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'WHERE IS THAT BABY?'—King Herod turns on the charm as he interrogates the three travelling wise men who have followed the Star of Bethlehem to the birthplace of the Christ Child. Unconvinced by Herod's false assurances of the baby's safety (they weren't called the three wise men for nothing), the wise men chose a different route home, bypassing the palace of the mercurial tyrant. **SEE STORY AND PHOTOS ON SECTION FRONT.**

photo by Michael Erskine

Rogers beefs up Island cell service

Four new towers activated, two more by month's end

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—Four of the seven new cellular towers from the NetCentral Community Communication Network (a not-for-profit community-based telecommunications network)/Rogers project to expand cellular-broadband service across Manitoulin are

now operational, with two others scheduled to be operational by month's end and the third in early 2014.

"The project is coming along nicely," Morry Brown, general manager of NetCentral, told The Expositor on Friday. "The Manitowaning and Mindemoya towers

are now activated and in service. The South Baymouth tower was activated in late September and is up and running and the Highway 6 tower near Wood Lake, south of Espanola, was active early last month (November)."

Mr. Brown added that the Little Current and Sheguiandah towers will be activated by the end of December.

"The Little Current and Sheguiandah towers are expected to be operational by the end of this month," explained Mr. Brown. "Right now the tower integration with the rest of the network is being completed."

"As for the tower located between Kagawong and M'Chigeeng, servicing that area of Highway 540, we are just in the process of finalizing permits and location, but we expect it to be

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Lighthouse debate heats up Billings council

by Michael Erskine

KAGAWONG—There were some heated exchanges at Billings council recently as the members of the municipal council discussed the acquisition of the Kagawong lighthouse from the federal government, which is undergoing a divestiture of a large number of lighthouses across the country deemed surplus to the navigational needs of

the Canadian Coast Guard.

The municipality is currently negotiating the terms of an acquisition of the property and one councillor has expressed strong reservations about the deal being offered by the federal government. "I am not so much against taking the lighthouse over," said Billings Councillor Brian Parker, "but I am concerned with the con-



Two young girls show off their Mandela buttons in front of a public flower display area as South Africans mourn and celebrate the life and passing of Nelson Mandela, the elder statesman of Africa and an honorary citizen of Canada.

photo by Medeine Tribinevicius

Letter from Johannesburg

Manitoulin journalist observes responses to Mandela's death

by Medeine Tribinevicius

When Nelson Mandela died this past Thursday, I knew almost immediately. We heard the buzz of media helicopters humming in the evening air like mechanical mosquitoes but it was only when my husband Rich's phone rang at about midnight, a Toronto number on the screen – the CBC – and we checked the Internet that we realized that Madiba (his Xhosa clan name), the father of the Rainbow Nation, had passed.

It wasn't a sudden death. Mandela had been ailing for a long time – he spent 85 days in hospital this past summer with a lung infection. But that's not to say he was out of sight, out of mind. Though he retired from public life in 2004 ("Don't call me, I'll call you..."), his presence in the cultural and social landscape of South Africa remained undiminished. He was their Tata – father – revered for his role in uniting an almost impossibly divided country upon his election as president in 1994.

I spend a lot of time in Johannesburg. My husband's been working on a book for the past three (almost four) years, and has been based out of Orchards, a neighbourhood in the northern suburbs, just up the road from where he grew up. It also happens to be around the corner from Mandela's home in Houghton.

Joburg is an outdoor city. The weather is the polar opposite of Northern Ontario winters and when I'm here if I'm not on my bicycle, I'm out running the hilly, jacaranda-shaded streets. My training runs often take me past the Mandela house, though to be honest I didn't realize it was his house at first. It's about as nondescript as you can be in a neighbourhood of huge estates and high walls. (Though the stones painted by children placed neatly around the trees alongside the property wall should have given it away. Or the ever-present camera crews. Or the fact that the Mandela Foundation is just down the street.)

Early on the morning we heard about his death, Rich and I walked to his house to see what we could see, journalists that we are. Footage from the night before showed a large gathering of people singing and lighting candles, but that morning there were more journalists setting up camp than citizens paying their respects. A memorial made of candles and flowers (it would only grow in the days to come) lay in a jumble on the narrow stretch of lawn in front of the walls around his house.

When we came back a few hours later, however, things had changed. The roads had been blocked off and the two news vans had multiplied into twelve, satellite dishes pointed to the heavens. People streaming in and out of the cordoned off area, coming to pay their respects. The mood was less than sombre. People were singing, dancing, smiling.

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Sheguiandah First Nation welcomes back UCCM policing

Service interrupted during 2012-13 council dispute

by Robin Burrige with files from Alicia McCutcheon

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION—After a seven-month hiatus, the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) Anishnaabe Police have resumed full policing authority for the Sheguiandah First Nation, thanks to full support from the community's newly elected chief, Richard Shawanda, and council.

"We are here to confirm that the UCCM Anishnaabe Police will be taking over police services from the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)," said Chief Shawanda during a meeting held last Friday morning at the Sheguiandah band



Manitoulin OPP Detachment Commander Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb joins newly elected Sheguiandah Chief Richard Shawanda and UCCM Anishnaabe Police Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow in signing a new community policing agreement.

photo by Robin Burrige

office with himself, council, Manitoulin OPP Detachment Commander Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb and UCCM Anishnaabe Police Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow all present. "One of the first things we wanted to bring back when we were elected was the UCCM Police services. We thank the OPP for filling in."

Chief Shawanda explained that while the OPP did an exemplary job of policing the community in the interim, the UCCM Anishnaabe Police was able to provide a cultural component specific to a First Nation community and



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Fire chief certificate recognized for 40 years of service

Assignack Reeve Brad Ham presents Allan Elliott with a certificate recognizing his 40 years of service to the Assignack Fire Department at the department's annual Christmas party and awards night. Mr. Elliott joined the department in 1973 and became chief in late 1979 and has served the community as chief since then. Andy Gieb also received an award for his 5 years of service and Duncan MacDonald for his 10 years with the fire department.

DSB begins process of changing rental fees for Gore Bay apartments

Plan is to change fee structure at every property

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—In an attempt to save money on the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board's (DSB) 288 social housing units, the board passed a motion late last month to change the rent-gated-to-income (RGI) format used currently to the affordable rent format, which charges residents 80 percent of the average market rent for a community, starting in Gore Bay.

Donna Moroso, director of integrated social services, used Gore Bay's Woods Lane unit as an example to the board, as it is the first unit to have its mortgage expire.

"In Gore Bay the current waiting list has 35 applicants, of which 30 are seniors," Ms. Moroso explained. "These applicants can be serviced by the non-profit and the DSB building on Woods Lane. The analysis of the portfolio shows that the building known as Woods Lane (66 Meredith Street) is a logical choice to convert to affordable rent."

Under the current RGI model, in 2012, rental revenues came in at \$26,162, operating costs were \$24,856, maintenance costs at \$11,464 and capital costs, \$1,899. This meant a loss of \$12,048. Using the affordable rents system for the same year, the rent revenue would have been \$57,120. With the same expenses, the DSB would have seen a net gain of \$18,910.

In 2012 each of the DSB housing units saw a loss,

with a total loss of \$529,964.

"Affordable rents are calculated at 80 percent of the average market rent for same-sized units in that community," she continued. "Choosing to offer an affordable option would increase the rental revenues and would lessen the burden."

None of the current residents would be affected by this change, she explained, as vacancies will be filled with residents paying an affordable rent. Current waiting applicants will be provided with the choice to remain on the waiting list under the new system or choose another location of their choice.

"As the end of operating agreements fast approaches, considerations for affordable housing rates is an option to meet the needs of our communities while maintaining fiscal responsibility to our member municipalities," Ms. Moroso stated. "Service managers are expected to continue to meet the housing needs of our communities while the degree of funding for these projects continues to decline. The cost of operating our buildings continues to climb, and as a responsible provider, we aim to be proactive in our approach to review and repurpose our portfolio to meet the demand for affordable housing."

The DSB passed a motion that, effective January 1, 2014, the Woods Lane Apartments in Gore Bay starts under the affordable housing designation.

GB man charged in online child porn investigation

GORE BAY—Members of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Child Sexual Exploitation Unit have charged a Gore Bay man following a six month covert online child pornography investigation.

In June 2013, police from the Toronto Police Service, Child Exploitation Unit, were conducting a covert online investigation. During the investigation, the suspect sent images of child sexual abuse to the undercover officer. In October 2013, undercover police from New Zealand identified this same suspect as involved in the sharing and accessing of child sexual abuse images via the Internet. Upon further investigation between the police agencies, the suspect was identified in Gore Bay. The file was forwarded to the OPP Child Sexual Exploitation Unit for further investigation.

On December 4, 2013 members of the OPP Child Sexual Exploitation Unit, Sudbury Police Service Technical Crime Unit and Gore Bay OPP detachment executed a search warrant at a Gore Bay residence. As a result of this investigation, two computers and other items pertinent to the investigation were seized which contained images of child sexual abuse.

Roderick William Wilson, age 30 years, of Gore Bay is charged with three counts of possession of child pornography, one count of making available child pornography and two counts of accessing child pornography.

He has been held in custody awaiting a bail hearing that was to take place yesterday, December 10, in Wikwemikong.

OPP continues Spring Bay suspected home arson case

by Robin Burrige

SPRING BAY—The investigation into the suspected arson at a Spring Bay home this fall is ongoing, with still no charges being laid.

"We have expanded the investigation and are beginning polygraph statements," Community Services Officer Constable Al Boyd told The Expositor last Friday. "We are still awaiting the results from the Centre of Forensic Sciences on materials that we collected."

The Expositor reported earlier this fall that the OPP was investigating a suspected case of arson after a fire at a Spring Bay residence on Sunday, October 13 at 2:50 am.

The Joyce family, including Cathy, Ross and their two young

children Sarah and David, were alerted by the smell of smoke early Sunday morning and by their two dogs barking.

The couple discovered a small fire in their basement and were able to extinguish it themselves, with minimal damage to the home, however a clear ignition source led them to call the OPP, suspecting arson.

"The investigation is still ongoing, but we do believe that this is an isolated incident," concluded Constable Boyd.

The OPP is still looking for information from the public on this case. If anyone has any knowledge or information of this occurrence they are asked to call police at 1-888-310-1122, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Ontario releases Long-Term Energy Plan 'Achieving Balance'

by Robin Burrige

ONTARIO—The province released its updated Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) called 'Achieving Balance' last Wednesday, laying out its plan for clean, reliable and affordable energy for Ontarians.

"We have invested significantly over the last 10 years in clean and reliable energy," said Minister of Energy Bob Chiarelli in a conference call with Northern media outlets on Wednesday. "This plan reflects what we heard from thousands of people and dozens of organizations right across the province. Our vision for Ontario is to create a clean, affordable and reliable

energy system that focusses on conservation and addresses regional needs."

The LTEP boasts the balancing of five key principles that will guide all future decisions: cost-effectiveness, reliability, clean energy, community engagement and an emphasis on conservation and demand management before creating new energy generation.

"Achieving Balance is expected to reduce projected cost increases by \$16 billion in the near term (2013-2017) and \$70 billion by 2030," continued Minister Chiarelli. "These cost reductions will be released even as Ontario keeps its com-

mitment to phase out the last of its coal-fired generation by the end of 2014."

"Since 2003, more than \$19 billion has been invested in Ontario's transmission and distribution networks and more than \$21 billion has been invested in cleaner generation," added Minister Chiarelli.

Because of these significant investments, Minister Chiarelli noted that cost pressures will continue for the next 3-4 years, but that there are a number of credits and assistance programs to help Northern residents such as new financing tools for consumers, including on-bill financing for energy efficiency retrofits

starting in 2015 and giving consumers online access to their electricity data through the Green Button Initiative—enabling consumers to connect their data to mobile and web-based applications that will help them analyze and better manage their electricity use.

"Ontario is also taking important steps to ease pressure on rates by reducing future capital investments, working with agencies to operate more efficiently and achieving savings through a reduction in the purchase price of new Feed-in-Tariff contracts," said Minister Chiarelli.

District Services Board creates senior priority waiting list for all rental units

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—In a push to create more seniors' housing and through its commitment to the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan in the Sudbury-Manitoulin area, the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board passed a motion at its last meeting to give seniors top priority on all DSB housing unit wait lists.

Currently, the DSB recognizes victims of family violence as a priority group on the waiting list, and will continue to do so, the board learned.

Donna Moroso, director of integrated social services with the DSB, explained to the board that the DSB can set priority groups, such as was done for victims of family violence.

"This puts seniors as a priority group on all the buildings we own," Fern Dominelli, DSB CAO, explained. "This will allow seniors to go to the top of the waiting list. We will have problems with the other people on the list, but we will deal with them through other programs and services."

This move was decided following a recent meeting with the Municipality of French River, which asked if this could be done. After some staff research, it was agreed that it could in fact be done and the motions put in place to see it happen.

"When reviewing the needs of our communities, it is important to mention that within the current application process, there is not a vehicle embedded that enables a true measurement of need," Ms. Moroso explained. "In communities where senior-only housing is offered, the same applicants are often on both waiting lists (senior-only and integrated). Given the proportionate amount of turnover within age-integrated buildings, many seniors find themselves utilizing DSB-owned units as transitional units until senior designated housing becomes available."

Ms. Moroso continued, noting that tenants are required to be capable of maintaining independent living in their units, but may do so with any required supports (VON, CNIB, Meals on Wheels, etc.) so long as they are in place.

"Senior residents typically thrive when in an environment that is geared towards older adults and most wish to remain in hometowns or villages where family is present," Ms. Moroso said. "Many senior residents do not smoke, do not have pets and maintain their units to above reasonable standards."

On the topic of smoking, this was another concern raised by French River, Mr. Dominelli said. The DSB will be surveying the DSB units' residents to see how many are smokers.

"Isn't that discriminatory?" asked Central Manitoulin Councillor Derek Stephens.

"I thought so too," Mr. Dominelli responded, "but if there's a building that would like to go smoke free as a pilot project, we could look into it."

In Little Current's Channelview Apartments (which was recently designated as seniors only), 70 percent of its cur-

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editorial

Nelson Mandela set the model for national reconciliation

This is an important week in the world, this week that is leading up to the funeral of Nelson Mandela, for it is in these days that many Canadians will appreciate the enormity of change in South Africa that revolved around this one individual who was clearly the right person in the right place at the right time.

Just as it seems so impossible now for the German government of the late 1930s and wartime 1940s to have had as a policy the elimination of their citizens of Jewish ancestry, so it was to most Canadians in the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s difficult to comprehend the policy of apartheid where for so many years the ruling minority, white-backed government of the nation of South Africa denied its African citizens basic human rights and held its Indian citizens in a very second class position.

This came about very simply: the white colonial powers had the money and controlled the police and the military as well as the nation's government, and did so right up to the release of Nelson Mandela from the prison where he'd spent over a quarter-century simply for vigorously defending the notion of civil rights for black Africans.

By that time, the then-white-dominated South African government had become a pariah among nations for the obvious reasons.

But think about it: Nelson Mandela was only released from prison in 1990, less than 25 years ago, and until that time these evil practices had been the law of the land in these modern times.

Things happened quickly when change began in South Africa: an enfranchised African population soon elected their own party, the African National Congress, to power and so Nelson Mandela went quickly from being a "lifer" in prison to being his country's president.

Just at that time, the world was experiencing some incredibly anti-social, murderous, behaviour. Some nations in the world were re-defining themselves: the purging, similar to Hitler's treatment of European jews, of the minority Muslim population in Bosnia in Eastern Europe was still going on then and was only ended thanks to international military intervention.

The same thing could easily have happened in South Africa as the black majority population tasted their freedom from official political oppression.

They could easily have lashed out at their former white oppressors and a black-white civil war would not have been a surprise at that

time.

One of the most remarkable accomplishments of President Mandela was that he moved quickly to ensure that such a civil war was not the outcome of the end of apartheid.

Instead, he formulated a Truth and Reconciliation process that examined apartheid and gave victims the opportunity to be able to speak out about their painful experiences and be heard.

This was a brilliant tactic aimed at defusing potential civil strife while, at the same time, presenting everyone, black and white, with the notion of how these things had come to be and who was responsible.

Canada was a beneficiary of this same process. The public, transparent investigation of this country's treatment of its First Nations citizen in decades past when many of their children were sent to "Indian Residential Schools" and away from their communities and families as a matter of public practice was initiated.

The process, recently concluded, that investigated how this practice could have taken place in Canada took not only it's name—the Truth and Reconciliation Commission—but many of its methods from the investigation of apartheid in South Africa during the 1990s.

Mr. Mandela's legacy in the fight for civil rights is an enormous one and it certainly impacts on Canada and Canadians through our own government's establishment of our own Truth and Reconciliation Commission to address past social evils. If for no other reason, he must be remembered in this country for giving us this model.

Of course he will be remembered internationally for so much more; for giving a voice to an oppressed people to the extent that their oppressors very quickly realized the turning of the tide and backed way from apartheid as an official policy.

This would have happened eventually in any case as more and more countries were expressing their displeasure with this backwards policy by applying sanctions banning the import of South Africa products. We should be proud to say that Canada was one of those countries that applied sanctions in order to turn up the heat on the South African government on this particular file.

It worked and Mr. Mandela was the one person who was able to turn this deplorable policy into a meaningful object lesson for the entire world through his Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

His life will be a model for time to come.

letters

Enniskillen mayor urges OMPF taxpayer action

Contact your MPP no matter what party to demand rural communities deserve better

To the Expositor:

A quote from Kathleen Wynne: "Sometimes we Ontario Liberals are accused of not taking rural, agricultural and small town issues seriously. I am going to change that," said Ms. Wynne. "To demonstrate my personal commitment to rural and small town Ontario and to make sure that a government I lead gets it right, as Leader and Premier I will appoint myself the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for at least one year."

As a mayor of a rural municipality I was appalled by the recent OMPF (Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund) announcement from the province for 2014, because it completely goes against the premier's mandate when running for leadership. Our municipality (along with many others in Ontario) would have to raise property taxes up to \$125 per household or approximately 15 percent just to have the same funds as 2013 for policing as well as maintenance of infrastructure, this after taking a five percent cut in the 2013 calendar year.

This will be a cut of 25 million dollars across Ontario for 2014, just think how many years the \$1.1 billion from that one cancelled gas plant would have kept our municipalities paying police costs (which have

been rising 10 percent per year) across the province?

It is obvious that the Wynne government is using one of the oldest political ploys in history: "divide and conquer" by giving the urban communities a larger share of the OMPF funding at the expense of rural and small town communities for 2014 and possibly beyond as we have been warned.

The federal transfer payments to Ontario have risen from \$1,299 per capita in 2011 to \$1,457 in 2013. The Ontario government could at least hold the payments to municipalities the same.

The most recent TV ad, showing the premier jogging through rural Ontario, where she says, "I also set goals—really hard to accomplish goals—and never stop until they're done," should be pulled for being so disingenuous!

I urge you to contact your MPP, no matter what party, to demand that we in rural communities deserve better. This is a huge insult to rural municipalities of Ontario!

**Kevin Marriott
Mayor Township of Enniskillen**

MCSEA calls for homeowner reassessment submissions to MPAC

As impacts become known the values of properties will be impacted

To the Expositor:

Landowners and homeowners have the option for reassessment submissions to MPAC for property devaluations in proximity of industrial wind turbines.

Deadlines are approaching. You may have to search out last year's notices as new notices may not have been sent if there were no changes to the previous assessment. This can be done online also at About My Property Link, 1-866-296-MPAC (6722) or www.mpac.ca.

Send in pictures, distance of turbines, and the peer reviewed health studies, etc. to support your documentation in a Request for Reconsideration.

MPAC is being reviewed by the provincial ministry and there is also a review on the impacts of industrial wind turbines on property value that is not completed as of yet.

Health effects are known up to two kilometres and further. Once they start spinning the vertigo and nausea is reported. The visual effects are not reflective of what Northland Power Inc. showed at their public meetings.

Industrial scale wind generators are blights on the landscapes as properties become compromised and unhealthy for great distances as

shown worldwide.

Homes and properties are usually the largest investment people make in their lifetime for them and their families.

A pittance of a reduced tax rate, though it should be requested, does not provide proper compensation for homes and properties that are worthless, difficult to sell, can't be lived in or have the loss of use as witnessed here on Manitoulin Island and throughout the province.

Some properties we are aware of are now taking longer to sell when potential buyers are told as required by law of a potential industrial wind turbine project.

This, we expect, will worsen now that turbines are up and the visual and environmental effects/impacts are realized. This failed Green Energy Act project that also contributes to 33 percent of electricity bill increases over the next three years should not have been placed here that has so many detriments on the community of Manitoulin and surrounding area.

**Raymond Beaudry
Manitoulin Coalition for Safe Energy Alternatives
Green Bush**

Wikwemikong honours its post secondary graduates

by Michael Erskine

WIKWEMIKONG—The joyous strains of the honour song performed by drummer Danielle Roy-McDonald escorted a procession of Wikwemikong's 2013 post secondary graduates led by university valedictorian Pamela Manitowabi and college valedictorian Rene Recollet and two young dancers, a male fancy dancer and a female shawl dancer, as they circled a large crowd of proud grandparents, parents, aunts and uncles, guardians, friends, teachers, councillors and community members all gathered to celebrate the students' accomplishments.

Few events highlight the spirit of extended family that infuses First Nations communities like the celebrations of educational attainment as much of the community gathers to applaud those who have reached ever higher for the golden ring of knowledge.

"I love this part of the program," said co-emcee Harold Fox as he stepped forward to greet the procession. "Today is a special day, this afternoon we have gathered to celebrate our post-secondary graduates. We are extremely proud to present our own graduates for the community. Not only does this give us an opportunity to display and recognize the important accomplishments, but it gives us a chance to highlight that our students can be, and will be, successful in whatever educational endeavour they choose."

"Our community produces some of the best students in Ontario," continued Mr. Fox, as he highlighted the community's schools, including the Hub Centre with its innovative Child Care Centre capable of serving up to 80 children aged 2.6 to five and 30 school-aged children in the after school program. "Every one of our Hub Centre staff is qualified and registered with the College of Early Childhood Educators," he said.

Mr. Fox continued with a profile of the Wasse-Abin Junior School (Kindergarten to Grade 4), which prides itself with First Nations language programming and are the best cross country runners in the North (with trophies to prove it) even as it meets and exceeds the provincial curriculum guidelines as does Pontiac School (Grade 5 to 8). "Wasse Abin High School continues to strive for excellence and has been increasing their graduation rates," noted Mr. Fox. "Just over the last five years the number of graduates has doubled. Strong teaching, dedicated students and support from the First Nations Student Success Program have helped impact student success. Our students placed silver in the country's Science Olympics and won a banner for the North Shore boys' volleyball." Mr. Fox noted that 500 graduates of the small high school are currently enrolled in a post secondary course.

"Tonight we are honouring over 45 graduates from post secondary programs, from college diplomas, to bachelors and masters degrees, we are proud of our post secondary students who continue to show the world that education doesn't end after high school. I am proud of our students, I am proud that the foundations begin right here. We are proud to be from Wikwemikong."

Elder Frank Odjig delivered an invocation in the language calling for support for the graduates as they go on in their quest for higher education. Elder Odjig recalled the Seven Grandfather teachings in both languages: Nibwaakaawin, wisdom; Zaagi'idiwin, love; Minaadendamowin, respect; Aakode'ewin, bravery; Gwaykwaadiziwin, honesty; Dabaadendiziwin, humility; and Debwewin, truth.



Graduates Marjorie Beaudry, Dallas Bondy, Andre Desrocher-Caron, Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad, Caitlin Fox, Raymond Kisman, Andy Manitowabi, Pamela Manitowabi, Natalie Neganegijig, Dakota Rose Odjig, Cheryl Osawabine, Brenda Pangowish, Angeline Pitawanakwat, Randy Recollet, Rene Recollet, Amanda Richard, Ruby Trudeau-Simon and Megan Woods watch the awards ceremony held in the Wikwemikong High School gym.



