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IJC supports slowing Lake Huron outflow *Low lake level shortens Chi-Cheemaun's season*



SENDING THE GOVERNMENT A MESSAGE—Businesspeople and residents of South Baymouth, and their supporters including Central Manitoulin Reeve Gerry Strong, Tehkummah Reeve Gary Brown and Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin, gathered at the South Baymouth ferry docks last Friday afternoon in solidarity and to raise awareness of the issues all of Manitoulin will face with a late sailing season for the Chi-Cheemaun ferry.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

IJC recommends water baffles for St. Clair River

by Alicia McCutcheon
LAKE HURON—The International Joint Commission (IJC) announced on Friday its much hoped-for recommendation that the governments of Canada and the

United States investigate structural options to restore water levels in Lake Michigan-Huron by 13 to 25 centimetres, including a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis and a detailed environmental impact study. In layman's terms, the IJC is recommending structures on the St. Clair River that will slow down the outflow of water from Lake Huron.

Specifically, the commission encouraged governments to focus on options that would not exacerbate future high water levels but that would provide relief during periods of low water.

"Although future water levels are uncertain, we cannot ignore the damage from record low water levels," said Joe Comuzzi of Thunder Bay, Canadian

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Manor improves financial burden by \$1 million

by Robin Burrige
LITTLE CURRENT—The Manitoulin Centennial Manor board of management received exciting news last week when auditor Kirby Houle of Free-landt Caldwell Reilly LLP Chartered Accountants presented the board with the facility's 2012 year end financial report, showing that the Manor had decreased its operating deficiency from \$1,178,318



This docking pier at South Baymouth awaits Transport Canada improvements to mitigate low water so the Chi-Cheemaun can dock.

South Baymouth merchants stress ferry problems are a Manitoulin-wide issue

by Alicia McCutcheon
SOUTH BAYMOUTH—If the whole of Manitoulin Island thinks they won't be affected by the Chi-Cheemaun's delay in service, they had better think again. This is the message coming from the businesspeople of South Baymouth after an impromptu ferry dock rally last Friday afternoon.

Under normal circumstances, driving into South Baymouth one week before the Chi-Cheemaun begins its course across Georgian Bay for another sailing season one would find the little community buzzing with excitement. Stores are being scrubbed clean after a long winter, employees hired and shelves stocked—but this year it's different.

This reporter drove into South Baymouth on Friday

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Chi-Cheemaun sailings wait for dock improvements

(or higher water levels)

by Michael Erskine
OWEN SOUND—It is official. The MS Chi-Cheemaun, Manitoulin Island's vital ferry link to Tobermory at the tip of the Bruce Peninsula, will not be starting its 2013 schedule this Friday, May 3.

The Owen Sound Transportation Company, the Chi-Cheemaun's operator, announced on Monday, April 29 that due to continued low water levels on Lake Huron the May 3 start to the ferry season has been postponed until at least Friday, May 10.

The release notes that although water levels have slowly increased over the last week, those levels remain below the minimum level required for the ferry to safely operate from the existing dock fenders at

Tobermory and South Baymouth.

The fenders are designed

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UCCMM land claim rumoured at \$200 billion

MANITOULIN—Mayors and reeves from Manitoulin's municipalities were to meet Tuesday of this week (yesterday) with officials from Ontario's Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs (MAA) to learn more aspects of the implementation regulations relating to the 1990 land claim agreement on Manitoulin Island.

This land claim was

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Noojmowin Teg Health Centre celebrates expansion funding

by Robin Burridge

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—In the presence of staff, patients, community members and dignitaries, Noojmowin Teg Health Centre in Aundeck Omni Kaning announced the expansion of its facility thanks to new capital investment from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) last Friday in Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK).

“Thank you all for coming today,” said Noojmowin Teg Executive Director Pamela Williamson. “It is a small space we are gathering in here today, but we are excited that the next time you visit it will be a much larger one.”

Ms. Williamson explained that the MOHLTC had committed to an over \$2 million capital investment, supporting a 4,400 square foot expansion to the health care centre.

The new space will include a healing lodge, new examination rooms and a multi-purpose room for meetings and health promotion workshop. These improvements will allow the Noojmowin Teg Health Centre to address current space issues and further support e-health initiatives, traditional and primary health care

services, enabling the centre to better meet the needs of all its clients.

Following the opening address from Ms. Williamson, AOK Chief Patsy Corbiere spoke to the assembled group.

“On behalf of the board (Noojmowin Teg board of directors) and the community we welcome you all here to Mnidoo Mnising,” began Chief Corbiere. “This is an exciting day, a celebration of the good news we received recently of this facility’s expansion.”

“This expansion will allow Noojmowin Teg to continue to strive to become a centre of excellence and traditional healing,” added Chief Corbiere, after noting how far the centre had already come since its inception.

Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha was also on hand to congratulate Noojmowin Teg on its expansion.

After giving a gift to elder Georgina Nahwegahbow, who delivered the event’s opening prayer, Mr. Mantha announced that it was his birthday and “what a gift it was to be able to celebrate this announcement.”

“Today is the combination of a group of individual’s tireless hours of work to



Noojmowin Teg Health Centre in Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) announced that it would be receiving over \$2 million in funding from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to expand the facility. Pictured are staff, board members and dignitaries at the announcement last Friday. From left are Deputy Grand Chief Glen Hare of the Anishinabek Nation, Grand Council Chief of the Anishinabek Nation Patrick Madahbee, Noojmowin Teg board member Michelle Taukei of M’Chigeeng First Nation, Noojmowin Teg Executive Director Pamela Williamson, board chair of Mnaamodzawin Health Services Inc. Loretta Roy, AOK chief and Noojmowin Teg board member Patsy Corbiere, board member Rosemary Pitawanakwat of Wikwemikong, the Executive Director of the Association of Ontario Health Centres Adrianna Tetley and Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha.

photo by Robin Burridge

bring this project to fruition,” continued Mr. Mantha. “This is something that this area needs and will not only benefit the community, but be a value to the Island as

a whole.”

Mr. Mantha said he was one to give credit when credit was due, and also thanked

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Espanola’s pleas for respite turned down by District Services Board

by Alicia McCutcheon

ESPANOLA—The April monthly meeting of the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) began its meeting last week with a resolution from its finance committee that there was nothing the DSB could do to help the Town of Espanola out if

its bind.

At the March meeting of DSB, Espanola Mayor Mike Lehoux had pleaded with the board, asking for respite from its \$600,000 municipal apportionment. This figure was based on the municipality’s previous assessment where the old value of the Dom-

tar pulp and paper mill and its assessment of \$27 million had played a major role. Espanola was hit earlier this year with the news that a sole decision maker reassessed the mill at \$9 million, massively decreasing its Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) assessment and causing the mill to demand a pay-back of \$4 million. Espanola is now struggling to find ways to decrease the hit to its taxpayers.

“While the finance committee does sympathize with the issues raised by the Town of Espanola, at this time the finance committee feels there is nothing the DSB can do without adversely affecting the other municipalities that form the DSB board,” said DSB chair Les Gamble.

The resolution reads: “Whereas the Manitoulin Sudbury DSB

Finance Committee met on April 24, 2013 to review the Town of Espanola apportionment letter as directed by the DSB at the March 2013 meeting; and whereas the finance committee does sympathize with the issues raised by the Town of Espanola and recognizes this could happen to any municipality within the DSB jurisdiction, the finance committee does not believe there is anything the DSB can do to assist with the Town of Espanola without adversely affecting the other municipalities that form part of the DSB board; and whereas the issue has occurred because MPAC improperly assessed the property in question or failed to defend its assessment at appeal; and whereas municipalities are required to pay for the services provided by

MPAC and MPAC is not being held accountable for their decisions and municipalities are being adversely affected not only in current the budget year but retroactively based on appeal decisions. Therefore be it resolved that the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB calls upon the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, to hold MPAC accountable for its decisions; and further be it resolved that the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing rectify this matter to ensure that the Town of Espanola or any other municipality is not adversely affected by MPAC decisions and appeals.”

The resolution was moved by Derek Stephens of Central Manitoulin and seconded by Shawnda

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Little Current Fish and Game Club volunteers empty walleye trap nets, separating males from females.

Sheg hatchery improves Island walleye population

by Bill Strain

SHEGUIANDAH—Members of the Little Current Fish and Game Club have been busy the last few days collecting walleye eggs for their hatchery.

The hatchery started operating in 1986 and the club’s goal was to bring back to local waters a fish species that was virtually extinct at that time.

Club members to date have spent in excess of 100 hours setting and maintaining the trap net, collecting eggs and operating the hatchery this year.

When the eggs are collected they have a sticky coating on them that must be removed before they are put in the hatchery jars. This is achieved by putting the eggs in a solution of tannic acid for two minutes, then into a solution of water and kaolin (clay).

Then to kill any virus (TPS) that might exist, the eggs are put in an ovaline solution for 30 minutes.

All fish that are used for egg collecting are released alive. No fish are killed in this operation.

It is the club’s hope that all residents of Manitoulin and future generations will have the opportunity to enjoy catching these walleye in the years to come.

Annual ‘worst roads’ campaign gets underway this week

ONTARIO—Once again looking to put power into the hands of road users, the ever-popular Ontario’s Worst Roads campaign gets underway this week in an effort to determine the roads, highways and bridges across the province that are in dire need of repair.

Now in its tenth year, CAA North and East Ontario (CAANEO) is proud to again be part of the campaign, which launches May 1, 2013 with the theme “Help Pave the Way to Safer Roads.”

“This campaign provides an opportunity for the public to inform their elected officials that they are concerned about the substandard infrastructure that plagues their respective communities,” said Korey Kennedy, Manager of Public and Government Affairs for CAANEO. “We are encouraging motorists, cyclists and pedestrians alike to cast their ballot and have a say in order to help raise awareness regarding Ontario’s deteriorating roads.”

Coming out of a winter season that resulted in the development of an unprecedented amount of potholes, there is no shortage of roadways across

the province that are eligible to make this year’s Worst Roads Top 10 list. But the Worst Roads campaign is not just about potholes; road users who have experienced incidents related to pedestrian and cycling safety, congestion, improper signage, and poor visibility are also encouraged to provide feedback.

Assignack’s Cardwell Street topped this list in 2006 and stayed in the top five in 2007.

The campaign is again seeking to have senior levels of government provide Ontario municipalities with long-term sustainable funding to repair damaged and aging infrastructure, which ultimately has a negative impact on the environment, road safety and costs to road users. While the Ontario government has charged a gas tax since 1925, a dedicated fund to assist with repairing municipal roadways and bridges is still lacking.

Road users can have their say by casting a ballot online at www.worstroads.ca, where individuals can view in real-time the roads that are receiving the most votes across the province. The website

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Hairdos with heart



Gabe before



Gabe after



Wes before



Wes after

Recently Gabe Abotossaway, left, and brother Wes of Aundeck Omni Kaning donated their long locks to Wigs for Kids, based out of Toronto. Wigs for Kids has been providing hair replacement systems and support for children who have lost their hair due to chemotherapy, radiation therapy, Alopecia, Trichotillomania, burns and other medical issues. The wigs are provided at no cost to children or their families. Both brothers have been growing their hair for some time, expressly for this purpose, and encourage other Islanders to consider doing the same, as well as to give blood and remember to sign their organ donation cards. Gabe said felt the need to give back after all the help he received after his traumatic car accident nearly two years ago. Linda Case of Hair Trends and Tans in Little Current cut the hair for free and sent it off to the charity. She explained that those wishing to donate must have at least 10 inches of hair they are willing to part with.

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editorial

Transport Canada, water levels: Chi-Cheemaun's perfect storm

What a week!

It's a significant irony that just as the International Joint Commission (IJC) announced it was recommending man-made intervention in the St. Clair River in order to slow down the outflow from Lake Huron/Georgian Bay in an effort to begin to reduce the drastic drop in lake levels that has happened over the past few years, the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC) determined that it could not safely begin its schedule on time this year because of issues related to low water levels.

For the sake of the Chi-Cheemaun's sailing season, it's unfortunate that the IJC, or the governments of Canada and the United States, had not dealt with the issue some years ago and started the process of plugging Lake Huron's leak at the St. Clair River then.

While looking backwards in this way to an endless array of "what ifs?" is usually not a productive activity, in this particular case it's impossible not to do so because of the cause and effect relationship that the Chi-Cheemaun's travails so aptly demonstrates.

Nevertheless, the IJC's recommendation has been made and, according to a source cited in an Expositor news story this week, it has found favour with at least three high-ranking federal cabinet ministers, one of whom (Tony Clement) represents the riding that includes the Georgian Bay port of Parry Sound.

That's a fairly good indication that Canada will cooperate on fixing the leak, hopefully with the U.S. government also quickly buying into stemming the outflow of Lake Huron, Georgian Bay and Lake Michigan water.

So now, what about the collateral damage, so prominently demonstrated by the Chi-Cheemaun's woes, of a dramatically lowered lake?

Putting the Chi-Cheemaun on her normal spring sailing schedule is the logical and practical, in addition to symbolic, step the government of Canada must take.

While the Conservative member of parliament from Owen Sound-Grey-Bruce cites incompetence on the part of a federal civil servant as a major cause in the lack of required renovations to the federally-owned ferry docks at South Baymouth and Tobermory (which, when completed, would allow the Chi-Cheemaun to dock safely, compensating for the low water depth at these two vital ports) the important thing is to get the work done.

Even a temporary job that could see the Chi-Cheemaun able to dock

as usual and so lose no more than a week of her sailing season is the absolute minimum requirement just now.

The federal government has now recognized the need for action with regard to the Lake Huron/Georgian Bay water level.

The same government, the owners of the ferry docks at South Baymouth and Tobermory, must surely see the clear connection between the two issues and promptly address it.

On Monday of this week, this paper received a carefully worded "statement" from Transport Canada regarding the ferry dock concerns in answer to a question to the effect of "what are you going to do about it and when?" posed by an Expositor reporter.

The answer, "Transport Canada is in discussions with the Government of Ontario and the Owen Sound Transportation Company to explore options to address the impacts of low water levels on the docking of the Chi-Cheemaun ferry" is beyond inadequate. It's an insult to our region and to the importance of the Chi-Cheemaun as an economic booster.

Three high ranking Conservative cabinet ministers (Tony Clement, Peter Kent and John Baird) have publicly recognized that something needs to be done to stem Lake Huron's/Georgian Bay's increasing outflow.

There are not too many dots to connect to get from this important recognition to the fact that the only passenger and vehicle ferry in Canada's upper Great Lakes region is unable to sail because of water level issues that are now sufficiently recognized to merit official action and that it is the sole responsibility of Transport Canada, a federal agency, to ensure that the Chi-Cheemaun can dock at her two Georgian Bay ports.

The Chi-Cheemaun cannot afford to be collateral damage for any more than the one week that she will not sail as the OSTC management determined on Monday of this week that the situation will be reviewed next Monday, May 10 and a decision will be made at that time whether she will remain at her Owen Sound dock for yet another week or if her sailing season is to begin.

The ball is in Transport Canada's court and there is no question that the docks at South Baymouth and Tobermory can be remediated quickly, so long as the political will is there.

The will must be there. The Chi-Cheemaun must not lose more than this first week of her season.

letters

Manitoulin Tourism Association urges action on ferry docks

This is truly an emergency situation

EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was sent to Minister of Transport Denis Lebel last week by Manitoulin Tourism Association President Ken Ferguson and is reprinted here at his request.

To the Expositor:

Re: Improvements required immediately to Transport Canada docks at South Baymouth, Manitoulin Island, Ontario

Dear Minister Lebel:

Manitoulin Island is just that: an island. We are located at the northern end of Lake Huron's Georgian Bay and it is our proud boast that ours is the largest island in fresh water in the world.

This having been said, it's important to point out that, as an island, access is sometimes tenuous for the nearly 15,000 people, including six First Nations communities, who choose to live here.

One point of access is via an historic (100 years old this year) swing bridge located at Little Current at the most narrow point of the North Channel.

The other point of access for the Island population and its all-important tourist visitors during the spring, summer and fall seasons is via the Chi-Cheemaun ferry that carries people, their vehicles and also commercial transport traffic between Tobermory, at the tip of the Bruce Peninsula in southern Ontario to South Baymouth on Manitoulin Island in Northern Ontario.

Earlier this week we learned via a communiqué from the Owen Sound Transportation Company, the Ontario-owned company that operates the Chi-Cheemaun ferry, that due to the dropping water level in Lake Huron this spring, the Chi-Cheemaun's docking system is expected to be inadequate to provide safe docking in both South Baymouth and Tobermory for the Chi-Cheemaun and her passengers.

In other words, the Chi-Cheemaun is unlikely to be able to sail until the water levels rise to appropriate levels and, even then, the sailings could be day-by-day.

We knew that the docks in South Baymouth and Tobermory, purpose-built to accommodate the Chi-Cheemaun ferry when she was built and launched in 1974, remain under the ownership and responsibility of your ministry, Transport Canada, and we were shocked to learn that the Government of Canada, through Transport Canada, had been in discussions with the Owen Sound Transportation Company for some years regarding the need to modify the docking system, specifically the adaptation of the specially-built wooden fenders on the South Baymouth and Tobermory Transport Canada docks to accommodate the Chi-Cheemaun's docking procedure during these times of low water but that nothing has yet been completed or even begun.

This situation is shocking and is comparable, in reference to Manitoulin Island's other entry point, should the Province of Ontario have left its swing bridge deteriorate to the point where it would have been hazardous for people to cross it to come to or leave Manitoulin Island.

But the Ontario government did not do this and when it realized this other important link was deteriorating, committed to spending \$13 million to repair and upgrade it. This has been completed.

The Chi-Cheemaun ferry link must be considered only slightly less important as an access point to Manitoulin Island. In fact, it is equally important for the myriad of small tourist businesses on Manitoulin Island who exist and are able to hire and pay staff wages because the Chi-Cheemaun provides a vitally important part of a Manitoulin Island experience.

The Manitoulin Tourism Association represents, among many other businesses, the large majority of Manitoulin Island's resort businesses, large and small. These are at the 'pointy end' of the tourist economy here and if they are not successful, then all of Manitoulin Island suffers.

Your government, indeed yourself in your capacity as the Minister responsible for Infrastructure, continually and very publicly boasts of 'Canada's Economic Action Plan', with the subheading of 'jobs-growth-prosperity' and the logo featuring the three arrows dramatically sweeping upwards. The program is continually featured on television commercials and on signs where work funded by this program is taking place.

It is described as a 'Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund' and one of its priorities is listed as 'Canada's Public Infrastructure'. The program is funded at least until 2014 so your government has a clear commitment through its 'Building Canada Plan' to listed initiatives that include public transit initiatives and road and bridge work, among others.

Under the same program, through its 'Strengthening Canada's Port System' initiative, your government says that, 'Funds are also provided for Transport Canada to continue operations of its remaining ports in a safe manner'.

While the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund may not precisely be the appropriate vehicle to fund the remedy for the situation at Transport Canada's South Baymouth and Tobermory docks, it is cited by us as an example of your government's very public commitment to Canadians regarding 'jobs, growth and prosperity' and also how your government has promised to improve its marine facilities of which the docks at South Baymouth and Tobermory are literal examples.

Something must be done immediately. The Chi-Cheemaun's sailing season cannot afford to begin even a week (let alone a month or longer) later than its advertised schedule promises.

In addition to the immediate and, guaranteed, dramatic impact on virtually all of Manitoulin Island's businesses, the service itself cannot afford to be compromised by such external forces, particularly when these were anticipated and in all likelihood could have been remedied before this Chi-Cheemaun sailing season was to begin.

The Chi-Cheemaun has recently completed an in-depth analysis of its strengths and weaknesses with the recommendation that it be specifically marketed to New Canadians in southern Ontario for whom a Northern experience is not a part of their heritage.

That's a good thing for all of us, tapping into new markets, but this will of course not be successful if the vital marine link-the Chi-Cheemaun service-is not seen to be reliable in terms of its being able to operate according to its advertised schedule.

This is a perfect storm situation and we implore your ministry to move on an immediate fix to the docking situation, perhaps a temporary one for now, that will allow the Chi-Cheemaun to begin her sailing schedule on Friday, May 3 as advertised.

This is truly an emergency situation and we also urge you to take very seriously all of the individual expressions of concerns from Manitoulin Island that we know you will be receiving via petitions and personal appeals.

Yours truly,

**Ken Ferguson, president
Manitoulin Tourism Association**

Down to Earth

Every contribution can make a difference, Billings residents urge

by Sharon Jackson

KAGAWONG—Members of Billings Recreation and Waste Management committees partnered to host Down to Earth, a day-long program focussed on providing education and information.

Steve Suite, chairman of the Billings Recreation Committee, welcomed everyone for coming, saying, “we are living in a changing world. We are doing things to the earth’s atmosphere and it is becoming a dangerous place. We only have to look around us: the arctic caps are now melting; the lake levels have dropped. Our earth is changing very fast.”

“We have to take a positive look today to secure our children and grandchildren’s future,” he commented. “If we live how we are, it will be a horrendous place to live.”

“Today we have several lectures on how to clean up our atmosphere and give ideas on how to do certain things to make a small contribution because every small contribution becomes a larger one to benefit all of us.”

The first speaker of the day, chair of the Waste Management Committee Chris Theijsmeijer, was introduced by Barb Erskine. “I am happy to introduce Chris, who is a math and science teacher, multi-talented, and has graciously agreed to provide an update on our landfill site and touch on some of the activities the committee is doing.”

Mr. Theijsmeijer began by speaking a bit about the history of the landfill site, where the footprint of the space used to be, where it is now and where it may need to be expanded to if the township is unable to keep it at its present size.

It is believed that the landfill site has been in its current location for the better part of 70 years. It became the ‘town dump’ in the 1960s and was taken over by the township in the 1980s.

The landfill site accepts No. 1 and No. 2 plastics, metal, e-waste, paper, cardboard and brush that is all diverted with the exception of the brush, which is burned onsite. All other trash brought to the dump that does not fall into any of these categories is put in a truck where it is compacted and when full, is dumped.

Some of the current challenges faced by the township are not enough waste is being diverted, the landfill is not sufficiently or effectively staffed and it is difficult to remain in compliance with MOE requirements due to updates and new procedures continually being put in place which must be followed.

Goals to ensure the landfill site remains open and Billings is not forced to send all of its trash off-Island include increasing diversion, improving traffic flow and maintenance practices, which can all improve the chances of extending the life of the site.

Two acres are being used at the present time. The possible area to be used is 50 acres. It could be a good chance that “someday we will have to close it,” stated Mr. Theijsmeijer.

Financially, the landfill site is in “a losing battle because we have to pay for diversion. It is not a great moneymaker, as we pay to have the plastics taken away.” Composting and increased recycling are two ways in which to decrease the amount of trash being brought to the landfill.

“The cost to close the landfill site is 1.3 million dollars,” stated Mr. Theijsmeijer. “That is a huge



Holding up a margarine container and lid during Trash Talk, the audience receives an update from Waste Management Committee chair Chris Theijsmeijer. Neither of these items are recyclable and are regulars in Billings’ landfill site.



A pile of bags collected at the landfill site. Eighty percent of its contents could have been either composted or diverted by placing in metal or plastic bins for recycling.

photos by Sharon Jackson

chunk of money. If it closed, what would we do?”

The hidden costs are the environmental damage that is being done. “We are destroying a piece of earth,” he continued. “It is basically a pile of garbage that is left from the compacted trash brought in. It is leaching into the earth and if you follow the path it takes, it goes right into the North Channel and ultimately back into our homes which can cause health issues.”

Mr. Theijsmeijer presented ways to extend the life of the landfill site and some of them included choices we make as consumers and provided some purchasing options.

The top three items that have the largest impact included diapers, plastic water bottles and margarine containers.

A baby will go through approximately 6,000 diapers and whether parents choose disposable or cloth each have positive and negative sides to them. Disposable diapers are plastic, contain perfume and an absorbent material that contains wood products. Cloth diapers contain pesticide-laden cotton unless parents are able to find an organic cotton option. The soap, bleach and chlorine (poison) used to clean the cloth diapers are definite drawbacks.

Plastic water bottles are produced at a rate of 1.5 billion a year. “It blows my mind,” stated Mr. Theijsmeijer. “And 80 to 90 percent of these bottles end up as litter or in the landfill.”

A staggering statistic: in two years there would be enough water bottles (in the landfill) to

cover the whole Island.

The third item on the list was plastic margarine containers. While some consumers, including Mr. Theijsmeijer, believed he was choosing a healthier option than butter, he and many others would soon learn that neither the container nor the lid was among the plastics for diversion from our landfill as they are not No. 1 or No. 2 so it is put in the garbage truck to be compacted and not recycled at all.

Members of the waste management committee took part in an exercise at the landfill site on Saturday, April 13 in which they sorted through 10 bags brought in by residents that had been held aside by the attendant. Eighty per-

cent of what they removed should have been either recycled or composted.

Mr. Theijsmeijer had members of the audience take part in a friendly game of Family Feud where each side of the room became a team. It was their job to guess the top 10 items found in the bags. The results were quite startling.

They were compost (33 percent), plastics (18 percent), general waste (16 percent), paper (12 percent), glass (seven percent), metals (five percent), cardboard (four percent), electronics (three percent), cartons (such as juice boxes two percent), and Styrofoam (one percent).

