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## Manitoulin Secondary School teachers on strike and off the job



Secondary school teachers at Manitoulin Secondary School take to the picket line outside the school Monday morning. The job action is part of a rolling series of strikes that is escalating as talks with the province drag on.

photo by Tom Sasvari

## First response squad will boost ranks at Wiky ambulance service

*Relieving backup pressure from Mindemoya, Little Current bases*

by Alicia McCutcheon

WIKWEMIKONG—The wheels are in motion to see staffing increased at the Wikwemikong Emergency Measures Services

(EMS) base as calls for service, and the subsequent wait, are increasing in line with the rest of the province as the 'grey wave'—aging baby boomers—sweeps the

country.

In an issue report presented to the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) by Michael MacIsaac, chief of EMS, he explained that there has been an increase in call volumes to the Wikwemikong station by 37 percent since 2008.

"This trend in call volumes is not expected to curb," he said. "The province is expecting an increase in healthcare costs and usage of service as the population continues to age. It is a well-

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## UCCM Police investigating alleged abuse at AOK daycare

by Robin Burridge

AUDECK OMNI KANING—The Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) First Nation Negaa'abik Daycare is under investigation after an assault claim was made to the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service.

"There was a report made on April 10," UCCM Sergeant Brad Mack told The Expositor on Friday. "The report has resulted in an ongoing assault investigation at this location (the AOK daycare). The UCCM Police are working with Kina Gbezgomi at this time. We are still in the early stages of this investigation."

Sergeant Mack said he was unable to comment regarding any further details of the investigation, but did state that "a number of people are being interviewed" and "no charges have been laid."

The daycare does remain open.

The Expositor contacted the Ministry of Education (MOE), which oversees registered daycares, however the ministry was unable to comment as of press

time on Monday as to its involvement in the matter.

Be sure to check www.manitoulin.ca for updates on this story as they become available.

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## Nature Club seeks 'Notable Trees'

by Robin Burridge

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Nature Club has launched its Notable Trees of Manitoulin (NTOM), a new initiative to catalogue significant trees of Manitoulin.

"We are asking people to nominate trees that are important to them or that are unique," explained Manitoulin Nature Club spokesperson Gail Robinson. "It's a very emotional thing. We want to hear the stories behind these notable trees of Manitoulin and record them, possibly to be used for a brochure where people could go and visit



Professor Joe Shorthouse and Manitoulin Nature Club President John Smith examine a sapling following Mr. Shorthouse's presentation to the club.

photo by Gail Robinson

*Rainbow board second in Ontario to face secondary teachers' walkout*

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—Manitoulin Secondary School hallways were silent Monday morning as secondary school teachers with the Rainbow District School Board joined colleagues in Durham in taking to the picket lines after failing to reach a settlement with the Ontario government on monetary issues. Elementary school teachers are slated to join their secondary school compatriots on May 10 after receiving a no board report in their negotiations.

Negotiations with teachers are more complicated these days as the process has a two-tier structure. All monetary items, such as class size, salary and sick leave, are being negotiated with the province, while non-monetary issues, such as grievance procedures or unpaid leaves, are negotiated at the board level.

"Although the RDSB is voicing its desire to continue talking locally, the reality of the two-tier system has been cited as an impediment to making meaningful progress at that level until the province-wide negotiations have come to a resolution," noted OSSTF/FEESO vice president Harvey Bischof. Mr. Bischof is also chair of the local negotiating team.

As a result of the job action announced by the OSSTF/FEESO District 3, which represents secondary teachers and secondary occasional teachers, the RDSB has announced in a press release that it has been "forced to cancel all instructional programs for students in Grades 9 to 12."

"The board came to the table ready to negotiate and responded to all union proposals. The union

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The new motif adorning the ferry's stack will be in place when the vessel docks.

## Chi-Cheemaun sails on Tuesday

by Michael Erskine

OWEN SOUND—Although there is still plenty of ice floating about in Manitoulin waters, the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC) remains confident that the ferry linking the Island to Tobermory on the Bruce Peninsula will begin the season schedule, sailing from Tobermory at 8:50 am on Tuesday, May 5.

When the ferry arrives in South Baymouth at 10:50 am it will be

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## Tehkummah ponders its heritage

by Lori Thompson

TEHKUMMAH—Tehkummah Council is scheduled to revisit the development of a Municipal Heritage Committee at its next meet-

ing on May 5. A motion was passed in September 2014 to provide a draft bylaw for its implementation; however, with the pending municipal election and other matters, the item was left off the agenda until March 2015. Following a presentation at that meeting by Michael's Bay Historical Society representative Doug Tracy, and a lengthy discussion, the issue was again tabled, this time until May.

Councillor Paul Bowerman expressed his frustration that a committee had not been implemented. "Last council sat down and we made a resolution to set up a possible heritage committee," he said in March. "Michael's Bay was not going to be the main issue because of the legal problems. I'm not just talking about Michael's Bay. I'm talking about the heritage of the township."

The historical Michael's Bay townsite remains a topic of controversy and confusion. As

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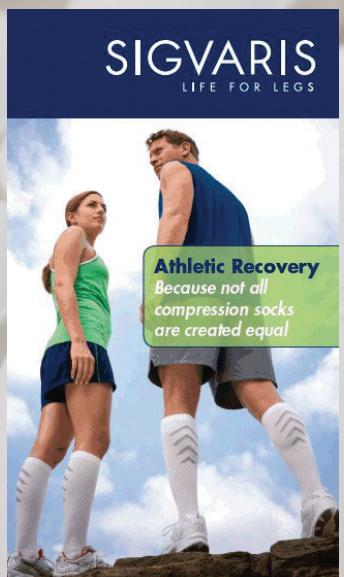
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## Federal budget geared to election readiness

by Michael Erskine

OTTAWA—The federal finance minister has tabled his budget with a projected surplus, meeting a key promise of the Harper government before the Conservatives face the upcoming October election, although the opposition points out that the books were balanced, in part, by raiding the government's rainy day fund for \$2 billion and employing some familiar tactics with the Employment Insurance kitty overfunded to the tune of \$1.8 billion.

The budget delivered by federal Finance Minister Joe Oliver on Tuesday, April 21 projects a \$1.4 billion surplus this year, down from the \$6.4 billion that was projected barely a year ago and \$1.9 billion forecast this past November.

The finance minister has projected that the Canadian economy will grow by two percent this year, with an optimistic benchmark for the cost of oil playing a key role and the annual contingency fund, the aforementioned rainy day fund, was cut by \$6 billion over next three years.

"It is a balanced budget, just as we promised, and it cuts taxes for hard-working individuals and families," said Finance Minister Oliver. "It is a prudent and principled plan that will see Canadians more prosperous, more secure, and even more confident in our country's place in the world."

"It's a bit of economic sleight of hand. The contingency fund, as the parliamentary budget officer said very recently, is there for real emergencies," said NDP leader Tom Mulcair. "It's not something that you tap into on budget day because you're missing a couple of billion dollars."

"Leadership is about helping those who need it most," said Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau. "But even in this tight budget, Mr. Harper finds ways to give billions to the rich."

"It's a status quo budget, and the status quo is not acceptable," said Perry Bellegarde, national chief

for the Assembly of First Nations, whose constituency is seen as one of the biggest losers in this budget. "We don't see any investments in housing to deal with the 130,000 units we need. We don't see investments in education on reserves. There's still a huge fiscal imbalance there. We don't see any investments even in access to potable water. There are still 93 communities with boil-water advisories."

A little closer to home was Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes' response. "Obviously Canadians were looking for a budget focused on providing Canadians, especially youth, with a better economic future," she said. "They were looking for a budget that would give kids the best possible start in life, creating jobs and supporting a foundation."

A number of goodies were contained in the budget for seniors, a constituency that tends to be more Conservative friendly, including Tax free Savings Account (TFSA) annual limit raised to \$10,000 from \$5,500, which is expected to benefit most those Canadians who must remove funds from their Registered Retirement Income Funds this year. Seniors at age 71 will also be able to leave more money in their tax-sheltered RRSPs.

"I was sorry to see more tax loopholes for the wealthy," said Ms. Hughes. "The TFSA changes are quite negative. This is a budget that is focused on the wealthiest people. The increase will not benefit 85 percent."

This budget also contains a Home Accessibility Tax Credit for home renovations for seniors and people with disabilities.

The small business tax rate cut to nine percent from 11 percent by 2019 did receive some positive response from Ms. Hughes. "There are quite a few things that will impact AMK," she said. "One thing is the small business tax reduction, that is a good thing." Ms. Hughes did point out that the NDP party

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## Provincial budget follows on heels of the feds

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—Faced with a stubbornly burgeoning deficit, the Ontario government released a \$131.9 billion provincial budget hot on the heels of the nominally balanced federal government in which the provincial deficit is projected to decline to \$8.5 billion this year, \$4.8 billion in 2016 and be eliminated entirely just in time for the October 2018 provincial election.

The provincial budget, like its federal counterpart, is raiding the larder to meet its obligations, but while the feds are sacking contingency funds and raiding the Employment Insurance kitty, the Liberal government of Premier Kathleen Wynne plans to sell a portion of Hydro One in order to "re-invest" those funds in the province's badly battered infrastructure.

"Mr. Speaker, our government's plan to create jobs and growth has four major components. We will build modern infrastructure,"

said Ontario Finance Minister George Sousa in delivering his budget speech. "We will support skills training. We will help create a more innovative and dynamic business climate. And we will provide income security in retirement. Mr. Speaker, this is a plan that will not only create a more competitive economy, but also help build a fair society, with strong health care, and the tools to break the cycle of poverty and support people with disabilities. We will continue to move forward with our comprehensive path to balance the budget by 2017-18."

Under the budget introduced in the legislature on Thursday, April 23, the province will be implementing a 10-year \$130-billion infrastructure plan, a plan that includes \$49.8 billion for transit, highways and bridges in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area. The largest infrastructure investment to take place in Canada "since the driving of the last spike," according to the finance

minister. That investment will not only boost the provincial economy over the short term, noted the minister, but will also lay the foundation for future prosperity and job growth.

Beer drinkers got some good news, bad news in this budget. Beer will be soon sold in 450 of Ontario's 1,500 supermarkets, six-packs are expected to be spotted in grocery stores by this Christmas. On the other hand, a new three cents a litre beer tax will be applied on those suds this November, to increase three cents per litre each year until 2018. This works out to the equivalent of a penny per bottle or \$1 a two-four annually. Small change that it is anticipated to bring in \$100 million by 2018.

The budget confirms the already announced plan to sell off up to 60 percent of Hydro One, the provincial utility that owns 97 percent of Ontario's transmission

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## Kagawong hosts Celebrate Green Living event

by Sharon Jackson

KAGAWONG—Several Island communities have hosted events in honour of Earth Day, which was last Wednesday, April 22. Kagawong, led by volunteer members of the Billings Recreation Committee, will celebrate on Saturday, May 2.

"Celebrate Green Living," shared Barbara Erskine, chair of the committee, "is an opportunity to recognize that we are surrounded by a wonderful natural environment. Our event this year is about doing what we can to take care of our natural living space."

"Although we were hoping that our event would take place at the Park Centre in Kagawong, we have had some issues with frozen water pipes and will have to relocate to St John's Anglican Church down by the waterfront," said Ms. Erskine.

"This year's Celebrate Green Living event takes an active approach to maintaining a healthy, local environment," she continued. "The first half of the day will start at 9:30 am with a spring clean up of our outdoor spaces in the town. We will provide bags and the chair of the Waste Management Committee, Chris Theijssmeijer, will act as a 'coach' for recycling. Later, at about 10:30 am, we will encourage volunteers to join us to start a rehabilitation of a local public garden space near the Cedar Maze."

"Public gardens," shared Ms. Erskine, "are a way to beautify the town and look after green spaces."

Everyone is encouraged to dress warm, wear rubber boots and bring gloves.

The second half of the day will focus on information sharing and socializing, said Ms. Erskine.

Beginning at 1 pm, Nancy Kains of the Manitoulin Nature Club will give some details about the upcoming BioBlitz to be hosted at Misery Bay Provincial Park on May 30.

The BioBlitz offers a great opportunity for Manitoulin residents to learn about the uniqueness and value of their natural environment while helping gather data about the health and well-being of various species of plants and animals, Ms. Erskine stated.

Following Ms. Kain's talk, "everyone is welcome to enjoy a chat and sample coffee and various desserts (including cheesecake, carrot cake and squares) that members of the Rec Committee will be selling."

"Funds raised," said Ms. Erskine, "will go towards maintaining the Green Living events through the Billings Recreation Committee."

Following the dessert social, Seija Deschenes, Manitoulin Streams co-coordinator, will speak about the Kagawong River mouth rehabilitation project.

"As we know," shared Ms. Erskine, "Manitoulin Streams has been recognized as a leader in environmental rehabilitation and we are so fortunate to have Ms. Deschenes speak to us in more detail about this upcoming project."

To wrap up the day, 4elements Living Arts, located at 91 Main Street, will be showing 'Watermark' at 7 pm. This film by Edward Burtynsky is free of charge.



Island artist Ivan Wheale stands next to his paintings at the Perivale Gallery in Spring Bay at last year's season opening reception. Mr. Wheale has been selected as the Northeast Town's community torchbearer for the upcoming Pan Am games.

Expositor file picture

## Northeast Town announces Ivan Wheale as community Pan Am torchbearer

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—The Northeast Town has officially announced Manitoulin artist Ivan Wheale as the community torchbearer for the Pan Am Games Torch Relay stop in Little Current on Tuesday, June 2.

"Ivan was selected by the Northeast Town mayor and council because he is a very gifted artist and a major contributor to our community," states a press release from the municipality. "He is a world renowned artist who has brought significant attention to our beautiful community and Manitoulin Island as a whole. Ivan's work hangs in numerous public and private collections including the Queen's collection at Windsor Castle, the Government of Ontario, the Provincial Buildings in Ottawa and the Lieutenant Governor's at Queen's Park in Toronto."

"Ivan Wheale will proudly carry the Pan Am flame as the Northeast Town's community torchbearer," said Mayor Al MacNevin. "The Northeast Town is excited to be a part of this historic journey and we look forward to showcasing our community to the world."

The Northeast Town is planning a large event around the Pan Am torch relay stop including a free concert with Juno award winner Crystal Shawanda.

Town staff are still working with torch relay organizers to determine the torch's exact arrival time, however the estimated time of arrival as of press time Monday is 5 pm on June 2.

The preliminarily agenda has family events and games starting at 4:30 pm in downtown Little Current and the community torch relay beginning at the Rendezvous Pavilion at 5 pm, then travelling east on Water Street, east on Sims Street, concluding at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre.

The town is also hoping to partner with area community groups for event activities prior to the torch relay and the one-hour Crystal Shawanda concert.

During the 41-day torch relay, each of the 3,000 torchbearers will complete, on average, a 200-metre relay segment. The torch will be carried by more than 60 modes of transportation and exceed 5,000 kilometers on the road and 15,000 kilometers by air.

"The torch is a unique symbol of the Pan Am Games and carries a powerful energy that will unite Canadians," Saad Rafi, chief executive officer of the 2015 Toronto Pan Am Games, said in the release. "The torchbearers will proudly carry the flame through more than 130 communities, igniting the Pan Am spirit as they go."

The aluminum torch stands 65 centimeters high and weighs 1.2 kilograms (roughly the same weight as a baseball bat). With a burn time of 10 to 12 minutes, the flame can withstand winds of up to 70 kilometers per hour and is visible in all kinds of weather conditions.

The 41-day torch relay starts May 30 and concludes July 10 with the dramatic lighting of the cauldron at the 2015 Pan Am Games opening ceremony in downtown Toronto.

## Central Manitoulin seeks options for aging Mindemoya fire hall

by Michael Erskine

CENTRAL MANITOULIN—Rumours swirling through the Mindemoya community that Central Manitoulin council is contemplating closing or moving that community's fire hall are completely unfounded, according to Reeve Richard Stephens.

"It is absolutely unlikely and untrue," he said. "We have been undertaking discussions on our options for upgrading the facility, but there is no truth to any suggestion that we are considering moving the fire hall out of town."

Mayor Stephens admitted that the council is "doing some research" but was adamant that the goal was not consolidation of the municipality's resources. "That building is really quite old, we were trying to figure out just how old recently and we figure it is about 60-years-old," he said. "It

really isn't meeting the needs of the folks who have to use it anymore."