University valedictorian Pamela Manitowabi delivers words of wisdom and encouragement to her fellow post-secondary school graduates.



College valedictorian Rene Recollet passes on the encouragement and pride of his own family and the rest of his community to the post-secondary graduates.



Recipient of the Ron Wakegijig Memorial Award is congratulated by presenter Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier.



Pilot Tyrone Shawana receives the congratulations of his community on attaining his helicopter pilot certification. Mr. Shawana will be seeking employment in the air, truly soaring for his community.

Chief Duke Peltier thanked the community for coming out in such numbers to honour the students who have reached their goal. "It is very tough for a lot of our students to leave the community, they have a lot of challenges to overcome," he said. "It (community support) is very important for them to continue their lifelong journey into higher learning." Chief Peltier lauded the work ethic instilled in the graduates by their families and community and stressed how important those virtues will be in meeting the economic and social goals of the community. "We owe a lot for this success to our education system," he said. "Without them we wouldn't be here today celebrating these successes."

University valedictorian Pam Iris Manitowabi addressed her fellow post secondary school graduates. Ms. Manitowabi, a graduate

of the Native Human Services program at Laurentian University with an Honours Bachelor of Social Work, shared the story of her journey, a story she said was much like that of many other students.

"I began my (university) educational journey in 2010," she said. "I decided it would be a good time to explore university. Attending university had always been a dream of mine." Ms. Manitowabi first attended college, becoming a law clerk, a profession she pursued for the next nine years. "In these nine years my life happened and university seemed no longer possible."

With daughters in tow, Ms. Manitowabi set out to meet the challenges of finding a place to live and child care—but little prepared her for her first day at school.

"I got lost on the big campus of Laurentian University and couldn't understand a word my profs were saying," she said. "They used words like epistemology and paradigm. I was instructed to write all my papers in APA format. My response was 'APA what?' I felt I had made a huge mistake and did not belong in university. What was I thinking? By the end of the day I broke down in tears."

"With time and hard work things became easier," she said. "I kept on top of my assigned readings, or at least tried to. I developed a good network of friends in my classes. With two children to take care of, staying up until 3 am doing homework became my norm, coffee had become my best friend."

Three years, 120 credits, 66 papers, 11 presentations, 22 exams, 17 quizzes, two case studies, one placement challenge, a 400-hour placement, journal role plays (not what you think, she said), a research proposal and many other group projects later, it is not surprising that time went by in what seemed to be a blink of the eye.

Ms. Manitowabi described her favourite individual project, completing a chart (genogram) of all of her family members back four generations and listing their challenges and struggles—her project

stretched into the thousands. "I thought for sure my chart would be the biggest there," she recalled. "That was until I saw another Wiky student's chart which took up the entire wall."

She found that her own challenges could be turned into advantages, however. "Being a mom made me a better student," she said. "I had to be focussed. I set my priorities, my family first and school second. When asked to go out for a night on the town, my typical response was 'ain't nobody got time for that.' Yeah, they quit asking me after a while."

Ms. Manitowabi quoted the inspiration of her four-year-old Cassidy for the graduates. "Don't stop, don't give up."

Rene Recollet, the college valedictorian, graduated from the Motive Power Technician and Service program at Cambrian College. Married to Mary Gaiashk and with his parents Louise and Harry Recollet, Mr. Recollet said that he was grateful for the love and support he had received. "I was able to accomplish what I set out to do," he said. "I am very grateful for it."

Mr. Recollet spoke of having to leave the comfort zone of his home and community to attend school, venturing out "into a new world full of fresh horizons to pursue, all in search of our dreams. The pains of homesickness must have gripped most of us."

The sacrifices that families must make to ensure their children can attend school help keep students focussed on their goals, he noted. "The least we could do was excel in our studies to the best of our abilities and make them proud," he said.

The changes and challenges of attending post secondary studies engendered an unexpected lifestyle change. "We had to cope with living away from home, do our own laundry, keep our rooms neat and, for some, even learn to cook," he laughed. "But most of all, we had to learn how to interact with people, how to make friends and to know our limits."

Mr. Recollet said learning to meet new challenges with an open mind was a valuable addition to life's toolkit. "You can never learn too much," he said. "If you believe in yourself, you can do anything."

The 2013 graduates receiving awards for completion of their programs included: Marjorie Beaudry, Jocelyn S. Bebamikawe, Samantha Bedford, Dallas Bondy, Andre Desrochers-Caron, Naomi Desrochers-Caron, Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad, Caitlin Fox, Jodi Fox, Stacey Fox, Sarah Jacko, Cheyenne T. Johns, Raymond Kisman, Tessa Lachance, Krista Manitowabi, Andy Manitowabi, Pamela Manitowabi, Racheal Martin, Jessica McEwan, Crystal Migwans, Natalie Neganegijig, Dakota Rose Odjig, Dana Ominika, Kristine Ominika, Cheryl Osawabine, Brenda Pangowish,

Lisa Peltier, Sherry Peltier, Karen Pheasant, Mary Arlene Pitawanakwat, Megan Powell, Randy Recollet, Rene Recollet, Amanda Richard, Michael Roy, James K. Shawana, Tyrone Shawana, Melanie Snow, Vanessa Souliere, Candace Trudeau, Jamie-Lynn Trudeau, Ruby Trudeau-Simon, Scott Wemigwans and Megan Woods.

Post Secondary Counselling Unit scholarships and bursaries for 2013 included the Dream Catcher Awards to Tyler Aibens, Abigail Dokum-Trudeau, Kelsey Dowdall, Rebecca Fox, Brandon Jacko, Carolyn Jacko, Adam Kaboni, Tiffany Kanasawe, Josh Manitowabi, Elijah Roy, Amy Shawanda and Trish Trudeau.

The Three Fires awards went to Ngwaagan Eshkibok, Crystal Flamand, Shane Flamand, Kyle Francis, Alannah Mandamin-Shawanda, Roxanne Mandamin, Kayla Manitowabi, Mavis Manitowabi, Joseph Pangowish, Beverly Peltier, Samantha Recollet, Lorena Wabanosse, Alana Wemigwans, Emma Wilkin and Betty VanWort.

The Part Time Award was presented to Valerie Lavallee and Aaron Enosse.

Special awards from community businesses were presented to Jonathan Flamand, Marcellina Peltier, Aaron Enosse, Rene Recollet, Rebecca Fox, Cody Wassenges, Dallas Bondy, Cheryl Osawabine, Christianna Jones, Alexander Dallas, Mary Agnes Aibens, Kerry Lynn Peltier, Crystal Kimewon, Jessica McEwan, Brenda Pangowish, Natalie Neganegijig, Emily St. Germaine-Lewis, Maxine Wemigwans, Danielle Simon-Newton, Kristine Ominika, Candace Trudeau, Karen Pheasant, Marjorie Beaudry, Ruby Trudeau-Simon, Brandon R. Pitawanakwat, Christopher Aibens, Quinton Recollet and Andre Desrochers-Caron.

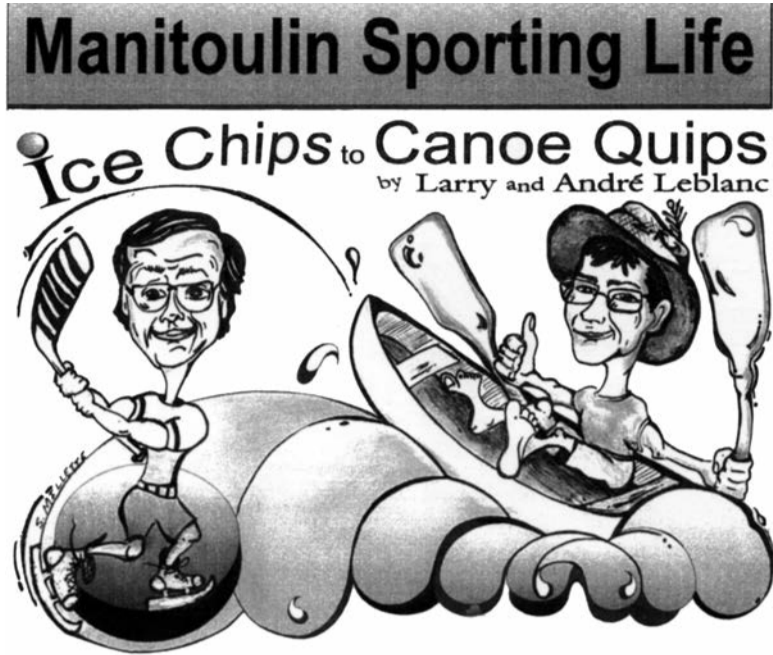
A number of memorial awards were presented at the ceremony. The Ron Wakegijig Memorial Award was presented to Caitlin Fox, the Jim Wakegijig Memorial Award went to Jessie Kaboni, the Donald Hamilton Memorial Award went to Raymond Kisman, the Beatrice George Memorial Award went to June Manitowabi, the Logan Eshkawkogan Memorial Award went to Pamela Manitowabi, the Henry J. Peltier Memorial Award was accepted by Scott Wemigwans, the Walter Gonowabi Memorial Award was given to Sasha Pitawanakwat, the Bertha Trudeau Memorial Award was awarded to Sally Recollet, the Bernadette Pangowish Memorial Award went to Chelsea Trudeau, the Mary Beaudry Memorial Award went to Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad and the Walter Gonowabi Memorial Award went to Peirce Wemigwans.

Following the presentations, education director Dominic Beaudry delivered his closing remarks. "I am deeply humbled to be here to greet our graduates," he said. "They are not just the future leaders in our community, but ambassadors for our community. They have chosen wisely in their education." Mr. Beaudry exhorted the community to ensure that students attend classes each and every day. "The days missed add up quickly between September and June," he said.

John Dube, board trustee, delivered congratulations to the graduates as well as the teachers in the community "for all the great work that they do."

The graduates processed from the stage to a final honour song before the assembly gathered for a finger food feast.

Doris Recollet took home the door prize.



Manitoulin Sporting Life

Ice Chips to Canoe Quips
by Larry and André Leblanc

Galloping Mustangs
The Manitoulin Mustang boys' team was on the road this weekend to take part in the 40th annual North Bay NDA high school tournament. The venerable event attracted teams from as far away as the Sault and Burlington. The 'gold and black' played some strong defensive hockey over the weekend, edging Chippewa 1-0; dropping a 1-0 game to Scollard Hall and beating West Ferris 2-1 to earn a quarter final berth. The Mustangs kept on rolling, doubling up on Superior Heights 2-1 and 4-3 over Nelson in the semi finals. In the championship match it took double-overtime before Central Algoma scored to take the trophy, 3-2. Congratulations, guys.

The team picked up a point in league play last week after a 5-5 draw against Confederation. Picking up points were **Matt Craig, Thomas Hayden, Colin Hicks, Sheldon Campbell and Tyler King**. The team will have put their 3-1 and 2 record to the test this Monday in a road game against St. Charles. The team is now prepping for the Canlan Tournament this coming weekend in North York. Good luck Mustangs.

MMHA Spotlight
In the Manitoulin Minor Hockey Spotlight this week are the M'Chigeeng novice team. The young squad is currently in second place with 10 points. The kids will be getting into their game-shape a little quicker than most teams as each of their only, eight players get a lot of game-time. Have a good season boys and girls! **Damion Debassige, Gabe Hare, Cierra Anwhatin, RJ Corbiere, Andrew Roy, Dylan Corbiere, Jermaine Jocko and Tyran Armstrong**. The team is staffed by manager **Jessie Debassige** and coaches **Rising Sun Hare, Dawn Debassige and Taneesha Hare**.

Panthers on the prowl
Catching up with the Panthers from last weekend's action, the Pee-wees also had some great success in the Soo Steel Blades Tournament. The young charges dominated the Minor A peewee division and didn't lose a game. After tying their opener 3-all, they won by scores of 3-2, 5-1, 4-0 before winning their championship game 4-1 over the McDonald's team.

This weekend, the peewees played in the very competitive Silver Stick tournament in Sudbury, however were not able to dominate as in the Sault. They gave it a great effort but were only able to manage a 1 and 3 record and did not make the playoffs. Catch up with the team this Sunday (December 15) at home in Little Current against Blind River.

The atoms, fresh off a Soo Steel Blades win, had a strong run in their Silver Stick tournament this weekend. The Atoms picked up 6 points in their 5 games and just ran out of steam in the atom A final 3-1 against the North Bay Trappers. They won their semi on Saturday night with a last minute goal by **Liam Bridgeman** as well as goals by **Noah Hare and Sam Assiniwe**. The atoms host their next home game at 3 pm this Sunday against Copper Cliff.

Santa Shufflers
You have to admire runners who are still slogging it out at this time of the year. While a warm spring or fall day turns many of us into runners the truly tough brave the dark months. This past weekend a whole lot of the tough ones participated in the Santa Shuffle fundraiser for the Salvation Army in Sudbury. The Volpini Family of Little Current as well as **Allison MacNeil and Joanne Peltier** took the trip over to support the great cause.

Young **Noah Volpini** ran the 1K Elf Run and finished 14th out of 62 runners! Way to go Noah, keep up the good work. Noah's Dad **Mark** ran the 5k finishing 33 out of 304 participants while Mom **Melissa** walked the 5K and finished 244 out of 304 participants all the while pushing a stroller with her niece and nephew. Speaking of family, the Volpinis were joined by seven other members of theirs at the event. Congratulations also go out to **Evan, Mateo, Steve, Adria, Christine, Lee and Katherine**.

Babstock reaches milestone
Wikwemikong's **Kelly Babstock** continues to get recognition as one of the top players in US NCAA women's hockey. The phenom, now a senior at Connecticut's Quinnipiac University, was honoured by her school as the top female athlete of the month for November after a torrid scoring record where she potted five goals and assisted on 12 others! At that point Kelly was the top point-getter for the entire nation and helped her Bobcats rise to their highest ever NCAA ranking of 8th place. Then just recently she was named the ECAC's player of the week thanks to another strong effort that saw her top the 100 assist mark, not to mention her 88 goals for her Bobcat career (Eastern College Athletic Conference that includes all of the Ivy League schools like Harvard, Princeton, Brown, etc.). Looking at the ECAC stats, Kelly currently holds the Top Points' and Assists' tally, she is 2nd in +/- with a +20 and is 3rd overall in goals with 12! Keep up the hard work, Kelly.

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The Peewee Panthers are Alex Ingram, Eric Varey, Zach Richer, Ben Marshall, Jayden Little, Jacob Clark, Connor Bellmore, Boston Thinbault, Noah Manitowabi, Lukas Abotossaway, Carter Abotossaway, Trent Bailey, Regan St. Amour, Kolby McGregor and Parker Hall and coaches are Craig Abotossaway, Brad Bailey, Jason Abotossaway and Rob Marshall.

Manitoulin Panthers off to an auspicious start this season

by **Alicia McCutcheon**
MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Panthers are off to an amazing start this season, with good coaching in place for all four teams and a number of wins under their belts too, Manitoulin Panthers President Craig Abotossaway commented to The Expositor.

Late last month each of the four teams—atoms, peewees, bantams and midgets—had the opportunity to play in the Sault Ste. Marie Steel Blades competition with resounding success.

"All the teams made it into the championships," the president stated.

The midget and peewee teams won the entire championship, while both the bantam and peewees lost in the finals, taking home a very respectable silver medal nonetheless.

"They all put forth a great effort and they should be commended for representing the Manitoulin Panther name so well," Mr. Abotossaway said.

This was just the first tournament of the year, which is an auspicious start of the hockey year for the big cats.

The atoms and peewee also played in the Sudbury Silver

Stick tournament last weekend, to bring home the trophy. The peewee also made Manitoulin with the atoms carrying that Silver Blades momentum forward

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Mustangs skate to silver victory at North Bay tournament

by Alicia McCutcheon
NORTH BAY—The Mustangs boys' hockey team had a successful weekend away when they took on high school powerhouses from around the North, and across the province, at the Nipissing District Athletics Boys' High School Tournament Friday through Sunday.

"We did really well, better than I ever expected," proud head coach Brad Bond shared on Monday morning.

In the first game of the tournament, the Mustangs played the Chippewa Raiders, winning the game 1-0. It was then on to a challenge against North Bay's Scollard Hall, but the Mustangs weren't able to stable



After an exciting double overtime game against Central Algoma, the Mustangs placed second in a recent North Bay tournament. The team is, back row, from left, Brad Bond, Micheal Niven, Jacob Moreau, Tristan Argue, Lucas Mackan, Cole Dumond, Brett Varey, Tyler King, Nick-Head-Petersen and Jordan Smith, front row, Jayden Windell, Cole Lentier, Brayden Newton, Sheldon Campbell, Justice Corbiere, Thomas Hayden, Mathew Craig, Colin Hicks and Jordan Cristos. Missing from photo is Tyson Francis.

this competition and lost the game.

The third match of the tournament saw the

'Stangs face off against Superior Heights, winning the game 3-1. This meant a quarterfinal game against

Burlington AAA powerhouses the Nelson Flames. "We scored with 14 seconds left in the third peri-

od to take a 4-3 victory," the coach shared. "The boys dug deep for this one—it was an emotional game."

The Mustangs moved on to the finals for their pool, which meant a match-up with Central Algoma. The teams were a close match, with the score all tied up at 2-2 at the end of regulation time, but the Mustangs were having little success around the Huskies' net.

With 23 seconds left in the second overtime period, the Huskies got a lucky break and bounced one in. The Mustangs took home the silver medal.

"The boys played great all weekend and they now know they can play against everybody," Mr. Bond said. "It was a real teambuilding weekend that will get them ready for the next tournament (in Toronto this weekend)."

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Ice Angels bring home silver after in Stratford tourney

STRATFORD—The Ice Angels Midget BB girls' hockey team attended their third tournament of the year in Stratford during the weekend of November 22.

The Angels squared off against the North Huron Wave on Friday afternoon. The Wave proved to be a challenge for the Angels and the match ended up in a 3-3 tie. The Angels laced up for their second game on Friday evening against the Mount Forest Rams. After a slow start, the girls battled in the third period, scoring three unanswered goals to take the victory 3-2.

On Saturday, the girls faced the Cazanovia Chiefs and the Twin Centre Hurricanes. The Angels played their Saturday games with renewed energy, shutting out their opponents 5-0 and 3-0. The Ice Angels placed first after round-robin play and eventually met the West Huron Wave in the Sunday afternoon finals.

During the finals, the Angels relentlessly



The Ice Angels Midget BB girls hockey team following their second place finish.

attacked in the opposition's end but a stellar performance by the Wave's goaltender kept them in the game. Despite outshooting their opponents,

the Angels suffered their first tournament loss of the season 2-1. The girls will again travel to southern Ontario for their next tournament in Durham

West on February 14, 2014. The Ice Angels and their coaching staff would like to wish everyone safe and wonderful holidays!

Espanola Rivermen to bring NOJHL back to Manitoulin

LITTLE CURRENT—The North Bay Junior A Trappers and Espanola Rivermen will travel to Little Current this Saturday night to play a neutral site NOJHL regular-season game in the former home of the majestic Manitoulin Islanders.

The former NOJHL team, based out of Little Current, moved to Kirkland Lake in the summer of 2011. Both organizations are excited to bring Junior A hockey back to the Island for a mid-December regular season tilt.

"The North Bay Trappers are thrilled to move our home game Saturday, December 14 to Little Current to play the nearby Rivermen," said Jr. Trappers President David Beauchamp.

"The people of Manitoulin Island have been without Junior A hockey for a few years, and we expect a large crowd to take in the neutral site game. We understand this takes away from our loyal fans that support us, so all season ticket holders that present their ticket from this game at our first home playoff game will be able to get in for free to our first game of the playoffs," he added.

Tim Clayden, Trappers' former chairman of the board and now team governor for the Espanola Rivermen, is thrilled to have his team part of this unique event between these two NOJHL rival teams. The Espanola Rivermen organization is very excited to support the

Trappers in their game venue choice, playing in Little Current on Saturday, December 14 at 7:30 pm," stated Mr. Clayden. "The Island is a huge resource for talented young hockey players and has a wealth of very knowledgeable junior hockey fans"

"Back in the day when we started the North Bay NOJHL Skyhawks, Manitoulin Island was at one time one of the best NOJHL supported teams, and myself, I don't see that changing on the North Shore any time soon as we in Espanola have tremendous support now from the Island and many North Shore junior hockey fans. The Trappers have had some tough times this year off the ice, but on the ice they have a team that could win it all, and we know they like beating us. We plan to change that and welcome the opportunity to play the Trappers next week on Manitoulin Island in the town of Little Current," said Mr. Clayden, whose Rivermen sport a 1-2 record against the Trappers so far this season.

The league has hosted other neutral site games in the past, and Mr. Beauchamp believes it's a great initiative to help build interest in the NOJHL across Northeastern Ontario. "This game will showcase our great league and give back to a community who has a strong junior hockey following," added Mr. Beauchamp.

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proud, making it all the way to quarterfinal play.

"The teams are proving to be very competitive in their divisions," he added.

Hockey fans are encouraged to cheer the boys on at the Little Cur-

rent arena. The midgets play Friday nights following the Mustang boys' home games, with the rest of the Panthers each having Sunday matinee home games. The Panthers are also boasting new uniforms, in their standard snappy red and white colours, after much hard work and fundraising efforts over the summer

months.

Mr. Abotossaway encourages the team's sponsors to attend the annual 'sponsor day,' Sunday, January 19 where supportive businesspeople will be treated to some fast-paced local hockey and a complimentary fry and drink to boot.

Go Panthers go!

Manitoulin Secondary School

Player Profile

by Meranda Noble
Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association

Maggie Strain

This determined athlete gives it her all in everything she does. Maggie Strain is in Grade 11 now, and enjoys all sports she is involved in. Back when Maggie attended CCM Public School she participated in all sports offered including volleyball, soccer, basketball, baseball, cross country, and track and field. At Maggie's Grade 8 Graduation, Maggie won the Students Council award! When Maggie got to MSS she was very excited for all of the freedom that high school has to offer. Maggie played on the Junior Girls' Basketball team, and she improved a lot over the season and really enjoyed the experience! The team won NSSSA finals and qualified to NOSSA. Also, in Grade 9 and 10 she played on the Tennis team in Women's Singles. Maggie's all-time favourite sport has always been hockey and has played it for many years. Maggie has played for the Gore Bay Bruins, the Manitoulin Ice Angels and this year she is playing for the MSS Girls' Hockey team! Maggie's favourite thing about hockey is the team bonding and the fun of the game. On Maggie's time away from school she enjoys swimming, fishing, quading, and socializing with friends. Maggie recently passed her lifeguarding training and is now a licenced lifeguard and plans to be a swim instructor for the upcoming summer! Maggie's inspiration is Madonna because she is a unique and talented individual. Maggie's favourite things about sports are the socializing and staying active. Maggie's favourite thing about school is seeing her friends and trying new things! After high school Maggie wants to go to Western University in London for Speech Pathology! Best of luck on all of your future goals and adventures Maggie!

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...Rogers beefs up Manitoulin Island cell service

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The towers will deliver high-speed packet access (HSPA) technology for both cellular telephone and mobile broadband service to Rogers subscribers.

HSPA technology delivers both Rogers cellular and mobile broadband services, which will significantly improve cellular service on Highway 6 and surrounding communities, Mr. Brown explained. HSPA provides residents and businesses with access to mobile broadband for handheld devices such as the iPhone and BlackBerry.

Rogers was selected in 2008 to install the towers through a Request for Pro-

posal and invested \$3.9 million to the overall project, \$1.2 million of which was allotted toward the seven Manitoulin and area towers.

