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SING OUT—Willa Wilson, Jill Ferguson, Heather and Chris Theijsmeyer perform 'Silent Night' for the audience at the annual Kagawong community Christmas concert held Saturday night. For more Christmas fun, see Pages 12 and 13.

photo by Sharon Jackson

Historic townsite at Michael's Bay plus resort complex default to Canada as 'proceeds of crime'

by Michael Erskine
GATINEAU—A recent email from the Seized Property Management Directorate (SPDM) to Michael's Bay historian and activist Doug Tracy of Little Current has confirmed that the properties at Michael's Bay (that include the old townsite, a number of cemeteries and the closed Royal Michael's Bay restaurant as well as several hundred acres of property and assorted out-buildings) have been officially "forfeited to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, following a request made by the Kingdom of Belgium for the enforcement of a Belgium forfeiture order. Consequently," continues the email, "her majesty the

Queen in right of Canada is now the owner of the Manitoulin properties." The SPDM missive adds that the government is aware of the "presence of First Nation groups in the area of the properties and the presence of alleged aboriginal burial sites on the properties. SPDM will follow the usual process to deal with the matter." Mr. Tracy said he was of mixed feelings on the confirmation that the properties had been finally vested in the Crown. "At first, we thought it was great news," he said. "But then we realized that the property being now owned by the federal government puts us

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Assiginack plans year-round sports park Royal Bank grant earmarked for McLean's Park

ASSIGINACK—It was with great excitement that the Township of Assiginack received the news that their application to the RBC's Learn to Play grant program was successful. The Township received a cheque for \$22,500 to make McLean's Park a year round attraction for physical activity for residents and tourists alike.

RBC's Learn to Play Project is all about improving physical literacy among children. RBC believes that physical literacy is as important to a child's development as reading and writing; the more physical literate a child is, the more likely they will participate in sport and physical activities and this will help build confidence and self esteem.

With this in mind, the Township of Assiginack decided to put forward a grant application titled 'Bike, Hike, Snowshoe and Ski.' This grant will allow the township to clean up the trails and make them accessible so that all four activities can take place, thus making it a year round park for physical activity. Not only that, but it will provide the necessary funding for proper signage, picnic tables, bicycle stands and a class set of snowshoes to be lent out to user groups.

The municipality is hoping to begin work this spring with the necessary renovations and hopes to have it ready for the summer.

'Smart' Hydro meters deemed dumb public investment by provincial auditor general

by Michael Erskine
TORONTO—Ontario auditor general Bonnie Lysyk took sharp aim at the energy sector in the province in her most recent report, charging that decisions to implement a smart meter program were made before a proper cost benefit analysis and that the program has provided little net benefit to energy consumers.

Despite an estimated outlay of \$1.9 billion (originally estimated at barely \$1 billion), one in six of the 4.8 million meters that have been installed in the province have not yet transmitted any readings, the auditor general found.

The smart meters were supposed to assist consumers in moving their heaviest consumption from periods of peak demand to off-peak hours, but because of "political" decisions, the price of electricity during peak use periods was not kept high enough to influence con-

sumer decisions, with the result that little movement in consumer habits took place. Peak electricity demand actually rose

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Michael Laidley makes NHL 'to watch' list

Named captain of national Junior 'A' squad playing in international tourney

by Robin Burrige

KINDERSLEY, SASK.—Little Current's Michael Laidley not only made the roster for Team Canada East for the World Junior A Hockey Challenge that started this past weekend in Saskatchewan but he was also appointed team captain and named as one of three players on his team to watch by NHL Central Scouting.

"The team selection camp was last week and then I found out I made the team on Wednesday morning and by Wednesday afternoon we had left for Saskatchewan," Michael told The Expositor on Monday. "It was

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Team Canada East Captain Michael Laidley

EARLY DEADLINE

Next week's Expositor, the last edition in 2014, will be published on Monday, December 22 rather than on the customary Wednesday. (This has been the custom of the Expositor Office when Christmas falls mid-week so that shoppers and advertisers can have the full benefit of the paper in a busy week.)

In consequence, there is an early deadline this week for rural correspondence, classified ads and display ads: **4 pm on Thursday, December 18.**

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Merry Christmas And Happy New Year To All!





The new executive of Little Current Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 pose with Legion officials following the emergency election meeting. Back row are Paul Abbott, Brad Barnes, Tom Stephens, Jack Ornet, Zone Commander Fred Medynski and Gord Keatley and front row, Bob Smith, Tari Smith, Wayne Golden President Luc Noel, Florence Hubert, Georgina Lovelace, Debbie Menard and District H Commander Gerry Ferguson.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Little Current Legion elects a new executive, saves branch from closure

by Alicia McCutcheon

LITTLE CURRENT—Branch #177, the Little Current branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, will carry on with a new president and executive.

A front-page story in the December 10 edition of this paper had highlighted the fact that the Legion was minus a working executive and thus had become susceptible to being taken over by Ontario's Legion Command and its charter revoked.

This particular threat, however, is behind the Island's oldest branch following last Thursday's well-attended emergency meeting to which all members of Branch #177 had been formally invited.

The emergency meeting, chaired by Gerry Ferguson, District H commander, assisted by Fred Medynski, zone commander, saw 49 members report, ready to vote and volunteer themselves for the health of

the institution.

The meeting began with nominations for president for Luc Noel, Debbie Menard (both former presidents) and Tari Smith. Comrade Smith declined the nomination.

Comrades Noel and Menard were given the opportunity to speak with both addressing members.

Comrade Noel explained that he did resign from his post as Legion president two-and-a-half years ago due to family obligations and the prospect of life as an entrepreneur but he is now ready to return his attention to the Legion.

"If anybody knows me, I've devoted my life to helping the Legion and I'm back," he said.

Comrade Menard said, "I believe in our mandate, our presence in Canada and what it stands for." She

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Sea Cadets hold Burns Night Dinner celebrating Scotland's famous son

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps and its parent organization The Manitoulin Navy League have come up with an event to brighten the dark days of late January: a Burns Night Dinner, the traditional celebration of the birthday of Scotland's most famous son and beloved poet, Robbie Burns.

The Robbie Burns Dinner event is scheduled for Saturday, January 24, 2015 and will be held in the upstairs hall of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 on Vankoughnet Street in Little Current.

Burns Dinners are a worldwide phenomenon and all follow the same traditions: the haggis arrives to the skirl of bagpipes and Burns' Ode To The Haggis is recited in broad Scots dialect.

There are traditional toasts and responses and the catered dinner (also traditional fare) is formally served: roast beef, tatties and neeps (potatoes and turnips), a nice dessert and a taste of haggis. Chef Don Cook will cater the meal.

This is a fundraising event for the Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps, but it is also a way for the Corps and the Navy League to give back to the community.

Tickets are affordably priced at \$30 and will make excellent Christmas gifts. They can be purchased in downtown Little Current at the Expositor Office and at Breakaway Sports and also at The Recorder Office in Gore Bay. You may also reserve your tickets by calling (705) 368-3718, (please leave a message and

you'll be called back).

Carmen Laidley, a member of the Navy League board and former Commanding Officer of the Sea Cadets Corps notes that, "we thought that, just about that time when the days are long and the excitement of Christmas is a month behind us and there is still a lot of winter ahead, wouldn't it be nice to have a nice diversion like a Burns Dinner!" And so it will be.

The Navy League is also organizing a silent auction of one-of-a-kind items and there will be the possibility of tasting some fine Scotch whiskeys (for a small fee, of course).

The Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps, now in its eleventh year as a stand-alone organization, is

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Local country music listeners pour donations into annual radiothon

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—You may not be able to see them, but the smiles are practically shining through the microphones at the 100.7 The Island radio station following the stellar success of their December 10 radiothon in support of Manitoulin Family Resources' food hamper program.

"We are pretty happy," admitted station co-owner Kelly (KT) Timmermans. "I had set a goal of \$8,000, which I thought was pretty optimistic. In the end we received a total of \$8,730 in pledges."

There were 61 individual pledges this year and the funds raised will make a major difference in the food hamper program.

"The need is very great this year," said Ms. Timmermans, who noted that the number of hampers being prepared by the MFR Help Centre staff and volunteers is up dramatically this year. "Last year there were 380 hampers but the demand is up a lot, so much so that there will be 420 food baskets going out this year."

Ms. Timmermans, Corey

Barnes and Mike (Big Mike) Abel were operating the phones while local musicians entertained the listeners.

"A huge thank you has to go out to Dixie (Glen McDougal) and the Down Yonder Band, to Ben Lentric, George Williamson, Robbie Shawana and Dylan Shigwadja," said Ms. Timmermans. "They came in and played, kept us going right down to the wire."

The radiothon helps to provide a badly needed cash infusion into the food hamper program. "They get a lot of donations of food and stuff, which is great," said Ms. Timmermans, "but they really need the cash donations as well." The cash donations help buy the turkeys and perishable items that add the familiar taste of Christmas to the day.

"We also have to thank all our listeners and want to remind them to honour their pledges," said Ms. Timmermans. "It will make all the difference in the lives of those who need all of our help to have a Merry Christmas."

Ontario regional chief calls '60s scoop court ruling 'a resounding victory'

TORONTO—Ontario Regional Chief Stan Beardy is pleased with the Ontario Divisional Court's December 2 decision to dismiss an appeal by the Government of Canada to certify the Sixties Scoop case as a class action lawsuit, calling it a signal that historic injustices to First Nation children are being addressed.

In February 2009, a class action lawsuit against Canada was filed by plaintiffs Chief Marcia Brown-Martel from Beaverhouse First Nation and Robert Commanda from Dokis First Nation on behalf of themselves and over 16,000 indigenous children who were victims of the Sixties Scoop. The Sixties Scoop refers to a period of time when these children were forcibly removed from their homes and communities in Ontario and were placed in non-indigenous homes throughout North America and other countries.

The plaintiffs claim that because Canada removed them and thousands of children from their indigenous families and communities between 1965 and 1984, they were stripped of their indigenous cultural identities and suffered emotional, psychological, and spiritual harm calling it cultural genocide. They claim that Canada should have prevented the harmful effects of Ontario's child welfare system and should have ensured their indigenous cultural

identity was protected. Article 2 of the United Nations Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide refers to makes reference to genocide as being an action of forcibly transferring children of one group to another group.

"In the five years that this case has been before the courts, Canada has shirked away from its legally-binding obligations in international agreements such as the Convention on the Rights of the Child. We have seen the same thing taking place in the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal on Child Welfare and the ineffective implementation of Jordan's Principle," Ontario Regional Chief Beardy said. "We have never given up jurisdiction of our children, not during residential schools, not during the Sixties Scoop, and not today. We are determined to address past and present injustices to our children and ensure they receive their basic human rights."

As the appeal court observed in its December 2, 2014 decision: "Here we are not dealing with just one aspect of that culture. Rather, we are dealing with a person's connection to that culture as a whole. It is difficult to see a specific interest that could be of more importance to aboriginal persons than each person's essential connection to their aboriginal heritage."



Christmas spirit

In support of the 'Kids Helping Kids' annual Christmas food drive, students at Assiginack Public School collected 189 food items and 55 toys for the Manitoulin Family Resources Food Bank.

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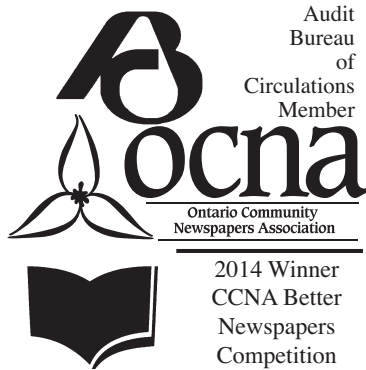
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Our Christmas message to readers of The Expositor

Each year at this time on the front cover page of The Santa Claus Book, the Christmas greetings supplement to The Expositor and The Manitoulin West Recorder, we feature a photograph of a Manitoulin Island church and a brief history of the church in its community.

This year, it is Lyons Memorial United Church in Gore Bay. Last year, the featured church was St. Gabriel Lalement Church at Birch Island and the year before that it was the Community of Christmas (formerly the RLDS) Church in Providence Bay.

This is a tradition that goes back to the mid-1980s so this is about the thirtieth Manitoulin Island church to be so featured in this way and at this time of year.

We have chosen these particularly iconic aspects of our various communities to anchor these annual seasonal supplements through the years not so much because of their connection with the Christmas season, although every church community celebrates the Advent and Christmas seasons according to its own traditions.

The churches are featured because, in virtually every one of Manitoulin Island's rural communities, these buildings and the traditions which they embody are among the most unchanging aspects of our towns, villages and hamlets.

Most of these churches have been here for a long time and the communities in which they are located grew up around them and so their facades of bricks, stonework or boards that they present to passersby have witnessed the growing up and evolution of their communities for churches were one of the very first, in fact often the very first structures, erected by settlers.

In the First Nations communities, of course, the opposite is the case and the settlements far precede the building of the churches.

There is a marked difference in the relationship between the First Nations communities and their churches because of the association these churches have with the European colonizing powers represented quite dramatically by the missionaries who first came to Manitoulin and encouraged the construction of these buildings.

But in both Manitoulin's First Nation communities and in their municipal neighbours these sound, often old, buildings represent the traditions of history and a sense of the groundedness of the place.

Other public buildings, such as community halls, are subject to change or fall into disrepair because this or that one is simply one too many for the community's current needs.

Businesses open and close and in virtually every retail business section in each of our communities, the older storefronts have housed a variety of different businesses over their lifetimes. (The notable exception of Turners Store in Little Current must be mentioned because since 1879, in the same family, this store has housed general merchandise appropriate to and answering a changing succession of the community's needs.)

Churches do close or are repurposed, but not often, and one need only look at this year's featured church, Lyons Memorial United in Gore Bay or its Anglican counterpart, All Saints further up Meredith Street, to have a sense that this place has been settled, lived in for a long time.

And so it is with church buildings all around us for they are, for the most part, fairly old structures and date from the earliest times of their communities' settlement; almost always from a time that predates our modern era.

There is an irony in play here for the fact is that in 2014, most people no longer attend church services. The chances are, though, that their parents did, and most certainly their grandparents did and so might they also have had Sunday School and other church group experiences provided for them as young people at an earlier time in their lives. It is in this way the community remains connected to these iconic buildings whether they attend Sunday services or not.

That is why we feature these structures, easily identifiable by those from their communities and often fairly identifiable by those from other local communities, so prominently year after year.

We are a community newspaper and that means that our mandate and mission is also to connect communities and the present with the past as we record the significant undertakings in Manitoulin's places by way of giving a voice to Manitoulin's citizens through news stories, photographs and letters to the editor.

Your newspapers, The Manitoulin Expositor and The Manitoulin West Recorder are, like the solid church buildings that somewhat define our communities, also institutions and landmarks.

Churches, whether on the national scale or as individual congregations and parishes, must strive to be always vital and to adapt to the communities' needs.

And so it is with newspapers for which "being always vital and adapting to the communities' needs" has come lately to mean having a digital presence through their news website(s) or through social media, including Facebook and Twitter among many others, that are as responsive to the community as possible and provide readers and viewers with as much useful (and sometimes not so useful) information as they can and to keep this stream of digital information coming steadily and changing often.

So that is part of what your community newspaper does now because it is expected of us as the local creators of the content and our ongoing role as the curators of what is happening on Manitoulin Island.

We have met this challenge successfully, to judge from the traffic to our website and the length of time people stay there looking at a whole variety of information on an average stay. By the end of this year, which is to say just about two weeks from now, the paper's website www.manitoulin.ca will have had 1.2 million page views during 2014.

This only means that, in terms of modern expectations, we are doing our job and for setting us on the right track and for keeping us there we owe much gratitude to Dave Patterson who was hired to be our production manager but then took on the additional roles of webmaster and IT specialist.

Dave's efforts, besides giving people what they wanted, also earned the paper some awards for it has been named Ontario's best news website and also Canada's best news website in the community newspaper

world and we deem that Manitoulin Island is the major winner because of the success of these ventures.

There is another person on our staff who must be noted: Kerrene Tilson, who oversees all the accounting functions for both papers, has been on The Expositor's staff for 40 years. This fall, she began her 41st year.

Of course we are proud of each member of our internal staff but it's also important to publicly acknowledge milestones like these.

But then there are all of the external folks who do so much to keep your papers vital, year after year and are every bit a part of our Manitoulin community newspaper family.

On Manitoulin, people still like to read their rural news and, thankfully, we have dedicated people who provide them with this information. The veteran among these is Erma McAllister who keeps young, in part, by penning Spring Bay Rural Route week after week. This is also the responsibility of Pat Hall whose award-winning column Tehkummah Talk and Times is wildly popular and is read consistently by some people, so they tell us, who have no idea where Tehkummah is or who Pat is writing about but they like her style, flair and occasional poem. Others in this genre whose work is equally appreciated are Gloria Sandercott (Providence Bay News and Notes), Marilyn Sparham (News and Views from The Slash) and, occasionally, Vicki Collins (Out and About in Sheguiandah). Thank you all for your help in keeping this institution current in a way that is parallel to but quite different from the paper's digital presence.

This commentary began with observations about the important role our churches and church buildings play in proclaiming the history and heritage of their host communities.

This is a role, within these pages, that often falls to the two Manitoulin historians who provide us with original material and who are also a ready source of accurate historical information and clarification when these are needed by a reporter in the course of doing his or her job. These people of history are, of course, Alexander (Sandy) McGillivray of Little Current who last year completed and published the extremely useful reference book 'The Little Current Story' and Mr. McGillivray's colleague Shelley J. Pearen who, although she resides in Ottawa, has an endless supply of information, especially about Manitoulin's earliest days of European settlement and their relationships with the First Nations communities. This year, we have been pleased to publish four installments of an ongoing series we have called "Survey Says" that is drawn from the written observations of the men who had the job of surveying Manitoulin into townships for settlement following the 1862 Manitoulin Treaty.

Rose Diebolt runs a very busy fine dining establishment, Garden's Gate Restaurant in Tehkummah, but for nearly 20 years now she has also provided Expositor readers with a prodigious number and variety of tasty dishes through her column, "Rose's Recipes." If you visit her restaurant, and in the unlikely event she isn't in the thick of things in her kitchen, you could perhaps find her outside labouring in one of her large gardens. If she isn't there, she could well be researching a "Rose's Recipe" item or doing something else for the benefit of the community.

