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The Wikwemikong mini mall extension suffered major damage following the massive wind storm that swept across Manitoulin Island Sunday night through Monday. The new business centre was set to open by Christmas, but that will now be delayed until a rebuild can occur. Thankfully, no one was hurt in the incident.

Damaging winds close Island down Except for Rainbow Board schools

by Robin Burridge

MANITOULIN—Due to a storm featuring high winds upwards of 90 km/hr, Manitoulin Island residents found themselves out of power for much of Monday, joining approximately 73,000 Hydro One customers without power throughout the province.

"The cold front associated with the low pressure system south of Moosonee with high winds gusting up to 90 km/hr moved through Ontario overnight and resulted in a power interruption on Monday,"

states a Hydro One press release. According to the release, there were 13 incidents on Manitoulin Island, resulting in 10,429 customers out of power.

The power went out early Monday morning and was not returned until 4 pm for many customers, though some Island communities didn't see power until later Monday night and even into Tuesday.

There were several reports of wind damage and fallen trees across the Island, including the

severe damage of the new Wikwemikong mini mall extension, which had just been framed.

"The building was scheduled to increase our retail space and be open by Christmas," Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier told The Expositor Monday night. "The contractors do have insurance coverage and are expected to have the site ready to rebuild soon. Equipment will be brought it to assist in the cleanup, but we are glad that there were no workers on site at the time of the bracing giving out."

Though school was still in session at Rainbow District School Board schools on the Island, Wikwemikong schools were closed for the day as were most Island businesses and restaurants. The wind storm effectively shut Manitoulin down for commerce.

The wind also affected the 100th anniversary of the Little Current Swing Bridge, with the bridge unable to swing at its historic 9 am time as it did a century ago, though the church bells did ring and a large group faced the winds on the bridge to sing 'Happy Birthday.'

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Municipal Affairs and Housing to investigate Northeast Town's tiff with Island planning board

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin and town CAO Dave Williamson met with a Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) representative last week to begin discussions on the municipality's request to withdraw from the Manitoulin Planning Board (MPB) and become its own planning authority.

"Last Tuesday myself and Mr. Williamson met with MMAH Northeastern Area Director Lynn Buckham and two of her staff," Mayor MacNevin told The Expositor. "We gave them a copy of the report (the Northeast Town) council directed staff to prepare on planning and the municipality's ongoing problems with the MPB. We also discussed at length our issues and why our council would like to withdraw from the board and establish our own planning authority."

"In the end, Ms. Buckham reiterated that MMAH Minister Linda Jeffrey makes the decision (of whether the Northeast Town can

be withdrawn from the MPB) but the MMAH will be discussing the issue with council and the planning board prior to making a recommendation to Minister Jeffrey," added Mayor MacNevin. "We won't know until this process

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Friday marks half-century since Kennedy assassination

Where were you when you heard the sombre news?

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—It is difficult for recent generations to fathom the shock and disbelief felt by those slightly older people who are able to recall the moment they first heard the news that the US president John F. Kennedy, JFK, had been shot in Dallas, Texas. That moment was 50 years ago from this Friday, November 22, a time before cell phones, before the Internet, before trending on Twitter and Facebook and in a time where text messaging often took place through the dots and dashes



John F. Kennedy

Disease? Predators?



Forty rare Blanding's turtles die.



Ten painted turtles found dead.

50 turtles perish at Misery Bay park in spring, summer

by Robin Burridge

MISERY BAY—Despite the name, Misery Bay Provincial Park is arguably one of the most beautiful places on Manitoulin, however the name does hold true in describing a recent tragedy that was uncovered this summer in the park.

"A park ecologist with the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) found 50 dead turtles this summer in Misery Bay Provincial Park," Jacqueline Litzguz, a herpetologist (a person who studies amphibians and reptiles) with Laurentian University working

on discovering the cause of death of the turtles, told The Expositor during an interview on Monday. "The park ecologist was working in the park radio tracking turtles to study their movement, habitat and behaviour, but every time the ecologist went back, more turtles were being found dead. The first death was discovered in April/May."

Ms. Litzguz explained that 10 of the dead reptiles were adult painted turtles, while the other 40 were adult Blanding's turtles, an MNR

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Chrissy Wade brings clothes to Northern kids, returns with rescue dogs and works too

by Michael Erskine

SHEGUIANDAH—For an Island dental worker, her new job brought with it both an anticipated additional mission of bringing needed winter boots and clothes to impoverished Northern reserves and an unanticipated role as a one-woman canine rescue unit. "It's clothes in and dogs out," said Chrissy Wade, of Sheguiandah.

Ms. Wade spends a lot of time in the air, boarding the small aircraft of Bearskin Airlines and

Wasaya Airways as part of her job providing dental services to remote Northern reserve communities through the Ontario Dental Association. When she first learned that she would be dropping in on fly-in communities across the North, news of the hardships facing the people of Attawapiskat was dominating the national media.

"I had just found out I was going to be flying into communities and I had heard about the Attawapiskat disaster—that people there needed clothes," she said. "I didn't want to go in empty handed when I had so much weight I was allowed to bring with me."

So when Ms. Wade learned that she would soon be flying into the Oji-Cree community of Muskrat Dam First Nation, far to the north of Thunder Bay, she set about marshaling the resources of her family and friends to collect winter clothes to fill up her travel allotment.

"Kendra Madahbee was really helpful, she had a lot of children's clothing and baby's clothing that people had given her," said Ms. Wade. "There were a lot of people across Manitoulin who helped out."

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Sheguiandah First Nation election 2013

Orville Aguonie promotes economic development as key to Sheg success

by Alicia McCutcheon

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION—Economic development is the name of the game for Sheguiandah First Nation's incumbent chief Orville Aguonie, who is hoping to take on a third term as chief of his community at this Saturday's election.

"There's a lot of work that still needs to be done," Mr. Aguonie said during an Expositor interview last week, "and more changes that need to be made. We're still not there in terms of building capacity and economic development."

"When I was young, we had nothing here—Howland Township did it all—but now, with our own equipment, we have the ability to put in our own subdivision," the incumbent shared.

Mr. Aguonie said that just before the school year started, the band purchased two school buses to deliver the community's children to and from school. This, he said, will result in a savings at the end of the year compared to the \$108,000 the



Orville Aguonie

band was paying the Sudbury Student Services Consortium, which oversees bus services.

The candidate for chief said the creation of a custom election policy is a pressing issue for him in light of the last year and the failure of chief and council

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Richard Shawanda has experience to see community through the future

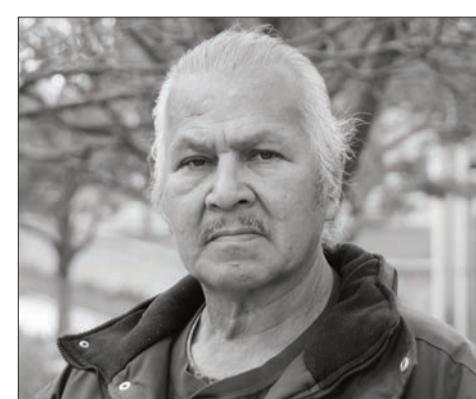
by Alicia McCutcheon

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION— "Let's put the 'unity' back in 'community' and make a difference together," Richard Shawanda's flyer reads.

Richard Shawanda is running in this Saturday's (November 23) election for chief of the Sheguiandah First Nation. He explained that he is not doing this for himself, but rather at the request of members of his community. Mr. Shawanda has 14 years of politics under his belt, 12 of which were spent as chief of his community from 1990 until 2002.

"I am proud of this community and I'm willing to dedicate my life to ensuring growth to areas such as governance, education, policing, social issues, culture and land," he said. "I believe if we tackle our community difficulties as one we can find and live in harmony."

"There's a lot of community issues at this time and some people in the community feel I could help restore it," he told The Expositor in an interview last week.



Richard Shawanda

Mr. Shawanda said he blames government pressure for some of Sheguiandah's problems, which in turn, he says, causes division. Band decisions should be made by the band, he added, not the federal government.

Mr. Shawanda pointed to the First

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Island resident recalls Philippine community devastated by typhoon

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—Typhoon Haiyan, the super storm that slammed into the Philippines, has left more than 1.9 million victims homeless and the death toll from the massive disaster has risen to more than 3,600. The Canadian government has pledged \$20 million to the relief effort and two elite DART (disaster assistance response teams), complete with water filtration systems and a fleet of naval helicopters, along with a contingent of personnel expected to exceed 300 before the end of the month, are scrambling to assist those in need of relief in the two provinces worst hit by the storm.

The parents of Given Cortes, a Little Current massage therapist, both hail from areas that have been severely damaged by the storm. The storm took out cell towers and communication infrastructure, making it difficult for expatriates to connect with family

and friends. "It was Wednesday before my mom got word that no one in our immediate or extended family were casualties," he said.

Mr. Cortes received a photo-

graph from his mother that showed the extent of the damage in the area he once visited when he was a child. "The last time I

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The property where 11 year-old Given Cortes played with his cousins is now an unrecognized pile of scattered rubble.

Georgian Bay cycling route is taking shape

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—Louisa Mursell, projects director with Transportation Options, the Toronto-based organization behind the successful Bike Train and Parkbus concepts and also the Ontario Welcomes Cyclists Partnership, joined consultant Peggy Staite-Wong of the Resource Management Consultant Group in a November 4 fact finding meeting at the Little Current Recreation Centre.

Cycling enthusiasts from across Manitoulin, the Bruce Peninsula and the North Shore gathered with the consultants to pore over maps and identify the best routes for cyclists seeking to circumnavigate Georgian Bay as part of a feasibility study for the Georgian Bay Cycling Route.

"We talked about the Georgian Bay Cycling Route, an idea that was really started here with an original concept put forward by Maja Meilonen and the Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates," said Ms. Mursell. "This was a technical meeting with the different regional representatives who are giving their local perspective of where the route passes through their townships."

The feasibility study is currently in phase one, explained Ms. Mursell. "We are looking at specific areas to find the safest route possible," she said. There are many areas that need a close look and the local knowledge on the ground is invaluable. "One (area of safety concern) is on Highway 17 being just beyond the Jacklin Bridge, at the Spanish River crossing. The road there is very restricted."

Nairn Centre Mayor Laurier Falldien provided input into the meeting about cycling through his region, which is also an area of concern for safe cycling.



Louisa Mursell of Transportation Options in Toronto, standing at the left, and Peggy Staite-Wong, a partner with The Resource Management Group of Barrie, sitting in front of a laptop computer, are briefed by Maja Meilonen of the Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates on local cycle routes across Manitoulin during a recent Georgian Bay Cycling Route meeting in Little Current.

photo by Michael Erskine

"Cyclists don't want to be on busy trails if they can avoid them, but there are different concerns for different cyclists," Ms. Mursell explained. Seasoned cyclists travelling long distances, usually 800 to 900 kilometres, are not likely to want to travel on local gravel roads, whereas shorter run recreational cyclists are less likely to mind such routing, she noted.

The key infrastructure gap facing the creation of the route lies between Estaire and Parry Sound, as

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Long-time local musician Maurice Labelle was inducted into the Great Northern Opry earlier this month. Mr. Labelle and his friends and family pose in front of a bus before heading as a group to the inductee ceremony in Sault Ste. Marie. The Island crowd sang country favourites the whole way there.

Maurice Labelle inducted into Great Northern Opry

by Michael Erskine

SAULT STE MARIE—Music is ingrained in the soul of Maurice Labelle, a familiar figure to Island music lovers, who is often to be found tickling the ivories for the likes of the popular local old time music group Down Yonder. But Mr. Labelle is just as likely to be found jamming in the garage out back, or filling in for an under the weather bassist in any one of a dozen other local groups, or entertaining the folks at Island nursing homes, church suppers and dances.

"I was thrilled," said Mr. Labelle of his reaction to hearing the news that he was to be inducted into the Great Northern Opry at the recent ceremony in Sault Ste. Marie. Mr. Labelle's gentle and generous spirit comes through in the soft tone of his voice. "I first heard about it in the spring I guess, it was a great honour."

Mr. Labelle has been clambering aboard the music bus that travels to the award ceremonies at the Comfort Inn in Sault Ste. Marie each year for the past five or six years. It is an event he has come to look forward to each fall and Friday, November 1 continued that tradition.

"We had a couple of microphones and some amplifiers in the back of the bus, I had a small keyboard set up in the back, Ben Lentir and Glen (McDougall) were playing their guitars and Doug Hore was on the violin. Debbie

Robinson was singing on one of the mics and the other mic we just passed around," said Mr. Labelle. "We just played all the way to the Sault and all the way back again."

For the 34 people travelling on the music bus, the trip was an occasion to remember.

Mr. Labelle accepted his award onstage during the ceremonies, after which, like the inductees before him, he was expected to play a song.

"They give you a ring with a guitar on it," said Mr. Labelle. "Inside it has your name and number inscribed. I am inductee number 87," he laughed. "There have been 91 gone into the Great Northern Opry up to now."

Mr. Labelle said that he was pleased to be able to play with the Great Northern Opry's house band. "The band is Mike Case and the Stallions," he said. "On the Saturday at noon, I went to the rehearsal and practiced with them. That is how we got ready, then I could sit back and relax."

The event had several bonuses for Mr. Labelle this year. "One of the inductees, Estelle Deschene, is from Cochrane, my hometown," he said. "There were quite a number of aunts and uncles who came down for the show from Cochrane and Kapuskasing."

For Mr. Labelle, who took his first music lessons with the nuns of the Sisters of the Assumption in Cochrane and who started his first band in Grade 6 and later per-

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Debajehmujig's Global Savages go walkabout at Amsterdam's storytelling festival

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—The Global Savages are Debajehmujig's (and by extension the Anishinaabek's) cultural ambassadors to the world, and this past month Debajehmud (storyteller Joe Osawabine), Mudjeekwus (Josh Peltier) and Sky Woman (Jessica Wilde-Peltier) travelled across the Atlantic once more to bring their story to the sixth annual Amsterdam International Storyteller's Festival in the Netherlands.

"We flew," quips Mr. Osawabine, who is also Debajehmujig Storytellers' artistic director, when asked how the troupe found the festival. During this interview Debajehmud's finger is wrapped in gauze, the result of a fish filleting mishap the day after he returned from regaling an international audience with the role oral traditions have played in the preservation of Anishinabe culture. "I wasn't even filleting," he grimaces. "I was sharpening the blade and sa-whip, there you go."

Each of the Global Savages, along with the rest of the Debaj crew, are intimately connected with the land, and the air and water. It is part and parcel of their mission as a community-based theatre group.

Debajehmujig and their emissaries, the Global Savages (often including Chibiabos the musician, Bruce Naokwegijig, although he remained watching the home fires during this embassy), have been building an impressive array of connections and contacts within the European artistic and cultural community, stretching from Edinburg, Scotland to Poland. The result is numerous invitations to take part in prestigious international festivals and symposiums.

"We arrived on Thursday and they had us come in and speak at their expert meeting," said Mr. Osawabine. "We described the process of the story and the ways in which a story arc is utilized."

Most of the conference was conducted in Dutch, as would befit a festival taking place in the Netherlands.

Mr. Osawabine brought the concept of the 'Talking Stick' to the assembly. Although Debajehmud was part of the



The Global Savages, Debajehmud (storyteller Joe Osawabine), Mudjeekwus (Josh Peltier) and Sky Woman (Jessica Wilde-Peltier) travelled to the Amsterdam Storytelling Festival in the Netherlands recently, bringing the ancient oral traditions of the Anishinabe to the 'new' world.

Global Savage embassy, Mr. Osawabine dropped his persona for that portion of the proceedings. "I was there as myself, Joe Osawabine," he said.

During the day on Friday, Debajehmud, Mudjeekwus and Sky Woman donned their regalia and went walk about through the streets of Amsterdam. "We did the Global Savage walkabout," said Mr. Osawabine. Under the guidance of one of their friends and colleagues from the Dutch theoric scene's PeerGroup the Global Savages set out on a quest of mutual exploration. "Our friend was not employed by the festival but she hosted us through iconic Amsterdam." Yes, that included the city's famed red light district and cafe scene.

Friday evening was Canadian night, and the folks at the Canada Council for the Arts had sponsored the Global Sav-

ages along with Toronto Storytelling Festival's Dan Yashinsky and Dale Jarvis, a traditional Newfoundland folk storyteller to bring a two hour presentation.

Asked if the trip was a success, Mr. Osawabine simply replied, "Saturday night was sold out."

The final portion of the trip was a group dinner with the performers from Iran, Isreal, Belgium and a host of other locals.

"That was mostly in English," said Mr. Osawabine.

He said he very impressed by the work of two spoken word artists, the Iranian and Israeli presenters. "They talked about what it was like for them growing up, how they had discovered their similarities, how they were different, it was almost a play—not strictly storytelling. But it was a lot like us."

Mr. Osawabine pointed out how the actors who make up the Global Savages are really playing largely to their natures. "I am Debajehmud, the storyteller, Bruce (Naokwegijig) is a musician and he plays Chibiabos, who is the musician," he said.

The group told stories of Nanabush, and Ms. Wilder-Peltier relayed the Ojibwe creation story. "I talked about the history of the program, the oral history and how it came to be preserved when the US decided that the Native medicine people were a threat and gathered them up and put them into a prison. In the end it was one of the best things that could have happened," he said. "All of the traditions and stories were gathered there in one place and shared. That had never happened before in history."

The feedback the troupe received was somewhat varied and reflected the interests of the audience. "There were some people there who are searching, looking for spirituality, and they came looking for it from an aboriginal storyteller."

Asked if the spiritual seekers had found what they were looking for in the Debajehmujig Storytellers, Mr. Osawabine shrugged and smiled, "I guess that's their story to tell."

more letters

Elders' council member calls for imbalance clinic

Will we collectively allow the corporate carnage to continue?

To the Expositor:

This letter is being released with the blessing of the Wii Giin Dwin M'Kwaa Taag Zi Win Elders Council.

This letter is directed to the residents of Manitoulin Island Reserve. There are many, many people, groups and organizations who are aware of the first-ever protest on our Island on March 2012, long before Idle-No-More. Let's set our differences aside and work together in preparing ourselves for a sickness that is not even named yet.

Our purpose then was to stop the industrial wind turbine (IWT) project based on the federal Environment Protection Act, the Environment Assessment Act and, the federal Fisheries Act. One new purpose is: to hold workshops to understand the federal legislation along with the governance manual in each chief's possession. This includes corporate processes and requirements.

While there is still hope of stopping the corporate carnage here, everyone must become involved. As I have previously said, there should have been an Island-wide referendum to the IWT project development. There should still be a petition, a referendum to stop the spin.

It is not news that every Treaty Indian Nation is collectively owned by their members. This is what makes our self-governments unique and distinct. In this mish-mash, there are the 6 Treaty Indian chiefs who are entrusted to protect the health and well-being of all their members. They profess to live and be guided by the 7 Grandfather Teachings. Evidently, this is not so—the cost of silence must be very high. More Treaty Indians live off-reserve than on their homelands. Due process is to include those members in any project development on or near a Treaty Indian Nation. This was not done. Therefore, the IWT project is still illegal. Not only are our Inherent Rights being

violated, but also our constitutional rights to be fully consulted, accommodated before consent is given. These are to be provided by the entire membership, not just a handful of decisionmakers who currently work for the minority on-reserve membership.

Well, it is time for the entire Treaty Indian membership particularly, the off-reserve members, to be given their voice back. The governance manual that each chief and councillors adheres to provides the membership with a lot of controls and authorities. Instead, the leadership is part of the conservative's corporate agenda with no regard for the people or their lands.