The sites include Highway 6 at Wood Lake, Manitowaning, Little Current, Sheguiandah, South Baymouth, Billings and Mindemoya.

The Manitoulin towers are part of a larger project to expand cellular and mobile broadband coverage along the King's Highway and in unserved communities from Elliot Lake to Bonfield and from Temagami to South Baymouth on Manitoulin Island with the project funding provided by the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) at \$11.9 million and Rogers at \$3.9 million.



The Sheguiandah tower will be activated by month's end.

One Island area not captured by the project was the West End of Manitoulin, which left the Dawson Citizen's Improvement Association (DCIA) spearheading

a campaign to bring a tower to the West End to expand its cell-broadband service.

Mr. Brown met with the group and NetCentral agreed to help the association, issuing a Request For Proposal (RFP) for the project and beginning conversations with FedNor and the NOHFC.

"We have had a good response for the RFP issued," said Mr. Brown. "We are currently reviewing proposals and expect to submit a funding application to FedNor and NOHFC in early January."

If funding is received, the additional tower would be placed in Western Manitoulin to expand cellular service from Central Manitoulin west along Highway 540 to Meldrum Bay.

...Manitoulin journalist observes responses to Mandela's death

...continued from page 1 ing, and taking photos of each other posing against the flower-covered barricades that blocked the street to the entrance of the house.

On one of the lawns hawkers had set up their wares - flags and t-shirts with Mandela's face; buttons bearing Mandela's image, surrounded by ribbons in the black, green, and yellow of the ANC (the African National Congress, the party Mandela led, and still the ruling party today). As much as citizens were mourning - and they really did mourn - they were celebrating. Celebrating the life that Mandela



Media crews gather in front of the start of the area set aside for the public to display floral tributes to Nelson Mandela.

had created; the feeling of unity, no matter how fleeting, he still had the power to inspire after all these

years. It was a heart-lifting and heart-rending sight.

Mandela was (is) not simply a political leader. He was a father to a nation looking for guidance after years of violence, hatred, and inequality. His loss is felt keenly by each and every South African. And just like I didn't realize that I was running past his house for months and months, I didn't realize that I would miss his calming presence in my world until he was gone. Rest in Peace, Madiba.

The Expositor is pleased to welcome journalist Medeine Tribinevicius back to these pages after nearly 15 years absence. Ms. Tribinevicius, when she finished

her OAC coursework at Manitoulin Secondary School at the end of the first semester in 1998-99 academic year; opted to do a co-op placement at The Expositor for the second semester and then stayed on the staff for a summer job before beginning studies at the University of Toronto. Since graduation and further study, she has travelled and written widely and her travels (with her husband Rich) landed her in South Africa just at this time. She was able to quickly obtain press credentials for the Nelson Mandela funeral and her report on this major world event will appear in next week's edition of The Expositor.

...Lighthouse divestiture debate heats up Billings council

...continued from page 1 tract being offered us by the federal government."

Mr. Parker noted that under the terms put forward by the federal negotiator, the town would receive \$20,000 for the ongoing maintenance of the lighthouse, an amount that Councillor Parker said he was concerned would not be adequate. "\$20,000 doesn't go very far," he said, "especially since we would have to maintain it for life."

The latest fracas at council centred on the exclusion of the museum board's designated representative from the negotiations, despite it being indicated at a previous council meeting that the representative would be allowed to take part in the meeting as for his expertise in lighthouse transfers.

Mr. Nelson had been told that he was excluded from the meeting due to the recommendation of the town's legal counsel, which turned out to be misinformation, according to later remarks by Billings' Mayor Austin Hunt.

Councillor Tom Imrie, who had originally invited Mr. Nelson to the negotiation meeting, was reportedly dismayed upon learning that the exclusion of Billings Heritage Centre curator and Manitoulin Lighthouse committee co-chair Rick Nelson from the meeting was not based on fact.

Mr. Parker, who was involved in the meeting, stressed that his concern was simply "to cut the best deal we can. I want to make sure we cover the costs and not leave the taxpayers on the hook for a lot of expenses in the future. I don't want to saddle future councils with ongoing costs. I want to make sure people get a good deal."

Although Mr. Imrie, Mr. Parker, Mayor Hunt and Billings clerk Kathy MacDonald went into the meeting where the teleconference was held, Mr. Nelson was left outside the meeting and told he would be called upon if his input was needed.

"I would hope Mr. Parker shares the Lighthouse Committee's interest to save

these historical structures, like the one in Kagawong," said Mr. Nelson. "Regrettably you can't expect everyone to share our passion to rescue these buildings. However, I'd like to think the people who feel that way are in the minority."

Mr. Parker said that there are a number of reasons the municipality has an interest in the property. "Our water lines actually run underneath that property and it would be a good draw for tourism," he noted. "I would like to see it taken over by the municipality eventually. I am not trying to be negative towards the museum board."

The direction to staff at a previous council meeting to include the museum board representative in the negotiations had not been given in the form of a motion, an oversight Mr. Imrie sought to correct by bringing forward a motion to that effect. Although Mr. Parker brought a number of procedural objections to the motion, at one point suggesting that he was

being blindsided by the motion. It was pointed out to Mr. Parker that the motion simply ratified the decision made at a previous council meeting. Mr. Parker suggested that he did not recall that decision and that he must not have been present. It was pointed out that Mr. Parker was quoted in the paper from that meeting.

After several abortive attempts to call the question on the motion, council finally moved that the museum board's designated member be included in discussions over the acquisition, exclusive of in camera issues.

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...continued from page 1 approach situations with a different mindset that would better serve the community. This is why, he explained, several years ago, when he was also chief, he supported the development of the Anishnaabe Police on Manitoulin.

"We really appreciate all the policing and hard work done by the OPP in our community," added Chief Shawanda. "It is a tough job, full of tough decisions, but we appreciate the OPP helping us out and the

Anishnaabe Police taking us back now."

"Rodney and I communicate regularly and when the OPP took over temporarily (servicing Sheguiandah), neither of us felt the situation was permanent," responded Staff Sergeant Webb. "We were glad we could help in the interim, but we were hoping this would happen. The community has been very welcoming and we will complete work that we have already started on and brief Chief Nahwegahbow during the

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Northeast Town Council Notes

Council honours retirees

Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin presented certificates of appreciation to staff retirees Glen Case (manager of public works) and Tom Spry (chief building official) on behalf of town staff and council last week, noting both employees' hard work and dedication to the town over the years.

"I would like to thank the many mayors and councils over the years for their support," commented Mr. Case.

"It has been a joy to work for the town, but I am happy for someone else to take over and move on," said Mr. Spry with a smile.

Channel View Drop-In Centre gets funding for new bingo machine

The Channel View Drop-In Centre requested a \$1,000 donation from the Northeast Town council for the purchase of a new bingo machine.

"The seniors of the Channel View Drop-In Centre request your assistance in purchasing a new bingo machine as ours is broken and at present we are using the old Lions Club machine," stated a letter to council from the Drop-In Centre's president Bill Martin.

Council debated about whether or not they should donate the funds, as the 2013 donations budget was already overdrawn. The conversation was deferred until Thursday's administration and finance committee meeting in order for staff to check on how much the new machine would actually cost and if the organization could continue to use the Lions Club's machine until next year.

Council learned on Thursday that the Lions Club's machine was not in the best working condition and that the actual cost of a new machine would be \$1,011.92.

"These are the seniors that built our town," said Councillor Christina Jones in support of the donation.

In a recorded vote, Councillors Michael Erskine, Christina Jones, Dawn Orr, Bill Koehler, Marcel Gauthier and Mayor Al MacNevin carried a motion to donate \$1,011.92 from the 2014 budget to the Channel View Drop-In Centre for the purchase of a new bingo machine, while Councillors Melissa Peters and Bruce Wood voted against the motion.

Donations budget cut to \$10,000

At the administration and finance meeting last week, council reviewed and discussed its 2014 donations budget.

It was put on the agenda by Councillor Peters who felt it needed to be reviewed.

"Just to clarify, our donation budget is \$13,000 for 2014 plus \$10,000 from Northland Power's road use agreement (for community support) fund?" questioned Councillor Koehler.

Mr. Williamson confirmed that this was the case, noting that the Manitoulin Secondary School bursaries and money donated to the Lions Club's Haweater Weekend were separate line items in the budget.

"That \$23,000 is too rich for me," added Councillor Koehler. "I don't think we should be throwing that much money around. I don't see why \$5,000 put with the \$10,000 Northland fund won't be enough."

"Our donation budget supports an overwhelming amount of social and cultural activity in the community and it is a very small amount of our overall budget," said Councillor Erskine, asking staff what percentage the budget line item makes up of the overall 2014 budget.

Mr. Williamson responded .003 percent.

Mayor MacNevin reminded council that they would have a \$10,000 donation from Northland for the next 19 years that is allotted towards community organizations and support.

Councillors Orr and Erskine suggested the donation budget be taken down to \$10,000, supported by the Northland fund to equal a total of \$20,000.

A motion was carried to reduce the 2014 donation budget line item from \$13,000 to \$10,000.

Committee recommends taxi bylaw amendment

Northeast Town staff recommended to the Northeast Town council that the town's taxicab licencing bylaw be rescinded.

"There are some very onerous obligations with having a taxi licencing bylaw," explained town CAO Dave Williamson, noting that some of those obligations include the requirement for the town to regulate criminal checks for drivers, establish fares

and enforce the government's requirements for taxi cab accessibility. Councillor Michael Erskine expressed that he disagreed with staff's recommendation, stating that he felt the town could manage the obligations and corrected other councillor's assumptions that the accessibility requirements went beyond ensuring equal fares for all individuals.

Councillor Bill Koehler requested that staff modify the bylaw and bring it to committee on Thursday.

After reviewing the amended taxi licencing bylaw on Thursday, committee recommended to council that the amended bylaw be approved.

Council will hold a public meeting prior to voting on the amended bylaw.

Council requests spring bear hunt be brought back to Manitoulin

After reviewing a letter from Safari Club International (SCI) regarding the Ontario government's plan to reestablish the spring bear hunt in urban areas of Northern Ontario, council carried a motion to not only support the bear hunt, but also to expand the hunt to Manitoulin.

"The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands supports the Ministry of Natural Resources' pilot project of introducing a two-year early bear hunting season that includes the Manitoulin Island," reads the motion carried by council.

Council repeals zoning amendment that caused planning board to appeal to OMB

Last Tuesday, after an in camera session, council carried a motion to repeal a zoning bylaw amendment that caused the Manitoulin Planning Board (MPB) to appeal the Northeast Town council's decision to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Despite concerns from the MPB, the Northeast Town council carried a motion on August 6, approving a zoning bylaw amendment to allow for four residential units on the second floor of the building that houses the Turner's Home Store, located on Vankoughnet Street East, in an industrial zone.

The planning board responded to the bylaw amendment by carrying a motion to appeal council's decision to the OMB, how-

ever the developer withdrew his application prior to the OMB reaching a decision claiming that he didn't want Northeast Town taxpayers to have to carry the financial burden associated with the MPB's appeal.

"The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands reads for a first, second and third time and finally repeals bylaw 2013-27 being a bylaw to amend zoning 2002-31 as applied for by Kilganan Group," reads the motion carried by council.

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Police Chief Nahwegahbow addressed the chief and council, thanking them for the invitation for the UCCM Anishnaabe Police to return to the community.

"I would like to extend our gratitude to the OPP for their help and to Sheguiandah for the invitation to come back and serve your community. Relationships can sometimes get shaky, but Sheguiandah had already been part of our service model and we are happy to have that model whole again," he said.

"We are committed to a culturally sensitive policy and meeting the needs of the community," the police chief said. "We will continue to work with the OPP on specific cases, but we are happy to resume our role here."

As The Expositor previously reported, on April 26 the UCCM Anishnaabe Police stopped providing policing services to Sheguiandah First Nation after the Sheguiandah First Nation administration (under the previous chief and council) failed to sign the six-community agreement with the UCCM, despite a 17-year relationship.

By not signing the agreement, Sheguiandah was left without police services. According to the Police Services Act, the OPP is mandated to police any community that does not have a police service.

Residents of the Sheguiandah First Nation requiring policing services are now asked to contact the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service at 1-705-377-7135 or 1-888-310-1122, or by calling 9-1-1 in the case of an emergency.

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Non-urgent patient transfer project deemed a success

ESPANOLA—The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) non-urgent patient transfer service pilot project has been deemed a success in its first six months of operation.

“A report on the six-month pilot project, which is still going and was presented at our board meeting last week, has been a huge success,” stated DSB CAO Fern Dominelli. “The hospitals and patients are very happy with the project and we are still waiting for word from the Northeast LHIN (Local Health Integration Network) on an extension of funding to March (2014), which we have applied for.”

“Since March of this year, patients requiring a medical transfer from the Espanola or Manitoulin hospitals to Health Sciences North in Sudbury have been able to take advantage of an alternative transportation means,” a DSB release reports. “Prior to March the most common way to get to your appointment in Sudbury was to take an ambulance.”

“Under a pilot project funded by the North East LHIN, three organizations came together to provide a service with the best interests of the patient in mind. Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre, Manitoulin Health Centre and the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB developed a model of alternative transportation for patients requiring movement from one medical facility to another,” the release notes.

“It is great to see a project established for the good of the patient, but to do so in a cost effective and efficient manner is what makes this project an overwhelming success,” said DSB board chair Les Gamble. “Results of the patient and hospital staff surveys confirm the project’s success.”

“We had developed a concept on paper and had thought about an alternative model of non-urgent patient transportation for many years, understanding that the primary goal of our ambulance service is to provide for medical emergencies,” said chief of EMS Michael MacIsaac. “During the six-month project the patient transportation service has moved 472 patients over the course of 1,218 hours. That is 1,218 hours of ambulance service brought back into the communities.”

Mr. Dominelli added, “this is an example of what can happen when organizations align themselves where traditionally they haven’t. The partnership that we have established with the hospitals has been a great success for everyone involved. Patients are getting to appointments on time, hospitals receive certainty surrounding transportation to alternate facilities, and EMS is being positioned in a better way to meet the emergency medical needs of the communities. We are extremely happy with the relationship we have built through this project.”

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Assiginack takes top honours in Legion Remembrance contest

MANITOULIN—Four schools participated in the Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day contest, which has students submit posters, essays or poems on remembering Canada’s soldiers and war effort.

Out of the participating schools, Little Current Public School (LCPS), Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS), Assiginack Public School and Lakeview School, Assiginack had 12 winning entries out of a possible 20.

The Legion saw a total of 110 entries, which included colour and black and white posters, poems and essays.

In the posters division, black and white, Bethany Wesno of CMPS placed first in the intermediate division

while Morgan Wall-Varey, also of CMPS, took top honours in the junior category.

In the colour poster category, Annabelle Manitowabi of Assiginack placed first in intermediate, Lauren Ferguson, also of Assiginack, took top honours in the junior category and Delany Bridgeman placed first in the primary division representing CMPS.

In intermediate poems, Denver Leeson of Assiginack was first,



Students from Assiginack Public School fared very well at the annual Legion Remembrance Day poster, poems and essays contest. The winners are, front row, left to right, Nathan Janoki, Joel Lovelace, Hailey Van Den Heuvel, Jasmine Hrynyk-Seabrook, Lauren Ferguson, back row, Denver Leeson, Isabell Manitowabi, Elena Hovingh, Maylen Moffat, Victoria MacDonald and Sarah Hovingh.

photo by Marcel Gauthier

and Lauren Ferguson of the same school took the top spot for juniors.

Joel Lovelace of Assiginack was the winner of the intermediate division for essays, while junior student Jasmine Hrynyk-Seabrook, of Assiginack, also placed first.

All the first place winners have been forwarded to the next level for further judging at that level with all involved anxiously awaiting the results.

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Canadian study shows bee deaths linked to neonicotinoid pesticides

by Michael Erskine
GUELPH—Environmental groups and beekeepers have joined forces in Ontario to call on the federal and provincial governments to take steps to outlaw neonicotinoid pesticides in light of a new study linking that class of pesticides to recent massive die-offs of honeybee populations across the province.

The link found in the study from the University of Guelph had already been foreshadowed when the federal Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) recently confirmed fears of a link in their report 'Evaluation of Canadian Bee Mortalities that coincided with Corn Planting in Spring 2012.' "The information evaluated suggests that planting of corn seeds treated with the nitroguanidine insecticides clothianidin and/or thiamethoxam contributed to the majority of the bee mortalities that occurred in corn growing regions of Ontario and Quebec in Spring 2012," the report noted.

In May of this year, the Ontario Beekeepers' Association (OBA) congratulated the European Union for its decision to ban the use of three neonicotinoid pesticides (clothianidin, imidacloprid and thiamethoxam) which have also been tied to the devastation of thousands of bee colonies in Ontario. "The EU vote clearly shows there is scientific and public support around the globe for policies which protect honeybees and other pollinators and recognize their essential role in food production and healthy ecosystems," said Dan Davidson, president of the OBA.

The OBA itself has been calling for a moratorium on the use of the pesticides linked to bee mortality events.

"The OBA believes that the health of Ontario's food production system is at stake," declares the association's official statement. "Ontario's fruit and vegetable farmers depend on adequate pollination by honeybees, bumblebees and wild bees," it pointed out. "We encourage the Government of Ontario to reassess the bee safety of all neonicotinoid pesticide products and suspend all conditional registrations until we understand how to manage the risks posed by these products to honeybees and other pollinators," said Mr. Davidson.

The OBA notes that neonicotinoids are "systemic pesticides that are absorbed into plant tissues. They are highly soluble in water and will leach into our ground water supply and contaminate the soil. They are routinely applied to corn and soybeans and a variety of agricultural crops with sprays, seed coatings, soil drenches and granules. Neonicotinoids are highly toxic to bees.

They migrate through soil and the entire plant all the way to the flowers. This causes toxic, lethal and chronic exposure to multiple species, including pollinators, earthworms, birds and fish."

According to the OBA Ontario's bees are particularly vulnerable due to the makeup of agriculture in the province. "Corn and soybeans make up more than 50 percent of Ontario's field crops, both of which are heavy users of neonicotinoid pesticides" they note. "In fact, corn uses at least four times as much neonicotinoid pesticides per acre than canola, Alberta's main crop. We also know that neonicotinoid pesticides accumulate in the soil, increasing in intensification every year. Even untreated plants may take up residues of neonicotinoids still present in the soil from previous applications. Add to that the significant increase in use of neonicotinoids—a US study showed a nearly six-fold increase within six years—and what you have is a 'perfect storm' for bee decline in Ontario."

The OBA plans to deliver a massive petition to Premier Kathleen Wynne calling for a ban on neonicotinoid insecticides in time for spring planting. According to OBA president Davidson, the petition currently has 65,000 signatures, including more than 50,000 obtained online and 12,000 to 15,000 hand-written ones. The OBA plans to deliver it to Premier Wynne before the Ontario Legislature ends its fall session on December 12.

Although the province is trying to duck the issue by laying it at the feet of the federal government as the regulator of pesticides, Mr. Davidson says Ontario does have the authority "to ban a specific class of insecticides." He points out that the province has done just that in the past. "They've done that with the cosmetic pesticide ban and they've done it on a couple of other pesticides throughout history," he said.

The premier has in fact recognized the connection between coated seeds and bee deaths, producing a release saying that the province is attempting to raise awareness of the issue amongst farmers.

But the OBA insists it isn't simply a matter of being more careful in the application of the offending chemicals or the method of planting seeds and Best Management Practices (BMP). "Neonicotinoids are systemic, water-soluble pesticides applied to seeds. While the dust generated from planting coated seeds can cause direct mortality of bees, only two percent of the active ingredients are released through the dust, the remainder is found in pollen, water and soil, cre-

ating acute and sub-lethal exposure throughout the season and for years to come," the OBA notes, calling into question suggestions that Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) recommendation might be enough to protect the bee population. "PMRA's original registration was based on research that measured impact on one-year application on virgin ground, they didn't take into consideration the cumulative impact of year-after-year applications," explains an OBA fact sheet. "Neonicotinoids aren't reducing other pesticide applications, since many farmers apply foliar applications later in the summer, on aphids for example. Finally, stronger BMPs were developed by Health Canada this year, but we continued to see acute bee kills associated with the planting of neonicotinoid treated corn and soybeans. This would indicate that either the BMPs aren't working or that compliance is an issue."

The National Farmers Union's (NFU) Ontario branch has called for a five-year moratorium on the use of neonicotinoids.

"The problem is, bees and other pollinating insects critically important to Ontario's economy and food supply are also among the victims," said Nathan Carey, a member of the board of directors of the National Farmers Union-Ontario Grey County Local 344. "While the impact of honeybees extends far beyond the pollination of commercial agricultural crops, the monetary value of this service alone is estimated to be in the hundreds of billions of dollars globally each year."

For its part the Ontario Federation of Agriculture also recognizes the concerns, and the importance of the revaluation currently underway. "With the revaluation ongoing, and this year's corn planting season fast approaching, the Ontario Beekeepers Association, Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario, and Grain Farmers of Ontario are working together to address the concerns of all our farmer-members in relation to this issue," notes the organization, but its condemnation of the class of pesticides is less enthusiastic than the NFU. "The four organizations agree there is much more work to be done to clarify the relationship between neonicotinoid insecticides and the spring 2012 bee kills," continues the OFA statement. "It is our goal to ensure farmers have access to all crop protection products as they deem necessary for a successful growing season."

The OFA goes on to say, "we recognize the important role honeybees play in pollinating crops and are

dedicated to ensuring a healthy bee population in Ontario. The Ontario Beekeepers Association, Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario, and Grain Farmers of Ontario are encouraging the continued investigation into the cause of the bee kills, and support existing and ongoing objective research into new products and technology that have the potential to reduce pesticide exposure. We are calling for an open dialogue between farmers, beekeepers, government agencies, the crop protection industry, and equipment manufacturers. All stakeholders need to work together to protect pollinators and ensure profitable growth for farmers."

Farmers are caught in an environmental Catch 22 in regards to the neonicotinoid pesticides, recognizing the important role that honeybees play in the pollination of food crops and wanting to protect that role, yet keenly aware of the effectiveness of the products in keeping yields from key crops in the black margin of the profits ledger.

Links to the OBA petition can be found at ontario-bee.com.



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Annual KTEI Snowflake Gala impresses crowd with culinary flare and live entertainment

by Robin Burrige

M'CHIGEENG—The sixth annual Kenjegin Teg Educational Institute's (KTEI) Snowflake Gala was an overwhelming success, with sold out tickets, live music and a five-star dinner organized and created by the school's Culinary Management Program.

"The students in the second year Culinary Management Program asked to plan the gala this year, organizing every element from the decorating, ordering, menu, preparation and cooking, with the school providing administrative support when needed," explained Beverly Roy-Carter, director of business and training at KTEI. "They did a wonderful job and we had overwhelming support from across the Island. It was a very festive crowd and the food and entertainment was great."

Ms. Roy-Carter explained that the program ran last year in partnership with Sault College, but after receiving their diplomas, the students requested another year of learning.

"Through our partnership with Sault College we were able to offer a second year of the Culinary Management Program. While the first year focussed on practical chef training skills, this year is focussed more on culinary management and supervision."

"The event was quite something," Mathieu Bouchard, lead instructor for the course, told The Expositor. "It was not an easy undertaking, but the students rose to the challenge and it went very well. It was a lot of work for them and a lot of dedication outside of class hours, but everyone really pulled together and the night was a success."

Not only did the evening feature a gourmet meal prepared and cooked by the culinary management students, there were also performances from the Johnny Cash Tribute Band and the Green River CCR Tribute Show.

"The students also planned a Hallowe'en party earlier this fall and are now working on a masquerade New Year's ball," added Mr. Bouchard.

The Snowflake Gala originated as a capital fundraiser for the KTEI building six years ago, however after the capital was raised, the gala continued, switching gears and fundraising for different student initiatives annually, such as transportation last year and the Culinary Management Program this year.