Talk about creating and maintaining institutions that define a community: that is what Petra Wall has been doing every month since 2003 in her wide-ranging interviews with people whose connections run deep, wide and long. The illustrated interviews are presented (usually) in the last paper of each month under the heading "Now and Then" and they are successful in accomplishing what Ms. Wall set out to do over a decade ago: give a sense of history and continuity through Manitoulin citizens' personal experiences as told in their own words.

More than a quarter century ago, the paper asked Larry Leblanc if he would consider penning a weekly sports column. Mr. Leblanc is great guy to say "yes" to just about any reasonable request in the sports line so he took this on with a vengeance under the heading "Ice Chips." About a decade ago, Larry's son Andre took over the column and amplified the title to mirror some of his own interests so now it's called "Ice Chips and Canoe Quips" and carries on in the same fashion but is completely focussed on Island athletics and athletes. Each generation has done a superior job and Larry still makes cameo appearances in these pages as he did last week with a full-page obituary feature about the great Montreal Canadiens playmaker and captain Jean Beliveau from the team's (1950s and 1960s) glory days.

Claire Cline now manages a much enlarged library in Mindemoya and Debbie Robinson will soon be moving her Manitowaning library into a spacious new presence where it will have its own building. All of this work, however, has not kept Ms. Cline and Ms. Robinson from making good reading suggestions to us through their respective monthly columns, "News from the Mindemoya Book Mice" and "Assiginack Library News." Both libraries and reading are very important community institutions and in both their cases, as in all Manitoulin libraries, patrons are being offered a wide variety of media experiences and opportunities for learning.

There are a wide variety of community contributors who provide the paper, and now also our website, with useful, vibrant content. John Savage, retired educator turned photographer, must of course be noted here for the enormous variety of photos of wildlife (mostly birds) that he has provided to the paper.

Another of these community contributors is brand new: that is Cassie Kuntsi who just recently took over the Manitoulin Secondary School column "Kids in the Hall." In fact, last week we published Ms. Kuntsi's debut offering and we are looking forward to four more years of school news from this very talented young woman and MSS student.

Kieran Cooper is the author of the weekly column that profiles MSS athletes, "Player Profile." Great job, Kieran.

On Manitoulin Island, the arts scene is a growing phenomenon so we are fortunate that Nancy McDermid takes the time to provide a detailed monthly interview with an Island artist in the column "The Creative Isle." Just like churches and community newspapers, art, in

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all of its forms, is foundational so we appreciate being able to publish this ongoing inventory of talent.

And of talent, *The Expositor* is fortunate to have an abundance by way of freelance writers including Lori Thompson, Betty Bardswich, Sharon Jackson, Heather Pennie and Isobel Harry. These people very often mean that the paper can be in the right place at the right time and for this we are very, very grateful on behalf of the community.

Manitoulin Island, with a population of just over 13,000 people, is served by three police forces, each with its own mandate.

For reports of activities in which the police are involved, we are grateful to Constable Al Boyd, veteran Community Services Officer with the Manitoulin Island detachment of the OPP, to Sergeant Brad Mack of the UCCMM Tribal Police and to Chief Gary Reid of the Wikwemikong Tribal

Police. Your assistance means we get police news correctly and in a timely way and all of this is also about community building.

Like churches and the community press, the post offices in our communities have also stood the test of time and it is through them and their staff and our rural route contractors that we are able to deliver our newspapers to you from Wikwemikong to Meldrum Bay in a reliable time frame, week following week. Thank you everyone. It's a good cooperative model.

And now to you, gentle readers: thank you for your tips, feedback, letters to the editor, Facebook shares, story and photo re-Tweets and lively commentary on the paper's interactive website.

You subscribe to or otherwise acquire the paper through a store purchase or see it at the library and you use it for the purpose for which it was intended: information sharing.

Thank you all very much for making 2014 another memo-

orable news year, whether as newsmakers or consumers.

We wish you all a blessed and happy Christmas and all the very best for 2015.

Sincerely,

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letters

A response to the December 10 editorial

Please continue to shed light on issues such as these

To the Expositor:

I wanted to thank you for including the 'Proper raising of boys is fundamental to Canada's future' editorial in your paper on December 10, 2014 (Page 4). Addressing an

issue that is so often ignored demonstrates not only journalistic integrity, but the magnitude of the problem itself. The perpetual violence against and violation of Canadian women has affected us all on a local and

national level. As a young woman, it is my hope that articles such as these will continue to generate discussion and assist in bringing attention to this alarming problem. My thoughts are with the murdered

women of Manitoulin. Please continue to shed light on issues such as these.

Sincerely,

Rachel McLaughlin
Waskesiu Lake, Saskatchewan

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry deer tag system is seriously flawed

"Lessen the buck tags, give out lots of fawn tags and in some areas give out more doe tags" says 91-year-old hunter

To the Expositor:

I read in the Recorder Bill Strain's version of how the MNR (Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry) manages the deer hunt on Manitoulin Island. I agree fully with him.

I have hunted deer since I was 19-years-old, which is 72 years, because I am 91 years young. We have a hunting group of usually 10 to 12 people, mostly family, that hunts 700 acres of my property plus another 300 acres, with permission. This year, our group was allotted 1 (one) antlerless deer tag only. We saw does and fawns this year but because of only 1 antlerless tag, we

watched them go on their way.

It is ridiculous that the MNR makes me buy a licence from them to hunt on property that I own and pay taxes on. They admit they don't own the deer so where do they get any power to control the deer hunt on private property? They are to control Crown land hunting only. The people on Manitoulin don't know how to fight for their rights.

The MNR allows too long of a bow hunt season and everybody can shoot a buck. Then there is rifle season, and everybody can shoot a buck. Then there is black powder season and everybody can shoot a buck.

So what it boils down to is the bucks are getting scarce and we will get a deer herd, like Michigan, with little scrawny bucks.

Why not allow a certain amount of buck tags, a certain amount of fawn tags and then more doe tags in areas where they are over populated? I also read retired CO Anderson's version of many deer starving last winter and he only checked areas where the deer were overpopulated. Last winter a lot of fawns didn't make spring because of the extra snow. I talked to a lot of people and they reported there are far too many does and fawns ruining the farmer's fields, especially in the Green

Bush area, Bidwell area and the area south of Little Current. My daughter lives on Barrie Island and it is nothing to go for a little ride in the evening and count 20-30 deer. I was told retired CO Anderson persuaded the Fish and Game Club and the Deer Management Committee to cut tags. I feel they cut far too many tags. Let him tour the entire Island, not just part of it.

My last phrase is: lessen the buck tags, give out lots of fawn tags and in some areas, give out more doe tags.

J.D. Hutchinson
Sandfield

It's always the most vulnerable and innocent who suffer government injustice

A lot of wisdom and knowledge comes from living simply

To the Expositor:

The things I see that the two levels of governments are doing to the citizens and it's always the most vulnerable and innocent people who are being victimized by their injustices so that they can get more wealthy.

It's over the lives of citizens and all injustices to what they are doing and I am usually opposed to what they are going to do because I know what harm it's going to cause to the most vulnerable citizens and

its the people who are struggling to make ends meet. It's not really about helping people; the truth is they are just looking after their own wealth and luxury living lifestyles and, of course, their rich friends come first too. There is nothing left over for the ordinary citizen, they just want some more because we never seem to get the wealth ourselves that they incur from this.

The fact is, we are just getting poorer and it's all due to their greed for wealth but one thing is for sure: God will judge them some

day for this with all the injustices that they have done to people. Some people do not really believe that there is hell but we do not know that for sure but if there is one, then we should start to think about the consequences that we may have to face some day because God will judge the living and the dead because of all the injustices that we have done to each other. It is still happening today and usually it has to do with financial reasons, taking advantage of anybody because of mismanagement of

finances and, for me, I never mismanaged my income because I live the simple life and a lot of self discipline and it's will power. I notice that living this way, a lot of wisdom comes with it and knowledge and people still have a chance to change their ways because our days are numbered and counting down.

Ron Osawabine
Wikwemikong

SWEAR seeks to support wind turbine litigation

It is unfair to expect a few to fund something which stands to benefit so many

To the Expositor:

The long awaited Divisional Court Charter Challenge of three industrial wind turbine projects wrapped up on Thursday, November 20. The appeal went before Justices F.N. Marocco, D.M. Brown and J.R. Henderson at the courthouse in London. Arguments were made by Julian Falconer and team, counsel for the four families (Drennan, Dixon, Ryan and Kroepin) objecting to the proximity of industrial wind turbines to their homes in the 140 turbine K2 (Drennan) and 15 turbine St. Columban (Dixon and Ryan) wind projects currently under construction in Huron County, and the 92 turbine Armow Wind Project being constructed in Bruce County. Counsel for the Ministry of the Environment and the wind developers argued in support of the current legislative regime for the development of wind projects in Ontario. The matter of a stay of construction of the K2 and St. Columban Wind Projects was also heard. The Appeal was well attended each day by an attentive audience of supporters of the four families, press and other interested parties. This Charter challenge appeal was to the constitutionality of certain provisions of the Environmental Protection Act, which was amended by the Green Energy and Economy Act.

The Stay action was also spoken to. At the end of the appeal hearing, the learned judges reserved their decision on all matters before the court. The four families are not seeking any type of financial settlement in this action.

It is important to note that on the first day of the appeal intervenor status, in support of the four couples, was requested by the County of Lambton as well as by a community coalition of 14 different groups from across the province.

Serious harm to human health, arising from exposure to industrial wind turbines, was at the heart of this appeal. What became very clear during the appeal was the disturbing data gaps when it comes to a solid understanding of how these turbines impact human health. Proper, scientifically based setbacks for these projects are critical for everyone—people living within the projects, wind developers, governing bodies and, in fact, all residents of our province. The focus of the appeal was, of course, part of a much broader ongoing discussion across the province on the wind turbine front. Other concerns include the economics of wind energy development, animal health, property values, tourism, source water protection, wildlife habitats, migratory routes, loss of longstanding

municipal rights and authority, loss of local democracy, loss of prime agricultural land for food production, loss of future development potential within wind developments, a drain on local extractive resources and the loss of trust among family members, friends and neighbours—people who have lived and worked together for years and who now feel deeply divided and betrayed.

SWEAR (Safe Wind Energy for All Residents) is a group which formed in 2011 to support Shawn and Trish Drennan as they embarked on their legal journey to address their concerns about health impacts from wind turbines. Other avenues had been exhausted and, sadly, the legal route became the one remaining option. A considerable record has been created since that time and was brought to bear at Divisional Court. The Dixons, Ryans and Kroepins, along with their supporters (HALT and HEAT), came under the SWEAR umbrella for this appeal and we will all move forward together. Since its inception, all funds contributed to SWEAR have gone directly to legal costs. All other incidental costs have been and will be borne by SWEAR members.

It is our belief that the Green Energy and Economy Act, 2009, is a particular instance

of a piece of provincial legislation gone terribly wrong. Going forward, it is quite possible that a similarly deeply troublesome piece of legislation will be passed pertaining to some other matter and will profoundly impact the day to day lives of other ordinary people in this province. Let's be thankful that the four families in this situation have had the courage to stand up and fight for governmental accountability. Let's do all that we can to send a cautionary message to our provincial legislators.

If you share our concerns, please help to fund this important case which is essentially public interest litigation. It is unfair and unreasonable to expect a few to fund something which stands to benefit so many. In all likelihood, further action will be required, regardless of the outcome of this appeal. Cheques can be made payable to "SWEAR" and sent to Dave Hemingway, R.R.#2, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0. Donors can also go online to the SWEAR website at www.swearontario.wix.com/swearontario, and hit the "donate" button. For further information on this case, go to www.falconers.ca and www.halt-safe.ca.

Thank you.

Dave Hemingway, president
Anita Frayne, secretary/treasurer
On behalf of SWEAR

Further delays in M'Chigeeng murder case; will resume in January

by Isobel Harry

GORE BAY—On Monday, December 15, Kimel Corbiere, aged 26 of Mindemoya, accused in the murder last May of Johnny Panamick, aged 70 of M'Chigeeng, appeared briefly in court and stood in the prisoner box in handcuffs, regulation orange prison jumpsuit and white sneakers.

James Wepler, defense lawyer for Mr. Corbiere, indicated that he continues to await full disclosure from the Crown. Crown Attorney Stacy Haner said that the evidence has been reviewed and will be disclosed this week to Mr. Wepler.

The defense lawyer then spoke to the presiding judge, Justice Louise Serré, saying that he wanted to make sure

that his client will stay in the detention centre in Sudbury and will seek a judge's order to ensure Mr. Corbiere is not moved to another prison. Asked by The Expositor to clarify this request, Mr. Wepler says there are issues at the Sudbury jail that are causing renovations to take place and some prisoners are being moved to other prisons, such as Penetanguishene and further afield, with some inconvenience to lawyers and clients in ongoing legal processes. Mr. Corbiere is currently in jail in North Bay and travelled from there for his latest appearance in Gore Bay. Mr. Wepler also noted that he will need time to meet with his client to review the Crown's evidence.

Judge Serré remanded the case until Monday, January 12, 2015, at which time Mr. Corbiere "will be spoken to," and, as Mr. Wepler later told The Expositor, "disclosure of evidence will be confirmed."

Johnny Panamick was found in his home on Back Street in M'Chigeeng on Sunday, May 11, 2014 by a neighbour, having suffered extensive bodily injuries. Mr. Panamick was taken to hospital, then transferred to Health Sciences North in Sudbury, where he died on June 13.

Kimel Corbiere was arrested on July 17, 2014 and charged with the first degree murder of Mr. Panamick. He appeared in court for the first time on July 18 and has been in custody since his arrest.

Police continue to seek the public's assistance with this crime and ask anyone with information to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or UCCM Anishnaabe Police at 1-888-377-7135. To remain anonymous, the public may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS).

Hearing in arson case remanded until the New Year

by Isobel Harry

GORE BAY—The criminal court case against Clinton Gordon Haggart of Little Current, aged 31, was again remanded during the latest hearing in Gore Bay Superior Court of Justice on December 15. Mr. Haggart, who did not appear in court, has been charged with seven counts of arson in five suspicious fires that occurred in Little Current last summer.

Speaking for Mr. Haggart's defense lawyer Glenn Sandberg on Monday was André Guitard, who was also acting as Duty Counsel that day. Mr. Guitard said that Mr. Sandberg had not been informed of the December 15 hearing date by the agent who had spoken on his behalf at the previous hearing. Thus, Mr. Sandberg was not ready to

address the court on Monday.

Presiding Judge Louise Serré asked Mr. Guitard whether a designation (deposition testimony) had been filed, to which he responded in the affirmative. During a previous hearing in November, the court heard that Mr. Sandberg had received disclosure (evidence) documents from the Crown Attorney's office and was reviewing them.

Judge Serré then remanded Mr. Haggart's hearing until Monday, January 26.

Mr. Haggart remains in custody in Sudbury; he made his first court appearance on August 14 via video conference from the detention centre.

The charges against Mr. Haggart are: intentionally

or recklessly causing damage by fire to personal property owned by Clinton Haggart, 25 Wilson Street East, Northeast Town, Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services, under Section 434.1 of the Criminal Code on June 13, 2014, and intentionally or recklessly causing damage by fire to a dwelling house, property of Ontario Aboriginal Services, 25 Wilson Street East (the home of the Haggart family); intentionally or recklessly causing damage by fire to a dwelling owned by Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services, 35 Blake Street West (the home of Mr. Haggart's mother-in-law, Margaret Bowerman); intentionally or recklessly causing damage by fire to a garage, property of Lorne Alston, on July 23 at 15 Blake Street West; intentionally

or recklessly causing damage by fire to a shed, property of Jamie Still, on August 5, 26 Blake Street West; intentionally or recklessly causing damage by fire to a dwelling/recreation centre, property of Michael Maciuk, on August 17, 21 Campbell Street West (the Island Training Centre); and intentionally or recklessly causing damage by fire to a storage facility, property of Floyd James Renton, on August 17, 23 Campbell Street West (the former Little Current curling rink).



Law & Order

Copper theft under investigation

On Tuesday, December 9, the Manitoulin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) received a call from a resident of Highway 540 in Gordon Township who reported that he had some copper wire and a meteoroidal tower stored on his property. Upon checking his property the items had been removed. The value of the copper wire was approximately \$1,000 to \$1,200. The tower was in sections and is valued at \$10,000.

Investigation revealed that culprits would have required a truck and trailer to remove the stolen items. Police are continuing their investigation and are seeking the public's assistance if anyone with information may call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122, or if you wish to remain anonymous call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS).

Stolen vehicle recovered in RIDE check

On Sunday, December 14 at 1:35 am, members of the Manitoulin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) were conducting RIDE checks on Meredith Street in Little Current. At 1:40 am officers observed a grey Toyota Tacoma stop about 200 metres from the checkpoint and two individuals run from the vehicle. The vehicle, unoccupied, continued to travel and ran into a retaining wall on the side of the road. A search of the area for the suspects was conducted by OPP and United Chiefs and Council of Manitoulin (UCCM) officers with negative results.

Upon check of the vehicle it was registered to a female in Billings Township. She was contacted at home and confirmed that her vehicle was not at her residence and must have been stolen.

Police are continuing their investigation and are seeking the public's assistance. Anyone with information may call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122, or if you wish to remain anonymous call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS).

Manitoulin OPP say thank you

Constable Allan Boyd, community services officer with the Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police, would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Manitoulin "who have supported and assisted us in our efforts to make this a better and safer place to live during this past year. Our successes would not have been possible without you," Constable Boyd said. "Once again on behalf of all members of the

Manitoulin OPP Detachment thanks and have a very merry and safe Christmas season."

Detachment Commander's Christmas wish

Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Detachment Commander Staff Sergeant Kevin Webb would like to wish all a safe and happy holiday season. As a lot of people will soon be travelling for the holidays, the OPP would like to remind motorists to be prepared and be safe. Weather conditions can be variable and unpredictable, placing extra demands on your vehicle and your driving skills. Take the time to ensure you are well prepared for winter roads and exercise extreme caution when travelling on snow or ice covered roads. Snow means slow. Stay alert, slow down and stay in control are the three key elements to safe winter driving. Drive according to current road and weather conditions. Keep a safe distance between you and the vehicle in front of you. Avoid situations where you may have to brake suddenly on a slippery surface.