Also our way of thinking should change. Should one family control all decision making on a reserve or, a town full of rich conservatives, or both? Is there too much Island racism and discrimination? Why are we not united? This must change.

This brings me to why I am writing this letter. We will prepare the people from the IWT fallout by building an imbalance clinic. There is already such a clinic and we need the same for our Island. The clinic provides stringent testing for infrasound (they can turn the volume up/down), vertigo, dizziness, sleeping and eating habit changes, earaches, and headaches from the constant ground-thumping, radiation fall-out and more. How will we ever know what is wrong with our babies when we don't know why they are crying—a possible earache? Elders, women, mothers, aunts—do you really care?

If you believe in the health and well-being of yourselves, your family and friends, I would suggest working together to stop the spin.

Well, we know now Harper's economic plan is to kill the Indian and force the rural folk into cities so he can control

our lands. Now, the Treaty Indian chiefs are talking privatization of our Indian lands and bringing their full tax system from salaries to property taxes. Current Treaty Indians cannot afford to do this, and again, many violations.

In the meantime, all residents on Manitoulin must stay united. Please unite to continue working towards preventing those genocidal machines from ever spinning. I recommend we ask for more town hall meetings from Northland Power and Treaty Indian Chiefs to readdress the health crisis we will be facing. Or will we collectively allow Harper, Northland Power and the Treaty Indian chiefs to continue their corporate carnage on the Island people? For the duration of their illegal agreements, the people must still stay united so those contracts become non-negotiable and non-renewable.

We look forward to developing an imbalance clinic in a location with infrastructure. Planning meetings will occur. Those who want to be part of preparing the people from IWT radiation fallout are certainly welcomed.

Chi'Meegwetch to the Wii Giin Dwin M'Kwaa Taag Zi Win Elders Council in taking the lead to prevent further genocide of all peoples on one of the world's most sacred islands.

Chi'Meegwetch to the Wii Giin Dwin M'Kwaa Taag Zi Win Elders Council's Vision Statement—listen to your elders—we are teaching you to be elders.

Meegwetch,

Anna Marie General
Wii Giin Dwin M'Kwaa Taag Zi Win
Elders Council Member
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Garlon TM RTU spraying by Hydro One workers startles walker

Spraying endangers our health with little proof of its efficacy

To the Expositor:

I was out walking my dogs two weeks ago in the Square Bay area of Manitoulin Island. As I rounded a corner I spotted two Hydro One workers with gloves, respirators, overalls, and face shields liberally applying what I later found out was Dow's 'Garlon TM RTU' all along the Square Bay Road and Birch Way. I noticed a freshly-posted sign announcing the spraying. I had walked the same area the previous day and had encountered no signs. The signs were placed 700 feet apart and might not be seen by all impacted by the spraying. Hydro had not given us prior warning for the spraying. My dogs were running through the freshly sprayed areas. I got them out as quickly as I could and left them with a neighbour. I ran back to talk to the workers but they were gone.

I was told later by Hydro One that they had prior permission for the spraying from the two landowners who were closest to the treated areas. It is noteworthy that one owner spends about two weeks a year here and his well is located right in the spray area, close to the hydro pole. It is not likely that he gave permission for the spraying. The

other landowner recalled giving permission to cut trees and foliage as required, but not for spraying.

In rural areas, most of us depend on wells so whatever is sprayed on the surface eventually finds its way into the ground. The Dow website indicates Garlon should not be sprayed 'after the leaves turn' as the herbicide kills by increasing growth. How much growth are we likely to achieve in November?

Hydro did comply with our request not to spray directly on our property but they sprayed Garlon about 12 feet from the edge of our lot and about 15 feet from a low area on our land that drains toward our shallow 10 foot well.

A supervisor and hydro worker came to offer explanations and that was appreciated. A data sheet they provided about Garlon states one "should wash skin with soap and water for 20 minutes, call a poison control centre or a doctor for treatment advice. Clothing items that can't be washed should be disposed of. It is toxic to aquatic organisms and birds."

They claimed that this spraying saves Hydro One money. I responded that we have been living here since 1975 and we

have never personally encountered spraying by Hydro One of any kind. In addition, the area sprayed is covered by short shrubbery of three feet or less. Here, hydro lines are downed by falling trees, not three-foot shrubs. The trees were left largely untouched.

In conclusion, spraying is really not needed in some locations, and is not likely to be effective or a cost-saving in November, after the growing season, in any area, leaving more of the chemical to be drawn into the soil. It is also not effective since it kills only short plants and does not deal with the trees that actually down hydro lines here. Also, we will now have to test our water for chemicals, a costly service not provided by Public Health. How long does it take for the chemicals to reach our well?

In my opinion, Hydro One risked our health unduly and wasted money on this task. Since it is highly likely we will pay for Hydro One's debt into eternity, in the wake of the windmill onslaught, it could be advantageous for them to rethink their position about the spraying.

Petra Wall
Spring Bay

Northeast Town Council Notes

Bylaw officer report

Northeast Town Chief Bylaw Officer Tom Spry presented his October report to council last month, beginning with the building permits issued so far this year.

"To date I have issued 77 permits with a value of \$15,313,532 and permit fees of \$119,000," Mr. Spry told council. "Inspections are also being done on a required basis."

He reported that no new complaints had been received regarding property standards.

"Parking is being monitored and tickets issued as required," added Mr. Spry. "Regular patrols are also being made at Low Island Park regarding dogs being off leash."

Council hears deputation from the Child and Family Centre

Barry Sullivan and Melissa Anderson of the Child and Family Centre made a presentation to council last

week, explaining their role in the community helping youth with mental health issues. The pair also said they were seeking new board members and were hopeful that council would consider submitting a representative in the future.

New councillor appointed as planning board rep

In light of the resignation of Councillor Paul Skippen from the Manitoulin Planning Board, Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin appointed Councillor Bruce Wood as the town's representative on the planning board.

"Through our procedural bylaw, I appointed Councillor Wood as our new representative, but the secretary-treasurer of the board (Elva Carter) failed to recognize the designation, claiming that council must approve the decision," explained Mayor MacNevin, noting that through the procedural bylaw, council has designated the ability to designate

councillors to boards and committees to the mayor.

"It is very clear under the Municipal Act that council has the ability to designate authority to the mayor to appoint councillors to boards and committees, which is what this council has done," town CAO Dave Williamson told council.

Council discussed how they were frustrated by the secretary-treasurer's decision to not recognize the mayor's authority, but decided to carry a motion designating Councillor Wood to the Manitoulin Planning Board in order to ensure his appointment was recognized at the next board meeting.

Council donates to Sheguiandah Seniors Hall renovations

After reviewing a donation request from the Sheguiandah Senior Citizens' Club for the renovation of the club's hall, council carried a motion to donate \$4,720. The amount was equivalent to the funds

the club spent on building permits and landfill disposal fees during the hall's renovations. The donation will be used to help cover the cost of new floors for the hall.

Council accepts insurance tenders

The Northeast Town council reviewed tenders for both the town's property insurance and group insurance.

Mr. Williamson explained that for group insurance, Schuster Boyd McDonald's bid came in at \$80,940 a year, significantly less than the town's current provider, Health Quotes, who bid \$116,148.60. Some councillors expressed concern that the cheaper bid might mean a reduction to policy benefits, however Mr. Williamson said that he sat down with both brokers and that staff was confident that Schuster Boyd McDonald's bid offered a policy that was equivalent or even slightly better than their current policy.

For property insurance, the town received two bids—one from Jardine Lloyd Thompson Inc. for \$88,329 per year with a two-year guaranteed rate and Cambrian Bousquet Insurance, the town's current provider, with a bid of \$99,273. Council carried a motion to accept the bids from Schuster Boyd McDonald and Jardine Lloyd Thompson Inc.

Financial reports

Town treasurer Sheryl Wilkin reviewed the municipal voucher and financial report for October at the administration and finance committee meeting last Thursday.

She reported that \$933,439.49 had been received in taxes in September and \$738,261.38 in October. She also noted that arrears notices would be sent out to all outstanding accounts.

For water and sewer, Ms. Wilkin reported that \$198,493.33 had been billed for October and that \$142,951.64 had been made in payments. She also told

council that there were currently 42 accounts over the \$500 maximum leading to four accounts being disconnected.

She further explained that 38 of the overdue accounts were due to a recent billing with a September 31 due date. Notices of arrears will be sent to all outstanding accounts, she added.

In reviewing the 2013 operating summary, Ms. Wilkin explained that there

is presently \$1,712,597 left in net operating, but that there are still many bills to come out.

She noted that while it seems like a lot of extra revenue, it would balance out in the next two months as there are still hydro bills, a landfill loan payment, two months of expenses, four months of policy and two months of District Services Board invoices outstanding.

Manitoulin Island and North Shore Injured Workers group hosts meeting with MPP Mantha

by Sharon Montogomery

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—On November 13 at 6:30 pm at the Manitoulin Legal Clinic in Aundeck Omni Kaning the Manitoulin North Shore Injured Workers Group had a fruitful meeting with MPP Mike Mantha. The meeting was chaired by Colin Pick and had an attendance of about 25 members.

Many things were discussed about the Workplace Safety Insurance Board (WSIB) and the policies that have been implemented in the last 10 years or more that many people attending observed were not only unfair, but also discriminatory towards injured workers.

MPP Michael Mantha attended the meeting, at the invitation of the organizers, to try and find out what the group could do to rectify this problem, and see if he would be its voice with other government officials. He assured the group that he would do everything possible to help people who have become disabled in the work place. One member gave Mr. Mantha this scenario: "Quite a few years ago, the government was going to put a policy in place that would de-index the old age pensions. When the senior citizens heard about it, they converged on Ottawa in a very large group to protest this action. As we well know the old age pensions were not de-indexed." So the question put to MPP Mantha was, "is this what we have to do to get on the government's radar?" His answer was "yes."

Someone in the group quipped about where could they get some buses.

Mr. Mantha told the meeting that if we let him know when we wanted a public meeting in Ottawa, he would set it up in a place that is used just for that type of session and where there would be lots of media coverage.

The organization hopes to have another meeting with MPP Mike Mantha in the future, but for now an objective has been set, together with some idea of how to reach it.

The Manitoulin North Shore Injured Workers Group would like to invite anyone who could use its help or who are interested in joining the cause to its next general meeting which will be held at the Seasons Restaurant in M'Chigeeng on December 12 at 6 pm.

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UCCM Police investigate property crimes

On November 10 UCCM Police received a report of a break, enter and theft from a residence on the M'Chigeeng First Nation. Police report that the family had just returned home from a weekend away when they discovered that their home was broken into. Various items were taken from the residence such as television sets, computer game sets, stereo equipment, jewellery (including rings), cell phone, 200 DVDs, a large quantity of coins, hunting apparel and refrigerated food items.

On November 12, UCCM Police received a report of a break, enter and theft from the Whitefish River First Nation Library. In this break, enter and theft, police learned that culprits gained entry to the building over the long weekend and removed a new flat screen TV, new computer game sets, a new lap top computer and a set of computer speakers.

On November 12, UCCM Police also received a report that a pickup truck was damaged on the M'Chigeeng First Nation. Police investigated and determined that the vehicle had sustained damage to the ignition column and that culprit(s) were

attempting to steal the truck but were unsuccessful.

Police believe that due to the timing and similarity of events that these crimes are related.

UCCM Police seeks the public's assistance

On or about the week of November 11 an injured dog was reportedly taken to the Espanola Animal Hospital from the Whitefish River First Nation. The UCCM Police are investigating this incident and would like to hear from anybody who can assist in determining the circumstances surrounding this case. UCCM Police Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow states, "Specifically speaking, reports of animal cruelty are not common on any of the UCCM First Nations and incidents of that nature are taken very seriously by our police service."

Anybody with information on this investigation or any other crime is asked to contact the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service at 1-888-377-7135 or the Ontario Provincial Police Provincial Communication Centre at 1-888-310-1122. Anonymous tips can also be directed to Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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Panther Points

Hats off to head coaches Steve Doane and Mike Meeker who piloted their charges to silver and gold medal finishes respectively this past weekend. Steve and assistant coaches Sundance Hare and Dewayne Middaugh had their team battling hard all weekend in the tough A division of the popular event. On Friday, they beat the Neebing Hawks (4-0) and the Westfort Maroons (4-2). On Saturday morning, the Island cats tied the Cutting Edge Blades 5 all then dropped a tough one to the SDC Eagles 7-3. In the semis on Sunday the Panthers played awesome team defense to win a tight, 1-0 victory over the Elliot Lake Jr. Bobcats. In the championship match the local lads were just edged in a re-match heart-breaker 3-2 by the Westfort Maroons.

A couple of years older, the local Midget Panthers with coaches Mike and Randy Noble made their mark by having an undefeated weekend to finish with the championship trophy! Starting off with a 2-2 tie against the VP Bearcats, they powered through everyone from there including: 7-3 over Terrace Bay/Schreiber; 3-2 over Thunder Bay Beavers; 4-3 edging SAS Iroquois Falls; beating the Schumacher Cubs 5-2 and finally taking the gold in a rematch over Iroquois Falls 6-4.

Lauding Laidley

Hats off to Michael Laidley who had an awesome CJHL Prospects tournament out east, in Nova Scotia. Laidley held a point per game average over the whole event against the best Junior A players from all over the world. Keep up the hard work, Michael.



Pony pride

Congratulations to Bronwyn Cooper, who ended her equestrian season in the Northeast Trillium division as Champion (1st) in the Pony Pleasure Hack, and Reserve Champion (2nd) in both Pony Hunter and B Equitation on Ripley (Believe It or Not is his show name).

She also rode a second pony this year named Sam (Sammunition) that belongs to the coach, Kerri Commanda at Black Creek Equestrian Centre. On Sam, Bronwyn and club member Autumn got 5th in Pony Hunter with Bronwyn doing the jumping rounds and Autumn doing the flats.

Thelor Von Pickartz, who is also part of the pony club (and has Manitoulin connections), was Champion in the Modified Junior Amateur Hunter Class, Reserve Champion in the Trillium Hunter and 7th in A' Equitation.

Both Thelor and Bronwyn attended the awards banquet in North Bay. This is the first time that anyone from Black Creek has been champion in a division and with both girls making champion status it is quite a testament to their hard work.

Both Thelor and Bronwyn also continued on with their pony club testing and on October 6, both of them achieved their C level. Congratulations to you both.

Former Panther skates with NHL'ers for Easter Seals

My brother Scott Leblanc recently helped put together a team to play in the Eric Lindros Celebrity Hockey Classic, an Easter Seals fundraiser. His Shop.ca squad raised nearly \$8,000 and the Whitby based event raised over \$116,000 in total, for the great charity. Scott had an interesting opportunity to play with Todd Warriner. The journeyman winger toiled for five different teams over his nine seasons in the NHL, but spent most of his time with Leafs as well as a Battle of the Blades contestant. Although Warriner was an all-round nice guy Scott played against tough defenseman Al Iafrate, who cross-checked Scott in the chest for his troubles. After all the on-ice fun he also got to have a pint with number '88' himself, as well as the infamous Tiger Williams.

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Tossing in the puck

Over 100 pucks were tossed toward centre ice during the pause between the first and second periods of a Manitoulin Panthers fundraising evening at the Little Current recreation centre recently. The game between the Triple A Sudbury Wolves and the Nickel City Barons was the culmination of an evening of hockey fun that began with a roast beef dinner.

photo by Michael Erskine

Ontario launches bear management program for urban areas in N. Ont.

NORTHERN ONTARIO—Ontario is proposing a pilot program that will enhance public safety while offering an effective response to nuisance bear issues in the North. Manitoulin Island does not fall under this program.

Ontario has proposed a two-year bear management pilot program in wildlife management units 13, 14, 29, 30, 36, 39, 41 and 42, all of which have reported high levels of nuisance bear activity. (Manitoulin Island's wildlife management units are 43A, 43B and 44.) Communities in and around these units include Timmins, Thunder Bay, Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie and North Bay. A limited bear hunt open to Ontario residents only would take place from May 1 to June 15, 2014 and 2015.

Under the proposed pilot, hunting bear cubs or females with cubs would be illegal. The province will monitor and evaluate the success of this pilot project on an ongoing basis.

In order to participate, municipi-

pal councils would have to pass a resolution agreeing to opt into the program. Ontario will continue to work with municipalities on ways to limit human-bear interactions. "We will work together as one Ontario to build a successful,

compassionate and united province where everyone has the opportunity to connect, contribute and enjoy a high quality of life," a press release from the government states.

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species at risk.

"The fact that the turtles were mostly adult or sub adult makes the occurrence even scarier," continued Ms. Litzguz. "Turtle populations can survive if there is a threat to eggs or hatchlings, as long as there is a strong adult population. This many adult turtles dying so quickly in such a localized area is unprecedented."

As to how many turtles are on Manitoulin, Ms. Litzguz wasn't able to say as it has been relatively unexplored.

"But we do know that only a year ago, in 2012, the ecologist found only live turtles, now this year they are finding more dead tur-

tles than live ones," added Ms. Litzguz. "It is so disturbing."

The Ontario Turtle Tally, an initiative from the Toronto Zoo, Environment Canada's Habitat Stewardship Program and Adopt-a-Pond, encourages Ontario residents to report turtle sightings and releases its findings annually.

According to the turtle tally, 3,090 painted turtles were observed in 2012 in Ontario and only 225 Blanding's turtles.

Though the cause is unknown at this point, Ms. Litzguz and her team, which include the MNR ecologist who found the dead turtles and Andrea Mendler, a fourth-year Laurentian forensic studies stu-



Laurentian University herpetologist Jacqueline Litzguz with a healthily Blanding's turtle in Sudbury.

photo by James Baxter-Gilbert

dent, have their theories.

"We have two ideas of what could have caused the deaths right now," said Ms.

Litzguz. "One is a disease—the ranavirus. 'Rana' means frog in Latin and it is an emerging infectious dis-

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is over, but we are hopeful."

Mayor MacNevin said that they anticipate they will be hearing again from Ms. Buckham and her team shortly to schedule a meeting with council, but in the meantime will continue to try and speak directly with the minister.

"The OGRA/ROMA (Ontario Good Roads Association/Rural Ontario Municipal Association) joint conference is in February, so that may end up being when we get to speak with the minister, but we will keep trying," continued Mayor MacNevin. "We (council) are so tired of the door being slammed in our face by the planning board—it is not something we want to be a part of anymore. The fact that they wouldn't even recognize our municipal representative is just the most recent incident."

Last month, the MPB failed to recognize the Northeast Town mayor's new appointment of council's representation on the board, Councillor Bruce Wood, after the resignation of Councillor and MPB Chair Paul Skippen, claiming that the designation needed to be approved by council.

The Northeast Town stated that Councillor Wood's appointment was valid as the Municipal Act, through its procedural bylaw, allows council to designate the authority to appoint councillors to committees to the mayor. However, the MPB explained in its October 28 minutes, "The board was advised that Mr. Wood has been appointed by the mayor for NEMI (Northeast Town) and it is understood that the council has not had an opportunity to confirm this appointment. It is the opinion of the secretary-treasurer (Elva Carter) that in accordance with the Planning Act, appointments to the planning board must be made by council."

The MPB decision led council to carry a motion at its last meeting, appointing Councillor Wood as the Northeast Town council representative on the planning board.