Two thirds of this waste could have been diverted. One member of the waste management committee, Sandi Hurcomb, noted that one person had brought in a bag of sorted plastic containers, but rather than driving around to the west side of the landfill site, chose to put the bag in the garbage truck.

Mr. Suite thanked Mr. Theijsmeijer, asking that the committee come back in the summer and provide the same lecture to the residents who vacation in the area as it was “very informative. It is always beneficial to educate our community.”

The next guest speaker was Ed Burt, who admittedly has not been to the landfill site since 1989. He circulated photos taken the last day he brought his trash in. “I have never gone back,” he stated.

Mr. Burt built his home where he raises chickens, turkeys, goats and other animals. He noted he

lives a lifestyle that does not create a lot of garbage that ends up at the landfill site. His reaction to the landfill site is that it is a “crime against the earth.” Mr. Burt said he is certain that consumers can cause change to happen and it does not have to take a long time. Using butter as an illustration, Mr. Burt told the story of his mother making butter when he was a young child. Once upon a time it was wrapped in waxed paper. Today it is wrapped in foil, which is not recyclable. “Consumers can change all that,” he said. “Stop buying butter and they would make change. It amazes me that we don’t wake up and do it.”

Mr. Burt admits he wants to go into others backyards and “steal their composting.” He told a story about a tomato plant he started from a seed he obtained from a friend in the United States. It grew to whopping 16 feet tall. During its growth he would put mesh wire around it, add compost, and it continued to grow. One day while he was on a ladder picking tomatoes from the plant a neighbour asked what he was doing up there, that ‘he better come down or he could break a leg.’

“I guess the way I designed my house I have become a recluse from the waste management crew,” he admitted. “I can’t tell you what to do, but I can tell you what I have done,” Mr. Burt continued as he told the story of how he planted and harvested an apple tree by adding compost including egg shells, organic waste and banana peels.

“It’s up to us—humanity. We have to smarten up,” he added. Mr. Burt shared that when he was a boy growing up on the farm, his family used everything. There was no commercial fertilizer. They believed in putting back to the earth what they took from the earth.

Mr. Burt also believes flush toilets are a crime against the earth as they contaminate our water to the point where it is not fit to drink. When he designed his house, he wanted to put in a composting toilet. Not knowing how to build it, he set his mind to it.

Since 1989 when he made his last visit to the landfill site, he has needed to purchase such items as a screwdriver, however due to the way in which it was packaged, he refused to buy it. Mr. Burt eventually found one that was not packaged in plastic and bought it.

Mr. Burt believes that if we initiate change we can make it happen. We can’t keep on as we are.

“Everyone is part of the circle of life,” he added. Flowerbeds can flourish from coffee grounds. Worms produce the nutrients and keep the garden going.

One member of the audience asked Mr. Burt, “Is there hope?” His response was, “there’s lots of hope.”

Following a short break for lunch Brian Bell, agriculture representative from the Ministry of Agriculture and Food and Rural Affairs, spoke about soil and specifically the kinds of soil found on Manitoulin Island. Mr. Bell began his presentation by asking a member of the audience to join him at the front of the room where handed her a small green apple. He asked a general question. What is most of the earth’s surface made from? Simple question, easy answer, water. He asked her to remove three quarters of the apple, leaving one quarter. From that amount of the earth’s surface, there are ice caps, desert and forest. Mr. Bell asked

her to remove half of the apple, leaving only 1/8 potential for growth. He asked her to cut it in half once again. The slice of apple is getting smaller and smaller at this point. She cut it in half as requested, leaving 1/16 of the original apple. This section cut away represents land that is unsuitable, as it is comprised of cities.

She was asked to cut it in half one more time leaving 1/32 of the apple remaining in her hand.

There are 60,000 types of soil in the world. In the continent of North America, there are approximately 45,000 to 50,000 varieties. On Manitoulin Island we have mostly limestone and shale.

Farmers in our area live and breathe by the Best Management Practices book, which is their guide to crop management.

Mr. Bell asked the audience to partake in a game of Soil Trivial Pursuit. The first question was ‘How much does a cubic foot of top soil weigh?’ There were many answers provided. The correct one is 80 pounds.

Another quite astonishing answer was to the question ‘What percentage of water is in soil?’ The answer is 50 percent.

Mr. Bell then spoke about the structure of soil. There are three layers that make up the horizon of the soil, which are humus—the rich layer on top, topsoil and subsoil.

Soil must have all the necessary nutrients and adequate moisture to support good plant growth and development. The structure of the soil must allow air and water to penetrate, so root systems can develop. Without good root systems, plants cannot effectively take plant nutrients from the soil. The soil structure must also allow excess water to drain away, he explained.

In the soil there is air space, which Mr. Bell advised contains “a lot of gas.” Soil absorbs 20 percent of atmospheric carbon.

Mr. Bell advised that the Island’s soil can support the growth of oats, barley and spelt, which all grow well in this area.

Mr. Bell said he has a garden at his home in Gore Bay, which he planted four years ago. It is surrounded by a tall fence to keep deer away. The solar powered fence protects his rhubarb, potatoes and beans among other vegetables grown. He has the soil in his garden tested every two years and ensures it is well composted with cow manure, has it tilled in the fall and again in the spring-time.

The final speaker of the day was a woman who purchased a piece of land in Sheguiandah and turned it into a wonderland, Jean Narozanski of Pepper Point Gardens.

Check out the Spring Source Book in this edition for the complete story.

During the weekend to recognize Earth Day, several people participated in a Ditch Dive, cleaning up their neighbourhood and more specifically, the shared space along the small craft harbour and river.

Winners of the BMO prize packs from the event were Sue Rumble, Sabine Huege, Patti Lightning, Carol Corneau, Amy Phillips and Susan Snelling. Billings Township also donated a composter, which was won by Nora Bath Haring. Composters can also be purchased at the landfill site for \$35.

Missing \$100,000 leads to charges for Little Current woman

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMIKONG—Fraud uncovered in a First Nation administration is a touchy subject considering inevitable reaction that flourishes in the troll-friendly environment of the Internet, but there is a sense of relief that comes with the closure of charges

being pressed against an individual.

As a result of a request from the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service, the North East Region Criminal Investigation Unit of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) completed a theft investigation in which over \$100,000 in funds

belonging to the Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve were allegedly stolen over the period of a year.

OPP had been contacted by the Wikwemikong Tribal Police in regards to the alleged theft and asked to take over the investigation. After an extensive investigation, a former employee of the band, who was a financial officer during this time, has been charged contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada.

Charged with theft over \$5,000 is Dale Trudeau, 43, of Little Current. Ms. Trudeau was arrested and released on a Promise to

Appear. She is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on Monday, May 27 at 10 am.

"There are controls in place that ultimately led to an investigation by the OPP and Tribal Police," said Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier. "In due course they had enough evidence to finally lay a charge."

Chief Peltier noted that it is one thing to know that a crime has been committed and proving that a crime has taken place and another thing to know who it was that committed the crime. He expressed disappointment that a crime had taken place but took some solace

in that it was apprehended by the band. Not knowing was difficult on the other employees in the organization.

"We have a duty to look after the funds that have been entrusted to us by our membership," said Chief Peltier. "We have an obligation to our members to ensure that the expenditure of those funds is to provide programs and services needed by our community."

Although the band's current system caught the fraud, and led relatively quickly to the dismissal of the employee who it is alleged perpetrated the fraud, the band council of

Wikwemikong has decided to recruit a chartered accountant to review the band's procedures with an eye to improving financial controls.

The band was also fortunate in that it had insurance coverage that will ameliorate the loss and the band has been working with the insurance company to mitigate and minimize any further risk. The band will be seeking a restitution order against the individual charged should those charges be proven in a court of law. At this point those charges have not been proven in court.

Health Unit advises public on dealing with flooding from heavy spring runoff

MANITOULIN—The Sudbury and District Health Unit (SDHU) reminds Manitoulin Islanders that flooding and heavy runoff can damage wells and septic systems, and create health risks.

"If surface water enters the top of a well, the well water becomes contaminated and unsafe to drink," said Burgess Hawkins, a manager in the SDHU's Environmental Health Division.

Important precautions need to be taken if a well may be contaminated. In the short-term, water should be brought to a rolling boil for at least two minutes before it is safe to use for drinking; brushing teeth; making infant formula, juices, and ice; or to use it for washing foods such as fruit and vegetables that will be eaten raw.

Once the flood recedes, wells should be disinfected using the instructions below. Well water can be used without boiling once the well has been disinfected and two consecutive, satisfactory laboratory test results are received for the well water.

Once floodwater recedes, wells should be disinfected by adding bleach to them. This will kill any bacteria or viruses. The following steps should be followed in order:

1. Mix a specific amount of bleach with water and pour it down the well. Call the Health Unit or visit our website at www.sdhu.com for advice on the amount of bleach to use.

2. Let the water sit in the well for one hour to allow the bleach to mix.

3. Remove and discard any carbon filters.

4. Run the water at every faucet fed by the well until the smell of bleach is strong at each one.

5. Turn the power off and shut the water supply line to the hot water tank; drain the tank; then turn the power back on and open the supply line to refill the tank.

6. Backflush the water softener and all water filters (except the carbon filters).

7. Let the system stand for at least 12 hours.

8. Run a cold water tap until you no longer smell bleach. Important: don't run the water into the drains and into the septic system the large amount of bleach and water can damage the system. Use either an outdoor faucet or attach a hose line to an indoor cold water tap and run it outside.

9. Follow the same steps to run the water from a hot water tap.

10. Install new carbon filters.

11. Take and submit a water sample 48 and 72 hours after completing step No. 10.

12. Boil water until the laboratory sample results show that the water is safe.

Note that septic systems do not work properly when the area is flooded or the ground is saturated with water. Septic systems should not be used if this is the case. The power to any pumps or other electrical equipment should be disconnected. Silt should be prevented from entering the pump chamber and septic tank.

After the floodwater recedes and the soil is no longer saturated, the septic tank should be pumped. The tank should not be pumped while the soil is saturated because soil and silt could wash into the tank. Pump chambers and electrical connections should be checked before using the system. Equipment should not be driven over the septic bed when the ground is saturated because the soil will get compacted, which can damage the system. Flooding will not normally harm a septic system, but if damage to the tank or bed is suspected, a licensed septic installer should be contacted.

Please visit the Health Unit's website at www.sdhu.com or call 705-522-9200, toll-free 1-866-522-9200 for more information.

DEEP GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY JOINT REVIEW PANEL

Public Notice

End of Comment Period on Environmental Impact Statement and Licence Application for Deep Geologic Repository Project

April 25, 2013 – The Joint Review Panel for the Deep Geologic Repository Project for Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste (DGR) today announced that it has set a deadline of **May 24, 2013** to receive public comments on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and documents in support of the application for a Licence to Prepare Site and Construct, submitted by Ontario Power Generation.

The EIS and licence application documents are intended to examine the potential environmental effects of all phases of the project and address all requirements for the Licence to Prepare a Site and Construct the DGR.

The Panel initiated a public comment period on the EIS and licence application documentation in February 2012. The end date of the comment period was extended as a result of requests by the Panel for additional information from Ontario Power Generation.

The public is invited to submit comments on the EIS, the application for a Licence to Prepare a Site and the additional information received from Ontario Power Generation since February 2012 in response to questions from the Panel.

The documents in relation to the review are available on the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry at www.ceaa.gc.ca, reference number 17520.

Please forward written comments in either official language to the Panel by mail, email or fax to the attention of either or both Panel Co-Managers by May 24, 2013. Documents submitted or generated as part of the review will be posted on the online public registry for the project.

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When the Panel determines that the information adequately responds to the EIS Guidelines, the Panel will announce the public hearing for the project. The public will be notified 90 days prior to the start of the hearing and will be provided with instructions on how they may participate.

To be kept informed of the panel review process and ongoing activities, send an email to DGR.Review@ceaa-acee.gc.ca to be added to the interested parties distribution list.

About the Project

The DGR is a proposal by Ontario Power Generation to prepare a site, and construct and operate a facility for the long-term management of low and intermediate level radioactive waste at the Bruce Nuclear site, within the Municipality of Kincardine, Ontario. Low level radioactive waste consists of industrial items that have become contaminated during routine clean up and maintenance activities at nuclear generating stations. Intermediate level radioactive waste consists primarily of used nuclear reactor components, ion-exchange resins, and filters used to purify reactor systems. Used nuclear fuel will not be stored or managed in the DGR.

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Manitoulin Sporting Life

3 on 3 in the Sault

Several Island teams headed west for their annual 3 on 3 Tournament. One Manitoulin team was in the Minor Bantam division and had an amazing run. The team included: **Mason Pine, Braeden Case, Noah Morreau, Trenton Bond, Greg Doane, Patrick Snowdon, Tait Wallace, Cole King** as well as coaches **Steve Doane** and **Dale Wallace**.

The format makes for super fast (2 X 12 minute periods), non-stop games with penalties assessed after the game as penalty shots, if needed. The Island squad had four round-robin games and ended up with a record of 2-1-1 to take 4th place.

In the Semi Finals against the 1st place Sudbury Rink Dogs, Manitoulin got off to a slow start and spotted the Sudbury Team a couple of goals in the first period. Manitoulin however, did not give up and battled back with both teams trading goals and opportunities. At the end of two periods, Sudbury was up with a score of 6-3. Sudbury had been assessed 7 penalties (two were bench minors for yelling at refs) and Manitoulin 4. Manitoulin scored 4 out of 7 (Scorers being Trenton, Tait, Pat and Mason). For Sudbury's part the 1st shooter scored and then Noah Morreau shut down the next two shooters with nice saves. On to a first round 'Sudden Death' shootout that settled nothing. In the second round Tait beats the Dogs' goalie with a deke. Noah then makes a nice glove hand save to win the game for Manitoulin.

The final game was vs. the Prouse Pink Panthers (Sault Ste. Marie) who they had tied in the Round Robin. The Pink Panthers were quick out of the gate with a goal in the first 15 seconds and then follow up with two more in the first period. Cole scores by picking up a rebound. In the second Cole scores his 2nd goal again on a rebound, of his own this time. The Sault team answers with two more goals. Tait scores with wrist shot and then his 2nd with a wrap-around with 10 seconds left in the period for a 5 - 4 score for the P-Panthers.

Manitoulin is awarded 1 penalty shot to the Pink Panthers' 3. Trenton takes the only shot for Manitoulin and scores with a nice wrist shot beating the goalie, high blocker. Noah Morreau stops first two shooters but is beaten by the final shooter with nice deke and a backhand to the top of the net to hand the Island lads the silver.

Coaches report that the kids all had fun and did Manitoulin proud as classy winners in the semi finals and class acts again in their tough loss in the final. They never gave up and conducted themselves very well after the loss without a single show of poor sportsmanship. The team went out on to the ice and congratulated each other for a tournament well played.

LCPS B-Ball

The Little Current Boys' and Girls' Basketball Team travelled to Espanola on Thursday, April 25 to compete in the Espanola Elementary Basketball Tournament. The boys defeated St. Mary's 22-14 and Bidaaban 27-4 to earn a berth in the semi-finals against Sacred Heart. The game was tight early on, but Little Current pulled away in the second half enroute to a 23-13 win. In the Championship Finals Little Current was pitted against St. Mary's in a rematch of their opening game. The game went back and forth as both teams played tough ball. St. Mary's prevailed in the end, edging Little Current by a score of 17-16. Congratulations on a great tournament: **Tait, Devin, Braedan, Pat, Hunter, Bryce D., Bryce M., Clay, Daniel, Maddy, Ethan, Southwind, Tyler** and coach **Chris King!**

The girls also had a strong tournament and lost in the semi-finals thanks to Coach Sherri Renwick. Details will follow next week.

'Quest for the Cup' decided!

The Lakeview School 2013 Floor Hockey league came to an end last week with the Oilers hoisting the cup! The team's roster included **Noah Hare, Cassandra Bisson, Jacob Genereux, Kacey Debassige** and **Carson Migwans**. They had an incredible, undefeated 17-0 season showing not only their skills on the court but great teamwork and sportsmanship. Coach **Travis Corbiere** said his team played hard and always hustled for the puck. The Leafs, coached by **Neil Debassige**, had difficulties with some injuries but managed to place second overall in the season. The Leafs' roster included **Danny Feir, Nicholas Osawabine Corbiere, Maria Hare, Caleb Blackbird** and **Jermaine Jacko**. Overall it was another great floor hockey season with many students and teachers playing in the games and/or cheering from the sidelines. Lakeview looks forward to the 2014 floor hockey draft/season. Way to go Lakeview!

NEMI soccer info!

There will be a meeting at the NEMI recreation centre in Little Current for anyone interested in helping out with the NEMI soccer league. The meeting is taking place this Wednesday, May 1 at 7 pm. There will also be a league registration night on the evening of May 8, also at the rec centre. Players may also register at the NEMI township leading up to May 8. League play will begin after the long weekend in May. Come on out and lend a hand to a great, volunteer organization.

Important Legion Meet deadlines

On Saturday, June 15 the District H Legion Track and Field Meet is being held at Laurentian University. It is open to all Island athletes 17 years and under as of December 31st 2013.

Once again **Scott McDougal** has generously offered to assist in the advance registration of the Manitoulin athletes, as meet-day registration is not permitted. It is his wish that there will continue to be strong representation from Manitoulin Island again this year at the event. Last year Gore Bay Branch 514 covered the registration costs for 23 Island athletes in various events.

The deadline to send Scott information for online registration is Monday, June 3. Please contact him in advance so that he can provide the necessary forms at sm1763@sympatico.ca.

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CMPS celebrates Mother Earth

As part of its Earth Day activities, the students of Central Manitoulin Public School formed groups with children from all grades participating in earth-centric activities, including the building of survival shelters. Survivalists are clockwise, from left, **Sadie Bridgeman, Dylan Danville, Liberty Mainprize, Nevaeh Harper, Amber Wahl, Zach Gibbons, Jacob Bebamash, Chris Haner, Rachel Sheppard** and **Andrew Taliotis**.

photo by Andre Leblanc

Classic School of Dance presents its 18th performance, 'A Life to Live'

by Robin Burrige

M'CHIGEENG—The Classic School of Dance will be presenting 'A Life to Live,' an original show marking the school's 18th annual performance, this Sunday, May 5 at Manitoulin Secondary School in M'Chigeeng.

"We are very excited," Maja Mielonen, artistic director of the Classic School of Dance, told The Expositor last week. "I created 'A Life to Live' as a new ballet that contains classical aspects, but with a modern feel."

Ms. Mielonen explained that 'A Life to Live' follows a young woman on her path to self-discovery, with an overlying theme of transformation and overcoming mistakes to reach her destiny.

"The ballet starts off with the main character, a young lady named Sabrina, celebrating her 19th birthday before she moves away from home to the big city and starts her life," revealed Ms. Mielonen. "After her party she goes to sleep and has four dreams about who she might become. She dreams she might be a ballerina, a postman, a lion tamer and a doctor."

"She wakes up the next morning and makes her way to the city, observing everyone and exploring," continued Ms. Mielonen. "She starts to mimic a group of girls she encounters; she begins to dress like them, act like them and be like them. She goes out to a dance and later gets stuck on a bus bench and falls asleep. She

has a nightmare and the garbage on the street comes alive, representing her choices. The next morning she awakes, and as the street sweeper cleans up the garbage, she decides to change and begins following the dreams of her youth."

Ms. Mielonen said that the whole company has been working very hard preparing for the performance and that it will be very unique and modern.

"Even the music is interesting," said Ms. Mielonen. "It is soft at times, and then moves into hard and dark at other times with some rock-like elements."

The leads in this year's performance include Angela Still as

Sabrina, Brittany Wall as Sabrina's boyfriend, the friends: Elizabeth Oswald, Bettina Turner, Kylie Cranston, Hannah Chapman, Michelle Campbell and Cassandra Kuntsi; Cindy Hu as the ballerina, Kylie Cranston as the doctor, Bettina Turner as the postman and Elizabeth Oswald as the lion tamer.

The Classic School of Dance's 'A Life to Live' is a must-see production and is sure to be worthy of the school's 18th annual performance.

The production will take place on Sunday, May 5 at 2:30 pm at MSS. Tickets are \$10 for adults and available at the door, or free for children 12 years and under.

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...ferry problems are a Manitoulin-wide issue

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afternoon and saw nary a soul, that is until the ferry's ramp came into view. There over 50 citizens, including reeves and mayors, had shown up to make their views known to the federal and provincial governments via this newspaper and its online resources and to send a message: the federal government had better smarten up, work with the provincial government and fix the docking fenders fast, otherwise their livelihoods, and the livelihoods of many other Islanders, are at stake.

What started as a phone call to Tehkumma Reeve Brown Thursday night for a photo op on the ferry dock ("Oh no, it shouldn't be me," the reeve said. "It should be the businesspeople of South Baymouth."), culminated with the large group thanks to a chain of phone calls and Facebook messages, including a call out from the Facebook group 'Action to get the Chi-Cheemaun running' and reposted on the popular Manitoulin Life Facebook page.

Despite rumours that the ferry isn't sailing due to the dropping ridership or a lack of money, the problem comes down to record low water levels and the fact that the dock's fenders now sit too high (to match with the corresponding apparatus that is part of the Chi-Cheemaun's hull configuration which make for efficient, smooth and safe docking when the ship pulls into the South Baymouth and Tobermory ferry landings). Reeve Gary Brown pointed through a gap between the ferry ramp and the dock to show the problem. The fenders are actually three large panels of a rare African (extremely tough) wood that jut out from the dock. Whereas most boat fenders are rubber, this wood is needed so as not to scuff up the hull of the vessel, the reeve explained. The current fenders were only installed four years ago.

"The good people of Manitoulin have rallied!" Reeve Brown called out to the crowd, encouraging everyone present to write to MP Carol Hughes and MPP Michael Mantha. "Let's keep our businesses alive and talk to the government to keep the ball rolling."

"For the whole Island, the running of the ferry is important," he continued. "Whatever the cost they're saving is at the cost of Manitoulin."

Nathalie Gara-Boivin and Alain Harvey, proprietors of the Auberge Inn in Providence Bay, are hosts of the 'Action to get the Chi-Cheemaun running' Facebook page and a driving force behind a letter writing campaign and peti-

tion. Template letters to Minister of Transport Denis Lebel are available on this site, as well as a link to the petition that has been started.

Like the rest of the people gathered at the dock, Ms. Gara-Boivin has major concerns with a late start date. "We already have a short summer season," she said. "We get a lot of international people coming to Auberge who use the Chi-Cheemaun. If they don't have an easy, accessible way to get here..."

She noted that having a business on Manitoulin already comes with its challenges, such as weather and the economy, and that she and her partner rely on the Chi-Cheemaun to bring them business.

"The federal government talks a lot about their action plan to stimulate job growth and the economy, but by not investing that \$300,000 (the projected cost of the fender problem) it's an inaction plan."

Ms. Gara-Boivin pointed to all the "mom and pop" shops across the Island. "If the government doesn't spend that money, they'll destroy this Island and this economy."

She brightened at talk of the Facebook group. "We had 350 people join in two days," she shared. "Businesses have been posting letters, and we've had an interview with the CBC. If we don't get an answer, we'll be right back here Friday (May 3, the day the ferry was set to sail)."

In the warmth of the ferry terminal, a few of South Baymouth's proprietors gathered, Eric Stillwaugh among them. Mr. Stillwaugh owns and operates the Huron Motor Lodge, a motel that was established in 1932 by his family.

"We've always been a seasonal business," he said quietly, noting that 80 percent of his family's business relies on boat traffic.

The Huron Motor Lodge employs approximately five people to staff the motel, which sees five months of occupancy (which equals to three full months of 'no vacancies.')

"It's not just people losing here, but people losing faith," Mr. Stillwaugh said, noting that as if the ferry didn't have enough problems (the loss of ridership as highway access to Northern Ontario has been improved), people considering it less than dependable may just expand on the decrease in ridership.

"It's always been dependable, missing very few days due to bad weather—I am worried," he added.

"Apparently the cost (to reposition the fenders) is \$500,000 and will take six weeks time—that would mean the middle of June," Mr. Stillwaugh continued. "This could mean a lot of businesses short staffed because employees will have had to look elsewhere for work."

"I'm just hopeful it will get going and that the governments will get it together to get the ferry running."

Nancy Leeson is the face of the Wigwag Gift Shop, undoubtedly South Baymouth's longest running business at close to 100 years old, with Ms. Leeson at the helm for 42 of those years.

"We're a destination for the Chi-Cheemaun," she said bluntly. "That's the only thing this town offers. They are coming here to catch the Chi-Cheemaun—that's the only reason."

Like almost everyone else in South Baymouth, Ms. Leeson's schedule is in synch with the ferry's. "A cut in the season will probably devastate us. If it starts in June, we'll have lost a month and a long weekend."

"Most of the businesses here have sat all winter with no business and with taxes, water, hydro and sewer to pay," Ms. Leeson added.

The Wigwag Gift Shop employs four full-time staff and six part-time. While three full-time staff would have normally started by now, Ms. Leeson is putting all plans on hold until she gets an answer on the Chi-Cheemaun's start.