Mr. Stephens agreed that the municipality has explored options that include building a joint facility with the local Manitoulin Sudbury District Services Board's emergency services. "Yes, there has been some discussion on that possibility," he said, but noted that there has been no decision or official discussion on that or any other option. "We are just doing some preliminary exploration and research."

The municipality has some sound advantages in that exploration thanks to new facilities being built in other nearby communities. "We do have some precedents and examples to look at with Gordon and Tehkummah," he said.

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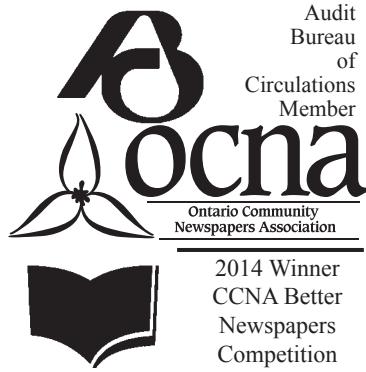
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### ***The Chi-Cheemaun marketing focus will benefit all***

When the M.S. Chi-Cheemaun cruises into South Baymouth next Tuesday to begin her nearly six-month-long sailing season, this particular event will not only be the annual harbinger of spring and summer that it always represents but it will also herald the tangible beginning of the ferry service's new marketing strategy that can only benefit Manitoulin Island.

Anyone who goes down to watch the Chi-Cheemaun dock next week (or whenever you go) will be greeted by what is being already termed "the prettiest funnel" on the Great Lakes.

The Chi-Cheemaun's operating company, the Owen Sound Transportation Company, has hired a southern Ontario marketing firm to re-brand the ferry ride as an experience that Ontarians and visitors must experience.

Much of this marketing initiative is geared to "The Manitoulin experience" and it is just getting underway in southern Ontario now.

But about that funnel (or stack): it now features stylized art representative of Manitoulin's dual cultures and, over the next couple of years, these same graphics will also be applied to both sides of the ship's hull that will make her a floating billboard visually promoting the experience of which she is a vital part.

The initiative for the new marketing strategy arose from the quite practical concerns about the steadily decreasing numbers of people

using the Chi-Cheemaun to travel to Manitoulin and Northern Ontario. The decrease over a five-year period, in fact, approached 30 percent.

This prompted the Ontario government, the owners of the ship, and its operating company (The Owen Sound Transportation Company) to commission a study which, in turn, recommended a vigorous marketing initiative that would focus, for southern Ontarians and visitors from the US and other countries, on the Chi-Cheemaun experience and on the "magic and mystery" of Manitoulin Island.

That is why next Tuesday is a significant day as this will be the first sailing date that is associated with a marketing initiative that is not primarily focused on transportation but rather on a unique experience of which Manitoulin Island is a vital part.

The Chi-Cheemaun is a vital part of the Manitoulin tourism economy. This market focus will inevitably shine a bright light on Manitoulin Island, as many people in the south, new Canadians in particular, will be learning about Manitoulin as they learn about the Chi-Cheemaun through the various advertising modes presently being rolled out.

The bright new graphics that we can all see on the Chi-Cheemaun's funnel next week and thereafter are very directly all about us on Manitoulin Island.

## *letters*

### ***Letter writer speaks of fear, hate and ignorance***

#### *Bigotry and racism are easy to whip up*

##### **To the Expositor:**

March 19, 2015 marked the twelfth anniversary of the illegal US, UK and Australian invasion of Iraq in 2003. A war based on false assertions of Iraqi possession of weapons of mass destruction. A war conducted in the absence of UN sanctioning or Iraqi threat to the invading nations. A war that some estimate led to 2.7 million Iraqi deaths from violence (1.5 million) or from violently-imposed deprivation (1.2 million).

Bush and Cheney did not save Iraq. They simply left Iraq in a mess and the USA globally regarded as the number one threat to world peace. They did not protect the West from anything.

Back in 2003, Stephen Harper, our then Leader of the Opposition, argued Canada should join the US' "Coalition of the Willing" fighting in Iraq. Twelve years later, after a dry run that saw Canada help the US come to the aid of Libya, that has also been left in a mess, our now prime minister, Stephen Harper, is getting his wish. He and his Conservative band of merry men have decided it is again time to help the US "help the Muslim world." He's got us fighting in Iraq.

He has also decided it is time we join them in fighting a "sanitary-war" not only in Iraq, but also in Syria and before long in Africa and who knows if Harper is lucky and re-elected—maybe even in Iran and the Ukraine. Deciding our "way of life is threatened"—a line stolen directly from the US playbook—he has also decided that, back home in Canada, the best way to protect our Charter guaranteed individual rights, is to bless us with Bill C-51, a domestic surveillance tool that can take those guaranteed individual rights away from any Canadian whenever "the powers that be" so decide. He is of course doing it for our own good.

Can he be so naive as to believe that the US, with Canada at its side, will be able to succeed where Bush and Cheney failed. No he is not. He far more likely wants to succeed where Bush and Cheney succeeded: to play the fear card that got Bush re-elected to another term even after it was well known he was being less than honest with his country's citizens.

Let's keep in mind that many of Harper's key backroom strategists are cut from the same cloth as the backroom strategists of the US Republican Party. They know well, as does Harper, that the fear card is a good one that poor, power hungry leaders do not hesitate to play to get re-elected. Case in point, Georges W., one of our PM's heroes.

The Fear Card may well be the only one he has left to play to stay in power. Believing he had a winning hand by extracting and exporting expensive dirty oil shows his long term planning was at best, short-sighted, not just on the environmental front but also on the economic front. Marketed as a sound fiscal manager, he blew away the surplus our country had when he came to power, and has busied himself running up record annual deficits ever since. With year to year record lows on the job growth front and poor paying part-time jobs being the rule rather than the exception when it comes to available jobs, he won't have that feather in his cap to brag about come the fall election.

I'm afraid to say there are few accolades awaiting him when it comes

to his accomplishments on the international front. Our international reputation as a fair and honest country has been severely tarnished as have been the world's hopes and expectations of Canada when it comes to the part we have to play as sound environmental protectionists. Harper has little to brag about on either the domestic or international fronts over his time at the helm. All indications are that the economic picture will not be a rosy one come October election time. And if I can read the tea leaves, he surely can.

That said, run on a fear platform. Scare the electorate enough to have them believing in and focused on the necessity of a low-casualty, far-away war against foreign evil-doers and keep homefront critics under surveillance and silenced when need be with Bill C-51. It may be Harper's best bet at another four years. As for his promise to balance the budget, it remains a promise. One he'll be able to justify ignoring if we are at war given that balanced budgets are not what people worry about when they are fearful, at war and looking for work.

I cannot close this letter without saying that the war against ISIS/ISIL is the seventh one the Western world is fighting in Iraq since 1914. It has been argued that the Western world's "interests" in the area's oil were the key reason for these wars. It also bears noting that the Iraqi deaths from violence or violently-imposed deprivation attributable to these wars total 9 million. This has been described as "[a] carnage that Western Mainstream media have resolutely ignored; one that tragically illustrates the adage that "History ignored yields history repeated." \*

While this does not justify the madness of movements such as ISIS/ISIL, it does go a long way to explaining the roots of their raison-d'être. And maybe explaining what might be best described as the crazed desperation that causes such bodies to come into being.

Will Canada's involvement in this war save the Middle East? No. Will it help Harper get re-elected as it did George W.? I do not know. All I can say for sure is that Canada is at war and that as Sir Winston Churchill has said: "During times of war, the truth is so fragile it must be protected by a bodyguard of lies."

When I think of how we treated Japanese-Canadians during WWII, and think of how readily we turned back boats of Jewish refugees during that same war or look at our ongoing breach of our treaties with our First Nations, I feel for Muslim Canadians. Bigotry and racism are easy to whip up when we let fear, hate and ignorance prevail—when we fail to act in ways that show our reverence of life, all life. At the end of the day "we reap what we sow."

**Gary Champagne**  
**Spring Bay**

\*Thomas King, one of my favourite Canadian authors, has said that when he looks at the money that was to be made over the past 50 years alone from such ventures such as Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan maybe the adage that "History ignored yields history repeated" should have as a corollary: "Those who understand the lessons of history are only too happy to repeat them."

### ***Province should chase those federal entities who robbed taxpayers***

#### *There is only one taxpayer*

##### **To the Expositor:**

I submit to the taxpaying reader an observation and ask, "Am I the only one who sees this as upsetting and missing the mark?"

The Liberal budget is out and among other measures to recover money from, in their own words 'people who do not pay back money owed to the public purse,' the government is targeting primarily those students starting out in life who failed to pay back the student loan the government had them beg and grovel for that being student loans.

The government is telling us that they have shown the big insurance companies that they "must" reduce insurance rates. Did they bring them a little reality? No. If a taxpayer puts snow tires on their vehicle (no amount specified) the government still allows insurance agencies to reduce drastically your coverage on your vehicle, ie. deductible amount and other reductions of coverage. You pay less but you get a lot less.

Where are the promises to make them accountable? Those politicians and huge business entities who either pilfered the public purse in the Orng scandal, Hydro One scandal, the building of a nuclear generating plant and then cancelling and on and on and on. A long list of those with access to the public purse visiting that public trough, ie. those government globe trotters on fishing trips, and personal agendas spending our money. When does the government chase down these people and require them to pay back? Yes, there is both federal and provincial abuse of money, but there is only one pocket where it is coming from—you the taxpayer. The provincial government could go after those federal entities who robbed from those pockets as well.

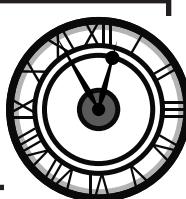
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## Now and Then

A Celebration of Life on Manitoulin  
Mnaachtoong Maadsewin

By Petra Wall



### Ursula and Oskar Hettmann

Ursula and Oskar Hettmann were in their 30s when they left their native Germany for Canada. Much of their adult life has been spent on Manitoulin: Oskar as a forester working between Manitoulin and Germany and Ursula as an artist, creating amazing, unique pieces of jewellery, popular for its originality and excellent workmanship. She sells her creations in many Island locations including a craft shop beside her home where eye-catching clothing of her own design is also available. The couple lives in an idyllic setting, in a new, circular domicile, naturally of their own design overlooking Lake Huron. Their home sits within a tree-lined panorama, complete with a multitude of deer feeding on the hay and grain supplied daily by Oskar.

Ursula, 'Uschi,' was born in a little town called 'Guten Tag' (translated 'Good Day') on August 11, 1938 to Otto and Elsbeth Land. "I was the first child in town to be born in a home fitted out with electricity. It is located in a small rural area outside of Schlesien in Eastern Germany." Her siblings



"Inspiration just flows when I sit here," says jewellery artist Ursula Hettmann as she settles in at her workbench.

asleep, and nearly forgotten!" The family took the train to the Dresden area and then rushed underground to a bomb shelter to avoid the aerial attack. "One night, still in Dresden, I saw all the incendiary bombs fill the sky. I stood in amazement at the spectacle of

Cross knew where Otto's family was; they were joyfully reunited and moved to a nearby farm.

The Land family worked for the farmer and slept in the barn. Ripening asparagus provided both work and nourishment. "Going back home was no longer possible; our community was part of Poland now. The Polish government had assembled all the farms into production units for the state. Communism had replaced individual ownership of the farms."

The Lands found some available farm land in Stendal. "We had a happy life, growing fruits and vegetables and selling them in Stendal. Unfortunately this area was soon part of East Germany and Otto was asked to become part of the Democratic Republic, the German Communist Party at the time, but he refused. Threats of jail time forced us to leave for West Germany."

"We took a few possessions and walked through water and wooded areas arriving at Hildesheim in the English sector of Germany. This city was a thousand years old and it had been burnt to the ground. We spent the next four years there and I started high school. Four years later we moved again; this time to the country where we all felt more comfortable." At this point Ursula shared that her family had moved every four years until she herself was married.

Oskar was born on April 26, 1932 to Alfred and Margarete (nee Kastner) Hettmann in Niedeschleien in the former East Germany, on good farmland. He would gain a younger sister Waltraut, two years younger. He recalls missing school occasionally to help the local farmers look for mushrooms. The location of a mushroom patch was a well-kept secret. Oskar too was quite young when the war broke out. "We were a community of 65 houses. All the young men had left; only old people and youth were left."

Oskar attended school four km away in Wilhelmsthal. He was responsible for his sister Waltraut. Sometimes the two of them could hitch a ride home on the big sleighs carrying lumber out of the forest. "I wanted to be a forester when I grew up so I never studied English much in school; I didn't think I would ever need it," he observes, smiling. "Math, biology, chemistry and history had much more appeal for me."

"In 1945, after the war, the Russians moved in but the officer assigned to our area had been



Ms. Hettmann gets a ride on her father's buggy at age 5.

are Dieter, Dorthea, Eva and younger brother Georg. "One of my first memories was being fearful of the huge dog on my way to Kindergarten. Although the dog never actually hurt me, that walk to school seemed long and fraught with danger. When I came back to the area as an adult, I was amazed at how much that distance had shrunk and of course the dog was gone."

"Before the war, I used to ride on our horse-pulled wagon, feeling safe beside my father. These little trips with him were special. He left for the war when I was six and my mother had to run the farm by herself. We all helped with the big garden and I was happily assigned to look after my little brother Georg."

During the war, wounded German officers were sent to local farms for rehabilitation. "We would care and cook for them even though most civilians were going through hard times themselves. By the time we heard the sounds of war moving closer in 1945, we knew it was time to leave. All citizens were asked to leave their possessions behind for the soldiers to use. We took only the deeds to the farm, our family ledger and some clothes." The Land family stayed with relatives in Bunzlau and then kept moving west with the war at their heels.

"Once our father was nearby and he helped us pack the wagons before we left again. He went back for one last check. Apparently, I was curled up on a mattress, fast



A 13-year-old Ms. Hettmann with her brother at home.

The girls of this age had to do one year of social work, helping mothers with families, including ours. "After the war, our mother wanted to get the last young 'helper' girl back to her home in Stendal. Ursula's father knew his wife's plan so made his way there after the war. The International Red Cross had comprehensive records of people's locations. This information was invaluable for many years after the war. 'Die Flucht' (the flight) had disrupted many normal German lives. The Red

there two years earlier and we knew him well. He was fair and friendly. In September, the Polish civilians returned and the Russians left. Then the war started for me in a personal way," Oskar shares. "The Poles came with nothing and they wanted our homes so we were transported away by train, 30 people in each of 50 box cars normally used for animals and heading for an unknown destination. We wondered if we would arrive to another part of Germany or perhaps Siberia," Oskar recalls.

Luckily, the Hettmann family came to a big farm in Northern Germany, 100 km southwest of Hanover. The farmer had no children and needed help. "About this time, we found out that our father had been both a Russian and a Polish prisoner. He and five friends managed to escape and came to the west, where the family was eventually reunited. Apparently some POWs in Siberia didn't get home until after 1950."

For the first year after the war, Oskar's family lived in the city. They could not grow their own food. "We came from the east, had no family here, no cows, no crop, no food. In 1947 we got a 'Forest House' that sat on some farmland." Their new lifestyle soon provided regular meals. When company came to the forest house, Oskar was dispatched to catch trout in the nearby stream. "I used worms as bait and soon had a bucket full of fish. They would be transferred to the bathtub with running water to keep them fresh."

Postwar Germany saw a lot of growth during the rebuilding

"This car has very good tires," he reflects with a smile. Soon the visits were regular and a new friendship bloomed. "My parents were very strict. They did not let me go out by myself. We had to go with friends," Ursula confirms. Oskar explains that there was another young man interested in Ursula and he was not happy with that. After a short while, Oskar went to Ursula's parents and asked for her hand. The couple was married on August 8, 1957, three days before Ursula's nineteenth birthday.

The honeymoon was a train trip to the Austrian Alps. "We did a lot of walking, getting to know each other as a married couple," Ursula attests. "The innkeeper asked if she could stop calling me 'Genadige Frau' (madam) because, according to her, I looked too young for that role. I also remember feeling both embarrassed and nauseous from a local version of schnitzel, normally a traditional German dish."

Within a few years, Oskar built a beautiful log home overlooking a scenic valley. They had a young daughter and were expecting their second child. They would have four children, two girls and two boys: Heike, Thore, Antje and Joerg. Ursula always wanted lots of babies. She liked the teaching role, guiding children to their full potential.