"Whereas Councillor Skippen has resigned from the Manitoulin Planning Board Committee, and whereas the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands bylaw # 99-36, being a bylaw to govern the proceedings of council states under duties of the mayor sec (j) to select the members of council who are to serve on committees, and whereas the Manitoulin Planning Board refuses to allow Councillor Wood to be a voting member on all aspects of decision making until appointed by council; Therefore now be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands supports the mayor's decision to appoint Councillor Wood to the Manitoulin Planning Board Committee," the minutes from the November 5 Northeast Town council minutes read.

Ms. Carter was previously unavailable for comment as she was away from the office, but The Expositor was able to reach her Monday to comment on the situation.

"The planning board has now received (the Northeast Town) council's appointment and Councillor Wood will be recognized as a full board member," said Ms. Carter. "The Planning Act states that council must designate its appointment to the board. When the MMAH was contacted for clarification, it was suggested that a legal opinion be obtained, but we did not receive one from the Northeast Town."

As for the Northeast Town's request to the MMAH to withdraw from the MPB, Ms. Carter did not comment, but she did state she had not yet heard from the MMAH regarding the request.

...Friday marks half-century since Kennedy assassination

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time, I was watching television." (Multi-tasking, it seems, predates generations X, Y or even boom.)

Ms. Maloney called her husband Dick who was working at a small independent media studio at the time.

"My wife called the studio and told me, we said 'nah, can't happen,'" he recalled. "We spent the next hours, days really, glued to the television set as events kept unfolding. The capture of Lee Harvey Oswald, his assassination by Jack Ruby." Dick and Koki Maloney now live in Mindemoya and have been full-time Manitoulin residents for many years.

The shock was palpable across the world.

"I was shopping in Lord & Taylor's in New York," recalled Manhattan Manitoulin author Bonnie Kogos. "The news shot across the store." Stunned, shoppers sat down on the carpet, unable to comprehend the news. "It was so awful," she said. "I just loved him. We went out into the street and everyone was just wandering around dazed on 5th Avenue."

Ms. Kogos was shopping with one of her first paycheques. "I was working for a publishing company," she said. "It was my first real job and I was working for a book club."

"I was six-years-old and in Grade 1," said Billings Heritage Centre curator and longtime JFK researcher Rick Nelson. "I don't remember (the assassination) being told to us due to our age. Older students in the upper grades tell me that our principal came on the PA to say JFK had been shot. However, for the rest of that weekend, there were images that stick in my

mind even for a kid of my age. I remember JFK's casket being unloaded off Air Force One when the plane returned to Washington from Dallas. I remember Jackie and daughter Caroline kneeling before JFK's coffin inside the capital rotunda. I remember the sounds of the parade drums as they took JFK out to Arlington National Cemetery."

Most of the world stood in silent awe as those images played out on television screens and newsreels around the world.

It was years later, as a high school student, that Mr. Nelson would become enthralled with what was becoming one of the enduring mysteries of the Twentieth Century. He went on to host a major JFK assassination symposium in Sudbury a number of years ago, met and stayed with the widow of Lee Harvey Oswald, developing a friendship with the woman who remains staunchly convinced that her husband was not the assassin he was made out to be—a position supported by several credible researchers along with a host of conspiracy theorists for whom that position is a starting point.

In the immediate aftermath of the shooting, major media outlets of the time had little or no precedent, nor protocol to follow, with which to guide them in dealing with the news.

"Sure, there had been wars and disasters," recalled Mr. Maloney. "But they had no idea how to react." He recalled radio stations filling the airwaves with classical music. "No bubbly, no happy."

Television's reaction to the event enhanced the shock and air of unreal-

ity of the immediate aftermath of the assassination. Housewives across America, watching or listening to their favourite programs while going about their tasks as domestic engineers, found themselves cut off from the escape of soap operas and game shows and hammered by the delivery of the news, that the president had been shot, only to be returned to the normally scheduled program, re-interrupted moments later with the news of JFK's transport to hospital with his wife Jackie, then back to a program like 'The Edge of Night,' only to be stunned yet again with the confirmation of his death.

Television alternated back and forth with a surreal Dadaist assault on the sensibilities of a generation; a generation barely recovered from the traumas of the Second World War and the conflict in Korea. The Cold War was in full swing and the cord holding the Damoclean sword of nuclear annihilation had been severely frayed mere months before during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

The Kennedy assassination ripped away any cloth of remaining complacency from the minds of the public.

"Assassinations like this were things that happened someplace else," said Mr. Maloney. "Things like this didn't happen in the US. You would hear about these things happening around the world and you would think, 'what kind of people would do this?' Suddenly, you realize that people are people and that there are very troubled people everywhere."

For many young people in school at the time their reactions were formed,

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ease and one of the global causes for amphibian decline. It can kill groups of turtles quickly which leads us to think it might be the cause. We are trying to figure out ways to test this theory. We have collected tissue samples from turtles in the park, but we have no fresh tissue from the dead turtles to use. We have also collected samples from frogs. If the virus is present we should find it in the frogs. We will also be trying to test bone marrow from the dead turtles' shells, which has never been done before."

The Laurentian herpetologist told The Expositor that the other theory is predation—the biological interaction where a predator feeds on its prey.

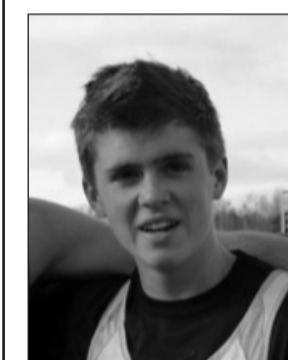
"It could be a new predator, but there is a problem testing this theory," said

Ms. Litzguz. "If we find teeth marks or scratches on the shell it is hard to determine if it is from a predator eating it pre or post-mortem—that's where Ms. Mendler and forensic investigation will come in. Whatever the cause, it is going to be really hard to determine, but we are going to try our best."

"I also need to note that the ranavirus does not affect humans," added Ms. Litzguz. "This situation is also unique in that it occurred in a location (Misery Bay Provincial Park) where none of the usual threats to turtles occur such as roads or pollution."

The Misery Bay turtles are now hibernating for the winter, but Ms. Litzguz and her team hope to determine the cause before spring.

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



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...Chrissy Wade brings clothes to Northern kids

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The clothing travelled to Muskrat Dam with Ms. Wade, who dropped the women's clothing off at a women's transition shelter. The shelter assists women dealing with substance abuse issues. "A lot of women arrive there with nothing more than the clothes on their back," she said.

Children's clothing she held onto for her trip into New Slate Falls, far to the north of Sioux Lookout, didn't make it, as an event occurred just before she left for that community that caused her to change her plans. "There was a tragic accident at Sioux Lookout," said Ms. Wade. "There were four or five young women in their late teens to early 20s whose vehicle left the road and wound up upside down in the water."

Ms. Wade gave the clothing to a friend who was going to the funeral for the families of the young women, some of whom left behind young children.

"Even though I didn't get there myself, I felt wonderful that because of the kind generosity of the people of Manitoulin Island this family were being kept warm and knew that other people cared about their tragic loss," said Ms. Wade.

Ms. Wade continued to collect winter clothes, hats and mittens, half filling her living room with donations, but she soon found that she was a victim of her own success. "When I flew into Fort Hope, I was way overweight," said Ms. Wade. Although she was allowed a total of 50 pounds of weight, her load tipped the



Brice looks pleased as punch in his new snowsuit.



Thanks to the generosity of Islanders, Chrissy Wade was well stocked with warm winter clothes for her most recent trip to the far north.

arrangement," she said. "I dropped that load off at the Ontario Works and they dealt with it from there."

Realizing that this was costing her a lot of money, Ms. Wade took the nice lady at the airline's advice. "I called Dianna at Bearskin and she said that if Wasaya would match them they would help out," she recalled. Several phone calls later, a 200 pound airlift was arranged.

A deluge of winter boots, ski pants and jackets, quilts, duvets, bedding and a host of other household items poured in when Ms. Wade put out the call this time. "I even got two bags from Toronto," she said. "Stuff came in from Espanola and from all across Manitoulin. There were these gorgeous blankets and bedding."

The bedding came in very handy when Ms. Wade flew into Sandy Lake, a family who had lost everything to a fire were able to outfit two beds for their family.

But it was a little boy wandering around in a

light jacket and running shoes in the midst of winter that really struck deep into Ms. Wade's heart. "Brice, this little boy, was standing there and I asked him 'where are your hat and mitts?'" she recalled. She told him that she had some rubber boots and a jacket for him. "He showed up later at the dental office, asking me 'where is my winter stuff? I want to go tobogganing'."

Ms. Wade brought him into the office and outfitted him in a slightly over-sized snowsuit and winter boots, hat and mittens and sent him on his way. Later she dropped by the young man's home with the clothes she had promised for his sister.

"His mitts were hanging over the wood stove drying out," said Ms. Wade. "He came and gave me a big hug on my last day. Just to see him smile warmed my heart."

Ms. Wade is heading north again soon and she is still collecting winter clothing. "There are a lot of chil-

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One of Chrissy Wade's rescue dogs which was saved from a remote Northern reserve.

scales 100 pounds over the limit. "And I had to pay two airlines," she laughed.

She attempted to get the airlines to let her off the hook, but although they were sympathetic the answer was not yet what she wanted to hear. "They told me that if I had called before I might be able to make some kind of

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often uncomprehending, by those of their teachers. Sitting in a Grade 2 classroom in an Ottawa separate school, this author recalls his own experience.

The teacher stepped out of the classroom into the hallway to speak with the principal. When she came back into the room, she was crying and her shoulders were shaking. She told her students that a great man had died and that we would be going home for the rest of the day.

Walking home from school through the newly created suburb of Britannica Park, I stopped at the duplex of one of my classmates, crying and upset, totally inconsolable. My classmate's older brother was dismissive of my emotional display, reacting with the standard cynicism of the elementary school upperclassman towards the naivete of the lower orders. "You don't even know who died," he accused. I remember firing back with all of the indignation an outraged seven-year-old could muster. "I do too know who died—it was the Pope!"

The events that unfolded in the following days, weeks, months and years have become part of the lexicon of modern history, many nearly as traumatic for those who lived through them.

"For me, it was just as bad when his brother

shot him because he was a dangerous president. I stood there and said 'No, who isn't a dangerous president?'

Mr. Nelson, who has spent many years studying the event, including interviewing the wife of Lee Harvey Oswald and creating a television documentary, said that in the final analysis he believes the evidence is overwhelming that Mr. Oswald did shoot at the president on that unexpectedly sunny day in Dallas 50 years ago. "But did he act alone? Was he the only shooter? That is a question I don't know if we will ever really know for sure," he said.

There have been many epic catastrophes that have rocked American minds since the assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, among the most recent the attack and destruction of the World Trade Centre and the explosion of the space shuttles, but few, if any, have had the impact of that moment in Dallas on the generation who stood witness.

But there are potential incidents which might. "For me, it would be if (president) Obama got shot," said Ms. Maloney. "It would be the same thing."

But for that seven-year-old who mourned the assassination of a pope named JFK, the environment of social media, the cult of tearing down all

icons and personalities, the steady bombardment of the horrors of war, natural and manmade disasters and the hourly anecdotal examples humanity's inhumanity to humanity that appears each and every moment on his Facebook and Twitter feeds—the conditions simply do not exist in society today to recreate the shock of that particular moment in history, except of course for the descent of that still dangling Sword of Damocles.

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Assiginack Council Notes

Harvest Glory Days winner

Reeve Brad Ham thanked The Manitoulin Expositor for choosing Assiginack as the co-winner of the first Harvest Glory Days community decorating challenge. The reeve and councillors noted the hard work and determination of the community members in decorating their homes and businesses.

Draft budget presented

Assiginack treasurer Deb MacDonald went over the draft 2014 budget with council on November 5.

Under general government, all wages have been budgeted as per the 2014 draft pay grid. A preliminary estimate of a three percent increase for both the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation and the Sudbury and District Health Unit is reflected in the budgeted amounts. An additional \$10,000 for building maintenance for both the post office and the municipal office was also added to this year's budget. If this amount is not used by the end of the year, it should be transferred to a reserve for each building, to help offset any future major building expenses," Ms. MacDonald said.

Under protection services, the fire department budget allocation remains the same as in previous years. While the municipality has yet to see the 2014 Ontario Provincial Police costs, a three percent increase was added here as well.

Under environmental services, the budgets for the Manitowaning and Sunsite Estates water treatment plants are currently included without any subsidy amount used as in previous years from Ontario Small Waterworks Assistance Program and last year, the gas tax. The treasurer also included an amount to cover year one of four to repay the amount covered (by the municipality for the residents of Bay Estates), which was taken out of last year's tax levy. (As reported previously, the water treatment plant at Sunsite had its rates rise by 41 percent this year.)

In the category of health

...Chrissy Wade brings clothes to Northern kids

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dren who need winter boots," she said. "I am hoping to go up to Sandy Lake soon and I will be trying to work with Bearskin and Wasaya again."

Ms. Wade notes that it costs about \$50 for 50 pounds of freight just from Sudbury to Thunder Bay, so any option that moves the material closer would be greatly helpful. "If someone is travelling up to Thunder Bay and can take some boxes with them that would really help out," she said.

Another option to assist would be using the excess capacity of other travellers. "If anybody is flying up into Northern communities and could bring some up with them (it would really help)," suggested Ms. Wade.

But what about the other side of the equation, that canine rescue role?

"I discovered dogs and puppies in need of medical attention," she said, noting her first discovery was of a family of eight

services, the allocation for the cemetery remains the same as in previous years. The ambulance portion of the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) will also see a three percent increase, but this is not based on the 2014 apportionment, as it has not yet been received.

This year a budget amount for the medical clinic building was also included, the treasurer explained, which has been missed in previous years. "I have budgeted for \$2,000 for this year, and have also included \$10,000 to setup a reserve to help cover any future unexpected building related expenses," Ms. MacDonald said.

In the department of social and family services, Assiginack has not yet received budget information from the DSB or the Manor, so a three percent increase was given here too.

For the most part, the recreation and cultural services portion of the budget remains close to the same as last year, Ms. MacDonald said. However, \$3,000 has been added to the arena budget for a surveillance system.

Under planning and development, the budget has allowed for a small increase for the Manitoulin Planning Board levy (not yet received), as well as an additional amount to help offset any remaining costs pertaining to the new Official Plan.

In the corporate capital section of the budget, line items include various reserve repayments, the annual surface treatment program, Cardwell Street reconstruction, landfill expansion, bank loan repayments (water treatment plant and arena) and Burns Wharf Theatre repairs. Another item that will need to be added, Ms. MacDonald explained, is the arena roof financing once the length of repayment has been decided upon.

Planning board front

Reeve Ham noted that the Manitoulin Planning Board has dropped its appeal with the Ontario Municipal Board over a planning decision made by the Northeast Town.

Councillor Paul Moffat questioned, on another

note, whether the Northeast Town was still proceeding with its withdrawal from the planning board (as reported in this week's paper). "As far as I know," the reeve said.

Assiginack seeks government funding

Council received notice of the Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Program for capacity funding last month.

Assiginack is eligible for \$21,278.10.

Council passed resolution 19-13 to authorize the submission of an expression of interest to the fund. If successful the funds would be used toward asset management planning (software, training, inspections, etc.).

A second resolution was also passed, authorizing a submission of interest under the Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund Capital Program in the amount of \$1,341,250 for the replacement of the filtration membrane in both the Manitowaning and Sunsite Estates water plants.

Council discussed filter options, all of which are expensive. Zenon filters would cost the municipality approximately \$500,000 to replace and last for eight years. Reeve Ham noted that the Sheguiandah and South Baymouth water treatment plants use the "slow sand" filtering process.

"We'll first ask for the money and then see what will fit into the footprint we have at the plants," the reeve said.

Seniors' housing group

The reeve explained that he and clerk-treasurer Alton Hobbs met with a group of local senior citizens interested in forming a committee to look into the need for affordable seniors' housing in Assiginack. The group explained that they would like to do a survey to assess the need for seniors' housing.

"If there's a willing group to take this on, that's great," Reeve Ham said, noting that he warned the group that this venture must not be taxing on municipal staff.

"It's good to have groups that are interested," Coun-

cillor Brenda Reid said. "There seems to be this perception that council turns down everything, but that's just not the case," she added.

New arena rates

At the recommendation of the recreation committee, the Assiginack arena will see a slight increase in rates through a motion passed by council, a first since 2010.

"We have an excellent facility and the rates should reflect this," Councillor Moffat said.

The new hourly rates, including HST, are as follows: prime time, \$90.40; minor hockey, \$73.45; school/special children's programs, \$33.90; men's and women's tournaments and fundraisers, \$73.45; family season public skating pass, \$67.80; single season pass, \$56.50; adult daily rates, \$4; and children's daily rates, \$2.

It was noted that the Little Current arena rates are \$110.50/hour, including HST for prime time (3 to 10 pm and weekends from 10 am to 10 pm). This rate drops to half price if rented for the day or in slower times.

Mindemoya falls in the \$70 range, with Wikwemikong coming in at \$105.

Assiginack supports Student Aid Fund

Once again, Assiginack will be supporting the Manitoulin Student Aid Fund with a \$300 bursary at the Manitoulin Secondary School's 44th annual Awards Night on December 18. Reeve Ham will be attending to hand out the award.

Cutback on winter meetings

Council passed a procedural bylaw at its last meeting, bylaw 13-20, to change the regular schedule of council meetings. The first regular meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of each month between January and April at 7 pm. The public works meeting will be held the third Tuesday of each month, also between January and April, at 5 pm in the council chambers.

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Ms. Wade's one-woman rescue efforts, like most such stories, really relies on the good will and assistance of many people, from the folks who find homes and assistance for the animals to those who make donations to the cause. She gives high praise to PetSave Sudbury and exhorts anyone who can provide a good home for a puppy or a dog in need of love and attention, or who has winter clothes, particularly for very young children, to contact her at 705-368-3182.

...Orville Aguonie

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to meet for over one year. (The community faced a roadside protest led by two of the three band councillors that lasted three months, beginning in August of 2012.) "Because of INAC's (Indian and Northern Affairs Canada) rules, those two councillors did what they did with no repercussions. I would like to have this new policy in place by the next election."

The policy would also open up discussion on how the community votes, as well as the length of term. If it's approved by INAC, then it can be passed into effect through band council resolution.

"In the face of everything, I stood firm I held my ground," he said of the protest. "One of the main reasons I was elected to office is for my tenacity. I still managed to get things done—the purchase of school buses, new powwow grounds and the work toward completing the new roundhouse was started."

Mr. Aguonie explained that under his leadership, the community was the recipient of a 50/50 Northern Ontario Heritage Fund/Sheguiandah First Nation grant for \$207,000 for the work on the roundhouse. "And I foresee that happening again in the spring, once the funds start flowing again," he said. The next steps for the roundhouse would see the addition of washrooms, a kitchen, geothermal heating as well as cottages and camping lots on its grounds.

"I'm also happy about the wind projects and the funds it will generate for the community—a minimum of \$10 million over 20 years," he continued. "The first installment this spring is \$500,000. The remaining funds can be used as equity toward further economic development. What I especially like about this is that it's our money and we can spend it how we want."

On the land claim front, Mr. Aguonie explained that Sheguiandah First Nation is involved with the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising claim on lake beds and bottoms, as well as its own claim in the French River area on territorial lands that were never surrendered. As for Heywood Island, he said there has been "good progress" with its own research into the land, as well as dialogue with Wikwemikong, which also has an interest in the island.

As for a third term as chief, should Mr. Aguonie see himself re-elected his focus will be economic development, as well as the start of an economic development corporation.