"If I'm not getting the traffic, I can't pay," she put it simply. "South Baymouth will be the one to suffer the most and there's nothing we can do. And if anyone thinks they're not going to suffer, they're wrong," she addressed the rest of Manitoulin.

Ms. Leeson said she couldn't understand why the general public and the businesses were not told there was a problem until two weeks before the ferry was scheduled to begin. "No one is answering this question and I would like an answer."

"It's a definitely possibility that all these employees will not be back," she said of her staff. "And what are they going to do?"

As for her orders, two have arrived so far, but the rest she has placed on hold, thanking the caring companies she works with.

"When the Chi-Cheemaun doesn't run on a rough day, I'm lucky if four people walk in," Ms. Leeson shared. "We're a destination for the Chi-Cheemaun, that's all I can say."

Ingrid Blay has operated the On the Bay Bed and Breakfast for the past seven years. Like the Huron Motor Lodge, the majority of her guests get to her via the ferry.

"Every time I'm speaking with potential guests, it's always hand in hand with the ferry—it's a part of the experience," she said of the ferry's appeal. "The experience of coming on the boat adds to the journey."

Ms. Blay said she was concerned for the cyclist tourists, which are becoming greater and greater in numbers and for whom the ferry plays a large role in getting them to Manitoulin. She noted the hard work groups like Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates have done in getting the shoulders along Highway 6 from South Baymouth paved for cyclists. Ms. Blay already has bookings for the scheduled Manitoulin Passage Ride on June 8 and 9 when cyclists from the Bruce Peninsula take the ferry to Manitoulin, meet with other cyclists and share the road along Highway 6. "Do we phone our guests and tell them our potential problems?" Ms. Blay asked. "We don't want to

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Thomas Hayden

This young athlete is very talented at hockey and enjoys a variety of different sports. 9th grader, Thomas Hayden is a hard-working and devoted athlete. Rewinding back to when Thomas Hayden attended public school in Little Current, he participated in track, soccer, basketball, volleyball and baseball. He finished with numerous wins, such as 1st in the 100m dash, 2nd in the 400m, and 2nd in triple jump. Now that Thomas is in grade 9, he was really looking forward to volleyball and track. This year during volleyball season, he was the back-up setter. Now that track season is happening, Thomas is training. He is going to participate in the 100m and 200m races, triple and long jump. He is also doing relay with a team, consisting of him, Carter Noble, Brady Dearing, and William Scott. Thomas really enjoys hanging out with his friends, playing hockey, and participating in track events. In addition, he also likes to go swimming and biking. When it comes to school, his favorite part about it is phys-ed class, where he can hangout with his friends and play sports. Outside of school, Thomas plays hockey for the Manitoulin Panthers, baseball, basketball, track, and badminton. During this year's hockey season, Thomas's team brought home the silver medal. In addition, he ended up getting 34 goals and 49 assists in total (counting tournaments, play-offs, and the regular season). This passed weekend, Thomas and a bunch of teammates went to Sault Ste. Marie for a 3 on 3-hockey tournament. They won one game, lost a game, and tied two games, unfortunately not making it to the semi-finals. In the future, he would like to pursue his interest in hockey or do something that is related with sports. Good luck on all of your future goals and wishes, Thomas!

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Chi-Cheemaun's Susan Schrempf responds to residents' concerns

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following The Expositor's meeting with the people of South Baymouth last Friday, this newspaper posed many of the residents' concerns to Susan Schrempf, president and CEO of the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC). The following are The Expositor's questions, and Ms. Schrempf's answers.

Q. How far in advance did the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC) know about the fender problem? Some say since the fall, and if that was the case, why did it only become known one week ago?

A. Water levels in the Great Lakes are dependent on a variety of factors, including annual precipitation, surface runoff, drainage from the lakes into rivers, and evaporation. For that reason, the OSTC regularly monitors for safe operating conditions. Although levels can be unpredictable, a pattern of low water levels has been recognized by the OSTC. In response the OSTC identified a need for action to modify the fenders on the wharves used by the MS Chi-Cheemaun and started a dialogue two years ago with Transport Canada regarding the work required.

In June 2012, the OSTC asked Transport Canada, the dock owner, to conduct a formal engineering assessment of the dock/fender arrangement, and for Transport Canada to make the recommended modifications. Transport Canada engaged an engineer in July and received the preliminary recommendations for modifications in fall 2012. The engineer's report was finalized in December 2012 and Transport Canada provided the OSTC with the report in January 2013.

During the fall of 2012 and winter of 2013, the OSTC requested that Transport Canada make the modifications prior to the scheduled start of the 2013 sailing season. When it became clear the fenders would not be modified and water levels were unlikely to recover by the 2013 sailing season, the OSTC notified the public. To avoid creating any uncertainty, the OSTC refrained from making a premature announcement about a possible service interruption until water levels confirmed it was necessary.

Q. Some think 'stalling' the start is a cost-saving measure. How do you respond?

A. The delay to the 2013 sailing season is due to an operational challenge which is caused by water levels that are lower than the fender units on the existing wharf structure can accommodate. Based on a changing water level that has reached an unprecedented low, new units need to be installed to protect the vessel, along with the passengers and crew, when it sails. The delayed start of the 2013 MS Chi-Cheemaun ferry season will not result in any cost saving for OSTC. Because the OSTC is not the owner of the docks or the fenders the company cannot make modifications to the structures.

...Chi-Cheemaun sailings wait for dock improvements

...continued from page 1 to protect the ship by cushioning it from the docks. Estimates to make the repairs/renovations to the docks has been estimated at between \$270,000 and \$300,000, but the owner of the docks is Transport Canada.

On May 2, 2013, the OSTC will proceed with its annual spring repositioning cruise event. According to the release, water levels have risen sufficiently to permit safe docking of the vessel in its light condition with passengers only. Previous alternate plans had envisioned a round-trip cruise, but with the ability to dock in Tobermory having been determined, passengers will instead disembark in Tobermory as is the custom; travelling back to Owen Sound by bus. That event is currently sold out.

The same OSTC release reiterates that the ferry docks are owned by Transport Canada.

Transport Canada Communications Advisor Silvia Di Tiero released a statement on Monday regarding the ferry docks. "Transport Canada recognizes the role that the Chi-Cheemaun ferry plays in serving communities and providing a transportation link. The department is aware that water levels are currently at a significantly lower level across the entire Great Lakes system. Transport Canada is in discussions with the Government of Ontario and the Owen Sound Transportation Company to explore options to address the impacts of low water levels on the docking of the Chi-Cheemaun ferry."

...ferry problems are a Manitoulin-wide issue

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Brian Willoughby has double the trouble if the ferry doesn't run as the landlord of Big Buck cottage rentals and the proprietor of Willoughby Trucking. This would have been his 22nd year on the first sailing of the Chi-Cheemaun with one of his trucks. He uses the ferry three times a week—six sailings.

Mr. Willoughby noted that 90 percent of his guests use the ferry to get to his cottage resort, and while he's a smaller operation at four cottages, it's still going to hurt his bottom line.

"It's my feeling that they made a big mistake spending all that money on that survey and not on the docks," he allowed, referencing the ridership and marketing study the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC) is currently undertaking.

Mr. Willoughby said it was no secret to many in South Baymouth that there was a problem with the fenders by the end of the 2012 sailing season and that his community is anticipating the worst.

"It's all hearsay," he said of the news and the difference in stories. "We don't know what's for sure and what isn't. It could have been handled differently—there needs to be a change in top management, that's

"Federal Port Facilities in Tobermory and South Baymouth need maintenance and the harbour for the Manitoulin terminal needs to be dredged so the Chi-Cheemaun ferry can carry 36,000 passengers and their cars this May and June," said Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapskasing MP Carol Hughes, rising to speak on the matter in the House. "The cost for repairs is less than \$300,000. The cost to tourism without a ferry is unimaginable."

Actually, the costs associated with the ferry's impact on the Island's economy have been estimated at more than \$38 million according to sources who cite an as-yet unreleased economic impact study recently completed on behalf of the OSTC. The costs cited in an assessment prepared for Transport Canada in 2012 indicated the cost of repairs would be in the \$280,000 range, according to some sources in a position to know.

"I am frankly disappointed that this government that says their vision is all about jobs and the economy is allowing this issue to impact jobs," said Ms. Carol Hughes. "This is quite problematic for me." The NDP MP who represents Manitoulin Island and most of the North Shore within her riding noted that the impact stretches far beyond the Island's shores and across the entire North.

"This isn't something new," said Ms. Hughes. "This is an issue that has been brewing for some time." She cited both the current government and that of the previously governing Liberals as having dragged their feet on con-

ducting the necessary adjustments.

Fitz Marine consultant Dave Ham noted that Fitz Marine had in fact conducted the last adjustment to the fenders some eight to 10 years ago during the Liberal reign. "They have the equipment and the expertise right here," said Mr. Ham. "They were contracted by the company who was supposed to do it back then. They couldn't do it so they hired Fitz Marine to do it. All anyone needs to do to fix this is pick up the phone and call."

Not impressed with any suggestion that the repairs would have to go through a tendering process, Ms. Hughes reiterated her position. "This is about jobs and the economy during a very fragile period in our region," she said. "This needs to be dealt with quickly, before any more damage is done. This isn't a lot of money when you compare it to the impact that this will have on small businesses, First Nations and communities in the North."

On the other side of the ferry route, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound Conservative MP Larry Miller has been raising the alarm about the ferry recently, feeding rumours that the ferry delay is actually a plot by the OSTC to bump up its bottom line by delaying the ferry operations during a low volume period. "I think the delay is something they have been planning to do," he said. "Water levels are low, and I get the safety issue, I really do, but the ferry was operating at these water levels last fall." Mr. Miller suggested that the current water levels may

even be above those experienced in the late fall.

"There were some issues in rough winds, as I understand it," he said.

Although he suggests the OSTC has a vested interest in the delay, Mr. Miller does not let his government's agency, Transport Canada, off the hook. Asked if he feels that agency bears some responsibility, the outspoken MP was succinct: "I sure as hell do," he said. "It has to be dealt with too."

The MP blamed a civil servant at Transport Canada (who he named) as the bottleneck in getting the work done on the fenders at the docks. "The concern never went beyond that point, the minister did not hear about this issue until two months ago," he said. "She never passed the concerns on to me. Believe me, if I had known about this last July, we would not be having this conversation now." Mr. Miller said the first he learned of the issue was from the Canadian Ferry Operators.

Ms. Hughes bristled at the suggestion that the delay was the fault of a bureaucratic communication glitch. "I think that to slough off responsibility onto everybody but themselves has been the response of this government for too long," she said. "It is time that they step up to the plate for the people that depend upon this service for their livelihood and get this issue resolved."

Mr. Miller does not cite any firm evidence for his claims the OSTC harbours a hidden agenda in delaying the start of the season, but lays out his rationale for making the assertion. "When the boat is running with part loads, it still costs the same amount," he said. "If they don't run the ferry, they save money."

Mr. Miller said there appeared to him to be a 'pissing match' between Transport Canada and the province over the ferry docks. He noted that divestiture plans first formulated almost a quarter of a century ago are still in discussion. The MP suggested that the divestiture transfer revolves in part around funds for maintenance and repairs of the facilities going forward

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Marine council urges ferry action

SPANISH—The North Channel Marine Tourism Council (NCMTC) recognized the devastating impact any delay in the Chi-Cheemaun ferry schedule would have on tourism and the economy of not only Manitoulin Island communities, but on the entire region along the Highway 17 corridor west of the Island.

"This will negatively impact all of our communities," said Northeast Town council representative Michael Erskine in calling for the motion. "At a time when tourism has been recognized as a key engine of growth for the region, a delay in the ferry schedule would hammer our region already reeling from the impact of federal government cuts."

"Any delay of the ferry schedule would be terrible," agreed Gore Bay representative Marg Hague in seconding the motion. "Even a week would be bad, a delay of a month would be a disaster for many small businesses and resort owners."

The NCMTC voted unanimously to send a letter to Transport Canada, copied to Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes, urging the federal government agency to move quickly to make modifications and

repairs to the fenders at landing docks in South Baymouth and Tobermory.

"This isn't something that wasn't known about for some time," said NCMTC Chair Stan Ferguson. "We are all working hard to improve the wellbeing of all our communities. It would be nice if we could get a little cooperation from all levels of government on the issues surrounding low water."

The negative impact of the news of the ferry delay has already been reverberating through the tourism industry, with anecdotal reports of potential visitors swamping the phones at the Manitoulin Tourism Association Welcome Centre with inquiries on whether they should still plan their vacations to the region.

Mr. Ferguson stressed that the marine operations and communities of the North Channel are very much open for business. "When news like this hits the media it gives people the wrong impression of our entire region," he said. "There is still lots of water in the North Channel and while marine operators have faced some challenges this year, we are very much open for business. The North Channel contains the best freshwater boating in the world."

...Manor improves financial burden by \$1 million

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to \$167,616, a reduction of over one million dollars.

"What a difference a year makes," stated Mr. Houle. "This year shows a much more positive message. We aren't out of the woods yet, but we can now see it."

As Mr. Houle worked through the financial report with the board, beginning with the statement of financial position, he explained how the major item to note was the over one million dollar drop in the operating fund deficiency in December of 2012 compared to 2011.

"During the year, the Ontario Ministry of Health and

Long-Term Care waived the recovery of amounts owing to them in respect of the years 2006, 2007 and 2008, totaling \$641,959 in recognition of the fact that the suspension of admissions during these years had a negative impact on the Manor's overall occupancy levels," Mr. Houle explained to the board.

"This is good news," said Manor board chair Mary Jo Eckert-Tracy, as the board members voiced their agreement. "It is a joy to have this presented to us and we are very pleased."

Following Mr. Houle's report, the board carried a motion to accept the audited financial report as presented.

...UCCMM land claim rumoured at \$200 billion

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It is against this backdrop that Manitoulin's municipal leaders are meeting, as the UCCMM continues with its negotiations.

Sheguiandah First Nation Chief Orville Aguonie confirmed Monday that the governments of Ontario and Canada have "about 30 days" to respond to a land claim registered by agents of the UCCMM in late March that gave a 60 day response window.

The claim is rumoured to be for \$200 billion and involves, among other features still at issue in the still unresolved 1990 land claim, the ownership of

lake bottoms.

The meeting planned for this week and scheduled to be held at the Recreation Centre in Little Current was coordinated by Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin and all Manitoulin Island municipalities had agreed to participate in information sessions with the MAA.

This is the second such information meeting in April. The first one involved Doug Carr, assistant deputy minister with

the MAA, federal negotiator Pam Simpson and provincial negotiator Richard Aniol as well as representatives from most Island municipalities.

Meanwhile, Wikwemikong's land claim is also ongoing and may overlap, according to informed sources, with issues addressed by the UCCMM claim.

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into the future, including the work needed on fenders.

OSTC President and CEO Susan Schrepf refuted Mr. Miller's assertions regarding any motivation to reduce the ferry schedule. "He is entitled to speak to whatever he likes," she said. But on the subject of whether it is in the financial interests of the OSTC to reduce the season, Ms. Schrepf had a succinct answer: "No."

The longer version that Ms. Schrepf followed up with lays out a simple but compelling rationale. "The delayed start of the ferry season will not result in any cost savings for the ferry operation or the OSTC," she said. "We are a subsidized ferry service, we lose money all the time. We need every dollar that we make. The revenue from the cancelled runs far outstrips the expenses."

As to communicating the company's operational woes to local politicians, Ms. Schrepf pointed out the fundamental problem inherent in Mr. Miller's argument. "We are an agency of the provincial government," she noted. "We report our operational issues to our owner, the Province of Ontario. That does not include MPs, MPPs or any other local politician. If an MP or MPP calls me with a question, I can respond," she said.

Although Ms. Schrepf did not say it,

any student of Canadian political government would suggest that a Crown agency executive that sought out MPs or MPPs or even local mayors and reeves for support or lobbying on that agencies' behalf on an operational issue would most likely be seeking other employment in relatively short order.

As to the fenders themselves, the matter is not one that can simply be alleviated by lowering the fenders. "They are as low as they can go with the existing structure," said Ms. Schrepf. The fenders require significant investment to be modified, perhaps even requiring complete replacement.

As to the cost, while Ms. Schrepf did admit to being in possession of the Transport Canada survey, but since it is not an OSTC document, she could neither deny nor confirm the cost estimates being cited by other parties.

A rally is being proposed to meet the first arrival of the Chi-Cheemaun in Tobermory, as well as a rally for this Friday, May 3 at the South Baymouth ferry dock in protest of Transport Canada's lack of action.

Mr. Miller said that he is willing to work together with his NDP colleague to resolve the issue as soon as possible. "This is beyond partisan politics," he said.

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chair of the commission, in an IJC press release. "From Georgian Bay to Door County, from shoreline property owners to the shipping industry, we heard calls for action, and we urge governments to act in response to our recommendations."

The commission also endorsed the International Upper Great Lakes Study Board's modelling and monitoring recommendations, recognizing that critical information and tools are needed to adaptively manage this dynamic system, IJC's statement continues.

In order to better understand how future water supplies may affect water levels, the commission calls upon governments to better coordinate the binational collection of climate-related data and to strengthen climate change modelling capacity to help improve water management. This approach underpins the adaptive management framework recommended by the study so that decision-makers at all levels of government have the tools and processes to make informed decisions. The commission will issue specific recommendations regarding adaptive management for the Great Lakes system following its deliberation of the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence River Adaptive Management Task Team final report. Comments on this report ended last month, with the Manitoulin Area Stewardship Council adding its voice to the report, calling adaptive management a "do nothing plan."

"Meeting the ongoing challenges of extreme low and high levels on the Great Lakes should be guided by robust adaptive management to inform decisions, at all levels, with the best information and full community engagement," said Dereth Glance, one of the IJC's US commissioners. "Our goal is for stakeholders throughout the Great Lakes to become engaged in the process and use the latest scientific information to prepare for extreme water levels and storms."

As reported previously in The Expositor, restoration structures investigated by the IJC included sills and underwater hydroelectric turbines located in the St. Clair River that would come at a cost of between \$30 and \$70 million. It would also take upwards of 20 years for such a commitment to take place, the IJC had warned.

"We commend and thank the Study Board and the more than 200 experts who worked on this project," said Canadian Commissioner Lyall Knott. "Their report advances scientific knowledge and provides governments with a solid basis for action."

However in a dissenting opinion, Lana Pollack, US chair of the commission, chose not to sign the commission report because, in her view, it places insufficient emphasis on climate change and the need for governments to pursue and fund adaptive management strategies in the Great Lakes Basin. Ms. Pollack also cautioned against raising "false hopes that structures in the St. Clair River, if built, would be sufficient to resolve the suffering from low water levels of Lake Michigan-Huron, while at the same time causing possible disruption downstream in Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie."

The International Joint Commission's advice to governments is in response to the findings and recommendations of the International Upper Great Lakes Study. Originally focused on updating the regulation plan for Lake Superior outflows, the five-year study was expanded to include an examination of whether physical changes in the St. Clair River (such as over-dredging and de-sanding commercial businesses) were effecting the level of Lake Michigan-Huron. At an exploratory level, the study also looked at various engineering options for restoring Lake Michigan-Huron levels, including approximate construction costs and both positive and negative impacts.

MASC secretary Therese Trainor of Kagawong, observed when The Expositor told her of the IJC's recommendation, that she believes it is also because of groups like hers and its petition, organized by volunteer Mike Wilton of Dominion Bay and presented to MP Carol Hughes by him last fall, as well as comments, together with the lobbying efforts of groups like Georgian Bay Forever and the Georgian Bay Association and responsible journalism, that have helped to turn the tide in Lake Huron's favour. "Thank you to the public

who signed the petition, came to Kagawong (to an International Upper Great Lakes Study Board public meeting) and to those who came to the Little Current hearing," she added.

"This is obviously a move in the right direction," Ms. Trainor said. "We are very pleased. I think public pressure finally came to bear, and we have to continue doing that."

"Of course we want action, not years of study," she added.

Ms. Trainor noted of Commissioner Pollack's concerns, "it's true, climate change is more than the IJC can handle, but at this point, any improvement is an improvement."

"It seems to be a step in the right direction and we're happy—we have to keep pushing," Ms. Trainor reiterated.

The Expositor spoke with Mary Muter, chair of the Great Lakes section of Sierra Club Ontario. She explained that on Monday, the mayors of townships throughout Georgian Bay had a high power meeting with federal Conservative cabinet ministers Peter Kent, John Baird and Tony Clement in Ottawa. She explained that these mayors have tallied the cost of services due to low water levels for Georgian Bay alone for 2013 to the tune of \$500 million. This included the Island municipalities of Billings, Assiginack and Central Manitoulin. The estimated cost of structures? Between \$100 and \$200 million and would be shared between the two countries. The math is simple, she said.

Ms. Muter said it was good news indeed that the IJC decided against its own recommendations in its multi-million dollar study. She said she disagreed with Ms. Pollack's assessment, as managing water downstream can be done slowly and safely by placing temporary structures in the Niagara River. "This is possible to do responsibly," she added.

"This type of integrated crisis response was studied in the 1993 IJC study but was not re-assessed under the current critical low water conditions on all of the middle Great Lakes," said Roger Gauthier, chair of Restore Our Water International (ROWI) and a retired senior hydrologist with the US Army Corps of Engineers. "Implementation of St. Clair compensation structures could take 3-5 years at the earliest. In the meantime, other crisis response measures need to be considered by the IJC, including using its discretionary authority to immediately allow more water to flow out of Lake Superior into Lakes Michigan and Huron," Mr. Gauthier added.

"Tony Clement indicated that the government is looking to put their heads together for a response," Ms. Muter continued. "The Canadian government could announce funding for this to proceed, but it's much more complicated in the US," she added, noting money cannot be earmarked by the government for projects.

"But if the Canadian government puts the money on the table, that would almost force the US government to do the same," she observed.

Ms. Muter said the US Army Corps of Engineers is ready to proceed at a moment's notice, due to the fact that when Canada and the US agreed to complete deepening of the St. Clair and Detroit Rivers in 1962, "compensation measures" were supposed to have been placed in both rivers to counter increased river flows and anticipated water level lowering on the upstream lakes. Compensating measures were deployed in the Detroit River at that time, but unfortunately no corresponding compensating measures were deployed in the St. Clair River.

Prior to making these recommendations to the governments, the commission thoroughly reviewed more than 3,500 comments received from the public, including those provided at 13 public hearings held throughout the upper Great Lakes basin last summer, including a hearing in Little Current.

The IJC has also advised the governments of Canada and the United States that it will implement this year an improved plan for regulating Lake Superior outflows at Sault Ste. Marie. The new plan, Lake Superior Regulation Plan 2012, provides additional benefits compared to the current regulation, especially during extreme water supply conditions.

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NOMINATION DEADLINE: Friday May 31st, 2013

...Health Centre celebrates expansion funding

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Minister Deb Matthews for making the investment to Noojmowin Teg.

"I look forward to coming here and seeing the new facility upon its completion and what will surely be a beacon of health and wellness for our area," concluded Mr. Mantha.

Grand Council Chief Patrick Madahbee of the Anishinabek Nation and Deputy Grand Chief Glen Hare were also present for Friday's announcement, both stating how pleased they were to be sharing in the celebration.

"I am so happy this day has finally arrived," said Chief Madahbee. "Health issues are the most prevalent issues that we face today and this is such an important facility for the health and well being of all people in this area. Manitoulin is always on the forefront, from health care to infrastructure, such as the new hotel—it is a very progressive area in the province and we regularly see that ideas that originate from here are adopted across Ontario."

"I would like to congratulate everyone here today," added Deputy Chief Hare, after delivering his words of encouragement first in Ojibwe. "I am proud to be from here (the deputy chief hails from M'Chigeeng) and to see this expansion and what it will bring to the area. This is a day of celebration, especially for the staff here who

made this happen."

Board chair of Mnaamodzawin Health Services Inc. (the organization that shares the facility) Loretta Roy also added her words of thanks. "We are very delighted and thank all of you here today and the MOHLTC that have made this extension possible."

Adrianna Tetley, executive director of the Association of Ontario Health Centres (AOHC), was introduced by Ms. Williamson as the last speaker of the day, with Ms. Williamson noting that Ms. Tetley had been instrumental in Noojmowin Teg's funding appeals for the expansion.

"Congratulations to the board and staff on all their hard work," said Ms. Tetley.

Ms. Tetley explained that Aboriginal Health Access Centres (AHAC) such as Noojmowin Teg focus on helping at-risk populations and those coping with mental health and addictions to stay healthy, in addition to providing a unique place where traditional health and western medicine mix to provide health care services to aboriginal patients in a culturally appropriate environment.

Following the infrastructure announcement and speeches, The Expositor spoke with Ms. Williamson about the project moving forward.

"We have been told that the next step is 30 percent of the funding will be released for the architectural plans and the project tendering will start next spring," explained Ms. Williamson.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is one of 10 AHACs found across Ontario. Noojmowin Teg is funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ministry of Children and Youth Services, Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport, North East Local Health Integration Network and Northern Diabetes Health Network.

The centre delivers programs and services such as pre- and postnatal care, nutrition, health education, health promotion, disease prevention, counselling, traditional healing and treatment and primary health care services including a physician, nurse practitioners and traditional healing.