After Oskar finished his engineering and forestry at university, he set up his own business, buying lumber and running a sawmill in town. He had a contract to supply wood to a furniture company that built a lot of chairs. He also had time to indulge in his favourite hobby and accumulated



A happy wedding day in Germany with Ursula and Oskar Hettmann.

process. Bombed businesses retooled their production machinery, leading to a more competitive production process. Entrepreneurs could make money if they worked hard. A strong work ethic was born and role-modelled to younger siblings. This rebirth included social changes, too. Wed-



Newly arrived in Toronto, the couple are impressed with their first view of a big shopping mall in 1971.

dings, for example, were no longer arranged by families.

Oskar and Ursula met in 1955 when her older brother brought Oskar home one day to play cards. It seems he was impressed with her beauty and her nice legs.

many trophies from his hunting prowess.

After her children were in high school and more independent, Ursula got her Master's Certificate in Home Economics and began to teach tennis at the local club. "I worked with the youth and their mothers, mostly on weekends. Luckily I also had the opportunity to learn jewellery crafting from a Goldsmith Meister (Master). Jewellery apprentices would gather at our home where I could both teach and learn."

When their dream of living by the water became jaded by 'over-crowding' at their North Sea cottage, both began to look to consider moving to a new country. One day Oskar opened his German hunting magazine and found an interesting piece of land for sale in Canada. He showed it to Ursula and then decided to take a closer look himself on a weekend flight to Toronto. He rented a car and drove north to Manitoulin.

"There were four big 100 acre lots for sale but no roads right to the property, so the realtor and I hiked through the bush. I picked one lot with many trees and purchased it in 1971." That summer, the whole family flew to Canada. First, they checked out a large mall in Toronto and were impressed with so many 'inside'

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# Services Board renters could see big increase to rent

**ESPAÑOLA**—Some families within the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) catchment area could see an increase to their rent soon. The DSB is looking at realigning the market rent values of its social housing units to coincide with rental rates that are more in line with household income limits as set by the Housing Services Act (HSA).

Donna Moroso, director of integrated social services, explained that the HSA sets household income limits for those applying to rent/geared-to-income units. These income limits are based on a bedroom size and increase accordingly for a larger household. Of the DSB's 323 units, 186 are kept for high needs families, meaning they have a salary of less than \$37,500.

Ms. Moroso suggested to the board that by increasing the market rents to a level that is more in line with the household income limits, it would increase the DSB's ability to provide rent/geared-to-income subsidy, where appropriate, while ensuring that the rents for those who do not

## Social Enterprises to benefit from \$450,000 Fund through Waubetek

**BIRCH ISLAND**—Social enterprises are about to receive an investment of \$450,000 to support First Nation businesses that focus on social and environmental well-being.

The money is being provided by the Social Enterprise Demonstration Fund, a \$4 million fund that helps social entrepreneurs who are tackling Ontario's pressing social and environmental issues as well as creating jobs. The fund leverages government contributions through private sector expertise and investments.

The Waubetek Business Development Corporation is one of 11 organizations in the province to receive support, and the only one which is part of the Community Futures Development Corporations, a network of economic development centres which serve rural communities throughout Canada. Funds will be invested directly into businesses and cooperatives with a social mandate.

"The very nature of a social enterprise is a business initiative that advances social, environmental or human justice agendas," said Dawn Madahbee, general manager of the Waubetek Business Development Corporation. "They are generally businesses operated by non-profit entities that measure not just their financial results but their socio-economic impact on the community."

The Waubetek Business Development Corporation serves 27 First Nations communities, primarily in Northeastern Ontario. Local social entrepreneurs will benefit with this access to capital in order to launch or grow their business.

"There is an incredible interest and need to foster the development of programs which benefit our social and environmental well-being," Ms. Madahbee continued. "Interest in the fund has already been expressed from potential artist co-ops, fisheries co-ops and youth business co-ops. The future of our community is bright with a diversity of organizations. As much as we value traditional businesses, this funding will enable us to pay tribute to our heritage and culture by supporting social and environmental programs."

Information sessions on the Social Enterprise Demonstration Fund will be announced in the next few weeks for those interested in learning more about this new initiative. Please check Waubetek's website for more information.

## Celebrate and Sing with the Island Singers May 11

**MINDEMOYA**—The Island Singers will be presenting their Spring Concert 'Celebrate and Sing!' on Monday, May 11 at 7:30 pm at the Mindemoya Missionary Church in Mindemoya.

The program will include songs of the seasons as well as solos from well-known musicals such as Oklahoma, Mary Poppins and the Phantom of the Opera.

This will be the final concert before the retirement of Choir Director Dorothy Anstice and accompanist Holly Scott. It is sure to be a special event.

All proceeds of this concert will go towards the Manitoulin Central Family Health Team, in assistance with their capital expansion. The new building will help to serve approximately 9,000 patients across Manitoulin, with over 17,000 appointments offered per year. The services available to our patients include appointments with physicians, nurse practitioners, dietitians, social workers, health promoters, OTN nurses, registered nurses and traditional healers as well as many programs available for chronic disease management and disease prevention.

Tickets will be sold at the Manitoulin Central Family Health Team and at the door for a cost of \$15. Come and enjoy an evening of beautiful music and support a worthy cause while you listen!

For more information call Ashlyn Cooper at 705-377-4088.

require subsidized rents are more in line with the community at large. "This would encourage those who do not require assistance to seek out available units in the community," she added.

On Manitoulin, the maximum value for non rent/geared-to-income tenants for all DSB-owned properties in 2014 was \$562 while in 2015 it is \$571. For those utilizing the rent/geared-to-income subsidy, the cost is based on 30 percent of the renter's gross income.

Based on current values, the DSB could be collecting up to \$940 dollars for those at the top income level of \$37,500.

There are currently 35 tenants within the DSB portfolio who pay the current market rent and could be affected by the change and experience a significant monthly rental increase.

It was suggested to the board that tenants who currently pay full market value are given the opportunity to provide income information to determine their eligibility to receive rent/geared-to-income. "Any tenant not wishing to participate in this option will be given notice to the new market rent value," Ms. Moroso stated. "Tenants will be given three months' notice if their rent is being increased from the previous market rent to the new market rent amount."

Espanola DSB member Stewart Meikleham called the move "immoral."

"You're going to go to a family and say your rent was \$550 and now it's \$940?" he asked.

"Yes, we are," DSB CAO Fern Dominelli responded, explaining that rent is based on 30 percent of a gross income (utilities are included).

"It's got nothing to do with what's included, it kind of seems immoral," Mr. Meikleham reiterated.

Mr. Dominelli explained that there are a dozen tenants who would be affected at the extreme level who are paying the least amount when they earn over \$37,500.

"This is the board's decision," Mr. Dominelli said. "Right now, we're losing on every single property we have. When the end of mortgages happen, this sets us up to be more in line with household income limits."

One board member questioned a phased-in approach, rather than hitting tenants with an increase all at once.

"These people do not require a subsidy and in essence don't need it," Mr. Dominelli said, noting there are 400 people on the waiting list who could use the accommodations and need the subsidy. He explained that in Sudbury, the municipality removed people from its social housing units who were paying full market rate, opening up those spaces for those who need it.

"So you're acknowledging that Sudbury recognized a loss?" Mr. Meikleham questioned the CAO. "This is all fine and dandy on paper, but you have a family that is used to paying \$550 and who is going to have to pay another \$400. I'm very uncomfortable with that. That is not fair."

Mr. Dominelli reiterated that rent is based on 30 percent of a person's income.

"We are here as a board to help people in need—this flies in the face of that," Mr. Meikleham responded.

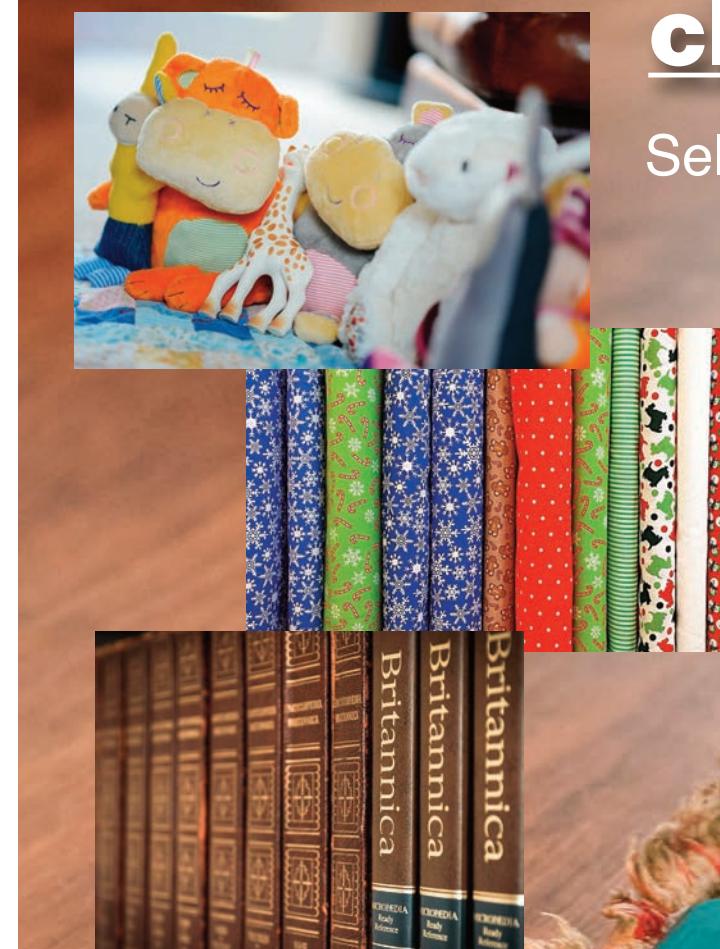
Espanola Mayor Ron Piche said those making "that kind of money" should see an increase in rent.

"There are a whole bunch of factors at play here," said Northeast Town Al MacNevin. "For the long term, we don't want to be in the position of paying for social housing to people who can afford market rent. We're talking about people who should be out of social housing and paying market value in their community," adding that he would support a phased-in approach. "To get hit over the head with a \$400 increase, I know it's not easy."

The board decided to defer the resolution while staff prepares a new report based on a phased-in approach.

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## Manitoulin Sporting Life

### Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc



#### Deidre: National champion!

Congratulations to M'Chigeeng's **Deidre Debassige** who, along with her "AA" Midget Sudbury Lady Wolves squad, won the 2015 Esso Cup as the top Midget squad in Canada! The team edged the strong, home-town Red Deer, Alberta side 2-1. Deidre and the Wolves even got some serious screen-time on Sunday's Hockey Night in Canada as Don and Ron acknowledged the huge accomplishment. This caps off an astounding season for Deidre and her stalwart defense play. Way to go Deidre!

#### Mustang Gymnastics!

On Monday, April 20, the MSS Gymnastics team travelled to Sudbury to compete against 13 other schools at the NOSSA Gymnastics Championship. The team performed admirably, with several girls qualifying for OFSAA, and the team as a whole placing fourth out of 14 schools.

The top ten results were as follows: In level 1, **Victoria Tardif** won gold on vault and **Sabrina Bondi** won bronze, on vault qualifying both of them for OFSAA individually in that event. Victoria also placed 8th all-around in level 1, and Sabrina placed 9th all-around. The level 1 team (Victoria, Sabrina, Kaitlynn Tomaselli and Alyssa Green) placed third overall. In level 2, **Yohana Ogbamichael** placed 7th on beam, 9th on bars and 10th on vault. The level 2 team (Yohana, **Jadah McGraw**, **Eden Beaudin**, **Roxanna Rojas Brizuela** and Captain, **Jill Cooper**) placed second overall. In level 3, **Maggie McDonald** placed 9th on beam and 10th on bars. In addition, the Novice Aerobic Gymnastics team (Yohana, Roxanna, Alyssa, Kaitlynn, Eden and Jill) won gold in their division, also qualifying them for OFSAA. Coaches, **Heather Theijsmeyer** and **Jill Ferguson** are extremely proud of these girls' accomplishments over the season. Well done and good luck at the OFSAA, Victoria and Sabrina!

#### Sault 3 on 3 results!

Congratulations to the Manitoulin Buckshots (type-casting much!) who won the Bantam house-league division of this past weekend's 3 on 3 up in Sault Ste. Marie. The squad was part of some 17 Manitoulin teams who showcased their skills of the unique format out of a total of 170 squads!

The Buckshots, clad in 'hunter green' no less, had a very exciting path to their victory. For instance in their championship game they were behind 3-1. However in this set-up, game penalties become penalty shots after regulation. Manitoulin had three penalty shots to take, the opposition: none! In dramatic fashion, Hunter Cranston and Kaleb Blackbird scored to tie it up at 3 apiece and sending the decision to a sudden-death, shoot-out. Netminder Alex Ingraham stone-walled all shooters into the third round when Manitoulin's Matt Redmond sealed the deal with a gold -medal goal.

Congratulations to Chris 'McLoving' Haner, Matt 'Duster' Redmond, Ethan 'Bender' Smith, Trinity 'Blondezilla' Leeson, Kaleb 'Blackness' Blackbird, Sean 'Orford' Orford, finally, Hunter Cranston, Keegan Clark, Wyatt Dearing and Alex Ingraham were Things: 1, 2, 3 and 4! Hats off as well to coaches Brent Leeson and Rob Dearing as well as Manager Lori Leeson.

One other team I was able to ascertain results for were the Atom Manitoulin Rink Rats who owned the house-league division, going 5 wins and no losses...until, that is the championship game. All in all it was a great experience for the following top-notch squad. Congratulations to: Brett Mastelko, Whittier Gauthier, Riley Lockeyer, Jared Cortes, Jared Toope, Ethan Dey, Todd Gordon, Jenna Taylor, Cord Hughson and Aysia Debassige. Hats off as well to Coaches, Jay Toope and Jason Hughson and Manager Tanya Hughson.

#### MCBL ready for registrations!

It is heartening to see that the Mindemoya Children's Baseball Club is set for another season thanks to another strong crop of volunteers. They are having their main registration, tonight, Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at the library in Mindemoya. The cost is just \$25 and includes a club t-shirt! Try to get to the library from 6:30 to 8:00 tonight, otherwise please give Suzanne White (377-4163) or Carrie Spry (377-4288) to reserve your spot. Thanks once again to those volunteers who are keeping this important event running.

#### Early Canoe, kudos

When the young or young-at-heart people have barely stopped posting videos of themselves and their snowmachine escapades, it is great to see some teenagers involved in an early spring ritual, more along the traditional lines of excitement. Four 16-year-old lads who only thought they might have open water due to online satellite pictures went ahead with their annual canoe trip. Congratulations to David Scott, Daniel Chapman, Liam Leblanc and Max Chapman on their old-school, Canadian, adrenalin-rush!

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## Deidre Debassige takes national midget title with Lady Wolves

by Alicia McCutcheon

HALIFAX—M'Chigeeng's Deidre Debassige is riding high this week, fresh off a gold medal win in Red Deer, Alberta where she and her fellow Sudbury Lady Wolves clinched the 2015 Esso Cup, the national midget female hockey championship, one week after her club's provincial win.

This is Deidre's last year with the Lady Wolves. She's one of two vets on the team, is the Wolves seasoned defensewoman and she couldn't be happier with the end result. Last year, Deidre and the Lady Wolves made it to the Esso Cup, but only secured a bronze.

Deidre's mom Debbie Debassige was there to cheer her on and told The Expositor that the Lady Wolves played five games, winning four, which put them in first place entering round robin play.

In the semi-finals, the Lady Wolves faced off against the Central Plains Capitals, a team from Manitoba, winning the game handily at 3-0. It was then off to the championship game where the Wolves took to the ice against the hometown Red Deer Chiefs, who they beat earlier in the week with the Chiefs obviously looking for redemption.