This is also the second year of the community's commercial fishing project and Mr. Aguonie said he would also like to see a branch into agriculture, all of which, he said, would help Sheguiandah become less reliant on government funds.

Mr. Aguonie said his community is in need of more housing, and a 54-lot subdivision has already been drafted. Talks with the First Nations Market Housing Fund have been in the works too, he added. He said his community's immediate needs are housing units for single people, as well as assisted living quarters, which the elders have requested.

"We can keep moving forward, or take a couple of big steps backward," Mr. Aguonie said. "When I came into office there was a \$750,000 deficit, which has since been eliminated—I'm fiscally responsible."

"I have the experience, the know-how and the business savvy to keep this community moving along," he added. "Actions speak louder than words. Some people say what they're going to do, but I've done it. With the help of staff and the good community behind me, we can really go places."

The election for chief and council will take place between 9 am and 8 pm this Saturday, November 23 at the Sheguiandah First Nation community centre.

There are also nine names on the ballot for the three positions of councillor. They are Jake Ago neh, James Atkinson, Jackie Bowerman, Constance (Connie) Donaldson, April McDowell, Kevin (Gabby) Mishibinijima, Tanya Gertrude Sagutch, Georgina Thompson and Matthew Daniel Waindubence.

...community devastated by typhoon

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was in the Philippines was when I was 11-years-old," he said. "It was pretty unrecognizable from the places I ran around and played while I was there."

The community Mr. Cortes was visiting, and where some of his relatives still reside, lies just 60 kilometres from the sea. "You can smell the sea air if the wind is blowing the right way," he said. There were three houses on the property where Mr. Cortes stayed, a summer building with bamboo and a taller wooden structure built on stilts should floods hit and then a sturdy brick home built to withstand the kind of winds that commonly accompany typhoons—although Haiyan was not your typical storm.

Mr. Cortes said he was more concerned about his father's reaction to the storm than he was his own. "The relatives there are blood strangers, people I didn't know myself personally," he said. "You are obviously struck by the tragedy of the situation, but for me there was not as much of a personal connection as there is for my par-

...Richard Shawanda

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Nations Education Act, released last month, which will give First Nations some say over their education, but absolute power and standards will remain with the government. "It's a real headache," he said of the education act, "but at the band level, they should have something to say."

Mr. Shawanda says he envisions an elders' council "with a set of teeth" that could direct chief and council, as well as a youth council. "Nobody knows better what the youth want than the youth themselves."

The candidate for chief said he is pleased with his campaign so far and has made himself available to answer questions from his community.

"I never really left politics behind," he said, noting that he has always kept close tabs on First Nations issues in Parliament.

Like many First Nations communities, Mr. Shawanda said housing is an issue with more units needed for single people and families. "There has been no new housing in the past four or five years, and that's an issue." The teens that were living at home five years ago are now young adults and looking for places of their own, he said, and "it's difficult to house an extra 15 to 20 people with this strain."

There are some rules surrounding Ontario Works, he added, that make it difficult for families with adult children to live with each other, or risk having their already small monthly allowance cut.

Mr. Shawanda also spoke to The Expositor about land claims issues facing Sheguiandah First Nation that are pressing to its people, noting Heywood Island in particular. While he realizes that Wikwemikong has also stated its interests in the island, past research he has done on the land has led him to "some workable conclusions that can be further discussed," he said. As Sheguiandah has seen little information regarding Wikwemikong's claim he was hesitant to go into detail, but said that the elders should have the chance to discuss the matter of Heywood Island.

On the topic of economic development, Mr. Shawanda said this must be one of the first things to be discussed in a new term, as this will also mean employment for the community.

"Leg work has to be done to access government funding," he added. "Our youth want to stay here on Manitoulin," Mr. Shawanda said, adding that every opportunity must be made to make sure they are successful on Manitoulin, allowing them equal access to post-secondary education.

"Right now, if the community has 12 students eligible for post-secondary education, only six of them would be able to go on in school under Indian Act funding," Mr. Shawanda explained. "They then have to rely on social services. It's not fair to have to pick and choose who gets to go, which has happened before."

"I want to work with the education institutions to see all of them go without going over our education allowance," he continued.

"There have been many policies made in the last 25 years that limit what First Nations can do," the candidate said of the Indian Act. "It's restrictive, with too many boundaries."

"I would like to see the community continue on in a progressive manner," Mr. Shawanda concluded. "I have 12 years of experience as chief and I was asked to come back at the request of the community—I think I have something to offer."

The election for chief and council of the Sheguiandah First Nation will be held this Saturday, November 23 at the Sheguiandah First Nation community centre. Voting will commence at 9 am until 8 pm. Vaughan Johnston is the electoral officer.

Names on the ballot for the three positions of councillor are Jake Ago neh, James Atkinson, Jackie Bowerman, Constance (Connie) Donaldson, April McDowell, Kevin (Gabby) Mishibinijima, Tanya Gertrude Sagutch, Georgina Thompson and Matthew Daniel Waindubence.

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Weengushk feature film 'Moose River Crossing' begins film festival circuit

by Robin Burridge

M'CHIGEENG—The Weengushk Film Institute (WFI) recently debuted the school's first feature film, 'Moose River Crossing,' at the imagineNATIVE Film and Media Arts Festival in Toronto, beginning the film's festival circuit.

"The film has debuted at imagine-Native and I just returned from the American Indian Film Festival in San Francisco where the film was very well received," WFI Founding Artistic and Executive Director Dr. Shirley Cheechoo told The Expositor.

'Moose River Crossing' was written by Dr. Cheechoo as a play and was rewritten as a screenplay when the school began discussing producing a feature film.

"I wrote 'Moose River Crossing' a number of years ago, originally as a stage play," explained Dr. Shirley Cheechoo. "It was well received after a reading in Toronto, but my focus at the time was my film work."

The film focusses on six residential school survivors in their 30s who meet at the 'Moose River Crossing' train station on their way to a residential school reunion. The train is derailed and the characters become stuck at the station, sharing their personal stories and experiences."

Dr. Cheechoo revealed that she drew inspiration for the screenplay from both her and her family's experiences at residential schools.

"I am a residential school survivor, as are my brothers and sisters,"



'Moose River Crossing' filming on location at the Wellness Centre in M'Chigeeng last fall.

photo by Robin Burridge

shared Ms. Cheechoo. "I attended residential school for eight years and a lot of the stories in the film reflect my own experiences."

Though the subject matter of 'Moose River Crossing' is serious, Dr. Cheechoo explained that the characters are very humorous and invoke laughter, an action that many First Nations believe to be healing.

"The film is not focussed on blame, just sharing and healing," said Dr. Cheechoo. "It is very character driven."

The entire film was shot on Manitoulin in six days using area actors such as Matthew Manitowabi, Brigitte Yang, Micheline Blais, Cameron Skura, Cherlynn Panamick and Doug Bedard.

"Normally, for a 90-minute film you have around 21 days to film," explained Nano Debassige, WFI Senior Manager, when The Expositor was

on set last fall, "but we are doing this in six days, which is quite the challenge, followed by three weeks of post-production, which is normally six months."

WFI students were an intricate part of the film's production, taking on the roles of assistant script editor (Marie Cheechoo), costume designer (Bill Shawanda), prop coordinator (Breanne Addison), co-producer (Gretta Cheechoo) and various shadow crew positions.

'Moose River Crossing' will be shown next at the Female Eye Film Festival in Sudbury at the Rainbow Cinema this Saturday, November 23 at 7 pm.

For more information about the screening or about the Weengushk, call 705-377-6011 or visit www.weengushk.com.

...Labelle inducted into Great Northern Opry

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formed across the Highway 11 corridor in the appropriately named three piece band Claybelt and the band Ebony, the event is often an opportunity to reconnect with some old friends.

"There are so many great bands in Northern Ontario that we don't often get to see on Manitoulin," he said. "There was Dan Reid from the Reid family in Sudbury, there is always a few people that you get to see."

Mr. Labelle had high praise for those who make the Great Northern Opry happen each year. "There is some great support here on the Island," he said. "People like Glen and Bev McDougall here on Manitoulin do tremendous work, but there are people in all the little communities and towns across Northern Ontario who organize things in their areas too."

A sad note to this year's awards was the recent passing of Carol Patterson, the wife of the Great Northern Opry co-founder Dave Patterson. "It was very emotional for him during the speeches," said Mr. Labelle. "It was tough on him." But despite the personal tragedy, Mr. Labelle noted that the event went off per-

fectly. "There wasn't a hitch," he said.

Music is one of the great bonding elements in Mr. Labelle's life. "I have met so many great people on Manitoulin through music," he said. "There is a bond that is created between people when they play music together that is very special."

If there was any concern that all this newfound notoriety would go to Mr. Labelle's head, it is quickly dispelled by what the recent inductee was excited to relay at the end of the interview.

Following the awards, Mr. Labelle and his wife took a short vacation. Where might you ask? Nashville, of course. "Nashville is such an amazing music town," he said. "You have to go. Of course there is country music, but there is also all different kinds of music here too."

Mr. Labelle relayed how he and his wife spent several hours in a line-up to enter the Bluebird Cafe. "Peter Nelson (of Mindemoya) told me about the cafe," he said. "It is a songwriter's cafe, people who write go up and they each play a few songs and hope that one of country singers

will choose to record their song." The lines were long and the disappointed couple didn't make it into the 5 o'clock show. "But just as we were leaving a fellow said there was an 8 o'clock show. So we just changed lines."

What followed was a long but serendipitous wait. The Labelles struck up conversations with their fellow music lovers in line and the time flew by quickly and they found themselves a few feet from the performers onstage. "There were about eight artists who did about three songs each," he said. But the last act wasn't there to gain attention, said Mr. Labelle. "It was Don Schlitz." That name might not be familiar to most, but if one were to say Kenny Rogers and 'The Gambler,' or Randy Travis and 'For Ever and Ever Amen' you may get an inkling of the excitement felt by a musician who recognized the original author of those mega-hits.

"I was 12 feet away from him. He played about 12 songs," enthused Mr. Labelle. "We got our CD autographed by him and had our picture taken with him."

...GB cycling route is taking shape

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the four-laning of Highway 69 continues quickly. "There just are not a lot of alternatives in that area," she noted. But the goal is definitely to have a circle route that encompasses Georgian Bay. "That would really be nice," she said. "We are working now to see if that is possible—checking out the different options."

The first phase of the feasibility study is expected to be completed by the end of March.

The first phase is the technical feasibility, explained Ms. Mursell. Phase two is

the cost benefit analysis and resources, and phase three is the implementation plan.

Ms. Mursell noted that LAMBAC has been instrumental in moving the cycling route plan forward. "They have been strongly committed to the route," she said. "They applied to FedNor for the funding, the Heart and Stroke Foundation and the Ontario Ministry of Tourism."

The Manitoulin area is already well served by the Welcome Cyclists website with maps and cycling friendly businesses listed on the site at welcomecyclists.ca/manitoulinlacleche.

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Mindemoya author Jan McQuay shows off her new book 'Scenic Manitoulin Through the Seasons' at The Expositor office in Little Current.

Expositor staff photo

Jan McQuay launches 'Scenic Manitoulin Through the Seasons'

by Sharon Jackson

GORE BAY—Jan McQuay of Mindemoya, best known for her Scenic Manitoulin calendars, has produced a coffee table book which depicts photos of the Island—Meldrum Bay to Wikwemikong—along with commentary that provides the reader a fascinating aspect of the rich history of the Island.

From sand hill cranes to Misery Bay Provincial Park to cows grazing in a pasture, Ms. McQuay shared a myriad of photos and subjects during the launch of her book at the Gore Bay Harbour Centre last week.

Ms. McQuay stated, "it was my way of discovering Manitoulin Island. One thing I wanted to do was write about and (research) what interested me."

"We never saw sand hill cranes when I was growing up here," she added. The species declined almost to the point of extinction back in 1916 (when the commercial hunt was banned) and were only reintroduced in the 1970s. These birds are quite large and have a very distinctive sound.

"Misery Bay," Ms. McQuay continued, "is one of my favourite spots on Manitoulin." A member of the Friends of Misery Bay Provincial Park, Ms. McQuay stated that it is 8.4 square kilometres and made up primarily of donated land.

Cows grazing on property owned by Bruce and Helen Gordon (Range Road en route to Maple Point in Billings) may not sound very interesting, but after much research Ms. McQuay learned and shared the importance of cattle farming on the Island. Formed in 1944 the Manitoulin Livestock Co-operative saw more than 320 cattle producers make the trek, some by foot (50 kilometers from Mudge Bay to Little Current for example), to the sales barn in Little Current.

Ms. McQuay told The Expositor that while driving around the Island in past years taking photographs for her calendars (which she has been selling since 2005), "I would think how I didn't know a lot about what I was looking at." For example, the deer on the Island. Questions like how did they get here, the conditions they live in, and so on.

It became a lesson in history, natural science and geology when discovering about different trees on the Island, said Ms. McQuay.

"This book is a collection of pictures and commentary that together convey my impressions of the many fascinating aspects of Manitoulin Island. I hope you like it," Ms. McQuay concluded.

'Scenic Manitoulin Through the Seasons' is on sale at the Rain Barrel and The Manitoulin Expositor in Little Current. Ms. McQuay will have her book available at the MSS Shopping Spree on Friday and Saturday of this week and in Mindemoya next Saturday, November 23.

The cost is \$50 and will make a wonderful keepsake gift for anyone on your Christmas list.



Hungry Hunters

Marilee Hore, left, and Mike and Sharon Terry, far right, of the Eastern Star made Little Current's Carl Halverson one happy hunter by selling him a selection of pies at their annual pie sale last Friday.

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'Celebrity chefs' needed for Community Living Manitoulin cooking school

MINDEMOYA—Individuals within Community Living Manitoulin have been taking part in a cooking class of late. It gives them an opportunity to develop basic cooking skills, allows them to try new foods and provides them with a way to sit down and enjoy a meal with friends. Individuals pay a fee of five dollars which, in turn, helps them gain experience and allows them to take home two dishes to put in their freezer.

"I know how to cook on my own, but I like coming here (to the cooking program) to learn new things," stated John Phillip, a frequent participant.

The class is run by Alice Harmer or Michelle Dickinson every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30 to 3 pm.

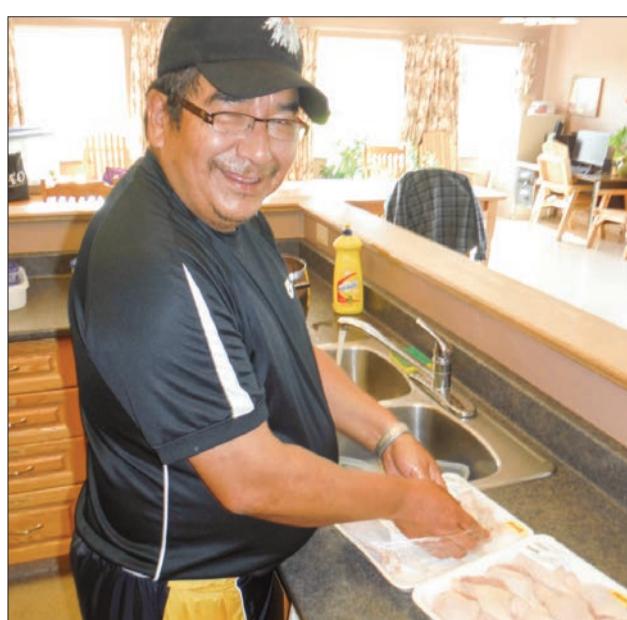
"We try to pick recipes that the individuals can

make at home," Ms. Harmer explained.

Meals that have been prepared include ground beef hamburgers and baked fries, pork chops and vegetables, and even a delicious chicken stew with dumplings has been made from scratch. A favourite dish that many of the individuals like to cook is pasta.

"I asked if we could make key lime pie, and we ended up making it the next week. It's one of my favourites," stated Jamie, another program participant.

The individuals who attend the cooking program not only get to bring home delicious meals twice a week, but they get a first-hand experience in the kitchen. They learn the correct way to follow a recipe, how to utilize kitchen tools, understand



Food enthusiast John Phillip smiles for the camera while he prepares chicken for a hearty stew.

how to properly measure an item, dice and chop various ingredients, learn how to use stove and oven settings safely, and, of

course, cleaning up as they cook in order to avoid an unsightly mess at the end

of it all.

"Most of the people that participate in the cooking program are on a budget of forty dollars a week. Healthy meals don't have to be expensive, just throw a few ingredients into a crock pot and you're good to go!" explained Ms. Dickinson.

All too often we find ourselves going to the grocery store to buy a box of Kraft Dinner for a quick and easy meal. This program helps others to break away from the packaged food and explore new, healthier options. It gives the individuals a reason to be excited about healthy eating.

Community Living Manitoulin would like to offer a way to help people to get involved in a fun experience.

Those who would like to

volunteer to teach a cooking class as the 'celebrity chef' at Hope Terrace in Mindemoya are urged to apply. A diploma in the food industry is not a requirement, but volunteers who have a passion for cooking, and feel generous enough to donate their time for a good cause are encouraged. A one-hour training session will be provided to the volunteer to help prepare them for the cooking session.

This is an exciting way to help get the community involved and have fun at the same time.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in being our celebrity chef please contact Monique via email to mdubray@clmanitoulin.com or call 705-377-6699 extension 29.



International guitar event

Eight enormously talented guitarists (four Canadians and four Austrians) came together as 'Guitar 8' and played a concert to a standing-room-only and enthusiastic audience at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church in Mindemoya earlier this month. The first stop on their cross-Canada tour, the Canadian section of the Canadian Guitar Quartet includes Phillip Candelaria, a music professor at Cambrian College and University of Ottawa and a seasonal resident of Manitoulin Island at his White's Point cottage. During the afternoon, the guitar ensemble had performed for Manitoulin Secondary School students where they also received a warm and enthusiastic welcome.

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Church bells herald 100th anniversary of bridge's first swing

by Alicia McCutcheon
LITTLE CURRENT—A group of almost 75 hearty souls gathered at the Little Current end of the Manitoulin swing bridge at 9 am on a cold and blustery Monday morning, November 18, to mark the occasion of the 100th anniversary (exact date and time) of the first swing of the historic bridge.

Huddled in their cars against the gusts of cold wind—the same wind that had brought an Island-wide power outage in the wee hours of that morning—until that exact moment, a steady stream of people lined Highway 6, eager to mark the old girl's birthday on this day of no power. While the bridge is still equipped to swing, power or no power, it was not to be. Bridgemaster Louie Gordon admitted to having never swung the bridge on a day with winds as wicked as Monday's, and was not going to risk it. Once the bridge is unlatched, he explained, there was no telling whether he could return it back to its perch. He did, however, lower the barricades and close down the bridge to traffic at 9 am so everyone wanting to be a part of the moment could "get close" to the bridge.

Undaunted, the well-wishers walked on the bridge, posed amid howling winds for a photo and even sang a rousing rendition of the Happy Birthday Song. Then it was off to 3 Cows and a Cone for a slice of



Approximately 75 people braved the elements to honour the 100th anniversary of the iconic bridge's first swing on Monday morning at 9 am. Following this photo, the group sang the Happy Birthday Song to the 100-year-old bridge.

INSET: One hundred years ago the bridge builders pose for a shot, much like the one taken Monday.



Ivan Wheale rang the bell at the Little Current United Church in honour of the occasion.



Joanne Wade had the bells pealing at the Holy Trinity Anglican Church.

birthday cake. The day was probably not unlike the one 100 years ago, complete with no electricity on Manitoulin. The first bridge swing was done by hand.