If you get stuck or stranded, don't panic. Stay with your vehicle for safety and warmth. If you're in an area with cell phone service and have a cell phone, call for help. Remember, dialing *OPP (star 677) will connect you to the nearest Ontario Provincial Police Communications center.

Before heading out, check weather and travel conditions. Don't take chances if the weather is bad. Give yourself extra time for travel or wait until conditions improve. Call the Ministry of Transportation for road conditions at 1-800-461-9523 or visit www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/traveller/conditions

There's plenty of winter weather ahead and the OPP urge drivers to drive with extra caution. Let's all enjoy a safe winter season.

Did You Know?

That the Ontario Provincial Police responded to many 9-1-1 calls over the past year. All calls were dialed in error and required the officers to attend and verify that there were no actual emergencies.

Again, an "emergency" constitutes any situation that requires immediate assistance when the safety of people or property is at risk, e.g. a crime in progress, a motor vehicle collision, a fire or a medical emergency.

9-1-1 is not intended to be used as a num-

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MPP CONSTITUENCY CLINICS

Wed. December 17th

Goulais River

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. @ Fire Hall

Prince Township

11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. @ Twp. Office

Echo Bay

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. @ Macdonald,

Meredith & Aberdeen Additional

Twp. Office

Bruce Mines

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. @ Municipal office

Thu. December 18th

M'Chigeeng First Nation

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. @ Band Office

Mindemoya

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. @ Central

Manitoulin Municipal Office

Providence Bay

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. @ Providence Bay Hall

Gore Bay

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. @ Community Hall

Kagawong

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. @ Kagawong Park

Centre

Fri. December 19th

Wikwemikong First Nation

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. @ Band Office

Manitowaning

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. @ Library

Little Current

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. @ Recreation Centre

Whitefish River First Nation

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. @ Band Office



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Hint #2: We don't have to travel to Kagawong

to see this fast running water.

NOTIFICATION

Habitat Regulations for Protecting Species at Risk

Ontario is fortunate to have a wide variety of plants and animals. Over 200 of these species, however, are currently 'at risk'. One of the key threats to their survival is habitat loss.

Under the *Endangered Species Act, 2007*, the Government of Ontario has passed habitat regulations for Eastern Sand Darter, Hine's Emerald, Hungerford's Crawling Water Beetle, Pitcher's Thistle, and Wavy-rayed Lampmussel. These provisions will help protect and recover these plants and animals. The regulations come into force on **January 1, 2015**.

Want to know more about habitat regulations or the *Endangered Species Act*? Information on the regulations is available on the Environmental Registry of the Environmental Bill of Rights website at ontario.ca/ebrr (Registry #012-1549) and on the Species at Risk website at ontario.ca/speciesatrisk.

For alternative formats of this information, please e-mail sar.habitat@ontario.ca or call toll-free at **1-800-667-1940**.

Renseignements en français : 1 800 667-1940

Manitoulin Sporting Life

Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc



Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

T.J. remembered

Last week, Manitoulin lost a sporting and education icon. Ted 'TJ' Jackson taught at Manitoulin Secondary for nearly three decades and touched many lives inside and outside of the school. Tributes have been coming from far and wide but I wanted to add mine as well. TJ was a teacher that had a kind and individual approach to all of his students. He always made his students strive to improve to their potential. Inspiring and training the elite athletes to become the best in the province and for the rest of us to find joy in physical activity.

He inspired several of my friends and me to take up cycling as a form of transportation as much as it was a sport, as we marveled at his daily rides in from Gore Bay. He once got the cross country team out to Mel-drum Bay before sunrise to run mile-repeats all day long until we reached Little Current after dark. Only about 10 years ago he volunteered his time to run a track and field training program. Just these few instances, illustrate, his ability to motivate and that education is not only within the school walls or that it stops at a certain age. Thank you T.J.

Eagles flying high

The Espanola Eagles Minor Midgets are tops in the NEHL (North East House League) with a strong record of 14 wins, 1 loss and 3 ties! The Island and Birch Island players are all contributing towards the strong play of the team and a big reason for their success in the league. They have 12 more league games and then break into two divisions for inter-division play where the top 6 teams will play and then move on to series playoffs.

Their biggest competition comes from Onaping Falls, Nickel Centre Rocks (Garson), Rayside and Copper Cliff which are all close behind in the league standings. These teams have some strong players which pushes the players to be better every shift. The team is looking forward to having more opportunities to play against these better teams in the top division as they will be attending two tournaments in Southern Ontario to see how we fair. Our home games are on Saturday evenings in Espanola at 6:30pm.

Local Island boys are Noah Moreau, Patrick Snowdon, Nathan Debassige (Coach Ray Moreau) and the Birch Island players include Kristen McGregor, Mskwoka McGregor, Theron McGregor, Byron Shawanda and Mike Megwanabe. Keep up the good work team!

Elementary volleyball

The Annual Island Volleyball took place last Thursday in Wikwemikong for the boys and in Little Current for the girls' event. The CMPS Eagles girls' squad was undefeated, winning five straight games to finish ahead of the silver medalists from Assiginack. The team featured: Haley Cress, Amber Wahl, Marjorie Scott, Alexandria Lewis, Hailey McGillis-Prior, Avery Lentir, Janessa Lee, Trinity Leeson, Maddy Niven and Coach Lisa Pennie.

In the boys' event, taking place at the Wikwemikong High School's double courts, there was a lot of volleyball being played. Assiginack had the best record during the round-robin with a perfect eight points while the CMPS Eagles earned seven. The Eagles however won two straight in the semis and then two straight over Assiginack to win the trophy. Congratulations to Eagles: Quinn Coker, Hunter Smith, Matthew Redmond, CJ Wilson, Ethan Smith, Sean Orford, Chris Haner and Hunter Cranston. Assiginack's silver medalists included: Ethan Closs, Jacob Hallaert, Ovid Therrien, Tyson Otosquaib, Paedon Hughson, Ryan Jones, Joe Cassidy, Von Clayton, Braiden Phillips, Christopher White and Coach Jeremy Mailloux

Taking the bronze after defeating Pontiac was LCPS. Congratulations to Coaches Heather Hall and April Aelick and players: Ethan Corbiere, Parker Hall, Josh Robinson, Adam Williamson, Connor Bellmore, William Hutchinson, AJ Van Kesteren, Michael Madahbee, Lukas Abotossaway and Ben Marshall.

Laidley recognized

Little Current's Michael Laidley has long been on the 'who to watch' list of many scouts over the last couple of years. Having ultimately been acknowledged by Ivy League St. Lawrence University, who offered the teen a full scholarship over a year ago, Laidley is still a player, turning heads. Over the weekend, Hockey Canada (www.hockeycanada.ca) recognized the former Manitoulin Panther as one of three on the Canada East squad and one of just 18 players from all of the international competition that is currently playing in Kindersley Saskatchewan for the World Junior "A" Challenge. Games go until the 20th and are being webcast if you want to see why everyone is looking his way.

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Island medical professionals team up to donate first aid kits to Manitoulin minor hockey

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—A variety of Manitoulin medical health care professionals have collaborated to create and donate first aid kits to Island minor hockey teams just in time for Christmas.

"The Little Current Medical Associates puts aside money every year that people can apply for towards various health related issues," explained Manitoulin Health Care Centre Chief of Staff Stephen Cooper. "We had some leftover money this year and came up with the idea of creating a resource for hockey team trainers."

Dr. Cooper explained that Dr. Dieter Poenn had recently returned from a conference about sports related concussions, Return to Play, which sparked the idea for a resource book for trainers.

"We thought 'how can we get the newest information on concussions right to the source,'" said Dr. Cooper, "which led to the idea of creating useful first aid kits for all the teams, including a binder with information for trainers."

The next step for the project was connecting with Noojmowin Teg nurse Dan Charette.

"Dan is really involved in minor hockey and took the lead on costing the kits," continued Dr. Cooper. "We found out we would need more funds to complete the kits and looked for other partners. Noojmowin Teg, the Mindemoya physicians, Gore Bay physicians and the Island pharmacists all came forward to help."

The end result was upwards of \$8,000 being donated towards the bags in funds and first aid products.

The over 50 bags will be donated to the Island high school hockey teams and various minor hockey teams across the Island.

"The bags are big enough to hold the binders and all the first aid items," concluded Dr. Cooper. "Our vision is that the kits will help make the trainers' jobs easier and provide them with the most up-to-date medical information."

The kits will be handed out starting this Friday, an early Christmas present for the Island hockey teams.

Mustangs, boys and girls, ranked in top of their divisions

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Mustangs boys' hockey team is ending the first part of their season on a high note, ending in the top half of their division—currently ranked four out of 11 teams in the Sudbury District.

The Mustangs' final game before the Christmas break was held on home ice but sadly seven days of intense hockey action had taken its toll on the boys and they lost to Confederation 3-2.

The team did, however, have a successful weekend tournament in North Bay the weekend prior, losing in the championship game to secure a silver medal for Manitoulin Secondary. The team beat out West Ferris (North Bay) 4-3, Widdifield (North Bay) 5-3 and Franco Cité (Sturgeon Falls) 7-1. The 'Stangs met the St. Benedict Bears in the quarter finals, winning handily 6-2, where they advanced to the semis, beating arch rivals St. Charles 5-3.

In the championship game, the Mustangs faced off against Widdifield once again, but the North Bay squad was looking for redemption for the earlier loss. Coach Brad Bond explained that until that game against Manitoulin, Widdifield had gone undefeated in regular season play. The boys in gold and black lost in the finals 5-2, but were proud to have held their own throughout the tournament, showing that the Island can take on any high school in the North.

"To get the silver medal is so rewarding," Mr. Bond said.

There's no rest for the weary, though, and the Mustangs were headed for Lively Monday night where the exhausted team lost to the large and powerful Hawks 4-3.

On Thursday the Mustangs were back in Sudbury to challenge St. Benedict's where Manitoulin boasted a 4-0 shutout then it was back home for the Friday night game against Confed.

The coach said he was pleased with his team's efforts and happy see them advance into the top half of the district division.



The Mustangs try to even the score during their Friday night home game against Confederation, but came up short.

The Mustang girls team have had an excellent run too, beating Lasalle on Thursday, December 12 by a whopping 10-2, Lively 6-3 last Tuesday, losing in a very close game against Confederation last Thursday evening, 5-3, and suffering another loss Monday night to Sacre Coeur due to a team plagued with illness. A happy Mike Meeker, coach, is proud, however, to share that the girls are also

ranked fourth in their division heading into the Christmas break. Fans can catch the Mustang boys in Little Current on Friday, January 9 against first place Notre Dame and then on Friday, January 16 when Lockerby comes to town and then again on February 6 when Lively pays a visit, all games at 7 pm.

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Wasse-Abin badminton players bring home hardware

ELLIOT LAKE—This past weekend, eight Wasse-Abin High School badminton players took part in the Elliot Lake Badminton Tournament, playing well in all three categories of singles, doubles and mixed doubles.

With an exhausting first night of singles starting at 4 pm and wrapping up around 9 pm, the team finished with two firsts in C Flight with Landon Peltier winning the men's and Starlee Kanasawe winning for



The Wasse-Abin High School Badminton players, from left, are Eileen Letander-Trudeau, Justin Peltier, Landon Peltier and Starlee Kanasawe.

the ladies' division. Special mention to Eileen Letander-Trudeau for finishing in the top eight in B Flight. The next morning the team started at 9 am for the doubles and competed fiercely and ended with winning the B Flight in men's doubles with the team of Landon Peltier and Justin Peltier.

Moving into the last leg of the tournament the mixed doubles Wasse-Abin players did an excellent job,

taking many experienced teams to a game three and finishing with a placing in the B Flight and a fourth, third, and another first place in the C Flight with the team of Landon Peltier and Eileen Letander-Trudeau.

The team played an excellent tournament, competing against the top ranked players in Northern Ontario and gaining praise from parents and coaches from

Islanders fair well at 2014 Ontario Provincial Jiu-Jitsu Championships

by Robin Burrige

BARRIE—Islanders Anya Wright and Given Cortes brought home bronze and silver, respectively, in Brazilian jiu-jitsu at the 2014 Ontario Provincial Jiu-Jitsu Championships held recently in Barrie.

"I placed third in my division," said Ms. Wright of the championships. "I have been part of the Brazilian jiu-jitsu club Troop BJJ Manitoulin since July but I have been doing Judo for several years as well as Karate at the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts."

Ms. Wright moved to Manitoulin four years ago with her husband whose family is from Gore Bay. She recently got into jiu-jitsu after friends encouraged her to "check it out."



Islanders Given Cortes and Anya Wright with their medals won at the Provincial Jiu-Jitsu Championships.

"The championships were a lot of fun and I would like to attend another in the near future," concluded Ms. Wright.

"Tournaments are always good experience," added Mr. Cortes, who in addition to being a member of Troop BJJ, is also a member of the Manitoulin School of Martial Arts and holds black belts in karate, judo and kendo. "You either win or you learn."

In this case both Islanders did both, not only winning but gaining valuable experience in the art of jiu-jitsu.

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Player Profile

By Kieran Cooper

Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association



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Player profile this week is about Mason Pine. Mason is in grade ten and has been an avid athlete all through high school and in elementary school before. In elementary school Mason participated in hockey, soccer, baseball, cross country, track and field, volleyball and basketball. So as you can see Mason has done many sports throughout his life already. Mason continued lots of these sports in high school including cross-country, track and field and hockey. Mason has had lots of success in high school sports including OFSSA for cross country, NOSSA for track and field and NOSSA for basketball. Mason has also played hockey for a number of years outside of school in the defensive position. Mason is now playing defense for Manitoulin Mustangs. Later this year Mason hopes to join the Track team and Badminton team. Of all his sports Mason's favorite sports are hockey because it's a fast and physical game and soccer because it's very skill oriented and involves lots of running. Overall his favorite thing about sports is that it's a great way to stay fit and athletic.

In school Mason's favorite subject is gym and his favorite thing about school is the sports and seeing his friends. After high school Mason wants to be a personal trainer or work for hydro. Outside of school Mason enjoys hanging out with friends, working out and watching T.V. In general his inspirations in life are his girlfriend and just to be proud of himself. Well Good Luck for this hockey season Mason and for all your future sports this year!

Hint #4: Got skates?

Volleyball champs!



The Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) boys' volleyball team proudly show off their trophy. From left is coach Andre Leblanc, Quinn Coker, Hunter Smith (front) Matthew Redmond, CJ Wilson, Ethan Smith, Sean Orford, Chris Haner and Hunter Cranston.



The CMPS girls volleyball team pose for a picture following their win. Back row, from left, is Haley Cress, Amber Wahl, Marjorie Scott, Alexandria Lewis, Hailey McGillis-Prior, Avery Lentir and Janessa Lee, front row, Trinity Leeson and Maddy Niven. Missing: coach Lisa Pennie.



The Little Current boys' volleyball team strike a pose after their third place win in the Island volleyball championship. The team includes Ethan Corbiere, Parker Hall, Josh Robinson Adam Williamson, Connor Bellmore, William Hutchinson, AJ Van Kesteren, Michael Madahbee, Lukas Abotossaway, Ben Marshall and coaches April Aelick and Heather Hall (missing from photo).

Expositor Correction

In the December 10 addition of The Expositor the Page 8A article 'Little Current Vigil recognizes 25th anniversary of the Montreal Massacre,' Julie Lalonde is quoted as speaking about MP Paul Dewar's recent speech in the House of Commons, this should have read MP Peter Mackay. The Expositor apologizes for this error.

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Report suggesting selling portions of Hydro One gets mixed review

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—The preliminary report of the Premier's Advisory Council on Government Assets set off a hailstorm of commentary and opposition reaction when it recommended selling off a number of provincial assets while retaining several others. The Ed Clark Panel, so named in honour of its chair, last year's Canadian Business CEO of the Year and outgoing CEO of TD Canada Trust, was charged with examining the relevance and future of key provincial assets, including the LCBO, Hydro One and Ontario Power Generation.

While recommending some fairly radical changes to the province's energy sector, the panel tempered its recommendations with a clear intent to incremental change rather than revolution.

"Our bias was clearly towards the doable," said Mr. Clark in his speech unveiling the report. "It is easy to imagine dramatic shifts in strategy-but such shifts would require deep cultural changes in the organizations and broad societal support to make them happen. We prefer a more measured approach-each step of which improves what we have and actually gets things done rather than adds to the list of reports never implemented."

The report was to provide initial recommendations on "ways to improve customer service and increase efficiencies at those government businesses in order to maximize their value and to generate better returns for the people of Ontario."

The report noted that Hydro One's distribution business, whose electricity is sold directly to 1.3 million homes and businesses covering much of rural Ontario and even some larger centres, delivers some shocking therapy suggestions. It notes that electricity sales account for 75 percent of Hydro One's revenue and 36 percent of its profits.

The panel recommended that Hydro One should keep the long-distance, high-voltage network that transmits electricity from generating stations to local hydro networks and then spinoff and partially privatize the distribution business through a two-pronged strategy.

According to the report, Hydro One's latest annual report shows its distribution sector had revenue of \$4.484 billion last year and delivered \$452 million in pre-tax profit to the provincial coffers through assets with a book value of \$8.8 billion.

Mr. Clark spoke of the philosophy of the panels' approach to dealing with the size of the task facing the

province in rationalizing and improving its consumer services sector.

"First, as mentioned, government's preference is to retain ownership of core assets," he said. "The Council also believes you should not rush to sell assets. Rushed sales are not in the public interest. Any sale must be a carefully staged and competitive process."

"Second," he continued, "we asked whether the government is, indeed, the best owner of these assets and the purpose served by government ownership. Would a company in private hands be better able to serve the consumer or ratepayer? Would bringing in the private sector unlock a company that could grow and create jobs?"

"Third," said Mr. Clark, "these assets all earn income for the Ontario government, income which is important given its deficit position. But the proceeds of any divestiture aren't likely to be reinvested into new income-generating assets. The new infrastructure assets may add enormous value to the province and in turn, create income for the province in the medium-term. But in the short-term, there is likely to be an income loss. The Council was very mindful of that impact. So, in order to offset any loss of income, it became all the more critical to improve the performance of the assets retained by the government."