"Aboriginal Health Access Centres play a vital role in helping Ontario's aboriginal community get the care they need, close to home," Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Deb Matthews said of the centre's good news in a press release. "These new renovations for the Noojmowin Teg Health Centre will ensure improved access to high quality health care and other services for local residents."

...Espanola's pleas for respite turned down by DSB

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Martin-Cross of French River.

Long-time Espanola Councillor Jack McMillan addressed the board, noting that the last page of the DSB's response stating that all weighted apportionment changes that deviate from the default weighted assessment formula requires a double majority vote, and that any change in reconciliation in apportionment is a change to the formula, which also required double majority approval (a vote which would need to be carried by a majority of the municipalities within the DSB which would also have to represent a majority of the total population within the DSB).

"That's simply not true," Mr. McMillan said, noting that he used a weighted assessment formula for years for school boards across the province. "Every year, all of the assessments change for all the municipalities, and that doesn't change the formula."

"I have the highest regard for the people of

the DSB, but in this case they're just plain wrong," he continued. "I hope to work it out with the DSB, but if we can't, there's such a thing as an honest disagreement."

He reminded the board that Espanola is operating on a budget that's suddenly been lowered by \$1.25 million annually.

"It doesn't matter where the blame is, we're short \$600,000," he added.

"It's not the fault of the DSB for the problem you've got," Mr. Gamble interjected.

"Every municipality sitting around this table has the same problem, but this doesn't prevent us from getting a retroactive assessment," Mr. McMillan responded. "Inconvenience doesn't matter, it's what the law says," he added, calling for a legal opinion.

"Espanola can't just drop this, we're responsible to our ratepayers to pursue this," Mr. McMillan said.

Derek Stephens said that while he empathizes with Espanola, "our budgets are set. I think that for the Town of Espanola, their

fight is with MPAC."

DSB CAO Fern Dominelli explained that the DSB must follow the Assessment Act that sees MPAC deliver the assessment role to municipalities the second Tuesday of December. It is these numbers that are then used by the DSB. It wasn't until after this date that Espanola learned of Domtar's successful reassessment of its property in the town. He reiterated that the board could vote and, with a double majority, change the formula.

"If 10 municipalities agree, they have to represent more than 50 percent of the electorate," he explained.

"I understand the double majority, but Espanola is not requesting a change to the formula—this is why we need clarification as to the law," Mr. McMillan responded.

Finance officer Connie Morphet explained that assessments could be done on a monthly basis, but this would effect the municipalities.

Mayor Lehoux thanked Mr. McMillan for articulating Espanola's prob-

lems. "As you are aware, we are in a deep, deep pickle—we have been overpaying the DSB, and that's a fact," he said.

"My council is desperate enough to overturn every stone to make this right," he added. "I would have appreciated some relief, but I know this puts other municipalities in a bind."

"I hope you, the other municipalities, don't have to go through what we have," the mayor continued, noting this is the third time in 14 years.

The motion was carried.


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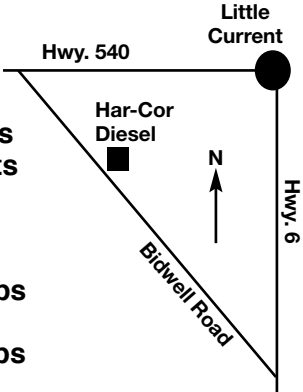
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...‘worst roads’ campaign gets underway this week

...continued from page 3 will be live following the launch of the campaign on May 1, 2013.

Over the course of the next four weeks, the campaign, which is sponsored by CAA North and East Ontario, CAA South Central Ontario, CAA Niagara and the Ontario Road Builders' Association, will travel to communities throughout the province to reiterate the importance of making concerns about decaying infrastructure known. Voting closes May 31, 2013.

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Wikwemikong's oral hearing request regarding wind farm FIT licence denied

by Robin Burridge

WIKWEMIKONG—The Expositor learned late Monday evening that Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve's request for an oral hearing regarding Northland Power's McLean's Mountain wind farm project's Ontario Energy Board (OEB) application for a feed-in-tariff electricity generation licence has been denied.

"The board (OEB) has considered the Wikwemikong submission and the letter of comment in support of it," states the OEB's procedural order. "The board has determined that an oral hearing is not required."

"Having decided there will be no oral hearing, the board will proceed with a written hearing," the OEB order states. "The board has already received written submissions from a number of parties. Wikwemikong has not made written

submissions, which may be because Wikwemikong was awaiting a decision on the request for an oral hearing. The board will therefore make provision for Wikwemikong to file written submissions on the merits of the application within the scope of the proceeding. The board will also make provision for (Northland Power) to provide reply submissions."

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

Wikwemikong will have until Friday, May 3 to file a submission with the OEB and McLean's will have until May 10 to replay to a submission, if one is made by Wikwemikong. See next week's Expositor for the full story.

Mulclair and Clement trade verbal jabs on FedNor cuts

by Michael Erskine

OTTAWA—In a flurry of tit-for-tat jabs in the media, official opposition leader Thomas Mulclair hammered the Harper government over cuts to the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario (FedNor), eliciting a response from Industry Minister Tony Clement that the NDP leader was pulling numbers out the air.

Independent media analysis (QMI's David Atkin in his online blog) indicated that both Mr. Clement and Mr. Mulclair were right, but that Mr. Mulclair's interpretation ran closer to the truth in ways that matter to Northern residents. The funds slated for FedNor have remained largely static, but the amount actually spent on projects in the North has dropped significantly.

"Thomas Mulclair's NDP is purposely misleading Northern Ontarians once again when it claims FedNor's budget has been cut by 10 percent," said Minister Clement in a released statement. "Last year, it (the NDP) claimed FedNor was to be shutdown. Truth is, core funding to projects remain at the same level as previous years. FedNor continues to improve its efficiency to deliver on its mandate to support economic development, jobs and growth across the region."

While core funding is slated to remain stable, actual figures on what has been spent indicate that the amount actually being put into the wild fall far short of those funds budgeted.

In addition, the NDP critic John Rafferty noted that FedNor's funding has dropped by \$23.6 million since the Conservatives came to power in 2008.

"In addition, the Harper government has discontinued the Community Initiative Program that was very important to developing local economies here in the North," said Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes.

Ms. Hughes also pointed out that the funding earmarked for the development of the Ring of Fire in northwestern Ontario, while welcomed by her party, is not comprised of any new money. "They are taking that out of the existing pot of money available (through FedNor)," she said. "That means that there is less money available for projects in the rest of the North." This despite the incredible amount of revenue expected to flow from the massive mineral development, she added. "Canada's New Democrats believe that the Harper Conservatives are turning their backs on business and small communities in Northern Ontario with massive cuts to program funding for FedNor. The end result is that Conservatives have just given their minister a huge pay increase, a limousine and more political staff and taken an axe to important and effective programs and services, like the Local Initiative Program grants and the Community Economic Development program," she said. "They are looking out for their own political interests while ignoring the economic needs

of Northern Ontario. It is completely unacceptable."

What is agreed by both sides is that there will be 20 less positions at FedNor, with staff being cut from 124 to 104. Minister Clement claims that this will mean greater efficiency at the agency. But local funding applicants note that turnaround times on FedNor project approvals have risen considerably in recent years.

In a strange twist of political redirection, Minister Clement's statement on FedNor in response to the NDP criticisms ended with a reference to that party's support for the defunct Long Gun Registry.

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May 1

Dance Performance

Wasse-Abin High School Career Fair

May 4

Pontiac School Gym (all day event) Yard Sale, BBQ, Family Dance, Prize Table (table can be purchased for \$30.00)

To reserve your table contact Valerie O'Leary at 705-859-2870

May 7

Taco Sale

Band Office

May 8

Parent Council Talent Show Performance

Wasse-Abin High School

May 9

Taco Sale

Pontiac School (order forms will be available for students)

May 11

Prize Bingo

Buzwah Church in Wikwemikong

May 14

Bake Sale

Wasse-Abin High School

May 16

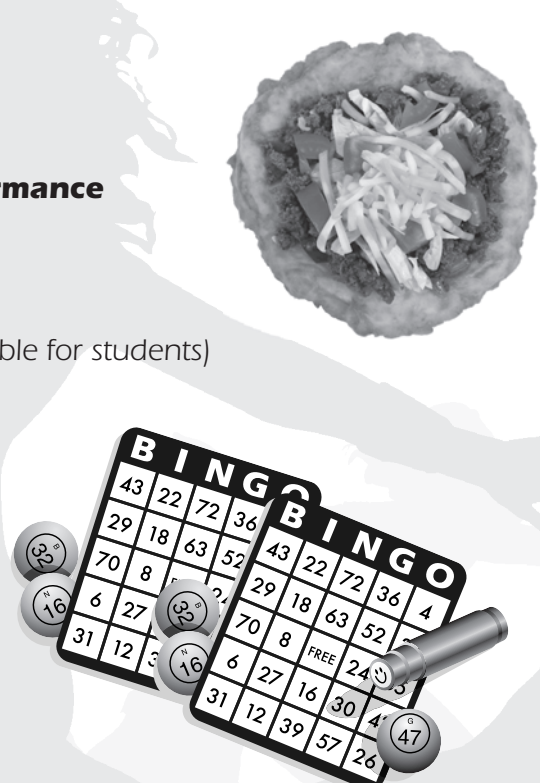
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Reminder for OLI students and parents to bring in all donations prior to event!
Thank you in advance for all your help and support.

Kenjgewin Teg to host Education Week workshops and events

by Robin Burrige

M'CHIGEENG—Kenjgewin Teg Educational Institute (KTEI) in M'Chigeeng is planning three days of workshops and fun events in honour of Education Week, Wednesday, May 8 to Friday, May 10.

KTEI is proud to be coordinating the busy education week activities that have been planned for weeks by our team." KTEI Executive Director Stephanie Roy told The Expositor. "The focus centers around promoting the importance of education whether you are a child, student or adult. KTEI promotes life long learning both academically and from a cultural perspective. We will have activities and workshops that range from fun science workshops, career cruising and learning about the importance of treaties and the impact of the Indian Act. It is a busy week and we invite anyone to join us who may be interested to come on out and not only enjoy themselves but learn something new as well."

The events are open to all the parents and families of Manitoulin Island, as well as youth, elders, teachers, students and education professionals of Manitoulin.

Wednesday, May 8 starts with a PlayLab Canada workshop from 2:30-4:30 pm for teacher practice and learning.

"Elementary teachers on Mnídoo Mnis are invited to become inspired and learn how to invigorate science learning in their K-Grade 8 classrooms," a press release explains. "With programming designed by educators, children are challenged to apply knowledge from Ontario's core school curriculum."

Preregistration is encouraged, as the workshop can only host a maximum of 20 teachers.

From 5 until 5:30 pm there will be a family spaghetti dinner, followed by a workshop from 5:30 to 7:30 pm entitled 'Reaching out to Parents,' which is open to the public.

Also from 5:30 to 7:30 pm there will be a

second PlayLab Canada workshop, an interactive kids session for students in Grades 1 through 8.

"PlayLab fosters a child's innate desire to explore and experience their world by providing a project-based, student-driven and hands-on approach to learning," the release continues.

In addition, toddlers can enjoy early learning literacy fun with education professionals while parents are participating in the 'Reaching Out to Parents' workshop.

Thursday will kick off at 9 am, with career cruising, a market place of area businesses, with Grades 7 and 8 Lakeview Students attending until noon.

Career cruising will be open to the public from 1 until 5:30 pm, with KTEI counselors on-hand to help.

From 1 until 4 pm there will be a SafeTalk workshop, helping individuals learn skills to be comfortable talking about suicide and how to help someone at risk.

Dinner will be held from 5:30 until 6 pm, with a Third World Canada video series to follow from 6 to 9 pm.

The video series will offer thought provoking discussion to help better understand the far reaches of poverty.

Friday will mark the final day of events, starting off with a workshop at 10 am on 'Recital of the Covenant Chain,' followed by 'The Foundation of Canada's Treaty relationships: The Legal Significance of the Royal Proclamation Act of 1763,' 'Oral History and the Treaties of Mnídoo Mnis: Spirit and Intent,' and 'The Indian Act: Then and Now.'

Throughout the day there will also be a video and online media perspective on treaties, a potluck lunch, and an opportunity to help create a KTEI YouTube video called 'We are All Treaty People on Mnídoo Mnísing.'

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Playlab Canada, Reaching Out to Parents and Early Learning Literacy Fun!

2:30-4:30 Playlab Canada – Session #1 – Teacher Practice Learning Opportunity

- Elementary teachers on Mnídoo Mnis are invited to become inspired and learn how to invigorate science learning in their K-8 classrooms!
- With programming designed by educators, children are challenged to apply knowledge from Ontario's core school curriculum
- Please note there is a max # of 20 teachers for this activity, pre-registration is encouraged

5:00-5:30 Fantastic Family Spaghetti Dinner - Get Ready for Learning!

5:30-7:30 "Reaching Out to Parents": Open Invitation to the Public

- A priority area of the First Nation Student Achievement Strategy is Family and Community Engagement. Chiefs of Ontario will be developing a "toolkit" to provide support to First Nations across Ontario and this is your chance to have a voice.
- Keys to Successful Partnerships involve 6 types:
 1. Parenting
 2. Communicating
 3. Volunteering
 4. Learning at Home
 5. Decision-making
- Collaborating with the Community

5:30-7:30 Play Lab Canada - Session #2 – Fun & Interactive Kids Session

- Suitable for Gr 1-8 student age level
- Rollin' Roller Coasters – Students will design and build a working model of a roller coaster that will meet specific criteria. Students in grade 3 and up will be required to incorporate a budget into their design.

5:30-7:30 Early Learning Literacy Fun

- Parents are welcome to participate in the "Reaching Out to Parent" concurrent session while their toddlers enjoy some literacy fun with our educational professionals!

THURSDAY, MAY 9TH, 2013:

Career Cruising, Safetalk, & Third World Canada Video Presentation

9:00-12:00 Career cruising with Grades 7 & 8 at Lakeview School

1:00-5:30 Career Cruising – Public Session

- Find out your strengths and potential! Choose the right career path for you...KTEI Counsellors will be on-hand to help

1:00- 4:00 SafeTalk

- Learn the skills to be comfortable talking about suicide and how to help someone at risk get to safety
- This event is suitable for persons 15 yrs of age and up

5:30-6:00 Dinner Provided

6:00-9:00 Third World Canada Video Series:

- A facilitated, thought provoking discussion and learning event to understand the far reaching depths of poverty
- Includes a documentary viewing of Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug (the people of the lake), a remote Native community bound by reserve laws in the forgotten North of Ontario
- Please note that this event contains emotional content and is not suitable for children

FRIDAY, MAY 10TH, 2013:

Educational Teach-in Event II: "We are all Treaty People on Mnídoo Mnísing"

10:00- 3:00 Session Topic #1: "Recital of the Covenant Chain"

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- Session Topic #2: "The Foundation of Canada's Treaty Relationships: The Legal Significance of the Royal Proclamation Act of 1763"
- Session #3: "Oral History and the Treaties of Mnídoo Mnis: Spirit and Intent"
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Some of the many volunteers of Central Manitoulin pose for a group photo following the municipality's volunteer appreciation celebrations.

photos by Betty Bardwich

Central Manitoulin celebrates efforts of community volunteers

by Betty Bardwich
 MINDEMOYA—Central Manitoulin honoured its many volunteers on April 26 as Reeve Gerry Strong and council members hosted a celebration at the Mindemoya Community Hall for representatives of many different organizations.



Central Manitoulin CAO/Clerk Ruth Frawley, former councillor and Mindemoya resident Marion Seabrook and Central Manitoulin Reeve Gerry Strong cut the cake to be served to deserving volunteers.

"We are honouring all our volunteers," said Reeve Strong in thanking those in attendance, "Including those from outlying areas. There are lots of different volunteers in our community, including people from the CNIB, the fire department, the Journey to Bethlehem and the Easter egg hunt and many others."

neighbours and our friends," he continued. "Volunteers build our community. My first experience with volunteering happened when I was nine-years-old and Beatrice Becks came to visit

"Volunteers are our

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CSAC cleans up town at second annual Earth Day Litter Blitz

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—Last month, the Northeast Town Community Service Advisory Committee (CSAC) held its second annual 'Litter Blitz' community clean up in honour of Earth Day, bringing out over 30 residents and collecting 10 bags of garbage.

"It went very well," CSAC chair and Northeast Town Councillor Melissa Peters told The Expositor following the clean up. "We had about 30 people that came out on Sunday and Monday for the clean up events and we collected around 10 garbage bags."

Ms. Peters added that the amount of garbage was down substantially from last year, but CSAC wasn't sure if that was due to the anti littering message getting out into the community or because past garbage had been collected last year at the inaugural clean up event.

"The weather wasn't ideal," continued Ms. Peters, "but everyone seemed to have a good time and enjoyed the barbecue at Low Island Park following the cleanup on Sunday."

The two-day event included a waterfront trail clean up on Sunday followed by the barbecue, and a park clean up of the Old Mill ruins and Turner's Park on Monday.

The Expositor also spoke with Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin who attended the clean up on Sunday.

"There were a lot less bags than last year, so I think that means that we are getting the message out," said Mayor MacNevin. "People like to be a part of keeping our town clean, especially the trail because they feel pride for our community and that was evident by the many volunteers that came out yesterday."

The Litter Blitz clean up was sponsored by the Little Current Lions Club, who ran the barbecue, TD Canada Trust and CSAC.



Eight-year-olds Jessica Boyle and Ava Ferguson pick up garbage along the Little Current waterfront trail as part of the Litter Blitz clean up event held last month.

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Manitoulin Family Resources fetes volunteers

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—The basement hall at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church in Mindemoya was filled to capacity during an appreciation luncheon hosted by Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR) to thank its army of volunteers.

Nancy McDermid, Help Centre project manager, delivered a message of gratitude to the volunteers on behalf of Alex Graham, project assistant; Andrea Smith and Eleanor Charlton, co-directors of MFR and the MFR board of directors, and welcomed the volunteers to the spring volunteer appreciation luncheon.

"Thank you to our volunteers for your hard work, dedication and goodwill in serving families and individuals in need of our help," said Ms. McDermid. "We have seen first hand how hard our volunteers work on a day-to-day basis; sorting clothes, packing food hampers and selling items in the thrift shop. Your commitment to the cause is amazing."

Ms. McDermid informed the assembled volunteers that this past year's Christmas food basket campaign was able to send out 450 food hampers to the public. "The Christmas food basket campaign was also a success due to the wonderful skills and expertise of our secre-



Manitoulin Family Resources volunteers gather for an appreciation luncheon at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church in Mindemoya.

photo by Michael Erskine

tary Denise Leblanc who organized the entire operation," said Ms. McDermid. "Thank you, Denise."

"Lastly, we would like to thank the ladies and gentlemen here at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church for preparing and serving our lunch."

MFR board members Les Fields and Linda Erskine brought tandem greetings from the MFR board. "I think you can see how happy we are," said Ms. Fields. "You do an incredible job every year. Every last gesture has a huge impact and every last gesture is appreciated. Some of us (board members and staff) have been in the position of having to receive (assistance)," she noted, adding that the service and assistance provided by MFR volunteers help preserve the dignity of MFR clients. "You do it with class," she said.

Ms. Erskine noted the

fundraising campaign for the new Help Centre building is growing swiftly thanks to the efforts of donors and volunteers. "It just keeps growing and growing," she said. "This building is very important," continued Ms. Erskine. "We need the facility to support the great work that you do as volunteers." The fund is currently at \$167,000 and growing swiftly. "We should be in position to start work on the building later this year," said Ms. Erskine.

"Both Les and I are volunteers," said Ms. Erskine. "But without your efforts, the job would not get done."



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Miraculous Manor volunteers

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photo by Robin Burrigde



Notorious Northeast Town volunteers

Members of the Northeast Town's public library outreach program pose with Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin during a volunteer appreciation wine and cheese event held at the Little Current recreation centre. A strong turnout of volunteers were on hand to sample a complimentary drink, a sampling of cheeses, vegetables and other snacks, receive the heartfelt thanks of the community, and the gift of a tree to plant. Pictured with Mayor MacNevin are volunteers Donna Wolfe, Wendy Gauthier, Marian Barnett and Karen Gelston.

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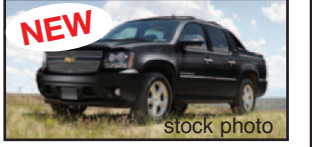
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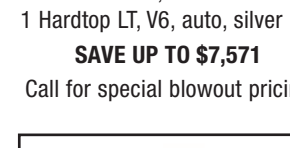
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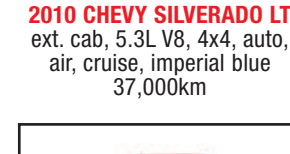
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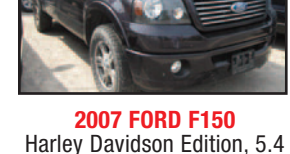
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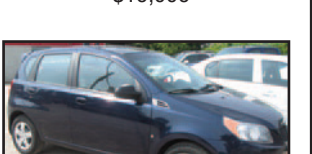
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livestock

Purebred Hereford bulls, purebred Hereford cows and heifers for sale. Contact 519-321-9233 or email jmanion-farms@hotmail.com. 48ftn

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

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Donate your car or truck, farm machinery, tractor, large scrap metal items to our church! We will pick these things up for you, sending a truck right to your location. In return we will give you an income tax receipt for the scrap value of the donation! Donations to St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Little Current. Contact Tony Ferro at 705-368-3066 or Jim Griffin at 705-859-2289. 16ftn

Looking for land to duck/upland hunt on for fall 2013. Willing to pay. Contact Pat at 705-920-9563. 50-51p

T yard sale

Indoor yard sale, Little Current United Church, Friday, May 3, 2 pm to 7 pm and Saturday, May 4, 9 am to 2 pm. 50-51p

rental wanted

House wanted to rent in Mindemoya area: Providence Bay, Rockville, etc. Looking for three-bedroom pet friendly home, long-term option preferred. Need by June 1. Phone 705-377-6190 or email pat@amtelecom.net. 50-51oa

rentals

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Storage units for rent in Little Current area, clean and secure. 705-368-0477. 48-51p

Beautiful four bedroom house in Little Current, handicapped accessible, close to downtown, school, hospital, etc. \$1,200 per month plus utilities. Available May 1. References required. Please call 705-368-3643. 48-51p

Bachelor/studio apartment in Little Current, brand new, walk to downtown, outside space for patio, barbecue, \$650 plus hydro, available May 15. typhoon@persona.ca or 705-368-1970. 50-51c

Providence Bay, two bedroom, close to beach, available May. Call 705-348-0988. 50-51oa

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rentals

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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. 16ftn

i coming events

The Manitoulin Community Choir presents an evening of song In Concert at Kagawong Park Centre on Saturday, May 4 at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$10 or \$20 per family. Come and join us for a relaxed evening of songs under the direction of Jane Best with accompanist Joan Eichner. All are welcome! 50-51oa

Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, May 5, 8 am to 11 am, Meldrum Bay Community Hall. Menu: Pancakes, sausage, bacon, eggs, French toast, fruit cocktail, juice, tea and coffee. Adults, \$9; twelve and under, \$5. Proceeds go to St. Andrew's United Church. 50-51p

Mother's Day Tea at Tehkummah Hall, Wednesday, May 8, 7:30 pm. Admission: \$6. Sponsored by Fairview United Church Junior UCW. 50-52p

There will be a Fashion Show, Saturday, May 11, 1 pm at CC McLean Public School, Gore Bay. Tickets \$8, includes beverage, dessert and the show. Door prizes. Come out and support the Grade 8 grads. Fashions by Cindy's Clothesline in Mindemoya and Wood Brothers Clothing in Gore Bay. Tickets available from any Grade 8 student and at Cindy's Clothesline at 705-377-4551. See you there! 50oa

i want to buy

Mother's Day Luncheon, Saturday, May 11, Little Current United Church Hall, 11:30 am to 1 pm. Adults, \$8; children (5-12 years), \$4. Bake table and plant sale starting at 9 am. 50-52p

i coming events

Last Chapter Used Bookshop sponsored by Friends of the Assinack Public Library at Burn's Wharf in Manitoaning is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 12 noon to 3 pm beginning on May 9. All donations of books, magazines, puzzles, games, videos, DVDs, music and small toys gratefully accepted. For more info call 705-859-2110. Special prices the month of May on children's and young adult books and over 400 videos. 51oa

Country Music Show, Little Current Recreation Centre, Sunday, May 26, 2 pm to 5 pm. Admission: \$10. Down Yonder, Ben Lentir, Jim Beach, Gordie Lapiere and The Islanders. Dance space available! Bring your dancing shoes! Light refreshments will be available. Proceeds to Manitoulin Centennial Manor Intra-venous Pump Campaign. 51-54oa

The Central Manitoulin Historical Society will hold its annual general meeting on Wednesday, May 8 at 1:30 pm at the Central Manitoulin Council Chamber in Mindemoya. Everyone interested is welcome. For info: 705-377-4045. 51oa

The Expositor Office can meet your various printing needs: wedding invitations, invoices, letterhead, business cards, rubber stamps, envelopes. Call 705-368-2744, ask for Dave.

