENT - 3 plus 1 bdrm home in desirable area of Little Current. Great open concept living/dining kitchen with bar stools area. Master bedroom with en-suite, huge closets & some hardwood flooring. Mostly finished basement with work shop/utility room. lovely decks & gardens. A real pleasure to show this offering! Asking \$217,000. MLS#1012395



QUALITY NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION - APSEY - Spacious 3 bdrm bungalow built on one level with attached garage & excellent appeal. Quality finish includes modern open concept layout, steel framing, stucco siding, architectural shingles, economical in-floor hot water heating, large room sizes & oversized master suite with walk in closet & en-suite bath! Comes complete with full Tarion Warranty for worry free ownership. MLS#1012522



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



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



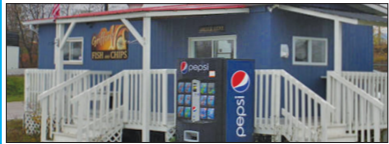
HELEN BAY - A large mostly undeveloped acreage property with an estimated 7900' of water frontage on Manitoulin's North Channel. From a fully serviced road there is a 5km (approximate) drive over a bush road to an off-the-grid cottage. It is wired for a generator. The shoreline in front of the cottage is protected from the prevailing winds by Ned Island. Good dockage potential for a large boat. The cottage has a two 4-piece bathrooms, a main level bedroom, and a large loft. There is a garage door leading to the basement. Hard to find a much quieter place than this! \$330,000 MLS#1014133



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



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



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



MCGREGOR BAY - Popular vacation island destination, this private 13 acre island retreat is located in a preferred location with plenty of privacy - a perfect summer camp for the family with plenty of room for entertaining the extended family and friends. Gorgeous views of surrounding islands and mountains in a pristine natural surrounding of granite rock, white pines and the most beautiful boating waters in the area. For the fisherman, this area is renowned for its bass, pike and muskie fishing. Direct water access to the North Channel/Lake Huron/Georgian Bay and a short boat ride to many popular boating areas for day trips. Close proximity to Killamey Provincial Park. Don't miss this opportunity to own a piece of paradise with an intriguing history! MLS#1016025



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



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

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CAMPBELL BAY

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



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



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



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



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



GORE BAY - A 1150 sq.ft. 3 bedroom 2 bathroom bungalow with a 1 bedroom, 3-piece bathroom apartment on the lower level with a walkout. Each unit has its own garage, hydro meter, & security system. The apartment bathroom is wheel chair accessible. Roof requires new shingles. Priced at \$229,000. MLS#1015232



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



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



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

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

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

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

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

GORE BAY - A deep lot offering views of the bay and the East Bluff. It backs on to a bluff which could enhance backyard privacy. Driveway in place, serviced with municipal water and sewer. List price \$52,500 mls#1013586

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

MINDEMOYA LOT - Building lot in a quiet rural subdivision, very short distance to public beach area, boat launch and 9 hole golf course! Priced at \$19,000. MLS#102264.

WEST BAY ACREAGE - Approx 3500' shoreline and 50 acres on the west side of West Bay with legal access off municipal road allowance - road needs extended approx 600-700' to allow vehicle access. Prime shoreline with possible development potential. \$269,000. MLS#1012719

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

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

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

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

5.45 ACRES GREEN BUSH - 5.45 acres in Green Bush Road area. Great for hunting or setting up a camp. Priced at only \$7900.00. Please call for details. MLS#1015706



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



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



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



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



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY - Formerly used as an emergency vehicle dispatch center, 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

Celebrating Women during International Women's Day

Speaking out, celebrating diversity, staying healthy topics at Women's Wellness Day

by Steph Burt Hillyard

LITTLE CURRENT—As part of International Women's Day, the M'Nidoo Minissing Coalition Against Domestic Violence hosted a Women's Wellness Day in the Northeast Town Recreation Centre on March 7.