Katherine Pinch, 91, of Little Current, was the oldest resident there to mark the occasion. Her brother, the late Austin Bateman, worked on the bridge for many years, she shared. The youngest celebrant was 14-month-old Indiana Desaulniers from Gore Bay. Ben Armstrong, 18, of Little Current attended the celebration, put on by The Expositor, with his grandmother Maureen. He explained that he wanted to come, the importance of being present for the anniversary not lost on him



Expositor publisher Julia McCutcheon, left, hand delivers a 100th anniversary swing bridge pin to Brenda Pinch and her mother Katherine Pinch. Brenda's uncle Austin Bateman worked on the bridge for many years.



Kristine Desaulniers and 14-month-old Indiana eat celebratory birthday cake at 3 Cows and a Cone.

at 9 am to mark the occasion. Ivan Edwards was the official bell ringer at the Little Current United Church while Joanne Wade fulfilled a lifelong dream and joyously rang the bells across the street at her church, Holy Trinity Anglican. (St. Bernard's Catholic Church participated in the bell ringing in spirit as their new system demands electricity for the clapper to hit the bell).

As in 1913, Little Current's church bells pealed

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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.

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overview of year
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A complete job description is available at the municipal office.

Application Deadline:
Wednesday, November 28, 2013 at 12:00 noon

Forward application to:
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Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
Postal Bag 2000
LITTLE CURRENT, ON P0P 1K0
pcress@townofnemi.on.ca

Phone: 705-368-3500 ext. 228
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Shift: EVENINGS/DAYS/NIGHTS & WEEKEND Shifts

Salary: Based on education, experience and salary grid.

N.B. Applications for this position must include a letter of interest, current resume and a list of three references submitted to Hali Pitawanakwat, Director of Care before 15:00 November 22, 2013.

NOTE: Late applications will not be accepted. Successful applicants will be required to submit a criminal reference check & vulnerable sector screen.

Hali Pitawanakwat, Director of Care

Wikwemikong Nursing Home
2281 Wikwemikong Way
PO Box 114
Wikwemikong, ON
POB 2J0



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

FINANCIAL ASSISTANT/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER INTERN

The Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island is a Northern community, located on Manitoulin Island which is in the Northern part of Lake Huron, serving a population of approximately 600 residents with a large increase in population in the summer months with tourism and seasonal residents. The Municipality is accepting applications for the position of Financial Assistant/ Economic Development Officer Intern.

Qualifications for this position include:

- Minimum qualifications for this position include post-secondary degree/diploma specializing in Accounting or related discipline.
 - Experience with Accounting and Tax Software, Excel programs
 - Must have previous years of relevant experience in a financial background.
 - Public sector experience including experience completing annual Financial Information Returns and Financial Statements will be considered an asset
 - A Degree/Diploma in economics, commerce, business administration or public administration with at least three years experience in a related field;
 - Experience dealing with government agencies, businesses and municipal government;
 - Excellent skills in the areas of interpersonal relations, organizational, time management, research and knowledge of political process;
 - Experience in accessing Federal and Provincial funding;
 - Strong marketing and communication skills both written and oral;
 - Good understanding of the local government decision-making process and overall municipal policies and practices;
 - Excellent computer skills;
 - Must be a Team player;
 - Northern Ontario secondary school graduate 29 years of age or under who recently graduated from an accredited college or university.
- The incumbent will be responsible for duties assigned by and under the direction of the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer in both the Financial Assistant and EDO position.

Salary to commensurate will be based on certification and job experience. To find out more about our great community and the many benefits of joining our team, please submit a detailed resume and proof of qualifications by **Thursday, December 19, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.** to:

Carrie Lewis, CMO
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island
Box 680, 29 Noble Sideroad
Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0
Fax: (705) 282-2722
e-mail: clerk@gordonbarrieisland.ca

We thank all applicants and advise that only candidates to be interviewed will be contacted. Personal information submitted is collected under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will only be used for the purposes of determining eligibility for this competition.

THIS OPPORTUNITY IS PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:





**Shelter Residential Counsellors
Casual Positions**

Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR) requires two (2) casual Residential Counsellors to support women in our shelter program.

The successful candidates will have a relevant post-secondary diploma or degree and/or a combination of training/experience working with woman abuse and its effects on women and children.

Other qualifications include excellent interpersonal, organizational, and communication skills; a proven ability to be a team player; experience working with diverse and marginalized clients.

Each position is a six (6) month contract bargaining unit position with a possibility of extension. Flexibility in scheduling will be required.

First Nation applicants are encouraged to apply.

Deadline: Friday, November 29, 2013, 12:00 pm.

Please forward resume and cover letter to:

Brenda Clark
VAWP Program Director
Manitoulin Family Resources
P.O. Box 181,
Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0
bclark@mresources.net
Fax 705.377.4863

MFR Mission Statement

To enhance the quality of life of individuals and families by providing resources, advocacy, support, and education through the agency's three program areas of Children's Services, Violence Against Women Prevention, and Emergency Food Assistance.



**FORM 6
SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER**

The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah

Take notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the land(s) described below and will be received until 3:00 pm local time on November 29, 2013, at

The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah, 456 Highway 542A, Tehkummah, ON P0P 2C0

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at 3:15 pm local time, at **The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah**

DESCRIPTION OF LAND(S)

<i>Pin</i>	47130-0365 (LT) 47130-0370 (LT)
<i>Address</i>	Not assigned
<i>Description</i>	FIRSTLY: PT LT 26 CON 6 TEHKUMMAH PT 3, 31R863; TEHKUMMAH; SECONDLY: PT LT 26 CON 6 BEING PT 2, 31R2793 & PT LT 27 CON 6 BEING THE E 1/2 OF THE N 1/2 AS IN RM68519; TEHKUMMAH
<i>Roll no.</i>	51 01 000 001 16203 0000

MINIMUM TENDER AMOUNT \$8,826.29

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality (or board) and representing at least twenty per cent (20%) of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land(s) to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, HST if applicable and the relevant land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender contact:

<i>Title</i>	<i>Name of Municipality or Board</i>
Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk-Treasurer	The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah
<i>Address of Municipality or Board</i>	<i>Phone No. of Municipality or Board</i>
456 Highway 542A, General Delivery	705-859-3293

FORM 6
Municipal Act, 2001

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on December 4, 2013, at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya.

Description of Lands:

Roll No. 51 04 020 003 39400 0000; PIN 47115-0189(LT); Parcel 1149 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 16 Concession 17 Carnarvon designated Part 47 Plan MR22 T/W ROW over Parts 186, 187 MR22, Part 155 MR23, Part 109 MR24, Part 164 MR26 and Part 67 MR36 as in LT1923; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-01

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,381.12

Roll No. 51 04 020 003 39600 0000; PIN 47115-0190(LT); Parcel 1149 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 16 Concession 17 Carnarvon designated Part 49 Plan MR22 T/W ROW over Parts 186, 187 MR22, Part 155 MR23, Part 109 MR24, Part 164 MR26 and Part 67 MR36 as in LT1923; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-02

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,416.74

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 85400 0000; PIN 47115-0874(LT); Parcel 1136 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 21 Concession 18 Carnarvon designated Part 9 Plan MR37; T/W ROW over Part 50 MR37, Parts 109 & 110 MR24, Part 164 MR26, Part 31 MR38 as in LT1869; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-03

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,173.79

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 85600 0000; PIN 47115-0875(LT); Parcel 1136 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 21 Concession 18 Carnarvon designated Part 11 Plan MR37; T/W ROW over Part 50 MR37, Parts 109 & 110 MR24, Part 164 MR26, Part 31 MR38 as in LT1869; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-04

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,214.49

Roll No. 51 04 010 001 29400 0000; PIN 47112-0086(LT); Part Lot 29 Concession 1 Campbell as in RM49754; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-11

Minimum Tender Amount: \$6,289.10

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 30800 0000; PIN 47115-0766(LT); Parcel 1023 Section Manitoulin; Part Lot 13 Concession 15 Carnarvon designated Part 142 Plan MR27; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-13

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,507.02

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 35200 0000; PIN 47115-1542(LT); Parcel 1047 Section Manitoulin; Part Lots 12 and 13 Concession 15 Carnarvon; designated Part 12 Plan MR33; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-14

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,506.74

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 36900 0000; PIN 47115-1541(LT); Parcel 1047 Section Manitoulin; Part Lot 12 Concession 15 Carnarvon designated Part 29 Plan MR33; Central Manitoulin; File No 12-15

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,509.70

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 48900 0000; PIN 47115-1829(LT); Parcel 1053 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 15 Concession 16 Carnarvon designated Part 33 Plan MR34; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-16

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,506.84

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 73100 0000; PIN 47115-1837(LT); Parcel 1059 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 19 Concession 17 Carnarvon designated Part 128 Plan MR35; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-17

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,506.05

Roll No. 51 04 020 005 06600 0000; PIN 47115-1228(LT); Parcel 1075 Section Manitoulin; Part Broken Lot 26 Concession 18 Carnarvon designated Part 66 Plan MR38; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-18

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,506.28

Roll No. 51 04 020 004 32000 0000; PIN 47115-0767(LT); Parcel 1023 Section Manitoulin; Part Lot 13 Concession 15 Carnarvon designated Part 154 Plan MR27; Central Manitoulin; File No. 12-19

Minimum Tender Amount: \$3,546.34

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, HST if applicable and the relevant land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit:

www.OntarioTaxSales.ca

or if no internet access available, contact:

Ruth Frawley
CAO/Clerk
The Corporation of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin
P.O. Box 187
6020 Highway 542
Mindemoya ON P0P 1S0
(705) 377-5726

**View the Death Notices
online at
manitoulin.ca**

Death Notices

PAUL ZAHOREC

Paul Zahorec of Espanola passed away at the Espanola Hospital on Thursday, October 31, 2013 at the age of 72 years. Beloved husband and best friend to his wife Hester. Loving father of Jeffrey (wife Wendy) and twin granddaughters Alexis and Brooke Zahorec and Christopher (wife Helen) and step grandchildren Dalia and Micah. Paul is survived by his loving mother, Marie and siblings, Heather, Debbie, Gordon, Beth, Robert, Anna and Scott. Also, by special brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Godfrey and Barbara Cranston. Loved by nieces and nephews and so many friends. Paul was a friend to all and could not do enough for the town of Espanola and its people. He was a great champion of youth often heading up special fund raising breakfasts for children in need. Lionism was his second home. Paul received the Melville Jones award from his fellow Lions. This is the highest in Lionism. Paul worked hard to raise funds for the complex and the 32 long-term beds at the hospital. He was very involved in the United Church, on the Board and in the choir. For fourteen years Paul was involved with minor hockey in Espanola with his sons, always raising funds for the buses, etc. Paul was a Cub Scout leader in Espanola for many years. He had achieved his own status as a Queen Scout. Friends called at the Bourcier Funeral Home, Espanola on Sunday, November 3, 2013 from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm. Funeral Service was from the United Church of Espanola on Monday, November 4, 2013 at 10:30 am with the Reverend Cory Vermeer-Cuthbert officiating. Interment in the Mountain View Cemetery, Little Current. If so desired, memorial tributes may be made to the United Church of Espanola.

FRANK JAMES HORSFALL

Frank James Horsfall died peacefully at the Manitoulin Health Centre on Saturday, November 16, 2013 at the age of 84. Survived by his beloved wife Florence. Dear father of Jim (Joanne), Kim (predeceased), Mary (Bob Weinhart), Ken and Joe. Proud grampa of Jocelyn, Melissa, Fiona, Genevieve, Crystal, Jessica, Alyssa, Stephanie, Sara and Richard (predeceased). Great-grampa of Leanne, McKenzie and Noah. Loved brother of Jack and Mildred (both predeceased), Kitt Burnett (Glenn), Bud (predeceased), and Dorothy Todman (Bev). Frank was an electrician at the Garson Mine, he was a co-ordinator for mine rescue for many years. Frank will be remembered as a influential ham radio operator. During the Cold War he was involved with civil defence, and on stand by at the radar base in Sudbury. He was a message relayer for ships at sea and for sending Christmas messages for the Dew Line Operators. Visitation was from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, November 19, 2013. Funeral Service is at 10 am on Wednesday, November 20, 2013, all at Island Funeral Home. Burial at Coldsprings Cemetery. Leave your thoughts and memories at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted at Island Funeral Home, Little Current.



*Look Out
for Your Friends*

Please consider contributing to the

**Central Manitoulin
Animal Welfare Fund**
*Serving Manitoulin Animals
in Distress*

Please make cheques payable to:

**The Township of Central
Manitoulin
(Animal Welfare Fund)**
**c/o Box 187, 6020 Highway 542
Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0**
call 377-5726 for more info.
Tax deductible charitable receipts will be
issued
for contributions of \$10.00 or more.

HUGH FRANKLIN LITTLE

AUGUST 5, 1929 - NOVEMBER 13, 2013

In loving memory of Hugh Little, a resident of Tehkummah, who died at the Mindemoya Hospital on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at the age of 84 years. He was born at Success, Saskatchewan, son of the late Frank and Ina (Turnbull) Little. Hugh had farmed all his life, and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Quite the personable man, Hugh loved to tell tales and jokes, and seldom ever the same story or joke twice. Even in the last few days, he was still able to tell a joke or two. Hugh loved going for drives around the country with nephew Dave, having fish and chips and watching the Chi-Cheemaun at South Baymouth. Hugh is survived by sister Shirley Ann Montgomery and sisters-in-law Marguerite Little and Lorna Little. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by sisters Frieda, Pearl (Herb) Easton, Mary (Ross) Love and brothers Allen and Garnet Little. Friends may call at the Tehkummah United Church from 10 am on Saturday, November 23, 2013. The funeral service to celebrate Hugh's life will be conducted at 11 am with Rev. Martin Garness officiating. Interment of ashes in Hilly Grove Cemetery. If so desired, donations, by cheque only, to any Children's Charity would be appreciated (Sick Kids Hospital, Shriners Hospital, etc.) Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

MERVYN "POOKS" JULIAN PITAWANAKWAT

MARCH 18, 1961 - NOVEMBER 11, 2013

In loving memory of Mervyn Julian Pitawanakwat who passed peacefully on Monday, November 11, 2013. Merv passed on to the Spirit World at his residence. Survived by beloved son Sebastian Manitowabi (Angela), and daughter Erika Corbiere (Damian) Son of the late Julian Pitawanakwat and Violet Rosa Pitawanakwat-Burke. Will be remembered by sisters Mary Ann (Bonn), Jean (Eric), Beverly (Nelson), Cathy, and brother Renee Lee of North Carolina, USA. Dear uncle of Ronald (Marcela), Amber, Nodin, Steven (Alice), Naomi, Bronson, Blossom, Jaynee and Thunder. Grandfather to Shawn, Sylvester, Jareim and Rowan. Great-uncle to many great-nieces and nephews. Family and friends gathered from 10 am on Thursday, November 14, 2013 at Buzwah Church. Funeral Service was at 1 pm on Saturday, November 16, 2013 at Holy Cross Mission. Burial at Holy Cross Mission Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home.

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

KENNETH WARREN ENSE "SKAWBEWIS" (HELPER) NIGIG DODEM (OTTER CLAN)



In loving memory of Ken Ense, a resident of M'Chigeeng First Nation, who started his Journey to the Spirit World at the Mindemoya Hospital on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at the age of 50 years. He was born in Mindemoya, son of the late Harold and Beatrice (Debassige) Ense. Ken had worked as a substitute teacher, working with special needs students at Lakeview School, and also was Audio Visual Technician at O.C.F. Ken was a passionate artist, having many of his works of art enjoyed in numerous locations around the world. He loved the outdoors and spending time in the bush, learning about and observing nature. He loved having fires, and was well known for his enjoyment of fireworks! A student of traditional medicines, Ken was very knowledgeable of not only medicines, but also of his traditional and cultural ways and teachings. However, Ken's greatest pride was his kids and grandson Ethan. Ken will be sadly missed by son Jeffrey of Sudbury and daughter Celina (Steve) of M'Chigeeng. Extremely proud grandfather of Ethan. Loved and loving brother of Martin (Justeen), Sadie (Eldridge), Gerald (Debbie), Geraldine (Bill), Abby, Norma (Gary), Elsie (Patrick), Jay (Missy) and daughter-in-law Janette. Predeceased by brothers Floyd and Ron. Sadly missed by nieces and nephews Elvis, Kyle, Beatrice, Nancy, Randy, Martha, Jeremy, Ramona, Robin, Darryl, Whitney, Floyd, Phoenix, Daphne, Darren Jr., Gerard, Shane and Jared. Also survived by many great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and friends. Relatives and friends called at the home of Gerald and Debbie Ense, 716 Cross Hill Road, M'Chigeeng after 10 am on Sunday, November 17, 2013. The funeral mass to celebrate Ken's life was conducted at Immaculate Conception Church, M'Chigeeng on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 11 am with Fr. Jim Kelly as celebrant. Interment of cremated remains in M'Chigeeng Cemetery. If so desired, donations may be made to the Diabetic Society or the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

MARGENA "BUBBLES" BAXTER

Margena "Bubbles" Baxter, beloved wife of the late Erling (2009), passed away peacefully at Extendicare Van Daele on Thursday, October 3, 2013 at the age of 86 years. Dear mother of Gerry (Blanche), Greg (Lynda), Paul (Suzanne) and Heather Link (Rick). Cherished grandmother of 10 and great-grandmother of 12. Predeceased by her parents Albert and Marganie Grant of the Manitoulin Island. Predeceased by her three brothers and four sisters and their spouses. Sister-in-law to 11. She will be missed by her many nieces and nephews. Friends called at Northwood Funeral Home Cremation and Reception Centre (942 Great Northern Road 705-945-7758) on Monday, October 7, 2013 from 12 noon until time of funeral service in the Chapel at 1 pm with Rev. Jim Moffatt officiating. Interment at Hilly Grove Cemetery, Manitoulin Island. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to ARCH or charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.northwoodfuneral.com.



200 acre farm, easy year round well maintained road, well kept property, large barn, large implement shed, four-bedroom, two-bathroom, renovated home. Updates include heating system, shingles, flooring, open bright interior on one floor. Call 705-368-1003 for viewing.
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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.



PRIVATE SALE

Largest greenhouses and nursery on Manitoulin Island and the North Shore. Approximately 650' frontage on main Hwy #6. 9.9 acres of cleared land (perfect location for market garden, large pond for irrigation), 2 pumphouses to supply 16 greenhouses. Large diesel generator, 3 bedroom residence (including all appliances) 20'x40' storage shed. Kubota tractor and implements, diesel truck (7.3 International) and a 26' hauling tractor. Established in 1975, large clientele, contracts with major cities.

Selling price: \$349,000

Owner wants to retire.