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 Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates

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May 13, 2013 7 pm
 Manitoulin Secondary School
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PowerPoint presentation
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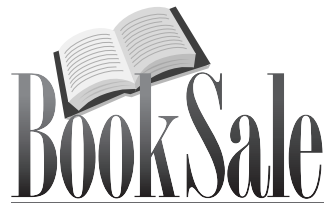
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Manitoulin Health Centre Auxiliary



& Jigsaw Puzzles

Saturday, May 4th

10am - 2pm

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May 11 - Viewing 10:00am,
Auction begins at 11:00am

\$5.00 Admission (to be donated to Legion)

Featuring: Coins, stamps, oil lamps, glass motor oil bottles, milk bottles, poison bottles, etc., pottery including Wade, Roseville, Royal Daulton, Wedgewood, Royal Haegen, Blue mountain etc., crocks, brass fire nozzle, L.C.F.D. Helmet, old glass including carnival, depression, uranium, milk etc., old diecast including Dinky, Corgi, Matchbox, Hot Wheels, etc., old pressed steel toys including Tonka, Buddy L, Nylint, etc., microscope in box, Red Indian oil greaser on dolly cart and early metal gas can, White Rose cans, Trico windshield wiper metal display box on wheels, metal Mathews sign, wooden carved duck decoys, antique seeder and furrow plow, milk cans including Waggs, 1898 cream separator, tobacco tins, antique saws, planes, etc., framed WWII photos including 82nd (Gaspé) Battery 4th Anti-Tank Regiment R.C.A. England 1942, glass fishing float, milk glass lightning ball, aqua and purple canning jars including Beaver, old cameras, leghold traps, ice tongs, wooden spoke car wheel, early lobster dory boat anchor, oilers, insulators, old radios, primitive table, antique corner display cupboard, goodie boxes, mystery boxes and much more.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Mindemoya Minor Hockey AGM

Wednesday, May 8th
at 7:00PM

at the Mindemoya Community Centre

All parents or guardians, referee, parent or guardian of referee, coach, assistant coach, trainer, or manager of a team participating in the present hockey season are welcome to come out and vote for the upcoming year's executive committee.

Written notice of any proposed amendments to the constitution must be submitted to the secretary no less than 14 days prior to the general meeting.

Please forward all enquiries to
adam_wm_smith@yahoo.com or call 705-377-5884
or in writing to:
Mindemoya Minor Hockey
PO Box 45
Mindemoya, ON
P0P 1S0

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**Soccer & Softball
Registration Night**

Wednesday, May 8

6:30pm - 7:30pm

NEMI Rec. Centre
Lower Lobby

Registration can be completed prior to May 8 at the NEMI Town Office during regular business hours.

Volunteers are needed to make this program possible. Please let us know if you can help.

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Help Wanted

Construction Labourer(s)

2 positions available - (1 summer student)

- experience required
- fulltime positions

Must be:

- Motivated
- Self starter
- Able to work at heights
- Physically fit
- Drivers License an asset

Send resume to:

mclaughlincarpentry@sympatico.ca

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Ojibwe Language Teachers

Rainbow District School Board, with schools in Sudbury, Espanola and Manitoulin Island is now accepting applications for Ojibwe Language Teachers in both Elementary and Secondary schools commencing September 3, 2013.

Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter, proof of qualifications, recent performance evaluations and /or practice teaching reports and the names of three professional references by 3:00 pm, Tuesday May 28, 2013 to:

**Human Resources
Rainbow District School Board
69 Young Street, Sudbury, ON P3E 3G5
Email: HRT@rainbowschools.ca**

Rainbow District School Board thanks all applicants for their interest in the public school system. Only those applicants who are selected for an interview will be contacted.

In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, personal information is being collected under the authority of the Education Act and will be used for employee recruitment purposes. Questions should be directed to the above.

The candidates selected for the positions will have to provide a criminal record check.

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Board Chair

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Director of Education

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**Employment Opportunity
Meals on Wheels Cook (Part-Time)
AMIKOOK - Long Term Care/Home and Community Care**

Job Summary:

The Meals on Wheels Cook will be responsible to the Nahndahweh Tchigehgamig and under the general directions of the Community Support Services Coordinator.

Responsibilities:

- Ensure the safe and timely preparation of meals for delivery three days per week
- Responsible for meal and menu planning in coordination with the Community Support Service Coordinator, in accordance with the Canada Food Guide
- To plan all monthly meals menus according to diet specifications, and make meal adjustments as client need changes occur.
- Reports to the Community Support Services Coordinator to discuss upcoming meals and menu, grocery needs, food inventory, issues related to volunteers or kitchen procedures
- Awareness of food allergies and sensitivities
- Participate in workshops pertaining to meal preparation, standards, and kitchen practices.
- Maintain a high standard of sanitation and safety in the kitchen and other related duties.

Qualifications:

- Post secondary courses specific to the Food Industry
- Certification in Food Preparation & Food Handling
- One/two years Experience in Food Service
- Supervision skills and an understanding of working with volunteers

This is a part time permanent position. Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, (3) three current (within the last 3 months) work related letters of reference marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

Leanne Mishibinjima

NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON POP 2J0
Fax: (705) 859-3300

Deadline: Friday, May 10, 2013 at 4:00pm

We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted. **Prior to being hired, the successful applicant will be required to submit a current clear criminal reference check along with a drivers abstract.**

**NEMI Public Library
Part-Time Employment Opportunity**

NEMI Public Library requires a Project Manager

for the upcoming Art For Seniors Program to run from June 1, 2013 until March 1, 2014. Approximately 50 days of duties will be involved.

Responsibilities

Reporting to the Library CEO and the Board Committee, perform the following:

Planning/Organization/Marketing.

- Determine the art modules to be included in the project and set the schedule
- Select artists and assist during practical sessions
- Publicize the project in the community and recruit participants
- Oversee project budget; purchase art materials
- Manage the workspace

Communication/Evaluation.

- Act as the main contact for the project; ensure clear communication and cooperation among artists, library staff, and participants
- Hold monthly progress meetings
- Obtain feedback from participants
- Compile end of project report

Qualifications:

The ideal candidate should have the following: some knowledge of the arts, project management experience, ability to work with minimum supervision, good oral, written and email communication, and MS Office skills.

Submit covering letter and resume by May 15 to:

NEMI Public Library
50 Meredith St., Little Current ON P0P 1K0

Or by email to: nemilib@vianet.on.ca

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**Employment Opportunity
Administrative Support
Permanent Full Time**

The NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a qualified and motivated individual for the position of Administrative Support.

Job Summary

The Administrative Support will be required to perform all stated responsibilities within job description; maintain confidentiality of information in relation to all NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre Programs. The Administrative Support will work with the Long Term Care/Home and Community Care Program.

Responsibilities

- Administrative duties
- Visitor Management
- Data Entry

Qualifications

- Relevant diploma or certificate program;
- One (1) year experience as a Administrative Support;
- Knowledge & Respect of Culture, Traditions and Language;
- Computer knowledge;
- Good communication skills;
- Must maintain confidentiality;
- Customer service oriented;
- CPR/First Aid

This is a permanent full time position and continuation is subject to review. Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copy of accreditations, (3) three current letters of reference, copy of drivers license, and copy of drivers abstract, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Administrative Support

Attention: Leanne Mishibinjima, Administrative Support - Personnel
NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON POP 2J0 Fax: (705) 859-3300

Deadline: May 10th, 2013 @ 4:00

For a complete job description, please call (705) 859-3164.

The successful applicant must provide a CPIC including Vulnerable Section Screening.

We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Incomplete submission will not be accepted. No return of submissions.



**Employment Opportunity
One Personal Support Worker (PSW)
Permanent Full Time**

The NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of Personal Support Worker with the Long Term Care Program located at Amikook.

Job Summary

The PSW be responsible to the NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre and under the general directions of the Community Support Services Unit Coordinator.

Responsibilities

- To assist persons with the activities of daily living and/or personal care and to contribute to their quality of life by promoting their independence, dignity, social/emotional/physical well-being, mobility, personal appearance, comfort and safety.
- To provide light household management services to clients.
- To observe and report any changes in client service or environment to the supervisor.
- Able to react to change productively and handle any other essential tasks as assigned.
- Bilingual/fluent to communicate with clients in their language of preference/comfort.

Qualifications

- Be able to understand and speak the language – Ojibwe
- Valid First Aid, CPR
- Valid Ontario Drivers License
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation Communities and their culture
- Personal Support Worker Certificate/Health Care Aide
- Secondary School Graduation Diploma
- Drivers abstract

This is a permanent contract position and continuation is subject to review. Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copy of accreditations, (3) three current work related letters of reference, drivers abstract and a current clear criminal reference check, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Leanne Mishibinjima

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Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON POP 2J0
Fax: (705) 859-3300

For a complete job description, please call (705) 859-2260.

Deadline: May 10, 2013 @ 4:00pm.

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ALL INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY

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NEMI Public Library
Summer Student Employment

Library Assistant - 1 Position

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Send resume to:
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Little Current, ON P0P 1K0 (705) 368-2444

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Employment Opportunities
at Cambrian College

CAMBRIAN COLLEGE'S Wabnode Centre for Aboriginal Services has a requirement for a **Director** – competition #13-A-04.

CAMBRIAN COLLEGE's Student Success and Recruitment department has a requirement for a full-time **Aboriginal Recruiter** – competition #13-S-06.

The closing date for these competitions is Monday, May 6, 2013, at 4 p.m.

For further details, visit www.cambriancollege.ca/jobs.

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Reliable help needed for retail shop located in Gore Bay.
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Yard/Delivery Driver Required Seasonal Position

We are currently seeking applications for a **Truck Driver/Delivery/Yard Man position for our Manitoulin Yard.**

Applicants must have DZ license and be willing to obtain a 0-8 Ton Crane License. *Boom experience would be an asset.*

Duties included but not limited to:

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- Inter-Branch Communication
- General Maintenance and Truck Repair

Resumes will be accepted by:
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Fax: 519-528-2025

For more information please call Duane Porter at: **519-528-3537**

J.A. Porter Holdings (Lucknow) Ltd.
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 **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Economic Development General Manager

Department: MFN Economic Development Corporation
 Classification Level: Department Manager (DM-4)
 Position Status: Term F/T (May lead to Regular Full-Time)

Position Summary
 The Economic Development General (EDG) Manager is a senior position performing at an executive level; formulating strategic plans related to economic development, expanding and diversifying the economy of the community. A visionary and respected business leader with experience in for-profit businesses and is results-oriented with combined education to strategically foster growth and economic development initiatives to create employment opportunities for band membership. The EDG Manager will report to the Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Essential Functions

- Develop an Economic Development corporation and a comprehensive sustainable economic development strategy
- Provide leadership in the development, maintenance, and implementation of the strategic plan and identify priorities for the Corporation; business counselling support and entrepreneurial related activities
- Research and prepares economic, demographic, market, statistical, financial, policy, and other reports
- Prepare and disseminates information of availability of land, buildings, and other resources conducive to promotion of businesses
- Understand Federal and Provincial legislation pertaining to business and public policy
- Maintain membership/association with the Board, OFNEDA, GSCT, Waubetek Business Development Corporation, municipal governments, First Nation communities, and participates in regional economic planning activities, tradeshow, etc.
- Manage the daily operations of the Corporation and lead, develop, and inspire a diverse work team
- Prepare and analyze business plans and proposals, financial forecasts, feasibility studies for presentation to BOD, Chief & Council, potential business partners, government officials, and lending institutions

Qualifications & Requirements

Minimum, Post-Secondary in business or related field with minimum of seven (7) years of experience or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Management skills, financial management and budgeting, strategic planning, business development, marketing, and human resources management; Extensive knowledge and experience in business and financial acumen would be strong assets; and knowledge of principles, theories, and practices of economic development and business management; and area labour force and market demands

Preferred, University Degree in related discipline (Economic Development, Commerce, Business Administration, or Marketing)

Other, Demonstrated senior management, supervisory and administrative skills to develop and implement strategic and financial planning, policy development (corporate, business, investment criteria) and quality control and risk management abilities

Strong organizational and project management skills; excellent communication and interpersonal skills
 Understanding of culture and customs and fluency of Ojibwe language are strong assets; valid driver's license and reliable vehicle

It is mandatory for the successful candidate to submit a current thirty (30) day CRC, must be original or certified copy. Offer of employment will be subject to receipt of a satisfactory clear CRC record.

CRC Rationale - The M'Chigeeng First Nation is committed to providing a safe and secure work environment, is in a position of trust and must strive to maintain the provision of a safe and secure environment. Therefore, candidates must have a record clear of any occurrences and convictions relating to alcohol and drug involvement, fraud, theft and assault related convictions.

Interested applicants please submit **cover letter, resume and three (3) current written work-related references and Education certification by FRIDAY MAY 3, 2013 at 4:00P.M. to:**
Attn: Economic Development General Manager
 c/o Chief Administrative Officer, M'Chigeeng First Nation
 P.O. Box 333, M'CHIGEENG, ON P0P 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980)
 For a complete Job Description, please contact HR 705-377-5362 or rochelled@mchigeeng.ca

LATE OR INCOMPLETE applications will not be considered.
 We appreciate your interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.
 Preference will be given to Anishinabek people.
www.mchigeeng.ca

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

Deadline for text ads, like this, as well as boxed ads is Friday at 4 pm.

 **Employment Opportunity**
Registered Nurse – Long Term Care/Home and Community Care Permanent Full Time

The NAHNDAMWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of Registered Nurse (RN) with the Long Term Care/Home and Community Care Program (LTC/HCC).

Job Summary
 The RN will be required to work in a home care setting and see assigned clients on a regular basis. You will work collaboratively with other health care providers in providing holistic care that focuses on achieving and maintaining optimal health for clients. Hours of work are 7.5 hours per day, 37.5 hours per week including weekend and holidays on a rotating basis.

Qualifications

- Current standard of care certificate from the College of Nurses of Ontario
- Baccalaureate degree or diploma in Nursing
- Experience in a homecare setting an asset
- Self-directed learner/worker who requires minimal supervision.
- Strong critical thinking and decision making skills
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation Communities and their culture would be an asset.
- Valid Ontario Driver's License
- Current certificate of CPR and First Aid.

This is a full permanent position. Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copy of accreditations, (3) three letters of reference, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Registered Nurse
Long Term Care/Home and Community Care
 Leanne Mishibinjima
 NAHNDAMWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
 Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive
 Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0 Fax: (705) 859-3300

Deadline: May 10, 2013 @ 4 pm.

The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check and driver's abstract.

We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

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MUNICIPALITY OF ASSIGINACK

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Council of the Township of Assiginack invites proposals for the Roller Mills Building on the waterfront in Manitowaning.

The Council wished to see the building used at no cost to the Municipality for the benefit of the Municipality's citizens.

Proposals in writing, clearly marked "Roller Mills" will be accepted by the undersigned.

Council reserves the right to decline any or all proposals received.

Township of Assiginack
 25B Spragge Street
 Box 238
 Manitowaning, ON
 P0P 1N0

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1 Marina Assistant
1 Public Works

Eligible students must be planning to return to school fulltime in the fall and be eligible to work in Canada as well as be 15 yrs. of age upon commencement of employment. All positions are dependent on funding. Job Descriptions available at the Municipal Office

Resumes for these positions will be accepted by the undersigned until: May 3rd, 2013 @ 4:00pm

A. Hobbs Clerk/Administrator
 Township of Assiginack
 PO Box 238
 Manitowaning, ON
 P0P 1N0

705-859-3196
 1-800-540-0179
 705-859-3010-fax

MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Municipality of Central Manitoulin will hold a public meeting to consider the following proposed zoning amendments under Section 34, R.S.O. 1990, C.P. 13, of the Planning Act

in the Council Chambers of the
 Central Manitoulin Municipal Complex
 6020 Hwy. 542 Mindemoya ON
 Thursday, May 23, 2012, at 6:45 p.m.

The Council of the Municipality has determined a need to amend Section 5 Definitions, Sections 7.4.3, 7.5.3, 7.4.1.1, 7.5.1.1 and Section 6.19(g) of Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07 for the Municipality of Central Manitoulin.

THEREFORE the Council of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin proposes the following:

That sections 1-6 of the following shall apply to all lands within the legal boundaries of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin and section 7 shall apply to only those lands so listed;

1. That Section 5 – Definitions of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07 is amended to add:

"GROUP HOME": shall mean a residence licensed or funded under a federal or provincial statute for the accommodation of three to 10 persons, exclusive of staff, living under supervision in a single housekeeping unit and who, by reason of their emotional, mental, social or physical condition or legal status, require a group living arrangement for their well being.

2. That Section 5 – Definitions of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07 is amended to delete:

DWELLING, GROUP; shall mean a building, which is part of a group of dwellings on the same lot, which group of dwellings is comprised of row-house dwellings, or maisonette dwellings or apartment buildings or any combination thereof.

3. That the following statement found in Sections 7.4.3 and 7.5.3 NOTWITHSTANDING of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Restricted Area Zoning By-law 2002-07, shall be amended as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this By-law, for a "Group Home" 1 parking space shall be provided for every three beds and when a building or structure is converted to a "Group Home", the whole building or structure shall be converted. However, a separate dwelling unit may be retained for the exclusive use of the "Group Home" custodian or caretaker.

4. That Sections 7.4.1.1 and 7.5.1.1 of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Restricted Area Zoning Bylaw 2002-07 shall be amended as follows; "Group Dwelling" shall be replaced with "Group Home" in the list of Permitted Uses.

5. That Section 6.19 (g) of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Restricted Area Zoning Bylaw 2002-07 shall be amended to add: "or under permit as provided by By-law 2012-22", being a bylaw to allow the temporary use of tourist/travel trailers on vacant lands.

6. All other permitted uses, performance standards and provisions of Restricted Area Zoning by-law Number 2002-07(as amended) which are not specifically varied hereby continue to apply.

7. The lands described as Pt. of Lot 20, Con. 5, Plan M-173 Lots 1,2,3,20,21, Township of Carnarvon, Municipality of Central Manitoulin,
 Pt. of Lot 20, Concession 5, Plan 31R-1838 pt.2, Township of Carnarvon, Municipality of Central Manitoulin,
 Pt. of Lot 21 Con. 5 PCL 1419, Township of Carnarvon, Municipality of Central Manitoulin,
 Pt. of Lot 20 Con 4, Plan 31R 3665 pt.1, Township of Carnarvon, Municipality of Central Manitoulin, be rezoned from Hamlet Residential to Hamlet Residential Multiple.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of Central Manitoulin before the by-law is passed, 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.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Municipality of Central Manitoulin before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the zoning by-law amendment you must make a written request to the Municipality of Central Manitoulin.

A copy of the proposed amendment may be inspected at the Municipal Office in Mindemoya during business hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from Monday through Friday each week.

DATED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN
 THIS 25th DAY OF APRIL, 2013

QUESTION OF THE WEEK—Could someone with long arms get a job as a shorthand cook. If you know, phone 368. 51p

thank you

Special thank you for all the kind gestures and the wonderful care given to Alice Kirk, by all the staff at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home. Thanks to all the Little Current Health Centre staff, and Gloria and Tony at the funeral home. Eleanor Howe, Myrtle Stevens and families. 51oa

Thank you all for taking such good care of me when I was sick with my heart attack. To Mindemoya Hospital staff, doctors and nurses. Thanks to Dr. Jeeves who came in right away when I was critical and they called for him. I will never forget it. Thanks to the gentlemen who took me on the helicopter, Dr. Michaud, the nurses and staff at the Sudbury Hospital. To all my visitors, it was nice to see you all. For all the phone calls, treats, and cards, they were appreciated. Thanks to the Expositor staff for the lovely arrangement, Margo and Hurley for the nice tulips, Leigh Anne and family for the rose bush and Teresa and family for the lovely arrangement. Many thanks to my family. My son David and Connie for taking me to Mindemoya and staying with me until I was stable, and going to Sudbury on Thursday and staying with me each day until Sunday when my daughter Rosemarie and Allen came back from visiting in Parkhill to stay with me until I got out on Tuesday. Thanks to Reverend Bain and Lynda Peever for coming to be with me and the family Tuesday evening. To my granddaughters, Tracey and family, Tammey and family who were with me Tuesday night and Teresa and Caroline and Leigh Anne, Kaitlyn who came from North Bay and Mattawa on Wednesday in Mindemoya and for going to Sudbury to be with me when I got there. Everything has been greatly appreciated. Thanks and God Bless you, Erma McAllister. 51p

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The Manitoulin Tourism Association
 is accepting job applications from students seeking
SUMMER JOB POSITIONS
as TRAVEL COUNSELLORS
at the Little Current Welcome Centre

Qualified individuals should be:

- Friendly and outgoing
- Knowledgeable about Manitoulin Island attractions and communities
- Aware of the importance of the tourism industry to Manitoulin

Please apply in writing with references to:
The Manitoulin Tourism Association
P.O. Box 119
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0

Application deadline is May 10, 2013

Please note: number hired, and all hiring is contingent on funding for the positions

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Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

PLEASE BE ADVISED

The Administration and Finance Committee Meeting regularly scheduled for **May 9th, 2013** **HAS BEEN CANCELLED**

Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services seeks volunteers

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services (VCARS) is currently seeking volunteer crisis responders to join its dynamic team.

“Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services is a community-based service which assists police in providing short term emotional support and practical assistance to victims of crime, and tragic circumstance,” Manitoulin Northshore VCARS program coordinator Kristin Bickell explained to The Expositor. “Community volunteers provide for the victim’s immediate needs and supply referrals to existing community services if longer-term care is required. Follow up is provided by Victim Services staff if requested by the victim.”

Ms. Bickell further explained that VCARS staff and team leaders dispatch volunteers when needed and that volunteers must be available for a minimum of three 12-hour on-call shifts a month, as the organization provides support 24 hours a day, seven days a week. As well, volunteers must be at least 18 years of age.

“Other than the two requirements I just mentioned, anyone can be a volunteer,” added Ms. Bickell. “There are no prerequisites. You don’t have to have a background in social work or mental health, you just need to be empathetic, non-judgmental and a good listener to be a crisis responder. All volunteers go through a condensed one day, 8-10 hour workshop in addition to eLearning.”

Potential volunteers will go through an interview process that includes a reference check, police check and personal interview.

The Manitoulin North Shore Victim Services has a good base of dedicated volunteers presently, but is in need of more to fill its monthly schedule. Volunteers are espe-

cially needed in the Northshore region, but Ms. Bickell said that Manitoulin volunteers would be greatly appreciated as well.

“The Manitoulin Northshore VCARS covers Manitoulin Island and the North Shore as covered by the Ontario Provincial Police, First Nations Police, and Espanola Town Police Services,” explained Ms. Bickell. “The west boundary meets the Sault Ste. Marie Victim Services group and extends the service east to the town of Nairn where the Sudbury Victim Services boundary meets, and south through Manitoulin Island. This primarily rural area covers over 9,000 square kilometres and includes a portion of the Trans-Canada Highway (Highway 17) and a heavily used seasonal ferry route (Highway 6).”

With such a large area, it’s clear why the organization is in need of more volunteers, something that Ms. Bickell told The Expositor is integral to VCARS’ operation.

“Volunteers and their efforts to make a difference on a local level give communities across Manitoulin and the North Shore a sense of unity,” continued Ms. Bickell. “Victim Services volunteers and their role as crisis responders have a significant impact on the lives of many community members that have experienced victimization and/or tragic circumstances. We have a dedicated, compassionate group of volunteers that truly embrace the spirit of community.”

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer can contact Manitoulin Northshore VCARS at 705-859-3378, email Ms. Bickell at kristin.bickell@EastLink.ca, or write to the organization at 1504, Hwy. 6, PO Box 310, Manitowaning, P0P 1N0. The next volunteer workshop is tentatively scheduled for the end of May.

Death Notices

HAROLDINE JEAN KINNEY (NEE PURVIS)
NOVEMBER 24, 1924 – APRIL 28, 2013

In loving memory of Haroldine Jean Kinney (nee Purvis), loving mother of Purvis and Angela Kinney of Edmonton and Sherry and David Shives of Bowmanville. She will be missed by her 6 grandchildren Heather, Jacqueline, James, Michael, John and Mary and her 4 great-grandchildren Theo, Adeline, Jordyn and Zoe. Survived by her brother Alec Purvis. Predeceased by her husband James. James worked for the Bank of Montreal and he and Haroldine moved several times, making lasting friends in many communities. The family would like to thank Dorothy and the late Elwyn Dickey, John Raaphorst, Stuart Bourne, Stuart VanHeuvelen, Mark Borutskie, Dr. Hoy, Dr. Osborne, the amazing team at Kingsway Arms, the amazing dialysis team at Lakeridge Health Oshawa and the very compassionate caregivers at Sunnycrest Nursing Home in Whitby. Haroldine has had a long and interesting life. She was a good cook and homemaker, she did beautiful handwork, was a volunteer and a member of Kinettes, a keen golfer, and she loved her church. She always said, “If you can’t say anything nice, don’t say anything,” and she lived those words. There will be a Family Service in Gore Bay with interment in Gordon Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Community Care or the Charity of your Choice. Arrangements entrusted to the Northcutt Elliott Funeral Home, 53 Division Street, Bowmanville. www.northcuttelliott.com.