Participants were treated to a brief yoga demonstration to start their day. The term 'yoga' means to bind, join, or attach, specifically when it comes to yoking together the powers of the mind, body and soul. Rebekkah Batman shared some basic moves and encouraged everyone to partici-

pate. She explained that with yoga, "You're taught to be kind to your body and to listen to it."

Abuse survivor Winnie held a single white eagle feather as she spoke about her struggles to forgive and the choices she had to make. She said she was abused when she was four or five until the time she was 23. At that point she got the legal system involved, eventually winning two cases against her abusers. She credits having enough gall to speak out and tell people what was happening, even though it was immediate family. "I felt so dirty, I felt so

angry, I felt so disrespected," she shared. "It's not right to violate someone else's body."

It was an elder who treated her like an adopted daughter that helped give her the strength to move forward. "The greatest thing was for someone to hold me and tell me it's not your fault," she explained. "And I love you."

The abuse came full circle when her own child came up to her and spoke of their own abuse. "All these feelings of why, why, why and being angry at the Creator, at God. Being angry at my parents, being angry at my sisters, these were the people who were supposed to be protecting me."

She explained the eagle feather was 'for grounding.' "I follow my traditional ways. I bring these items in because they have always helped me in my healing." The feather was a gift from her brother-in-law, someone who has always remained a positive part of her life. "He is always making sure he knows where I am."

Winnie is now part of the Kenjegin TEG Educational Institute (KTEI) in the culinary program. "I had the option of doing the first year program, and I just didn't want to stop," she explains about her choice to continue her studies at Niagara College. She was encouraged by friends and family members to go back to school and become a chef, and has found the patience she learned while dealing with the courts—one of the greatest benefits to her new career choice. "That's one of the attributes I've picked up," she said. "I can sit and wait."

She ended her talk by addressing all the women in the audience. "If no one has told you today how beautiful you are, let me be the first. I love you, miigwetch."

For the last 25 years Mark Seabrook of the Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation has been working with First Nations organizations and communities in various roles. As an artist, actor, playwright, poet, musician, teacher and social worker/counsellor with the N'Swakamok Native Friendship Centre, Mr. Seabrook has a great amount of experience with healing through creative means. "We want to celebrate our experiences," he said. Mr. Seabrook explained the art journaling exercise was used to help people affected by residential schools.

During the art journaling exercise, participants were given 10 different topics or themes, and one hour to complete as many of them as they could. The rest were taken home for 'homework.' Themes such as 'my superpower,' 'something that makes me happy,'



Participants had the opportunity to design a shirt for the Clothesline Project.



Winnie speaks to the group about her abuse and how she has moved on from it through forgiveness and the help of certain people in her life.



Art journaling was a popular session during the event. Participants were encouraged to doodle, sketch, or write on one of 10 topics.

'me in flight,' and 'my favourite place' encouraged participants to draw, sketch or journal whatever first popped into their mind. At the end of the exercise participants shared their drawings.

After lunch (catered by KTEI), participants split into four groups to either try their hand at beading, designing shirts for the Clothesline Project (an ongoing project through Haven House where women can create a t-shirt art project, speaking about their message of experiencing violence/healing/etc.), taking part in a sharing circle or a seminar on nutrition and herbs in relation to self care.

To finish the day, certified aromatherapist and reiki master Michelle Hrynyk spoke on thera-

peutic touch, explaining what it is and how it works. She also gave a brief demonstration, and showed participants how they could incorporate some therapeutic touch into their daily life. Therapies available on the Island and what to look for when seeking a touch therapist were also shared.

"I myself struggle with a lot of overwhelming stress and I wanted to know if there was any healing from past hurts," explained Wellness Day participant Ruby Thompson about her decision to attend the day. "You want to keep yourself balanced, and I wanted to treat myself. I don't think we get to celebrate ourselves enough."



Aromatherapist and touch therapist Michelle Hrynyk demonstrates touch therapy that can be done at home.



Participants learn about health food choices and discuss how they can incorporate them into their diet.