Mr. Clark concluded his synopsis of the panel's approach by relaying that "the council members agreed that swapping ownership in infrastructure assets can make sense. But it is important that the funds raised are used to invest in assets that deliver high societal or economic returns to the Province. The government has made clear that funds raised in this process will be used to invest in transit and transportation infrastructure. Improved infrastructure will allow the economy to grow faster, create more jobs and increase both competitiveness and productivity. In addition, of course, there are jobs directly created by undertaking the investments."

Mr. Clark noted that having come to various recommendations that the panel believes can benefit both the consumer and the provincial coffers, the next step will prove even more difficult and fraught with potential missteps, but he affirmed that the panel's report provides a sound basis for moving forward to those steps.

"By putting out a broad framework of our direction, we are now in a position to have more detailed discussions with the various stakeholders about implementation and execution," he said. "The devil is often in the details."

...LC Legion elects new executive, saves branch from closure

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noted that next year marks the Little Current branch's 85th year and its importance to the community.

Through secret ballot, Comrade Noel was elected as president.

Before continuing with the election of officers, Comrade Ferguson spoke of the good turnout for the meeting, including youthful members, saying he felt there was no danger of the branch closing with that kind of response.

Debbie Menard, Tari Smith, Wayne Golden and Peewee Oliver were nominated for the position of First Vice President with Tari Smith declining. Wayne Golden was elected.

Tari Smith and Debbie Menard were nominated to fill the position of Second Vice President with Debbie Menard taking the job through a vote.

Third Vice President will remain Georgina Lovelace with the positions of sergeant-at-arms and service officer also continuing to be held by, respectively, Bob Smith and Wayne Golden.

There was some discussion and confusion over the executive positions with the membership learning that employees of the Legion cannot hold a position on the board. Standing executive members are Florence Hubert and Jack Omnet with new members Gord Keatley, Paul Abbott, Gary Trimmer, Brad

Barnes and Tom Stephens joining the table.

The positions for secretary and treasurer are not yet filled.

A misunderstanding about who could serve in the treasurer's role saw a frustrated Branch #177 50-year member, Jeff Marshall, asked to leave the meeting by the zone commander. Comrade Marshall did so, but his long-time contribution to the branch was acknowledged by a spontaneous and thunderous round of applause.

Following Comrade Marshall's exit, District H Com-



Ladies' Auxiliary member Sherry Parkinson hands out ballots for the vote for Legion president.



District H Commander Gerry Ferguson, standing at centre, calls for nominations from the floor.

mander Ferguson eventually gave a possible workaround solution to the issue Comrade Marshall had wished to be clarified, namely that while a paid employee of the branch could not hold any executive post, in fact some person could serve (in this case as treasurer) in name only

and that a person also employed by the branch could agree to do the actual work of the treasurer, submitting reports to the "official" executive member to be presented to the board.

The meeting ended with the official swearing in of the Legion officials and executive who will be in office until March 2015.

...Burns Night Dinner celebrating Scotland's famous son

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Perry Bellegarde elected Assembly of First Nations national chief

by Michael Erskine
WINNIPEG—Perry Bellegarde of Saskatchewan was elected the new grand chief of the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) during a special meeting of the AFN held in Winnipeg on December 10.

National Chief Bellegarde took the contest on the first ballot, securing 63 percent of the 464 ballots cast. There were 639 AFN member chiefs eligible to vote in the election.

The candidates for AFN national chief included Chief Bellegarde, Leon Jourdain, who finished third, and Ghislain Picard, who was acting as interim national chief following the precipitous departure last May of former AFN National Chief Shawn Atleo of British Columbia, who resigned following the tumultuous fallout from the federal government's proposed overhaul of the act governing First Nations education.

National Chief Bellegarde was a candidate for the top AFN position in 2009, losing out to Chief Atleo following a hard fought eight-ballot contest. He was reelected to the AFN executive in the 2012, a contest that saw Chief Atleo reelected for his second term.

"I think it was a little bit of a slam dunk," said Anishinaabek Nation (Union of Ontario Indians) Grand Chief Pat Madahbee. "Perry ran before and I think he had a pretty good team in place from when he ran before."

Chief Madahbee described the election as being somewhat low key and "not as exciting" compared to other AFN leadership contests. "It was conducted in a very respectful manner by all of those involved," he said, but

expressed regret that the number of chiefs coming out to the election was down significantly from previous years. "There were a good 100 chiefs missing," he said. "I think the numbers (of electors) coming out can be traced, in part, to cutbacks that have been hitting many communities very hard."

He described National Chief Bellegarde's speech to the AFN delegates as "strong" and noted that the new grand chief will have his work cut out for him in the coming years.

National Chief Bellegarde's campaign speech focussed on the need to restructure the AFN and to modernize the organization for the 21st century, a sentiment Chief Madahbee said he supports. "It has been many years since the AFN was formed out of the old National Indian Brotherhood," he said. "It is time that we looked at modernization."

Grand Chief Bellegarde ran a campaign that focussed on a pledge to restore pride among First Nations and to focus on self-determination.

In order to bring stability and time for the task ahead, National Chief Bellegarde will have an extra six months added to his three-year term as it seeks to find its relevance in the 21st century.

"To the people across this great land, I say to you, that the values of fairness and tolerance which Canada exports to the world are a lie when it comes to our people," National Chief Bellegarde said. "Canada will no longer develop pipelines, no longer develop transmission lines or any infrastructure on our lands as business as usual. That is not on," he cautioned.

In a harbinger of things to come, National Chief Bellegarde pledged opposition to any project that deprives First Nations a share of the profits. "We

will no longer accept poverty and hopelessness while resource companies and governments grow fat off our lands and territories and resources," he said. "If our lands and resources are to be developed, it will be done only with our fair share of the royalties, with our ownership of the resources and jobs for our people. It will be done on our terms and our timeline."

National Chief Bellegarde's closing remarks reportedly struck a chord with his audience, reflected in the enthusiastic response his words elicited from the crowd.

"Canada is Indian land," he said. "This is my truth and this is the truth of our peoples."

Born in 1962 at the Fort Qu'Appelle Indian Hospital in Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, National Chief Bellegarde was raised on the Little Black Bear reserve, attending elementary and secondary schools in the nearby communities of Goodeve and Balcarres. Following high school he attended the Saskatchewan Federated Indian College and later studied business administration at the University of Regina. Following graduation, National Chief Bellegarde was director of personnel for the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies before joining the Touchwood-File Hills-Qu'Appelle Tribal Council in 1986, where he became president in 1988.

Self-governance issues are a familiar theme to National Chief Bellegarde, who led negotiations to transfer management of the Fort Qu'Appelle Indian Hospital from the federal government to local First Nations and then initiated and implemented the City of Regina's new urban service delivery centre for First Nations people.

According to the AFN


Charter, to be an eligible candidate for the AFN leadership a person must: be 18 years of age or older; be of First Nations ancestry; be a member of First Nation community; in good standing with the AFN; and have 15 eligible electors, First Nations chiefs, endorse his or her candidacy. The AFN charter article 22 states that "the National Chief shall be elected by a major-

ity of sixty (60) percent of the votes."

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McLean's Mountain Community Liaison Committee meets for final time

by Michael Erskine
LITTLE CURRENT—Members of the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Project held their fourth and what may well be their final meeting at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current (CLC) on Wednesday, November 26.

The committee opened its deliberations with a welcome and introductions conducted by independent facilitator Nancy Coldham.

"It seems so beautiful," said Ms. Coldham of the view of the wind farm coming onto Manitoulin Island. "It sort of gives you a breathtaking view of it all."

Ms. Coldham introduced Technical Writer, Operations, Zornitza Doneva, Environmental Manager and Health and Safety Officer Jim Mulvale from Northland's Toronto offices and local Operator Humphrey Daniso.

Following a short recap of meeting three and the approval of minutes by the committee, Mr. Mulville provided a brief overview of the positive environmental benefits of the project and the data collection that is ongoing. He noted that there was a requirement for greater environmental oversight due to a change in the transmission and protection lines that eliminated the stringing of a significant amount of additional wire.

Wind Project Manager Rick Martin provided an update on operations and maintenance, including issues that arose during the industrial wind farm's commissioning and first six months of operations.

He noted that Northland has gathered 10 years of wind data from the region. "It is probably the most studied region in the province," he said.

"I have never in my life paid so much attention to the wind," laughed Mr. Daniso.

"Wind is wind," said Mr. Martin, but he noted that the wind farm managers must be keenly aware of the vagaries of the wind, its shifts nuances and habits, in order to be able to maximize the amount of wind energy they can capture.

As with any new major development, there have been a number of glitches, both minor and some more significant, that have been worked through as the wind farm has been brought online that have resulted in the project being shut down, noted Mr. Martin. "There have been so many changes since I first became involved in this industry," noted Mr. Martin, particularly in the remote control of the power generation and connection to the grid. "I used to twirl dials and knobs," he said. "Now it is all digital."

The issues met during the first six months of operation at the wind farm itself have not been untoward, noted Mr. Martin, especially "with so many components coming together and three feeder



Members of the McLean's Mountain Wind Farm Community Liaison Committee met with officials from wind farm operators Northland Power to receive an update on the construction and commissioning of the wind turbine project at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current recently for what may be the last meeting of the committee.

lines."

But with General Electric (the wind turbine manufacturer) personnel onsite and Northland's own cadre of engineers pulling together, the challenges have been met, assured Mr. Martin.

He reported that the grading and re-greening efforts at the site have been largely completed and have met and exceeded the project's commitments.

The wind farm construction company, HP White, is still onsite vegetating the sides of the roads, noted Mr. Martin.

The McLean's Wind Farm project is owned through a 50/50 partnership between Northland Power and the Mnidoo Mmissing (UCCMM) Power and is operating under a 20-year contract with Ontario Power Generation.

Mr. Martin noted that the anticipated lifespan of the project is at least 30 years. "When the contract with OPG is over, if they no longer want the power, we will be actively looking for other customers," Mr. Martin assured the committee. He said that he anticipated the wind farm turbines would be operating far longer than any sunset on a single contract.

Among the issues that faced the power generation at the wind farm was the less-than-intuitive impact of a wet spring and the bounty of hydro-electric generation that brought online.

"The spring runoff really impacted us," said Mr. Martin as he listed the main feeder lines that the project uses. "We feed in through Martindale," he said. Should the lines become filled to capacity, the wind farm gets the call. "Any issues, we are dispatched to reduce our load."

Anyone looking at the

number of shutdowns that have taken place since the wind farm came online could be forgiven for asking themselves "are they that unreliable" said Mr. Martin, but many of the occasions that the turbines have been motionless while the wind has been blowing since going online has been due to issues outside of the wind farm and its equipment.

Throughout the maintenance and remediation work Northland Power has kept worker safety paramount in its considerations, noted Mr. Martin.

One of the minor glitches that have actually had a beneficial impact for the project was one regarding the paint on the turbines. Due to the paint not adhering well to the metal, each had to be repainted. "They all look brand new," quipped Mr. Martin.

General Electric has been conducting break-in maintenance on the equipment as well, as the units come up to full speed a number of parts and fittings have been engineered to change to meet their operating parameters. "They get worn into their normal operating mode," he said. As that break in period continues, some unforeseen modifications are required, but on a project of this size and complexity, that has been anticipated.

The company has undertaken a number of innovative steps to reduce the impact the wind turbine project has on its neighbours, noted Mr. Martin. "The most recent, post construction complaints can be characterized as: noise (one complainant), excess security lighting, radio signal interference and altered drainage pattern concerns within some forested/off road trails," he said.

photo by Michael Erskine

Among the steps the company and the turbine manufacturer have taken are the inclusion of specialized scallops on the turbine blades themselves, installed to reduce wind noise and a revamp of the security lighting at the transformer and transfer stations.

Lighting to provide security at the sites has been improved dramatically and to the benefit of those within view of those locations through the use of motion

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Kenjgewin Teg raises funds and rocks the house at seventh annual Snowflake Gala

by Robin Burridge
M'CHIGEENG—It was a full house of over 300 guests for the seventh annual Kenjgewin Teg Education Institute (KTEI) Snowflake Gala earlier this month. The annual fundraiser raises money to support unfunded student programs, services and bursaries.

Following cocktails and appetizers, KTEI Director of

Business and Training Beverley Roy-Carter welcomed guests to the gala held at the M'Chigeeng Community Complex.

"You know, personally, I can't believe that's it's already been seven years that we've been getting together like this as a Manitoulin community," began Ms. Roy-Carter. "With the holiday season just around the corner, this indeed becomes a special time to reflect and be thankful for not only all the joys and accomplishments of our past year, but it is also a great time to reflect and think about all the things we are also grateful for, and you know, one of the very first things that I think about, which all of us in this room can grateful for, is that we are all part of this wonderful place known as Mnidoo Mnising, Manitoulin Island."

"We especially thank you, all of our guests, who come out year after year, sometimes even in snowstorms as I remember, but tonight, the weather is in our favour," continued Ms. Roy-Carter. "By being here tonight, you are directly supporting what we do as part of Anishinabek lifelong learning at KTEI: because it is our mission to inspire students to find their gifts to further share with the world."

Ms. Roy-Carter recognized all the individuals who purchased their gala tickets early this year and announced the early bird winner, Keith Holtze, who won a weekend-

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KTEI Executive Director Stephanie Roy spoke next, noting how glamorous everyone looked and commenting on the support the gala received from area sponsors.

"I'd like to acknowledge our sponsors for this evening who have committed to sharing their support towards our fundraising efforts this year," said Ms. Roy. "We have platinum, silver and bronze sponsors this year, whom we are so very grateful to. All our sponsors tonight can be assured that your contributions will be 100 percent dedicated to student programs and initiatives to help students succeed."

Mnaamodzawin Health Services were a platinum sponsor for the gala, while silver sponsors included Laurentian University's Indigenous Studies, the University of Sudbury and the Royal Bank of Canada. Watson Parojic Financial Services and Tutor Bright were the evening's bronze



Over 300 guests attended the seventh annual gala in M'Chigeeng.

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"As you can see from the smiles on students' faces, graduating from their program of study represents one of many of a student's life accomplishments," added Ms. Roy. "As a community-based place of learning that values language and culture in education, KTEI is so very humbled that students of all ages across Manitoulin are choosing us as their place of learning. For us as staff, it is on this day of graduation that we are again

photos by Betty Bardswich reminded of why we do the work that we do—it is all for them. But we at KTEI know we cannot do this work alone. This year, we celebrated our 20th anniversary—and it is only with the support of our many partners and networks in education over these years, which makes any chance of success possible. Every time a student celebrates their graduation, it truly represents a success for all of us. We have many partners out there tonight supporting us, and for this we say an extra special miigwech."

KTEI Elder in Residence Josh Eshkawkogan offered the thanksgiving prayer prior to dinner being serviced, while harpist Emily Weber provided dinner music.

After dinner Ms. Roy-Carter introduced the evening's entertainers, 'Hot Rocks,' a Rolling Stones tribute band.

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Debassige's all! From left are Carmen, Elaine, Rosemary, Sharon and Mark Debassige.

you are seeing Mick Jagger and Keith Richards in the flesh as they are the most authentic look-alikes in the world," she said. "Lead singer Bob Wotherspoon is North America's most look-alike to Mick Jagger, so watch out ladies, he truly have the moves like Jagger from what I hear."

As the party got started and gala goers took to the dance floor, raffle tickets were sold and individuals took a break to have their photo taken by Ireva Photography who was on hand for the evening.

Raffle ticket winners included Shea Cada who went home with two Manitoulin CountryFest tickets, Sam Debassige who won a \$500 travel prize voucher and Carol Trudeau-McEwen who won a Wilderness Tours Adventure Resort package.

"The event was a great success," said Ms. Roy-Carter, following the event. "We were really pleased with this year's gala and thankful to everyone who came out."

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...Michael's Bay defaults to Canada

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at a full stop where the cemeteries are concerned."

The issue, notes Mr. Tracy, is that the provincial legislation that would normally give some leverage to the group that is seeking to clean up and restore the cemetery sites does not apply to properties held by the federal Crown and Mr. Tracy and his associates are concerned they will have less clout with the new owner, the Government of Canada.

"It's getting down to brass tacks," said Mr. Tracy. "What can we do about the laws? Why is it that the federal government can just ignore provincial laws? Why can't whoever owns that property look after the cemeteries?"

As to the plans by a group represented by developer JM Pellerin to develop the site, "They are out of the picture," said Mr. Tracy. "They didn't read the court order from 2005," posited Mr. Tracy. "In order to buy the property, they had to get the permission of the owners of the property, Public Works Canada and the Attorney General's office."

Unfortunately, Mr. Pellerin could not be reached by press time Monday for a definitive answer as to what this development means for his project. Mr. Pellerin had applied to the courts to enforce an offer to purchase he had made to the property's previous owners, but the Belgian government had ordered the property seized as having been acquired with the proceeds of crime following a conviction of trafficking in animal steroids levied

against the former owners. This development appears to indicate that the property's owner is in fact the Government of Canada and not the VanDroemmes from whom Mr. Pellerin had secured his offer to purchase. An October email had indicated at that time that the VanDroemme family and Eso Agri Canada were still the owners but that the property was still under a Restraint and Management Order and that no offers to purchase had been approved by the SPMD pursuant to that order.

The Michael's Bay property has long been a source of controversy on Manitoulin and the relationship between the VanDroemmes' colourful developer Arend Van Vierzen, local municipal officials and the Manitoulin Planning Board was often turbulent.

The Royal Michael's Bay Restaurant, which is part of the seized Michael's Bay properties, was closed earlier this year due to extensive water damage. Several people were out of work as of that time, a development Mr. Pellerin cited as demonstrating a lack of responsibility on the part of the federal government.

As to the cemeteries, Mr. Tracy notes that he still has permission to maintain the one registered cemetery and, although the federal government is not bound by provincial legislation such as the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002 which came into force in 2012, he and his fellow Michael's Bay activists will continue to press that the old townsites and its cemeteries be preserved from development.

...meters deemed dumb public investment

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slightly between 2004 and 2010, the auditor general found.

As is often the case when an auditor general report is released, the government fired back, with Energy Minister Bob Chiarelli suggesting that the auditor general's staff did not understand the system. The auditor general herself spent 10 years at Manitoba Hydro.