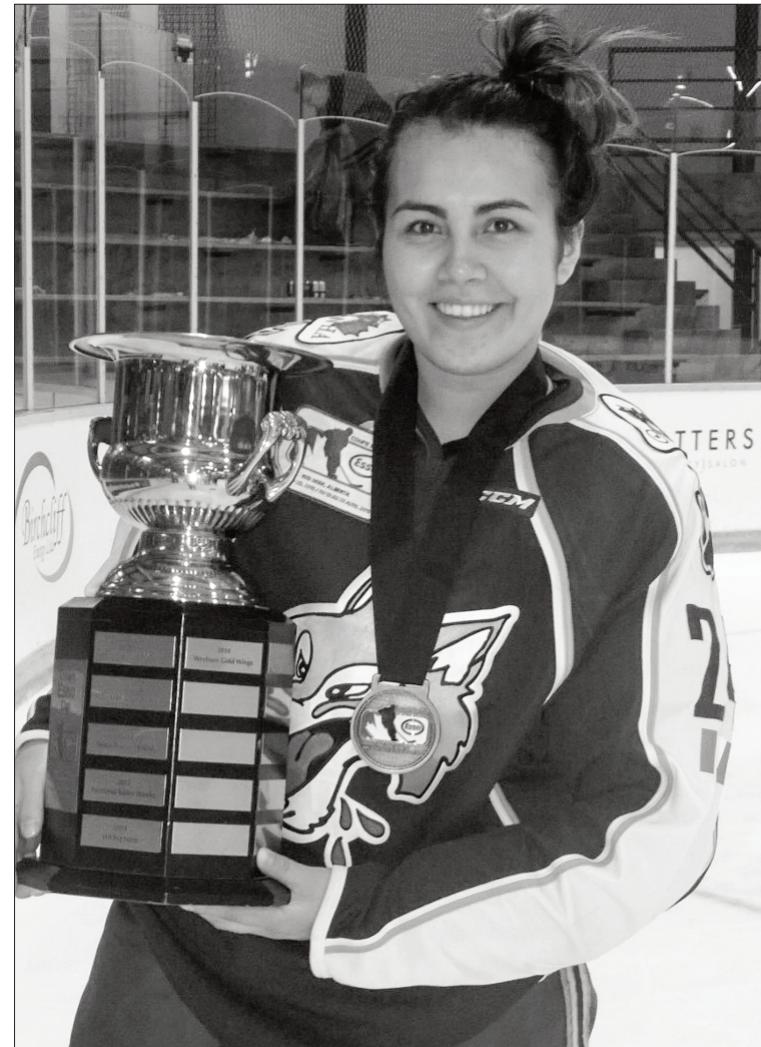
"It took a whole team," Ms. Debassige said of the win. "I think she, as a veteran, was a good teammate. She stood her ground as the veteran defensewoman on the team."

The game was broadcast live on TSN5 and the girls were also mentioned during Sunday night's Coach's Corner.

"It's very exciting," Deidre told The Expositor during a Monday interview from Halifax where she's playing for Team Ontario at the National Aboriginal Hockey Championships. "It feels so good to finish (her time in minor hockey) with a gold. It was worth the wait."

Deidre said she is still at a loss for words from the big win.

"We had so many people watch-



Deidre Debassige of M'Chigeeng proudly hoists the prestigious Esso Cup following the Lady Wolves' gold medal win in Red Deer, Alberta.

ing us (on TSN5)," she said. "I literally had like 50 text messages and Facebook messages after the game. I am really thankful for all the support."

Following provincials, then nationals, and now another national tournament, Deidre admitted that she is starting to feel exhaustion setting in and is opting for shorter shifts.

"The finals are on Saturday, then after that I'm done," she said. Deidre already has a tryout with

the Carleton University team at the end of May and has been given an offer by a western university, but doesn't want to jinx it by saying anything just yet.

Deidre has plenty of accomplishments under her belt, and at just 18, proves that hard work and dedication do pay off.

"I thank my parents and my family for supporting me through the years," Deidre stressed. "Without them I wouldn't be where I am today."



Northeast Town firefighters show off new gear

Northeast Town councillors Paul Skippen, Laurie Cook, Bruce Wood, Michael Erskine and Mayor MacNevin stand with the Northeast Town Fire Department as they show off their new turn out gear (fire suits). "Council approved the purchase of 17 new suits for the department (the department currently have 15 volunteer firefighters)," explained Fire Chief Darren Bailey. "Our last suits were purchased in 2005 and it recommended that new suits are purchased every 10 years. Our suits were certainly getting a little worn, especially after last year (the town had a number of fires due to a suspected arsonist) so we were very excited." The new turn out gear is made up of 60 percent Kevlar and Nomex III and the department upgraded the thermal and moisture barrier of the suits for better protection.

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# ...Manitoulin Secondary School teachers on strike and off the job

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be better spent preparing for the strike."

Ms. Dewar said she was extremely disappointed that OSSTF – District 3 has chosen to withdraw their services locally. "We believe progress was possible and that our time would be better spent negotiating," she said. "The union, however, did not come back to the table to respond. They also advised that they would be cancelling the next day of bargaining, effectively shutting the door on any opportunity to move forward."

"Our students and their families are caught in a dispute that is really between OSSTF and the province," continued Ms. Dewar in the release. "We value our secondary teachers in the classroom and, in the best interest of students, we encourage OSSTF – District 3 to join us in resuming local negotiations as quickly as possible." Ms. Dewar also thanked the Ministry of Labour and the mediator for granting the board's request to provide the parties with assistance at the bargaining table.

A press release from District 3 of the OSSTF/FESO said that it "is disappointed to report that negotiations with the Rainbow District School Board have failed to result in an agreement and high school teachers and occasional teachers will be on strike as of Monday, April 27."

The release, issued under the imprint of Mr. Bischof, alleged "the employer's refusal to engage in real negotiations today has made it clear that job action is inevitable. With this in mind and out of respect for our members, parents and students, the union is announcing Monday's strike action now so preparations for the closure of schools can be made."

"Our teachers would prefer to be in class with their students than on picket lines," stated District 3 President James Clyke. "But this employer's unwillingness to negotiate in any meaningful way has really left us no option. It is clear that this board has completely allied itself with the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) plan to frustrate bargaining at local tables. It leaves us questioning whose interests they're really serving with this approach."

Manitoulin RDSB Trustee Larry Killens said that "speak-

ing as a trustee on the board, not for the board, there is no question that I do not want this strike."

Mr. Killens said that he supports RDSB Chair Doreen Dewar's position that the decision to go on strike was not made locally. "This decision was made at the provincial level. This strike is out of our hands."

"While the RDSB has continuously proclaimed that they 'value and respect their secondary teachers' it has shown no willingness to bargain, to exchange positions, to entertain counter-proposals, or seriously consider any of the priorities presented by District 3 on behalf of its members. Under these circumstances, disruption could not be avoided," said Mr. Bischof, who is also chair of the local negotiations team.

In the meantime, the RDSB also advised that buses for secondary students will not operate and that buses will continue their routes for elementary students only.

Dual credits where high school students are attending Cambrian College will however, continue.

Despite the strike, the board has indicated that community use of schools (in the evenings and on weekends) will proceed as scheduled.

Mr. Killens has said that after a number of calls from local parents, he is working with parents and clergy to set up study centres where students can continue directed studies to hone their study skills "in local churches and municipal meeting rooms." There are a lot of considerations that have to be addressed before this can come to fruition cautioned Mr. Killens. "There are transportation issues, liability concerns, insurance concerns, several things that have to be considered."

Mr. Killens said that he was afraid that striking teachers might "take offense. That is not my intent."

He expressed concern that the strike could well be protracted. "I read in some of the southern papers that the next meeting isn't even scheduled until mid-May," he said, adding that the elementary schools are looking at going out on May 10.

The RDSB release suggested that students "continue their learning through self-directed study" and indicated that "resources are available through the RDSB website at

[rainbowschools.ca](http://rainbowschools.ca)."

"I support any decision that the RDSB makes if it is in the best interests of the students of the board," said Mr. Killens.

The OSSTF has named five other boards it will target for local strikes. Those boards include Peel, Halton, Waterloo, Ottawa and Lakehead/Thunder Bay. Peel teachers will be heading off the job by May 4 if a deal is not reached by then.

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In school she is a part of student council and is the vice trustee for the student senate. Her favorite part of school is the student council and working with others. After high school Allie hopes to go to University of Ottawa and enroll in an environmental program. Well good luck Allie in all your future academic and athletic pursuits.

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## ...Tehkummah ponders its heritage

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reported previously in this newspaper, the future of the Michael's Bay property has been in legal limbo since the property was seized by the RCMP on behalf of the Belgium government as the proceeds of crime following a trial in Belgium involving the illegal sale of cattle steroids. Michèle LaRose of Public Works and Government Services Canada confirmed that measures have been taken to ensure the properties are well managed. "The department has begun the process of assessing the properties and discharging the federal crown's obligations to local First Nations," she stated. "This process involves analysis that may take several months." The properties may ultimately be made available for sale to the public through public listing on the Multiple Listing Service.

There is a lack of clarity surrounding the cemetery or burial sites at Michael's Bay. One site was registered in 1992, but it was registered on the wrong hundred-acre lot. The township still has to look after the cemetery, Mr. Bowerman feels. Councillor Laird Leeson asked why they couldn't get an amendment and have it registered in the right spot. It seems that while federal legislation requires the government to maintain cemeteries that are under their jurisdiction, they first require proof that it is a burial site, which could mean an archaeological investigation.

Mr. Bowerman is concerned about the possibility of graves being desecrated within the Michael's Bay town site and wants something done to prevent this. "Action has to be taken," he said. "Everybody knows about it."

Reeve Eric Russell noted that a heritage committee would involve the entire township. "It's your old barns, buildings, lots," he said, asking guest Doug Tracy if his sole interest was Michael's Bay.

Mr. Tracy assured council they were interested in a committee that would "take care of all the heritage that we have in Tehkummah." An advertisement placed by Mr. Tracy in this newspaper on March 4 invited people to join Michael's Bay Historical Society. "A delegation by MBHS President Ben Lentir attended the March 3 Tehkummah Council Meeting to discuss the forming of a Tehkummah Heritage Committee," he wrote. "This new committee will oversee all Tehkummah's historical artifacts, buildings and Michael's Bay townsite. Also will have the Michael's Bay cemeteries fixed up and maintained with a safe pathway to each cemetery so our pioneers will be honoured."

Mr. Tracy suggested to council that a heritage committee be struck to look after the barns, buildings, museum and other properties, adding Michael's Bay "when things settle down."

Councillor Ron Hierons noted that it was unfair to exclude Michael's Bay from the mandate of a heritage committee due to legal concerns. "For us to implement something and disregard Michael's Bay because it's tied up in the courts right now, I would have a hard time doing that. Michael's Bay, Tehkummah, South Baymouth—they're all under the same umbrella."

Mr. Bowerman said that this conversation has been going on for some time. "I was in on that original conversation," he said. "This is years ago. We were talking about the barns, the graves." He noted that there are unmarked graves on a South Baymouth property that was expropriated by the township and that these are also not protected.

Mr. Bowerman feels strongly that a heritage committee should already be gathering the necessary information from the municipality's older residents who may still have some firsthand knowledge. "The way I look at a heritage

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# Manitoulin Classic School of Dance presents 'Elemental Dance' on Sunday

**by Robin Burridge**

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Classic School of Dance will be presenting its annual performance this Sunday afternoon at Manitoulin Secondary School titled 'Elemental Dance.'

"This is my twentieth production," said Maja Mielonen, artistic director of the Classic School of Dance. "So far I have always told stories (from her own imagination) or a classical story such as Peter Pan. This year I decided to do something different—exploring the four elements."

"The production opens with earth," continued Ms. Mielonen. "The earth awakens and a fern starts to grow. The second acts start with lightning which leads to a forest fire. The third act is water—there is a rain dance and frogs

come out, followed by dragonflies and then the sun. The final act is air. It starts with wind, followed by butterflies and then the Northern Lights before the big finale."

Ms. Mielonen said it was lovely choreographing numbers to incorporate dance and the four elements.

"The production showcases all our dances from our youngest, three-years-old, to our oldest, Grade 12 students," said Ms. Mielonen. "It is a nice group of dancers and I hope Islanders come out and are inspired by the performing arts."

Elemental Dance is at 2:30 pm on Sunday, May 3 at Manitoulin Secondary School in M'Chigeeng. Tickets are \$10 and available at the door.

## ...Chi-Cheemaun sails on Tuesday, May 5

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sporting a fancy new paint job on its smokestack and sides, with a more detailed and intricate bow design slatted to be applied after the ship is finished being sandblasted in dry dock in 2017.

"The cold weather has not been helping in getting the design applied," said OSTC President Susan Schrempf. "But we will have it in place by the time we sail." Since the paint on the hull will be completely stripped in the first sandblasting the ferry has received since it went into service, the OSTC "decided that it wouldn't be prudent to put the bow design on until that work is done."

The paint on the vessel's hull has been boiling up, noted Ms. Schrempf. "It is something that has to be done."

More good news will be found on ticket stubs, as the cost of taking the ferry will remain unchanged this year. Although the ferry had been following a policy of incremental

increases to fare prices for several years, that policy has been suspended.

"It went by the wayside when we did the feasibility study," said Ms. Schrempf. "It simply did not make sense to raise fares while we are going through a product development phase."

Ms. Schrempf said that she had doubts the fares would rise significantly even after the marketing push was completed. "We are concentrating on increasing the ferry ridership," she said. "If the number of passengers on the ferry increases, that will go a long way toward decreasing the operating deficit."

OSTC and participating accommodations on Manitoulin Island have joined forces to provide travellers with a 10 percent discount on their ferry fare that includes a \$5 discount per accommodation reservation. It is important to note that reservations are required for both the ferry and the accommodation to take advantage of

the program discounts.

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The complete schedule for the Chi-Cheemaun ferry and more information on the Destination Manitoulin and frequent sailor programs can be found online at [ontarioferries.com](http://ontarioferries.com).

## ...Manitoulin Nature Club seeks 'Notable Trees'

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also used to describe trees present at key historical events or events specific to a particular person such as a wedding or engagement.

Notable trees can include notable specimens because of its size, form, shape, beauty, age, colour, rarity, genetic constitute or other distinctive features. It can also include living relics that display evidence of cultural modification by aboriginal or non-aboriginal people, including strips of bark or knot-green wood removed, test hole cuts to determine soundness, furrows cut to collect pitch or sap or blazes to mark a trail. As well prominent community landmark trees, trees associated with local folklore, myths, legends or traditional or specimens associated with a historical person, place or event, qualify for nomination.

"In review of our commonly held interest and appreciation for trees this project was created with the vision of

highlighting the rich heritage of our mature and exotic trees," explained Ms. Garrette of the rationale behind her idea. "To this end, the committee is putting out a call for the public to nominate a tree/trees which they believe to be of special significance. Submissions will result in a portrait documenting the wide variety of species to be found in the esteem which we hold for our green heritage."

To celebrate the launch of the NTOM initiative on Earth Day (April 22), the Manitoulin Nature Club gathered last Friday in Mindemoya for a presentation from entomologist Dr. Joseph Shorthouse on Manitoulin trees.

Anyone wishing to nominate a NTOM or for more information can contact [notabletreesofmanitoulin@gmail.com](mailto:notabletreesofmanitoulin@gmail.com) or P.O. Box 1006, Little Current, ON, P0P 1K0.

The Expositor will be following this project to fruition, publishing some of the nominations, their stories and keeping the Island community up-to-date on this exciting new project.

## ...First response squad ranks boosted at Wiky

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known fact that the elderly use health-care in a very disproportionate amount as compared to the rest of the population."

He explained that the Wikwemikong base has only one ambulance and that when that ambulance is out on a call, there is no longer an ambulance to service the community. Calls are then answered by other stations, such as Little Current or Mindemoya (known as a 'stacked call').

In 2013 and 2014, the Wikwemikong ambulance responded to 72 percent of the calls. The average response time for those calls was nine minutes and two seconds. The other 28 percent of the calls were 'stacked,' meaning that an outside ambulance responded. The average response time for those calls was 28 minutes and nine seconds.

"That is of great concern to us," Mr. MacIsaac said of the stacked call response time.

Upon review, "it becomes evident that an enhancement to the services in the area is warranted," he said.

The proposed solution is to add a paramedic response unit (PRU) to the Wikwemikong base. This comes in the form of either a truck or SUV that would be staffed by one paramedic "which enables the service to provide a response to an emergency call inclusive of all treatment possibilities but

without the ability to transport a patient," the issue report states. The fact that the PRU cannot transfer patients also means it does not get used for patient transfers and therefore is always in the community, Mr. MacIsaac explained.

This model is also half the cost of a full ambulance in terms of staffing dollars, he said, and would be staffed seven days a week, 12 hours a day.

The cost of the staffing enhancement would mean an increase of \$293,674 to the budget, \$60,000 for the vehicle as well as \$12,000 for yearly operational costs.

Mr. MacIsaac explained to the board that as the base is on a First Nation, it is 100 percent funded by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. There is a proposal currently before the ministry in conjunction with the DSB's 2015/16 budget submission for the Wikwemikong base. "We are now awaiting their response," he said.