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Tehkummah Talk and Times...

What a nice day Sunday was. The Triangle Seniors' Club hosted a full day of events. The breakfast in the morning was delicious. Sausage, bacon, eggs, pancakes, fruit, juice and coffee. A nice few folk were out and about. From there Joan picked Mum and I up for church at Fairview and what a lovely service that was. Terry Hill did the welcoming and opening prayer. I did the lighting of the Christ candle and offering. Mary Yett did the children's time. No Rummy today but a real live boy named Quillan who played his part well. Mary O'Neil did Life and Work and Minute for Mission. Pat Novak did scripture reading. Kathy Hill did the next. Justin assisted by Quillan had a wonderful message. Linda McNaughton did the Blessings and Benediction and closed with a solo anthem. During the service each person announced one of the days Hymns. Lovely.

Joan, Mum, Justin and Mary went to Carol's and Earl's for lunch. Joan let me out at the hall. Lois, Dorothy and I played cribbage until euchre tournament time. I led my partner the wrong way but we got

the afternoon's games in anyway. Seven and a half tables. Thank you Mindemoya folk who support us so faithfully.

Supper of chili or stew, afterwards, cake, ice cream and fruit sauce. I heard the dessert was good.

Great to see Joan Vyse Sunday. At least she's out and about and I hope all is well soon.

Possum is coming to Tehkummah!

Susan spent time in Sudbury visiting Chris Lanktree who had knee replacement surgery. Get better soon.

Jeanette and Stan Allen were at Carol's and Earl's. We too, had supper there on Saturday night and saw Kerry Bowerman's family. We drove home the Slash Road, rough though it is. Stopped at Sherry and Dave's. Scared Tara, Ray and Skylar away, then had a nice visit with the Cases.

Cal with Sherry for a partner won three games of sequence. Of course I had to show them one they couldn't see—fun game though. With the time change it was midnight when we left. Skylar told me Poppa Dave has four lambs two hand illustration

were about six inches high and two black ones. And good news, the wild geese are in Dave's back field. Ah hah! Watch for deer, foxes, wildlife in general. Things are moving. Pat Novak said new ones came in to their feeding area just now.

On Tuesday I met Cal in Mindemoya and we had a coffee and snack at Mums. I got my laundry and shopping done later.

Wednesday, an amazing Life after 55 symposium – seniors' conference called Living Island Style. What a well put-together day. The speakers were excellent. The keynote speaker, Dr. Janet McElhaney, was amazing. I was impressed with the Legalites of Aging topic as well. Great lunch and "Sudbury Rising Stars" skits were excellent. Safety for Seniors! Safety for Seniors! (See I'm picketing too.) I travelled up with Pat Novak. I saw lots of familiar faces there. Good to see friend Laura W. Scott! Erma McAllister also, she was celebrating her 96th birthday on March 7. Mark Sheppard celebrates his on March 11. Brother-in-law Wayne Martin's birthday was March 10. Chris-

tine and Dave, Anita, Alicia and Samantha, all of Sudbury, came to help him celebrate. Happy birthday Wayne!

Cal had a good supper ready for me on Wednesday. Nice to just put your knees under the table. I was tired after the days outing.

Hey, I've been winning a few cribbage games this week mostly against Mum!

On Friday our Southern Bells Red Hat group met at the Queen Street General Store. This little place in Manitowaning serves up great food. The tables were decked out with green

beads (we got to wear and keep). Shamrocks serviettes in honour of St. Paddy's Day coming up next weekend. We checked out "Nack's" little store across the road, then finished off in Helen Oswald's apartment. She had good cheese-

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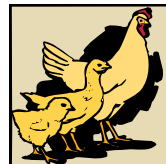
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No matter the age, safety essential when visiting a farm

MANITOULIN—The nursery rhyme does not state, “Old MacDonald had a farm and on this farm there was a bunch of dangerous things.” But maybe it should?