For more info call 705-859-3189

Fax 705-859-2635

Location: Rainbow Gardens,
16700 Hwy #6, Manitowaning, ON P0P 1N0



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 ConvectAir 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 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



COMMERCIAL - Hwy 6 exposure just south of Manitowaning. 12.47 acres with commercial/agri zoning, 1000' frontage on Hwy 6, features a huge 6250 sq. ft. commercial building on concrete slab, older home, 2 other out-buildings. Ideal for various commercial uses, trucking, warehouse, storage barn, heavy equipment and so on. \$159,000. MLS#1020985



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



SHEGUANDAH HAMLET - 3 bedroom house in the Hamlet of Sheguandah with views of the Bay. This can be an ideal rental or even seasonal opportunity. Within walking distance to the public boat launch and docks. Upgraded electrical, new furnace and hot water tank. Only \$58,900. MLS#1020132



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-peice 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! \$129,900 MLS#1021295



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



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#1020627

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Head Office: 24 Water Street, PO Box 202, Little Current, On POP 1K0, (705)368-2271 or 1-800-368-6855
Branch Office: 43B Meredith Street, Gore Bay, ON POP 1HO, (705) 282-8585
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KAGAWONG

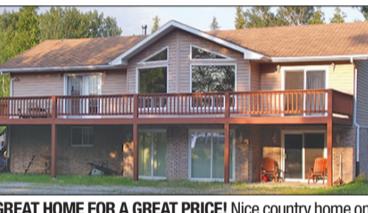
Large home on a double lot offering north-easterly views of Mudge Bay. There are two stone fireplaces on the main level, one with an insert. Primary heat is a combination wood/oil furnace (5 yrs old). The flooring on the main level is porcelain tile and hardwood. Den on main level could be another bedroom.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



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



LAKE KAGAWONG - Large private north facing waterfront lot (3.4 acres) on Lake Kagawong. This lot fronts on a fully serviced road and has 268' of frontage on Long Bay. The approach to the shoreline is terraced offering great view potential. \$118,500. MLS#1018641



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



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



WHITE'S POINT - Waterfront building lot in sought after prime residential waterfront community just minutes from town of Little Current. Driveway access started at roadway - telephone and hydro service available. Great views of the water, distant mountains and sunsets! A Great location to build your dream home! \$89,000. MLS#1020378



GORE BAY - Well maintained 1 3/4 storey house close to the public school. A 4 (possibly 5) bedroom home with a bathroom on each floor. Laundry on the main floor. Original hardwood floor available throughout. Stone fireplace. New forced-air oil furnace in 2003. \$159,900 MLS#1016685



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



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



WATERFRONT CHARMER! - 2 bedroom main cottage, open concept living/kitchen/dining areas, 2 pbs 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#1019430



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. Nested 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



BUSH CAMP on 200 acres with trails and stands. Camp is a modified house trailer with hydro service nearby. Adjoining 100 acres (Lot 22) is also for sale. Recent success with white tail deer hunt. (Subject to severance approval). Priced at \$154,900 MLS#1018938



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Maple Point Hunt Club a seventh generation tradition

by Alicia McCutcheon

MAPLE POINT—A muddy, hilly path in the wilds of Maple Point, beyond Kagawong village, leads to what a select few know as ‘Camelot,’ also known as the Maple Point Hunt Club (MPHC) where seven generations of the Gordon family, and their friends, have been creating memories, sharing laughs and maybe even harvesting a deer or two.

Last Saturday this reporter tagged along with Stan Gordon, known to his fellow MPHC hunters as ‘Lukey Schitt’ or ‘The Great Pretender,’ to the hunt club as a group of hunter orange-clad men made last-minute preparations to the camp, consisting of a bunkie, sauna and the clubhouse itself.

“There have been seven generations of Gordons here,” Lukey (Stan Gordon) said proudly. Just then the door opened to reveal the youngest generation (and great-grandchildren), six-year-old Corbin and three-year-old Brynn Best, also outfitted in mossy oak and hunter orange for the occasion. Their mother and father, Robin and Clayton Best, recently purchased the hunt camp just down the road known as the Stiff Teepee from their great uncle Craege ‘Crafty’ McQuarrie, also a member of the MPHC, who passed away just last month. In fact, just last week, Corbin and his father had their first hunt together and the young hunter said he’s looking forward to more hunting treks with his family. “Me too!” Brynn announced. Ms. Best is also a sometime hunter, bow and rifle.

Hanging on the wall in the MPHC is a framed deed signed by Will Gordon, Lukey’s grandfather, in Manitowaning in 1913 for 100 acres purchased from the Ojibwas and Ottawas of Manitoulin Island. The deed is for the lot adjacent to the lot on which the hunt camp currently sits, but it’s all part of Camelot.

The Gordons own a lot of Maple Point, hundreds of acres, among them.

“I’ve been hunting here since 1945, at the age of 15,” the MPHC patriarch says from his perch in the clubhouse. Although, he admits, it’s been a little while since he’s shot a deer.

It’s not about the hunt so much as the camaraderie it brings, Lukey says. There’s a connection among hunters. While waiting for this reporter at the Bridal Veil Esso, a bustling spot filled with big trucks and trailers, Lukey shared a story about a conversation he struck up with a young hunter who had just pulled in. “I’m living my dream—I’m going hunting!” the man beamed at the senior hunter. Lukey laughs.

There have been three successive versions of the Maple Point Hunt Club spread out over the two adjacent lots. The first began as a tarp over a haywagon, followed by a little camp that eventually became a full-fledged hunt camp.

Everyone at the camp has a nickname, like Stan Gordon’s “Lukey,” that must be earned, which is probably not that unusual among camps on the Island. What is unique to the MPHC is its annual newsletter, ‘Sober Facts,’ which arrives in the mail just before hunting season begins and is designed “to get your blood going,” Lukey chuckled.

Sober Facts is extensive, 12 pages in fact, written this year by son-in-law Greg Towns, aka Sparky. Sparky took over the role as scribe from the late Crafty and a section of this year’s newsletter pays tribute to him. The newsletter includes an excerpt from each day of the hunt, including the weather, what was for dinner and pokes fun at each of the hunters.

“With the approach and promise of the 2013 season the ‘Facts’ are being produced to serve as a not-so-gentle reminder of the



Seven generations of Gordons have hunted on this Maple Point property. Four of the generations gathered for this week's rifle season. They are, from left, Peter Gordon, Stan Gordon, Robin Best and her children Corbin and Brynn Best.



Carson Dewar of Lively looks longingly at the Caribou Jack Award, given each year to the hunter with the largest harvest.



A group of Maple Point Hunt Club members gathers early before the rifle season begins to put some last minute touches on their much-loved camp.



Stan Gordon, aka Luckey Schitt to those in the know at the Maple Point Hunt Club, poses with the deed for the hunt club property belonging to his grandfather William Gordon, dated 1913.

antics of last year’s excursion and experiences and to incite a little excitement and yearning to return to see what adventures await for this year,” Sparky writes. “To that end, and after a year as busy with daily challenges as this past one, and in spite of the efforts of all that is modern and

political, the pull of the hunt, the smell of the woods and the opportunity to return once again to Camelot is stronger than any real or perceived distraction. So clean up your guns, pack your own underwear and get yourself pointed to Camelot for another year of chuckles and giggles and a new

each year. Last year, top honours went to The Paper Boy (Al Bois) for his six-point buck.

While Lukey wouldn’t share the origins of his name, he did tell the tale of how Big Coat Kickum Hat (Tom Beyers) came by his name.

“Tom Kickum Hat’s first hunt was 1959,” Lukey shared. “He got his name when we were chasing a chunk of bush when Tom was on watch. A doe and a fawn appeared and he emptied his gun but didn’t hit a thing. Then suddenly, a big buck walked out of the bush. He threw his big coat down, then his hat and kicked it across the field,” the patriarch laughed at the thought. Of course this was seen, but never lived down.

He shared another tale of hunting with his father, Stan Sr. The crew was out when they spotted a buck, shot him and wounded him before it headed into the bush. Searching for the buck, the MPHC found evidence of a blood trail—it had miraculously made it to the bluff which runs across Camelot. Hours later, suddenly, the buck appeared and collapsed, dead, at Stan Sr.’s feet.

“There sure are a lot of stories,” son Rory Gordon says of the MPHC. “Everyone looks forward to coming out.”

After a round of goodbyes at the MPHC, Lukey and this roving reporter headed back down the muddy trail for a quick stop at the Stiff Teepee then on to brother Bruce Gordon’s hunt camp. “If you can call it that, it’s their cottage too,” the elder brother said, noting its hydro hookup.

While Bruce had been and gone, avid hunters Bob Paxton from Little Current and Lukey/Stan’s nephew Blair Graham from Kagawong were there getting their lives organized for Monday. The pair hunts with Bruce and his crew each year.

chapter of memories. See you at the Point.”

‘Sober Facts’ is just about as old as the MPHC too, having its origins in the late 1940s as a piece of cardboard nailed to the wall with who shot what with tongue-in-cheek comments written in such as “Bill missed four deer.”

Sober Facts also includes a guest column from Stan Richards, the Maple Point hermit who disappeared without a trace in 1947. Each year a murder of crows brings Mr. Richards’ column from his hiding place in Maple Point,



Stan Gordon stops for a chat with Bob Paxton of Little Current and Blair Graham of Kagawong at Bruce Gordon’s hunt camp/cottage.

photos by Alicia McCutcheon

tied to a crow’s tail feathers. The mysterious Mr. Richards, Ritchie as he is known at MPHC, provides reflection on the previous year’s hunt and what could be done to better improve on it for the following season with notes for each of the hunters.

A rousing euchre tournament is held each year between the MPHC and the Stiff Teepee gangs who compete for the Daniel Poone Trophy. A recycled trophy, the Caribou Jack Award, also has pride of place in the hunt club with a bespectacled road runner sitting atop a wooden structure with names of hunters, past and present, dating back to 1976 care of label making machine stickers pasted to the side, honouring those with the biggest harvest

“Bruce’s gang hunts on top of the bluff, and my gang hunts below and to the north,” Lukey explained.

Lukey noted a painting which hangs over the dinner table in the clubhouse, painted by his daughter-in-law Patti Gordon. The painting depicts the former hunt club, Mudge Bay glistening in the background. Crows sitting in the trees which hang over the club symbolize the MPHC members who have passed on, the crows on the ground the hunters who remain.

Lukey explained that he hunts with a 300 Savage, a gun passed on to him by his father just before he passed away. “He was quite proud of it, and so am I,” he said.



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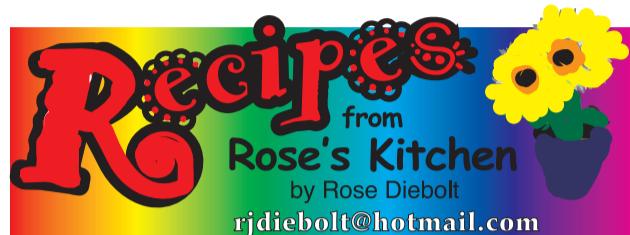
Urban poling highlighted at diabetes workshop

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Urban poling (aka Nordic walking) has been gaining in popularity across the globe since its inception as a method of off-season cross country ski training, particularly since the use of the poles much catapult the health benefits and calorie burn of walking, with hardly a blip of noticeably greater effort.

The November 6 Unite for Diabetes workshop sponsored by Noojmowin Teg at the Aundeck Omni Kaning community hall featured a host of seminars for people dealing with various stages of diabetes, including a presentation on Urban Poling by Louise Hickey.

Urban poling is somewhat different than the original Nordic walking regime, generally utilizing



I made a Meatless Monday night dinner and the raised eyebrows with the groans would have made the most timid cook think 'what have I done?' My attitude is 'too bad, try it first, then comment.' Since it is healthy, it tastes even better!

Seedy Bean Burgers with Goat Cheese and Balsamic Reduction

1 garlic clove, minced
1/4 cup finely chopped fresh parsley
1/4 cup shelled pumpkin seeds
1 1/4 cup canned chickpeas or black beans, drained and well rinsed
1 large egg
2 Tbsp olive oil divided
1/4 cup whole grain bread crumbs or oats finely chopped in the food processor
3 Tbsp minced red onion
1 small carrot, grated
3/4 tsp dried basil
Zest of 1/2 lemon
Salt and pepper to taste
1/2 cup balsamic vinegar
3 oz soft goat cheese

Add garlic, parsley and pumpkin seeds to food processor. Blend until seeds are nicely ground and mixture is well combined. Add beans and egg and blend again.

Scrape mixture into large bowl and add 1 Tbsp oil, bread crumbs, onion, carrot, basil and lemon zest. Add pepper and salt to taste. Combine well with hands and from into patties. Mix makes four slider size patties.

Set patties aside on plate in fridge while you prepare balsamic reduction. Heat balsamic vinegar over medium heat until it reaches a slow boil. Reduce heat and simmer until mixture becomes syrupy enough to coat the back of a wooden spoon. Remove from heat and set aside.

Heat remaining oil in cast iron skillet. Fry patties until golden brown on both sides. To serve, top each patty with crumbled goat cheese and a generous drizzle of balsamic reduction. Serve with Kohlrabi fritters.

Serves four.

Kohlrabi Fritters

Dipping Sauce
2 tbsp rice vinegar
2 tbsp freshly squeezed lemon or lime juice
1 tbsp reduced sodium soy sauce
1 tsp palm sugar
1/4 tsp chili flakes (optional)

Fritters

2 kohlrabi, peeled and grated
1 large potato, peeled and grated
1/2 tsp sea salt
2 free range eggs
3 tbsp chopped cilantro
3 tbsp whole wheat or unbleached all-purpose flour
1 tbsp corn starch
1 tsp grated fresh ginger
1/4 tsp cayenne (optional)
1/3 cup vegetable oil
Sea salt and ground pepper to taste (optional)

For sauce, stir vinegar with lemon juice, soy sauce, sugar and chili flakes, if using.

For fritters, place kohlrabi and potato in colander and sprinkle with salt. Toss to mix, then set in sink and let stand for 15 minutes. This will help extract extra moisture. Wrap mixture in clean kitchen towels and gently wring out to absorb as much liquid as possible. Place in large bowl. Add eggs, flour, cilantro, corn starch, ginger and cayenne (if using). Stir to mix evenly.

Heat oil in large frying pan set over medium heat. Working in batches, carefully drop mixture in large spoonfuls into oil. Flatten using fork. Don't crowd pan. Fry until golden, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Remove to paper towel-lined plate. Season with pepper and salt if using. Repeat with remaining mixture. Serve with dipping mixture.

Makes 12 fritters



Louise Hickey BPE, CSEP-EP demonstrates the versatility of the poles used in Urban Poling during the November 6 Unite for Diabetes workshop in Aundeck Omni Kaning.

by Michael Erskine

collapsible poles that can be adjusted to suit different heights and encompassing a range of exercises an urban poler can work on without even leaving their chair.

Exercise is an important weapon in the arsenal in the battle against diabetes and the regulation of blood sugar.

Other seminars at the all day Unite for Diabetes event included 'My Dialysis Options' by Adrienne Barrett, RN, from Health Sciences North Sudbury; 'Heart and Stroke' by Stephen Lundquist of Toronto, CCRP; 'Hyperglycemia' by Angela Shawana, RN, Noojmowin Teg diabetes wellness nurse; and a diabetes panel facilitated by Debbie Shawana and Albert Larievire.

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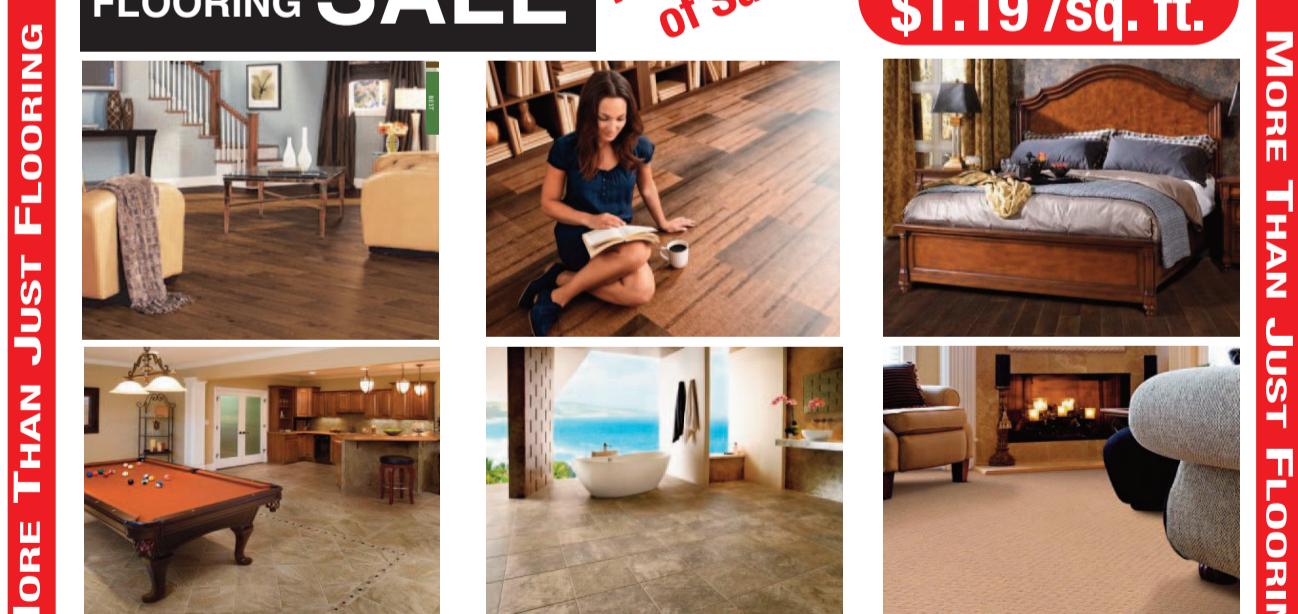
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Ministry seeks advice from Island educators on bettering the system

by Betty Bardswich

M'CHIGEENG—The Ontario Ministry of Education is holding province-wide consultations with parents and teachers during the months of September through November with the aim of seeking views on how to bring the education system of this province 'from great to excellent.'

Professor Michael Fullan, special advisor to the Premier of Ontario, explains in a special handout for the consultations that according to international measures and independent expert assessment, Ontario is recognized, as and is proven to be, the best school system in the English-speaking world—right up at the top with Finland, Singapore and South Korea. But the Ontario government wants to make the educational system in this province even better.

The consultations for the Island were held October 29 at the Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) in M'Chigeeng. Chaired by MSS principal Laurie Zahnow, the educators in attendance included Tracey

Chapman, principal of Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS), Judy Land, teacher representative from CMPS, Jamie Mohammed, principal of Little Current Public School (LCPS), Christy Case, principal of Gore Bay Public School (GBPS) and teacher Ray Scott of Assiginack Public School. As well, parent Carrie Spry, who heads the CMPS Parent Council, was in attendance at the meeting along with three other parents.

The Ministry of Education has set up a list of seven questions for teachers and parents to respond to in order to bring Ontario's education system to the next level, rather than staying in the same spot or dropping behind. As Ms. Zahnow explained, any idea is a good idea and the purpose of the consultations was for gathering input, rather than necessarily getting the right answer. The responses will then be given to an administrative assistant and then on to the Ministry of Education.

One of the questions asked was about the skills,

knowledge and characteristics that students need to succeed after they have completed school and how do teachers and parents better support all learners in their development. Ms. Spry spoke of the need for students to have high self esteem and also noted that there is a Code of Conduct and that respectful behaviour is also important, whether in the schools or at an education meeting. Ms. Spry also thought that it was necessary to teach kids to love learning and also that there should be a better way of communicating between teachers and parents. Mr. Scott's belief was that it was very important for children to have perseverance. "I'm not sure if we talk about that a lot," he said at the meeting. "I think that should be one of the biggies."

Other questions that the ministry would like answered include student well-being, what further opportunities exist to close gaps and increase equity to support all children and students in reaching their full potential, how the school

system can use technology more effectively in teaching and learning and what can parents and teachers do to keep students engaged and to foster their curiosity. A full list of the seven questions can be found on the ministry's website at www.edu.gov.on.ca where the educational consultations are in the spotlight. Parents who cannot attend the meetings are asked to answer the seven questions online or to send in a written response.