"Why are my numbers more credible than hers?" said Minister Chiarelli in response to media questions after the report's release. "First of all the electricity system is very complex. It's very difficult to understand." The minister went on to say that his staff were left with the impression that the auditors did not understand some elements of the provincial energy after their meeting.

The opposition attacked the energy minister's comments as sexist and derogatory.

"I nearly fell off my chair when the minister treated the auditor general with such dismissive disrespect," NDP leader Andrea Horwath said following question period. "I don't believe he would have behaved that way if there was a different gendered person sitting in that chair. That made me quite angry as a woman."

"I have no idea whether those representatives were male or female," retorted the energy minister, insisting he was very respectful of Ms. Lysyk despite his criticisms of her staff.

Both the opposition Progressive Conservatives and the NDP called on the premier to fire her energy minister over the issue.

Premier Kathleen Wynne did not directly respond to calls to fire her minister, standing by his disagreement with the auditor general's figures, but insisted that it is "really important" that the government maintains a respectful relationship with all the officers of the legislature. "It is not unprecedented that there would be some small area of disagreement between the government and the auditor general," the premier said in question period.

Minister Chiarelli pointed out that the auditor's staff made some of its analysis based on estimated costs rather than actuals and that some of the money they claim will be passed onto ratepayers may well not find its way onto consumer's energy bills.

Oddly, while criticizing the smart meter program and chastising the province for overestimating the net benefit of the program by almost half a billion dollars, the auditor general did point out that the program has provided an \$88 million net benefit—that is the program has saved more than it has actually cost.

More damning, the auditor general found the extra electricity charge, known as global adjustment, has increased by 1,200 percent between 2006 and 2013, but the average electricity market price has actually dropped by 46 percent. She criticized the province for increasing electricity capacity dramatically at a time that energy consumption has decreased, resulting in massive sales of energy to other markets at a substantial loss.

The auditor general also pointed out that Ontario's debt is a growing concern. The net debt was more than \$267 billion as of this past March and even if the provin-

Expositor correction

In the December 10 edition of The Manitoulin Expositor, a Page 10 cutline incorrectly identified Santa Claus as an imposter. This was indeed Santa himself, straight from the North Pole, and The Expositor sincerely regrets the error. (EDITOR'S NOTE: Santa, please don't be mad. I will leave you extra milk and cookies on Christmas Eve.)

Recycling Time: a look at calendars

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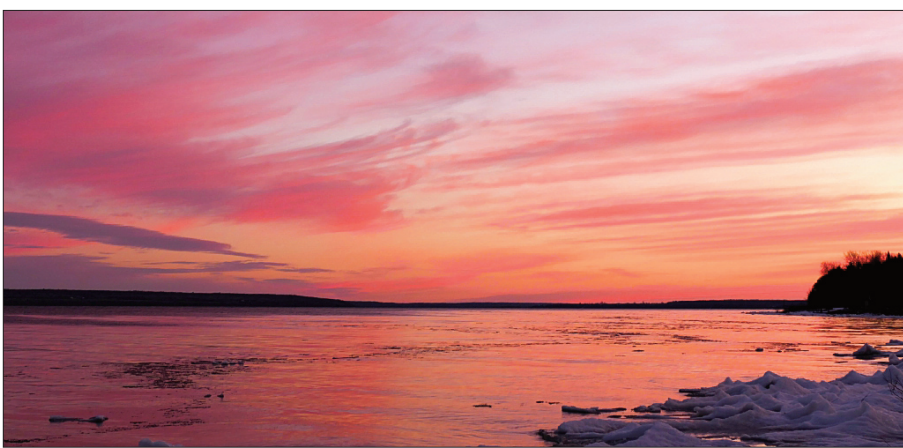
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Getting knitty with it

As part of the New Horizons Program for Seniors initiated by Nicole Weppeler, director of the Gore Bay Museum, Debbie Colville (standing, right) leads a keen knitting group in weekly lessons at Gore Bay's Harbour Centre. Ms. Colville is an accomplished knitter who was a shepherd and spinner and dyer of the sheep's wool skeins from Manitoulin Yarns that are complimentary to the knitting students; participants also receive free loan of knitting needles. Woolen creations range from simple to complex, depending on ability levels, and include socks, mitts, an afghan, a tea cozy, hats, scarves and sweaters. The New Horizons Program, whose emphasis is on the acquisition of new proficiency, started in November and will end in February, and features writing, photography and computer skills classes and a Scrabble workshop.

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Pink sky at night

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Demolition begins on Little Current OPP boathouse ending years of negotiations

by Robin Burrige
LITTLE CURRENT—Demolition has begun on the Little Current Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) boathouse and is scheduled to be completed in early 2015.

"It feels like it's been going on forever (negotiating with the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSC)) so I'm happy it's finally coming down," said Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin. "The Northeast Town has expressed an interest in the property



The bare bones of the OPP boathouse begin to show through as the cladding and roof are stripped off.



Demolition begins on the OPP boathouse in Little Current.

with Infrastructure Ontario (IO), but it will be a while yet before we will see if we can buy it."

IO previously explained to The Expositor that since the boathouse property was no longer required by the OPP, as they switched to leasing a nearby boat slip this past summer, the property became the responsibility of IO.

"On behalf of the government, IO is proceeding with demolition of the boathouse," said IO Communications Manager Jeff Giffen. "We've completed our due diligence, which included an environmental assessment and a demolition contractor is being

engaged through an open and competitive process. The anticipated work will be completed in early 2015."

"Once the demolition is complete, IO will be able to initiate its disposition process for the property," continued Mr. Giffen. "The Township (the Northeast Town) has expressed an interest in acquiring the property and we've had discussions with them regarding our sales process. However, we're not currently in a position to negotiate. IO's mandate is to dispose of publicly owned assets at

photos by Robin Burrige
 market value to ensure fairness and the best value for the people of Ontario."

The demolition of the boathouse has come after several years of discussions between the Northeast Town and the MCSCS and IO regarding the disrepair of the downtown boathouse.

The Northeast Town council had lobbied hard for the demolition or replacement of the deteriorating property when the waterfront underwent a multi-million dollar makeover.



Progress on the removal of the OPP boathouse on the Little Current waterfront has been steady as she goes, ending years of pressure by the Northeast Town to see the eyesore removed.

Mayor MacNevin said that council has had discussions regarding the boathouse property, wishing to bridge the gap in the boardwalk, creating a complete path along the waterfront. "The old OPP boathouse

was such an eyesore," added Mayor MacNevin. "It will be nice to be rid of it. We don't know IO's plans, if they will be filling in the space under the boathouse. That will affect the price of joining the two sides of the

boardwalk." The Expositor contacted IO to inquire after more details about their plans, however a representative had not responded as of press time Monday.

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Michael Laidley faces off against the centre from Team Switzerland Sunday night in Kindersley, Saskatchewan in game one for Team Canada East in an international tournament.

...Michael Laidley makes NHL 'to watch' list

...continued from page 1 really exciting and then this past Saturday I was made captain. I was thrilled."

As captain of the Aurora Tigers, Michael is no stranger to the position of team leader. He was also joined by three of his fellow Tigers on the 22-man Team Canada East roster including fellow forward Drake Board and defensemen Kyle Locke and Callum Fryer.

"It (the hockey tournament) has been awesome so far," said Michael. "It is great having three of my Tiger teammates with me on the team and the whole team in general has been working well together. It's a fast-paced event so you have to gel quick. We also have a great coaching staff (head coach Marty Abrams, assistant coaches Mark Grady, Marc Lafleur and Troy Ryan)."

On Sunday night, Team Canada East faced off against Team Switzerland, but sadly lost 3-4.

"We feel we outplayed them, but we ran into a hot goaltender and couldn't get in the extra goals we needed," explained Michael. "We feel strong, though, and are looking forward to our game against the US tomorrow (Tuesday). They are a big contender, but we are prepared."

In a list supplied by NHL Central Scouting, Michael was selected as one of three payers from his team "to watch."

"Michael Laidley can



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play in all situations, has excellent speed, is a difference-maker on the ice, plays with energy, strong puck-pursuit game, good puck skills in traffic and makes plays at top speed, gets to the net well and has a good shot," were the reasons given by NHL Central Scouting for their selection.

Eighteen-year-old Michael Laidley of Little Current got his start play-

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...McLean's Community Liaison Committee meets for final time

...continued from page 11 detectors that bring up the lights should a certain mass move within the area of the sites.

Some of the precautions that are required as part of the company's operating parameters might cause people concern, such as the installation of blast walls between the transformers, but these are normal precautions taken to enhance site safety.

Wind noise seems to be linked to times of low wind, noted Mr. Martin, pointing out that when the wind is travelling at higher speeds, the sound of the turbines appears to be subsumed into the sound of the wind blowing through the trees.

"We document all complaints and conduct a monthly summary review internally to ensure legitimate concerns are being addressed/planned for resolution," he said. "We have a legal obligation to report all complaints to the Ministry of the Environment," added Mr. Martin. Complaints can be called into the MMWF office at 705-368-0303, the NPI 24/7 Call Centre at 1-866-290-6992 or the MOE itself at its 24/7 hotline number 1-800-268-6060. "Our staff will investigate and respond to all complaints and concerns," he stressed.

Mr. Martin stressed that

ongoing operations will take great pains to mitigate the operation's impact on local landowners, respecting their rights and their use of their own property.

As to the environmental impact on birds and animals, Mr. Martin showed a photograph of a herd of deer that have taken up residence among the turbines. "That might not make people happy at this time of the year (deer hunting season), but there you have it," said Mr. Martin.

As to avian and bat kills, Mr. Martin noted that anecdotally, at least, those on site have not seen any mortalities evidenced by bodies in the vicinity of the turbines, but he pointed out that the ongoing environmental studies will have to prove the definitive answer to those questions.

Mr. Martin noted that while the wind farm produces somewhat more energy than is usually consumed through Manitoulin Island's needs, the power is first utilized here before moving on the lines to southern Ontario. "It only makes sense that the power is used here where it is closest to its generation," he said. Only when the power produced at the wind farm exceeds the needs of the Island is the power moving to other regions of the grid.

Questions from the committee members addressed

during the meeting included asking for an overview of the Health Canada study of the long-term health impacts of wind farms. Mr. Mulville noted that the report's preliminary conclusions was that there were no serious negative health issues.

Another concern centred on the impact on local snowmobile and ATV trails. Mr. Martin assured the committee that the trails would be in good stead this year. "I certainly hope so," he added. "I already have my trail permit for this year and I intend to be using it."

The wind farm manager noted that there should be no concerns about the decommissioning of the project once it is completed. He pointed out that 80 percent of the turbines and their stands are recyclable and that the company is required to do significant remedial work as part of their decommissioning plan from the REA. Those requirements include the removal of turbines and major equipment, removal of roads (some may be left in place at the request of property owners), removal of foundations, conductors and the restoration of the natural environment.

Committee member Tony Ferro made a closing comment from the CLC

and his partner has actually been improved by the wind farm's construction. Mr. Mulville explained that this fourth of the CLC meetings would likely be

the last, as it meets the requirements of the company's community consultations and the project has largely been lacking in local controversy.

Time to call inquiry into murdered and missing aboriginal women: MP Hughes

OTTAWA— In the 10 years since Amnesty International Canada released a major report documenting the violence against this country's indigenous women there still hasn't been a strong federal response on the issue, says Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes.

"There has been opportunity for both Liberal and Conservative governments, but a full decade later we are so mired in the problem that the only reasonable response is a national inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women," said Ms. Hughes during an adjournment debate in the House of Commons last Tuesday.

Statistics continue to mount and a problem that has been well documented vexes the government who refuse to move from a position that denies the important role an inquiry will play in changing attitudes in Canada, a press release

from the MP states.

"The current government refuses to budge," said Ms. Hughes. "Instead of recognizing the benefit the process will have, they manage to plug their ears and claim these are all just crimes which are being dealt with by the police."

Ms. Hughes says the real crime is inaction and indifference as well as viewing these women and girls in the worst light far too often.

"Disappearances are too quickly dismissed as run-aways or substance abusers which is supposed to excuse a lackluster effort to find missing people," said Ms. Hughes.

The MP feels the government is missing the point about what the benefits of an inquiry would be.

"This is not about solving crimes. It is about showing respect and changing a cultural view of what is acceptable," said Ms. Hughes. "Part of

the showing of respect is to allow the families of the victims to be heard—which is what an inquiry will do."

Ms. Hughes said the appetite for an inquiry is only growing all through Canada with one notable exception—the Conservative government.

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30-32p

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31oa

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31-31p

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 Monika's family and friends.
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
 The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is currently seeking a **Casual Labourer** to assist the Arena Manager during tournament weekends. General duties will include cleaning, ice maintenance, etc. **Resumes will be received until noon on Friday, December 19, 2014.**

Municipality of Central Manitoulin
 P.O. Box 187
 6020 Hwy. 542
 Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0

Ph: (705) 377-5726
 email: centralaa@amtelecom.net
 Fax: (705) 377-5585

McQuarrie Motor Products Espanola
 is looking for a
Parts Advisor/ Service Advisor

Individuals can apply in person At 228 Centre St. Espanola, Ont. or by emailing resumes to ronald@mcquarriemotorproducts.ca


 228 Centre St., P.O. Box 5285, Espanola, ON P5E 1S3

 **help wanted**


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

Job Summary:
 The Meals on Wheels Cook will be responsible to the Nahndahweh Tchigehgamig and under the general direction of the Community Support Services Coordinator. The Meals on Wheels Cook will be responsible for the duties outlined:

Duties:

- Plan and prepare well balanced diet-specific meals according to Canada's Food Guide.
- Plan all monthly menus according to diet specifications and make meal adjustments as client needs changes occur.
- Assist in maintaining clients' individual health profiles (like/dislikes, allergies).
- Assist in maintaining the client list for each day's delivery, ensure the meals are delivered in a timely manner, and provide assistance in the delivery of prepared meals to clients.
- Maintain inventory of food & supplies and place the orders with Community Support Services Worker.
- Participate in workshops pertaining to meal preparation, standards, and kitchen practices.
- Maintain a high standard of sanitation and safety in the kitchen and other related duties.

Qualifications:

- Post-secondary courses specific to the food industry
- Certification in food preparation & food handling
- One/two years' experience in food service
- Good communication, interpersonal and organizational skills

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

Meals on Wheels Cook
Long Term Care/Home and Community Care
 Leanne Mishibinjima, Personnel
 NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
 16 A Complex Drive, P.O. Box 101
 Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0
 Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300

Deadline: December 22, 2014 @ 4 pm.
The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check and driver's abstract.
We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



Employment Opportunity - Clinician
One Year Contract (possible extension pending funding)

The Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of Clinician with Nadmadwin Mental Health Clinic.

Job Summary:
 Under the direction and supervision of the Program Manager, the Clinician will take an innovative approach towards addressing mental health and addictions via professional clinical assessment, counselling, education and referral services to individuals, groups and families; provide health promotion services in the form of educational and primary prevention activities.

- Responsibilities**
- Actively maintains a client caseload and coordinates clinical consultations regarding mental health and addictions
 - Must effectively assist, advocate, assess, counsel and support clients dealing with mental health and addictions
 - Actively facilitates community based programming in mental health and addictions
 - Participate in Nadmadwin Staff Intake meetings and consultation meetings with Psychiatrists and Psychologist
 - Provide case management, leadership, partnership relations, administration, evaluation and community engagement;
 - Coordinate culturally appropriate services with community resources/agencies for community members seeking assistance to ensure that appropriate service needs and treatment plans are met;
 - Foster community collaboration, involvement and support and ensure the needs of clients are being met;
 - Ensure culturally appropriate knowledge transfer, capacity building, support, advice is provided and focused on addressing the addictions issue that will lead to enhance knowledge and skills;
 - To keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues; along with assisting in the implementation of the Community Wellness Development work plan.

- Qualifications:**
- Post Secondary degree in one of the helping discipline from a recognized institution
 - Three to five years clinical experience in addressing mental health and addictions
 - Three to five years of experience in case management
 - Knowledge of community and rural mental health is an asset
 - Fluent in Anishinaabemowin is considered an asset.
 - Excellent written and oral communication skills, interpersonal and leadership skills.
 - An intimate understanding of the lived experience of Anishinabe people and Traditional wellness approaches.
 - Good time management and the ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines.
 - Sound proficiency and using current IT applications.
 - Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training and Mental Health First Aid Training are an asset
 - Current CPR/First Aid Certification
 - Valid Ontario Driver's License and owns a reliable vehicle.

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

Clinician
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant
 NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
 P.O. Box 101, 16 A - Complex Drive
 Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0
 or via email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: Tuesday, December 30, 2014 at 4 p.m.

The successful applicant will be required to submit a Vulnerable Sector Screen and a Driver's Abstract. We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Documents will not be returned.

Job Opportunity

Care Coordinator - Full-Time
Initial Assignment: Integrated Discharge Planning (IDP)(SUD MKS CC IDP) Bargaining Agent: ONA
Location: Manitoulin Health Centre (Little Current and Mindemoya) Effective Date: January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016

POSITION SUMMARY:
 This is a joint position between the North East CCAC (NE CCAC) and the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC). The incumbent will be employed by the NE CCAC and report to both the MHC Nurse Manager and the NE CCAC Manager, Care Coordination. The incumbent will lead integrated discharge planning for patients in hospital, and divert hospital admissions through the Emergency Department through assessment and comprehensive service planning, including referral to alternate community services. The Care Coordinator also engages with community agencies in the area, including First Nations communities, to develop patient centered service plans.

Working with the multidisciplinary team, and using a culturally sensitive approach, the Integrated Discharge Planning (IDP) Care Coordinator will:

- Facilitate the identification and assessment of patients requiring complex discharge planning during the hospital admission process and throughout their hospital stay;
- Collaborate and coordinate safe and timely patient discharge and care planning;
- Provide education to the interdisciplinary team, families and patients on different programs and/or facility options, admission requirements and discharge venues that will realistically meet the patient's needs and preferences;
- Advocate and liaise with families/patients, community agencies and care facilities to promote patient access to services and identify gaps in service;
- Promptly identify complex needs, safety concerns, equipment requirements and mitigates clinical, psychosocial and financial barriers to timely discharge;
- Organize, coordinate and participate in case conferences and/or family meetings to discuss discharge plans, placement options and/or concerns, using a Home First Philosophy;
- Assess and determine eligibility for short stay, long stay, convalescent care, rehabilitation, hospice and respite care beds, when required;
- Assist and facilitate the designation of patients as ALC when appropriate, including explanation to patient and family regarding co-payment for ALC or CCC;
- Develop a formal process in the emergency department to facilitate the identification of patients who require case management;
- Identify patients with frequent hospital admissions and develop care plans that will meet the patient's needs in the most appropriate care setting, and;
- Attend weekly meetings, participates in discharge rounds and complete all require Manitoulin Health Centre, MOH and NE LHIN documentation.
- Work in collaboration with the NECCAC Care Coordinator to facilitate a seamless transition from hospital to home.