Espanola DSB member Stewart Meikleham questioned what the community's take on this move was.

DSB CAO Fern Dominelli gave background information on the history of the base and how it was once run by the Wikwemikong First Nation but that a number of years ago the community decided it no longer wanted to oversee it. The ministry then asked the DSB to take over operations while it would maintain the funding, which

they did.

"Has chief and council been approached?" Mr. Meikleham asked.

Mr. Dominelli said no, they had not. "If we felt we needed political influence, yes, we would have, but we're trying to do it (approach the ministry for funding) through our normal business process," he responded.

"And why is there no representative from Wiky sitting at this table?" Mr. Meikleham asked.

Mr. Dominelli explained that the province is responsible for land ambulance service for First Nations and that he did consider going to the community for support on this matter.

"Each community wants to have autonomy," Mr. Meikleham said. "Wouldn't it have been a good idea to have gone to the band rather than force this concept on them? Shouldn't there be a certain amount of communication to the community we're providing this service to?"

Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin pointed out that not only is this a good move for Wikwemikong, it is also beneficial for Little Current and Mindemoya, whose ambulances will remain in the communities they directly serve more frequently and therefore their response times will be quicker. "Down the road, this paramedic response unit is probably a good idea for many reasons."

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# CMPS student places second in public speaking competition

by Robin Burridge

KAPUSKASING—Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) Grade 7 student Amber Wahl gave it her all at the Royal Canadian Legion Public Speaking Northern semi-finals, but unfortunately lost first place by one point, placing her in second in the Grade 7-9 division recently at the competition held in Kapuskasing.

Previously Ms. Wahl had placed first in the Grade 7-9 division at the Legion Northern Ontario competition in Blind River with her speech on ‘Black Flies,’ in which she spoke about the trouble with black flies and what people do to alleviate them.

“I lost by one point,” Amber told The Expositor. “It was a great experience though and the level of speeches was

incredible. All the divisions were really close.”

Amber hasn’t started planning her speech for next year quite yet as she is still presenting this year’s on Tuesday, May 5 for the Tehkummah Women’s Auxiliary at the Tehkummah Community Hall at 7:30 pm.

## ...Federal 2015 budget geared to election readiness

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had been advocating for that change. “We proposed the reduction last year, but the Tories were not supportive,” she said. “But we were happy to see that they have changed their minds with this budget.”

Ms. Hughes said she was surprised to see Liberal leader Justin Trudeau say that he did not support the small business tax reduction. “The North has a lot of small communities where small businesses are all that they have.”

Dan Kelly, president, Canadian Federation of Independent Business, was also pleased with the tax reduction. “Reducing the small business corporate tax rate was viewed by CFIB members as the most effective measure the federal government could take to strengthen the performance of small firms,” he said.

In other boosts to business, the accelerated capital cost allowance for industry has also been extended to 10 years.

The Armed Forces will also be kept busy, with \$360 million slated this year to pay for Canada’s mission against ISIS. The budget also contains annual hikes of three percent for National Defence, but that ministry, it must be noted, has returned billions in unspent funds to the government coffers in recent years.

ISIL aren’t the only ones in the government’s crosshairs, with \$18 million allocated this year to fight terrorism, an amount that will rise to \$91 million within five years. The digital frontline has also been boosted, with \$94.4 million over five years going to cyber security, while SIRC, the CSIS watchdog, will see its budget doubled to \$5 million.

Another positive aspect of this budget noted by Ms. Hughes is that the EI compassionate care benefits will be extended to six months from the current six weeks.

“This was also something that the NDP has advocated for and that the Harper government did not support,” she said. “There are a lot of people suffering from cancer, lots of people who have children with autism, a number of people are quite ill. We debated this in the House but the Conservatives did not support us.”

Ms. Hughes noted that the excess funds in the EI envelope were a continuation of a tactic used by Liberal governments in the past. “That money is meant for people who have lost their jobs,” she said. “It should not be considered part of the government’s general revenues.”

A new infrastructure program was announced in the budget, but there is a catch. The new fund will not begin until 2017-18, long after the October federal election. The fund includes \$750 million over two years, followed by \$1 billion a year, which Mr. Oliver described as “ongoing thereafter,” to help finance public-private partnerships to pay for projects and upgrades through a combination of public and private investment.

The budget also maintains the 10-year, \$53-billion program to enhance provincial and municipal infrastructure that was announced in 2014.

It should be a happy birthday for the nation, with \$210 million over four years earmarked to celebrate Canada’s 150th birthday in 2017.

Among some of the other changes to the budget are that interns will be brought under the Canada Labour Code, there will be \$1.1 million a year to promote Canadian seal products and on the environmental front, \$75 million will be set aside to implement the Species at Risk Act for next three years.

“The Harper administration is set to spend more money on the celebrations of Canada’s 150th birthday than on the crisis of First Nations education,” said Green Party Leader Elizabeth May, who was obviously not pleased with the direction of the budget. “It is remarkable that in a budget tabled seven months before the negotiation deadline for a comprehensive climate treaty, the words ‘climate change’ are nowhere even mentioned.”

Although the budget is nominally balanced, the Canadian Taxpayers Federation were not effusive in their praise. “The government needs to stop cluttering up the tax code, picking winners and losers, and giving special treatment to some industries but not others,” said federal director Aaron Wudrick. “By all means cut taxes, but do it

across the board.”

The public service unions, who are eyeing the cuts the federal government seems to want to set in stone, were also not happy. “This budget does far more harm than good in addressing the gap between workers and the richest Canadians,” said Paul Mois, national president of the Canadian Union of Public Employees. “With this budget, that gap will only continue to grow.”

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## ...Provincial budget follows on heels of the feds

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lines. That sale is expected to net \$4 billion, money that will be earmarked for transit.

The Ontario Progressive Conservative (PC) official opposition characterized the budget as “short term gain for long term pain” and a “shell game.”

“Today, the government is crowing about their spending on infrastructure. Well, the \$130 billion on infrastructure spending is the same as last year. There’s no new money announced. But last year, they said only \$3.1 billion in asset sales would be needed to achieve that, and the remainder would be covered through general revenues,” said Vic Fedeli, PC finance critic. “Now, the government is saying they have to sell significant assets to pay for it. They’re taking what they previously announced and are using it to lower the deficit. This is the shell game they’re playing. It’s time this government stops using its credit card and starts using its debit card.”

The combination of Hydro One asset sales and the beer in grocery store items led Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha to quip, “you may be able to buy your beer in a grocery store, but you will not be able to afford the energy to keep it cold once you get it home.”

In a nod to the stubbornly high rate of youth employment in the province, the budget announced that the government will be “investing \$250 million over two years in a new youth jobs strategy.” The news isn’t all sunshine and roses, however, although the Ontario Student Assistance Program, which defrays college and university tuition fees, will be adjusted to inflation this fall, there will be a more aggressive push to recover defaulted loans.

Aside from the infrastructure and youth, there wasn’t much else in the

way of increased government spending. The budget announced that the province will be cutting 5.5 percent of all program expenditures except health-care and education (the two largest areas of spending, health spending will increase 1.9 percent, while education spending is slated to rise two percent), except for post-secondary funding, which will remain frozen.

On a bright side for the snowbound North, motorists who use snow tires will get a discount on their car insurance rates and the government will prevent premiums from going up for those involved in minor fender benders.

The province announced that the government will be conducting a comprehensive review of all user fees, including driver’s licences and hazardous waste levies, to an eye to moving to full-cost recovery in those areas.

In a move to address advertising criticism that has also been aimed at utilizing taxpayer money for partisan purposes, the government will be streamlining the process for government advertising to define more clearly what is partisan. The move comes after the auditor general rejected advertisements because they contained political party colours.

The province will also be reinstituting the connecting link program that had been rolled into the general municipal infrastructure fund. But local municipal politicians were cautious in their response.

“It sounds good,” said Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin, but he pointed out that his municipality had applied for connecting link funding a number of times under the previous connecting link program without success. “I will wait to see the details before I start celebrating.”

Central Manitoulin Mayor Richard Stephens. “But the theory is that we need infrastructure. I will wait until I see the details. Right now you don’t have the story, you just have the headlines.”

Much of the Ontario budget is unabashedly aimed at the heavily populated urban centres of southern Ontario. “Gridlock costs our economy up to \$11 billion per year in the GTHA alone,” noted Minister Sousa. “Government after government has delayed investing in infrastructure. We can’t afford any more delays.” Mr. Sousa projected that the decade-long effort contained in his budget should create 110,000 jobs.

Other southern Ontario focussed items include previously announced improvements to GO Transit and TTC services, a new Hurontario LRT that will link Mississauga and Brampton, extending Hwy 407 from Brock Road in Pickering to Oshawa’s Harmony Road (slated to open later this year) and one-third of the funding for Toronto Mayor John’s SmartTrack surface rail system.

In a provision that has plenty of implications for the North, the budget includes proposals intended to reduce provincial land tax (PLT) inequities beginning in 2015, as the first stage in reforming the PLT system. The PLT is the property tax paid in unincorporated areas of Northern Ontario outside municipal boundaries. The government had announced a review of the PLT in 2013 to address concerns raised by Northern municipalities regarding inequities between their property tax rates and the PLT. Unincorporated regions generally enjoy much lower PLT rates than the mill rate in neighbouring municipalities, leaving those municipalities to supply services without a corresponding levy to support those services.

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## Plans for row housing in Anglin subdivision on hold

by Betty Bardswich

**MINDEMOYA**—The council chamber in Mindemoya was almost full on April 23 as a public meeting was held for discussion regarding an amendment to zoning bylaw 2015-07. Resident Steven Hill is requesting that land zoned 'residential hamlet' in the Anglin subdivision be changed to allow the construction of two six-unit row housing buildings. Mr. Hill was unable to attend the meeting.

Central Manitoulin building inspector Raymond McPherson spoke first at the meeting and outlined the zoning of the area and acknowledged that though the bylaw in place does not allow row housing as it stands, the proposed use is considered to be consistent with the Official Plan for the municipality.

Four letters were received by council concerning the row housing with each party also in attendance at the meeting. Anita Cress wrote in opposition to the request from Mr. Hill as she was worried that it would reduce the value of her property as did Brenda Maurice, Kathy and Willis Hallett and Sherri McDougall. Ms. Maurice informed council that she has lived in the Anglin subdivision for 29 years and is also worried about a safety issue with the proposal as increased traffic would raise concerns for the children in an area with a day care and school. She added that it was always her understanding that this area was for single family dwellings.

"It seems to be all about money for people who don't live there," she told council, "and children's safety comes first, not money."

The Halletts asserted that they are vehemently opposed to the units and spoke of the drainage issue that has caused problems for many years including water encroaching on their property and that 12 more units will contribute to the problem. The couple remarked that the row houses are not esthetically pleasing and that there will

not be any privacy if these buildings are allowed. When Mr. Hallett asked if the row housing would affect the water and sewer system, he was assured by Mayor Stephens that the system is fine with the clerk adding that the system is at 65 to 70 percent capacity. Mr. Hallett also said that apartments should be kept to the south of the town and the single dwelling areas should be left alone.

Ms. McDougall also spoke of the ongoing drainage issues in her subdivision. "I have a river running beside my house," she told council. "The drainage project they did last year, what has it done? The water cannot run uphill in Anglin subdivision. And our sump pump runs 24 hours a day."

Councillor Alex Baran spoke at length after hearing the submissions from the residents, saying, "If we look at the history of multi residential areas, you will find that things have gone on well. That things that we feared did not come to fruition." He explained that even if a single family dwelling went up next to someone, it would infringe on privacy, that he doesn't believe that anyone's property values have decreased and that all municipalities, towns and villages, have managed safety issues. Mr. Baran also explained that council looks at population density as a good thing, that the more people that use the water and sewer system, the less we all pay and that bringing in more people is good for retail.

"I believe all your concerns are fixable," he said and offered to work with Mr. Hill and the residents every step of the way.

The public meeting ended with Mayor Stephens assuring those in attendance that, until the water issue is resolved, council would not be going ahead with an amendment to the bylaw, adding that they were at a disadvantage with Mr. Hill not being at the meeting.

## Central Manitoulin Council Notes

### Public Meeting

After the public meeting for Bylaw 2015-07, with letters received and comments heard, Mayor Stephens stated that council would address the issues, send the request for zoning changes back to committee, review and meet with the building inspector and maybe have another meeting with Mr. Hill. Councillor Derek Stephens made the motion to refer back to committee. He noted that the municipality has a core group of developers and as fast as they can put up buildings for seniors, they keep filling them up. Councillor Alex Baran noted that several "really key" issues had come up including drainage and sidewalks that council should look at and added that he was really impressed with the quality of input at the meeting and that everyone will be advised if there is another meeting.

### Property Meeting – April 14, 2015-04-26

Council approved the recommendation from the property committee that the municipality contacts Manitoulin Stewardship Council/Manitoulin Streams to ask advice to deal with the phragmites invasion at Providence Bay beach. Councillor Derek Stephens remarked that the letter should not just say Providence Bay as he felt that this would not be the only place phragmites would be growing. It was noted that council had received a letter from a concerned Providence Bay resident about the matter.

The Property Committee year to date financial report was approved by council.

### Finance and Economic Development Committee – April 16, 2015

The year to date financial report for the Finance and Economic Development Committee for the month of March was approved as presented by council.

The cheque register for the month of March 2015 in the amount of \$835,048.69 was approved by council as presented.

It was recommended to council and carried that Bylaw

2015-05 being a bylaw to authorize the levy of the final tax be given its three readings and duly passed

The minutes of the March 24, 2015 Manitoulin Planning Board meeting were accepted by council.

It was recommended to council and carried that staff take over the responsibilities for the Mindemoya Tennis Club bank account. Councillor Derek Stephens noted that council does this for other organizations and that it would not be a lot of work for staff.

### Office and Administration Committee – April 21, 2015

The clerk will be authorized by council to proceed with the tax registration of the five properties that have been forfeited to the federal government, upon further consultation with the MP Carol Hughes.

Council accepted the recommendation that the 2015 Central Manitoulin Lions Club homecoming weekend to be held on July 3, 4 and 5 be declared a Community Festival.

Council accepted the recommendation that the following students be hired for summer work with the municipality:

Labourer (University) – Liam Campbell  
Labourer (High School) – Tyler King  
Swim Instructor – Victoria Cranston  
Swim Instructor Assistant – Jamey Van Horn  
Summer Fun Program Leader – Bobbie McAllister  
Summer Fun Program Assistant – William Scott  
Museum/Information Booth Attendants (3) Matthew Scott, Carissa Holliday and Shanelle Abbott  
Discovery Centre Host (3) – David Scott, Emily Bond and Gillian Giroix

Council accepted the recommendation of the CAO and Road Superintendent to hire Wade Janoki as a part time landfill attendant.

The year to date financial report dated March 31, 2015 was approved by council as presented.

## Katie Harper to represent Manitoulin Island at Miss North Ontario this week

by Robin Burridge

**SUDBURY**—This Friday, May 1 at 8 pm, Miss Manitoulin Katie Harper will take to the stage at the Fraser Auditorium to represent Manitoulin Island and compete in the Miss North Ontario 2015 Regional Canadian Pageant.

"I've been treating this pageant and its responsibilities like a second job for almost a year now," said Katie. "Having my dresses, makeup and suitcases packed just adds to the already amazing excitement of representing Manitoulin Island at Miss North Ontario 2015. I'm so thrilled to share our story, histories and tourism with all of Northern Ontario. Also the opportunity to meet such a diverse and well rounded group of young ladies in the North will be spectacular."

The Grade 11 Sudbury Secondary School (SSS) student calls Little Current home, but lives in Sudbury during the week enabling her to attend SSS arts program.

Since being crowned Miss Manitoulin 2014 last Haweater Weekend, Katie has

been busy representing the Island crown and preparing for the Miss North Ontario pageant by fundraising for the pageant's charity of choice, Northern Ontario Families of Children with Cancer (NOFCC).

"Being Miss Manitoulin has been a really great experience," shared Katie. "It has given me a real sense of responsibility and commitment."

Katie will hit the stage along with over 40 other young ladies from across North Ontario, including Brittany Manitowabi of Wikwemikong, this Friday night at 8 pm for the preliminary talent competition in which she will be singing 'Don't Rain On My Parade' from the musical Funny Girl, followed by the final gala competition and awards show Saturday, May 2 (also at the Fraser Auditorium at Laurentian University) at 8 pm. Tickets are available at the door on both nights.