Farmers perform an essential service, providing food and other products that consumers commonly take for granted. The inner workings of a farm are something to treat with respect. Most of the families who live and work on a farm understand the potential hazards of such an environment. However, individuals visiting a farm may be unaware of these dangers. Understanding farm safety helps keep everyone safe.

According to the organization Kids Health, the age groups at greatest risk for injury on farms are children ages 3 to 4 and teenagers ages 13 to 14. Most injuries can be prevented, though, with a little education and precautionary measures.



Safety should always be a priority when visiting or working on a farm.

photos by Steph Burt Hillyard

Machinery

There are many different forms of machinery on a farm to help keep it working efficiently. These items can pose serious safety risks. Although tractors are the type of farm equipment that causes the most injuries, some adults still think it is safe to allow chil-

dren to ride along.

Injuries that may result from farm machinery include pinching of clothing or parts of the body, where a person may become trapped in the gears or components of equipment; cuts from equipment that shears crops; bruising or cuts from projectiles thrown by mowers or other field equipment; and crushing or trapping injuries from machinery that falls or tips over.

Animals

Part of the excitement of visiting a farm is seeing and petting the animals. Although many animals may be docile and domesticated, they can still be unpredictable. Animals that are startled by yelling or loud noises also may become restless and dangerous.

Children should understand that animals may unintentionally cause

injuries. It may be in a horse's defense mechanism to kick when it is scared. To avoid such injuries, never approach animals from behind. Also, when baby animals are present, a female may be protective of her brood and go on the defensive.

Another inadvertent injury that may occur is from bacteria or viruses from the animals. Animal feces may contain bacteria, and there may be other microorganisms on the animals themselves. It is a smart idea to always wash your hands after handling a farm animal to prevent the spread of disease.

Here are some other precautions that can be taken when visiting a farm.

- Don't allow children to wander around unsupervised.
- Rides on farm equipment should be discouraged.
- Before starting machinery, operators should locate children and other guests and clear them from the work area.
- Don't allow children near machinery.
- Children under the age of 16 should not be allowed to operate any farm vehi-



Farmer Max Burt of Burt's Farms nestles a piglet in his arms.

cles.

• Watch for hand tools or other equipment, and keep children away from them.

• Do not touch animals unless a farm worker allows it. Then follow his or her instructions.

• Don't provoke farm animals or attempt to startle them.

• Supervise children around ponds, feeding troughs or manure lagoons. It only takes a few inches of water to pose a drowning risk.

Farms are interesting places to visit, especially for children. Safety should always be a priority when visiting a farm.



While they may look cute and cuddly, animals can pose a safety risk. Always ask the farmer before approaching any farm animal.

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cake and birthday cake for Mildred Sauder. Mum and I went in with Carolyn and Lydia. Carol Middaugh, Betty and Joan Beard. A lovely visit and outing.

Jane Deyell calls and asks me to remind you all to get those family favourite recipes together for the Museum cookbook before the end of March. Please leave them at the

municipal office or mail them to Jane Deyell, RR#1, Tehkummah, P0P 2C0.

Mother has the most beautiful bouquet of pink lilies brought to her by her granddaughter Christine this weekend.

If you'd like to join us on St. Patrick's day, there will be a potluck at the hall at 1 pm. A fundraiser for our church too. \$5 per adult.