- QUALIFICATIONS:**
- Registered Nurse in good standing with the College of Nurses of Ontario;
 - Relevant experience working in a health care environment;
 - Discharge planning experience an asset;
 - Specialized training in Geriatric care an asset;
 - Awareness of community and facility resources available on Manitoulin Island, including those in First Nation communities;
 - Understanding of aboriginal culture and health;
 - Demonstrated case management, assessment, and interviewing skills;
 - Problem-solving, good judgement and decision-making skill and ability;
 - Proven ability to prioritize professional duties, manage multiple patients, and efficiently organize workload;
 - Established ability to accurately complete required documentation, reports, forms, and recommendations;
 - Strong interpersonal and collaboration skills;
 - Proven ability to communicate information effectively through a variety of means;
 - Effective listening, observation, and facilitation skills;
 - Good understanding of the roles of other health care professionals affiliated with the NE CCAC;
 - Knowledge of funding agencies available to support NE CCAC patients;
 - Practical knowledge and understanding of relevant legislation;
 - Comprehensive knowledge of the standards of practice and professional guidelines set forth by the College of Nurses of Ontario;
 - Working knowledge of computer software and Microsoft Office applications;
 - Oral and written proficiency in English is essential.

The NE CCAC is an equal opportunity employer. Personal information submitted will be used only for the purpose of determining suitability for this vacancy. All applicants are thanked for their interest in this position. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Interested persons are invited to submit a cover letter and resume by December 24, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. by e-mail to: recruitment@ne.ccac-ont.ca

Please refer to posting #162-14 when applying.





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

Employment Opportunity Manitoulin Centennial Manor

We are currently offering casual and temporary part-time positions for
PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKERS

- Certification must be through a recognized accredited College as per Ministry of Health Regulations

Please send your resume to:

Michelle Bond, Administrator
Manitoulin Centennial Manor
Postal Bag 460

Little Current, ON
POP 1K0

Fax: 705-368-2694

Email: mbond@extendicare.com

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The Corporation of the Town of Gore Bay FULL-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

WORKING PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN

The Town of Gore Bay is seeking a Public Works Foreman.

This full-time non-union position of Working Public Works Foreman reports to the CAO/Clerk and will oversee the daily activities of staff and equipment within the Public Works Department. The role includes responsibility for maintaining the Town's infrastructure by managing the maintenance of road operations such as, but not limited to, the maintenance of equipment, roadways, sidewalks (including winter control, minimum maintenance standards), linear assets (water, sanitary and storm infrastructure), public buildings, and grounds.

Salary: Commensurate with experience. Further information available by contacting the undersigned.

Post-secondary education/training in a related field would be an asset. Previous experience in supervising work activities of staff, excellent interpersonal skills and experience performing public works or similar duties are required. The certifications and/or licenses required include: a valid DZ Ontario Driver's License in good standing. For a full list of qualifications outlined in the job description please consult the Town website at www.gorebay.ca.

Interested candidates are invited to submit a letter of application outlining their qualifications and experience as well as a detailed resume no later than **4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 2, 2015**. Please quote "Working Public Works Foreman" in the subject line and forward to:

Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk
Phone- 705-282-2420 X.1

Mail: Town of Gore Bay

15 Water Street, PO Box 590, Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0

E-mail: aclarke@gorebay.ca **Facsimile:** (705) 282-3076

All applicants are thanked for their interest. Only the candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose of candidate selection.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

AGING AT HOME LIAISON

FULL TIME POSITION – Re-Posting

Job Summary:

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is seeking F/T services of a registered nurse with previous experience working with First Nation and aboriginal populations aged 55+. The position will advocate for and link clients to available health and related services based on their unique needs, with a key focus on complex cases upon hospital discharge. The aim of the service is to keep seniors healthy and to maintain their quality of life while living in their own homes and communities.

The successful candidate will work closely with health providers within Manitoulin Island District First Nation long-term care departments, area and external hospitals, and area family health teams, as well as other organizations (ie. CCAC, VON, VA, etc), toward this shared goal. Further, the position will support capacity building of First Nation primary care professionals and health care supports. The Liaison is a member of Noojmowin Teg's multi-disciplinary team, and will contribute, most importantly, toward strengthening a widening circle of care for each client. To successfully meet the program goals, the successful candidate will require extensive related experience, and a strong collaborative and problem solving background. The organization provides a competitive wage and benefit package.

Given the traditional practices of the Anishinabek, from time to time exposure to wood smoke and the burning of sacred medicines, including tobacco, sweet grass, sage or cedar, may occur within the work setting.

Requirements of the Position:

- Graduate Registered Nurse or Graduate Registered Practical Nurse.
- Currently registered with the College of Nurses of Ontario, member in good standing.
- Minimum of two (2) years' experience in discharge or home and community nursing capacity with the aged.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience advocating for aged clients holistic needs.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience with long-term care services.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience planning and implementing post-hospital care with client/family, and health and community services.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience developing discharge plans with inter-disciplinary teams.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience teaching and/or facilitating professional development of nurses or personal support workers.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience coordinating program services (ie. Aging at home van, respite, medical equipment, etc).
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience working in an inter-disciplinary and collaborative environment to improve client care with both internal and external providers.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently within a team environment involving multiple First Nation LTC departments.
- Current CPR Level C and First Aid.
- Current Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record Check.
- Clear Driver's Abstract and willing to travel extensively.
- Demonstrated understanding and sensitivity to the Anishinabek culture, a priority
- Ability to speak Ojibwe, an asset.

Pre-requisites:

Please submit the following, no later than December 29, 2014:

- Cover Letter, letter of application and resume
- Three current work related references with contact information
- Current Vulnerable Sector Criminal Reference Check (dated no later than three months)
- Proof of Registration/Designation

Send "Confidential" to: Attn: Pam Williamson, Executive Director
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd., Bag 2002,
Little Current, ON POP 1K0
Ph.: 705-368-2182 ext. 204; Fax.: 705-368-2229
Email: p.williamson@noojmowin-teg.ca
Check out our web-site: www.noojmowin-teg.ca

We thank all for their interest and applications, only those under consideration will be contacted.



Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve No.26

Employment Opportunity

Environmental Assessment Officer

Second Posting

The (EAO) – Environmental Assessment Officer will assist the DLNR Team in the Environmental Sectors, Orphan Well Abandonment (Oil & Gas) and Site Restoration Project including Soil Removal and Possible Groundwater Monitoring. Oriented to strategically foster growth in economic opportunities for Band Departments and Membership and will build strong relationships to develop a "system" approach in collaboration with the WUIR NO. 26 - Chief and Council, DLNRC, community and external affiliates.

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY:

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT – RESOURCE PLANNING – COMMUNICATIONS

QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

- Must have knowledge of the WUIR No.26, culture, values, beliefs, & traditional history
- University Degree in Engineering, Environmental Law or related discipline
- To be able to work independently and as a team player
- Excellent interpersonal, communications, written, organizational and strong computer skills
- Familiarity with IOGC's Environmental Review Process; MNR well licensing processes; Hydro One processes; groundwater monitoring; installation of groundwater wells and sampling
- Knowledge and skills to effectively create and manage annual work plan and financial budgets
- Knowledge and skill in draft and final reporting to meet MNR regulatory requirements – Form 10, Class 1 Examiner Report and Plugging of a Well Report and developing environmental assessments for the WUIR & Department of Lands & Natural Resources;
- Familiarity with Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012
- Knowledge of applicable standards, codes and regulations including the Storage Tank Systems for Petroleum and Allied Petroleum Products Regulations; National Fire Code; National Electric Code; Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act; Canadian Environmental Assessment Act; Canadian Environmental Protection Act; Occupational Health and Safety Act; INAC Project Implementation Procedures Manual; Ontario's Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act
- Experience in remediation;
- Experience in writing proposals for funding
- Knowledge in technical and administration support in business development
- Knowledge in contracting, negotiating, tendering & project management
- Public Speaking, group facilitation and conflict resolution skills.
- Possess a valid driver's license and current CPIC

Interested applicants please submit COVER LETTER, RESUME & (3) THREE WORK REFERENCES (from supervisor) by FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19th, 2014. 1:00 PM Marked "CONFIDENTIAL" to:

Attention: RESOURCES COORDINATOR
c/o DLNR – Department of Lands & Natural Resources
Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve
19A Complex Dr., P.O. Box 112
Wikwemikong ON
POP 2J0

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**The Corporation of the Town of Gore Bay
FULL-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Assistant Municipal Clerk

Reporting to the CAO/Clerk, the Assistant Clerk will be assisting the CAO/Clerk in the daily administration of the Clerk's legislated requirements.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Highly developed written and verbal communication skills
- Superior customer service skills and ability to work in a confidential environment with strong attention to detail
- Strong interpersonal, leadership, administrative, analytical, organizational, time management skills
- Familiarity with Microsoft based computer programs
- Politically astute with knowledge of municipal government processes, council procedure, municipal law and legislative requirements of a Municipal Clerk would be an asset
- Previous experience in this field or similar would be an asset

Salary Range: \$16.46-20.57 per hour for 35 hours per week

For a full list of qualifications outlined in the job description please consult the Town website at www.gorebay.ca.

Applicants are invited to submit a detailed resume in confidence no later than **4:30 p.m. on Friday January 2, 2015**. Please quote "Assistant Clerk" in the subject line and forward to:

Annette Clarke, CAO/Clerk
Phone- 705-282-2420 X.1
Mail: Town of Gore Bay
15 Water Street, PO Box 590, Gore Bay, Ontario P0P 1H0
E-mail: aclarke@gorebay.ca Facsimile: (705) 282-3076

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

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

Job Summary

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

Responsibilities

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

Qualifications

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

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

PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER

Attention: **Leanne Mishibinijima, Personnel**
NAHNDAAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0
Telephone: (705) 859-3164 Fax: (705) 859-3300

Deadline: January 6, 2015 @ 4:00pm.

The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check and driver's abstract. We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

McQuarrie Motor Products Espanola

is looking for a

Certified Class A Mechanic

Individuals can apply in person At 228 Centre St. Espanola, Ont. or by emailing resumes to ronald@mcquarriemotorproducts.ca



228 Centre St., P.O. Box 5285, Espanola, ON P5E 1S3

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TOWNSHIP OF  ASSIGINACK

**NOTICE - NO OVERNIGHT PARKING
DURING WINTER HOURS**

All owners and persons in charge of Motor Vehicles are hereby notified that NO PARKING is allowed on the Streets or Municipal Parking Lot in Assiginack between the hours of 12 midnight and 8 a.m.

Any vehicles in contravention of this notice, will be removed at the owner's risk and the cost charged to the owner.

Further, snow removal from driveways within the Town of Assiginack CANNOT be placed on any part of the street which may interfere with snow plowing by Town Staff.

Failing to comply will result in all costs for removal being charged to owner.

**CENTRAL MANITOULIN
PUBLIC LIBRARIES
BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is accepting applications from the public to sit on the Central Manitoulin Public Libraries Board. Please submit in writing why you are interested in joining the Board and any other information you may wish to include.

You must be at least 18 years of age, a Canadian citizen and a resident of the Municipality of Central Manitoulin.

R. Frawley, CAO/Clerk

Municipality of Central Manitoulin
P.O. Box 187, Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0

Email: centeralm@amtelecom.net Fax: 705-377-5726



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Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
**PUBLIC NOTICE
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**Strategic Planning
2014-2018**

The Council for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands will be holding a special meeting on **Wednesday, December 17, 2014** to discuss their vision for the future of our town in the Waterfront Artisan Incubator and Technology Center at 7:00pm



Billings Township
**HOLIDAY HOURS
OFFICE
Closed Dec 24- Jan 2 inclusive
KAGAWONG LANDFILL
Closed Christmas & New Year's Day**



Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
**NOTICE
Garbage and Recycling Pickup**

Please be advised that Garbage Pickup and Recycling will be **December 26th** as regularly scheduled.



The Town of NEMI wants to help you out in 2015!

To make payments easier and to reduce interest charges, the Town of NEMI offers the following payment options for taxes and utilities:

- Preauthorized Payments in Monthly Installments
- Online Banking
- Post Dated Cheques
- Debit
- Cash

For more information, or to arrange for monthly payments, please contact our staff at:
14 Water St. East, Little Current
(705)368-3500
bhawke@townofnemi.on.ca

NOTICE to Creditors and Others

All claims against the Estate of **GLADYS IRENE CADIEUX**

late of the Town of LITTLE CURRENT, ONTARIO in the District of Manitoulin who died on or about the 23rd day of October 2014 must be filed with the undersigned solicitor for the Estate Trustee on or before the 7th day of January 2015; thereafter the said Estate Trustee will distribute the assets of the said estate, having regard only to the claims then filed.

DATED this 19th day of November 2014

TERENCE E. LAND
Barrister and Solicitor
P.O. Box 90
Gore Bay, Ontario
POP 1H0

† in memoriam

NOBLE—In loving memory of Echo Noble
When you think of my life on earth, and all the memories through the years
You are only human; they are bound to bring you tears
Don't be afraid to cry, it does relieve the pain
Remember, there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain
There are many rocky roads ahead, and many hills to climb
But together we can do it one day at a time
So if you meet somebody who is sad and feeling low
Lend a hand to pick him up as on your way you go
When you're walking down the street, and you have me on your mind
I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind
And when it's time for you to go...from that body to be free
Remember you're not going...you're coming here to me
Missing you
Bordie, John, Vic, Melanie, Natalie and families.
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thank you

The Congregation of Knox United Church in Manitowaning wishes to thank everyone who supported "The Little Shoppe Around The Corner" during 2014 with donations and/or purchases of wearing apparel and gift items. Your contributions have been a great blessing to our shopping customers and our church. God bless each of you. The Shoppe will open again in May of 2014, we look forward to your continued support.
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Thank you to everyone who donated, worked and supported our Farmer's Market Café in the summer, and our Christmas Bazaar, Luncheon and Cookie walk on December 6. We give thanks to God for you and your support. All Saints Anglican Church wishes you and your families a Merry Christmas and many blessings in the year ahead.
All Saints Anglican Church
31p

† in memoriam

PATRICK—In loving memory of Don Patrick, December 19, 2009.
This month comes back with deep regret
It brings back a day we will never forget.
He went away without saying good-bye
But our memories of him will never die.
No one knows the grief we bear
When the family meets and he's not there.
The tears we shed will wipe away.
But the ache in our hearts will always stay.
He left us so suddenly his thoughts unknown
But he left us with memories
We are proud to own.
Lovingly remembered by wife Peggy, Elizabeth and John, Barb and Steve, Michael, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
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DUNN—In loving memory of Charles Dunn who passed away December 22, 1980.
Remembered always for his patience, love, and dedication to family.
My hero, my teacher, my dad.
Michael
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Death Notice

TED (TJ) JACKSON



Ted (TJ) Jackson of Gore Bay passed away peacefully with his family and friends by his side at Manitoulin Lodge on Thursday, December 11, 2014 in his 78th year. Loved husband of Rose and dear father of Suzanne (Mike) White of Providence Bay, Deanne (Mike) Rudd of Philadelphia USA, Ed (Amber) of Washington D.C.,

step-father of Lisa Townsend (Tim Orford) of Meldrum Bay, Shauna (Mike) Townsend-Bignal of Gore Bay and Cynthia (Chris) Townsend-Lewis of Espanola. Ted will be sadly missed by his grandchildren Jary, Trevor, Jack, Sam, step-grandchildren B.J., Gavin, Emma and Aidan as well as brothers and sisters-in-law Murray (Peggy) Matheson, Mike (Anne) Matheson, Bill Robinson, Sylvia (Laird) Beange and Joanne Gunter, as well as many nieces, nephews and close friends. Predeceased by his first wife Judy (Pearson) parents Leonard and Florence (McKinley), sisters Lenora McLean, Betty Robinson and brother-in-law Charlie McLean. Ted graduated from McNeese University in Lake Charles, Louisiana on a track scholarship. He taught phys ed at M.S.S. for 26 years, where he was a highly recognized top coach in track and field in the province of Ontario, taking many athletes to provincial championships. Ted was an avid curler, golfer, Blue Jays fan and archery champion. Visitation was held on Monday, December 15, 2014 at the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm. A celebration of Ted's life was held at the Lyons United Church, Gore Bay on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 11 am. Memorial donations may be made to the MHC - Sweet Slumbers or charity of choice as expressions of sympathy. Arrangements entrusted to the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay. www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

BARBARA JEAN CORBIERE



Barbara Jean Corbiere of M'Chigeeng First Nation passed away with her family by her side on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at Health Sciences North, Sudbury. Loving wife of Ron Ashley, and dear mother of sons Francis, Andrew (Laura), Calvin, Leslie (Melanie) and daughters Beverly and Lorraine. Barb will also be

sadly missed by her grandchildren Renee (James), Jonathan (Ashley), Mark, Janine (Guy), Angel (John), Nicole, Devin, Nathan, Dustin, Valerie (Sean), Derek, Dean (Serenity) and Jude, great-grandchildren James, Maximus, Scarlet, Zack, Neilah, Navin, Katanya, Sage, Eeve and Liam. She will be remembered by her brothers Joseph (Laura Jean), Charlie (Doreen), Donald (Eva), Clifford, Bobby, John and sisters Dorothy, Violet (Dave), Josie and Sandra (Bernard). Forever in the hearts of Barb's special friend Jocelyn and her sons Sean and Thomas and her daughter-in-law Yolanda as well as many cousins, aunts, uncles and friends. Predeceased by her son Simon, parents Jonas and Leona (St. Germain) Anwhatin and brothers Jonas and Isaac. Friends called at the Saswaahns Spiritual Centre, M'Chigeeng, after 2 pm on Thursday, December 11, 2014 until the time of the Funeral Mass at 11 am on Saturday, December 13, 2014 at Immaculate Conception Church. Arrangements entrusted to the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay. www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, POP 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, POP 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0 or Pet Save Manitoulin, Box 393, Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0.