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## ...Now and Then: Ursula and Oskar Hettmann

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stores; perhaps a sign they were in for cold winters. They rented a big motorhome, which was an adventure all on its own, then drove up to see their 100-acre parcel of land on Dominion Bay."

"It was a good feeling, standing on our new property, gazing at big waves washing up on the beach, and the wonderful privacy." This property was very suitable for a forester. In 1978 the family built their own log house on Dominion Bay. "The whole family worked together with some local help and the house went up, one log at a time. It was a remarkable experience. Everybody chipped in willingly." In 1979 they moved in, spending much of their following summers on Manitoulin, but still travelling back to Germany.



The whole family at home on Dominion Bay.

nal Kasheese Studios and Art Gallery painting, one used to advertise that gallery. "I loved that piece and asked them to hang on to it for a while until I sold more of my jewellery. They said that as long as I really liked it, they would hang on to it indefinitely. Luckily, Oskar bought it soon after."

While he was still busy

her immune system. "I had the surgery, found out my lymph nodes were not involved and ate only what my body needed to survive including linseed oil, AFA (acidic fatty acids) and quark made from raw milk." Ursula feels the cold pressed honey and organic fruit, or peeled fruit to reduce the pesticide load, all helped boost her immunity. She is now cancer free.

"My strength comes from learning how to do new things, like overcoming cancer, growing food. I am never shy to ask for help and the assistance people offer makes me stronger. Making jewellery is also very fulfilling. I get very excited when I sit here in front of all the silver and beads and let my mind wander." Lastly, learning Spanish is a new undertaking. "We fly yearly to the Pacific coast of Mexico, an hour north of Puerto Vallarta, near the mountains. It is an agricultural area with many lakes and reminds us of Manitoulin."

Ursula has done some local volunteer work. She was a director for the Chamber of Commerce on Manitoulin. She was on the Ontario Arts Council and is now part of the Fine Arts Association on Manitoulin. "I have no regrets. We all learn from our mistakes and that's a good thing. The errors and the learning are all a part of me and make me who I am today. My paternal grandmother, who was liked by all, was an inspiration to me as well. She always had a smile on her face. My mother had a lot of turmoil in her life but she stayed positive. I feel that we all need to be more accepting of each other and acknowledge others for who they are."

"We still observe some German traditions. The Advents Krantz, the wreath of spruce branches, filled with 'Pfefferlinge,' small spicy cookies, is displayed for the last four Sundays before Christmas. One of the four candles in the wreath is lit each weekend until all are burning for Christmas celebrations."

"Today, we are comfortable in our adopted country. We have downsized to a new home on another part of our property; a round home on two levels, with geothermal heating and cooling as well as a good view of the bay. Joerg, our youngest,



The whole family helped build the house on Dominion Bay.

Oskar maintained business ties in Europe.

"I often stayed in Toronto with one of the boys who was attending the University of Toronto. Oskar was frequently away on business. I began to make jewellery again and my first art exhibition was in the Toronto City Hall, a second at the nearby Nathan Phillip's Square. I sold

with his consulting business in Germany in 1989, Oskar and Joerg built a small sawmill on the property. Joerg operated it for a number of years, exporting much of the Manitoulin cedar to clients in Canada, Germany and the United States with his father's help. Oskar took it over in 1994, but it is not operating now. The couple also built a



The couple's new home overlooking Dominion Bay.

quite a few pieces in Toronto over nine years. Sheila McMullan was my first Island connection. She put some of my creations into the Perivale Country Store, as it was called then."

Sheila was also a good friend to Ursula. She would call her and say, "I cooked too much tonight, please come over and help me eat it." Ursula adds: "Doug and Marg Hague and Kay and Gordon McAllister were good neighbours and friends too." With some of her early profits, Ursula bought a Michael Robinson print. "We got to know Michael and Melanie after Sheila told him we liked his art. Michael's family lived close-by on Square Bay. Oskar and Jorg would go fishing with Michael when they could."

Ursula also got an origi-

tennis court where Ursula loved teaching the children the sport. She used praise for the positive skills they exhibited and maintains that method was very successful.

"Major milestones get presented to us in life and we must make decisions then make them successful with hard work. Ursula was 55 when she came down with breast cancer. She consulted a German physician she knew and took a natural approach to strengthen



Many deer drop by to visit the Dominion Bay estate to eat a bit of hay and nibble a little grain.

also a forester, will eventually take over the property; he lives in Canada and loves the North. It was sad to leave the original log home our family built, but it was time to move on." The older log home, newly renovated, a tennis court, and some smaller buildings are still for sale. Three kinds of oak trees and pine trees, 5,000 in all, have been replanted on the land.

Oskar adds, "I came here for the trees, but now I like living beside the water too." Like many retirees, Oskar plays golf with a small group of men in Gore Bay. He loves it. "This camaraderie with the golf is very important to me," he shares. "I love to walk a lot and make puzzles too."

Ursula concludes, "I get up early, turn on the fireplace and read the latest news from Germany and Canada on my iPad before Oskar and I have breakfast. Then I can make jewellery and clothing in dedicated areas in our new home. Living on Manitoulin is like coming home again to our first farm in Germany and my first visit to the Baltic Sea. We love it here, the northern landscape and climate, with the change in seasons," Ursula explains. "The deer congregate each day to graze on hay and grain in the panoramic view afforded by circular windows. There is nothing more special than this."



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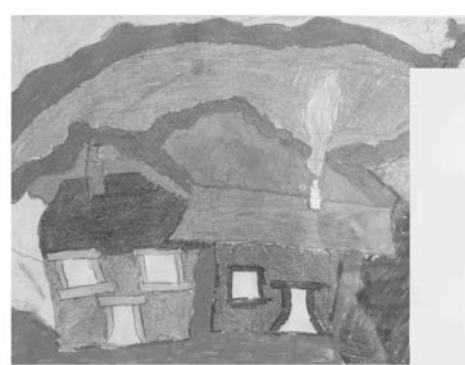
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# Anishinaabekwe elder protests eviction from family property

by Michael Erskine

BIRCH ISLAND—As a skirt affixed to a tripod flutters in the chill breeze blowing from the waters below the Whitefish River First Nation, Anishinaabe elder and teacher Marie McGregor Pitawanakwat and her supporters huddle closer to a fire kindled in the WRFN cenotaph fire pit.

Ms. Pitawanakwat, who describes herself as currently homeless, was protesting the system which she said allowed her to be evicted from the home she claims she was left by her parents, the late Art and Violet McGregor.

"This isn't just about myself and my situation," said Ms. Pitawanakwat, who alleges that part of her dilemma stems from an error originating with a Whitefish River First Nation employee. "This is not a family dispute. This is a case of the eviction of an elder from traditional indigenous home and land," she said. "The Indian Act says 'for whose use and benefit in common, land, the legal title to which is invested in Her Majesty,' this means that lands on Indian reserves do not belong to Indians. The lands belong to her majesty, a certificate of possession is not Indian legal title. It is only permission of her majesty for Indians to use and occupy lands on Indian reserves."

Ms. Pitawanakwat maintains that she was evicted from land gifted to her according to traditional Anishinaabe custom. "Anishinaabe lands are lands that Anishinaabe belong to. We belong to the land, we come from the land and we are part of the land. We are not above it or separate from it." The traditions of the Anishinaabek are communal, she asserts.

Ms. Pitawanakwat and her brother Robert McGregor are in fact locked in a legal dispute over the possession and ownership of the house in which Ms. Pitawanakwat said she has been living since she moved back to the community in



Whitefish River First Nation Anishinaabe elder Marie McGregor Pitawanakwat sits next to her sign as she protests the system she claimed allowed her to be evicted from her home.

2009.

"I invested \$30,000 of my own money in fixing up the house," said Ms. Pitawanakwat. The elder claimed that she was blindsided when she was told there would be a "hearing" on the dispute. "I arrived by myself," she said. "I didn't realize that it was going to be a trial." She maintains that she was not provided with any discovery documents or outline of the other side's position prior to the trial. The other party appeared with a lawyer and the judge sided with her brother.

She believed she would have an opportunity to appeal, said the elder. "But seven police cars showed up to push me off of my home."

Although the Whitefish River First Nation posted a community notice on April 14 of this year stating that although WRFN has "been aware for some time about a family dispute in the community between two of our members" the band was unwilling to become involved.

Ms. Pitawanakwat maintains that the person posting the

notice has "made an egregious error."

"It is not for him to say what WRFN will or will not do," she said. "It is not even for Franklin (Paibomsai, chief of WRFN) to say what Whitefish River will or will not do. It is for the people of Whitefish River to make our own decisions, express our opinions and take action on things that are wrong," she said. "If WRFN is a nation, then it absolutely has a role in booting the courts off our territories."

Ms. Pitawanakwat also challenges the jurisdiction of the provincial court where the decision to evict her from the property was handed down. "The provincial court has no force or effect on Indian reserves, which are federal jurisdiction," she said. "The only court orders that should have effect on Indian reserves are federal court orders from the Federal Court of Canada or the Supreme Court of Canada."

Ms. Pitawanakwat was joined in her protest by her cousin Cathy Wemigwans, originally of South Bay, who currently resides in a

There are many people who are homeless that you do not see. I am here for them."

The elder was adamant that she did not want to see vigilante action directed at her brother. Rather, she advised those wishing to show their support set up a tripod in their front yard and to hang a skirt upon it. "It's best if there are a group of these lined up together on one street," she said. "Start a petition and jointly address it to WRFN council, the minister (of Aboriginal and Northern Development Canada) asking them to overturn Robert Joseph McGregor's certificate of possession because it did not adhere to procedures. Demand recognition of traditional Anishinaabe gifts of land."

Ms. Pitawanakwat also suggested silent candle-lit vigils be held on the highway in front of 6415 Highway 6, Whitefish River First Nation and the creation of posters shaming those responsible for her eviction; that letters demanding housing and associated procedures be "cleaned up."

She also called for community members to burn their certificates of possession in public. "Tell AANDC that they will no longer dictate to Anishinaabek what to do about our own lands," she said. "That they have no jurisdiction on traditional Anishinaabek territories."

The elder also advised that if community members "do not approve of white people on your terri-

tory, say so," going on to add that "if an Anishinaabe man wants a white wife, let him live with her off the rez. If an Anishinaabe woman wants a white husband, let her live with him off the rez."

Ms. Pitawanakwat also suggested supporters plant a cedar tree in their front yard "to act as a replacement for the 50-year-old cedar medicine tree" that was cut down in front of her house.

Finally, she suggests that people "plant a garden, learn how to be Anishinaabek again, remember what the elders have told you. Big trouble came to us when we tried to be someone we are not. We are not a brown white people, we're Anishinaabek."

The April 25 protest is the first of a number of protests planned by Ms. Pitawanakwat to highlight the issues she says are afflicting Northern communities. The next protest will focus on elder abuse. That gathering will also take place outdoors at the Veteran's Memorial at Whitefish River First Nation, from noon to 2 pm, and lunch will be provided.

"That will be to outline the characteristics of elder abuse with practical examples," she said. "The mission will be to contribute to the grassroots working strategy in Anishinaabek territories."

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**TOP:** Kohan and Tieran make a craft from recycled materials.

**BELOW:** Tyler practices the art of camouflage.



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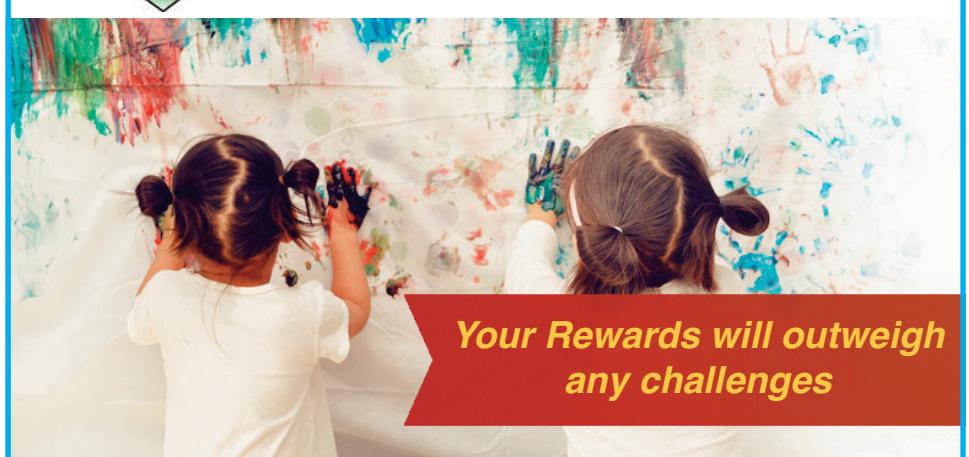
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# Miss Wikwemikong competes at Miss Indian World 2015

by Robin Burridge

ALBUQUERQUE, NM—Miss Wikwemikong Destinee Kaboni proudly represented Wikwemikong this past weekend at the 2015 Miss Indian World Competition (MIW) in Albuquerque, New Mexico as part of the annual Gathering of Nations Powwow events.

Though Ms. Kaboni was not crowned Miss Indian World 2015, she said she had the experience of a lifetime and was happy with how she represented herself and her community.

"My goal going into the pageant was to make my community proud," said Ms. Kaboni. "I had a lot of support from everyone back home and I was very happy to be representing Wikwemikong. My favourite part of everything was the public speaking portion because I was able to speak about where I was from and share things about Wikwemikong and how we are unceded."

Another highlight for Ms. Kaboni was meeting 2014-2015 Miss Indian World Taylor Christiana Thomas from Fort Hall, Idaho.

"She was just so inspiring," shared Ms. Kaboni. "She spoke to us during orientation about her experiences over the last year and



Miss Wikwemikong Destinee Kaboni, left, poses with Miss World Eskimo Olympics, one of the many friends she made at the 2015 Miss Indian World Competition (MIW) in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

it was really amazing. She is someone I really look up to."

As part of the Miss Indian World 2015 competition Ms. Kaboni had to perform a talent.

"I explained the full moon ceremony of my people," she said. "I talked

about how the moon looks after the waters and ended my presentation by playing a hand drum and singing a water song."

Other elements of the competition included a preliminary interview, question period, dancing (Ms. Kaboni performed a

jingle dress dance).

"It was a great experience and I made a lot of new friends including Miss Arctic Circle and Miss Eskimo Indian Olympics," concluded Ms. Kaboni. "It was

amazing and I am so happy for 2015 Miss Indian World Cheyenne Brady. She is beautiful and talented and will do a great job."

Ms. Brady was flanked by first runner up Ashley Pino

and second runner-up Bailie Redfern when she was crowned by 2014-2015 Miss Indian World Taylor Christiana Thomas. The competition was said to be one of the closest in recent years.

## Manitoulin East Friendship Club closes, donates history to museum

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—It has been a great run, but with dwindling numbers and a change in society's culture, the Manitoulin East Friendship Club has decided to close down operations. In a bittersweet ceremony held at Green Acres in Sheguiandah the club handed over its collection of memorabilia, contained in dozens of scrap books and photo albums to representatives from the Township of Assiginack and the Assiginack Museum.

"It is unfortunate," said Club President Marilyn Smith, who noted that the club, whose signature motto was "Hand in Hand" and exemplified with an image on the club banner of two hands clasped in friendship, was first formed in 1967. "We lost our only remaining charter member, Thelma White, in 2014."

Ms. Smith said that the club members, although dwindling in number in recent years, did not want to close the doors while Ms.

White was alive.

"We have a wonderful community for volunteers," she said, noting that Thelma Chatwell had kept the photo albums containing not only photographs, but news clippings and other mementoes of the activities of the club down through the years.

The Manitoulin East Friendship Club had plenty of activities to record down through the decades, particularly in regards to the community's medical centre.

The Manitoulin East Friendship Club was organized in 1967 under the guidance of Reverend Harold Kempling, the minister of Knox United Church, and his wife Norma, assisted by Anne Ste. Jean whose husband taught school in Wikwemikong," said Ms. Smith during the closing ceremonies. "The group was sponsored by the Royal Order of the Orange Lodge, Purple Hill L.O.L. #1364, Men's and Ladies

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Assiginack Councillor Hugh Moggy accepts one of the many photo albums filled with club history from Manitoulin East Friendship Club President Marilyn Smith.