Manitoulin hosts workshops for Canadian Mental Health Week

by Robin Burrige

M’CHIGEENG—In honour of Canadian Mental Health Week, May 6-12, the Manitoulin Addictions and Mental Health Partners have organized a series of workshops and events for Manitoulin, in partnership with the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing (UCCMM) and M’Chigeeng First Nation.

“The theme for this year’s Mental Health Week is ‘Mental Health for All,’ with a special focus on youth mental health,” explained alternative program worker for M’Chigeeng First Nation Sam Gilchrist, who is a part of the Manitoulin Addictions and Mental Health Partners and helping to organize the week’s events. “I think both of those concepts are important to think about as we enter into the week of

May 6-12. Mental health can sometimes be forgotten as it is not as easily perceived as someone’s physical health might be.”

“The tagline ‘Mental Health for All’ encompasses the latter thought by reminding everyone to be aware of their mental health as it affects every portion of their daily lives,” continued Mr. Gilchrist. “Youth mental health is an important concept that can be overlooked in today’s fast paced environment and is something that will be addressed at the Mnídoo Mnísing Empowerment Gathering.”

The week’s events kick off on Monday, May 6 at a lunch and learn at the M’Chigeeng Health Centre on ‘Traditional Mindfulness’ from Ed Didur and Godfrey Shawanda from 12 noon to 1 pm.

Tuesday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 8 will be the Mnídoo Mnísing Empowerment Gathering at the M’Chigeeng Community Complex, sponsored by the UCCMM from 8:30 am to 3 pm.

“The Mnídoo Mnísing Empowerment Gathering is a collaborative effort between M’Chigeeng First Nation and UCCMM,” explained Ms. Daughness Migwans, gwekwaadziwin coordinator with the UCCMM. “The goal is to create an opportunity for people of Mnídoo Mnísing to learn new information with regards to the importance of maintaining a healthy balanced lifestyle as a means to achieving successes in social change and personal growth (health, education, employment and family relations). Some key elements of empow-

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...Central Manitoulin celebrates efforts of community volunteers

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me in the hospital. I got involved in volunteering when I bought my house from John McCullagh and there was a box in the basement that said Boy Scouts of Canada and inside was a note saying, ‘Gerry, you are the new Scout Leader’.”

“I would also like to say

thank you to the township staff who put all this together, thank you to Ruth, Rossanne and Colleen,” added Reeve-Strong.

Central Manitoulin CAO and Clerk Ruth Frawley also thanked the volunteers. “I appreciate everything you’ve done for years,” Ms. Frawley said. “We wouldn’t be the com-

munity we are without you people.”

The many volunteers in attendance at the celebration enjoyed tea, coffee, delicious cookies baked by Alice Shelly of Spring Bay, chocolate and white cakes supplied by Foodland and a beautifully decorated hall with table centrepieces donated by Cindy Wright, owner of

Good Times Wedding and Party and Cindy’s Clothesline.

+ in memoriam

WEMIGWANS—In loving memory of a dear father, husband, grandfather and great-grandfather, Francis L. Wemigwans, who left us May 2, 1985. This month comes back with deep regret It brings back a day we will never forget. He went away without saying goodbye But our memories of him will never die. No one knows the grief we bear When the family meets and he’s not there. The tears we shed will wipe away But the ache in our hearts will always stay. He left us so suddenly his thoughts unknown But he left us with memories We are proud to own. Lovingly remembered by Kim, Francis Jr. Sydney, Wayne, Debbi, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and wife Leona. 51p

+ in memoriam

CHEECHOO—In loving memory of a dear son, father, brother, uncle, Michael, who passed away May 3, 1998. Fifteen years ago today You never said I’m leaving You never said goodbye You were gone before I knew it Only God knows why. A million times I have needed you A million times I have cried If love could have saved you You never would have died. In life I loved you dearly In death I love you still Son, no words will ever be enough To say how much I love and miss you. You are always in my thoughts You will always be in my heart Son, you may be gone But you will never be forgotten. Always loved and remembered daily. Sadly missed by Mom, brother and all the family. 51p

+ in memoriam

RIDLEY—In loving memory of Don, a great husband, father and grandfather, who passed away May 1, 1997. Sadly missed along life’s way Quietly remembered every day. With love, Jean, Kathy and Kim. 51c

+ in memoriam

TAYLOR—In memory of our Mom, Evelyn G. Taylor, May 1, 2012. If we could have a lifetime wish And one dream that could come true We would pray to God with all our hearts Just to see and speak to you. A thousand words won’t bring you back We know because we’ve tried, And neither will a million tears We know because we’ve cried. You’ve left behind our broken hearts And precious memories too But we’ve never wanted memories We only wanted you. Forever loved, Claire, Barb, Jedd. 51c

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

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call 705-859-3224 or 705-863-3634
email: tehkummahpentecostalchurch@yahoo.ca
Spring Bay
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10:30 am Sunday Morning Service
7:00 pm Sunday Evening Service
7pm Wed. Bible Study
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9:00am Sunday - **Kaboni**
11:00am Sunday - **Wkwemikong**
1:00pm Sunday - **South Bay**
4:00pm Sunday - **Buzwah**
10:30am Sunday - **M’Chigeeng**
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Wednesdays at 7 pm Sheguiandah
Visitation Team Pastors Frank and
Verna Trudeau (705) 859-1956

Death Notices

CLARENCE LEWIS



In loving memory of Clarence Lewis, 80 years, who passed away suddenly at his home on Monday, April 15, 2013. Beloved husband of Suzanne (née Brisson). Son of the late Dominic and late Rose Lewis. Loving father of Stacey and Kevin. Dear brother of Elaine Milne (Rick), Ronald, Leo and Doris Smith (predeceased). Sadly missed by many in-laws, nieces and nephews. A retired teacher, he taught school in Honora Bay, Little Current, Wikwemikong, Naughton, New Sudbury and Hanmer. Clarence took great pride in his home and yard and was an avid fan of the Sudbury Wolves. He was a member of the Hanmer Knights of Columbus. He was also on the Board of Directors of Little NHL for many years. Clarence was a band member of the Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve. The family received relatives and friends at the Cooperative Funeral Home, 4570 St. Joseph Street, Hanmer on Friday, April 19, 2013 from 2 pm to 5 pm and 7 pm to 9:30 pm. Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 11 am at the St. Kevin's Church, Val Therese. Donations (by cheque only) to the Northern Cancer Foundation would be greatly appreciated.

HILDA MADDOX



In loving memory of Hilda Maddox who died peacefully at the Manitoulin Centennial Manor on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at the age of 87. Predeceased by husband John Joseph "Jack" Maddox. Survived by beloved daughter Linda and husband Vic Heath and grandson Anthony and wife Elisa. Hilda was born on November 4, 1925 to Ellen "Nellie" and Martin Catlow. She spent most of her early years and married years in Blackburn Lancashire, where she attended school in the Griffin area, and marrying her first love, Jack, on Christmas Eve, 1946. She and Jack lived in the Little Harwood area of Blackburn. Mum always had lots of friends and loved to enjoy their company immensely. She was never happier than when her grandson Anthony came to visit. In 1985, she came to Canada to live with her daughter and son-in-law, and grandson in Brampton, and once again made many friends, and was always on the go, singing and dancing, and socializing. She loved to sing, and was a member of the Choir in Brampton, where they played many venues throughout the year. In 2001 she moved once again to Mindemoya, and lived in Meadowview Apartments, where she once again made many friends. She will be remembered as a caring mother, mother-in-law and nan, and will be sorely missed. Hilda will be brought back to England for burial with her family. Online condolences at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

ARTHUR CHARLES STEVENS MAY 29, 1950 – APRIL 26, 2013

Art was born and grew up in Toronto, son of the late Charles and Jean Stevens. He showed a talent for electronics and in his younger years he owned an electronics repair shop. He later worked in the refinery industry, and finally settled in M'Chigeeng with his wife Eva in 1991. He loved the outdoors and loved to barbecue when he wasn't building something or watching westerns on television. Art and Eva Debassige were together for over 40 years and she will miss him terribly. Dear father of Daina Stevens, Laura Suthers (Adam) and Shaun Stevens (Suzie). Grandpa to Emma and Spencer Suthers. Art will be remembered by his many brothers and sisters-in-law of the Debassige Clan and his many nieces and nephews. Friends may visit at Saswaahns Spiritual Centre on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 from 1 pm until time of the funeral mass on Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 11 am at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, M'Chigeeng. Rev. Jim Kelly officiating. Interment in M'Chigeeng First Nation Cemetery. Memorial donations to Heart and Stroke, the Canadian Cancer Society or Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

RAYMOND JOSEPH LABINE

JUNE 24, 1933 – APRIL 14, 2013



In loving memory of Raymond Joseph Labine of 1352 Lakeshores Road, Kagawong, Ontario who passed away at the age of 79 on April 14, 2013 at the Manitoulin Health Centre, Mindemoya, Ontario. He was hard but he was fair. There was nothing he could not fix or get running. He was fearless and admired by many friends. He will be missed. He leaves to celebrate his life his loving family—wife Madeleine (Pharand), sons Jacques (Kim), Jenessa, Michel (Colette), Nicole and Jon, and special daughter Louise. Donations to Alzheimer Society in his name. Special thanks to doctors and nurses of the Little Current and Mindemoya hospitals, Ray and Madeleine's special angels Robert and Denise Carriere, Culgin Funeral Home, those who sent cards, phoned and visited, especially Constable Ford. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, Ontario, 705-282-2270.



CHESTER SLOSS



Chester Sloss of Espanola passed away at the Espanola Regional Hospital on Sunday, April 28, 2013 in his 88th year. Beloved husband of Leona (nee Galbraith) of Espanola. Dear son of the late Robert and Mamie (nee Fullerton) Sloss. Loving father of Corrine Sloss of Sault Ste. Marie, Mervyn Sloss of Creston, British Columbia, Fred Sloss (wife Sharon) of Hamilton, Carl Sloss of Espanola, Valerie Wilson (husband Pat) of Whitby and Nancy Sloss (Frank) of Sault Ste. Marie. Will be sadly missed by 9 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Very dear brother of Orpha Duxbury (husband Irwin) of Espanola, Marvin Sloss (wife Irene predeceased) of Gore Bay, Willard Sloss (wife Marie) of Spring Bay and the late Stewart Sloss (wife Grace predeceased), Kathleen Rettalick (husband George predeceased), Verdun Sloss (wife Bernice, wife Lillian predeceased) and the late Marjorie (husband Bill predeceased). Friends called at the Queensway Pentecostal Church, Espanola on Monday, May 6, 2013 from 9:30 am until the Funeral Service at 11:30 am with Stephanie Borsato officiating. Cremation to follow with interment of ashes in the Espanola Cemetery. If so desired, memorial tributes may be made to the Alzheimer Society. Arrangements by Bourcier Funeral Home Ltd., Espanola.



BEVERLY ANN HUGHSON MARCH 18, 1948-APRIL 28, 2013



Beverly Ann Hughson passed away peacefully on Sunday afternoon, April 28, 2013 at Manitoulin Health Centre, Little Current at the age of 65. Survived by beloved husband Clive. Devoted mother to Scot (wife Marcie) and Tom (wife Vera). Proud grandmother of Kayla, Amanda, Curtis, Isabella, and Mitchell and great-grandmother of Jackson. Daughter of Robbie and Lyla Chatwell. Sister of Judy Wright (husband Renny). Sister-in-law of Nola Noble (husband Floyd) (both predeceased), Eric (predeceased) (wife Eila), Blake Hughson (wife Roberta) and Ronnie Hughson. Loved aunt to many. Bev will be forever remembered and loved. Visitation was from 7 pm to 9 pm on Monday, April 29, 2013. Funeral Service was at 11 am on Tuesday, April 30, 2013, all at Knox United Church, Manitowaning. Burial at Hilly Grove at a later date. If so desired, donations may be made to Knox United Church or Wikwemikong Nursing Home. Online condolences at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted with Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

YVONNE FERNANDE (POULIN) BOLDUC



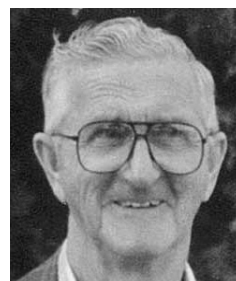
In loving memory of Yvonne Fernande (Poulin) Bolduc, 73 years, who passed away Sunday, April 28, 2013 at Health Sciences North. Beloved wife of Hermel "Mel" Bolduc predeceased May 29, 2000. Loving mother of Bernard (Chantel). Cherished grandmother of Philip and Kristen. Dear daughter of Joseph and Cecile Poulin both predeceased. Dear sister of Julien (Juanita), Gerard (Carmelle), Marguerite and Marcel predeceased (Louiselle). Dear sister-in-law of Denyse (John), Renald, Raymonde, Marie Paule (Andre predeceased). Predeceased by Gilberte (Gerard). Sadly missed by her best friend Noella Robillard (Gaeten) and her canine pal "Duke". Born in Quebec, where she married Mel in 1960. Yvonne worked as an R.N. at St. Joseph, the General and Laurentian Hospitals and at doctors' offices. She had a passion for music and was an excellent piano player, Yvonne enjoyed the outdoors and spending time at the cottage on Manitoulin. She dedicated her life to her family. Special thanks to the staff at Elizabeth Center for all their care and kindness. Funeral Visitation will be held at the Loughheed Funeral Home, 252 Regent Street, at Hazel Street. Friends may call from 6 pm to 9pm on Wednesday, May 1, 2013. Funeral Mass will be held in Notre Dame du Rosaire Church, Blezard Valley on Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 1:30 pm. Cremation at the Parklawn Crematorium. Donations to Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated.

SARAH (SALLY) GEORGINIA (NEE MONKHOUSE) WILLIAMSON



Sarah (Sally) Georginia (nee Monkhouse) Williamson passed away peacefully at the Mindemoya Health Centre, with her family in her 79th year. Beloved wife of the late Harold (Dub) Williamson (2009). Dear daughter of the late Catherine and Clifford Monkhouse. Sister to Shelva Wiseman, Greg Monkhouse, predeceased by brothers John and Jim Monkhouse and sister Valena Lamb. Loving mother to Katherine and husband Paul Schaeffer and Floyd and wife Caroline Williamson. Will be forever missed by her grandchildren Jamie Schaeffer, Jennifer, Michael, Jessica Williamson and Shawna Schaeffer. After graduating from nursing school in 1956, Sally worked in Mindemoya and Little Current Hospitals for many years. She earned a reputation as a devoted and compassionate nurse. She also volunteered with the Canadian Cancer Society receiving a Commemorative Medal from the Governor General of Canada, recognizing her for her years of service. Sally loved to sew, making many of her own clothes and quilts. She also loved to knit and enjoyed sharing that passion with her grandchildren. Sally was also an avid baker, with butter tarts, pies and cookies as her specialties. Sally and Dub ran a Bed and Breakfast in their home for over 30 years, meeting people from all over the world. Funeral Service will be held at 2 pm on Saturday May 4, 2013 at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church, Mindemoya, Ontario. Visitation preceding the Service from 12 noon to 2 pm. Burial at Mindemoya Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Mindemoya Hospital or St. Francis of Assisi Church will be gratefully accepted. For online condolences www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

MICHAEL BURNFORD



Funeral service for Michael Burnford will be Saturday, May 4, 2013 at 11 am at St. Paul's on the Hill United Church in Kagawong, followed by a celebration of his life at the Kagawong Park Centre.

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.

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ement include access to information, knowing you have choices and the ability to make choices, assertiveness, and self-esteem. When a person decides to make a change, this increases their feelings of mastery and control, which in turn leads to further changes and eventually personal change can then lead to broader community change."

Tuesday will begin with registration and sign in from 8:30 am to 9 am. Preregistration is available by calling Ms. Migwans at the UCCMM at 705-377-5307. There is no cost for the gathering or workshops, but those who preregister are eligible for prize draws.

There will be an opening song from the Thunder Earth drum group at 9 am, followed by the opening prayer from elder Alma Jean Migwans.

The welcoming address will be given by M'Chigeeng First Nation Chief and UCCMM tribal council chair Joe Hare.

From 9:30 am until 12 pm there will be a keynote address from Calvin Helin on 'The Empowerment Mindset,' with a nutritional break half-way through.

"The power to active success lies within everyone," states the workshop description. "In 'The Empowerment Midset,' Calvin Helin provides the knowledge for anyone to take their power so they can live life to their greatest potential."

Lunch will be provided from 12 noon to 12:45 pm, with the afternoon dedicated to a workshop with Sgt. Brent Kalinowski.

Sgt. Kalinowski's workshop is entitled, 'Community Mobilization and The Integration of Services, to Better Meet the Needs of Communities and Individuals,' and will discuss how community and agencies, such as police, health and social services, can work together to tackle crime in a community.

The Mnidoo Mnising Empowerment Gathering will start off again on Wednesday with sign in and registration from 8:30 am to 9 am. Following an opening prayer from Ms. Migwans, Union of Ontario Indians Deputy Grand Chief Glen Hare will deliver the day's opening address.

The morning workshops will be led by Dr. Ryan Van Cleave. From 9:30 am to 10:30 am, Dr. Van Cleave will discuss 'Video Game Addiction and the Introduction of Gambling into Video Games.' From 10:45 am until 12 pm, Dr. Van Cleave will lead a second workshop on 'The New Digital Diet: Surviving and Thriving in a Hyperconnected World.'

After lunch, Wab Kinew will deliver a keynote address on 'Igniting the Creative Fire Within.' The workshop will address how activity and passion are the keys to success for the 8th fire generation.

Thursday morning the day will begin with a SAFE Talk suicide prevention training workshop at the Kenjgewin Teg Education Institute (KTEI), followed by an art therapy lunch and learn at the M'Chigeeng Health Centre from 12 noon until 1 pm.

In the afternoon, there will be a reiki presentation at the health centre from 1 until 2 pm.

The day will conclude with a free showing of the film 'Silver Linings Playbook,' with an introduction from psychologist Barbara Erskine at Manitoulin Secondary School from 6 to 9 pm.

Finally, the week will conclude with a two-spirited lunch and learn from Ms. Erskine at the health centre on Friday from 12 noon to 1 pm.

"The events that are planned throughout the week are designed to promote awareness about various topics and to engage individuals to nurture mental health on an ongoing basis," concluded Mr. Gilchrist. "As an addictions and mental health professional, a father and a community member of Manitoulin Island, I am pleased to see these types of events hosted in our area."

To register for the lunch and learns or for more information on the events, contact Mr. Gilchrist at 705-377-4485. To register for the Mnidoo Mnising Empowerment Gathering, contact Ms. Migwans at 705-377-5307 or for more information on the SAFE Talk suicide prevention-training workshop, call Mr. Didur at 705-377-4485.

Also in honour of Mental Health Week, Wikwemikong's Nadmadwin Mental Health Clinic is hosting 'Restoring Healthy Connections With Our Future: Our Children' from Monday, May 6 to Thursday, May 9 at the Wikwemikong arena. The event will feature main speaker Dr. Gabor Mate and keynote speaker Dr. Brenda Restoule. The conference fee is \$100 or free for Wikwemikong band members and band agencies. For more information contact event coordinator Cynthia Trudeau at 705-859-2330 ext. 237.

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Formerly used as gas bar and restaurant, downtown location high traffic volume, electric heat, living quarters, numerous chattels for starting up business, paved access area, drilled well, private septic, underground fuel pumps on site, lots of potential. (1357) (MLS#1015807)

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LITTLE CURRENT WATERFRONT \$99,000

2 to choose from, level lot each approx. 1 acre in size, near Whites Point, one lot has dredged harbour for boats, good access, only 5 minutes south of town, access off Hwy. #6 (1268)

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one of the best waterfront offerings on Manitoulin Island, over 1k of attractive gentle shoreline, sheltered harbor a great plus, approx 142 acres in total, includes three bedroom, two bath bungalow, 8 cottages, trailer park, meadows for livestock grazing or farming, lots of additional potential use for this unique property, subdivision, corporate retreat or large family enterprise, a viewing is essential to appreciate the high quality presented here. (1343) (MLS#1014587)

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LOTS

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

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

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

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

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

236 ACRES - premiere recreational offering, with frontage on paved road and small inland lake, hardwood sections blend into meadow and pasture lands, sections of rustic rail fencing, excellent deer habitat, a natural fit for residence or cottage location, sale subject to planning board severance approval, asking \$274,000 (1370) (MLS#1018308)



SILVER LAKE COTTAGE \$75,000

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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)

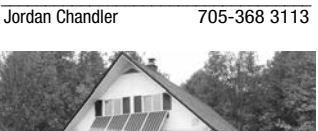
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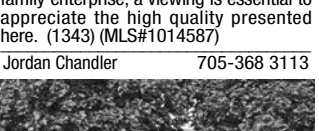
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TEHKUMMAH VILLAGE HOME \$120,000

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)

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NEWER GORE BAY COMMERCIAL \$185,000

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GORE BAY COMMERCIAL BUILDING - \$299,000

Prime main street, approx. 5600 square feet on 3 floors, contains 3 rental apartments, restaurant on main floor and vacant basement level, newer building, electric heat, parking at rear, multiple uses for this location, offered at well below replacement cost, land and building only (1335) (MLS#1014109)

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100 ACRES MILLS TOWNSHIP \$110,000

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GORDON TOWNSHIP HOME \$129,000

Cute country charmer, large well manicured lawn, apple trees, two bedroom home, electric heat plus wood stove, deck, shed and sleep cottage, drilled well, paved road, only 5 minute drive to golf course and Tobacco Lake public beach area. (1355) (MLS#1015642)

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HUNT CAMP AND LOG SAUNA \$99,500

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Approx. 26 acres and 80 feet of frontage on the water, only a short drive to the ferry, new driveway installed, tree stands, good deer hunting location. (1352) (MLS#1014840)

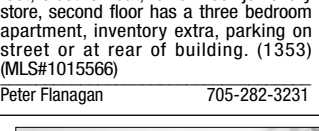
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GORE BAY HOME \$319,000

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\$299,000 - 99 ACRE FARM, year round home, Garage, barns, close to Little Current and Hwy. 540 (MLS#1015019)



\$240,000 - BE YOUR OWN BOSS - Mindemoya Restaurant in prime location (MLS#1017588)



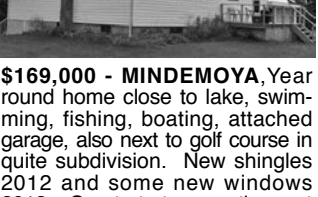
\$189,000 - LITTLE CURRENT 2200 SQ. FT. 4 Bedroom home needs inside finishing, back lot of Bay Estates. Sauna, view of lake, short distance to Little Current (MLS#1018356)



\$129,000 - PROVIDENCE BAY year round brick home, very spacious rooms and full basement, on large deep lot with river running at back, in amongst the pines. (MLS#1013612)



\$420,000 - ATTENTION HUNTERS - 400 acres of prime hunting, many stands and trails, large pine, maple, oak, also includes farm house a short distance from acreage (MLS#1017583)



\$169,000 - MINDEMOYA, Year round home close to lake, swimming, fishing, boating, attached garage, also next to golf course in quite subdivision. New shingles 2012 and some new windows 2013. Great starter or retirement home. (MLS#1018510)



\$159,000 - 5 YR. OLD HOME close to lake Mindemoya, nicely finished, just move in, quick possession. Large lot. (MLS#1018158)



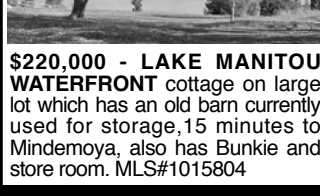
\$99,900 - MANITOWANING BAY waterfront cottage, priced to sell, on outskirts of town, mostly fully furnished ready for the summer enjoyment. (MLS#1018452)



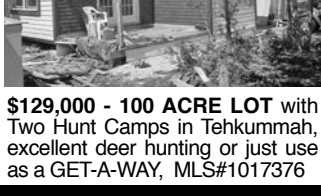
\$174,900 - SUNSITE ESTATES newer home, full finished basement just needs flooring, close to lake (MLS#1015026)



\$92,000 - CHEAPER THEN RENTING - Spacious country home, with double gar. On over two ac. Lot, Easy access to Lake Manitou, Great starter or retirement home. (MLS#1017769)



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\$264,900 - MINDEMOYA 3 year old home with double garage, in quite subdivision on 100'x 200' lot. Features all hardwood floors, ceramic tile in kitchen and bathroom, oak cabinets, full basement. Deck overlooking back yard.

\$35,000 - LAKE MINDEMOYA hwy. 542, 176'x 300' Lot at south end of lake, hydro at hwy.