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SHANNON JOSETTE KRISTIN TOULOUSE "BABY OWL"

MARCH 22, 1989 - DECEMBER 9, 2014

Shannon Josette Kristin Toulouse "Baby Owl", a resident of Hamilton, began her spirit journey at Hamilton General Hospital, on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at the age of 25. Beloved daughter of Fred Lewis (partner Joanne) and Debbie Dykes (partner Tim). Proud mother of Trinity, Angelo and Jacob. Dear sister of Marlena (partner Josh), Stefano, Ryan and Helena. Loving aunt of Vanessa, Ivorie, Zacharia, Melania, Joseph and Kimberly. Godchild of Jake Pakosigan and Rachel Shawanda. Predeceased by grandparents Moses and Katherine Toulouse, and Edmund and Josette Lewis. Will always be remembered by cousins, aunts and uncles, friends and other family. Family and friends gathered at Whitefish River First Nation Community Centre Saturday, December 13, 2014 from 12 pm. Funeral Mass was at 11 am at St. Gabriel Lalement Church, Birch Island on Monday, December 15, 2014 with Father Henk van Meijel officiating. Cremation. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

MARGARET (FLORENCE) AELICK
DECEMBER 14, 1922 - DECEMBER 13, 2014



Florence was the daughter of Denis and Florence Callaghan, born in Little Current and raised in Sheguindah. Florence worked at various jobs, met Elgin and they were married in 1943. After working a short time in Sudbury they moved to McGregor Bay, where they became caretakers at a private lodge. Their son Wayne

was born at this time. Florence and Elgin changed employers and began working at a lodge owned by a US corporation headed by the Polk family. Their final move in McGregor Bay was to work at the Polk's private lodge where they remained until 1986 when Elgin passed. Although Florence dearly missed Elgin, she made the best of life joining community activities and focusing on her three grandsons, all the while knitting mitts, socks and a variety of items as well as smocking tiny dresses. Her knitting continued until the fall of 2014 when arthritis in her thumbs made knitting too difficult. As the years progressed arthritis in her knees was a big issue but this did not affect Florence's weekly trips to the Seniors Drop-In and out to supper with friends. She was always ready to join in whether it was, a family get-together or a supper with friends at her favourite restaurant. Florence wished to remain in her own home and did with minimal help until the fall of 2014 when she moved into the Manitoulin Centennial Manor. The transition was not easy for Florence but she made the best of it joining in Manor activities. On November 30 Florence suffered a serious stroke causing paralysis to her right side leaving her unresponsive to the time of her passing. Family and friends were with her until the end (special thank you to Terry and Myrna). Beloved mother of Wayne (Anna). Cherished "Wee Gramma" of Mark (April), Kurtis (Gloria), Drew, Chris (Kelly), Tanya (Kyle) and Great "Wee Gramma" to Cole, Landon, Sawyer, Hudson, Violet, Griffin and Roslyn. Survived by sisters Goldie Cunningham (Ralph), Linda Kelly (Larry) and many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by brothers Austin (Ila), Jim (Vera), Lloyd (Geraldine), Keith (Florence) and Bernard (Ann). Predeceased by sisters Bernice, Marion (Mike) and Dorothy. Visitation was from 7 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, December 16, 2014. Funeral Service is at 11 am on Wednesday, December 17, 2014; all at Island Funeral Home. Burial at Mountainview Cemetery. Share your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

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LAKE MANITOU Excellent waterfront home with southern view and 150' frontage. Raised bungalow with walk-out fully finished basement and huge sun decks. 6 bedrooms, 3 on main floor, 2.5 baths, main bath with jacuzzi tub. Main level laundry, vaulted ceiling in living room. Great potential for B&B, shared private road access, detached heated garage/workshop. Many great features, please call for full details and a viewing. Priced to sell! \$379,000. MLS#1024792



WATERFRONT CHARMER! - 2 bedroom main cottage, open concept living/kitchen/dining areas, 2 pcs bath, porch, and walk out to large patio deck with gorgeous westerly views over the North Channel. Guest bunkie currently set up as 3 bedrooms, but could also be used as a 2 bedroom with small living/sitting area, plus additional bathroom building with composting toilet. Great gentle sloping lot to shoreline with nice sandy areas, very kid friendly! If you want to have a first row seat for some of the most fantastic sunsets in the world, this is the place to be! List price \$139,900 MLS#1014930



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78 ACRE bush lot with 2600' of water frontage on the south-east part of Loon Lake, which is on the west end of Manitoulin Island. Water access from the public boat launch on Loon Lake. Priced at \$85,000. MLS#1026089



ICE LAKE This property offers a variety of features across its 140 acres. They include i) a large wetland area with wide variety of wildlife ii) an in-active gravel pit, iii) a beautiful stand of maple hardwood, iv) large open areas that was once pasture land, v) and a great elevated water view. These features in addition to it being comprised of 2 original unsevered lots, means there are many potential uses for this unique property. Reduced to \$195,600 MLS#1025335



COTTAGE RETREAT - 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 you're 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. Priced at \$79,900 MLS#1025042

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GORE BAY - Currently operating as a place of worship, this building could have other potential uses subsequent to a zoning change. There is over 1300 sq.ft. of finished space including a kitchen and 2-piece bathroom. Recently a new propane furnace was installed and the electrical service upgraded. \$75,000. MLS#1026428



CLOVER VALLEY FARM Versatile working farm in prime agricultural area! About 70 workable acres, 25 acres mixed bush. Good portion of fields are tile drained. Large solid barn with hydro and water has had electrical service upgrade. 11 box stalls/pens (2 for birthing) w/wood floors and rubber mats. Good well. Hydro to all buildings, water also to Bunkie. Large garage/drivshed and chicken coop complete this farm. Comforting in-floor radiant heat and woodstove for backup in hydro outages. Sit on your covered porch and enjoy the serenity of country life. \$299,900. MLS#1027480



CENTURY HOME - In Little Current within walking distance to downtown and all other amenities. Adjoining lot included in the purchase price. This house has 4 large bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Large double parlour on the main floor is ideal for entertaining and perfect for the home theater system. Spacious kitchen with adjoining dining room, main floor laundry. New windows, shingles, basement insulation with waterproof "drytrek", sump and dehumidifier all in 2011. \$242,000. MLS#1027239



KAGAWONG - A 2 bedroom cottage approximately 25 years old that is located at the end of a short cul-de-sac in a nice rural setting. It has municipal water and bunkie. It is also located about 0.5km from a public sand beach. Priced at \$98,000. MLS#1026134



COMMERCIAL LAND - Large 198' x 163' parcel with town services in Little Current, surveyed, potential for development into 3 residential lots, currently has C2 zoning and great exposure. List price \$79,000. MLS#109412



KAGAWONG - A nice 2 bedroom brick bungalow on municipal water in the hamlet of Kagawong. There is a large family room in the lower level. The detached garage has a loft offering additional accommodation. It is a short walk to the famous Bridal Veil Falls. List price \$165,000. MLS#1028212



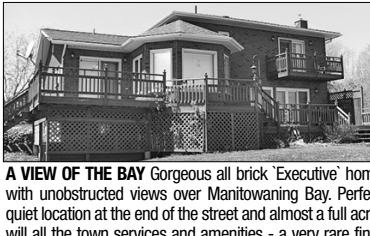
COTTAGE ON ACREAGE - A comfortable cottage on 90 acres fronting on a year round road. 24ft. x 24ft. on the main level plus an attached 12ft. garage/shop. It has been used as 4-season home. It recently was serviced with Hydro (underground), but can operate off-the-grid with the solar system and generator. Gravity fed water source for sink and toilet. 12V pump for shower. There is also a hunt cabin, small sugar bush, and seasonal stream. \$149,000. MLS1024304



SPRING BAY 5 bedroom home in the hamlet of Spring Bay with large detached garage. Over 1500 sq.ft. on the main level. Recent upgrades include new kitchen. Private back yard. List price \$159,000. MLS#1026815



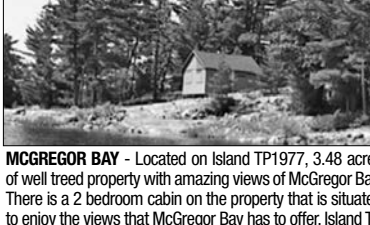
MANITOWANING HOME This stunning 3 bed, 2 bath home with detached garage is sitting on a perfectly manicured double lot with beautiful mature trees. The home has 3 bedrooms upstairs with the possibility of 2 more in the basement. The living room in the basement is warm and cozy with the addition of a propane fireplace. The double 24x28 garage is sure to please any hobbyist. Come tour this spectacular home. Book your showing today. \$239,900, MLS#1024635



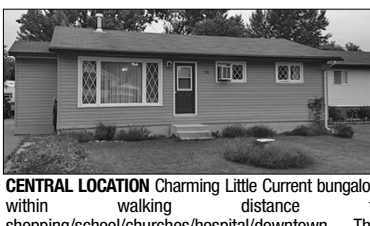
A VIEW OF THE BAY Gorgeous all brick 'Executive' home with unobstructed views over Manitowaning Bay. Perfect quiet location at the end of the street and almost a full acre, will all the town services and amenities - a very rare find. This home has been very well maintained and in move in condition - features 3 large bedrooms with full bath on upper level, large kitchen and dining areas overlooking the Bay and formal living room, plus family room with propane fireplace and large laundry room in the walk-out basement. Attached garage, plus recently built large detached garage for the toys! Heat pump, central air, hardwood and ceramic plus many more features. Decks overlooking the Bay. Only steps from marina and beach. A superb private location with gorgeous views awaits the discriminating buyer! MLS#1024142



GORE BAY - 4 bedroom house and 1800 sq.ft. commercial building (2002) with highway frontage on the edge of Gore Bay. Priced to sell at \$115,000. MLS#1027358



MCGREGOR BAY - Located on Island TP1977, 3.48 acres of well treed property with amazing views of McGregor Bay. There is a 2 bedroom cabin on the property that is situated to enjoy the views that McGregor Bay has to offer. Island TP 2085, mls 1026778 is also for sale and is just a stone's throw away. \$189,000. MLS#1026781



CENTRAL LOCATION Charming Little Current bungalow within walking distance to shopping/school/churches/hospital/downtown. This tastefully decorated 3 bedroom bungalow has many upgrades including roof, insulation, windows, hardwired generator, propane pedestal stove and more. All on one level and completely maintenance free!!! The large garage has a workshop addition with plenty of storage space. List price \$154,900 MLS#1027053



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



LITTLE CURRENT Beautiful 2 bedroom Bungalow with loft only a few minutes walk to downtown. Open concept kitchen dining room allows for excellent socializing. The property is well landscaped with established vegetable garden. Large Double Garage with workshop. No shortage of storage in this home. \$124,900. MLS#1026299



100 ACRE BUSH LOT in Central Manitoulin for sale. There is easy access to the lot and trails throughout. Mixed bush ideal for timber or hunting. Priced to sell at \$80,000. MLS#1027218



STRAWBERRY CHANNEL Spectacular 3 season cottage just South of Little Current. This property has 334 feet of frontage and a depth of 809 feet. The cottage is situated so that one can enjoy the East views of the LaCloche Mountains. Main floor has living, dining, kitchen, master bedroom and bathroom. There is also a deck facing the water to enjoy the views. Second floor is a large loft bedroom. Lower level has the family rec room, bedroom and bath. A great summer retreat with many features! Please call for details and a viewing. \$258,000 MLS#1026232



WATERFRONT RETREAT! Only minutes from Little Current on Strawberry Channel, 4.62 acres with 315' water frontage, 1500 sq. ft. dwelling built in 2002 with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and beautiful sunroom overlooking the North Channel. Enjoy the shoreline on the poured concrete deck that spans from one end of the property to the other. The cottage has a new Steel roof and new water pump. This cottage is turn key! \$229,000. MLS#1020694



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



MANITOWANING Solid 3 bedroom bungalow in a preferred quiet neighbourhood just a short walk from all the amenities of town. 3 spacious bedrooms, bright kitchen, dining and living areas, hardwood, full basement with large rec room area, additional bathroom and ample storage. A great home for the growing family or ideal for retirees! List price \$199,900. MLS#1023592



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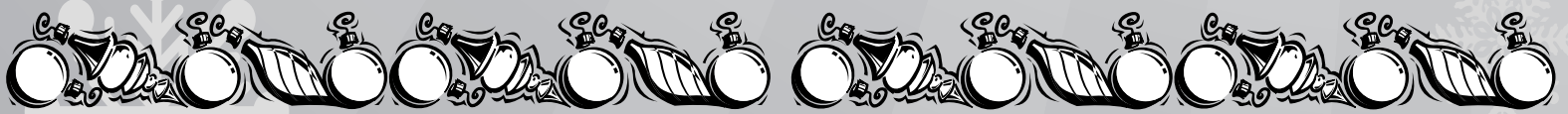
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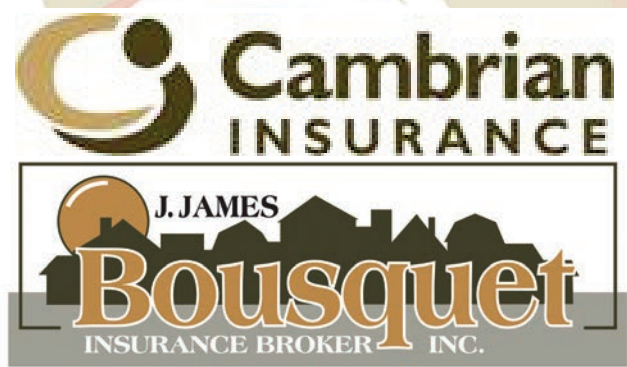
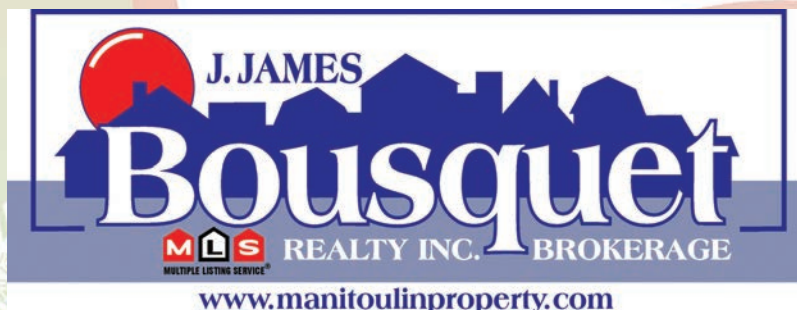
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Debajehmujig saves the 12 Days of Christmas from the Grinch

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—Spoiler alert! The 12 Days of Christmas all end well and good despite the best, or worst, efforts of a certain green humbug and his canine accomplice.

Audience members were treated to the rough and tumble hilarity that has come to mark the Debajehmujig festive season outings, with veteran Debaj thespian Bruce Naokwegijig anchoring the performance as the big green meanie, the varied and talented

cast and crew took to the stage to thwart the Grinch through hook, crook and happenstance.

Scenes that would be all too familiar to office workers, city dwellers and rural folk alike unfold their challenges in the Grinch's demonic plan to ruin Christmas and to steal the 12 Days of Christmas. This isn't your little Cindy Lou Who's world, but the potential for heart expanding moments abound nonetheless.

One of the most outstanding performances of the evening



A distraught Santa is comforted by a team of nervous elves after a nefarious Grinch plan comes to fruition.

photos by Michael Erskine



The grand finale brings the entire cast of the 12 Days of Christmas to the stage as a heart grows 12 times its size.

came as Josh Peltier, whose stellar artwork once again forms the backdrop at the Debajehmujig Creation Centre Larry E. Lewis Studio at 43 Queen Street in Manitowaning and who wrote the piece, demonstrated how a small childhood memory can warm the hearts and minds through the auspices of a few bright red Christmas ornaments.

"We thought we should shake things up a bit this year," said Mr. Peltier, interviewed following the applause on opening night. "We

decided to bring a little different take on some old Christmas standards."

Among the more poignant moments in the multimedia productions was the reminiscence of community members of their favourite Christmas memories. It is too easy in these days of conspicuous consumption to forget how simple pleasures lightened the darkest days of winter at this time of year.

Christmas was a time when a little sweetness came into the

lives of people who had very little and the community pulled together to celebrate the holiday season.

The Debajehmujig 2014 holiday show's first performances took place on December 12 and 13, with the rest of the run beginning tonight (Wednesday, December 17), Thursday December 18 and concluding December 19. Each show begins at 7 pm and costs \$20 for an adult, \$15 for students and elders and \$10 for children 12 and under.

Students honoured during annual Wasse-Abin Christmas Gala

WIKWEMIKONG—Each December, Wasse-Abin High School staff and students celebrate the achievements of the students from the previous school year at their Annual Christmas Gala. This year marks the 16th Annual Christmas Gala and it was held on Friday, December 5. The theme was 'Soar High and Reach Your Dreams.' This theme closely relates to the school's motto, 'Embrace life, Soar with the



Principal, Michael Staruck presents Austin Pangowish with the Media Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik.



Native Language teacher Sandra Peltier presents the Grade 9 Native Language Achievement Award to Annie Wemigwans.

Eagles.'

Over the years, Wasse-Abin's Christmas Gala has grown in the number of awards presented and this year a total of 48 recipients were honoured. The gala celebrates achievement across all levels of learning, which means that students who are heading to the workforce, college or university after high school all have chances of receiving awards. Students also earn awards for excellent attendance and the best overall academic average at each grade level.

This year's gala welcomed a group of young men who form the high school's very own drum

group. High Eagle Juniors sang a welcome song for all of the guests and an honour song for the award recipients to close the event. These young men have been practicing daily on the drum and the gala committee was honoured to have Wyatt Bell-Metansinine, Geordan Lewis, Matthew Oshkabewisens, Garrett Peltier and Adrian and Colton Trudeau drum that evening.

The following is a list of the



Amber Dowdall is presented with the Physical Education Award.