The masquerade ball will be held on Tuesday, December 31 at the M'Chigeeng Complex from 9 am to 2 pm. Tickets will be available at the door. For more information call KTEI at 705-377-4342.

Channel View Drop-In celebrates over 20 years of Christmas dinners

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—For over 20 years, the fine folks at the Channel View Drop-in Centre in Little Current have gathered for a free community Christmas dinner and this year's event was sold out—with every seat filled. That's 92 people sitting down to a dinner featuring roast turkey with lots of trimmings.

Channel View Drop-In provides a gathering place for Little Current seniors throughout the rest of the year, with bingo every Wednesday afternoon, a shopping excursion to Espanola on the first Tuesday of every month to pick up those hard to shop for locally items and an open potluck meal on the last Tuesday of the month.

"Tis the season to be jol-

ly," said Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha. "This certainly was a jolly occasion and it was a real pleasure to meet with all the folks there at the dinner. They had a really good crowd out and it was a great meal."

The meal was served up by local chef Don Cook.

The Christmas party is for members of the of the Channel View Drop-In, said organizer Bill Martin. Joining the group requires a nominal \$10 fee. "The drop-in is open on days where there is something going on. From 12 (noon) until whenever (1:30 or so) on the last Tuesday of the month for the potluck and from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm for the bingo on Wednesday," said Mr. Martin.



Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha joined John Hawke and Brenda Wilson and Bill Martin and his wife Olga at the annual Channel View Drop-In Christmas dinner at the Little Current arena.

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Patrons flock to library to hear reading from international bestselling author

by Robin Burrige
LITTLE CURRENT—International bestselling author Mary Lawson, sister of local historian Bill Caesar, finished off her Ontario tour late last month on Manitoulin with a book reading at the Little Current Public Library.

"I owe Manitoulin a real debt," said Ms. Lawson, addressing the 30 plus individuals who had gathered at the library for the reading of her latest book 'Road Ends,' noting that she was not a Northerner and how her brother and sister-in-law helped with proofing and ensuring the Northern authenticity of the book. "I also need to thank Dr. Jack Bailey, who my brother introduced me to and provided me with so much information and details, and Chris Callaghan and Eddie Sagle, who helped me with one of my principal characters who drives a snowplow."

"I am a slow writer," revealed Ms. Lawson. "It has been seven years since my last book and this is my fourth book in 67 years, and one wasn't even that good," she quipped.

Ms. Lawson explained that the inspiration for 'Road Ends' finally came after several years from Edvard Munch's famous composition 'The Scream.'

"I was in Norway on a book tour and during a trip to the art gallery I found myself in a room of Edvard Munch's 'The Scream' paintings," said Ms. Law-



Mary Lawson gives a reading from her latest book 'Roads End' at the Little Current Public Library.

son. "As I stared at one of the paintings, I began to wonder about the individuals in the background and how they appeared to have no idea of their friend's agony. That was the start of one of the characters for 'Road Ends.'

After reading from each of the three main characters of the book, Ms. Lawson answered questions from the Island crowd and provided insight on her writing approach.

"The best, but hardest bit, is making up the characters," she explained, adding that she steps inside of her characters and attempts to write through them, rather than looking at them from an outside perspective.

At the end of the reading, Ms. Lawson presented librarian Judy Kift with a donation from herself and her publisher Random House, a case of 'Road Ends' books, which were then sold, raising \$300 for

the library, in addition to two copies for the library's collection.

"I planned Manitoulin to be the last stop on my tour," Ms. Lawson told The Expositor. "It is my favourite spot and being here and the welcoming reception means so much to me."

'Road Ends' is told through three characters: Tom, a man with a promising career who ends up back in his Northern hometown operating the town's snowplow; Megan, who runs away to England to escape her small town and make a life of her own; and Edward, who struggles with the echo of his violent father.

It is the third book in a series of books that takes place in the fictional Northern town of Crow Lake (the title of the first book), however Ms. Lawson stressed at the Little Current reading that although some of the secondary characters are found throughout all three books, readers don't need to read the books in order, as each are separate stories.

'Crow Lake' received both the Books in Canada First Novel Award and the McKitterick Prize and has been published in 22 countries, while her second book, 'The Other Side of the Bridge,' was a Canadian bestseller and long listed for The Booker Prize.

'Road Ends' is on sale at The Manitoulin Expositor in Little Current for \$29.95 plus five percent GST, as is 'Crow Lake.'



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Manitoulin Family Resources marks the 24th anniversary of Montreal Massacre

by Betty Bardswich
 MINDEMOYA—On December 6, 1989, in an act of cowardice and rage, engineering student Marc Lepine entered a classroom at Montreal's Ecole Polytechnique, separated the men from the women and proceeded to shoot and kill females after shouting, "I hate feminists!" The carnage continued as he went from the classroom to the hallways and on to the cafeteria, singling out females until he had murdered 14 women and wounded 10 and also wounded four men. Two years later, the Canadian federal government declared December 6 to be a National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women with every Member of Parliament in favour of the bill. This day is also known as White Ribbon Day, an initiative that saw Jack Layton and MP Claude Gravelle of Sudbury as two of the original organizers.

It is to be believed that the so-called Montreal Massacre would lead to a decline in the incidents of abuse against women and children in this country. The reality is much different. Although the deaths resulted in stronger gun control laws, such legislation did not last. Also, it is estimated that there are hundreds of missing and murdered First Nation



Members of the Island community attended a candlelight vigil to honour the 14 women murdered in the Montreal Massacre, as well as women who are victims of domestic abuse everywhere.

women in this country and aboriginal leaders count 43 missing and murdered along the Highway of Tears in British Columbia although the RCMP puts the figure at 18. And the gender-based brutality and homicides at home continue.

Brenda Clark, the program manager at Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR) in Mindemoya, is one who sees almost daily the violence women endure as she oversees the shelter that houses women and children who seek to avoid abuse. For several months the shelter has had in excess of 100 percent occupancy and some people had to be referred to other shelters.

"Violence against women and girls affects us all," Ms. Clark said on December 6 as she prepared to walk

with others throughout Mindemoya in a candlelight vigil to mark the day. "It destroys lives and weakens the fabric of our society," she went on to say, "And over 50 percent of Canadian women will experience one incident of violence in their lives. For the majority, it will be before the age of 25. The devastating count of missing and murdered aboriginal women points to a deep-seated gendered and racialized violence in our culture."

The candlelight walk marks not only the deaths in Montreal, but also, like the nationwide Take Back the Night marches, raises awareness in the community to the issues of violence against women and children. A good number of people participated in the walk and Ms. Clark, after a brief talk and moment of

silence beforehand, asked everyone to remember who they are walking for, whether they had suffered abuse or knew someone who was living with abuse or knew someone who had died at the hands of a violent person. After the walk, she explained those participating would come back to MFR and put their thoughts or names on a Christmas ornament that would go on a decorated tree just outside the shelter. There was also an opportunity for people to decorate a t-shirt with a reflection of personal feelings or words of encouragement for others. These shirts could be taken or donated to MFR. The evening to remember the women in Montreal as well as the women throughout this entire country who face violence ended with a brief social.

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 Saturday, December 14
 From 10 am to 12 noon

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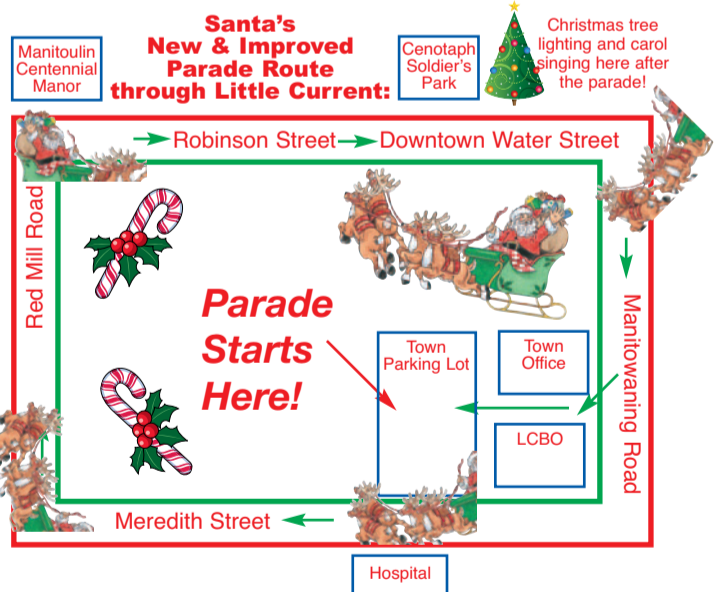
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Little Current SANTA CLAUS PARADE Saturday, December 14 - 6 pm



Anyone interested in walking or entering a float please call the Town Office at (705) 368-3500 ext. 230. We ask that all participating/floats arrive at the Town Office Parking Lot by 5:15pm. Route: Meredith Street, Red Mill Road, Robinson Street to Downtown.

Carolling and hot chocolate at the Cenotaph.
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As part of Parade Day - Manitoulin Family Resources will be hosting a FREE Family Skate at the NEMI Rec. Center from 10 - 12 (noon). Donations to the Help Centre Food Bank are appreciated!

Santa is awarding CASH PRIZES again this year for the TOP 3 Decorated Homes in NEMI. Please have your lights on parade night for judging. To register your home, please call the Town Office at (705) 368-3500 ext. 230.



Cruiser finds a new home

On December 9 UCCM Police delivered a well-used UCCM Police cruiser to the appreciative students of Manitoulin Secondary School's Grade 10 automotive class. On hand for this event were UCCM Police Sgt. Brad Mack, Michael Addison, Police Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow, Joey Stoneypoint and MSS instructor Irvin Noble and his Grade 10 class. The UCCM Police were glad to help the students of MSS by donating the cruiser. This is the second retired police cruiser that UCCM Police have donated to Manitoulin Secondary School for the automotive classes.

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 - P. Hall
 December 5, 2013

Allan McCulligh had spent some time in the hospital.
 Tessie St. Jacques recently celebrated a birthday and had lots of family with her (Corrine told me this).
 Hello Mamie Ann.
 Elaine gave me my Christmas present early—the Johnny Reid Christmas CD. What a lovely gift!
 Sympathy to Bev and Richard Lynch and family in the loss of her mom this past week. They are away as I write.
 Both Ray and Simon have been suffering with bones. Ray's sciatic and Simon's arm.
 Carol sing, an annual thing, at the Little School-house museum on Sunday at 2 pm.
 We had the loveliest visit at Lyle and Shirley Pyette's home, Gib and Florence too. Shirley made a wonderful dinner and choice of lemon or strawberry glazed pie for dessert. The roads were good for driving Saturday and only saw a couple of deer on our way home.
 Carole Middaugh phoned this Sunday evening. The Michael's Bay Society is hosting an "Old Fashioned Christmas" concert on December 21 at 7 pm. Cost: Collection at the door! San-

ta will be there!
 Our United Church is having a Christmas event on December 13. Carols and a lineup of talent. Could be fun. Refreshments.
 Peace Sunday—Great service and a full house today. Re-dedication and recognition of all the work that's been done recently at St. Andrew's by the Sea. The celebration continued with a potluck luncheon at the museum after. The food was wonderful. Martin had "Happy Birthday" sung to him for the second time in a couple of hours. His birthday was the 7th. I made and decorated a cake before church. There were lots of delicious desserts. Thanks workers and cleaner uppers!
 The Christmas Fair was a busy event and it seemed a very successful event. They ran out of soup in the kitchen anyway. Everyone was smiling, shoppers and vendors alike. We were set next to Marg Peltier and her beautiful knitting for babies and the library table seemed to do very well. Betty, I think, did well with Derek's books as did I. Fun visiting anyway and it takes time to look at everything.

A beautiful white world this morning! Tara came in for a coffee after shoveling paths, which look like they're rapidly filling again.
 How can it be 20 years since I/we lost my dear brother Peter McCauley?
 How can it be dear brother
 Those 20 years have flown?
 It's strange how life keeps moving
 While some here so alone.
 Think often of the days gone by
 When you were with us all
 But within our hearts you live on
 When memories come to call.
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Now we know why there are extra Santa Claus around at times. He's been cloned! That explains everything!
 Hey, thank you so much Toronto fans. I'll have to meet you or do I know you already? Thanks for the Toronto postcard and note. Love you guys! Touches my heart to know you care.
 NOTE!—Tehkummah Triangle Seniors' Club winter euchre schedule: regular, cancelled December 13; January 2014, February and March tournaments as usual, third Thursday of each month. Euchre scores: Men's high, Harold, 84; men's lone hands, Harold, 4; men's low, Lloyd, 61; ladies' high, Dorothy, 94; ladies' lone hands, Dorothy, 7; ladies' low, Sheila, 61. Skunks to Sheila and Barry.
 Re: Last week's news.
 Darn it, I just realized I missed the cute Red Hatter's skit with the Mirror and the Dolly Parton look-a-like. All the different ages and stages. It was so cute. What group was that?
 Hello Eileen Pyette. Happy birthday on the 10th. Hello Ron Sheppard. Happy birthday Corrine Gill.
 Talking to Joan today (Monday). She was saying

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Leave a message for Brent at 705-348-1223
 To ensure we can return your call with an accurate quote, please include the amount of wood you require and physical delivery address.

Newer built 900 sq. ft. two-bedroom apartment located in Kagawong, Manitoulin Island. Beautiful view of the bay, 8 ft. x 30 ft. upper deck, laundry hook-up available. Large kitchen, lots of cupboards, ramped entrance, non-smoking. Available December 1, 2013, includes heat, hydro and water. Please call 705-282-3270.
 24tfn

For Rent

2 Bedroom Home, fully furnished on the water in Little Current. Ideal for retired person or couple. No Pets, Non-smoking

Call 705-368-2186

Have you a DRINKING PROBLEM? Maybe Alcoholics Anonymous can help you. Meetings Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8 p.m. at St. Bernard's Church, Little Current.
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Are you concerned about someone's drinking? Al-Anon has but one purpose, by welcoming and giving comfort to help family and friends, and by giving encouragement and understanding for themselves and their loved ones. Mindemoya Al-Anon meetings: Thursdays at 7 pm, 51 Young Street, Missionary Church fellowship room, 705-377-4892 or 705-377-5138. Espanola Al-Anon meetings: Tuesdays at 7 pm, 213 Tudhope Street, Anglican Church, 705-869-6595. Little Current Al-Anon meetings: Cancelled for the winter.
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Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. To receive adult or youth/parent information on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis, more commonly known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, or to volunteer with our Association, please contact: The Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Association of Ontario. Tel: 416-222-8820 or 1-877-632-6682 (outside GTA) or write to: Ste. 402, 170 Donway West, Toronto, ON M3C 2G3. Please visit our web site at: www.meao.ca.
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Support Group for Women with Cancer. If you or someone you know has had cancer and would like to meet with other women to share experiences and concerns call for more information and to find out about meetings. Shirley 705-859-2103 Maureen 705-282-3319 Ciann 705-368-3030.
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Parkinson's Disease Support Group. For those affected by the disease and their caregivers, meetings will be the third Thursday of every month (no meetings in July and August) starting January 21, 2010, 1:30 - 3:30 pm, VON office, Mindemoya, 6062 Hwy 542. Call Marilyn at 705-368-0756, Ext 238 if there are any questions. All welcome.
 tfn

Need a spot to raise funds? 3 Cows has a green space next to the dairy bar that we can make available for you to do so. If you are a local community group that would be interested, drop us an email describing what it is you're planning and we will see if we can help. Thousands of people pass by 3 Cows every week. Why not take advantage of this great exposure? Send your email to three-cowsandacone@hotmail.com.
 Tfn

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

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

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

Piano, recently tuned, need to sell. Call 705-348-0988.
 19tfn

One Honda 2500 generator, like new, one Master Craft 10" table saw on stand, one portable belt sander, one cement mixer, one Dremil tool kit (new), one laser level and tripod kit (new), one 8" drill press, phone 705-377-7166.
 29-30p

Invacare power wheelchair, used one and a half years, heavy duty, 13-inch wheels, seat size 20x22" wide, oxygen holder, excellent condition, needs batteries. Manual wheelchair. Men's black leather jacket, removable liner, size 52-54, like new. Ladies' dark blue leather jacket, size large. Call 705-368-3654.
 29-30p

Firewood--maple, \$85/cord; oak, \$80/cord. Can be picked up in Perivale area, sorry no deliveries. Call Jim Sloss, 705-282-2050.
 30p

Top load Inglis washing machine, almost new. 705-368-3484.
 30-31p

livestock

Purebred Hereford bulls, purebred Hereford cows and heifers for sale. New 20 ft. double bar feeder wagon. Contact 519-321-9233 or email jmanionfarms@hotmail.com.
 27-35c

yard sale

Indoor yard sale--There will be a personal yard sale on Saturday, December 14 from 9 am to 2 pm at the Little Current United Church Hall.
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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.

wanted

Clean up your yard now by donating your old car or truck or farm tractor, etc. Or even an old metal boat to our church. We can send a truck right to you to pick these up, and in return you will receive an income tax receipt for the scrap value of your donation to St. Bernard's Church, Little Current. Please no smaller items such as fridges, stoves, hot water tanks, etc. Contact Tony Ferro at 705-368-3066 or Jim Griffin at 705-859-2289.
 17tfn

WANTED TO BUY
Standing Timber Cedar/Hardwood

Let your wood lot work for you!

For information on harvesting practices and stumpage rates, please call Brent at **705-348-1223**

rentals

Four-bedroom house for rent in the village of Sheguiandah. \$695 per month plus utilities, town water, propane heat. Wanting mature, clean, non-smoking tenants. Credit check and first/last month rent required. Email tracy77lt@hotmail.com or message at 519-387-1771.
 14tfn

Little Current commercial rental--Core commercial retail or office space for rent, 1,000 square feet, street level walk in, central air, modern finish, immediate possession. Call Al at 705-368-2381.
 21tfn

Studio apartment in LC, short/long-term lease, furnished/unfurnished. Cable TV available. Fridge/stove included. Freshly renovated. Quiet professional building. Great location, close to downtown. 705-368-1866 for details.
 26oatfn

Lake view home in Little Current. Spacious three-bedroom home on one level with attached garage. New construction in great location with direct access to Low Island Park. Available immediately. Call 705-368-2381.
 26oatfn

Two bedroom apartment, fridge and stove included. Also, one bedroom apartment, fridge and stove included. Electric heat, first and last months rent, call 705-377-4010.
 27oatfn

Two-bedroom farmhouse for rent in Sandfield, newly renovated. Wood, oil and electric. Asking \$475 per month. Call 705-859-3779.
 29-30c

Two-bedroom apartment in quiet building. 705-859-1229.
 28-31oa

Basement apartment for rent on Lake Mindemoya, 10 minutes outside of town. One-bedroom, bath, furnished, all-inclusive, would like one tenant (male or female), no pets, no children, no smoking inside, must like dogs. Serious inquiries only please. First and last rent will be required. Will rent by the week or the month. Available immediately. Contact Annette Pearson at 705-377-4770 (w) or 705-377-5466 (h).
 30-31oa

Little Current, Manitoulin Island modern one-bedroom apartment, balcony overlooking North Channel, fridge, stove, water included, \$650, pay own hydro, February 1. 705-368-1145.
 30p

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.

Greetings

Christmas Greetings to all our friends. We would like to wish you a very blessed Christmas season of love, joy and hope and happy family times. We are so thankful for Mary's restoration to good health. Mary and John Buie.
 30oa

welcome to



LEIGHTON DWIGHT GAUTHIER
 Chris and Kristina are proud to announce the arrival of Leighton Dwight Gauthier on November 23, 2013 at 12:28 am. He weighed in at 10 lbs. 10 oz. and was 21 inches long. Leighton is also welcomed by his older brothers Brett, Garret and Keaton and his older sister Whittier.
 30p

child care

Looking for an in-home babysitter, approximately 15 hours per week, evenings and weekends, Spring Bay area. 705-282-8936.
 30-31p

Sea Cadet Events

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

NEMI Public Library annual book sale will be held on Friday, December 13 from 1 pm to 5 pm.
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i coming events

The Anchor Inn is hosting a fundraiser on Saturday, December 21 at 10 pm featuring the "Sons of the Blues" band from Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation. Half of the proceeds from the evening will go towards purchasing food for the Manitoulin Family Resources Help Centre Food Bank.
30-31oa

Make your Christmas dollars go further by shopping at the 50% off sale from Friday, November 15 to December 14 on all clothing and selected items at "The Little Shoppe Around The Corner" Knox United Church in Manitowaning. Our hours will remain Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Fresh items are being added weekly with new or gently used clothing in sizes to fit infant to adult plus sizes. We also have giftware items for all occasions.
26-30p

Manitowaning Agriculture Society annual general meeting, election of officers, Thursday, December 12, 2013 at 7 pm in council chambers, Manitowaning. All welcome.
29-30oa

Reminder--Kids free shopping spree in Mindemoya United Church on December 14 from 1 pm to 3 pm. Thanks so much for donations that are coming in. For information call Carol at 705-377-4700, Willie at 705-282-8541 or Marion at 705-377-4754.
29-30p

i coming events

You are invited to join us for an old-fashioned Christmas Concert on Friday, December 13 at 6:30 pm at Fairview United Church, Tehkummah. Come and enjoy Christmas carols, skits, food, and fellowship. This is for all the family—children and adults.
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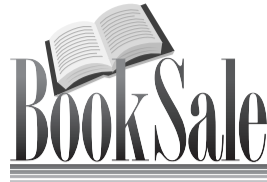
Book Sale: Give the gift of reading at Christmas. Manitoulin-inspired books for sale Sunday, December 15, Gore Bay Harbour Centre (bottom floor). Readings featuring Island writers from 1 pm to 4 pm. All welcome. Contact Manitoulin Writers' Circle, 705-282-1714.
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The Island Guild would like to remind all members that our Christmas meeting will be held on December 12 at the Mindemoya Missionary Church at 6 pm. If you are not attending the meal, the meeting will start at 7 pm and all are welcome. Please, no scents.
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Ladies...You are invited to an afternoon out on Monday, December 16, 2013 at Abby's Restaurant, 604 Cross Hill Road, M'Chigeeng. Lunch served at 1 pm sharp! Christmas program to follow. Music, readings and fellowship. Door prizes. \$12 all inclusive. For reservations call Theresa at 705-377-5138 by Friday, December 13, 2013. If unable to attend, please call to cancel. Affiliated with Stonecroft Ministries.
30p

i coming events

Manitoulin Health Centre Auxiliary



Saturday, December 14

10am - 2pm

- Fiction • Non-Fiction • Jigsaws
- **LOTS OF BOOKS**

**at MHC (Little Current) Cafeteria
Stock Up for Christmas!**

i coming events

The Providence Bay and Spring Bay Lions Club

presents the

**Annual New Year's
Eve Dance**

Tuesday, December 31

8 pm - 2 am

Providence Bay Hall

Music by "Island Music Showcase"
There will be a silent auction, door prizes and a light lunch will be served.
\$10 per person or \$12 at the door
Licenced by AGCO - No minors

- For tickets call • Matt Young 705-377-7149
• Leanne McGill 705-377-6134
• Janice Robinson 705-377-6707
• Buie's Grocery & Providence Bay Post Office

help wanted

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TD Canada Trust
is looking for an energetic individual to join our team as a
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
Casual Position for our Little Current branch.
Please drop off your resume in person or email to:
Pamela Stephens, Branch Manager
pamela.stephens@td.com **jobopp**
Only those being considered will be contacted for an interview.