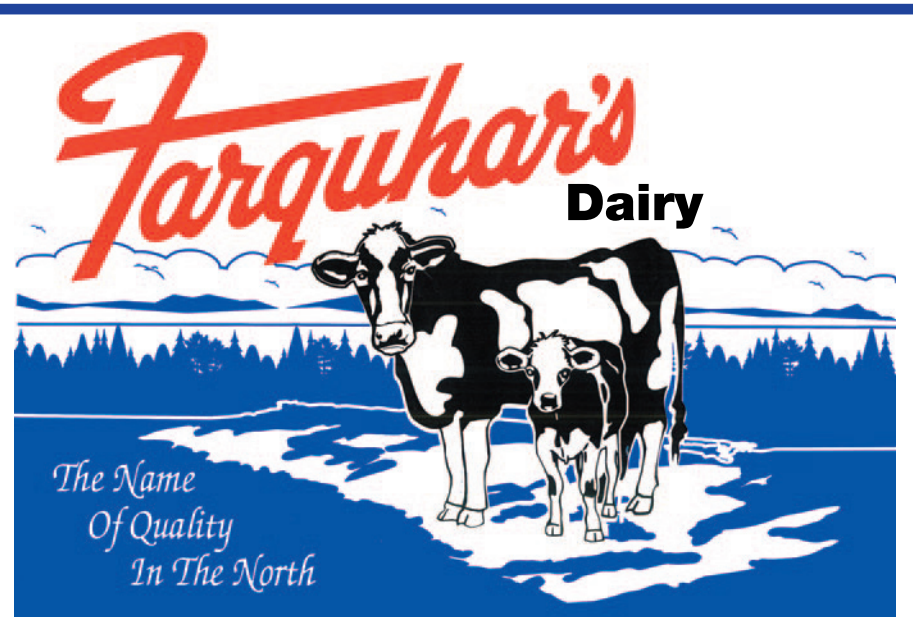


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Develop written health and safety plans for your farm.

Written safety plans enable farmers to identify hazards on the farm, and control them via standard operating procedures, outlining emergency actions, and conducting training and investigating incidents, while also putting in place systems for communicating safety-related responsibilities and monitoring the farm for future hazards.

Consider these protective items when drawing up your plan.

Hearing Protection - How loud is your machinery?

Eye Protection - Any potential for flying objects?

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Head Protection - Are swinging objects part of the job?

Foot Protection - When might your feet be in danger?

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Canadian Agricultural Safety Week launches Get With the Plan

by Michael Erskine

WINNIPEG—The theme of this year's Canadian Agricultural Safety Week is 'Get With the Plan,' a drive to encourage Canadian farmers to develop a written health and safety plan. Each year, the Canadian Agricultural Safety Association (CASA) supports Ag Week as an opportunity to educate everyone touched by agriculture about the value of practicing safe agriculture. "Being safe isn't a chore," exhorts the CASA website. "It's a way of life that protects everyone who lives or works on the farm."

According to a recent survey, notes the website, 85 percent of Canadian producers believe safety is a priority on their farm, but less than one in 10 currently have a written agricultural safety plan on their farm.

"When the Farm Credit Canada survey of farmers turned up that fact, we knew we had to build a tool to improve the safety record on Canada's farms," said Marcel Hacault, executive director of the Canadian Agricultural Safety Association (CASA). "We developed Canada FarmSafe, a process to help farmers manage safety and health on their operations, no matter the size, location or farm type."

The goal, said Mr. Hacault "is to work with partners across the country who will adapt it for their farmers."

Canadian Agricultural Safety Week organizers say they want to help farmers close the gap between the recognition of the importance of health and safety plans and actually having one in place. So this year, most farm organizations are encouraging farmers join to Get With the Plan and develop their own written health and safety plans. Written safety



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plans enable farmers to identify hazards on the farm, and control them via standard operating procedures, outlining emergency actions, and conducting training and investigating incidents, while also putting in place systems for communicating safety-related responsibilities and monitoring the farm for future hazards. CASA has developed the Canada FarmSafe Plan to walk farmers through

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Accidents can happen in seconds—having a plan in place can mean the difference between safety and serious injury.

Spring Bay Rural Route

It's mild today as I write, spring will soon be here.

Spring Bay Euchre Club has started their euchre games again. There will be no euchre on Good Friday, March 29.

Sympathy to Don and Patricia Norton on the passing of their mother in Claremont, Ontario. They have gone to attend the funeral.

A number of people attended the luncheon at the Pentecostal Church on February, 28. Love was the topic. We were to have a scripture verse, a poem or song. A nice time together.