Brigitte Neganigwane receives the Attendance Award from Parents' Council member Velma Pheasant.

awards that were presented that evening, congratulations to all of the recipients:

Canada and the World Awards, sponsored by John and Jennifer Capin: **Annie Wemigwans and Derek Pitawanakwat**

Enaadmaagehjik (Wikwemikong Development Commission) sponsored the following awards. Business Award: **Bryanna Ominika**; Hospitality Award: **Rick Lewis and Ashley Recollet**; Trades Award: **Adam Maiangowi**



Award recipients at the gala were, back row, Christine Trudeau, Jessica Trudeau, Kira Dowdall, Shaelynn Recollet, Amber Dowdall, Annie Wemigwans, Bryanna Ominika, Brigitte Neganigwane, Patrina Pitawanakwat, Reynold Assiniwe and Hailey Roy front row, Richard Lewis, Adrayn Pangowish and Austin Pangowish.

and **Robert Jr. Osawabine**; Media Award: **Austin Pangowish and Jessica Trudeau**

Wikwemikong Heritage Organization sponsored several awards as well. Art Awards: **Jacob Henry-Peltier, Moirah Shawana and Shaelynn Recollet**; Anishnaabemowin Awards: **Annie Wemigwans and Hannah Peltier**; First Nations Studies Award: **Hailey Roy**

Josephine Lister Memorial Award, sponsored by Tammy and Ray Moreau: **Hailey Roy**

Grade 9 Native Language Award sponsored by Peggy and Bernie Brant: **Annie Wemigwans**

Science Awards sponsored by Wasse-Abin High School: **Annie Wemigwans, Kira Dowdall and Christine Trudeau**

The Mara University Science Award, sponsored by Chris Mara and Margit Alberti: **Christine Trudeau**

Lafarge University Science and Math Awards: **Christine Trudeau**

Mathematics Scholar Awards sponsored by Wikwemikong Health Centre: **Hailey Roy, Kira Dowdall, Derek Pitawanakwat and Christine Trudeau**

Wikwemikong Board of Education English Scholar Awards:

Annie Wemigwans, Noah Ominika and Christine Trudeau

Physical Education Awards sponsored by Mnaamadzawin Fitness Centre: **Tessa Ominika, William Peltier, Amber Dowdall, Lance Gaiashk and Naomi Peltier**

Manitoulin Family Resources Award (presented to a student pursuing a career in a helping field): **Dominic Desmoulin**

Wikwemikong Tribal Police Award (presented to a WHS Graduate enrolled in a post-secondary program related to Law): **Leo Peltier**

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Wikwemikong Chief and Council Academic Excellence Awards: **Patrina Pitawanakwat, Annie Wemigwans, Hannah Peltier, Brigitte Neganigwane and Christine Trudeau.**



Mary-Jo Wabano presents the Mathematics Scholar Awards to Kira Dowdall, Christine Trudeau, and Hailey Roy.

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Wednesday, December 17, 2014

Selling Hydro One's Distribution System Is A Bad Deal For Ontarians

Ontario's Advisory Council on Government Assets has recommended splitting up Hydro One's distribution and transmission businesses.

They also recommend that a majority share of Hydro One's distribution assets and customers be sold to private interests to raise money for transportation infrastructure.

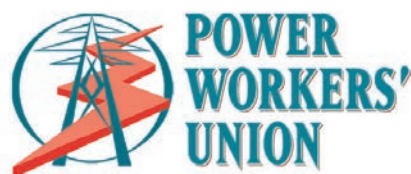
What it really means is higher electricity prices for consumers, and hundreds of millions in annual revenues will be lost to the province.

During extreme weather events Hydro One delivers world-class storm response services to customers throughout Ontario. With even more frequent and severe weather events predicted due to climate change, should these services be jeopardized?

While selling these assets for a one-time benefit may be a good deal for private shareholders, lawyers, financial advisors and bankers, it is a bad deal for Ontario consumers and taxpayers.

Please ask Premier Wynne to protect the public interest and keep these assets in the hands of Ontarians.

FROM THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HELP KEEP THE LIGHTS ON.



Tehkummah Talk and Times

Wednesday morning I borrowed Cal's oven and made a cake for cribbage. This was the last game for this year, and until further notice, two and a half tables.

Thank you so much to all who spent time with us Wednesday afternoons, so much fun. High hand, Mom 24; First, Gib and Florence, 926; Second, Eugene and Dorothy, 903; Third, Mom and Mary, 897; Tied for last; Lori and Margaret, Cal and I, 868; Door, Mary; chocolate draw, Dorothy.

On Tuesday we had our annual Christmas get-together. Lorna and Robert opened their beautiful home for this event and we thank them so much for the hospitality and extra work involved. It was potluck style and quite a few

couldn't make it. We had our meeting and gift exchange after our dinner. Lynda and Martin, Audrie, Mom, Reta, Joan, Bev, Cal and I; the guys go upstairs and visit during our meeting time.

My gosh I'm tired, still weak I think from the "bug." Yesterday (Friday) I travelled to Sudbury with my daughter. Sherry had a car appointment at Palladino Honda. We left here at seven, an absolutely beautiful sunrise, water like glass and perfect sky colours, terrific roads. The scenery was just as great coming home. Palladino's have chauffeur service. A nice gentleman named Richard Paul entertained as he drove us to the mall, then cheerily returned for us at

one thirty. We checked Walmart out pretty well and had lunch at McDonalds (all sorts of cute kids there, even twins) and after picking up her car we went to the Dollar Store. Before we got inside I got a hug from Amanda (Joan Arnolds' grand-daughter), didn't know her married name, such a pretty girl.

Also at the mall Marie (Sloss) spoke to me, I thought she looked familiar (Spring Bay). She gave me an almost identical compliment re. column and singing as Alice Monkhouse (from Little Current) when I met her at Giant Tiger in

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This week at Manitoulin Secondary School everyone was getting ready for their Christmas break which is only a few days away! As part of the Twelve Days of Christmas, the Three Fires Confederacy hosted plasma car races on Monday, December 8. Racers sped down the hall as they hurtled towards the finish line. Three Fires Confederacy is also collecting coats for young people who are having trouble keeping warm this winter.

On Wednesday, December 10 the Best Buddies Club had a wonderful Christmas party, and all Buddies were invited. The Best Buddies Club creates one-on-one friendships between mainstream students and peers in the Life Skills class, which builds a more inclusive and accepting environment. Partygoers chowed down on pizza, chips, cookies and pudding, all prepared by the Life Skills class. Music was played and friends of all ages got

M.S.S. Kids in the Halls



Cassie Kuntsi

together with their Best Buddy and laughed away the lunch period.

To get everyone into the carolling mood, Mr. Theijsmeijer hosted a game of 'Don't forget the lyrics!' on Thursday, December 11 where contestants got up on the stage in the cafeteria and sang a little bit of a song, but they could not repeat the same song as any other player. The winners of the game received a chocolate bar, and bragging rights. The winner was Courtney Oswald, and runner up was Kendra Jordison. All the participants did an awesome job jamming to their favourite tunes on stage.

On Friday, December 12 an eggnog chugging contest was hosted by the Athletic Association. All spectators were amused by the contest-

ants who had to spin in a circle 10 times, chug an entire carton of eggnog, then spin ten more times to be finished. The first place winner was Alexa Gordon, with Ben MacDonald a close second. As contestants walked off the stage, complaints of 'My head hurts!' or 'That was cold!' could be heard all over the cafeteria.

On December 11 and 12, Santa Claus was found strolling the halls taking pictures with students, as they gladly donated to a good cause. Santa eventually sat down in front of the Christmas tree in the foyer on his chair and agreed to let students take even more pictures with him there. Unfortunately Santa, being elderly, did have to take extra time to get home and ended up skipping third period class.

The Awesome Challenge continues, as Mr. Zegil's Grade 11 science class went from door to door, singing a fusion of Star Wars and Christmas carols with out of tune screaming and heckling. They would agree to torment a different class if given a donation. After being rewarded they said thank you and walked to the next room quietly. On the same note, Ms. Ferguson's Grade 9 English class held a rummage sale to fundraise to keep up with the challenge.

On December 15 and 16, the MSS junior and senior bands and vocal group loaded their instruments and music stands onto to two buses to tour the Island's public schools. They performed Christmas songs and classics. The juniors showcased the songs

'Little Drummer Boy' and 'All Aboard.' The seniors showcased a Disney favourite 'Let it Go.' Vocal group sang their favourite songs, including Zumba Zumba. The bands spread cheer all across Manitoulin Island.

SHARE is collecting mitts, hats, scarves and

socks for people on Manitoulin who need them. Donations can be brought to G3 by December 19. If you have any extra gloves or socks that you never use, someone else can use them. Keep up the great Christmas spirit Mustangs! 'Till next week, stay golden!

Tehkummah Talk and Times

...continued from page 3A Espanola. We had delish Chinese food supper at Golden Dragon.

It must have been almost nine (??) before I got my shopping unloaded, a beautiful pink shaded Poinsettia from Sherry, an added bonus to our day. Thank goodness for shopping carts to lean on! I find the bigger stores overwhelm me, there is just too much to see, and the overhead lighting bothers, probably because my place is too dark!?

It has been a busy week; Thursday we celebrated Triangle Club Sr. birthday party at the Hall. Joan Beard had a couple of contests; I had a couple, and a few jokes. Then we all sang Christmas carols from the Sr. Song Book (some words don't match!) The special honourees, Mom and Audrie, 98, Vivian is celebrating her 91st this week, she also had her family, John, Barb, Mary, Jim, (Andy), Paul came late, nice to see them all. Almost thirty at the party; besides Vivian, Audrie, Mom, Margaret, John, Barb and myself were well photographed. Missing: Cal, and Corrine will celebrate her 27th. A good lunch was served and of course birthday cake with the Happy Birthday song. (I think Mary made the cake.)

We just nicely got home from that event when it was time to go to the Crystal Shawanda show at Debaj theatre in Manitowaning. Sherry and Dave picked me up at Cal's to shorten their travel time.

That girl sure can sing; she and hubby guitarist, Dwayne, have a great line of patter during the show. I don't know how she can foot stomp in those "shoes." I'm still singing "Faraway Places," but I like some her bluesy stuff too! (New CD!) (Dwayne looked like he was gonna cry??) Great show! I met a young star in her own right, a Special Olympian named Kelsey, nice smile!

I just heard that Diane recently lost her mom (to cancer) and Harvey lost his dad, sympathy to all the family. Jean McLennon broke her leg. Get well soon.

"I've got the joy, joy, joy, down in my heart,

down in my heart to stay." Our message at Fairview today was on "joy." Nice to see Rosie and Quillan today. A full table at Carol's and Earl's (looking elfish!); Christmas decorations galore, looked good! Martin, Lynda, Joan, Borden, Pauline, Wayne, Bert, Elaine, Susan, Simon, Mom and I, we even got a free Christmas cookie. Afterwards Mom and I took in the School House Museum's Annual Carol Sing. They gave a thank you to Loretta Mucha for the SBCD's support in endeavours over the year. Jane Dyell was given a gift and a thank you as well as Terry Hill for his assistance; refreshments and desserts after. Jan Carsgallen's excellent keyboard stylings as we sang many Christmas carols. Prize draws Barb Flaherty, basket of toys; Hannah, gingerbread house; Betty Russell, Charlie Brown Christmas tree and votive, Loretta Mucha, candle. I won (3rd

ticket?) Amaryllis. Thank you all for a nice afternoon!

Saturday we missed the Red Hat Christmas at Knox, but had to save room for the Triangle Club members and guests Christmas dinner, catered by Denise and her workers. What a delicious meal and Christmas pudding (yummy) for dessert, cookies and squares. Cal and I went to Gib and Florence's in Mindemoya to wish Gib a happy birthday (Monday 15th). We had a few games of cribbage; thanks to Florence's good hands and pegging, she and I won four of five. A cup of coffee and good date square before the visit was over.

(Last Monday, Dec. 8) My first time over the Manitou River Bridge since it opened, can you believe it? Finally got strength enough to head to Mindemoya to do some laundry. I beat (ha) Mom a couple of games of cribbage before I headed up (she'd been missing me??). I had a bowl of

soup at the Roosterant and sat next to a table where four cousins were having a Christmas exchange and their monthly get together. Sounded like fun! Joan, Margaret, Jeneen and Julia even do a Tobermory date in the summertime.

I saw Joyce's scars, hadn't even been aware of her surgery. Lucky girl, amazing what they can do eh? It was after dark before I headed home, a drive down "candy cane lane." It is an eye stopper!

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Providence Bay News and Notes

Hello everyone. Are you ready for the Christmas season?

We hope the Christmas concert was enjoyed by all. It was quite a lot of work to get everything done on time. Thanks to everyone who helped.

Muriel Blue, a former resident of Providence Bay, will be celebrating her 95th birthday on New Year's

Eve. She is in the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home. Congratulations and we hope your day will be very special. Happy Birthday from Providence Bay residents.

Our sympathy goes out to Suzanne White and her family in the loss of her father Ted Jackson.

John Phillips Roy we hope you will be feeling bet-

ter soon.

The Providence Bay Arena is open now for free skating Saturdays from 7 to 9 pm and Sundays from 1 to 3 pm.

Please remember our seniors and veterans this time of year. Remember the sacrifices they made for each and every one of us. If you can assist them in any way please do.

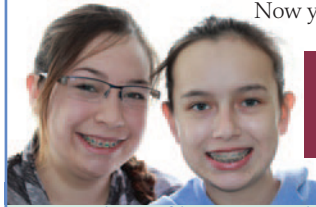
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Bred Cow Sales

Farmers often enquire about current bred cow and heifer prices, especially with record calf prices. It certainly appears that bred heifers, in general, bring a premium compared to cows. Keep in mind heifers have more calving problems with greater risk of losing a calf. A year ago 600 to 700 lb. steers averaged \$159. Last week they were \$260, an increase of 64 percent. A year ago top quality bred cows were about \$1,600 on average. Last month they were about \$2,400 for an increase of 56 percent. With expected tight supplies of cattle and calves for two years at least, current bred cow prices are reasonable. In one British cross sale top quality bred cows were up to \$2,500.



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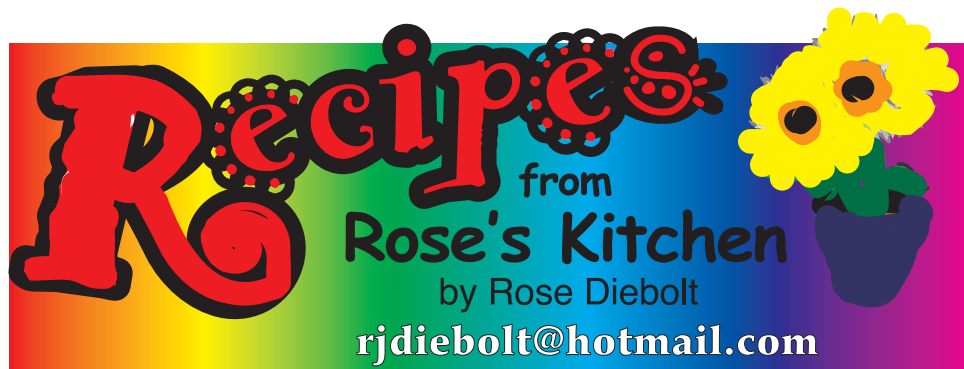
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The following are recipes that you can use either for an appetizer or a quick dinner for family or friends.

Tortilla Stack

A simple and delicious crowd pleaser. I switched the Mozzarella cheese with Cheddar and Monterey Jack, which adds more flavour. Add a green salad and you have dinner.

- 1 lb lean ground beef
- 1 onion chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1/2 tsp chili powder
- Sea salt and freshly ground pepper
- 2 cups sweet potatoes, peeled and shredded
- 1/2 cup cilantro, chopped
- 6 large whole wheat tortillas
- 2 tomatoes, diced
- 3 cups Mozzarella, shredded

1. Preheat oven to 350°F
2. In a large skillet, brown ground beef with onion, garlic, spices, salt and pepper
3. Add sweet potatoes and cook 5 minutes. Remove skillet from heat and add cilantro.
4. Place 1 tortilla on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Top with

about 3/4 cup of meat mixture, 1/5 of tomatoes and 1/2 cup Mozzarella. Cover with another tortilla and repeat with the rest of tortillas; top with cheese.

5. Bake in the oven for 20 minutes, broil for last 2 minutes if desired. Cut into wedges and serve with salsa and sour cream.

Cheese Ball

I call this cheating just a little. This is quick with bold flavours, perfect for a last minute appetizer. You can also substitute with any of the other flavours that Boursin has.

- 1 Boursin Cranberry & Pepper, softened
- 2 Tbsp cooked bacon (about 2 slices), chopped
- 1/4 walnuts, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup fresh parsley, finely chopped
- 1 Tbsp fresh chives, finely chopped
- Crackers

1. In a bowl, mix Boursin with bacon and nuts
2. Mix herbs on a plate.
3. Shape mixture into a large ball and coat with the herbs
4. Chill at least 30 minutes. Serve with pretzel sticks, raincoat crisps or breadsticks.

Spring Bay Rural Route

December 15th—Campbell Horticultural Society held their Christmas luncheon and program last Tuesday in the Pentecostal Church fellowship room in Spring Bay. After a delicious noon meal Pastor Dan Thompson led in the singing of Christmas carols following by a contest by Carol Lang. Around 35 people attended. The next meeting will be held at the Spring Bay hall on January 13.

The weather has been a bit nicer (milder) this week.

Lillian Greenman visited me last Friday and brought me some treats.

Belated birthday wishes to my friend Mieke Delange who celebrated on December 6.

The Pentecostal Church had their Christmas dinner and program on Sunday. It was enjoyable to see the children playing and singing. They served a lovely turkey meal. It was very much enjoyed. Thanks for inviting me!

We extend sympathy to the Jackson family in the passing of Ted. He has been ill for some time and he will be missed.

Happy birthday wishes to Bill Haner who is celebrating on the 19th. Hope he has a good day.

Ken and Sheila Mack are home again after spending a week with some of their family down county.

I visited several people in the nursing home in Gore Bay on Sunday after-

noon. Thanks to Lyle Dewar for taking me.

I want to wish all my family and friends a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year! And to all those who read my column! Merry Christmas all! Erma. I want to wish the Expositor and the Recorder staff a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year all!



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