Manitoulin Island Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) member Larry Killens, in a letter sent to the RDSB Chair Dewar as well as Director of Education Norm Blasig and copied to the Minister of Education Liz Sandals as well as fellow trustees stated that, "obviously our staff is in support of the ministry initiative." However, he bemoans the fact that stakeholders only heard about the meeting a mere six days before the scheduled date or not at all. Consequently, Mr. Killens contacted the Parental Association for home schooled parents as well as First Nations stakeholders to ensure even more participation in the from great to excellent initiative provided the short notice did not place a handicap on getting good numbers out to the consultations.

'Exceptional quality' calves at Livestock Exchange

ASSIGINACK—The Manitoulin Livestock Exchange in Assiginack had another successful sale on November 2, with seven cows, 16 cow/calf pairs, 42 steers and 45 heifers on offer.

Top quality exotic bred cows sold for between \$1,350 and \$1,800 with top quality cow/calf pairs selling between \$1,375 and \$1,900. Much of these good quality, quiet cows were from the Walter Reid farm, according to the livestock report.

Also for sale were 45 heifers with prices

ranging from \$810 for cows 400 to 499 pounds to \$1,020 over 900 pounds. Steers fetched \$915 for cows weighing 400 to 499 pounds with steers weighing over 1,000 pounds coming in at \$1,300.

"Exceptional quality calves—a strong sale," the report reads. "Four holstein steers at \$985, \$970, \$970 and \$600."

The next sale date is Saturday, November 30 at the Manitoulin Livestock Exchange in Assiginack, just south of Manitowaning on Highway 6.

Spring Bay Rural Route

November 14—Wednesday was cold but sunny. We do not have too much sunshine these days.

Campbell Horticultural Society held their November meeting on Tuesday at the community centre in Spring Bay. Around 20 people attended. It was their annual meeting and here are the election results: President, Sally Blackburn-Sloss; 1st Vice President, Carol Lang; 2nd Vice President, Jon Bois; Secretary, Penny Palonen; Treasurer, Mary White. The guest speaker was Marion Sloss (making bows). A tasty lunch was served by the hostesses. Next meeting will be at the Pentecostal fellowship room on December 10 at 11:30 am. It will be a Christmas potluck noon meal. Bring your dishes please. You can bring mitts or something for the food bank if you wish. Program by the executive.

There were many luncheons and services held for Remembrance Day. They were much enjoyed, and thanks to all the veterans who took part.

Our mail goes to Toronto now to be sorted. There was no mail on Monday and my news didn't get in.

A large number of people attended the hospital luncheon, bazaar and bake sale last Saturday in Mindemoya. It was nice to see so many out.

We extend sympathy to the Granger family in the passing of George. He was one of the birthday group (around 97).

Happy birthday to Lynda Peever who is celebrating this Saturday with a party at the Mindemoya curling club room. I hope she enjoys her day. And also to our birthday gal Audrey Williamson who is in the 97-year-old group. Have a good day Audrey!

All the best to the group who are off to Haiti from the Island. We hope everything goes well!

Our sympathy to all who lost their homes and loved ones in the Philippines. And were do you start! A sad situation.

November 7—It hasn't been too sunny

this week. Lots of fowl suppers, Christmas bazaars and luncheons. A busy time. Come out and enjoy them.

St. Francis Anglican Church ladies are having their annual Christmas luncheon, bake sale, and much more at the community centre in Mindemoya on November 23. Soup, sandwiches and goodies will be served. Hope to see you.

Watched the Grand Slam curling in Abbotsford, B.C. last week. The play offs were on Sunday. Glen Howard and Kevin Martin had a good game. Glen won. In the ladies it was Muirhead against Rachel Homan from Ottawa. Congratulations to all the players. They were good games to watch when you found them on TV.

Several from here went to the Gore Bay United Church fowl supper on Wednesday. It was a lovely hot meal and well served. Much enjoyed.

Get well wishes to Mary White who is home now after being in the hospital several days.

Happy belated birthday wishes to Lillian Greenman and Christian Young who had early November birthdays.

The Eye Van was in Mindemoya last week and many took advantage of the service. A number of people went to Tehkummah last Saturday to their Christmas luncheon.

The Nolands are putting in a culvert on the north side of the Beaver Road and starting a road in to their property behind Doug Lewis'.

We had a meeting on Wednesday morning at St. Francis Church to make more plans for our Christmas luncheon and etc.

Wednesday brought more rain and wind. It gets so dark so early now at 5 pm. It's dark and makes for a long evening.

Hallowe'en was quiet here. Just some wee tots trick or treating. Their costumes were nice. The weather was a bit on the rainy side.

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Gore Bay Theatre to present Norm Foster's 'Dear Santa'

by Robin Burridge

GORE BAY—The Gore Bay Theatre (GBT) is presenting Norm Foster's 'Dear Santa' starting Saturday, November 30 and running until Sunday, December 8 at the Gore Bay Community Centre.

This family fun production is produced by award winning GBT member Walter Maskel and directed by GBT newcomer, and former executive director of Theatre Ontario, Andrea Emmerton.

'Dear Santa' is the tenth Norm Foster play produced by the GBT and a much-loved holiday production across Canada.

"It's a fun story with a good message," Ms. Emmerton

told The Expositor. "It explores the true meaning of Christmas—that it isn't all about the commercial aspect of gifts, it's about spending time with friends and family."

Ms. Emmerton added that the play combines subtle adult humor with a plot that includes Santa Claus, youth playing elves and Christmas carols, making it family friendly.

"We have seven youth playing elves," revealed Mr. Maskel. "The cast and crew have been working hard rehearsing for the last three months. It is a very funny production intended for the entire family."

Cast members include Vincente Belenson, newcomer Lori Evans, Susan Garlock, Kayla Greenman, Walter

Maskel, and Kay Valentine, an actress who will be coming from Toronto to perform her role. The elves include Sophie Hietkamp, Malia and Mason Leighton, Dream McLaughlin, Ayriell Nodecker, Madison Swihart and April Torkopoulos.

'Dear Santa' opens at the Gore Bay Community Hall on Saturday, November 30 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth ages 5 to 18 and will be available at the door. Other show times are Sunday, December 1 at 2 pm, Friday, December 6 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, December 8 at 2 pm.



Christmas craft sale aids Manitoulin Help Centre building fund

by Alicia McCutcheon

MINDEMOYA—Manitoulin Family Resources is announcing the launch of a new fundraising initiative for its Help Centre building fund: a Christmas treasures craft show this Saturday, November 23.

The Christmas craft show, to be held at the Mindeoma Missionary Church, will have over 15

vendors on offer and, just like the Help Centre, will be completely volunteer run, explained Help Centre project manager Nancy McDermid.

Santa Claus has also circled this date on his calendar and will be making a special appearance for the kiddies from 11 am until 1 pm, so be sure to bring your list of Christmas

wishes for him.

"The admission is free, but food donations for the Help Centre would be welcome," Ms. McDermid said, noting that there will be coffee and muffins available.

"All the money raised will go toward the Help Centre building fund," she added, noting that so far over \$180,000 has been

raised with quite a bit more to go before they reach their goal. It is hoped, she said, that ground can be broken for the new food bank building next spring.

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The Mindemoya hospital auxiliary held another very successful fall tea and luncheon on November 9 with baked goods, a penny table and a ticket raffle on a beautiful quilt as well as a luncheon. Pictured are Bernice Lewis, Eva Bond, auxiliary president Mary Alice Lewis, past auxiliary president Leila Thureson and seated, Kathy McKinney.

photo by Betty Bardwick



The Little Current United Church Women annual Christmas tea and bake sale was, as usual, a festive occasion full of beautiful decor, delicious treats and great company.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Tickets on sale now for KTEI Snowflake Gala

Annual gala assists student programs and initiatives

M'CHIGEENG—Tickets are now on sale for the sixth annual Kenjgewin Teg Education Institute (KTEI) Snowflake Gala—a fundraiser to assist with student programs and initiatives at the school.

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.

This year's gala is organized in full by the culinary management program at KTEI and the proceeds will be going toward the program's bursary campaign.

The gala will be held on Saturday, December 7 at the M'Chigeeng Community Complex, starting with cocktails at 5 pm and dinner following at 6:30 pm.

The evening will include performances by the Johnny Cash Tribute band and the Green River CCR Tribute Show. DJ Blake Debassige will be playing music following the performances.

The semi-formal event is open to everyone (age of

majority) with a cost of \$60 each (with only 320 tickets available), which includes a plated dinner, entertainment and dance.

There will also be a silent auction and raffle.

Call KTEI for more information or to buy your tickets at 705-377-4342.



Santa Claus is coming to Twang

This holiday-dressed youngster sits on Santa's knee at Knox United Church in Manitowaning at the church's annual Christmas tea and bazaar.

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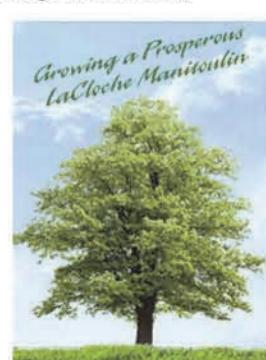
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Manitoulin Cultural Planning

The Manitoulin Cultural Planning Project is an initiative undertaken by LAMBAC to ignite the Manitoulin creative community and boost the growth of this sector through an increase in cultural tourism. This project will culminate with the Manitoulin Cultural Symposium on November 9th, 2013. The Symposium will offer a rare opportunity for the Manitoulin artistic community to collaborate during a stimulating day of synergy and cultural planning.

Our Espanola Office has Moved!

Come visit us at our new location in Espanola at 114 Centre Street, Unit B (beside Subway).



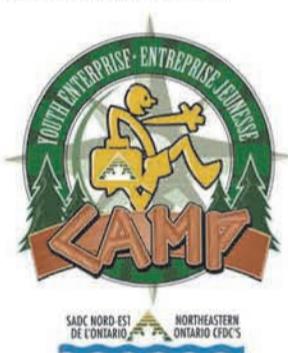
Youth Enterprise Camp 2013

In August, 30 campers took part in the Youth Enterprise Camp in Sault Ste. Marie. In one week youth from ages 9 to 13 became entrepreneurs! The developed teams, created products, and sold them to the public. Along with the learning experience came a lot of fun, camp fires, swimming, bowling and much more. LAMBAC and NOYEI (Northern Ontario Youth Entrepreneurship Initiative) are already looking forward to next year. Get in touch if you know a young person who would be interested.



LaCloche Manitoulin Food Distribution Project

The LaCloche Manitoulin Food Distribution Project is also in its early stages of development. It is a regional project focused on the food sector designed to support business expansion and new business development for food growers and makers of value added food products. This project will build community capacity and leverage the efforts of Eat Local Sudbury. LAMBAC will work to support their goal of establishing regional food hubs between Sudbury and the LaCloche Manitoulin region.

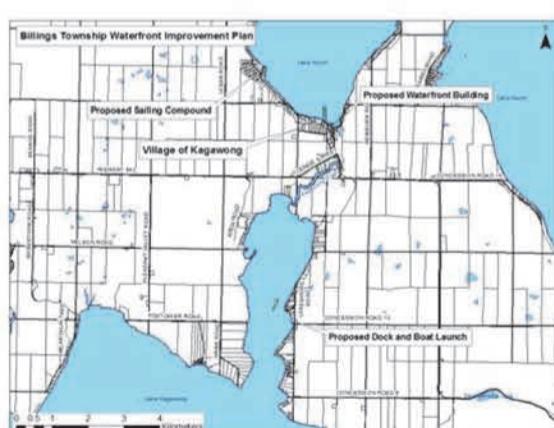


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Georgian Bay Cycling Route Feasibility Study Project

The Georgian Bay Cycling Route Feasibility Study is a project to determine the feasibility of having a continuous, signed cycling route around Georgian Bay. Once complete, the Route will be promoted by communities and the province's Regional Tourism Organizations as a tourism asset and attraction. The Georgian Bay Cycling Route will benefit cyclists, cycle tourists, local businesses, municipalities and First Nations in the region, especially those bypassed by Highway 400/69.



Kids Invent! Day Camp Espanola 2013

A success! It was a great week; the participants learned a lot, played a lot and overall had a lot of fun. Kids Invent! had an overwhelming, positive response from the community which was clear at the Toy Fair held at the end of the camp. At the Toy Fair the participants presented the toys they created to many family members, friends and community members that attended.

Visit LaCloche Manitoulin Business Assistance Corporation at www.lambac.org or on Facebook

Manitoulin Trade Fair 2013

The Manitoulin Trade Fair is a three day, biannual event held at the NEMI Recreation Centre in Little Current showcasing local businesses and organizations. This year 165 exhibitors had the opportunity to display, sell and promote their products and services to over 7,000 attendees. By all accounts, it was a great event for the region with 98% of exhibitors reporting that the Manitoulin Trade Fair was a success for their business or organization.



Manitoulin Streams at the Manitoulin Trade Fair 2013



Billings Waterfronts Improvement Project

The Billings Waterfronts Improvement Project is designed to improve Billings' economic sustainability by bringing more tourists into Billings Township. Whether they arrive by boat, car, bus, motorhome, bicycle, or motorcycle, this project should prove enticing to all tourists. The Project is in the early stages of design and consultation to improve Billings' waterfronts on Lake Kagawong and on Lake Huron. LAMBAC's role in it is to provide facilitation and administrative support to Billings Township to ensure, as much as possible, a positive outcome for Billings Township.



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Manitoulin Secondary resource class tours M'Chigeeng turbines

by Lisa Addison

M'CHIGEENG—It's great to have the opportunity to take a class of impressionable students to tour the M'Chigeeng turbines. The MERE (Mother Earth Renewable Energy) project started in 2003 and came to fruition in 2012. The project recently completed its first full year of operations. The wind turbines are very close to the school, and these students have experienced a new and exciting perspective of windmills, the infrastructure involved with them, and future employment opportunities in renewable energy fields.

According to Grant Taibossigai, our tour guide, wind generation hasn't been an easy proposition for MERE. In its first year of operation, the \$12.5-million, 4-megawatt wind turbine project run by the M'Chigeeng First Nation encountered more than a few snags that held up production. From a delay in receiving its certificate to operate to power surges to communication issues to a three-week late-autumn shutdown mandated by Hydro One, the community got a crash course in the nuances of energy genera-



The Manitoulin Secondary School resource class had the recent opportunity to tour the M'Chigeeng wind turbines and ask questions of its project manager.

tion.

Mr. Taibossigai proudly showed the class the hydro sub station and explained its development, infrastructure and how it is tied into the Ontario hydro grid. Students were fascinated to see all the connections and were keenly interested when told about monitoring in M'Chigeeng, Halifax and Germany. Once inside the turbines the students learned about the mechanical components, construction and operation of the entire turbine and were fascinated to see how they work. Riley McGale, a student of MSS, commented that "each windmill had three floors of electronics

at the bottom and an elevator that takes people right to the top." Fellow student Brett Deeg was surprised to learn that workers need a licence to climb the ladder inside the turbine, the transformers were huge and needed a lot of cooling, and there was an amazing structure to the base of the turbine.

Chris Case was amazed at how big they were close up and the fact that they swayed in the wind. Mac McGrady commented that there was a lot of technology that goes into the project and was thankful for his experience. "We had a blast!" he said.

Project Manager Grant

Taibossigai was very upbeat and excited about the project.

According to its business model, the project should generate about \$300,000 of surplus funds annually in the first 14 years of operation (the First Nation has secured a 20-year power generation contract with the Ontario Power Authority), and \$1.2 million annually for the succeeding six

years after financing loans are repaid. These funds will go a long way in maintaining the facilities and helping the community become a better place to live and work.

The resource class thanked Mr. Taibossigai for their tour.

Renewable energy generation is strong and alive on Manitoulin, and many students will have future work

opportunities in the economic spin off it creates, this teacher notes. After all, we all use hydro every day. Generating it in our area through viable, renewable projects like this, models living in harmony with Mother Earth in today's society.

Lisa Addison is the Manitoulin Secondary School resource class teacher.



Auxiliary News

Grower Pesticide Safety Course dates

These dates are all posted on the website at www.oepc.ca. Renewals will be mailed by early December. They also provide have an online version of the course running monthly for anyone who cannot attend the scheduled dates. Growers can call for information at 1-800-652-8573 or 519-674-2230.

Growing Forward 2

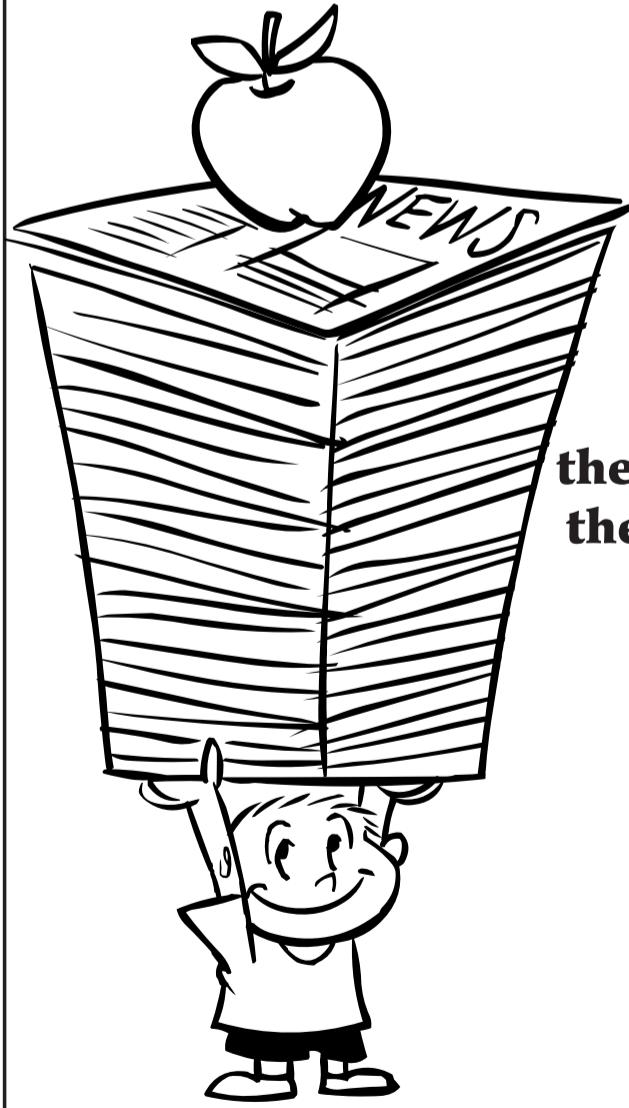
Through GF2, the federal and Ontario governments are working to help the province's agri-food industry grow profits, expand markets and manage risk. GF2 will offer practical and flexible programs aimed at helping both start-up and established business to reach their goals. Growing Forward 2 Funding Assistance for Capacity Building is now available for eligible food and agri-products processors. Capacity building activities include skills development, training, audit, assessment and planning. The Growing Forward 2 cost-share funding cap for a single processing business covering both capacity building activities and project implementation is \$350,000 over the 5-year time frame of the program (April 2013-March 2018). Get a copy of the Program Guide for Capacity Building Funding Assistance for Proces-

sors. Apply for funding assistance through the GF2 Client Portal. Get more information on the Growing Forward 2 Program for Processors. Send an email to growing-forward2@ontario.ca to request regular GF2 updates.