\$49,000 - 100'x 700' WATERFRONT LOT on South Bay, seasonal access by Narrows Trail road, ample water at lake for boats, and swimming. (MLS#1014394)

\$85,000 - LAKE HURON 154'x over 400' deep waterfront lot, plenty of mixed bush and privacy. (MLS#109788)

\$17,900 - FOUR LOTS OVER AN ACRE each, located on backside of John st. at Lake Mindemoya, with road allowance to lake within 2 min. walk. (MLS#107710)

\$24,900 - MINDEMOYA VACANT LOT 100'x 200' in Hodgson Subdivision, close to lake and golf course. (MLS#1014118)

\$24,900 - MINDEMOYA VACANT LOT 101'x approx.. 200' deep in Hodgson subdivision, close to golf course and lake. (MLS#1016029)

\$11,900 - PROVIDENCE BAY, Vacant building lot with dug well and backfilled, 100'x 200', short distance to sand beaches. (MLS#101459)

\$10,900 - PROVIDENCE BAY vacant lot 107'x .46 acres, short distance to sand beaches. (MLS#1011011)

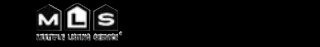
\$45,000 - PROVIDENCE BAY Triple vacant lot 300'x 200 deep, short distance to sand beaches. (MLS#1014286)

\$12,900 - VACANT BUILDING LOT with 489ft. along hwy. 540 x irregular, 1.37 acres. Mostly covered with mixed cedar and spruce, lots of deer sign, great for nature lovers, about 15 minutes to Little Current and 5 minutes to Lake Huron. (MLS#109520)

\$420,000 - 400 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL DEER HUNTING LAND with lots of pine, cedar, and hardwood, several tree stands and trails already in place, also includes an old farmhouse nearby perfect for hunters or nature lovers. (MLS#1017583)

\$129,000 - 100 ACRE LOT with Two Hunt Camps in Tehkummah, excellent deer hunting or just use as a GET-A-WAY, (MLS#1017376)

\$10,500 - BAY ESTATES back Lot across easement to lake, year round access and hydro at lot line



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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)

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)

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

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)

CHECKERBOARD LOT w/good access via Kamp Kagawong Road. Wooded 5.45 ac. being Part L25C1 Sublot D in Allan. \$13,900 (1062)

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



ELIZABETH BAY COTTAGE ready to occupy. Large bungalow 921 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, full bath, kitchen, breakfast nook, dining area & living room w/sunroom alcove. Spacious deck on water side, drilled well, newer septic & most contents for very comfortable holidays. \$179,900 (1068)



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



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



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. \$219,000 (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)



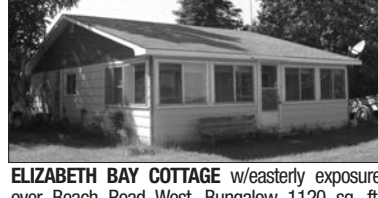
REMOTE CAMP fronting on Silver Creek in Robinson Township w/fully surveyed 2.7 ac. accessed via bush road from Shesheganing Road. Large 2 storey space w/attached & detached garages. Hydro to lot line, water from creek, septic & full bath. Old authentic log house to be exposed & refurbished. \$19,500 (1065)



ALBERT STREET HOME in Manitowaning on double lot. Bungalow 1186 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, eat in kitchen area & living room. Many upgrades, all laminate flooring, 2 appliances, propane fireplace stove, 14x16.5 deck & 12x16 shed. Call Norma Sprack 705-282-3919. \$89,000 (1066)



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. \$159,000 (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)



CORE COMMERCIAL lot 67x90 ft. in Gore Bay at corner of Dawson & Meredith Streets currently known as Charlie's Shell. Three bay garage building 1800 sq. ft. plus 1100 sq. ft. additional storage on second floor. All municipal services, 2 pc. bath & office. Land & buildings in a central location. \$59,500 (1064)



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FOREST LODGE on 10.9 ac. in Allan Township accessed via Checkerboard Lane. Spacious cottage 1320 sq. ft. w/cathedral ceilings, 2 bedrooms plus large loft, open kitchen dining living area. Well insulated for winter use, most contents, 3 decks, 2 sheds, 110 wired, excellent cupboards. Trails throughout woods. \$109,000 (1067)



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)



NEW STREET HOME in Gore Bay on 80x206 ft. lot providing private spacious backyard. Classic 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. Four appliances. \$107,000 (1028)



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)



MAPLE POINT HOME on 300 ft. w/some sand beach & 3.6 ac. hardwood forest. Mostly wood bungalow 1565 sq. ft. w/cathedral ceilings & beams on full basement w/2+1 bedrooms, 2 baths, spacious loft, open living dining kitchen area w/large stone fireplace. Second wood hearth system in basement w/outside entrance, family room, storage & laundry. Quality equipment including 7000 watt Guardian generator. Detached double garage plus insulated workshop, log guest house, garden shed & 14x52 ft. deck. \$419,000 (1063)



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. \$199,000 (1022)



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



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



GREAT LOCATION & SPACIOUS LAYOUT - Little Current raised ranch features very attractive layout, part finished basement, double garage & a superb location on Red Mill Street. Extra's include two fireplaces, upgraded windows, well landscaped lot & short walking distance to Low Island Park, public beach area & local marina's! Very attractively priced at \$169,900. MLS#1018447



SHEGUIANDAH BAY WATERFRONT - 3 bedroom plus den overlooking Sheguiandah Bay. Features stone fireplace and skylight in living room. Pine floors throughout. Recent upgrades on roof, kitchen cupboards and windows. Large storage garage. Free standing sauna. Major renovations completed in excess of \$10,000. Asking \$172,500. MLS#1017965



LITTLE CURRENT - Unique home on a double lot that has two apartments. This could be a one family home with some new renovations or leave in its present use. Some TLC required. 2 bdms, kitchen, bath & living on the 2nd floor & one bdrm, bath, living & kitchen on the main floor. The various angles of the home combined with the lovely double lot make for a property that has tons of potential. 2 separate hydro meters & entrances. Asking \$135,000. MLS#1017962



LAKE MANITOU - Lovely and very private cottage on a 1.45 acre lot with 234' of shoreline. Gently sloping into the lake makes for a perfect run from the cedar sauna. Protected boat dockage and deck at the lakeside. The 2 bedroom cottage has wonderful views from the living room and deck and boasts a beautiful stone fireplace. Single car garage and year round access all make for a great hideaway! Call for details. MLS#1017821



EXCEPTIONAL WATERFRONT HOME - Open concept, Great room features custom fireplace which heats entire home. Large chef's kitchen. 3 baths. 4+ bedrooms. In-floor heating. Over 2600 sq ft of living area with a beautifully finished basement with walk-out to a large deck. Spacious sundeck overlooking Strawberry Channel. Many features too numerous to mention. Please call for details. MLS#1017754



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



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



DOMINION BAY LUXURY CHALET !! - This magnificent 3 bdrm plus loft year round home is set in an all-natural wooded area with no grass to cut. This quality home features spectacular 10 inch plank softwood flooring, a great deck & lots of privacy. The lot comes adorned with a nice garage & an attached bunkie. There is a wonderful panoramic view over Lake Huron & the lighthouse in Providence Bay can be seen in the distance. The shore is natural limestone shelf-rock & the beautiful secluded sand beach of Dominion Bay is only a two minute walk east and a 2 minute walk west will bring you to a flat rock area where you can catch trout and salmon. The amenities of Gore Bay and Mindemoya are both about 20 minutes away. Call the listing Broker, Tim Fenerty at 705-377-7216 to book your viewing. Asking \$390,000. MLS#1017698



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MAGNIFICENT WATER VIEW PROPERTY !! - Looking over a marina in the North Channel of Lake Huron with the renowned LaCloche Mountains landscaping the background. This large 5 bdrm home is located a short walk from downtown Little Current & a very, very short walk across the street to the boat docks & public beach. The house needs a few upgrades (flooring & a few windows), the kitchen features really nice cherry wood cupboards. Reduced to \$209,000. MLS#1016940



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



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

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



TRANQUILITY! - This beautiful, South facing lot has a wonderful shoreline that can only be described as dramatic. A limestone ledge shoreline with assorted boulders for the outdoors enthusiasts. This could be your private getaway location. Boat access from South Baymouth or walk from Fifth and Dynmet Street. Asking \$55,000. MLS#1018321

MICHAEL'S BAY WATERFRONT LOT - Very scenic setting with spectacular south view over Michael's Bay, sand and limestone shoreline, mature tree cover and one of Manitoulin's premier south shore locations. Hydro & Telephone services to lot line, walking distance to quality restaurant on the Bay and oversized waterfront site with 1.7 acres for privacy. Ideal spot to build your dream home or cottage. Great New Price @ \$59,900! MLS#1016852

DOUBLE SIZED BUILDING LOT - with spectacular view over Lake Huron. Nice flat lot heavily treed with cedar & evergreen. This double sized building lot will provide for privacy. Located on Lonely Bay in a subdivision with many quality homes on a year round road with hydro and telephone available at the lot line. Only 15 minutes from the Mindemoya Golf course & the amenities of the town. Asking \$99,000. MLS#1014142

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

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

NATURE ENTHUSIAST !! - Island at the Queens Point, part of Fisher Bay. Lot size is approximate. Well treed island on the South Side of Manitoulin Island. Boat access. May be purchased together with MLS # 106974. Asking \$95,000. MLS#1016973

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



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



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#1018102



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



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



NEWLY RENOVATED LAKEFRONT HOME WITH WESTERN VIEW! - Nice waterfront 2 storey home with 3 bdms including main floor master bdrm, 2 baths, full basement, very good dock for your boat & a great sunset view over Big Lake. Good fishing for jumbo perch, small mouth bass & large pike & musky have been known to patrol these waters as well. Reduced to \$239,000. MLS#1015056



LITTLE CURRENT - Spacious 4 bedroom home with 2 baths. Full basement mostly finished. Ideal location in Little Current close to down town core. Asking \$159,000. MLS#1014499



LUXURY WATERFRONT HOME!! - This 2 plus bdrm, 2 bath home on the North Channel of Lake Huron comes with a breath taking view of the La Cloche Mountains. The granite countertops & marble flooring & walls are rather amazing as is the quality hardwood flooring, ceramic tiling & beautiful custom made oak kitchen cabinets. The downstairs kitchen also has nice custom made cupboards. The full basement is plumbed, wired & studded & requires a little bit of finishing. This nice flat to the water property comes adorned with a new 40ft X 30ft 2 door garage with concrete floor for all your toys. Asking \$399,000. MLS#1015108



MANITOULIN 69 ACRE FARM - Mindemoya location, close to hospital. A 17 year old Queen Anne style home, with custom, high quality finishes throughout. 9' main floor ceiling height, oak floors, doors & staircase, French doors & custom lighting. Heated tile kitchen floor with custom cherry wood cabinets. Three bedrooms plus elegant master bedroom, 2.5 baths with heated floors, formal parlor, family rooms, full basement and double garage. There is a 2,800 sq ft barn with heated water, 3 stalls, tack-room and hay storage. Overall 5000 sq ft arena used for horse training or storage. Pastures, hay field, maple & pine bush. Spectacular views all round including lake, farmland, forest & sunsets from the covered porch. Asking \$669,000. MLS#1012331



A MILLION-DOLLAR VIEW - from this five year old home and close location to Little Current make this home very desirable. With quality finishes throughout, open concept layout, this 2 +2 bedroom home comes fully equipped with all modern conveniences including garage with heated workshop plus carport. Covered porch, nice decks, hardwood floors, 2 and half baths plus a finished family room all add to the overall appeal of this fine home. Asking \$299,000. MLS#1018557



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



GREAT ONE BDRM COUNTRY HOME CLOSE TO LITTLE CURRENT! - Located in Bay Estates this nicely landscaped large lot comes adorned with a cute little bunkie, several storage sheds & a workshop. The 1000 sq ft home has a spectacular kitchen & has that country cottage feel done mainly with a wood finish & quality flooring. The awning on the 14 X 15 ft deck provides a peaceful setting to enjoy your favourite afternoon beverage. Reduced to \$159,000. MLS#109164



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



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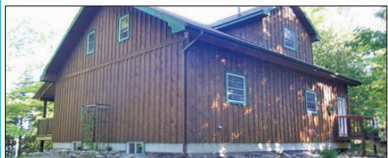
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LAKE KAGAWONG RETREAT - This 1922 square foot stunning year round waterfront cottage has 155 feet of frontage on Lake Kagawong. There are three bedrooms including the spacious loft with main floor full bathroom/ensuite. The kitchen/living/dining is 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



WATERFRONT HOME - This beautiful waterfront home is situated on Manitowaning Bay. It offers 2 bedrooms, 1 bath and eat in kitchen. Have a seat in living room by the fire and look out to the water through the newly installed picture windows or enjoy the peaceful setting on one of the two decks. This home has a large 40x38 garage with loft, 2 sheds and a sleep camp for when family comes to visit. This year round home is situated at the end of a cul-de-sac and next to a parkway allowing you to enjoy the relaxing atmosphere. List price \$224,500. MLS#1018318



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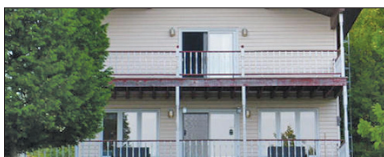
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SOUTH SHORE MANITOULIN - 5 yr old cottage nestled on 2.2 acres with 150' of shoreline on Lake Huron. Just 15 minutes from Evansville, with legal access over Little Lake Huron and Pebble Roads. Great privacy and fantastic views from the deck. Cottage 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.



SCENIC SOUTH BAY - Excellent waterfront retreat! Prime year round location on South Bay with 320 feet frontage, 1.65 acres, 50 foot dock, marine railway (up to 30' boat). Two storey home built in 1992, 1664 square feet with 3 spacious bedrooms, oak flooring, walk-outs to two decks, drilled well, electric heating, detached 24'X 30' garage/workshop, furnishings/kayak included. Great southern exposure in a tranquil location. Priced to sell at \$299,000! MLS#1017977

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

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PRIME WATERFRONT LOT - Landsdowne Channel (Killamey) Prime building site, 1.4 acres with 200' waterfrontage 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.

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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

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

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

RESIDENTIAL LOTS - Newly developed residential building lots, fully serviced, with great exposure and views of McLean's Mountain area in a great location close to all town amenities. A great spot to build your dream home! Many choice lots to choose from, don't delay! List price only \$29,700.

SUNSITE ESTATES - Vacant building lot 125' x 200' with access to lakeshore via public greenbelt. Driveway installed, building site cleared. Municipal water. Only \$13,000! MLS#1018149



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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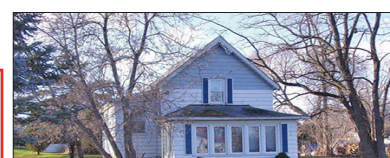
BAY ESTATES WATERFRONT - Gorgeous log home on a private 132' lot (almost 1 acre) in this popular year round subdivision. Only 7 years old, this finely constructed home features a large master bedroom and bathroom on the upper level, very spacious kitchen, dining and living areas on the main level (hardwood 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



EVANSVILLE - A unique property located West of Gore Bay in Evansville. There is a large 5 bedroom 2 bathroom home. There is over 1000 sq.ft. on the main level with commercial or expanded residential potential, or could be renovated for a 2 bedroom apartment. There is detached garage with office space, workshop and 2 bays. There is also potential for a severance to create a residential building lot. MLS#1017876



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY - Formerly used as an emergency vehicle dispatch base, 3,600 sq. ft. metal clad building containing 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



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



LITTLE CURRENT HOME/BUSINESS - Great Bachelor pad with detached studio/office building. 700 square foot 1 1/2 storey 1 bedroom home with 600 square foot 1 storey detached (fully finished with electric heat). Lot 55 x 165, very close to school - can be purchased with existing bookkeeping accounts @ \$199,500. MLS#1018209

'They're green, boys,' the auctioneer cries

Manitoulin cattle fetch fair prices at inaugural cattle sale

by Alicia McCutcheon

ASSIGINACK—After a long hiatus, Manitoulin farmers were invited to buy and sell cattle at a local auction put on by the Manitoulin Livestock Exchange, the brainchild of farmers Dave McDowell and Dean Millsap of Evansville.

A bright spring day, farmers from across the Island and the North Shore, as well as interested onlookers, gathered at the farm of Mr. McDowell on the Sim's Road on Highway 6, just south of Manitowaning, anxiously waiting to see what prices renowned Manitoulin cattle would bring.

Led by auctioneer Kevin McArthur of Orangeville, an Ontario Livestock Exchange auctioneer, buyers were taken from pen to pen, encouraged to buy some fine "grass fed" cows. "They're green, boys," he'd cry.

Starting off the auction, three red heifers sold at a price of \$870, followed by another three heifers (all over 800 pounds) for \$975.

Approximately 100 head of cattle were brought to the auction, and all of them sold, including a few bulls.

Doug McDermid of Providence Bay said he was pleased with the price he received for his five cows, and also happy with the fact he could "bid in" if he didn't like the look of the price. Manitoulin Livestock Exchange charges a three percent commission on each animal sold, and should you decide to buy your cattle back, that commission is reduced to 1.5 percent.

Keith Harfield of Sheguiandah sold a cow and calf at the auction, and he too said he was happy with the price they fetched, \$835 and \$640 respectively.

"The great advantage of this sale is the lack of shipping," he said.

Mr. McDermid agreed. "People don't realize the cost of shipping in freight," he said.

"Considering the market, I thought it was a good price," Robert Brown of South Baymouth shared. His Charolais bull sold for \$1,525 to a Bruce Mines buyer. "Overall, I think the sale's got potential."

Ervin Martin, a cattle buyer from Massey, purchased over half of the cattle at the auction for buyers in southern Ontario.

Mr. Martin noted that he was a cattle buyer in southern Ontario before moving to Massey. "When Dave bought this place he asked if I would support a cattle auction here," he explained, "and I said I would."

The buyer said he does "order buying" for customers in the south of the province, looking



Islanders of all ages gathered at the McDowell farm on Sim's Road for the first spring sale of the Manitoulin Livestock Exchange last Friday, April 26.

photos by Alicia McCutcheon



Bid-taker John Featherstone (centre, coveralls) and auctioneer Kevin McArthur, right, of Kevin McArthur Auctions share a laugh with a crowd. Telling the odd joke is part of the auctioneer's trade, Mr. McArthur shared.



The growing crowd anxiously awaits the bidding to commence at the Manitoulin Livestock Exchange spring auction.



Over 60 people, buyers, sellers and those interested parties out for a spring drive, assembled at the McDowell farm, site of the Manitoulin Livestock exchange auctions.

for good prices at auctions throughout the area. Next week he's off to Thessalon.

"Island cattle have a good reputation—they're known to be green, meaning they're fed on mainly roughage," Mr. Martin explained, noting that once they hit the feed lots, they gain weight quickly—a real asset to the farmer.

"Prices are down from what they have been," he continued. "Everyone knows stockers are cheaper than last spring."

As well as being a cattle buyer,

Mr. Martin has 75 head himself, and is the co-owner of Martin's Country Market, located on Highway 17 in Massey.

"I sure hope this thing can run and will be a service for local buyers," he commented.

"Feed shortages in southern Ontario from last year's drought, along with continued tillage of previous hay and pasture fields, have led to downward pressure on heavier weight cattle," Mr. McDowell observed. "Outlooks for lighter cattle this spring and calves this fall are bullish. The

start."

Buyers came from Chelmsford, Massey, Bruce Mines with orders from southern Ontario.

"We're going to start out slow—we can't handle tremendous volumes yet," Mr. McDowell allowed.

Following the auction, he compared a group of young cows sold at the Keady Livestock Market in the Northern Bruce area. The Manitoulin Livestock Exchange cattle sold within \$10 a head compared to the Keady sale, and farmers typically came out ahead financially, once the cost of transport and shrinkage was factored in.

"Part of the reason we're doing this is it doesn't sense economically, or for the health of the calves, to truck them down, have them sit in a pen for a few



Sold to Ervin Martin! Mr. Martin, left, a cattle buyer from Massey, purchased over half of the 100 head of cattle for buyers in southern Ontario.



A sampling of the Manitoulin-bred cattle beasts available for sale at the Manitoulin Livestock Exchange auction held last Friday. Fair market prices were found at the auction.

declining beef cow herd in Canada and the US are keeping analysts optimistic about beef prices in the future."

"Grain prices are significantly different than last year and should promote filling empty feedlots this fall," he continued. "Current corn prices of around \$6 per bushel are encouraging producers to sell instead of feeding. This fall's delivered price of around \$4.75 will almost certainly encourage more feeding than selling. A normal US crop could see some further softening of grain prices and corresponding higher demand for livestock."

Mr. McDowell said he and Mr. Millsap were pleased with the first auction, and welcome any feedback. The worry, he added, is always 'do you have enough cattle?' and 'do you have enough buyers?'

"This time I think we had more buyers than cattle," he said, "which is a pretty good place to

days, then truck them back to Manitoulin," Mr. McDowell said. "We're hopefully a catalyst where we can establish prices."

The cattle are sold by price per head, and not dollar per pound. "It's really a lot simpler," he noted. "I think the sellers will do better selling by the head over dollars per pound."

While the exchange does not yet have a government-certified scale, the two men hope to have one in the future.

The next sale is scheduled for Friday, May 17 at 10:30 am at the McDowell farm on Sim's Road, Highway 6, just south of Manitowaning. The Manitoulin Livestock Exchange is also hoping to add farm equipment to its list of auction items. For more information, or to book your cattle, please call Mr. McDowell at 705-859-1944 or Mr. Millsap at 705-282-6283.

Manitoulin Livestock Exchange prices

- 700-800 lb steers, \$870-\$1,010 (top sellers were two black Limousin steers at \$1,010 each)
- 500-600 lb steers, \$640-\$840 (top sellers were four Limousin steers bringing \$840 each)
- 700-800 lb heifers, \$930-\$975 (top sellers were two Limousin heifers bringing \$975 each)
- 400-500 lb heifers, \$550-\$625 (top seller a Charolais heifer bringing \$625)
- Charolais crossbred cows, \$850-\$1,130
- Hereford crossbred cows, \$750-\$850
- One Charolais four-year-old bull, \$1,525

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Rainbow Schools offers Welcome to Kindergarten for children starting JK

MANITOULIN—All Rainbow Schools will offer a 'Welcome to Kindergarten' (WTK) orientation session for children who are starting Junior Kindergarten this fall as well as their parents/guardians. Parents who have not registered their children still have time to do so and can reserve their spot for WTK by calling the nearest Rainbow School. Registrations for September 2013 will also be accepted at the WTK sessions.

WTK is one of many programs offered by The Learning Partnership to support teaching and learning across Canada. At the orientation session, families will have an opportunity to connect with Kindergarten/early learning teachers, early childhood educators, school personnel and staff from community agencies. They will also meet other children starting school this fall.

"Early years are formative years," says Rainbow District School Board Chair Doreen Dewar. "Research has shown that brighter starts lead to brighter futures, so it's important that schools establish strong links with the home and engage parents as partners in education from the outset."

"In Rainbow District

School Board, we recognize that building this partnership begins well before the first day of school," the chair continues. "Starting school is not the beginning of a child's educational experience. It is a continuation of the journey of learning together."

At the WTK orientation sessions, children will participate in early learning activities. Parents will learn strategies on how they can help orient their children for school, with a special focus on literacy and

numeracy. They will receive their very own bag of WTK resources for use at home, including drawing paper, construction paper, crayons, a pencil, scissors, a storybook, magnetic letters, magnetic numbers and play dough. The bag may also contain information from the school and/or community partners, for instance, literacy tip sheets or information about Best Start Hubs or Health Unit programs.

"WTK works to bridge the transition from home to

school by familiarizing parents/guardians and their children with the school and its staff. It is an opportunity for them to explore our schools, meet some of their classmates and get excited about starting school," says Rainbow District School Board Director of Education Norm Blaseg. "The strategies and resources that parents will receive at the WTK orientation session will serve to introduce children to Rainbow Schools and the wonderful experiences that

await them in Junior Kindergarten and early learning."

On Manitoulin, the WTK sessions are as follows: Assiginack Public School, Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at 3:45 pm; Central Manitoulin Public School, Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at 5 pm; Charles C. McLean Public School, Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 6:30 pm; and Little Current Public School, Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 6 pm.

Green thumbs back for another season of improving Little Current's gardens

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—An initiative started last year by the Northeast Town Community Services Advisory Committee (CSAC) aimed at reclaiming and maintaining the various municipal gardens around Little Current has grown into its own, and is back this season and seeking volunteers.

The adopt-a-garden program launched last spring saw many of the town's gardens taken over by volunteers throughout the community, but left the remaining, unadopted gardens in the hand of a small group of gardeners who fittingly call themselves the Community Gardeners.

The Community Gardeners are preparing to once again grab their gloves and spades, meeting on Tuesday nights to weed, plant and care for the town's unadopted gardens.

"Last year, the group met from May until October and put in over 200 hours of work," explained Wendy Gauthier, who is a member of CSAC and coordinates the group. "We

work with the town, which waters the gardens, supplies garbage bags, picks up the brush and supplies bulbs."

Both the adopt-a-garden program and the Community Gardeners are seeking volunteers.

Those wishing to adopt-a-garden can contact Reid Taylor with the Northeast Town at 705-368-2825.

"The Community Gardeners group is casual and people can drop in whenever they can to help," added Ms. Gauthier. "We will be tackling the garden in Expositor Square as our first project of the season on Tuesday, May 7 at 6 pm. We are also going to be establishing two new garden beds this year; one at Bridge Park and a second at Turner's Park."