ABATTOIR PLANT MANAGER
The Manitoulin Island Community Abattoir is seeking a **PLANT MANAGER** and **ENVIRONMENTAL SUPERVISOR** for the abattoir at Providence Bay.
This is a part-time position.
The manager will work with staff to ensure that the entire plant, wetland septic system and grounds are functional and compliant of all OMAF, MOE and OH&S requirements and that weekly abattoir operations run efficiently.
For more information call Birgit Martin, MICA Inc. Chair at 705-282-1334 or 705-282-4608.
Letters of intent and resumes can be forwarded to: bmartin@sprucedale.com.
Application deadline is January 2, 2014

HELP WANTED
Looking for Experienced Bookkeeper.
Knowledge of Quick Books and Excel preferred
Full-time employment.
Submit resume to:
Redbow Flooring
P.O. Box 525 Little Current, ON P0P 1K0
Attention Rob Scott
or email to redbow@bellnet.ca

help wanted

**MUNICIPALITY OF
CENTRAL MANITOULIN**
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Administrative Assistant
Central Manitoulin is seeking a full time (35 hours per week) Administrative Assistant for a one year term contract.
Applicants will demonstrate good communication and computer skills, as well as the flexibility and aptitude to work in a demanding office environment.
Experience interacting with the public would be an asset.
Resumes will be received until Tuesday, December 24th at 12:00 pm(noon) by the undersigned.
Attn: Ruth Frawley, CAO/Clerk
P.O. Box 187
6020 Highway # 542
Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0
Ph: (705) 377-5726 Fax: (705) 377-5585
email: centralm@amtelecom.net

4elements living arts
is seeking an Executive Director
2-year contract, beginning January 30, 2014
\$46,000 per calendar year (+ contributions)
Location: Manitoulin Island, community TBA
Responsibilities:
Meet Ontario Trillium Foundation and 5-year strategic plan goals: University/Community Land Art Institute, financial sustainability, social enterprise consulting, community arts programming, and administrative leadership.
Experience:
• Minimum of 5 years experience in leadership capacity in a non-profit, volunteer, community-based cultural organization
• Knowledge and experience with community, economic and social development/social enterprise development, using arts methodologies.
• Superior interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills
• Experience in workshop facilitation, presentation development, program design, curricular development for primary, post/secondary levels
• Post-sec or graduate degree in CESD, arts admin or related field
• Familiarity with land art, and non-traditional art forms
• Experience with land- and place-based methodologies
• Strength in supervision and training of staff/volunteers
• Successful grant-writing, fundraising and reporting
• Experience working with First Nations organizations, communities and artists is a definite asset.
Application deadline: January 6, 2014
For detailed job description visit:
www.4elementslivingarts.org
Email resume, cover letter and three references to:
Gary Fuhrman, Board Secretary gnox@gnusystems.ca
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FOR BREAKFAST**
Saturday, December 21st
Twin Bluffs Restaurant
8:30 am - 10:00 am
Call 705-282-2000 to reserve your spot now...
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**MANITOULIN
FLEE MARKET**
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10 am - 4 pm
Until December 22
**All Christmas Stock
1/2 Price**
**All boxed Christmas trees
3' - 8' ONLY \$25ea**
**We will now purchase by
appointment only. No Walk-ins.**
Call 705-368-0078
9685 Hwy #6
5 minutes south of Little Current
Indoor Market - Rain or Shine!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Aging at Home Van Support Driver Casual/Part-time

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre seeks the services of an Aging at Home Van Support Driver. The Van Support Driver will work as part of an interdisciplinary team to improve transportation services for individuals 55 years and older in the North East Local Health Integration Network (NE LHIN) for the Manitoulin Island District. This initiative is designed to support healthy aging and independent living for individuals 55 years of age and older. The successful candidate will work in collaboration with various external organizations, establishing linkages with community programs and services Island-wide to enhance access to transportation services for medical care and social programming. We are looking for more than one driver. Come and be a part of a dynamic team!

Qualifications:

1. Ability to travel
2. Ability to work flexible hours from Monday to Friday.
3. Familiarity with local health and social services within the Manitoulin Island District.
4. Must possess CPR/First Aid Certificate.
5. Must possess a valid class G Driver's Licence and driver's abstract.
6. Criminal Record Check is essential.
7. Anishnabemowin, as well as knowledge of Anishnabe culture and traditions, is an asset.

Submit a covering letter, resume, three (3) work related letters of reference, and a current criminal records check and a copy of valid driver's licence and driver's abstract. Please mark correspondence as "Confidential". Submissions will be accepted by mail, facsimile, or email. We thank all for their interest and applications, however, only those under consideration will be contacted.

Application Deadline: Friday, December 13, 2013

Pamela Williamson, Executive Director
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy. 540
48 Hillside Road., Aundeck Omni Kaning
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0

Phone: (705) 368-2182 Fax: (705) 368-2229
Email: p.williamson@noojmowin-teg.ca
Website: www.noojmowin-teg.ca



Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services Employment Opportunity

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services currently delivers Prevention Services (Child and Family Services and Community Support) and Foster Care services in collaboration with our member First Nations. Currently KGCFs is in a transitional phase towards designation as a Children's Aid Society to deliver Child Welfare services with our member First Nations within the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin.

KGCFs makes every effort to ensure all services provided are respectful of the communities that are serviced; respectful of the culture, language, beliefs, customs and practices of the Ojibway-Odawa-Pottawatomi peoples.

We are currently recruiting a professional and progressive individual to join our team in the following capacity:

- **Legal Assistant (Full Time – 2 year contract)**

The Legal Assistant is responsible for coordinating the provision of legal services as directed by the Legal Counsel. This will include preparing of relevant legal documentation or correspondence; conducting legal research; assisting with trial preparation and assisting in the preparation for other child welfare litigation related processes.

For additional information or to obtain a detailed job description, please visit our website at www.kgcf.org.

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

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Attention: Human Resources, (Legal Assistant Recruitment)
98 Pottawatomi Avenue, Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0
Closing Date: Friday, January 3rd, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

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



Youth Employment Opportunities ABORIGINAL YOUTH PROJECT COORDINATOR Waubetek Business Development Corporation

The Waubetek Business Development Corporation is providing a term employment contract up to March 31, 2014 for an individual to coordinate an Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge (business plan competition), a series of business-related workshops and a region-wide Aboriginal Youth Business Conference for youth between the ages of 15 and 29. Working from our office in Birch Island, this position will receive guidance from an internal office project team to help coordinate this project. Waubetek is looking for an individual who meets the following qualifications:

- Must have excellent, proven project coordination and administrative skills;
- A strong understanding of business concepts;
- Must have a sound working knowledge of various computer applications (ie. Microsoft Suite of Office Applications, Windows, etc.);
- Must have solid youth leadership skills;
- Must have excellent written and verbal communications skills;
- Must have excellent numeracy skills;
- Must have an ability and the means to travel throughout the service area; and
- Naishnaabemaang shwii go washme ndawendaagod

Salary: to commensurate with education and experience – term contract to March 31, 2014.

Please submit a letter of application, resume and copy of your diploma/degree certificate, **marked confidential** no later than **12:00 pm on Thursday, December 19th, 2013**, to the attention of the:

Dawn Madahbee
General Manager
Waubetek Business Development Corporation
General Delivery
Birch Island, Ontario P0P 1A0
or Fax (705)285-4584 or Email: dmadahbee@waubetek.com

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those applicants under consideration will be contacted for an interview.



WIKWEMIKONG BOARD OF EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

POSITION: Early Childhood Educator
LOCATION: Wikwemikong Hub Centre
SALARY: Based on Ministry of Education Funding
START DATE: January 2014 – June 2014

Under the Supervision of the Nursery School Supervisor, the successful applicant will perform the following duties:

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Plan and implement age appropriate program activities for children 2.6 – 5 years old.
- Ensure that the native language and cultural activities are part of daily programming.
- Guide the children in their physical, social, cognitive, and language development.
- Supervise children during program activities and ensure their safety and health.
- Responsible for planning, managing, implementing and coordinating activities in your designated area/room as assigned on staff schedule.
- Maintain appropriate information, documentation and upkeep journals on a daily basis.
- Work cooperatively with other staff as per program delivery.
- Adhere to job description, schedules, childcare policies, and procedures set out in the Hub Centre.
- Adhere to Ministry of Education – DNA policies and procedures, the WUIR and WBE personnel policies.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Early Childhood Education Diploma/Registered Early Childhood Educator.
- Early Childhood Education Diploma and/or equivalent as per Day Nurseries Act (DNA) and related experience.
- Knowledge of the Anishinabe language and culture.
- A recent medical, up-to-date immunization with boosters and a 2 Step TB test is required; must have a First Aid Certificate.
- Must submit 3 current letters of reference on letterhead; a current (original) criminal/vulnerable reference check (within the last 90 days).

CLOSING DATE: Friday, December 20, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

DIRECT APPLICATIONS TO: Mr. Dominic Beaudry, Education Director
Wikwemikong Board of Education
34 Henry St.
Wikwemikong ON P0P 2J0
Tel: 705-859-3787 Fax: 705-859-3787

Only those selected for an interview will be contacted

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**Child Nutritionist Employment Opportunity
Full-Time Position**

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is inviting applications for the position of a full time Child Nutritionist. The position will work in partnership with First Nation and external family and children service providers to promote healthy eating and nutrition education for the benefit of First Nation and aboriginal children and their families living within the Manitoulin Island District. The position will build on a quality program through the planning, implementation, and evaluation of child nutrition activities with existing or new partnerships. Responsibilities will include: school breakfast programs; community kitchens; newsletter articles; grocery store tours; daycare food advisory; and participation in health promotion initiatives with other members of the Noojmowin Teg multi-disciplinary team, as well as other external stakeholders. The position is funded by the Ministry of Children and Youth Services.

The successful incumbent will consult and work closely with the New Beginnings (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder) program, community dietitians, and other health professionals in ensuring that children and their parents participate in a larger circle of care. The position will report to the Executive Director. Check out our web-site at: www.noojmowin-teg.ca for more information about the organization and the position.

Skills and Qualifications:

- Diploma in Nutrition Management, Food Services, or other relevant diploma/degree
- Two (2) years of experience working within a nutrition education environment, preferably with children and families
- Experience in curriculum/workshop development
- Ability to work independently and travel extensively
- Enjoy working with families and children
- Knowledge of the Anishinabek culture, language, and traditions an asset
- Must have a valid driver's license and own means of transportation

Submit a covering letter, resume, three (3) work related references, and a recent Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record's Check. Please mark correspondence as "Confidential"

Pamela Williamson, Executive Director
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Road, Bag 2002
Audeck Omni Kaning First Nation
Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0

Phone: (705) 368-2182 x204
Fax: (705) 368-2229
Email: p.williamson@noojmowin-teg.ca
Website: www.noojmowin-teg.ca

Applications should be received by: December 23, 2013. Only the successful applicant will be contacted. Thank you for your interest.

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**TOWN OF GORE BAY
REQUESTING
TENDERS**

To haul approximately 6,300 tonnes of soil to:
9490 Hwy 540, Billings Township, ON

**Tender forms available at the
Town Office in Gore Bay at**

15 Water Street, Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0

Closing Date December 19th, 2013 at 2 PM

For more information please contact Pam Bond at
705-282-2420 or pbond@gorebay.ca

FUEL OIL TENDER

The Manitoulin Centennial Manor invites tenders for the supply of heating fuel oil to 70 Robinson Street, Little Current, commencing **March 1, 2014 until February 28, 2015**. Fuel consumption is approximately 100,000 litres.

Fuel tender forms are available at Manitoulin Centennial Manor administration office Monday to Friday 9am to 4:30pm. Tenders will not be accepted unless submitted on Manitoulin Centennial Manor Contract Bid Form. Instruction to submit tenders are outlined on the Contract Bid Form.

Tenders must be received no latter than 4pm January 24, 2014. Tenders will be submitted using Rack price from January 15, 2014.

Forward tenders to:
Manitoulin Centennial Manor
Postal Bag 460, Little Current, ON
P0P 1K0

*Manitoulin Centennial Manor Board of Management
will award tender January 28, 2014*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK--
Does anyone know if Wrigley's make gum boots? If you know, phone 368. 30p

Private classified word ads, like this, are \$8 for up to 25 words and 10 cents for every additional word, per week, plus HST. Pre-payment (VISA, MasterCard, cheque or cash) is required. Private sales only. Call 705-368-2744 to book your ad.

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.

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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Friday**

Hope for Mental Illness

The famous Swiss psychologist, Carl Jung, declared: "During the past 30 years, people from all the civilized countries of the earth have consulted me. I have treated many hundreds of patients--among all my patients in the second part of life--that is to say over 35--there has not been one whose problem in the last resort was not that of finding a religious outlook on life. It is safe to say that every one of them fell ill because he had lost that which the living religions of every age have given to their followers, and none of them has really been healed who did not regain his religious outlook." Carl Jung, modern man in search of soul. (New York, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1933) 229. Notice he ascribes the cause of those psychological problems to falling away from religion, and the only hope he offers is regaining those religious beliefs. I am a preacher of the Gospel (Goodnews) of Jesus Christ. The only religion that has a savior, healer, and deliverer is Christianity. Jesus Christ is that healer. And the health that Jesus offers is mental, emotional, physical, spiritual and eternal health. The biblical symbol for the word "hope" is an anchor. When I go fishing in a boat in a river, and I want to stay in one place, I throw out an anchor, and I have a firm expectation that the anchor will hook onto some rock and that half an hour later I won't be a mile downstream. That is the biblical meaning of the word hope, a firm expectation. Notice too, that the anchor has to latch on to something. That hope needs to latch on to Jesus Christ (the Rock) and to the promises in the bible. The Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John are full with miracles of healing that Jesus performed, Hebr. 13:8 says: "Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever." That means that today Jesus is still able and willing to heal all who come to him for healing. And millions of people all over the world are still being healed by embracing these promises of Christianity. IS.53:3-5 says "By his (Jesus') stripes we are healed." Notice, Jesus' part of the healing is done already. Your part is receiving what God offers. When I have a radio and I turn it to another station then the CBC, I cannot accuse the CBC that it is not sending the news. If my radio is not connected to a power source (battery, electricity), I won't receive what the CBC is sending either. So the first thing that needs to be understood is that God offering healing and people receiving that healing are different things and just like there are things I need to do to receive the news that the CBC is sending, like having a receiver (radio or TV), hooking it up to electricity, and tuning it to the right station (sender) so people have to do certain things to receive the healing God offers. A.A. advocates 12 steps, and thousands of people who follow those steps have been freed from drunkenness. Many of those steps are based on biblical principles. I advocate biblical principles and thousands of people who follow these biblical principles have been healed. God offers that healing to everybody. He is no respecter of persons. 1) PS107:20 says "He (God) sent his word and healed them." Everything God does, he does through his word (the bible). The bible (what God says) is the seed that needs to be sown to produce health. Sin is the basic cause of sickness. So step one is accept the bible and everything in it as the truth. 2) In John 8:32 Jesus said "you will know the truth, and the

truth will set you free" (heal you, deliver you from sickness). But in Mat 7:21 "Not everyone who calls me, Lord, Lord; will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my father in heaven." In Mat 7:24-27 Jesus explains the difference between a wise man a foolish man. The difference is the wise man does what Jesus says and the foolish does not do what Jesus says. Knowing that when you push on the gas pedal a car speeds up and when you push on the brake pedal it slows down or stops does not speed up the car or stop the car in order to get the desired result you must put that knowledge into practice by pushing down on one of the pedals. Knowing what to do to receive healing does not provide the healing in order to receive healing we must make a quality decision to obey these biblical principles. 3) As sin is the cause of every curse and sickness we must confess every known sin, in order to reclaim health (freedom, deliverance) see Lev 26:40-42, I John 1:9. James 5:16 says "confess your sins to each other, pray for each other so that you may be healed." As long as the sin that gives Satan control to put the curse on you, is not confessed and repented of, Satan has an open invitation to stay in control. 4) The blessings God offers are first of all for his children. You can become a child of God through spiritual birth. Correct baptism is an essential step of spiritual birth the correct way of baptism is by complete immersion in water in the name of Jesus (baptism is identifying yourself with Jesus in his death, burial and resurrection as payment for your sins, see Rom 6:1-6) after coming to faith and repentance. Infant sprinkling is not baptism, has nothing to do with spiritual birth and can not produce the blessings. Faith in Jesus Christ includes understanding why Jesus died on the cross this is explained by Peter in Acts 2 before he says in Acts 2:38 "repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Philip in Acts 8 also first preaches Jesus and when the Ethiopian Eunuch asks "what does prevent me from being baptized; verse 37, Philip answers in verse 38 K.J. "If you believe with all your heart you may." In Acts 19:1-5 Paul realizes that some Ephesians were baptized wrong, explains that they must first believe in Jesus and then baptized them in the name of the Lord Jesus. This step is only necessary for those who have never been baptized right, if you have been baptized right just make sure you follow (obey) the other principles. 5) Forgive. See Mat 6:14-15 6). It is called faith healing because it operates on the principle of faith, faith always obeys God. If there is any disobedience or rejecting a biblical principle (command) it is sin and unbelief, the opposite of faith, so if you do not make the quality decision to obey you reject faith and healing. 7) Love. "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Love is a command of God, and like all other commands you can choose to obey or disobey. See Rom 6:16. 8) As far as depends on you seek peace with everyone, Rom 12:18. 9) Study God's word so you understand what God wants you to do. 10) Seek fellowship with other believers who believe in faith healing. 11) You can not buy health, but tithing is a biblical principle, Mal 3:10-11. When you tithe, you show that you truly believe that everything you have comes from God. 12) If you have made vows, includ-

ing wedding vows, make sure you keep them. The traditional wedding vow includes that the wife submits to the husband. This is a command of God, see Eph 5:22, I Pet 3:1&5, Col 3:18. A wife who does not submit to her husband does not obey (submit to) God, for it is God who commands her to submit. With the advance of Women's Lib many women violate this biblical principle and it is the main reason for mental illness in women. James 4:7 says "submit to God, resist the devil and he will flee from you." The submitting to God (obey) always precedes victory over Satan and the curses he puts on people. 13) Praise God, PS. 9:2&3. 14) Rejoice PS. 9:2&3, Phil 3:1, 4:4. 15) Be thankful, Eph 5:26, I Thes 5:18. 16) Confess your victory, Rom 10:10. Many people have problems with these last four and wonder "How can I do these things?" They wonder is that not deceptive because the evidence of the sickness is still there. When I eat, I start a digestive process with my mouth that provides nourishment. I do not think about adding some saliva to the food in my mouth or stomach juices to help the digestion or how the tiny food particles are going through the intestines are taken up in the blood and finally oxygen is added and they burn to provide energy. I know I need to eat to start this unconscious process of nourishing my body. In the same way when I confess with my mouth my deliverance (healing, salvation) and rejoice, praise and thank God, I start an unconscious process. Notice PS. 9:2&3 In verse 2 there is rejoicing and praising in verse 3 is the deliverance. Notice Paul and Silas were in the prison in Philippi. And while they were still shackled they were singing praises at midnight. Acts 16:25 and it was at that point they were delivered. In 2 Chron. 20 It is the same a big army from Moab and Amon has come against Jehoshaphat. While they have not yet started to fight, Jehoshaphat appoints singers and they start praising the lord, Ver 22, It is at that point that God provides a great victory. When you praise, rejoice and give thanks you declare that God is greater than the problems and that he has healed you already. Circumstances are subject to change. The word of God is not. It is God's word that says that by Jesus stripes you are healed. PS 103:5 IS. 53:5 And that is the truth. So start confessing this truth. 17) Pray! James 5:13 says: "Is anyone afflicted let him pray." It is good if others pray for you, but you have to pray yourself too. James 1:5 says: "If anyone lacks wisdom let him ask" (pray to God for it). It is never God who fails to provide health. He is your health already. He has done everything already to heal you. It is always men who fail to receive because they violate a biblical principle (command). So if you sincerely want to obey God ask Him where you are failing the test. And like I have said in many of my other writings, many people fail to receive because they disobey God's command to keep his 7th day Sabbath holy. Hank Reckman, Search For Truth Biblical Ministries, Prophet of Manitoulin, Box 210, M'Chigeeng, Ontario P0P 1G0.

Wiky's Amanda Peltier named 2013 GE Foundation Scholar-Leader

TORONTO—Amanda Peltier, an aboriginal student in the University of Ontario Institute of Technology's (UOIT) Energy Systems Engineering program, who hails from Wikwemikong, was recently recognized as a 2013 GE Foundation Scholar-Leader. The program, sponsored by the GE Foundation and administered by the Institute of International Education, provides financial support and skills development opportunities for accomplished first-year undergraduate students of aboriginal descent who are pursuing degrees in the fields of engineering or business/management.

As a Scholar-Leader, Ms. Peltier will receive a \$4,000 yearly scholarship for the second, third and fourth years of her undergraduate program. She will be mentored by a business leader

at GE Canada and participate in community development projects. In August, Ms. Peltier also participated in a weeklong GE Leadership Development seminar in Mississauga.

"My growth as an affiliative, democratic and coaching leader in my community and chosen field will be considerably magnified by the impacts of this scholarship," said Ms. Peltier in a press release. "Being a recognized aboriginal woman in the nuclear energy field will allow me to influence and provide mentorship to many individuals across Canada."

Ms. Peltier is a member of the Anishinaabe First Nation from Manitoulin Island. Her mother's family is from Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve and her father's family is from Atikameksheng Anishnawbek First Nation.



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When she moved almost nine hours away from close friends and family to attend university, Ms. Peltier sought and received support from UOIT's Aboriginal Resource Centre (ARC), which she credits with helping her remain balanced and successful. During the summer, Ms. Peltier worked at the ARC as an assistant and enjoyed the cultural connections and contributions she made to the community. She also assisted in providing programming for urban aboriginal youth in Durham

Region. After completing her undergraduate program, Ms. Peltier plans to pursue graduate studies and obtain a doctoral degree.

"Amanda is a remarkable leader and role model for youth and mature students, and a strong example of the success of aboriginal people in post-secondary institutions," said Laura Thibeault, manager, Aboriginal Services and Initiatives. "We know that once she graduates, Amanda will effect change and proudly support and represent aboriginal people within our communities. She is an inspiring and highly respected leader among her peers at UOIT and her journey has left a lasting impression on everyone who has had the pleasure of knowing her. We are so proud of Amanda and all she has accomplished during her time at UOIT."

...priority waiting list for all rental units


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rent residents are senior citizens, as is 45 percent of the waiting list. Manitowaning's Bayview Apartments has a 32 percent senior population, with no seniors on the waiting list.

In Mindemoya's Meadowview Apartments, 25 percent of its residents are seniors, with 46 percent of the waiting list senior citizens while in Gore Bay, 23 percent of the makeup of Bayside Apartments are senior citizens, 43 percent on the waiting list. Gore Bay's Woods Lane Apartments has a senior vacancy rate of 34 percent with 43 percent senior citizens on the waiting list.

The motion to create a senior priority housing policy was passed by the DSB.

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Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
PUBLIC NOTICE
December 17th @ 7:10pm
Little Current Recreation Center
According to the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) 2005, the Municipality must put in place a Multi Year Accessibility Plan.


Copies of this plan will be available prior to the meeting and can be picked up at the Municipal office located at 15 Manitowaning Road, Little Current

Individuals wishing to make a presentation to Council will have an opportunity on the evening of Tuesday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the NEMI Recreation Centre in the Lions Den. Presentations will be limited to 5 minutes.

Pam Cress, Clerk
 Phone: 705-368-3500 ext. 228
 Date: December 11, 2013

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Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given under Section 155 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001

that a **Special Council meeting** is scheduled for **December 17th, 2013** in regard to the Licensing of the Owner of a Taxicab business.