Water contamination

Water, an essential element for agri-food production, can also be a source of food contamination. Contaminated water can carry and transfer pathogens as well as chemical hazards to crops, livestock, poultry and foods. Here are some general tips to ensure water safety: Assess water sources for food safety risks. Test water through a credited laboratory at least once a year or as frequently as your food safety program requires ensuring that it meets the required quality standards. Treat water if it does not meet the required standards. Keep all records for water test results and treatment methods. Food safety is everyone's responsibility. To attend one of our free online workshops on water quality and other important food safety topics, visit us at: www.ontario.ca/foodsafety or call 1-877-424-1300. Food safety practices keep agri-food businesses competitive, productive and sustainable.

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Central Manitoulin Chatter

November 20, 2013

Well you'd never know it was the middle of November by the balmy weather. It is 12°C with very high winds expected to be 60 km/hr overnight with gusts as high as 90 km/hr. As I sit to write the Chatter, the wind is whipping across Lake Huron in the bay producing high white-capped waves.

The annual Fowl Supper hosted by the Providence Bay Community Centre Board was another delicious success. So many community volunteers including the Providence Bay and Spring Bay Lions Club came together to be sure everyone had enough and more to eat! Proceeds from the dinner assist with the Providence Bay arena and community hall.

Don't forget there are many B&Bs and motels still open for your visitors to the Island. Remember to try to shop locally. Many small businesses rely on local shoppers to keep their shops open year round. Stay on the Island for your Christmas shopping.

We attended the Manitoulin Secondary School Christmas bazaar on Saturday morning. It was so great to see all the vendors and the extreme talent of these women and men. The students should be commended for another successful event.

Saturday night we attended the Tehkumah Hall for a delicious turkey dinner put on by the UCW in South Baymouth. It was a pleasure to break bread with Don and Anna Orford and Rick and Kate Pyette.

A belated Happy Anniversary is extended to Toots and Murray McDermid as they celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on November 16. I don't know how this is possible when they don't look a day over 65! Belated Happy Birthday wishes to Hunter McDermid on his 11th year.

Lois Newton's daughter Sherri arrived back home to Whitehorse after a visit with her Mom on the Island. I'm sure Lois was sad to see her go. Cindy and John McMaster and Bev and Duane Cress were in Chatham October 9 to attend the wedding of their niece Stacey.

Big moving and shaking is happening in Mindemoya with Sears now at the Rock and Rail, Cindy's Clothesline is now Cindy's Fashions and is located in the new building beside Foodland. We welcome Espanola and District Credit Union to their new building, also beside Foodland. A big welcome is extended to KD Designs and Lisa's Esthetics now located in Cindy's old building beside the Rock and Rail. Best wishes to Ben and Eunice Wilson in their new home on Thorne Street in Mindemoya. Bev and Duane Cress have moved from M'Chigeeng to the Meadowview Apartments in Mindemoya. We hope you enjoy living in the big town!

Don Burke remains in hospital in Sudbury. We wish him all the very best with his recovery. Our

thoughts are also with Pat and their daughters as they stay with Don. Get well wishes and a speedy recovery are extended to Laura E. Scott in hospital in Mindemoya.

Condolences, thoughts and prayers are extended to Sadie Debassige and her family in the passing of her brother Ken Ense. It is so sad to lose someone so young.

The Manitoulin Family Resources Help Centre volunteers are pleased to invite the public to their first Treasures Christmas Craft Show.

It is being held on Saturday, November 23 at the Mindemoya Missionary Church from 9 am to 3 pm. Be sure to bring your wish list as Santa Claus will arrive for a visit from 11-1 pm.

There are a large number of vendors with their wares, lots of door prizes and a bake table for your pleasure. Come and share a coffee and muffin with a friend. The proceeds will go towards the MFR Help Centre Building Fund. There is no admission but a food donation in support of our food bank would be appreciated.

This writer and Anna Orford dropped in to D. A. Williamson's Pro Hardware store on Sunday. The store is always open on the Sunday before hunting season.

Many hunters were in making their last minute purchases including lots of bags of corn to bait the deer. Welcome to hunter Eric Dix from Tara, Ontario visiting with the Orford family. We hope the hunters have a very safe and successful hunt. All I can say is "run and hide deer, run and hide!"

We hope you enjoy the Chatter this week. Please call 705-377-4909 and leave your notes, news and tidbits on the answering machine or email centralchatter@gmail.com. That's all the news that is fit to print! Take good care.

November 13

There was a definite nip in the air as I planted the Daffodil and Alum bulbs today. Of course I'd wait until a cold, windy day! Now time to have a hot cup of tea and get these notes to paper.

Visiting Espanola on Wednesday was Marlaine and J.C. Ste. Croix. They did a bit of shopping and enjoyed their day.

The Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary Tea had an excellent turnout. The Auxiliary would like to thank the many hard working volunteers for making this a great success.

Betty McQuay of Toronto spent a week with her sister Janice McQuay. Thank you to Betty for your help at the penny table at the Hospital Auxiliary tea. It was greatly appreciated.

The Big Lake Community Association would like to thank everyone for coming and supporting their euchres and other activities. They hope to see you all next year.

Two of our community members won with their Taste of Manitoulin Passports. Margaret Cranston

won two nights at Gordon's Park plus star-gazing. Eva Bond won a Dinner Cruise for two aboard the Chi-Cheemaun.

Sheila McDonald, Linda Williamson and Patsy Gilchrist are on holidays in the "Big Apple," New York. Enjoy your vacation—way to go girls!

Mindemoya Thunder minor hockey is in full swing with games on Thursday, Friday and Sunday evenings. Come out and support these players and watch some fun hockey.

Lois and Roger Newton were Sudbury visitors on Thursday. Lois picked up her daughter at the airport she is going to spend some time on the Island. Also visiting Sudbury were Karen, John and Shirley Cranston. While there they visited Karen and John's grandson Oliver.

Sally and Jim Dawson of Toronto spent the weekend with Sally's parents, Toots and Murray McDermid. This writer was glad to see Sally as I hadn't seen her since we were teens!

Happy 84th birthday wishes to Shirley Hayward who is a summer resident of Providence Bay. Her daughter Leanne Hayward McGill helped her celebrate while in London, Ontario this past week.

Congratulations to Allan and Colleen Stapleton as they celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary. They enjoyed a beautiful brunch at Abby's Restaurant with Don and Anna Orford on Sunday.

Get well wishes to Harold Tracy, Ken McDermid, Mary White, Toots McDermid and Marg Cranston and anyone else who is ill or shut in.

Our good wishes, thoughts and prayers to Don and Pat Burke as Don has surgery in Sudbury. We wish him all the best for a successful surgery and speedy recovery.

The Pancake Breakfast at the Providence Bay Curling Club was another great success. The next breakfast is Thursday, December 5 so mark your calendars. Drop in and support the breakfast with proceeds going to the junior curlers.

Patti Beaudry and Eva Bond spent five days in Ajax, Ontario visiting Shari and family, George and Terry MacIntosh and Pearl Sutherland of Toronto. George, Jerry and Pearl say hello to all their Island friends and wish them a Merry Christmas.

November 6

Megan and Curtis Corbiere of M'Chigeeng are proud parents of a baby girl "Hailey Vick-Lynn." Great-grandparents are Ben and Eunice Wilson of Mindemoya. Curtis is the son of the late Eric and Vicki Corbiere.

Sympathy to the family of George Granger who passed away on November 5.

Sympathy and thoughts are extended to the Patterson family in the passing of Mary Lou. She will be greatly missed. Mary Lou was a pillar of the community. In the 1970s, Mary Lou

was one of three leaders of the Providence Bay and Spring Bay Youth Group (age 13 and up). She was one of the organizers of the "Old Fashioned Christmas Concerts" held in the Orange Hall. She was one of those hockey moms that spent a lot of time at the rink. She made the best homemade bread ever.

Congratulations to Maurice Labelle who was inducted into the Northern Ontario Grand Ole Opry. At least two buses went up. Also some Islanders drove themselves.

The Senior UCW Christmas Tea at the Tehkumah Hall was a huge success. Lois Newton, Toots McDermid, Erwin and Irene McIntyre, Bev and Ray Webster, Margaret Elliott and Carol Love all took in this delicious tea. The hall was beautiful with a Christmas tree and decorations.

Grand Slam of curling "The Masters" was awesome with the ladies' and men's Ontario teams winning (Homman, 7, over Muirhead, 5; men's, Howard, 7, over Martin, 4. It must be lucky "7." Congratulations!

Ayriss Noble-Stone, 4-months-old, was dressed as the cutest zebra ever! Visited Aunt Margerest, Mike and Barbara McKechnie, Aunt Debbie and Gorman, Grandpa John and Gramma Joanna, Uncle Matt, Willie and Hazen and Great-Grampa John Young. Had a great first year trick-or-treating with her big brother Tieren who was a Storm Trooper.

The Espanola and District Credit Union, new Mindemoya branch, opened on Wednesday, November 6 for business. "Grand Opening" is Wednesday, November 27 from 10 am to 2 pm. Come out and meet the friendly staff. Wishing them great success in their new offices.

LIBRARY OUTREACH Wintertime Book Buddies Program

NEMI Public Library

Library Outreach is expanding this year to serve people who might find themselves more house bound this winter. The cold weather and icy streets make it difficult for some, especially older patrons, to walk and drive.

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Scared Money teaches MSS students responsible gambling

by Betty Bardswich

M'CHIGEENG—The students at Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) were in for a very informative session last month as the Responsible Gambling Council (RGC) showcased their live, interactive youth drama 'Scared Money.' The focus of the live drama is teen gambling and the risks involved.

It is estimated that the three to four percent of the more than one-third of students between the ages of 15 and 17 who gamble are having a problem with that activity and that rate will double by the time those youth turn 18. Scared Money seeks to show the risks involved in teen gambling.

Theresa Noon, of Kitchener, was the spokesperson

for the actors involved in the drama and she explained that the program is most effective because it is done by a drama. "We are entertaining," she explained, "and they are learning."

Ms. Noon has been acting for over 20 years and has appeared in film and on television and also on radio. She is a singer as well as an actor and plays in a country band. She is joined for this live drama by three other actors including Justin Collette, Nicole Coenen and Rjay Garcia and sound technician Austin Cole. All are from the Toronto area. Although the group has toured other provinces, the focus this year is on Ontario.

"We played Moosonee before coming to



Actors in the live drama Scared Money include Nicole Coenen, Theresa Noon, Rjay Garcia, Justin Collette and sound technician Austin Cole.

photo by Betty Bardswich

M'Chigeeng," said Ms. Noon. "Moosonee was wonderful. It went really well."

Scared Money tells the story of Caleb who is faced with a lot of questions and is under a lot of pressure. He doesn't know whether he should keep working at the job he has or go to college. He is worried about his band and their chance of making it big and he would really like to have a closer relationship with fellow band member Daniella.

Caleb's friend Fiona introduces him to online gaming and it doesn't take long for him to be playing poker for real money. He plays so much that he loses his rent money and his job, maxes out his credit card and becomes very discouraged about what he should do.

"You are playing with scared money," his friend

Rafi tells Caleb in an effort to get him to stop. "When are you going to learn?"

Band member Daniella also tries to help by suggesting that Caleb contact the gambling helpline but he decides instead to gamble some more to try to have one big win. He uses the money the group has saved to perform in a music festival. Needless to say, he loses it all and Rafi finds out that he took the band's money. Daniella gives Caleb the number of the gambling helpline and this time he calls. "I can never apologize enough for what I've done," he tells his friends.

When the live drama concludes, the actors then separate the MSS students into two groups and play a quiz game asking what could Caleb have done? The pupils are quick to come up with the answers that were the messages in the drama including 'don't borrow money to gamble,' 'do other activities,' 'don't gamble,' 'ask for help' and 'set money and time limits.'

The play also places a focus on bullying when it is discovered that Fiona has been sending inappropriate messages about Daniella. As well, information about where to get help locally is given to the MSS students.

If you are concerned about gambling or if someone you know is having problems, the students were told, then call Outpatient Addictions and Gambling Services, Sudbury Mental Health and Addictions Centre at 705-523-4988 extension 0. People can also call the Ontario Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-888-230-3505, which is a 24 hour line.

The RGC is an independent non-profit organization dedicated to problem gambling prevention. For gambling prevention tips and strategies, go to www.responsiblegaming.org.

After performing at MSS, the live drama group was then off to perform in Hanmer and Sudbury.



Welcoming party

The Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve recently welcomed a visit from Ogimaa Larry Romanelli of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. The welcoming party was made up of, from left, Ogimaa Duke Peltier, Ogimaa Larry Romanelli, Councillor Berandine Francis, Councillor Lawrence Enosse, Councillor Margaret Manitowabi, Councillor John Dube, Councillor Gladys Wakegijig and Councillor Lorraine Fox.

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Tehkummah Talk and Times

I don't know when I'll ever get some time for myself. This week is going to be one busy time again. Today I made a cake for the Armistice Day Service. Richard Lynch did a great job of organizing this event. We had planned on laying the wreaths at our memorial garden but Richard set up one inside. So that was so much more comfortable. The winds were so strong and cold! The girls had prepared a lovely lunch for after the service and quite a display of medals, uniforms, and memorabilia were on display.

I let Mum beat me a couple and I only skunked her once after. Then only a couple of hours until bingo. Richard and Bev were working again! Felt like a long day. I've got to get up and make a birthday cake for our ladies today (U.C.W.). This is Mum and Audrie's birthday month. Audrie's birthday is on November 15 and Mum's is on November 25. So have a happy day girls! Mum wrote a cute poem for Audrie. Our Sr. U.C.W. meeting was great as always. This is the most amazing group of women and what a privilege to work with them. As I said, it was potluck (kind of). Always lots of food and a birthday cake, and we sing for our special ladies.

The euchre crowd was light so we played a couple

of games of cribbage. I had gotten beat by my mother again, after Bible study. I only stayed for two games. I baked a gingerbread (out of my head). I couldn't find my favourite recipe! But I guess it was okay. Very last hand, last game, didn't I get a 24 hand. So that helped us win that game with a "skunk." First place, Bert and Joy, 935; second, Margaret and Lois, 925; third, Cal and I, 912; low, Mum and Mary, 868 (we beat Glenn and Janet by only one point); door, Margaret. We're still getting a good crowd. Mum made delicious donuts!

I called Pauline this morning (Friday) to see if she had an update on Pete and Leanne's baby, Leah Audrey. Since I last wrote they had a serious scare and she was in I.C.U. for a few days in Hamilton Hospital. She is still in as I write, but is improving and that's good news!

I tried Lori and Rick this morning too to ask how her dad is doing but no answer there.

I got a call from Faye.

What lovely complimentary comments on my book. Of course, I can't help but be pleased by that.

Everybody's busy today preparing for tomorrow night's supper. I can't believe this is hunting season weekend. I heard lots of traffic going through this morning. Everyone heading for the camps I

guess.

I got five shoeboxes packed for our church. I'll deliver them later today.

Thursday afternoon Bible study "God's Kingdom".

Well how was/is that for a November storm (thunder and lightning)? We were all at the hunt camp and the rain came down so fiercely. Scary, there is a tree down here over the road in Tehkummah.

I just had a good half hour talk with Derek out in Mackenzie, B.C. He says it's -15° and lots of snow. (I'd already seen that on the weather station!) This was camp opening night, Kim as usual was the camp cook and whipped up Chinese style fare. Of course a few of the items were standard, like Mum's famous buns. As always, awards insignificant this year. New law, big buck contest has to be over 150 lbs. Don't know why? After our fab dinner the music of the "Second Week of Deer Camp", John's doings (hunting and fishing stuff)

and each one of us had to tell what was significant in our lives this year so far (interesting). Then the great debate, pros and cons of "peeing" from the tree stands. Sherry as our team captain chose pro. Kim was the other team leader. Their opposing views much more humorous, but we all walked away with prizes. No loser in this

great debate! The dress code was black and white (no prizes given there!). As always we thank the guys for a fun time. Camp hunters are: Kris, Ryan, Hank, Wayne, Steve, Kim, Sherry, (Steve Kopp visited), Dave, Ray, Tara, Skylar, Susan and Simon. Pauline brought Mum and I home when, for the first time ever, I locked myself out of my van. Keys in of course! Every day has its adventure. I'm listening to wind and rain as I write this.

Earlier today church was at Tehkummah. Corrine went with me and Mum. She and her son Rob who is up for the hunt and her granddog are at the apartment. We lunched at South Baymouth. Our table was small today—Mary, Justin, Quillan, Joan and us. We went and watched the spray fly up from the rolling waves at the ferry dock.

On Saturday evening we took in the turkey supper at the hall. Over 300 people

so I heard. The dinner was good. Later we played cribbage. I think the girls won more than the guys, but it's tough. No one lets you away with anything, especially Sequence at Sherry and Dave's the night before!

Every time I played cribbage with Mum this week she beat the "most" games!

We all sang "Happy Birthday" to Audrie at church today.

I think there is a memorial service for Hugh Little on Saturday at the hall.

Don't forget Friday, November 22 Trivia Night at the Tehkummah Hall. Come and join a team, or bring your own. Usually lots of prizes (teams of half a dozen).

Pauline said Kathy Hill and Terry prepared the most delicious meal for their guests on Thursday evening. She said Kathy has their place all decorated for Christmas as well. Pauline, Wayne, Pat, John, Martin, Lynda, Bev and Richard.

Diane McLean's place is sure lit up for Christmas. Beautiful and it's looking good at Susan and Simon's too. I'll bet there's no lights shining this morning. Did you ever write a poem in the dark? Sure looks funny in the light of day. Some lines I've written over top of!

Thanks Cora Belle Finch for your nice note, you probably were at the hall on the bus (from Little Current) on Saturday night for supper. I watched everyone come out of the hall from Mum's front step.

Congratulations to the Big Money Winner's Triangle Club \$1,000 give away. Mike Erskine got the first half, Ross Williams from Espanola got \$300 and "Grandma" Jean McCauley got \$200. Wow!

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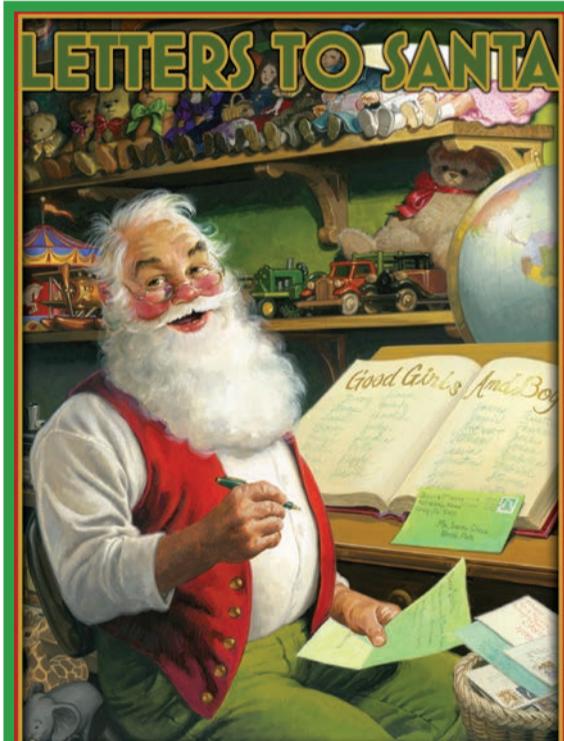
Red Butler appeared on the History Channel on Remembrance Day about his time in Europe. Very interesting.

I went to the Manitoulin Secondary

School Christmas sale. There were many items there for sale.

Our prayers go out to the Burke family as Don is recovering in Sudbury over a hunting accident.

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