Anyone who would like to volunteer with the Community Gardeners can contact Ms. Gauthier for more information at 705-368-3247, or drop in and volunteer any Tuesday night starting next week at 6 pm. The group meets in the parking lot next to the Little Current Post Office, picking a new project each week to work on.

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Days: Sun. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Starts: June 16 for 1 day
Location: Mindemoya Council Chambers

PEOPLE SAVER (CANADIAN RED CROSS)

This program teaches safety awareness and first aid skills. Children learn to check for safety at home and in their community, how to call for help, and how to care for an injured person.

Level 1 – Ages 5 to 6

Tuition: \$12 (includes manual)
Days: Sat. 3 to 4 p.m.
Starts: June 15 for 1 day
Location: Little Current Campus

Level 2 – Ages 6 to 8

Tuition: \$15 (includes manual)
Days: Sat. 1 to 3 p.m.
Starts: June 15 for 1 day
Location: Little Current Campus

Level 3 – Ages 8 to 10

Tuition: \$20 (includes manual)
Days: Sat. 9 a.m. to 12 noon
Starts: June 15 for 1 day
Location: Little Current Campus

MOM & ME

Treat mom to an afternoon out! Kids 8 to 12, come have fun baking tasty treats; then enjoy your baking and a cup of tea with your mom or other special person. It will be the best Mother's Day present ever! A supply fee of \$10 will be payable to the instructor.

Tuition: \$25
Days: Sat. 1 to 4 p.m.
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Starts: May 11 for 1 day
Location: Little Current Valu-mart

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Tuition: \$79.10
Days: Tues. 6 to 8 p.m.
Starts: May 21 for 4 weeks
Location: Little Current

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In this three-hour workshop, learn about the warning signs that indicate a risk of suicide. The workshop emphasizes the importance of recognizing the signs, communicating with the person at risk, and getting help or resources for the person at risk.

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Starts: May 25 for 1 day
Location: Little Current

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Days: Tues. 7 to 9 p.m.
Starts: May 16 for 1 day
Location: Providence Bay, Auberge Inn

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This course is for those who are already certified in Red Cross first aid and/or CPR. Re-certifications are required every three years, although some employers require updates more frequently. Call for more information.

Tuition: \$75
Days: Sat. 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Starts: June 1 for 1 day
Location: Little Current

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Meat

Tuition: \$45.20
Days: Tues. 6 to 9 p.m.
Starts: May 21 for 1 day
Location: Little Current United Church

OR

Seafood

Tuition: \$45.20
Days: Tues. 6 to 9 p.m.
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Last chance to purchase rain barrels in support of Manitoulin Family Resources

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—Next Saturday, May 11, just in time for the Little Current United Church's annual plant sale and Mother's Day tea, will mark the arrival of a truckload of rain barrels, sold in support of Manitoulin Family Resources' (MFR) building fund.

Thanks to the Little Current United Church Outreach Committee, the rain barrels will be available for purchase for just \$60, with all the proceeds going to the MFR building fund. They will be sold at the church on Robinson Street from 9 am until noon.

Each rain barrel is equipped with a mosquito and debris filter basket, an overflow hose, an outlet to join barrels together in series and a spigot at the bottom, which can be connected to a standard garden hose.

Gardeners looking to pick up a few plants from renowned green thumb Wendy Gauthier will want to think about adding a rain barrel to their purchase as well, as the barrels capture and store rainwater collected from roofs through downspouts, providing chlorine-free and fluoride-free water which is ideal for flowers, vegetables, lawns, shrubs and trees (as well as for hair washing).

"Rain barrels divert clean water from sewer systems and can provide cost savings for homeowners who currently pay to have water trucked in or who have a water meter installed," a spokesperson from the Little Current United Church Outreach Committee states.

The barrels are doubly environmentally friendly as they have been refurbished from their former use (importing fruits and vegetables) and have been repurposed "to offer years of reliable service as rain barrels," the Outreach Committee's Gail Gjos notes.

The rain barrels are available in grey, terracotta and black for \$60 and must be ordered in advance by logging on to www.rainbarrel.ca/littlecurrent or by phoning Gail Gjos at 705-368-2589.

Hurry, as time as running out!

Providence Bay News and Notes

Hello. There are a few things happening in Providence Bay. Marlene Liscumb is back in town and we are glad to see her. Congratulations to Dawn Dawson for volunteering and to all of us that do also.

Erma is at her daughter's in Little Current, we hope she is feeling better.

We heard from Wendy Hibma that her mother is still in the hospital.

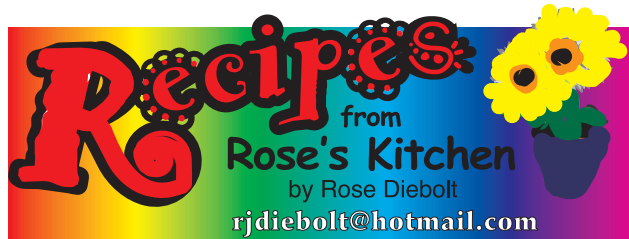
The youth dance is on May 3, 7 pm to 10 pm. All youth are welcome. Come and see—it is sure to be a lot of fun.

The Community of Christ Church is having a cleaning day on Saturday, May 4 at 9 am. There will be lots of activity, painting repairing, cleaning and painting etc.

Here is a joke: I do have flabby thighs but fortunately my stomach covers them. Ha ha.

Remember our seniors and veterans—give them a call or invite them for a visit to a cup of tea or coffee.

That is all for now. Have a great week and remember to smile and call me if you have any news. Call me at 705-377-4449. God Bless.



Two recipes to try this week that are easy and quick.

Steamed Apple Maple Puddings

The recipe calls for ramekins which I didn't have so I used coffee cups. You can also bake it in a pan but make sure the pan can sit in hot water.

1/3 cup butter, softened
1/4 cup each brown sugar (I used coconut sugar) and maple syrup

2 eggs
1 tsp maple extract
1 cup grated peeled apples (1 or 2) (to save time I left the peel on)

1 cup all-purpose flour
1 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp baking soda
1/4 tsp nutmeg

1. Butter six 3/4cup ramekins, set aside.
2. In a large bowl, beat together butter, sugar and maple syrup until smooth. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Stir in maple extract and apple.

3. In separate bowl, combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and nutmeg. Stir into apple mixture until combined.

4. Divide batter between ramekins. Place ramekins in 13x9-inch baking dish. Pour hot water halfway up sides of ramekins. Bake in 350°F oven for 20 to 25 minutes or until toothpick inserted in centre comes out clean. Remove to wire rack to cool.

Stewed Kale and Lentils

This hearty vegetarian dish has Moroccan flavours and no added salt. Organic vegetable broth typically has less sodium than other vegetable broths, but check the label to be sure.

1 Tbsp olive oil
1 red onion, diced
3 cloves garlic, minced
1 Tbsp grated fresh ginger
1 carrot, peeled and diced
1 tsp ground cumin
1/2 tsp cinnamon
1 cup dried green lentils
3 cups organic vegetable broth
4 cups chopped, stemmed Kale
1/4 cup golden raisins
1/4 cup chopped walnuts, toasted

1. In a large heavy pot, heat oil over medium heat; cook onion, garlic and ginger, stirring until softened, about 5 minutes.

2. Add carrot, cumin and cinnamon; cook stirring, until fragrant, about 3 minutes. Stir in lentils.

3. Add broth and bring to boil; reduce heat, cover and simmer until lentils are al dente, about 10 minutes.

4. Add kale and raisins; simmer, covered until lentils are tender, about 10 minutes. Uncover and cook until almost no liquid remains, about 4 minutes. Sprinkle with walnuts. Serve. Makes 4 servings.

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Out and About in Sheguiandah

The warm weather the last couple of days made it seem like spring was finally here. I had the urge to get out and start raking up the flower beds. This is our first spring in this house, and we are enjoying all the big patches of crocus, daffodils, hyacinth, windflowers and tulips coming up all over our yard. Hope you are getting out as well, the few nice days we have had are in short supply and the weather report says rain is on the way—we need lots of that too to get the ice moving and all things spring on the go.

We missed getting out to dip any smelts this season. I had been told the run was not too bad this year. We had enjoyed a fry or two back in the day, we remember when the Lions Club used to put on smelt fries at the log shack on the Strain property beside the creek. I was down that way today and the creek is overflowing in places with the spring runoff. Hope all the water helps with the lake level.

I heard that the maple syrup had a good run this year; a certain gentleman we know had a little more excitement than most when he discovered his sugar shack going up in flames. When I asked about it he said 'that's okay, no one was hurt' and I hear that plans are already in the works for a re-build. As for any maple

syrup, well he still had some from last year. (You will notice no names are mentioned in this news item!)

Now that the snow is finally melting a few different things show up in the bush, we noticed that the old barn on the Callaghan property on Highway 6 has collapsed. Just a sign of the times I guess, but some will remember when Jim had a working farm there.

Our dear Aunt Alice Kirk passed away at the tender age of 96 and had been living in her home here in Sheg up until about a year and a half ago. She was born on the Collins farm, which was in the area of Orr's Side road. She was one of 12 children born to Isaac and Amanda Collins (Burnett). Attending the funeral was her sister Dorothy Wisson and daughter-in-law Linda Wisson from Brampton. It was good to see many people from the area as well as friends and relatives who travelled to pay their respects. Alice's Daughter Ellie lives here in Sheg. And her daughter Myrtle lives in Sudbury. Their children and grandchildren also attended.

We are saddened to hear of the passing of Bruce Jewell from Bidwell. Our condolences to Diane and his family.

It has been awhile since Easter but I do want to say how much our little great

granddaughter enjoyed the Easter egg hunt at the museum here in Sheg. There was a big gang of kids and adults out for it and eggs were everywhere. The committee did a great job and our little one sure gathered up a basket full. Thanks a bunch.

We would like to wish my cousin Buck Lovelace of Little Current a belated Happy 80th Birthday. Also a big welcome back to our sister Lynda. She said she had a good time in Newfoundland with her friends and family as well as spending time with her daughters and grandchildren in Hamilton. She was also able to get down to Windsor to visit with her sister Bonnie.

Get well wishes are sent to our nephew Mike—sorry to hear that you have not been feeling well this past while. Hope it helps you to know we are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers. Hope to see you this summer on Manitoulin.

Last Sunday afternoon we were on our way into town and noticed a grass fire beside the Rolston's barn on Highway 6. Even though it has been so cold and wet it did not take too long and soon it was blazing out of control. The fire trucks responded quickly and it was brought under control before any damage was done. I guess we still have to be careful doing

these burns. It is surprising how fast they get out of control.

I happened to look out the window last evening and noticed an animal sauntering down our driveway. At first I thought it to be a porcupine but soon realized it was a good size beaver. He dove into a shallow pond that has been in the yard since the snow melted and began to play. He played around there for several minutes and then climbed up to the side of the road. We did not want to see it get run over so Wayne went out and scooted him along. He crossed the highway okay and headed straight over to the Ferguson's pond. Hope they don't mind having a new addition. Hopefully he won't overstay his welcome!

A passenger in a taxi leaned over to ask the driver a question and gently tapped him on the shoulder to get his attention. The driver screamed, momentarily lost control of the cab, and nearly hit a bus. He drove up over the curb and stopped just six inches from a large plate glass window. For a few moments everything was silent. Then the shaking driver said, "Are you okay? I am so sorry but you scared the daylights out of me." The badly shaken passenger apologized to the driver and said, "I didn't realize that a mere tap on the shoulder would scare you so badly." The driver replied, "No, I am the one who is sorry; today is my very first day driving a cab. I have been driving a hearse for 25 years." Keep smiling.

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- Mow and compost grass
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farm facts and furrows

by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell



Electric fencing tips

With pasture season approaching, fencing or the lack of it, is often on a producer's mind. High tensile smooth wire is fast to put up and more affordable than alternatives. For a look at increasing success and reducing frustration here are a few "to dos": Grounding makes the system. Use three galvanized rods six to eight feet long where the ground is suitable. Locate in a damp spot and at least 100 feet from a hydro ground rod. Place the ground rods 10 feet apart and in a triangle shape. Connect the rods with 12 1/2 gauge wire or heavier. Keep the connections clean and tight. If the fence isn't working properly, check the ground first! Expose animals to electric fencing in the barnyard before heading to pasture. Untrained animals may go through the fence before realizing what has happened. Quality insulators will last longer. Sunlight may breakdown plastic. More expensive insulators are treated to resist breakdown, they are usually stronger with less chance of cracking and shorting out. Keep wires at least five inches apart. Wires close together may short out reducing the effectiveness of the fence. Livestock check the fence regularly. This can result in an escape. Larger wire like 12 1/2 gauge carries a heavier charge a longer distance than small wire. Compare it to a water pipe. The larger the pipe the more water it can move. This is important when there are a few miles of wire. Use polywire and tape for short stretches or as a temporary fence. This type of wire has a high resistance to electric current. Tape makes the fence more visible. The charger determines the power on the wire. Make sure it is large enough to do the job depending on the miles of fence, growth along the

fence line and the number of wires expected. A good voltmeter is a sure way of knowing the level of current on the wire. It is also helpful in checking the ground. Placing posts can be expensive and time consuming. For flat areas place posts 80 to 100 feet apart. Posts are needed to hold up wires. The "shock" controls the livestock. Use droppers to hold the wires apart between posts. Checking the fence before putting livestock out is a must. Fallen trees, snowmobilers, ice etc. can do wonders to the fence over winter. Keeping the fence line "clean" helps keep the charge up on the line.

Seven tips for potato production

1. Practice crop rotation, this is one of the best management practices to reduce diseases and insects.
2. If soil is low in organic matter, incorporate cover crops or manure.
3. Aim for soil of good tilth without drying out the soil or producing soil clods. Tillage should produce enough loose soil to allow for planting and hilling.
4. Plant healthy seed.
5. Warm seed tubers to 50-55°F before cutting. This reduces bruising when handling, promotes rapid healing of cut surfaces and initiates sprouts before planting.
6. For early planting, use smaller "B-size" seed. Whole seed tolerates cool, wet conditions better than cut seed and is more resistant to soft rot.
7. Try to schedule planting to coincide with favourable soil and weather conditions. Ideally seed and soil should be the same temperature at planting. Do not plant cold seed in warm soil as the seed will sweat which creates favourable conditions for soft rot.

Expositor correction

In The Manitoulin Expositor's April 24 page 3 article "\$100,000 review of Manitoulin Official Plan will see significant changes to zoning," Manitoulin Planning Board secretary/treasurer Elva Carter was quoted as saying, "All comments will then be incorporated or ignored." Ms. Carter in fact urges all Island residents to read the

draft Official Plan and comment, adding that each and every comment will be considered and forwarded to the consultant for further consideration. Comments can be sent by mail to: Manitoulin Planning Board, P.O. Box 240, Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0 or by emailing them through their website, www.manitoulinplanning.ca.

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FLY Volunteers

As the end of the school year approaches, many students are deciding what they are going to do next year. Whether this is determining what university or college you are going to, or picking your classes for your Grade 9 year, decisions are being made that are going towards your future. Last week, MSS students started to get ready for the Grade 8 FLY start off. This is when all current Grade 8 students, or future Mustangs, get to come to the high school to familiarize themselves with the layout and meet current MSS students. FLY is a great opportunity to get to meet people that you will be going to school with next year. All of the volunteers who are at FLY are currently enrolled at MSS. Every year, there is a major theme for the whole day. Previous years it has been the Olympics and famous songs. Who knows what it will be this year! MSS students have had to chance to sign up to help out with FLY. They have to apply and then be selected to act either as a leader, cook or many other positions. This is to make sure that everything goes as smoothly as planned and all the Grade 8 students have the best time possible. Stay tuned for more information as the big day approaches!

Stand Up, Speak Out!

This past week a group of Mustangs headed off to the Stand Up, Speak Out leadership conference that was held at Laurentian University. The conference is directed to students from grades nine to eleven and focused on preparing students for future leadership roles that they may find themselves in during their lives. The conference was a two-day event put on by Rainbow Districts School Board's student senate and included inspirational talks from Andy Thibodeau and Juno award

winning hip-hop artist Maestro Fresh West. Mr. Thibodeau spoke on his "Share Your Care" presentation while Maestro Fresh West's topic was "Sticking to Your Vision." Mustang Michael Niven, who is president of the Student Senate commented, "The speakers mixed with group workshops that focussed on team building and problem solving made for a very successful conference that was a ton of fun to organize and attend!" One thing's for sure—MSS is not short of student leaders!

This week seemed to be all about student leadership and volunteering which is something that we should all work towards at MSS! Volunteering for fun events like Fly, or even for other causes like Special Olympics, or Parents' Night not only helps others, but it can also help you earn volunteer hours and it's also lots of fun! Participating in leadership activities prepares you for many circumstances in life whether it be in the work place or at home. So, Mustangs, get out there and get involved in activities like these!



Spring stream

The Batman's Mill in Sheguiandah churns furiously with the spring runoff from Bass Lake, through Bass Creek and into Sheguiandah Bay.

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Spring Bay Rural Route

April 25—April is nearly over and it wasn't a very nice month with freezing rain, snow and high winds.

Campbell Horticultural Society held their April meeting at the Spring Bay Community Centre on April 9. Gail Robinson had the program titled 'White Spring', quite different and enjoyed. Thanks Gail! After a short meeting lunch was served by the hostess.

Get well wishes to Sheila Maeck who is home after having surgery in Sudbury.

Irwin and Irene MacIntyre are moving to Britianville. I will miss them going by and as neighbours.

The musical at St. Francis Church last weekend went over well. A large crowd both Friday evening and Satur-

day afternoon.

I hear the smelts have been in, even if the water is a bit low.

Get well wishes to J.C. St. Croix who has been in Mindemoya Hospital. I was home last Sunday to see my cat. Allen and Rosemarie Eagleson brought me up. We went and had dinner with David and Connie.

Sympathy to the Hall and Gilpin families in the passing of Anna after a long illness. We will miss her.

I'm at Allen and Rosemarie's in Little Current for a while.

Thanks to the ones who remembered me in your column.

Tehkummah Talk and Times

Tuesday, 4 am—I just heard a wolf howling nearby, and I do mean a wolf. Yesterday I saw the first butterfly of the season.

I did some leaf raking (apparently I did very little last fall). Cal came for supper. Said he had had a much better day. We went for a drive to South Baymouth before bingo. We saw a chipmunk, a squirrel, an otter, three deer, a flock of flickers, (the first), a large yellow bird (I think female summer tanager), geese, ducks, sandhills, seagulls, crows.

Mary (J) came in Saturday on my bench for a visit. Judy, still hobbling visited us for a few minutes and the candy man came to my door bring me a treat. Many thanks Kemp Morton for the "Baby Ruth" bars. I was in my lazy girl chair exhausted after working a bit. I'm so out of shape! The flowers are everywhere trying to find the light, a couple of hundred or more clumps of snowdrops, many crocus, scilla and chionodoxa. Ahhh! I hope this is really it!

Lori was the jackpot winner at bingo. The air coming in the window is warm.

10:30 Tuesday evening—Pouring rain. Ginger is watching something outside. I tried to watch 'The Voice' twice and woke each time to see the end of it. So I decided perhaps I was tired. Cal came out for supper, spaghetti tonight. Today we went to Espanola. We saw Burt, Audrey, Susan White, Tillie, Carol Windover and her dad and had lunch at the Tin Cup with Gib and Florence. When I got home I did a bit more yard work but it was cold and starting to rain. The dear deer ate most of my tulips off. Poppy got off the chain, but she comes for Skylar and that's a good thing. I'm singing sleepy time gal.

Last week another East Coast Canadian Icon was taken from us. This was an amazing talent/woman who overcame many obstacles in her life. Rita MacNeil touched the lives of millions with her heart and song.

Do we realize how much the lives of others influence us? I've been busy this Wednesday morning. My golly the time defeats me. Baked a cake for cribbage, did a minimal amount of tidying, had a two hour soak in sea salt (bones feel better!).

Snow on the ground this morning again! Snow, snow, snowflakes the size of ten dollar bills. Here it is Thursday afternoon and so what else is new. I raked a few more leaves from the daffodils, found where more of my tulips were eaten off, came into the house, my hands frozen, gave up working for a nap and read. Reverse that order. Mary O'Neil was in for a minute. I offered to drive her home in the rain. She refused, but had to be in snow before she got home. Apparently the darling deer have been feasting on her tulips as well. It's strange how Poppy is more concerned about barking at a truck going by than deer right next to her.

At cribbage on Wednesday we had four tables of fun. High hand, 24, Joy McVey; first, Bert and Joy, 950; second, Ted and Dorothy, 940; third, Gib and Florence, 914; low, Betty Jean and Bill, 814; door prize, Rick Gordon. Don't forget 1:30 pm on Wednesdays.

Frogs are singing tonight.

Euchre winners: ladies' high, Betty Jean; lone hands, Mary Ann; low, Florence; men's high, Gib, 71; lone hands, Bill C., 4; men's low, 49; door prize, Sheila. Richard and Bev Lynch were on KP duty.

Joy brought birthday cake (and ice cream) for her Aunt Lois Arnold's birthday on Wednesday at cribbage.

Sunday evening, another busy day. A spring-like lovely

day too, finally warm temperatures. Some outside work.

Gib and Florence just left Cal's as we met them at Carol's and Earl's for our supper and they came to visit and play cribbage after. The gals were the champs (by one point)! During the afternoon we stopped at the museum for their open house. What a lovely crowd of folk perusing the exhibits and the many photographs. I'll have to go back again for we spent most of the time visiting. Nice too!

Joan went to church with Mum and I at St. Andrew's. The Golden Rule—Do Unto Others. A great topic and many neat comments and memories. Now not without all singing the "School Days" song. It's amazing how many folk knew it. Mum, the only one knowing the first verse. We went to Carol's and Earl's for our lunch and walked in to see Blaine and Beatrice Baxter. What a lovely surprise! They had come from Stratford to their grandson's thirtieth birthday party in Espanola. How can that be? Oh my goodness. Did I get that information right? There were Burt and Elaine, Martin and Lynda, Justin Quillan and Mary too. Cal came and had a coffee with the gang before the museum tour.

On Saturday it was nice to say hello to Nora Deforge in Manitowaning. I hadn't seen her in quite some time. We, Cal and I, went out to the Flea Market. They have changed things about out there. That we stopped on our circle tour is no surprise at Sherm and Eileen's. They were sitting in the sun after doing a bit of yard work. We had a cuppa. That evening we went for a drive down McLay subdivision. Best roads on the Island, maybe. Saw a porcupine, four deer, two rabbits (white/brown) and one chipmunk. Stopped at Sherry and Daves. Sherry had been to Espanola with Skylar. Had tea and KFC there.

South Bay Chapel's first service of the season will be Sunday, May 5 at 11 am in South Baymouth.

Bowerman Trail guided tour is June 13 at 10 am followed by purchased "box lunch." Ray, Jamie and Chris are plotting, planning, drilling, filling, sounds interesting to me. I met Paiden on Sunday.

Friday afternoon Bill and Betty Jean, Audrie, Dorothy and I went to the euchre tournament in Manitowaning. Bill and Betty Jean were the best! I always feel sorry for my partners, Audrie that day, nines and tens don't cut it. They dropped me off at Cal's and we went to Rainbow Ridge to celebrate Pauline's birthday. They were very busy it seemed. We went back to Susan and Simons. They've been doing a lot of work on their house. She served up delicious Angel food cake and we had a good visit.

Mollie and John were over from Sudbury. Mum and Sherry, Wayne, Pauline got some great gifts.

Marjorie Holmes and Marilyn Moggy were shopping downtown Tehkummah on Monday.

I hear Delmer Fields is recuperating nicely from his recent heart surgery. Jim Hembruff too, thinking of you. Get well soon.

Slowly raking the leaves from the flowerbeds. Daffodils coming into bloom. Thank goodness the deer don't like them. It's a "blooming" pity. Now they are eating the Iris and Daylilies. All Susan Ward's tulips are gone too.

A special happy anniversary wish to Gary and Christy Brown who celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 28.

I just heard (today) Monday that Bev Hughson passed away. Bev of the always smile and joke, loved her euchre games. The past couple of years not so pleasant I guess. Sympathy to all the family.

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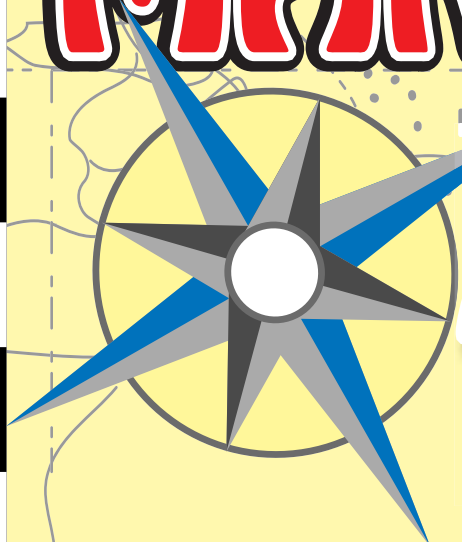
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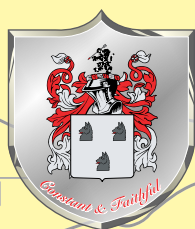
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