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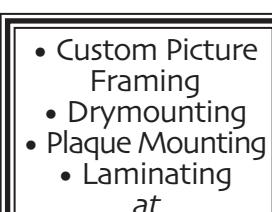


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### Nathan Abraham James Musquetier

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**Ladies' evening spa** will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church on Sprague Street in Manitowaning on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2 at 7 pm. featuring the following: head massage, organic facial, hand massage and nail painting, herbal footbath, foot massage and nail painting, refreshments, door prizes...relaxation and fun! Prepare to be pampered! This year our theme is "At the drive-in!" All proceeds to St. Paul's Anglican Church. Advance tickets only, \$25. For more info call 705-859-3041 or 705-859-2110.

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**The Manitoulin Community Choir** presents Spring Concert '15, an evening of song, at the Gore Bay Community Hall on Saturday, May 2 at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$10 each or \$20 per family. The choir is under the direction of Jane Best with accompanist Joan Eichner. All are welcome!

49-50oa

**Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary Luncheon**, Bazaar, Bake Sale, Saturday, May 9 at Mindemoya Community Centre. Bazaar and bake sale, 11 am to 1 pm; luncheon, 11:30 am to 1 pm. Adults are \$10.

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**Chili Luncheon** presented by Holy Trinity Anglican Church Ladies Guild, Robinson Street, Little Current, Friday, May 1, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Please come out and join us! \$5 per person. Chili, roll, dessert and beverage. Tickets available at the door or call Carol at 705-368-3251 or Joanne at 705-368-3182.

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**Mother's Day Tea** at Tehkumah Hall, Wednesday, May 6, 7:30 pm. Admission is \$8. Sponsored by Fairview United Church Jr. U.C.W.

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**Coming to Tehkumah!** Tribute to "The King" by Rick Gilbert, Elvis impersonator! A special treat for young and old. Good classic rock and roll. Singing and dancing of 50s, 60s and 70s. 50/50 draw. Saturday, May 9, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm, Tehkumah Triangle Senior Citizen Hall. Admission: \$10. Proceeds go to hall maintenance.

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**Tool sale**, Friday, May 1, and Saturday, May 2, 35 Limit Street, Sheguiahndah (behind the Sheguiahndah Centennial Museum), 9 am to 5 pm. Tools for woodworkers. 705-368-1423.

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**Judy Martin**, lead artist for the successful Manitoulin Community Circle Project, has volunteered to teach the hand stitch techniques and demonstrate her methods of design. Each participant will be gently encouraged to create an original meditation panel for her own personal use. Sponsored by the Little Current United Church. This event is open to the wider community. It is not necessary to be a member of the church or to know anything at all about sewing. It is possible to start at any time. This is a drop-in event and it is free! For more details, see classified section at www.manitoulin.ca.

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**The Manitoulin Health Centre Auxiliary** "2 for 1" book sale is on Friday, May 1 from 5 pm to 8 pm and Saturday, May 2 from 9 am to 2 pm in the cafeteria at the Manitoulin Health Centre in Little Current. Lots of jigsaws for sale too. This is the last book sale until November.

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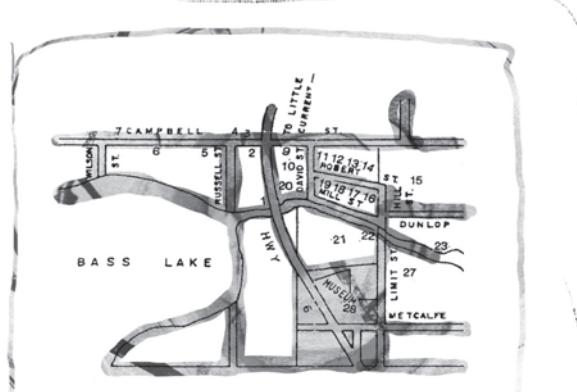
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## General Electric Power and Water Wind Services Lead Technician

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GE Power and Water is one of the world's leading suppliers of power generation and energy delivery technologies, with 2014 revenue of more than \$20 billion. Based in Schenectady, NY, GE Power and Water works in all areas of the energy industry including coal, oil, natural gas and nuclear energy; renewable resources such as water, wind, solar and biogas; and other alternative fuels. With wind turbine design, manufacturing and assembly facilities in Germany, Spain, China, Canada and the United States, GE Power and Water is among the leading providers of wind energy products and support services ranging from commercial wind turbines and grid integration products to project development assistance and operation and maintenance. The company's knowledge base includes the development and/or installation of more than 20,000 wind turbines.

### Role Summary/Purpose

This role will serve as Lead Technician at the McLean's Mountain Site, in Little Current, ON

### Essential Responsibilities

- Comprehend and perform warranty repairs, operations and maintenances on 2.85 GE wind turbine generators (WTG) by focusing on Environmental Health and Safety..
- Evaluate multiple fault records to increase mean time between failures.
- Troubleshoot 5 to 1000 V AC/DC circuits and operate GE control systems.
- Assign work orders to crews, and manage crews.
- Follow up and audit maintenance and troubleshooting activities to ensure work performed to satisfaction.
- Perform multiple daily climbs of +280 feet to perform annual or semi-annual maintenances, troubleshoot, and repair failures, which may occur, and collect data.
- Analyze daily computer generated power production reports.
- Conduct electronic troubleshooting using wire and block diagram schematics.
- Maintain all computer generated service records and time sheets using Oracle software.
- Assist with Profit & Lost reporting responsibilities.
- Responsible for spare parts inventory.

### Qualifications/Requirements

- College/technical degree from an accredited institution.
- At least 2 years experience in an electrical/mechanical service industry, preferably in power generation, with direct supervision experience

### Eligibility Requirements

- You MUST possess a valid driver's license and be able to travel in the USA
- You MUST possess an acceptable driving record.
- You MUST possess the ability to climb steel towers up to 280'.
- You MUST submit your application for employment through [gecareers.com](http://gecareers.com) to be considered.
- You MUST be 18 years or older.
- You MUST be willing to submit to a background investigation and fit test as part of the selection process
- If currently a GE employee, you MUST have been in your current role for at least 12 months and have at least a satisfactory performance rating.

### Interested applicants must submit a cover letter and resume to:

John Foster, Site Manager: [john2.foster@ge.com](mailto:john2.foster@ge.com) and through [gecareers.com](http://gecareers.com)

Deadline for applications is Monday, 11 May 2015

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising

Gwekaadziwin Project Manager: Development Phase

Gwekaadziwin (Living a Good Life)

### Position Objective:

The position will develop a program description and delivery outline for a Residential/Outpatient Centre for people suffering with addictions. Determine all aspects of the centre including applicable legislation, potential funders, reporting requirements and all the necessary requirements that are associated with the creation of this proposed centre. The Gwekaadziwin Project Manager will complete the program development phase from program definition and design to program implementation and evaluation. This person will report directly to the CEO of the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising.

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising is a Tribal Council which represents six member First Nations. The six member First Nations are: Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, M'Chigeeng First Nation, Sheguiandah First Nation, Sheshegwaning First Nation, Whitefish River First Nation; and Zhiibaahasing First Nation.

### Responsibilities:

#### Project Coordination and Leadership

- Create a strategic vision and values for the Gwekaadziwin Residential/Outpatient Centre
- Develop a infrastructure design & management
- Identify a detailed treatment model and program development of the Gwekaadziwin Centre
- Determine the number of beds required for an in-patient centre required to be feasible
- Business plan development

#### Research and Administration

- Follow the program objectives as directed by the project working group
- Provide monthly reporting updates to supervisor
- Establish a timeline/schedule of project
- Create a communications strategy and materials

#### Network Building

- Knowledge management (information flow, and best practices)
- Identify potential funding agencies and their funding requirements
- Develop specific proposals to potential funding agencies
- Set up funding negotiation meetings

#### Facility Identification and Development Plan

- Ensure the program is culturally focused using the seven grandfather teachings
- The Centre will include outdoor education, addiction treatment (in-out patient) training and education, cultural development and aftercare
- Assist with establishing the required space of the facility(s)
- Develop all human resources required, with development of job descriptions

#### Requirements:

- Must have a relevant University Degree (Business, Social) or equivalent work experience
- Must have a minimum of 5 years' experience in project development or management
- Extensive knowledge in addiction and mental health services
- Demonstrated leadership skills: experience as a facilitator, instructor, supervisor or administrator
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Access to a vehicle and a valid driver's license
- Willing to travel
- Demonstrated knowledge of Anishinabek, language, customs, traditions, ceremonies, treaties and history.

Salary Range Annual: \$70,000.00

Closing Date: May 4, 2015 - Noon

To Apply: Mail complete package (complete packages includes application letter, resume and three written work related reference letters. Incomplete packages will not be accepted). Current Criminal Reference Check will be required at interview. We appreciate your interest; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Mark "Confidential" to: United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising  
Attention: Hazel Recollet, CEO  
P.O Box 275, M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0  
Contact Info: Phone (705) 377-5307



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**CAMBRIAN  
COLLEGE**

## SUMMER STUDENT POSITION LABOUR MARKET RESEARCHER

A student is required to collect local labour market information and input data for Manitoulin & LaCloche Area

### Qualifications:

- Minimum one year of related post-secondary education
- Confirmation of return to school
- Good computer skills
- Excellent public relations skills
- Ability to work independently
- Valid driver's licence
- Related experience an asset
- Bilingualism an asset

**Tentative start date:** June 8, 2015

**Duration:** 12 weeks

### Send Resumes to:

Cambrian College, Manitoulin Campus  
Box 635  
Little Current, ON  
POP 1K0  
Fax: 1-705-368-3496  
Email: [judy.proux@cambriancollege.ca](mailto:judy.proux@cambriancollege.ca)

**Deadline for applications:** May 6, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

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

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[sales@anchorgrill.com](mailto:sales@anchorgrill.com)



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### JOB TITLE: JK IMMERSION TEACHER

**BASIC FUNCTION:** Under the direction of the Principal, or designate, the Teacher will maintain a quality of educational program according to approved curriculum, standards, and instructional design processes. (Call Human Resources Department for a full description of duties, 519-627-1481)

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Valid and current Ontario College of Teachers/ECE preferred;
- A teacher whose first language is Anishnaabemowin and proficient in conversation in a classroom setting.
- Computer Literate preferred.
- Able to use Language to form the foundation for the day-to-day teaching, assessment and curriculum in the classroom;
- Ability to assist each student to develop a positive self-image, a sense of belonging and a positive attitude to his/her school experience;
- Able to cooperate with staff and appropriate consultants in curriculum development;
- Able to provide flexibility and a positive professional attitude and rapport when working with students, parents/guardians and colleagues;
- Able to provide an evaluation of student progress;
- Demonstrate strong and effective interpersonal communication skills;
- Ability to set priorities, manage time, work under pressure, meet deadlines, maintain confidentiality.

Successful candidate must complete a police record check and child abuse registry check before commencing employment and provide a copy to the Principal of Walpole Island Elementary School and to Human Resources.

#### APPLICATION TO INCLUDE:

- Cover letter describing previous teaching experience.
- Resume to include three current references (at least two from work).
- Philosophy of education for Aboriginal First Nation learners;

#### SUBMIT TO:

Walpole Island First Nation  
C/O DONOVAN JACOBS H.R.M.,  
R.R. #3, WALLACEBURG, ON N8A 4K9  
Fax 519-627-5915 / email: [donovan.jacobs@wifn.org](mailto:donovan.jacobs@wifn.org)

Please clearly mark envelope "JK Immersion Teacher"

**DEADLINE DATE: May 15, 2015 at 4:00 P.M.**

We are a special interest organization that is primarily engaged in serving the interest of the Walpole Island First Nation community, preference will be given to persons of Native ancestry.  
(OHRA 1981, c53, s170)

Qualified Band Members are to be given PRIORITY. (R.C.M. April 28, 1998 M#15)

## The Island Singers

is looking for a new choral director, accompanist and choral members for the 2015-2016 season.



If interested, or for more information, please contact Lydia at [burleinla@gmail.com](mailto:burleinla@gmail.com).

## Seasonal Employment Opportunities



**Housekeeper/Resort Help**  
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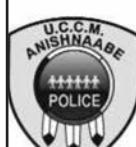
**Cook/Pastry Chef**  
**Dining-room Assistant**  
Ability to work independently.  
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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: 2 – POLICE CONSTABLES

The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service is seeking two individuals, with a strong desire to promote and foster community peace and social order within the framework of the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Police Services Commission by serving as a Police Constable with the organization.

*If the successful candidate has not previously attended Police College, training to be a Police Officer will be provided by attending the Ontario Police College in Aylmer in the fall of 2015.*

#### Skills:

- Knowledgeable and respectful of Anishnaabe customs, culture, and language;
- Excellent interpersonal skills to maintain professionalism and courteousness to members of the public and all justice partners;
- Ability to multi-task in a high stress and time driven environment;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, to resolve and mediate disputes that arise in the performance of duties;
- Ability to utilize analytical skills in a variety of environments to identify problems, analyse options, and determine the best possible solution;
- Excellent ability to work independently and within a team, and to manage time efficiently;
- Strong computer skills to learn a variety of software applications for the use of duties; and
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office software applications.

#### Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Conduct proactive community patrols in all UCCM service area communities;
- Create linkages and integration with other community partners by making referrals to appropriate service agencies for services needed outside the initial scope of law enforcement;
- Knowledgeable of community resources available for victims, witnesses, accused members, and members of the public;
- Observe for violations of the law and take appropriate enforcement, mediation, or referral action;
- Collect, secure, preserve, and dispose of evidence in accordance with procedures outlined in the Police Orders, Criminal Code of Canada, other Provincial and Federal Statutes, and other investigative manuals as applicable;
- Complete occurrence and supplementary reports in a complete, clear, logical, accurate manner using proper grammar, spelling and terminology; and
- Complete all other required reports related to investigations: traffic reports, ViCLAS reports, CPIC and other law enforcement forms as per the prescribed standards on a timely basis; and,

#### Other Important Information

- Applicants must be 18 years of age or older
- A probationary period will apply and a complete background check will be completed.
- A valid Class G driver's license, First Aid and CPR certificate required.
- Applicants must have obtained an Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent.
- A valid certificate of results (C.O.R.), completed through the Applicant Testing Services, must be obtained.

Please apply for this position by submitting the following: Completed application form for Police Constable found on the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service's website and all documentation requested on the application form, cover letter, resume, and a copy of valid Certificate of Results from the Applicant Testing Services, by June 5, 2015, at 4:00 PM to:

Employment Opportunity: Police Constable  
U.C.C.M. Anishnaabe Police Service  
5926 Hwy 540, Box 332  
M'Chigeeng, ON  
P0P 1G0

Or by email to: [taylor.sayers@uccmpolice.com](mailto:taylor.sayers@uccmpolice.com)  
Subject: Employment Opportunity: Police Confidential

Given the traditional practices of the Anishnaabe, from time to time wood smoke and the burning of sacred medicines including tobacco, sweet grass, sage, or cedar may occur in the workplace.

For questions about this employment opportunity and a detailed job description, please contact Rodney Nahwegahbow at 705.377.7135, or visit our website at [www.uccmpolice.com](http://www.uccmpolice.com)



## Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services

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

### VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Do you have an hour or two once/week or a few times/month and would appreciate the opportunity to assist in serving the families of the seven member First Nations by providing transportation to children in care to appointments, access visits, etc. We welcome volunteers who can make short, long, or sometime commitments.

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services will reimburse mileage as per the agency's board approved mileage rate.

For additional information please visit our website at [www.kgcfs.org](http://www.kgcfs.org) or contact the Specialized Services Coordinator at 705-859-1010.

**We invite applicants to submit a cover letter and resume marked confidential to:**

June Manitowabi - SSC  
Attention: "Volunteer Drivers"  
19A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0

*Upon receipt of application potential volunteers must successfully complete the following: Internal Record Check, Reference Check, Police Security Clearance Check, Provide a Driver's Abstract, and Provide Proof of One Million Dollar Liability Insurance.*



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Espanola, ON P5E 1R9  
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Fax/Télécopieur: (705) 862-7805  
<http://www.msdbs.net>

### INVITATION TO TENDER

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB), proposed replacement of windows at 66 Meredith in Gore Bay, ON.

The Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB invites interested parties to submit bids for the replacement of 5 door lights and 17 windows including interior window trim, exterior window flashing and all related works.

#### LOCATION

66 Meredith, Gore Bay, ON.

#### DOCUMENTS ISSUED

Full details of the location and requirements are available at the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB office: 210 Mead Boulevard, Espanola, ON.

#### OR

Full details are also available via email from the office of the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB after April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 (email [tenders@msdbs.net](mailto:tenders@msdbs.net)).