Copies of this by-law will be available prior to the meeting and can be picked up at the Municipal office located at 15 Manitowaning Road, Little Current

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TENDER FOR

SNOW CLEARING/REMOVAL AND SANDING

The Manitoulin Centennial Manor invites tenders for the snow clearing/removal and sanding at 70 Robinson Street, Little Current for a 2 season period commencing **February 1, 2014 to January 28, 2016**

Scope of work:

- Snow removal from the front roadside parking lot, main entrance parking lot, rear of building staff parking lot and delivery area.
- Provide sanding to all vehicle routes and all parking lots
- Provide additional sand/salt mixture for Manitoulin Centennial Manor maintenance staff to use for all walkways

****Areas must be cleared before change of shift at 6:00 am and throughout the day as required****

Bidders are welcome to perform on-site inspections.

Bids must be accompanied by proof of liability and property damage insurance and WSIB clearance number.


Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked **"Snow Removal, Clearing and Sanding Tender"**

Tenders must be received no later than **4:00PM January 24, 2014**

Tenders will be awarded by Manitoulin Centennial Manor Board of Management January 28, 2014

For further information contact:
 Bill Proulx,
 Manager of Support Services
 705-368-2710 ext. 314


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NOTICE

Holiday Curbside Recycling & Garbage Pick-up

Monday December 23rd & Monday December 30th




TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK

NOTICE OF BUDGET BY-LAWS 2014

The Council of the Township of Assiginack will consider By-laws to adopt the 2014 Operating and Capital Budgets and the 2014 Water Rates at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 21st, 2014.

Questions may be directed to the Undersigned.

Alton Hobbs
 Clerk-Administrator
 Township of Assiginack
 Box 238
 Manitowaning, ON
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NOTICE OF NOMINATION FOR OFFICE

Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (s.32)
Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands for the offices of:

Mayor:	1 to elect
Councillors:	Ward 1: 1 to elect Ward 2: 3 to elect Ward 3: 1 to elect Ward 4: 3 to elect

May be made by completing and filing in the office of the Clerk, nominations on the prescribed form and accompanied by the prescribed nomination filling fee of \$200.00 for the Head of Council and \$100.00 for all other offices. The filing fee is payable by cash, certified cheque, money order or debit.

A nomination must be signed by the candidate and may be filed in person or by an agent during regular business hours between January 2, 2014 and September 12, 2014 and between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

In the event there are an insufficient number of certified candidates to fill all positions available, nominations will be reopened for the vacant positions on Wednesday, September 17, 2014 from 9 am to 2 pm only.

Electors are hereby given notice that if a greater number of candidates are certified than are required to fill the said offices, voting places will be opened on the dates stated below for the purpose of voting.

Voting Day: Monday, October 27, 2014 (10 am and 8 pm)

Pam Cress, Returning Officer
Dated: November 25, 2013



TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK

HOLIDAY HOURS SCHEDULE

Township Office: Closed December 24 at Noon
 Re-opening January 2

Landfill: Closed December 24 and 31 at 4 pm
 Open Saturday, December 28

Library: Closed December 24 and 31 at 2 pm
 Open Saturday, December 28

Arena Events

December 20th: Free Skate: 2 - 4 pm Public Skating 6:30 - 8 pm
 December 21st: Public Skating 1 - 3 pm
 December 24th: Free Skate 1 - 3 pm
 December 27th: Public Skating 6:30 - 8 pm
 December 28th: Public Skate 1 - 3 pm
 December 30th: Free Skate 1 - 3 pm
 December 31st: Free Skate 1 - 3 pm
 January 2nd: Free Skate 1 - 3 pm Public Skating 6:30 - 8 pm
 January 3rd: Public Skating 6:30 - 8 pm
 January 4th: Public Skating 1 - 3 pm

All 'Free Skates' sponsored by Manitowaning Minor Hockey
The Council and Staff of the Township hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season.

Death Notices

JOAN OLIVE TURLEY (NEE TESTER)

Joan Olive Turley (nee Tester) of Elgin Manor, St. Thomas passed away peacefully while surrounded by her loving family at her late residence on Monday, December 9, 2013 in her 94th year. Predeceased by her much loved husband Cyril Turley (1993) and loving mother of Ian (Betty Ann) of St. Thomas, Anne Haycock (late Wilfred) of St. Thomas, Gail Turley of St. Thomas, Lynne (Morley) Winter of Port Stanley and Jan (Laurie) of Manitoulin Island. She is the loving Nana of 11 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren and is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Joan was predeceased by her grandson Duane "Turk" Turley (2008) and by several brothers and sisters in England. She was born February 5, 1920 in Sussex, England, the daughter of the late Robert and Frances Alice Tester. Prior to residing at the Elgin Manor Joan lived in St. Thomas and in Stratford. She was a member of St. Luke's Anglican Church where she was involved with the Chancel Guild and the choir. She was a longstanding member of the Stratford Humane Society and was a former long distance driver for the Stratford Neighbourly Services. Resting at Williams Funeral Home, 45 Elgin St., St Thomas where public visitation will be held Friday, December 13, 2013 from 2 pm to 4 pm, followed by a private family service. Cremation to follow with interment of ashes in the spring. Donations may be made to the Perth County Humane Society, Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Elgin Manor Recreational Program.

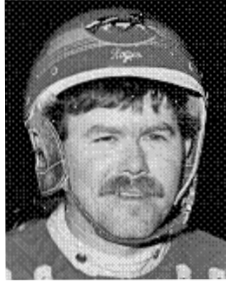
JAMES "CAPTAIN JIM" CALVIN RAYNER MAY 22, 1936 - DECEMBER 3, 2013



In loving memory of Jim Rayner, a resident of Gore Bay, who died at the Mindemoya Hospital on Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at the age of 77 years. He was born in Burpee Township, son of the late Roy Alexander and Norah Beatrice (Bailey) Rayner. Jim had worked for the Ontario Paper Company as a Forestry Supervisor for over 40 years. He was a member of the Lions Club in Gore Bay, having received his 30-year pin. Jim had also been a volunteer ambulance driver and a volunteer fireman in Gore Bay. He was interested in fish and game preservation and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Jim's greatest pleasure in life was spending time at the cottage and time with his family. Jim will be sadly missed but many wonderful memories will be cherished. Jim is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Leah (Lewis) Rayner. Loved and loving father of Diane (Hal) Ednie of Sudbury, Barb (Steve Gumb) Rayner of Gore Bay, Terri (Fred) Noland of Evansville and Karen (Richard) Foster of Owen Sound and daughter-in-law Sandra Rayner of Gore Bay. Predeceased by son Rick in 2007 and son Roy Alexander at birth. Proud grandfather of Tyler, Angie (husband Greg), Brad, Tracy, Bryan (predeceased), Jamie Lee, Aaron, Stacy and Nate and great-grandchildren Jamison and Merissa. Dear brother of Blair (Annette) of Elliot Lake and Noreen Croft (Doug predeceased) of Gore Bay. Also survived by nieces and nephews, and many in-laws on Leah's side. The funeral service to celebrate Jim's life was conducted in the Wm. G. Turner Chapel of the Culgin Funeral Home on Saturday, December 7, 2013 at 11 am with Pastor Joel Lock officiating. Visitation was held on Saturday, December 7, 2013 from 10 am to 11 am. Cremation has taken place. Burial of ashes in Gordon Cemetery. If so desired, donations to the Gore Bay Medical Centre or the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

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

ROGER ALLAN BROWN MAY 26, 1966 - DECEMBER 5, 2013



In loving memory Roger Brown, A resident of Lively, who passed away suddenly on Thursday, December 5, 2013 at the age of 47 years. He was born in Mindemoya, son of Ted and Marian (King) Brown. Roger had played golf and hockey in his early years. He had a great interest in horses, so for many years worked in the Harness Horse Training business. Roger is survived by his loving and loved partner, Danielle Souliere. Dearly loved son of Ted and Marian Brown of Lively. Dear brother of Jane and husband Keith Montgomery of Oak Ridges, Gary and his wife Miriam of Cambridge and Ron and his wife Debbie of Lively. Roger will be missed by nieces and nephews Jason, Heidi and James, Zachary and Carson and Josh and Kayla and great-niece Karissa and great-nephew Kaden. Also survived by many friends in the harness racing world. A graveside service was held on Monday, December 9, 2013 at 12 pm at Mindemoya Cemetery. If so desired, donations to the Diabetic Society or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

PHILOMINE WAKEGIJIG (NEE BAREFOOT)



In loving memory of Philomine Wakegijig (nee Barefoot) who died peacefully at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home on Monday, December 2, 2013 at the age of 91. Loving mother to Mary Adeline Lena Stacey (husband Jeffrey predeceased), Glen Joseph Wakegijig (Viola), Karen Theresa Wakegijig (Reginald). Predeceased by Joseph, John, Margaret Lorna, David Alexander, Bernard, Valentine Walter Terence, Baby Boy and Baby Boy. Cherished grandmother of twin girls (predeceased), John, Jamie, Christopher (predeceased), Frank (Amanda), Blayne (Alicia), and Lewis. And great-grandmother of Tayden, Tate, Ty, Tosh, Tameron, Blaise, Jarret, Danielle, Ava and Cierra. Remembered by husband David Wakegijig. Predeceased by all her siblings. Philomine was a loved aunt, family member and friend. Philomine was known for her fine craftsmanship, she made many quilts, quill boxes and other birchbark crafts. She loved cats and working in her flower and vegetable gardens. Most of all she loved doting on her children and grandkids. Philomine was a foster mother for years, later she worked for 16 years at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home in the laundry. Visitation was from 2 pm on Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at St. Ignatius Church. Funeral Service was at 11 am on Saturday, December 7, 2013 at Holy Cross Mission, Wikwemikong. Burial at Wikwemikong Upper Cemetery. Online condolences at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

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COTE—In loving memory of our mother and grandmother, Jean, who passed away December 11, 2011. God has you in His keeping We have you in our hearts. Always loved, Matt, Joan and family. 30p

ROWE—In loving memory of our mother and grandmother, Margaret, who passed away January 5, 2003. We hold you close within our hearts And there you will remain. To be with us throughout our lives Until we meet again. Always in our hearts. Love, Joan, Matt and family. 33p

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Wikwemikong Development Commission is accepting applications/letters of intent for commercial leasing opportunities available in Wikwemikong's new Small Business Centre

Please send your information to Mr. Chuck Peltier, Business & Marketing Officer, chuck@wikydevcom.ca



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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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100 ACRES CAMPBELL TOWNSHIP \$87,000
 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)
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SOUTH BAYMOUTH WATERFRONT HOME \$399,000
 Your own private dock, large garage/work shop approx. 60 x 60 feet, over 2000 square foot two storey home, three bedrooms, two washrooms, oil and wood heat, surveyed lot, walk to ferry dock, municipal water, lots of potential for other uses, salmon fishing at your door step. (1313)
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HUNT CAMP ON 200 ACRES \$139,000
 Quality bush lot. Frontage on a small lake. Camp has been completely renovated. Several stands in place and ready for the hunt. Asking \$139,000. **MLS#1021775**
 Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113

GORE BAY WATERFRONT \$369,000
 newer home on west harbour, expansive view of North Channel, 4 plus 1 bedrooms, 3 washrooms, in floor heat, attached heated garage, full upper deck, approx. 3500 sqft. of living space, poured concrete foundation, municipal services, short walk to marina and dock, quality materials, expansive kitchen area, asking \$369,000 (1382) (MLS#1019677)
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LOTS AFFORDABLE WATER FRONT LOT!! - one large waterfront lot, nicely treed, year round road, surveyed lot. area of newer homes and cottages. 15 minutes to Mindemoya shopping and golf. **NEW PRICE \$49,900** (1269) CALL JORDAN @ 368-3113
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)
WATERFRONT LOT ON ICE LAKE. Surveyed and well treed. 200' of frontage. Building site cleared. Western exposure. Year round road access and hydro available - **MLS#1019632** -Asking \$49,900 Call Jordan 705-368-3113
ESTATE SIZED BUILDING LOTS near Lake Mindemoya. Hydro, municipal road and lake access. Four to choose from. Asking \$18,999 each

WATERFRONT WOOD HOME \$249,000
 with 36 acres on an inland lake, deer country, hardwoods, three bedroom, 1.5 storey home, oil and electric heat, decks, large detached garage/workshop 40 x 50 feet plus smaller shed, private location, walk in lower level basement, must be seen, located in west Manitoulin area. (1401) (MLS#1021898)
 Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231

LITTLE CURRENT WATERFRONT HOME - \$334,900
 300' of frontage, close to the Swing Bridge. Features include a new finished basement with in-floor heat, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, double car garage, all on 5 acres of land. **MLS#1020325**
 Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113

ELIZABETH BAY WATERFRONT LOT \$89,000
 Large estate sized lot, approx. 3 acres in size with over 200 feet frontage, sandy type shoreline, hardwoods, driveway and outdoor privy, above average features, great building location. (1402) (MLS#1021922)
 Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231

HUNT CAMP AND LOG SAUNA \$99,500
 on 100 acres, close to Little Current. Several tree stands and quad trails make this camp ready for the fall hunt! (MLS#1016274)
 Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113

100 ACRES PLUS COTTAGE \$169,000
 located in Burpee Twp, highway frontage, newer bungalow approx 28 x 42 feet., steel roof, 6 inch walls, shed, good deer location, this building could be a year round home, property located a few miles west of Evansville, 28 x 42 cottage with 2400 watt solar power, 8x 12 bunkie with solar, 8 x 8 shed with propane fridge, 12 x14 metal drive shed , 8 x 20 boat shelter asking \$169,000 (1391) (MLS#1020340)
 Norm Morrell 705-282-2430

TWO HOME PROPERTY \$179,000
 Year round road, chalet, carport, large garage, modern two bedroom house, drilled well , meet the needs of two families, close to Silver Water. (1372) **MLS#1018829**
 Norm Morrell 705-282-2430

LAKE WOLSEY WATERFRONT \$89,000
 large 3 acre lot, over 700 feet waterfrontage, level surveyed lot with clearing and driveway installed, located on west shoreline, this is one of the premiere fishing lakes both in summer and winter ice fishing. (1395) (MLS#1020835)
 Norm Morrell 705-282-2430

BRIDAL VEIL ESSO, KAGAWONG \$549,000
 Well established business for sale. Excellent location on Hwy. 540, only 5 minute walk to the falls. Gas, groceries, coffee shop, propane service, ice cream, fishing equipment, courier service, commercial and residential tenant income, frontage on Kagawong river, ATM, LCBO outlet, a quality commercial offering, asking \$549,000 (1399) (MLS#1021556)
 Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231

GORE BAY BUNGALOW \$149,000
 Attractive three bedroom home with stone fireplace and electric heat, paved drive, attached garage, full block basement, one washroom, approx. 1200 square feet, nicely landscaped yard, walk to all downtown stores, very well maintained, ready to move into. (1350) (MLS#1015325)
 Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231

HARDWOOD BUSH \$79,000
 attractive 46 acres fronting on paved road, good hardwood growth forest, only 15 minutes to Mindemoya shopping, great recreational or building location plus deer hunting , a quality offering. (1397) (MLS#1021357)
 Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231

100 ACRES MILLS TOWNSHIP \$134,900
 good recreational hunting lands on seasonal access road, contains well built cottage, sleeps 6, metal roof and vinyl siding , interior natural pine, separate sauna building, propane heat, small deck, generator building, an excellent quality offering in deer country, asking \$134,900 (1378) **MLS#1019309**
 Peter Flanagan 705-282-3231

NORTH CHANNEL HOME \$329,000
 on Lighthouse Road, only 5 minutes from Gore Bay shopping, watch the sun rise over the harbor, approx. 1900 square foot of living space, 4 bedrooms and 4 washrooms, elec and wood heat, massive stone fireplace, sheltered dug out docking location, year round paved road, a premiere location, asking \$329,000 (1392) (MLS#1020400)
 Norm Morrell 705-282-2430

TOBACCO LAKE WATERFRONT LOT \$59,900
 one surveyed lot, approx. 150 x 300 feet, located on west side of lake, good road access, some sand beach areas, great for children, excellent location for cottage (MLS#1013302) (1387)
 Norm Morrell 705-282-2430

KAGAWONG HAMLET COTTAGE \$89,000
 situated on Upper St, elevated view of harbour, paved road, municipal water, two bedroom rustic bungalow style, front deck, electric and wood heat, short walk to the marina and chocolate shop, one of the prettiest villages on Manitoulin, asking \$89,000 (1396) (MLS#1021101)
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SAND BEACH WATERFRONT HOME \$359,000
 Beautiful waterfront home with a full custom renovation. Every aspect of this home is new. Beach location in a sheltered bay on the North Channel. A pleasure to show. **MLS#1021795**
 Jordan Chandler 705-368 3113

LOTS

WATERFRONT LOTS on Meldrum Bay (1) \$69000; Elizabeth Bay (1) \$129500; Little Lake Huron (1) \$24500; Barrie Island (2) \$47500, \$47500; Ice Lake (1) \$64000; South Bay McLay Drive (9) \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500, \$69500; South Bay via Clover Valley (1) \$79900

ACREAGES in Mills (5) 100a \$57000, 100a \$57000, 100a \$57000, 101a \$57000, 100a \$85000; Assignack (1) 125a \$129000

BUILDING LOTS in Silver Water (1) \$16900; Gore Bay (5) \$25000, \$49000, \$58000, \$49000, \$33000; Kagawong's Maple Ridge (1) \$22900; Sunsite Estates (1) \$19900; Manitowaning (1) \$14900; Lower Slash (1) \$99,900; Nelder (1) \$19,900

LAKE HURON COTTAGE LOT w/100 ft. waterfront on the Lake Huron & Pebble Roads. \$34,500 (1082)

MILLS LOT on Ocean Point Road w/100 ac. bush suitable for hunting, food cutting & country walks. The forest is cedar & trails. Small trailer included. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$85,000 (1118)



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 in Village on landscaped lot 100 x 200 ft. w/detached single garage. Bungalow 557 sq. ft. plus attached partly finished shed & side mudroom entrance w/2 bedrooms, full bath, eat in kitchen, living room. Extras of refrigerator, stove & patio. \$64,000 (1103)



LAKE KAGAWONG COTTAGE on 7 ac. w/165 ft. frontage accessed via Perivale Road. All wood 516 square feet w/steel roof, one bedroom, 3 piece bath & open kitchen dining living area. Two sleep cabins for family, storage shed & carport. Very exciting fractured limestone outcrop shoreline. \$199,000 (1092)



ROBINSON TOWNSHIP small home or all season cottage on 50 ac. w/660 ft. on Hwy540. Bungalow on full, high crawl space w/2 bedrooms, kitchen dining living area w/electric baseboard heat & wood stove, full bath w/remotely unit composting toilet & sandpoint well. Cedar lined bunkie or sauna on deck. Excellent ATV trail to rear of forest 3300 ft. northerly. \$135,000 (1104)



LAKE MINDEMOYA cottage on level landscaped lot in Budsville. Bungalow 1003 sq. ft. w/attached garage, 2 bedrooms, 3 pc bath w/laundry, kitchen, dining & living areas w/wood stove, electric baseboard & F/A furnace. Most contents & yard play gym, long dock, boat lift w/canopy on own 25 ft. of waterfrontage. Fee \$1,448 but no taxes on this leased lot accessed via Lakeshore Road. \$72,000 (1100)

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STONE CASTLE architecturally redesigned & rebuilt in 1990 on high ridge overlooking Ice Lake w/65 ac. of fields, forests & wetlands plus 700 ft. water frontage. Beautiful 2 storey 2028 sq. ft. w/2+1 bedrooms, family room, bath, kitchen, dining & living room w/massive stone fireplace & some stone walls on full basement. Covered porches on 3 sunny sides. Cabin 16x20 ft. w/own living & bath plus shed. Remote creek frontage & marshland boardwalk. \$427,000 (1070)



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)



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 some contents, building supplies, outdoor privy. \$44,000 (1029)



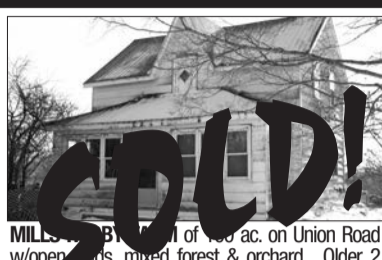
STRAW BALE COTTAGE on Lake Huron w/325 ft. frontage & 7.67 ac. open & wooded alvars. Raised bungalow on 10 block high basement 1302 sq. ft. w/steel roof & walls coated w/lime plaster inside & out. Shell completely open w/quality windows, walls 14 in. thick, some solar, composting & wood stove equipment. The view is serence thus called Gentle Presence. \$149,000 (1083)



MILLS COUNTRY HOME on 74.5 ac. of forest w/5 ac. hardwood & 100 ft. on Union Road. Round dwelling plus regular bungalow additions on 2 levels giving 1131 sq. ft. living space w/1 bath, extended loft bedroom, living dining & kitchen in extension. Closed in shell to be completed. Sheds, large workshop, horse stables & large horse pad-dock for riding & training. \$164,000 (1097)



PERFECT HOME on quiet Gore Bay McQuarrie Blvd w/eat in kitchen, living room, 2+1 bedrooms, 2 baths, family room & laundry. Many upgrades of paint, electrical, carpeting, bathroom, shingles & wood stove. Large lot w/cedar woods at rear, landscaped yard & stone patio. Private walkout deck w/hot tub & ramp plus detached garage & workshop. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$172,000 (1114)



MILLS BAY HOME on 100 ac. on Union Road w/open fields, mixed forest & orchard. Older 2 storey farm house w/4 bedrooms, large kitchen, living room, 3 pc bath & sun porch on a full basement. Three appliances, steel roof & drilled well w/excellent supply of water. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$135,000 (1117)



LARGE COUNTRY HOME on 100 ac. of forest & open pasture w/privacy of being only one on no exit road. Two storey 2411 sq. ft. w/4 bedrooms, 2 baths, separate living & dining rooms plus kitchen w/own wood stove. One bedroom & bath on main floor. Covered deck on south side. \$209,000 (1108)



MELDRUM BAY HOME on wooded 1.5 ac. w/200 ft. on pristine North Channel. Chalet built 2008 designed to bring natural surroundings inside. Solid construction including plywood sheathing & well insulated for year round comfort including the full basement. IKEA kitchen cabinets & birch butcher block countertops, ceramic & laminate flooring, solid pine panel doors & trim. Spacious 1000 sq. ft. of 2 bedrooms w/master being full second floor, 1.5 baths, decks & balconies, 6 appliances. Beautiful setting & spectacular view. \$239,000 (1096)



GORE BAY FAMILY HOME w/large private level back yard & forest backdrop. New Street 2 storey 1720 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms (2 quite big), 4 pc bath, very spacious double living room & equally spacious dining kitchen area. Covered porch on east side for morning coffee. \$186,000 (1109)



LITTLE LAKE HURON COTTAGE w/walking 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, decks. Insulated & double pane windows, metal roof, wood fired sauna, propane appliances & water heater, septic, wired w/10000 generator included. \$129,500 (937)



KAGAWONG COMMERCIAL w/3000 sq. ft. w/325 ft. of Hwy540 frontage. Two storey in view of Bridal Veil Falls zoned Hamlet for many uses. Slat board walls, fluorescent lighting, storage, change area, 1 staff bath, service counter, displays. \$129,000 (897b)



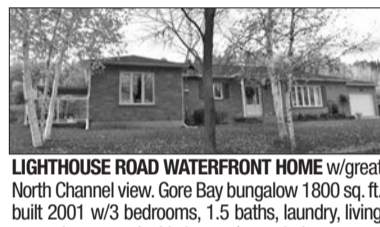
WEST BLUFF HOME overlooking water of Gore Bay. Very spacious 2 storey over 1900 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, laundry, office, eat in kitchen w/new cabinets, dining area, large living room w/stone fireplace plus attached triple garage, all heated w/hot water. Hardwood floors throughout, cathedral ceiling, upper floor balcony landing w/ huge master & ensuite. Interior currently being completely restored. \$299,000 (1106)