Belated birthday wishes to Bill Montgomery. We hope he had a good day.

Belated birthday wishes to George Popowich who celebrated on March 5.

Ken and Sheila Maeck went to Sudbury on Wednesday.

A large number of people attended the seniors' conference and luncheon at the Missionary Church on Wednesday. Several topics were addressed. In the afternoon a group from Sudbury entertained. A very enjoyable day and informative.

Until next week, think spring.

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Written safety plans help identify dangers, control emergencies, and give farmers and employees peace of mind.

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setting up their own plan.

As part of the Get With the Plan initiative, CASA, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture and Farm Credit Canada are teaming up with local partners to bring FarmSafe Forums featuring free on-farm inspection training sessions to communities in Truro, Nova Scotia and Guelph. The CASA website touts these sessions as a “perfect complement to producers thinking about implementing a written health and safety plan.”

In the sessions, farmers will get an opportunity to listen to local producers who have experienced injuries or who are finding “new and innovative ways to tackle safety head on.”

For most Manitoulin farms a written health and safety plan and policy would seem over-kill, and in fact farms that run without five or more employees on a regular basis or run solely by a self-employed proprietor and family are exempt from legislation requiring written health and safety plans, but that doesn't mean there isn't merit in having a gander at the template available at the Ministry of Agriculture and Food website.

Jim Martin manages the Blue Goose cattle operation on Manitoulin, one of the very few agricultural operations that might fit the requirements and his family also operates a small operation. The Blue Goose operation utilizes the ministry health and safety plan.

“We (Blue Goose) feel it covers all the basics and fits our requirements very well,” he said. “Most small farms like my family's don't have enough employees to require the written plan, but certainly there is value in reviewing the ministry plan (even for small owner-operated farms). Safety should always be a priority.”

So even though getting with the plan, as it were, is not a legal requirement for small farm operations, taking a look at the plan is still a good idea.

Farms are operations that routinely employ heavy machinery and large loads, putting high up on the list of potentially dangerous occupations, but there is the added factor that some of those large loads have, quite literally, minds of their own. Livestock present challenges of their own, and to paraphrase the Greek, familiarity can too often breed complacency.

Getting away with taking shortcuts or chances a hundred times sets the stage for tragedy on the hundred and first.

The point behind policies and standards might seem like so much red tape, but properly established and well-defined best practices for handling heavy machinery and livestock are readily available and reviewing those practices can assist even those with lifelong familiarity in farming with a potentially life-saving refresher.

The Ontario Health and Safety Act does apply to farms with paid workers, even if those workers are only hired for peak times. The act only applies for the period of time when the employees are on the farm. During that period, the employer has all of the applicable responsibilities under the Ontario Health and Safety Act.

Since those responsibilities include providing information, instruction and supervision to workers; advising workers and supervisors about hazards in the workplace; notifying the Ministry of Labour of workplace fatalities and critical injuries; cooperating with the

workplace joint health and safety committee or the worker health and safety representative; and taking every precaution reasonable in the circumstances to protect workers, having a written health and safety plan in place can make a world of difference in meeting those obligations in a clear and concise manner.

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There is no such thing as a safe bull

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—One of the most dangerous aspects of farming is the care and handling of very large animals, especially bulls. Experts will tell you that there are many ways that a farm operation can reduce the danger inherent in raising and keeping bulls, but those same experts will also tell you that, at the end of the day, it is important to recognize that there is no such thing as a 'safe' bull.

Safe bull handling begins well before a bull matures. It is vital to never raise a bull in isolation. Bulls should spend the first parts of their lives socializing with other cattle so they grow up knowing they are not humans. If there is any confusion about that in a bull's mind, then a human becomes a potential rival for dominance.

"The most dangerous dairy bull is a bull that has not been properly socialized to his own kind," notes Temple Grandin of Colorado State University, a designer of livestock handling facilities and a Professor of Animal Science at Colorado State University. "When a young bull calf becomes mature at age two, he needs to challenge the top bull in the herd. If the bull calf has been raised alone and has not had the opportunity to interact with other cattle, he thinks he is a person and he wants to exert his dominance over the 'herd.' This can result in dangerous attacks on people."

"When dairy calves are six to eight weeks old, they should be put in group pens," advises Ms. Grandin. "If there are no bull calves available for pen mates, a young bull should be raised with steer calves that are older and heavier. Any mature bull that charges a person should be removed from a commercial dairy because he is too great a safety risk to the dairy personnel. To further reduce the danger, dairies that use bulls should consider raising bull calves on a nurse cow. Raising bull calves on a nurse cow will imprint them more strongly to their own kind and further reduce the tendency to attack."

Training and experience should be used to identify aggressive behaviour in bulls in dairy herds. Should a bull exhibit aggressive tendencies, culling the animal is the safest option.

"The bull should just move away along with other cows when the milkers approach," notes Ms. Grandin in her paper. "A bull that does a broadside threat to milkers should be culled. Even if a bull calf is reared properly with other cattle, an adult bull is usually safer if he spends most of his adult life penned with other animals. Bulls that are penned alone for long periods of time may be more likely to attack people."

Bulls express their virility and dominance by emphasizing their size, so when they are intimidating a rival, they turn their bodies broadside to the perceived challenger. The human equivalent is to stand head-on to the bull—and sometimes this can make the bull back down, but the best course may be to slowly back off, never run, and especially never turn your back on the aggressive bull.

It is important to recognize that bulls are not pets, even when they are cute little calves. No butting behaviour should be tolerated and if a calf places their head against you they should be told to get back. Petting a calf should be done by stroking under the chin, rear or shoulder, never on the forehead, as this encourages butting.

There are other ways to help make handling bulls safer. A nose ring used in conjunction with an animal handling pole called a bull staff. That allows for safer handling of the animal over a tether. The bull staff snaps into the nose ring providing safer handling.

It is important to establish your position as the boss, suggest the experts. "Stay calm and assertive at all times, and never hesitate. As with most animals, a bluff of dominance and superior strength can result in the bull regarding you as the leader; this must begin when the bull is young."

Signs of dominance in bulls include: head butting/shaking; rubbing his head on the ground; pawing the ground; showing his side; or staring directly at you.

Never turn your back on a bull, and always carry a means of protection, they advise. Examples of such protection are an axe handle, piece of PVC pipe, baseball bat, or a sorting paddle (with beads that make noise when the paddle is used). When feeding, feed from the other side of the fence;

feed can inspire dominant behaviour.

Correct fencing of animals is also important. If bulls are trained to recognize electric fencing, two-strand electric fences can work, but even heavy fences are vulnerable to a determined and large animal. Cattle must be trained to accept fences from an

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Care and caution must be taken in the handling of large animals, even bulls like this fine gentle specimen found on Don Burt's farm.

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farm facts and furrows

by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell 

Thoughts for purchasing beef

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NEOSCIA conference and trade show

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Sparrow's Nest seeks Central Manitoulin renters

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This photo shows the living room of the furnished spacious two bedroom apartments available for rent at The Sparrow's Nest in Mindemoya.



A Gouda day at the Water Street Bakery

Jack Callingham, owner of the Fromagerie Elgin in Sudbury, hands out samples of hickory smoked Gouda from the Thunder Oak Cheese Farm during Cheese 101 last Saturday at the Water Street Bakery in Little Current. Mr. Callingham brought a variety of cheeses from his Sudbury store which he sampled and sold to bakery customers on Saturday morning during his special visit. This is the first time the two businesses have collaborated and the large crowd in the already bustling bakery was a sure sign of the event's success. "It has been very well received and informative," commented Water Street Bakery owner Mieke Smulders. "Similar to my new baking classes, we really are trying to share with our customers."

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