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



CAMPBELL BAY RESIDENCE w/266.99 ft. water-frontage & 3.11 ac. facing west. Mobile home on permanent foundation 13x56 ft. plus an 8x56 addition w/multiple windows. Total living space 1176 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, computer room, laundry, bath, kitchen, living room & large family space. Two detached garage workshops 20x24 & 28x40 ft. each with 100 amps. Lots of potential. \$219,000 (1089)



LIGHTHOUSE ROAD WATERFRONT HOME w/great North Channel view. Gore Bay bungalow 1800 sq. ft. built 2001 w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, laundry, living room, large eat in kitchen w/extended sunroom. Private & beautiful setting w/attached garage, limestone patio, stone front wall and full open basement built w/concrete filled foam blocks for more warm & cozy space. \$399,000 (1115)



PALISADE LOG COTTAGE on 1.47 ac. w/203.3 ft. of pure sand beach frontage. Authentic open to the rafters 1400 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, bath, laundry, kitchen & dinette, spacious living room w/stone wood burning fireplace. Detached double garage 664 sq. ft. for boats & other toys. All contents included. \$249,000 (1086)



CAMPBELL BAY BRICK HOME on surveyed point about 2 ac. w/865 ft. water frontage. Two storey 2000 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room, spacious kitchen dining room, family & sun rooms. Second floor balcony overlooking living room w/cathedral ceiling. Detached double garage w/woodworking shop addition & full 2 bedroom apartment above. Hot tub in its own gazebo, gardens, large deck, dock, geothermal heat, privacy & more. \$429,000 (1072)



LAKE MANITOU HOME w/100 ft. frontage accessed via Dryden's Lane from Gibraltar Road. Raised bungalow about 1236 sq. ft. on full walk-out finished basement w/2+1 bedrooms, 4 pc. bath, great room, sunroom, family room & recreational area. Extras of 4 appliances, 2 decks, dry boat house, double garage insulated & finished, permanent dock. Nestled in small enclave of supportive but non intrusive neighbours. \$295,500 (1098)



COUNTRY HOME in Gordon w/109.9 ft. fronting on Hwy540 & 426.9 ft. deep. Two storey 1388 sq. ft. w/5 bedrooms, 4 pc bath, laundry, eat in kitchen, living room & office on a full basement. Extras include attached shed, double detached garage, steel roofs, new water filtration & septic systems. \$105,000 (1095)



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)



SOUTH BAYMOUTH BUSINESS while living in beautiful apartment. 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. \$339,000 (924)



LAKE KAGAWONG LOG HOME or all season cottage w/spectacular elevated water view & surrounded by gorgeous limestone outcroppings. Bungalow 1424 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms & sleeping loft, laundry, 4 pc bath, kitchen, spacious dining living w/vaulted ceiling & 10x32 deck. Lot 7.3 ac. open & wooded w/187 ft. frontage. Extras of stone patio, double garage, heated workshop, implement shelter, green house, 3 gardens, 2 sheds, gated entrance, new dock. \$298,000 (1102)



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. \$119,000 (1056)



HALL STREET SIDE SPLIT on park-like estate 2.5 ac. in quiet area of Gore Bay. Updated 3 bedrooms, 2 baths w/open concept kitchen dining living. Breakfast bar w/garden doors to rear deck & private backyard. Family room w/fireplace, laundry & storage on lower level. Extras of garage, paved driveway & garden shed. Exterior accented w/field stone, large planter, flagstone walk, landscaped lot & stream on 2 boundaries. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$225,000 (1105)



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 705 968 1987. \$299,000 (1038)



CORBETT'S BEACH RD. HOME w/access to Manitowaning Bay w/double garage on surveyed lot 300x266 ft. Bricked bungalow 1792 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 4 pc bath, eat in kitchen, living room, laundry & mud room on full basement. Lots of interior oak trim, doors, cabinets. Call Norma Sprack 705 968 1987. \$249,000 (1113)



COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS FINEST !! - Newly renovated 3 bdrm country home with finished basement and insulated 2 car attached garage. Sitting on almost a full acre of land, lots of privacy with no close neighbours, located on a year round road a short distance from the ferry. The downstairs comes with an office/den that could be converted to another bedroom. The eat-in kitchen opens up onto a large deck with a beautiful panoramic view over a lovely meadow. Asking \$229,000. MLS#1022409



ESPAÑOLA - Country living just minutes from town! A 3 bdrm split level home located on a 15.5 acre site with nice landscaping and lots of forest with ATV trails. There is a steel roof, vinyl siding, large decks & above ground pool. Inside features a large family room with woodstove, 2 baths, laundry room & good storage. A heated workshop rounds out this fine offering! Asking \$229,000. MLS#1022331



LITTLE CURRENT - two bedroom 1 1/2 storey home in town on a 55' x 165' lot. This home is a pleasure to show and would make an excellent starter home or income property. Propane fireplace and appliances included. Bonus 600 sq ft office suitable for a home occupation use. Two storage sheds. Asking \$119,000. MLS#1022191



ESTATE SALE !! - Three bedroom Chapleau bungalow with great corner lot location close to golf course. The property consists of 2 legally divided lots which can be sold separately. One lot contains a wheelchair accessible home with a drilled well, septic and single car garage currently being used for firewood storage. The other lot is adorned with a storage building and a large(20ft x 32ft) metal roof and metal sided garage with hydro and concrete floor. Asking only \$69,000 for both lots. MLS#1022149



POWER OF SALE - 3 Bdrm Treasure Trails Home With Stunning View Over Lake Mindemoya!!!! A one min walk to a beautiful public sand beach with public boat launch & dock and a two min walk to the golf course. Large grocery store, hardware stores & hospital are less than a 5 min drive in the Town of Mindemoya. The house features an open living room, dining room, kitchen concept, a nice viewing deck & a large unfinished basement with attached workshop. Asking \$179,000. MLS#1021600



WEST END LITTLE CURRENT BUNGALOW - Very good value in this attractive 3 bedroom home with low maintenance exterior, paved drive, detached garage, full part finished basement and a fully serviced level lot with great landscaping! Very low traffic street, quite neighborhood and short walk to Low Island Park! Only \$225,000. MLS#1021399



LAKE MANITOU - Exceptional west facing waterfront lot with 438 feet of scoured limestone shoreline, private boat launch, 2 bdrm cottage with small boathouse/garage. Very reasonably priced at \$259,000. Call Sales Person Al Frank at 705-859-3297. MLS#1020927



MILLION DOLLAR VIEW ON SALE FOR ONLY \$175,000 !! - This spectacular view over Lake Huron's Fraser Bay comes with 2 cottages that both have really nice decks. The 3 bdrm main cottage is at the top of a small hillside while the large single bdrm cottage is right at the waterfront. The cottages come fully furnished, all you need to do is move in & enjoy the great fishing. The cottages are priced so low because you don't have to pay for the land. There is over 30 years left on the lease currently at only \$1710 per year & no taxes. MLS#1020613



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WINTERIZED COTTAGE - located in the country on the west shore of South Bay, a quiet and private area. It has electric heat, an air tight wood stove and drilled well with abundance of water. This 920 sq ft cottage has two bedrooms, plus a small room ideal for a child. It also has a kitchen, bathroom, utility room and an area outside for garden. Lake shore frontage is 352 ft. and a depth of 198 ft. covering 1.59A. There is a large outdoor storage shed. Only 15 min from the ferry. Asking \$149,900. MLS#1019419



NEW 2+1 BEDROOM HOME WITH 3 FULL BATHROOMS ON LARGE WATERVIEW LOT!! - This perfect retirement home is located in the upscale subdivision of Treasure Trails less than 5 mins from the amenities of the town of Mindemoya including a hospital and the island's largest grocery store. Within a 2 min walk is a beautiful public sand beach. Asking \$295,000. MLS#1019089



PRIVATE & PEACEFUL - Rustic Log Cabin In Bay Of Islands!!!! This secluded log cottage is a short boat ride from the landing in Whitefish Falls. It is a 6 acre lot on approximately 25 acre island on Lake Huron. The remainder of the island is crown land. Reduced to \$159,000. MLS#1019144

PROVIDENCE BAY BUNGALOW

One floor living, three bedrooms and two bathroom located on a pretty one acre lot. Close to the Providence Bay beaches this home features a new furnace installed in 2013, custom kitchen cabinets, thirty five year shingles installed in 2011 and many other renovations and upgrades.
Reduced to \$159,900.
MLS#1022427



A GREAT LITTLE GET-AWAY!! - Located on the corner of Green Bush Road & Perch Lake Road this 5.45 acre property comes adorned with a fenced in area of 1 full acre. This lot is accessible by a year round road, has driveway approval & is only a few minutes away from the Town of Little Current with amenities such as shopping, hospital & public beach. Reduced to \$15,000. MLS#1021475

SOUTH BAY WATERFRONT LOT ON LEASK BAY - Nice point of land, about half tree covered facing south. Nice easy entrance into the water. Asking \$59,000. MLS#1020407

BASS LAKE - Desirable waterfront lot with exceptional Southern exposure. Year round road. Hydro & telephone available at lot line. Don't overlook this picturesque building site. Asking \$89,000. MLS#1020273

GREAT BUILDING SITE IN LITTLE CURRENT - Oversized lot with 105 feet frontage by 150 feet depth for great privacy, mainly level for ease of building and full services available at the street. Please call for full details. Only \$38,625. MLS#1022152

LEVEL BUILDING LOT IN PROVIDENCE BAY!! - This nice level building lot has a driveway already installed & a 36 ft dug well ready to be hooked up to your new home or cottage. The town of Providence Bay has Manitoulin's famous public sand beach & board walk. Also, there is a marina in the bay where you may keep your boat & the fishing in this bay is spectacular for salmon, rainbow & lake trout. Asking \$11,900. MLS#1021643

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

LITTLE CURRENT - Fully serviced building lot. Owner anxious, no reasonable offer refused. Only \$24,900. MLS#1020604

RIVER FRONT LOT !! - Large 4.48 acre lot accessible via year round road with approximately 800 feet of shoreline on the Kagawong River. Hydro & telephone available at lot line. Only \$69,000. MLS#109944

PRIME DEER HUNTING !! - Located within minutes of the ferry this 100 acre mixed bush property is located in the heart of deer country. On the property is a fully furnished hunt camp with a wood cook stove and a metal air tight wood stove which will provide plenty of heat. The Blue Jay Creek famous for speckle trout fishing runs through one corner of the property. There are a couple of really good tree stands and ATV trails for you to enjoy. Asking \$129,000. MLS#1021644



LITTLE CURRENT - INCOME PROPERTY - Ideal location fronting on Hwy #6. 2 residential units plus 1 commercial. Recent updates, newer roof & siding. Good income, lots of room to expand. Call for details. Price Reduced to \$224,500. MLS#1016689



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. New Roof. Reduced to \$328,000. MLS#1022422



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HIGH PROFILE COMMERCIAL LOCATION - Located in the Town of South Baymouth this 3,040 square foot commercial building is set up as large fully equipped family restaurant. It features modern finish, exceptional appeal, highway frontage with tremendous traffic flow and lots of room to expand. Hamlet zoning permits many other uses. Please call for complete details. Attractively priced at only \$249,000. MLS#1018379



PRIME COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITY - Little Current Core Commercial offering with 1,898 square feet on one level, all in excellent condition. Wheel chair accessible, low maintenance exterior, high traffic location in area of mixed office and retail uses. Includes modern interior finish, central air, high efficient propane heating, extensive municipal parking and street grade walk in access. Please call for full particulars. MLS#1021543



WATERVIEW - LAST 2 CONDOS - Overlooking the North Channel and LaCloche Mountain Range also local marina's and Little Currents spacious waterfront park, this location has it all! Spacious 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#1019943



BEAUTIFUL LAKE MANITOU HOME IN SANDFIELD - A modern 4 bdrm home with a full basement on 7.9 acres. This home has many features: 4 large bdrms with double closets, custom built cherry wood kitchen cabinets, hardwood floors throughout the main floor, a large deck, & with a setting carved out of a hardwood forest. The view over the lake is spectacular. This is a low maintenance home, only five years old & very well constructed. It is only one kilometer from the Sandfield boat launch & only 15 min. from the ferry dock, there are 2 golf courses within 20 mins away as well as shopping, drug store, hospital & schools. Great place to retire to, move to, or just use as a year round get away. Reduced to \$424,900. MLS#1019687



NEWER HOME IN BEAUTIFUL TREASURE TRAILS SUBDIVISION!! - This 3+1 bedroom home has a view over Lake Mindemoya and is a 2 minute walk to the public boat launch and sand beach and a 5 minute walk to the golf course. Reduced to \$199,000. MLS#1019088



LAKE MANITOU WATERFRONT ESTATE - Exceptional acreage retreat & fantastic setting featuring 587 acres of land with over 3.5 kilometers shoreline on Manitoulin Island's most pristine lake. Extensively renovated century old main lodge boasting dining & great rooms with huge fieldstone fireplaces, immaculate kitchen with built in appliances and 5 bdrms for extended family. Other features include expansive south & west views, guest cottage, large boat house on protected harbor & extensive decking & dockage. Furnished & ready to move in! MLS#1018861



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LOVELY LANDSCAPED - 3 BDRM, STONE-FACED, LAKE HURON WATER FRONT HOME!! - Located only 15 mins from Little Current in Bay Estates, this 1800 sq.ft. home or cottage comes beautifully landscaped with shade trees & frog pond/waterfall. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1017163



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. This property also comes with a new 40ft X 30ft garage. Reduced to \$370,000. MLS#1015108



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#1019938



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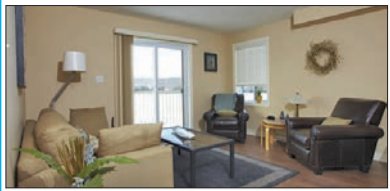
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COMMERCIAL LOT - Commercial zoned (C2) lot with town services in good central location with easy access to both Hwy 6 and Hwy 540 in Little Current - potential for many commercial uses or possibility of development into 3 residential lots (subject to approval) - many possibilities, please contact listing agent for full details. Only \$79,000. MLS#1020465



CUSTOM BUILT Bay Estates 5 bedroom 3 full bath waterfront home has it all. Main floor kitchen with custom oak cabinets, dining overlooking Lake Huron. The great room/living room has vaulted ceilings with large windows overlooking the bay and an insert fireplace. Master bedroom has a view of the bay and an ensuite with a stand up shower and whirlpool soaking tub. The lower level has a full kitchen and two other bedrooms. This lower level can be used as an in law suite or an apartment for income potential. This is a must see with many more upgraded features. \$444,000. MLS#1019348



SILVERWATER - 35 acre bush lot with highway frontage in western Manitoulin Island. Driveway in place. Adjoining property with hunt camp (MLS # 1021805) also for sale. (This 35 acre lot cannot be sold before camp.) \$42,500. MLS#1021806



LARGE WATERFRONT LOT with one of the nicest sand beaches on Manitoulin Island and within walking distance to downtown Kagawong. Potential views of Mudge Bay and North Channel. No outstanding water capital charges. \$67,500. MLS#1019484



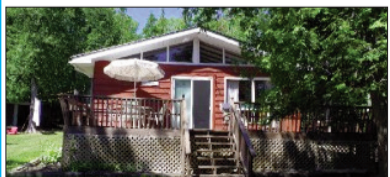
SILVERWATER - Well maintained one room log hunt camp with highway frontage. Complete solar system and most contents included. Adjoining 35 acre vacant lot also for sale. A very attractive retreat! Only \$42,500. MLS#1021805



VIEW OF THE BAY! 3 bedroom bungalow with an easterly view of Manitowaning Bay. A 3-piece bathroom on the lower level and a 4-piece bathroom on the 2nd level. Large deck on the south-east corner of the house with a great view. Detached garage has been partially finished in the interior - ideal for workshop. Priced to sell! \$119,900. MLS#1021489



ROBINSTON TOWNSHIP - Newer cottage nestled on 2.2 acres of land with 150' of limestone shoreline on Lake Huron. Private location on the south shore of Western Manitoulin. Cottage is fully wired and insulated and comes with a generator, wood stove, composting toilet, propane fridge and stove and a grey water system. Contents are included. \$109,000. MLS#1020299



BAY ESTATES COTTAGE - Tucked away on the back side of Bay Estates is this very private cottage surrounded by mature trees. The property is across the street from the water access and offers storage for your boat when your all done playing on the water. The 2 bedroom cottage is nicely updated and is a great place to relax after a long day of fishing. \$79,000. MLS#1020267

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CAMPBELL BAY

Quality built waterfront home with wonderful sunset views over a sheltered bay on the North Channel. 659' of frontage on Campbell Bay with a large sand beach. Over 1800 sq.ft. of finished living space on the main level with primarily oak flooring throughout. There are cedar ceilings in many of the main level rooms. The large main level den with a fireplace could also be a 3rd bedroom. Off the master bedroom is a walk-in closet and a 3-piece ensuite bathroom with a whirlpool tub. Also on the main level is a laundry room and a stone fireplace with an insert. In the basement is the 4th bathroom and a storage room. The remainder is a large open area that is greater than 1200 sq.ft. To further compliment this property is a gazebo on the beach and a 16' x 24' detached garage. \$399,000. MLS#1016678



KAGAWONG - A home near the popular hamlet of Kagawong that would also be suitable as a cottage with 2, possibly 3 bedrooms. Located on 1.5 acre lot with sugar maple trees. 2nd level upgraded with the lower level in progress. Nice quiet location. Priced at \$115,000. MLS#1018936



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



GREAT HOME FOR A GREAT PRICE! Nice country home on a 5.75 acre lot west of Gore Bay. Built in 1997 it has 2700 sq.ft. of finished living space. There is hardwood flooring throughout much of the main level. The living room has a cathedral ceiling and offers a partial view of Campbell Bay. There is deeded access to the water over a nearby lot. Priced at \$199,000. MLS#1019765



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 \$97,500. MLS#106451



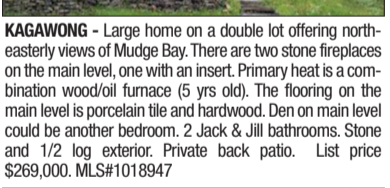
KAGAWONG - Large home on a double lot offering north-easterly views of Mudge Bay. There are two stone fireplaces on the main level, one with an insert. Primary heat is a combination wood/oil furnace (5 yrs old). The flooring on the main level is porcelain tile and hardwood. Den on main level could be another bedroom. 2 Jack & Jill bathrooms. Stone and 1/2 log exterior. Private back patio. List price \$269,000. MLS#1018947



BEAUTIFUL LAKE MANITOU PROPERTY - Built in 2002 this waterfront cottage/home has over 2000 sq.ft. of finished living space on the 2 levels and located on the Manitoulin's largest inland lake. Also an unfinished basement. Could easily become your 4 season home. The board and batten exterior is fitting with the treed setting. It is conveniently located 10 minutes from many amenities available in Mindemoya. Asking \$299,000. MLS#1015415



MUDGE BAY/NORTH CHANNEL - Prime Sand & Water Access - First Time Offered. Spacious seasonal home - 1000 sqft. with 2 bedrooms, modern kitchen, wood burning unit, all electric heat, detached bunkie with washroom, garage and large deck offering a breathtaking view over the North Channel - LaCloche Mountains - Oh Yes! Fully Furnished and municipal water service. \$289,000. MLS#1012905



ROBINSTON TOWNSHIP - Hunt camp on 100 acres on the west end of Manitoulin Island. New propane stove. 1200 Watt generator and sauna included. Prime hunting area! \$118,000. mis#1020916



WATERFRONT HOME - Wonderful waterfront home or seasonal cottage on a nice level east facing lot with views of the North Channel and the LaCloche Mountains. A well maintained home with many recent upgrades including a brand new bathroom. Also 6 new ConnectAir wall mounted heaters. Free standing wood stove. 10'x12' screened-in porch. 22'x26' garage with back addition used as a wine cellar. Priced at \$309,000. MLS#1019307



COMMERCIAL - Well established restaurant (1976) for sale on Manitoulin Island. Operating as Twin Bluffs Restaurant. Located in a high traffic location in downtown Gore Bay. A short walk to the marina. Licensed seating for 131 with approximately 1,500 square feet of seating area. Also 3 rental apartments to compliment income. Listing broker has further details. Make your quality of life change today. MLS#1020853



SPECTACULAR LAKE MANITOU waterfront, 357' frontage on 9.95 acres (former farm, old buildings-not useable). Mature hardwoods, rolling lands with many prime building sites to choose from. Great view towards Cup & Saucer hills. \$379,000.00. MLS#1019678



LITTLE CURRENT - Enjoy quiet summer evenings in the beautifully landscaped back yard of this large 4 bedroom 2 storey home in a great central neighbourhood. Many recent upgrades including siding, insulation, shingles, new family room addition with walkout to stone patio, plus more. The large kitchen area and attached dining area are great for entertaining. A recently renovated main bath on the second floor is designer quality! This home offers great spacious living areas and plenty of room for the growing family. A must see! \$244,900. MLS#1020490



NORTH CHANNEL COTTAGE - This manicured property has everything you could want in a cottage retreat. Offering 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms a beautiful sunroom overlooking the North Channel. Enjoy the shoreline on the poured concrete deck that spans from one end of the property to the other. The cottage has a new Steel roof and new water pump. This cottage is turn key! \$229,000. MLS#1020694



CENTURY HOME - In Little Current within walking distance to downtown and all other amenities. Adjoining lot included in the purchase price. This house has 4 large bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Large double parlour on the main floor is ideal for entertaining and perfect for the home theater system. Spacious kitchen with adjoining dining room, main floor laundry. New windows, shingles, basement insulation with waterproof "drytrek", sump and dehumidifier all in 2011. \$242,000. MLS#1020603



GORE BAY - A 1150 sq.ft. 3 bedroom 2 bathroom bungalow with a 1 bedroom 3-piece bathroom apartment on the lower level with a walkout. Each unit has its own garage, hydro meter, & security system. The apartment bathroom is wheelchair accessible. New roof in August 2013 \$229,000. MLS#1015232



100 ACRE CAMP - Hunting should be easy, and when you equip yourself properly it is! Start with this prime location and turkey cottage. The property hosts 6 tree stands and perfectly groomed trails that can be navigated with most cars. The property is mostly hardwood with a mixture of various timber. Come take a look at this virtually maintenance free 2 bedroom cottage. List price \$149,900. MLS#1022411



RESIDENTIAL HOME - Well Maintained 2 storey house with many upgrades in the town of Little Current. This home has the country feel with living in town. Main floor spacious living room also with large Dining Room, Den and Kitchen. Second floor Master, 4 piece bath and 3 other bedrooms. There is a spacious yard that is well treed for privacy. Five minute walking distance to downtown and just a short walk to the grocery stores. Newer windows, siding, roof and furnace. \$172,500. MLS#1021148



A LOT TO OFFER! Totally renovated waterfront home on Maple Point on Lake Huron's North Channel. In addition to the house are a large bunkie, double garage, gazebo, sauna & implement building, and various large decks. Nestled in a sugar maple setting, this property also offers a shoreline that is quite suitable for swimming and boating. Propane stove on each level. Please call for full details. MLS#1021757



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



HOME/COTTAGE - Well Maintained cottage on Manitowaning Bay with East facing views. Large main living/dining/kitchen area with woodstove. 3 bedrooms and 1 bath and plenty of storage. Wraparound deck with views of the East sunrise. This property is 3.07 acres and close to Manitowaning and 25 mins to Little Current and 20 mins to the ferry docks at South Bay. \$224,000. MLS#1021185



WATERFRONT HOME - Wonderful waterfront home or seasonal cottage on a nice level east facing lot with views of the North Channel and the LaCloche Mountains. A well maintained home with many recent upgrades including a brand new bathroom. Also 6 new ConnectAir wall mounted heaters. Free standing wood stove. 10'x12' screened-in porch. 22'x26' garage with back addition used as a wine cellar. Priced at \$309,000. MLS#1019307



SUNSITE ESTATES - This spectacularly placed waterfront home is situated on Manitowaning Bay. It offers 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom with eat in Kitchen. The large living room is finished in BC Fir and has recently installed picture windows. The property offers a large 40x38 garage with loft up above, 2 sheds and nice sleep camp for when family comes to visit. List price \$229,000. MLS#1021542



WATERFRONT LOT - A large (4.6 acre) west facing waterfront lot that offers 657' of water frontage for absolute privacy. The approach to the lake is gentle and the shoreline provides descent depth. Hydro service is close. \$150,000. MLS#1019713

Following the star

Journey to Bethlehem lights the path to the Christmas Story

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—The marvel that is the Christmas Story is retold through the auspices of yet another marvel, as churches and community members—even livestock—come together from across Central Manitoulin to perform the ecumenical wonder that is ‘The Journey to Bethlehem.’

Every year, a massive cast drawn from the community and dressed in period costumes of robes, armour and feathers brave the cold bitter winds of early December for hours on end to reenact the story of the birth of the Christ Child from the journey of the pregnant Mary and her husband Joseph as they make their way to report at their city of birth (Bethlehem) to be recorded in the grand census ordered by Augustus Caesar, the Roman Emperor of the day.

To facilitate parking, visitors to the grand Christmas pageant first arrived at the Mindemoya Missionary Church, whose copious lots combined with that of the public school ensure plenty of room for the safe assembly of the audience.

Buses shuttle the pilgrims up the highway to Our Lady of Canada Roman Catholic Church where they were ushered into the warm embrace of the church hall and entertained by a mini-play featuring a bellicose King Herod (Glenn Black), some hapless Roman guards and quivering servants, and the bemused Three Kings whose arrival following the Christmas Star heralds the birth of the Christ Child.

Groups of ‘families’ of about 12 in number were placed under the watchful eye of robed and lantern bearing guides who brought the pilgrims down a lamp lit pathway, stopping at several stations along the way to converse with shepherds guarding their flocks by night, beggars who sought to steal the pilgrims’ small sack of tax coins, aggressive Roman soldiers in no mood to brook reluctance or sass, the pregnant Mary with her husband Joseph, a bustling market filled with pickpockets after the same coin sack, sheep, horses and a choir of angels before arriving at the inn and the newborn baby Jesus (played with some stellar authenticity by a real newborn) cradled in the arms of Mary and Joseph.

The Journey to Bethlehem community pageant takes place over the course of a Friday and Saturday and draws hundreds of visitors from as far away as Sudbury, the North Shore communities and Sault Ste Marie each year. “We even had people from Parry Sound and Vaughn come up just to see it,” said Monique Shaw, who noted that there were over 350 people going through the pageant this year alone. “We have a lot of people who help out too,” she said. “There were over 60 people in costume alone this year.”

In a time where sectarian violence seems to grip the globe at every turn, the ecumenical embrace of the churches of the Manitoulin community set a standard for tolerance most befitting of the story of the birth of the one who was heralded as the Prince of Peace.



Three wise men gather in front of an oriental rug as they go to meet the Christ Child. Having met King Herod earlier, they chose to return by a different route.



The market pickpockets and merchants await the unwary traveller, ready to relieve a pilgrim of their carefully husbanded tax payments before they can reach the tax collector.

photos by Michael Erskine



Local community members dressed as biblical characters from the Christmas Story, such as these benighted beggars seeking succour on the road to Bethlehem.



Joseph comforts a Mary heavy with child on the Journey to Bethlehem.



The Expositor’s guide through the Journey to Bethlehem sported the latest in Bedouin sheik (pun intended).



Cranky soldiers accost the weary pilgrims as they make their way along the road to Bethlehem.



Characters came from far and wide and gathered to fill the roles of travellers on the road to Bethlehem. The odd anachronism was quickly tucked out of sight.



Angels we have heard on high...and low. The angelic chorus sings while pilgrims travel on the Journey to Bethlehem while the Angel Gabriel waits with the baby Jesus, ready to announce the arrival of the Lord of Peace.



Within the inn many weary travellers sought rest, leaving little room for a weary Mary and her husband Joseph as they sought a warm safe place for the night. The stable of the inn provided their only hope and Christ was born in a humble stable amongst the lowing animals.



The end of the Journey to Bethlehem arrives and pilgrims are greeted by a real life baby playing the part of Jesus.



Wednesday, December 11, 2013

THE MANITOULIN EXPOSITOR—1A

Out and About in Sheguiandah

Out walking the dog last night I noticed how bright the stars were, and how many there are in the dark winter sky. I don't think there is a better place to see the stars than on Manitoulin, maybe I'm being a bit bias, but other than living in the far north of Manitoba and seeing the displays of the the aurora borealis, there is no night sky to top the ones here at home. There has been so many dull cloudy days lately it was a nice sight to see. Try to take a few minutes if you can to check it out when the night is clear and cold.

It has been a pretty busy weekend here in Sheguiandah. The museum had over 200 people come out to the craft fair on Saturday. The vendors who were selling their wares did a fabulous job. Detlef and Ruth Heiser had a nice variety of wood products, knitted toys and handmade mitts. Detlef was showing us a shaker box he had made from spalted maple, which is a fungus that grows on the wood and harvested at just the right time to make such a beautiful design in it. The one he showed us looked like a old man's face. It really was a piece of art.

Lorraine Loranger and Faye Reid had many paintings and drawings and also some nice wood products that Lorraine's husband had made. Many of the paintings they had were of nature and old cabins while Faye had some beautiful ones of old castles and scenery. Julie Shortt had a lot of her wood worked pieces for sale. She makes hand made cribbage boards with different scenes of wildlife or the map of Manitoulin on them. These really make a great gift for the men or someone living off the Island. She also had loons or ducks on coat racks and trays for carrying your casserole. Lori Mastlelko showed her creative side with lots of knitted items like, socks, mitts, and tea towels. She had her greeting cards with pictures of Silver Lake. Sheila Armstrong also had knitted items, nice thick woolly socks for those cold winter days ahead. She had homemade jams as well.

Bev Morphet and her son-in-law Wallace Hallett were selling her daughter Cathy's homemade chocolates. They were a really nice treat for a special guest or office gift, as well as her rug hooked ornaments. Peter Baumgarten had a display of photographs, some were of local scenery and many just lovely pictures for your home. He also had nice matted greeting cards. Sophie Pheasant Jones had hand-made jewellery done in such beautiful colours of black, blues, orange and other hues, really a lovely gift. Nancy Kains from Big Lake was a big hit with her honey and bees wax candles. She was telling me about all the bees they keep and the work that goes into the harvesting of the honey, it was so nice and clear.

Wes Newhaumm from Kagawong had his scroll saw work, done in small ornaments, but all the shapes were of the Manitoulin Island map. How unique that was. He said

he has been working on this type of pattern for some time. Dorothy Chapman from Manitowaning was there with her fine handmade jewellery. She had a nice assortment of earrings and bracelets for every day and special ones for Christmas. So all in all, everyone seemed to enjoy the day shopping for some last minute gift items, visiting with friends and enjoying the lunch of hot chili and rolls.

Taoist Tai Chi group would like to thank the Sheguiandah United Church for allowing them to hold their classes there while the Seniors' Hall was being rebuilt. They are really happy to be back meeting at the wonderful, new Sheguiandah Seniors' Hall. Thanks to all those who helped to make this happen so quickly. We will be hosting an open house and registration for Taoist Tai Chi on Friday, December 20 and Friday, January 3 from 10 am to noon. Please come and see what we're all about. Our beginner classes will start on January 17. It's a wonderful practice for better health, for your body, mind and spirit. Everyone is welcome regardless of age, gender or disabilities.

Come give us a try. For more information, you can call Wendy at 705-368-3059.

Sunday was the annual Christmas potluck supper at the new seniors hall, of course everyone was looking forward to seeing the inside of the new hall! And amazing they are. What a great job the many volunteers did. The hall is much bigger and brighter. The kitchen is much bigger with new cupboards.

There was a large crowd for the potluck supper and it certainly was a delicious meal. Everyone had their fill of the good food and desserts. After dinner Gail Gjos led us in a couple of games to win a Christmas gift. I think we all know for sure what direction right and left are now! There was also a card game for a few extra presents and many gifts changed hands a few times. The draw was made for the handmade quilt. It was won by a lady from Michigan. The door prize of a lovely flower arrangement donated by the Hawberry flower Shop and was won by Donna Corbett. Thanks to everyone. It was a really an enjoyable evening.

We send our condolences to Georgina Lovelace and Betty Gammie on the loss of their brother Carl Bond. Our thoughts are with you at this time.

Our family was saddened this week to hear of the passing of our Aunt Vivian Pidgin. Some may remember her and her husband Arden from their time in Silverwater and the latter in Little Current. Aunt Vivian was the last remaining family member of my father, Elmer Lovelace's family.

Some of the deer hunters had to return home empty handed this year. Our cousin Rod enjoyed the two weeks he was here to hunt at his camp in Rockville. There was a deer hit by a vehicle on the highway in front of our neigh-

bour's house on the opening morning and two local ladies got their deer the same way when it jumped out in front of them at the top of the hill by Orr's Sideroad. Sorry to hear your car was a write off, Sue, but glad no one was hurt.

Happy birthday to those celebrating this week. Especially to "Pops" Marcel from North Bay on the 10th and Lynn Spry on the 14th.

If you have any news or special events that you like to put in this column please give me a call and I will send it in for you. Keep smiling.

Central Chatter

The calendar says autumn but it sure feels like winter! There is a skiff of snow on the ground and beautiful ice formations along the shoreline. I watched a mating pair of bald eagles soaring over the lake yesterday. They have a youngster who hasn't quite got the white head and tail as yet. The eagles are catching rainbow trout at the mouth of the river.

The pancake breakfast was well attended on the first Thursday of the month at the Providence Bay Curling Club. The buffet breakfast with eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, toast, fruit and dessert with coffee, tea and juice is hard to beat. Next month's breakfast will be Thursday, January 9 to allow everyone to return to the Island or recuperate after Christmas and New Year celebrations.

Friday evening's Mindemoya Shopping Spree was well attended. Most businesses were open with lots of specials and draws. The annual Journey to Bethlehem brings visitors from all over the Island and off-Island. This is a very

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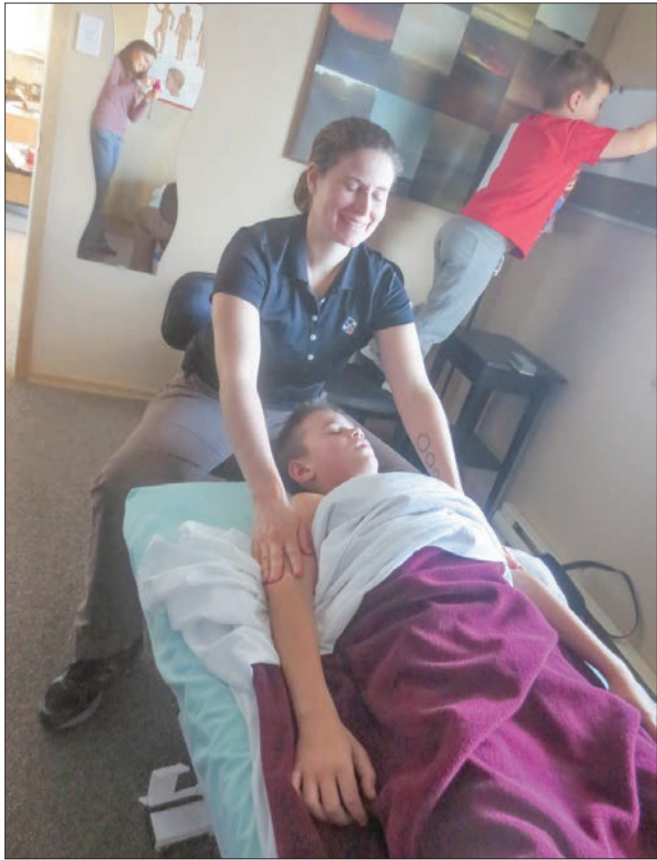
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Laura Shilliday, a registered massage therapist with Manitoulin Physio in M'Chigeeng, recently held a fundraiser event for Philippine relief. She's seen here working on Ben Willis of Spring Bay while brother Thomas kept a watchful eye on the process. (Thomas has an interest in becoming a registered massage therapist one day.) Mom Connie Willis booked appointments for the whole family, making them the biggest supporters of the cause. According to Ms. Shilliday the fundraiser was a great success, raising \$220, which will be eligible to be matched by the federal government.

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special event where all the congregations from the local churches are involved.

There are rainbow trout being caught at Lake Wolsey, just off shore. Bob Caddel and Don Orford can attest to this!

Many attended the KTEI Snowflake Gala on Saturday evening including this writer. The food, entertainment and decorations were fantastic. Everyone looked wonderful in their special outfits. The Tribute to Elvis and the Green River band Tribute to Creedance Clearwater Revival got everyone 'a rockin!' Proceeds from the gala went to KTEI culinary students' bursaries.

The children have been busy rehearsing for the Providence Bay Community Christmas Pageant. The annual pageant is held in the Providence Bay Community Hall. The Providence Bay and Spring Bay Lions Club Bake Sale is always in conjunction with the pageant. Please contact Janice at 705-377-6707 or Leanne at 705-377-6134 if you'd like to donate to the bake sale. We appreciate your kind donations. Join us Saturday, December 14 at 7 pm.

The euchre tournament results from November 26 in Providence Bay are: 1st, Fred P. and Jim L.; 2nd, Bill T. and Brad P.; 3rd, Margaret C. and Mary Ann P.; and 4th, Bill and Linda A. The Mindemoya euchre tournament is December 12 at 8 pm. The next euchre will be in the New Year on January 9 and it will be a tournament. Good luck!

The Manitoulin Family Resources Treasures Christmas Craft Show which took place on November 23 at the Mindemoya Missionary Church and was a huge success.

A large crowd attended the cheery Christmas event. The Help Centre volunteers who hosted the show were very impressed with the turnout. Over 15 vendors sold their wares with lots of great gifts for purchase. Santa Claus made a visit too!

The baby shower for Allison Pyette was on December 1 in Spring Bay. Allison received so many beautiful gifts for her expected little bundle of joy.

On Tuesday, December 3 the new sign was erected at Central Manitoulin Square on the Foodland corner and is looking awesome! There will be other economic developments in Mindemoya so keep an eye out.

Shelley and André Pelletier from Paper Works in Espanola made a business trip to Spring Bay to furnish the new office for the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada Church on Saturday, November 30. Ingrid Blay is visiting her aunt in Germany. We wish her a safe return.

There are many Christmas parties this time of year with the Providence Bay Community Christmas Pageant on December 14, Central Manitoulin Public School Tuesday, December 17 at 6:30 pm and the awards night at Manitoulin Secondary School on December 18. These are events you don't want to miss.

We're glad to hear that Laura E. Scott is out of the hospital and is at home. Our thoughts and prayers are extended to Peter Fathers, Marilyn Haner, Don Burke and Blair Sullivan. Good wishes to all who are under the weather and their friends and families taking such good care of them. Please keep an eye out at their homes and help keep their drives clear. A big thank you to Anna Orford and Cheryl Dewar-Giroux who have been busy making literally hundreds of bags for the hospital auxiliary. These bags are filled with sample size bottles of shampoo, shower gel, deodorant, toothbrush and more for your hospital stay.

We'll soon see the fishing huts on the inland lakes. Be careful out there and good luck with the fishing. If you're travelling to visit friends and family we wish you safe travels. Merry Christmas and best wishes for a wonderful holiday season.

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Santa Claus is coming to Manitoulin in upcoming parades

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—It's that time of year again for beautiful displays of Christmas lights and the big man in red, riding his sleigh and spreading holiday cheer across Manitoulin in the communities' various Christmas parades.

The fun starts this weekend in Little Current at the annual Santa Claus Parade on Saturday, December 14 starting at 6 pm.

The route will go up Meredith Street to Red Mill Road, from Red Mill Road to Robinson Street, down Robinson Street and end downtown on Water Street.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will have their sleigh parked downtown following the parade for visiting, hot chocolate and caroling at the cenotaph.

The Christmas couple will also be making their rounds throughout Little Current looking for the best decorated homes. The top home will receive \$50, followed by \$25 for second and third, sponsored by Har-Cor Diesel. To register your home call the town office at 705-368-3500.

In Gore Bay, the Santa Claus Parade will kick off on Saturday, December 21 at 7:30 pm.

Participants are asked to meet at C.C. McLean Public School at 7 pm. The parade route will head north from the school to Dawson Street, west on Dawson Street, south on Phipps Street, west on Eleanor Street, south on Laird

Street, east on Main Street, north on Water Street, west on Dawson Street, south on Meredith Street and back to C.C. McLean Public School.

Following the parade there will be a big bonfire at the pavilion.

The town is also holding a window-decorating contest for Gore Bay businesses. Those wishing to participate are asked to contact the town at 705-282-2420 to register. The results of the contest will be announced after the parade with a \$50 first place prize.



Erin Spry had a great time talking to Santa at the Treasures Christmas Craft Show held at the Mindemoya Missionary Church on November 23. Pictured with Erin are Santa's elves Kathryn Gillespie, Dianne Armstrong and Christopher Gillespie.



Trisha Beaudin and her daughter Mya were two of 17 vendors at the Treasures Christmas Craft Show on November 23. Held at the Mindemoya Missionary Church, the event was a fundraiser for the Manitoulin Family Resources building fund.

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On Manitoulin Island donations will go to the Manitoulin Help Centre food bank in support of its Christmas food basket campaign. Donations from Espanola will go towards the Blessing Families 2013 Campaign.
Paramedics will be at FreshCo in Espanola, Orr's Valu-Mart in Little Current, and Island Foodland in Mindemoya on Friday, December 13 from 4 to 7 pm and Saturday, December 14 from 9 am to 12 noon.
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Prov Bay congregation celebrates dedication of new hymnal

by Betty Bardswich
PROVIDENCE BAY—The sound of music, actually new music, rang out in the Community of Christ Church in Providence Bay on December 1, the first day of Advent, as church members welcomed the service for new hymnals.

"This is a special time we share today at the dedication of our hymnals," Pastor Wes Leeson said as the hymnbook dedication service began. The hymnbook is called 'Community of Christ Sings' and includes such songs as 'The Summons.'

Marilyn Sparham led the singing, saying "All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place" with the church members responding by saying, "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, to all the earth." And make a joyful noise they did with songs such as 'All Are Welcome,' 'All Creation Sings God's Music' and 'For Remembering Music Sounding.' The songs were accompanied by Dawn Dawson on piano and it was a special moment for the congregation when Ms. Dawson played a song and her children Rebecca and Alex sang the hymn.

Former Pastor Lyle Dewar explained the need for new hymnals saying, "Our society is changing, so we try to stay with uplifting songs. They are fun to sing, have lots of 'up' to them and are not so morbid. A lot of songs are



A Hymnbook Dedication Service was held at the Community of Christ Church in Providence Bay on December 1. Pictured are church members Wayne Sparham, who led the closing prayer at the ceremony, church pastor Wes Leeson and Marilyn Sparham, who led the singing for the church members.

photos by Betty Bardswich



Providence Bay Community of Christ member Linda Gilchrist designed a beautiful display of the past hymnals that the church has used, complete with nativity scene.

from people who had problems, prayed about it, had a spiritual experience with God and then wrote songs about it. It is uplifting to

other people because they are telling their story through song." Mr. Dewar went on to explain that the Community of Christ

Church shares their hymns with other churches and so one will recognize the songs if they happen to go to another church.

The hymnals, the seventh in the series at the church, have been dedicated in honour or memory of Valerie McFarlane, Patricia and Gary McFarlane, Euginia Wallace, Estella McFarlane and Grace and Reginald Dewar. Also acknowledged were long time members and friends of the Providence Bay Community of Christ Church including Pearl Leeson, Hazel Lanktree, Grace Oakes, Bruce Jewell, Ronnie Gilchrist, Margaret Morphet and the Hopkins family.

The Community of Christ Church was beautifully decorated for the hymnal dedication service and for Christmas. Church member Linda Gilchrist made a beautiful display, complete with all the past hymnals and below that, a nativity scene.

This church can be found in 50 countries throughout the world with headquarters in Independence, Missouri. The Providence Bay church was bought in 1921 and then dedicated. A lot of the new members came from Sandfield as the church there was closing. Everyone is welcome to attend services at the Community of Christ church. Sunday school is at 10 am and the church service is at 11 am.

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photos by Rebecca Wood



farm facts and furrows

by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell

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Providence Bay News and Notes

at the Providence Bay Hall. There will be a Christmas Eve service at 7 pm at

the Community of Christ Church in Providence Bay. Everyone is welcome.

We regret to inform you that Joyce Chilton's husband Don passed away recently. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

At Christmastime during the war, my father would get in touch with the armed forces and would tell them he was preparing a Christmas dinner for five Air Force, five Navy and five Army officers. The Air Force arrived and the Navy came early and the Army guys got lost and arrived late and the guys teased the army guys about not find-

ing our house until later.

After the meal they got out the instruments and we had all kinds of them including a piano. We had a great time singing songs and everyone enjoyed the evening. Our guests were so thankful for the delicious dinner.

He kept this up every year till the war was over.

When the war was over several families came from different countries and brought their families to meet us.

If you know of someone

who is going to be alone maybe you could invite them for a Christmas dinner.

I would like you to read this poem, it has a very special meaning:

A candle is burning, a candle of peace

A candle to signal that conflict must cease

For Jesus is coming to show us the way

A message of peace humbly laid in the hay.

Please remember our seniors and veterans at this time of year. Make Christmas day special for them too.

If you have news please call me, Gloria Sandercott, at 705-377-4449.

Spring Bay Rural Route

December 5—Twenty days until Christmas, so it's getting close.

We extend sympathy to the Lewis and Rayner families in the passing of Jim. And sympathy to Georgina and Buck Lovelace in the passing of their brother Carl Bond.

The Spring Bay euchre group's turkey supper will be held on Friday, December 13 at 6 pm. Turkey will be served. The rest is potluck. Euchre will follow after supper. If you are, bring vegetables and let Dorothy know. Euchre will begin on March 7 at 8 pm. Come and enjoy the evening at Spring Bay community

centre.

Belated birthday to Betty Greenman who celebrated on December 2 and Laura W. Scott on December 9. I hope they enjoyed their day.

Curling is on this week again. Jacob's rink from Sault Ste. Marie is doing well, still on top. And some others are doing well too. The ladies are doing well also. Homan is still on top. Some very tight games, and it's good curling. I'm enjoying it.

Carol Gilmore had a birthday dinner with her son Jeff on Tuesday. So we wish him a happy birthday.

Get well wishes to Marilyn Haner who had surgery

in Sudbury on Tuesday.

A Christmas potluck dinner and a lot of curling games were held last Sunday at the Providence Bay curling club. A fun day.


It's talking rain, but I hope we don't get it. Have a good week!



Tehkummah celebrates the season

Carol Santarosa and Reta Vanhorn had some great crafts and hand knits for sale at the annual Christmas in Tehkummah craft show on December 7. Complete with gift ideas, crafts, baked goods and prizes, the event is always a crowd pleaser.

photo by Betty Bardswich



TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK

The Council of the Township of Assiginack wants to thank the organizers, participating businesses, Parade participants and all those who enjoyed the recent

MANITOWANING CHRISTMAS MADNESS

Well done!

The Board of Directors staff and volunteers

at Manitoulin Family Resources would like to thank everyone who helped to make our inaugural *Treasures Christmas Craft Show* such a great success!

Special thanks to the volunteers, as well as the vendors and members of the public who supported the MFR Building Fund by attending the craft show on Saturday, November 13.



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