#### BIDS RECEIVED

No later than Friday May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the Office of:  
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board

210 Mead Blvd.  
Espanola, ON, P5E 1R9

#### OR

Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board  
Postal Bag 2001, 9050 Hwy 6, Unit D, Little Current, ON, P0P 1K0

Any tenders received after this time will be declared ineligible.

#### SITE VISIT

A mandatory site visit will be conducted on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at 66 Meredith, Gore Bay.

**THE LOWEST BID OR ANY TENDER WILL NOT BE NECESSARILY ACCEPTED. CONTRACTORS MUST MEET BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS.**



#### NOTICE

#### MUNICIPALITY



#### OF ASSIGINACK

#### Hilly Grove Cemetery

The Township of Assiginack has submitted by-laws to the Registrar of the *Funeral, Burial, and Cremation Services Act 2002*. Any interested parties may contact Alton Hobbs, CAO at Tel: (705) 859-3196 or 1-800-540-0179 for information, or to make copies. By-laws or amendments may be reviewed or copied at 25-B Sprague Street, Manitowaning, Ontario P0P 1N0.

These by-laws are subject to the approval of the Registrar, *Funeral, Burial, and Cremation Services Act 2002*. Tel: Cemeteries Regulation Unit (416) 326-8399



#### Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands Request for Proposals (RFP) Municipal Group Insurance Coverage

Interested parties are invited to submit a RFP for the Town's Health and Dental insurance needs. A detailed package can be obtained from the Municipal Office.

Submission must be received at the Municipal office by no later than **Friday, May 22, 2015 at 12:00 noon** marked "Group Insurance Tender"

Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands  
Box 608, LITTLE CURRENT, ON P0P 1K0  
Ph: 705-368-3500 ext 228 • Fax: 705-368-2245  
Email: [pcress@townofnemi.on.ca](mailto:pcress@townofnemi.on.ca)  
Attention: Pam Cress, Clerk

#### TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK



#### PUBLIC NOTICE

The 2015 Budget for Assiginack Township is scheduled to be dealt with at the May 5th Council Meeting.

The meeting will take place at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, May 5th, 2015.



#### REMINDER TO PET OWNERS

All pet owners are reminded that they are required to pick up after their pets on both, public and private property. With the current thaw, it is essential that pet owners ensure that all pet waste has been cleaned up, keeping our community clean and beautiful.

Be a responsible pet owner; make it a habit to pick up after your pet!

- Owners failing to remove excrement left by animals are guilty of an offence under the Animal Control By-Law 2001-16. If convicted pet owners may be liable to a fine of not more than \$5000.

You can get more information from the Sudbury District Animal Control by e-mail [shelter@rdshelter.ca](mailto:shelter@rdshelter.ca), toll free number 1-800-836-6661 or by visiting their website [www.rdsheelter.ca](http://www.rdsheelter.ca)



#### TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS

Please be advised that the Ad and Fi meeting regularly scheduled for **May 7th is CANCELLED** and will be held **May 21st in conjunction with CS/PW.**

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**Central Manitoulin Animal Welfare Fund**  
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iors."

In 1974, the affiliation registered with the Senior Citizens of Ontario and this is renewed every year at \$1 per member. The first executive was comprised of President Robert Montour, Vice President William Dinsmore, Secretary Treasurer Irene Martin and Anne Tilson and Thelma White programme committee and lunch convenors. Meetings were held at the United Church Hall on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month, excepting July and August.

Activities at the club encompassed bus trips, quilt making and card games, while among the charitable donations by the club was a steam table for the kitchen of the United Church Hall. Both Thelma White and Mary Prysak were presented with a 25-year pin. A monthly newsletter, 'The Voice,' was mailed to members. It contained information about many issues concerning seniors all over Ontario, including affordable housing, transportation difficulties, parking fees for seniors at hospitals, health care, pensions and "other matters which affect us all."

Among the perks enjoyed by members was a monthly birthday cake and often monthly dinners with members and their spouses. All meetings started with the Lord's Prayer and the singing of O' Canada, followed by story time where different members would share a joke or a reading with everyone.

"In fact, one time Harry (Jaggard) must have run out of stories and decided to sing us a song," she said. "Then we would adjourn and play games or cards for the afternoon."

"They have been a wonderful part of our community, it is really sad to see the club ending," said Assignack Councillor Hugh Moggy as he official-

**thank you**

A heartfelt thank you to all my friends and neighbours for their expressions of sympathy at the passing of my husband, Murray Thompson. The cards, phone calls and gifts of food were greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank my family for comfort and support. Sincerely, Lottie Thompson.

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**HUGHSON**

In loving memory of our dear mother, Gramma, sister and daughter, Beverly Ann Hughson, who left us April 28, 2013. Loving and kind in all your ways, We loved you sweetheart until the end of your days. Sincere and true in heart and mind, Beautiful memories you left behind. Love you forever, Scot and family, Tom and family, Judy and family, and Mum.

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ly accepted the club's historical documents on behalf of the municipality and the museum.

Ms. Smith explained that the club's members had been dwindling due to age and the lack of newer members coming into the club and it was decided to close it down.

**+ in memoriam**

**AELICK**--In memory of my dad, Bert Aelick, who passed away May 1, 2007.

If I could write a story It would be the greatest ever told  
Of a kind and loving father Who had a heart of gold.  
If I could write a million pages  
But still be unable to say, just how  
Much I love and miss him Every single day.  
I will remember all he taught me  
I'm hurt but won't be sad 'coz he'll send me down the answers  
And he'll always be my Dad.  
We miss you dearly Dad.  
Always loved and missed,  
Tom, Jackie, Michelle,  
Dennis, Cory, Aimee,  
Carson, Melissa.

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**RIDLEY**--Don passed away May 1, 1997.  
Sadly missed,  
Fondly remembered.  
Jean, Kathy and Kim.

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**ROY**--In loving memory of a beautiful, spirited woman, Rosemary Florence, who left us seven years ago on May 3, 2008.

Dear Mother, we have all missed you since you left to see the Creator.

We will never forget you showed us love,  
And we will share this through our family and friends.

You will forever be in our hearts,  
For when the sun shines we think of you,  
When it rains, sweet memories come through.  
Please watch over us through Heaven's floor,  
Guide us with wisdom, forever more.  
Through the years you have always made our holidays wonderful and bright,  
Your smile was always a tender delight.

Your children, grandchildren, family, and friends, will forever be touched by the special Anishnabe Kwe you were.  
Missing you always, Kirk, Dana, Dale, Elvis, Stacy and Candace.

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**Death Notices****JOSHUA (JOSH) PELTIER**

**J**oshua (Josh) Peltier passed away peacefully on Monday, April 20, 2015 at Health Science North in Sudbury, Ontario at the age of 38. Beloved husband of Jessica Wilde-Peltier and loving father of Caleja Peltier. Dear son of Alex "Nixon" Peltier (predeceased) and Genevieve "Zhunyip" Peltier. Dear brother of Alexander Peltier, Leroy Peltier (Wendy) and Irene Peltier. Dear son-in-law of Helen Wilde (Lannie). Dear brother-in-law of Garnet Wilde (Pamela), Candace Scott-Moore (Richard) and Jordon Wilde (Natasha). Loving uncle of Lexie, Courtnee, Sladen, Brooke, Liam, Leo, Isaiah, Taylor, Nolan, Ethan, Kaiden, Willow, and Miigis. Loving great-uncle of Catherine Kaboni. Dear godfather of Lexie, Brooklyn and Moxy. Josh will be missed by many, aunties, uncles, cousins, friends, and Mama. Josh loved his family with all his heart. His pride and joy was his baby girl, Caleja. He was genuinely proud of everyone's successes and achievements. He would go out of his way to make sure that his family was well taken care of, especially in times of need. Josh was a man with one great big loving heart. He cherished every moment and loved making memories with his loved ones. Josh Peltier is a world renowned artist, actor, mentor and storyteller. A strong advocate for the visual arts and theatre community. He loved to be surrounded by nature, with every stroke of his paintbrush Josh captivated the beautiful world he saw and felt around him. As a storyteller and actor, he graced the stage bringing his characters to life. It was on stage where he fell in love with his amazing wife, they fell in love in Ojibway. Josh was proud to be a Global Savage, honoured to carry the stories and share them around the world. He was a teacher, mentor, and inspired so many young upcoming artists. Josh always loved to travel, to explore, to go on adventures and to meet new people. His humour brought love and light to people all across the world. He was unique, down to earth and loved everything about the 90s era. Josh will be remembered for his humble generosity, his love and laughter. Josh lived an extraordinary life. Family and friends gathered at the Deabajehmujig Creation Centre in Manitowaning on April 22, 2015 at 4 pm. Funeral services were held at the Holy Cross Mission Church in Wikwemikong on April 24, 2015 at 2 pm. Cremation to follow.

**EDWIN ARTHUR KIFT**

**E**dwin Arthur Kift, a resident of Little Current, died peacefully at Manitoulin Health Centre in Little Current on Thursday, April 23, 2015 at the age of 89. Born to Florence Snelling and Arthur Kift at Toronto on November 22, 1925. Beloved husband of Judith Kift. Loved father of Ted of Little Current, Jason (Julie Venable) of North Bay, John of Toronto and David (Pat) Thrall of Dauphin Manitoba. Proud grandfather of Marissa-Lynn and Judith Diana. Dear brother of Marjorie (Jack predeceased) Van Esterik of Burlington. Survived by brother-in-law Jack Joly of Little Current. Ed will be sadly missed by many nieces, nephews, friends and acquaintances. Ed was a proud World War II veteran, a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 177 and a founding member of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Manitoulin. Family and friends will gather at Island Funeral Home on April 29, 2015 for visitation from 1 pm to 3 pm with a Royal Canadian Legion service at 2 pm. Cremation to follow. Donations to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 or to the Navy League of Canada for the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Manitoulin would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to make a donation, please bring a cheque payable to the specified charities.

**MILDRED MAJOR**

**M**ildred Major, of Gore Bay, passed away peacefully with family by her side on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 in her 87th year. Beloved mother of Kathy Shannon of St. Catharines, Leigh of Gore Bay and Greg of Houston, Texas. Cherished grandmother of Rachael (Jay) Daniels of Kingston, Meagan (Javier) Solano of Qatar, Alex Shannon of Toronto, Elise Shannon of St. Catharines, Stefanie (Tyler) Jahner of Chesapeake, Virginia, Ethan Major of Atlanta and step grandson Ernie Solis of Spain. Sadly missed by great grandchildren Sebastian and Ana Viktoria Solano, Hudson and Riley Daniels, Alivia and Gavin Jahner, brothers Leonard Purvis and Ken (Bev) Purvis, sister Helen (Doug) Gordon and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Predeceased by her husband Frank, parents Leonard and Mildred (Millie Kemp) Purvis, brother Charlie (Nellie) Purvis and sister-in-law Sally Purvis. Mildred was born and raised in Gore Bay. She graduated from business college in Toronto and worked as a legal secretary in Gore Bay until her marriage in 1950 to Frank Major. The family moved to Sudbury but spent all their summers at Burnt Island. Retirement brought Mildred and her husband Frank back to Gore Bay in 1975. She was an active member of the U.C.W. and a 24-year member of the Royal Canadian Legion. Mildred was an avid gardener, fabulous cook and enjoyed countless family gatherings over the years. She will be dearly missed by family and friends. At Mildred's request, cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Interment Gordon Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Lyon's Memorial United Church or Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary as expressions of sympathy. Arrangements entrusted to the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay. www.culginfuneral-home.ca.

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**QUALITY BUILT 3 BDRM CHALET HOME OR 4 SEASON COTTAGE OVERLOOKING LAKE HURON!!** - Located a short distance from the village of Kagawong this beautiful home comes with hardwood flooring, nice cherry wood kitchen cabinetry, 2 bathrooms, large master bedroom with walk-in closet, central air conditioner with geo-thermal component, high efficiency propane furnace, fridge, built-in oven, counter-top stove & dishwasher, washer & dryer. The property comes adorned with a storage shed & a single detached garage with large workshop. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1029967



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**LARGE 5 BDRM HOME WITH 50 ACRES OF LAND!!** - This 3890 sq. ft. home located between M'Chigeeng & Kagawong on 8th Concession Rd. has approximately 30 acres of cleared land with a barn & large garage/workshop. The house features in floor heating in one of the basements & gets its water supply from a natural spring in the hill at the south end of the property. The house also has a very large private back deck with an attached 16ft X 16ft enclosed hot tub room & shower house. This property is very good deer hunting & the amenities of Mindemoya are less than 20 minutes away. Priced to sell at \$249,000. MLS#1029381



**12 ACRE ESTATE WITH GORGEOUS 5 BDRM, 5300 SQ. FT. CENTURY OLD HOME!!** - The first part of the home (built in 3 sections) was constructed in the late 1800's. The property & home have been beautifully maintained throughout the years. The lot consists of a legally severed 8 acres. The 3.4 acre lot with the home on it comes adorned with high hedges, many apple trees & very old, very large maple trees, a legal access to the waterfront of Lake Mindemoya, many ring-neck pheasants, a spring fed pond with a bridge, an in ground sprinkler system & really nice sidewalks & decks on the outside of the home which features an indoor hot tub. Call for details. Asking \$449,000. MLS#1029321

### HALF MILLION DOLLAR BEAUTY!!

This 1 acre of magnificent manicured property comes completely fenced and includes a natural stone waterfall. The house features a beautiful white stone exterior, granite and hardwood flooring, 3 full bathrooms, an entire basement granny suite with walkout and a spectacular property view over-looking Lake Mindemoya. A really short walk to a nice sand swim beach, boat dock and golf course. \$500,000. MLS#1030332

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**VACANT BUILDING LOT IN SOUTH BAY!!**

Access to a municipal road a short walk to the marina, shopping and the ferry. Cleared building site with driveway only \$19,900. Vacant building lot adjacent to it also available. MLS#1028285

**MINDEMOYA** - Beautiful, manicured building lot with perfect, panoramic view over Lake Mindemoya. Good sand bottom for swimming with government boat launch 50 yards down the road, & golf course only a good three wood shot away. Natural spring on property offering great landscaping potential. Asking \$95,000. MLS#1026199

**LAKE HURON WATERFRONT PROPERTY!!** - This 1.66 acre building lot with 146 ft of water frontage is located in Central Manitoulin on the south shore of the island. The lot is accessed by a public year round municipal maintained road with hydro & telephone available at the lot line. There is a partially cleared building site & a driveway to the site. Many beautiful homes are already built in this quiet subdivision & amenities such as golf courses, in land fishing lakes, hardware stores, grocery stores & the hospital are only 15 mins away. Asking \$68,000. MLS#1019010

**ON GOLDEN POND!!** - Enjoy beautiful sunsets on this west facing building lot. Located on Lake Huron's Lonely Bay this nice lot is close to the cul-de-sac of a dead end street that is a year round road & has hydro available at the lot line. The lot is over 1 acre in size & has a roughed in laneway with approximately 150ft of sandy cobble-stone shoreline. Good fishing for salmon & trout and close to amenities such as hospital & grocery shopping. Asking \$75,000. MLS#1027019

**LARGE WATERFRONT DREAM LOT ON SOUTH BAY CLOSE TO FERRY!!** - This magnificent waterfront lot comes with a nice sand bottom for swimming, a driveway, hydro on to the lot, a septic & a drilled well. Some landscaping has been done including a deeply dug pond with a small waterfall & a windmill to aerate this spectacular pond. This amazing dream lot is yours for only \$125,000. MLS#1026056

**LAKE MINDEMoya BUILDING LOT!!** - Great building lot off Monkhouse Road with elevated panoramic view over beautiful Lake Mindemoya. Nice sand bottom for swimming & great fishing for walleye, small mouth bass, jumbo perch & whitefish. Located only 5 mins from the amenities of the town of Mindemoya including hospital, golf course & the island's largest grocery store. Reduced to \$89,900. MLS#1025778

**A RARE OFFERING** - A large 4 acre building lot on Windfall Lake. West facing, private boat access. Good walleye fishing. \$75,000. MLS#1013599

**GREAT WATERFRONT BUILDING LOT!!** - This building lot has a cleared building site with a septic tank & field bed & drive way installed. Hydro available at road. Asking \$109,000. MLS#106278



**HIGH QUALITY 3 BDRM HOME WITH VIEW OVER LAKE MINDEMoya!!** - hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, magnificent kitchen, 3 bathrooms including the en-suite in the huge 600 sq ft master bdrm found at the top of a spectacular oak stair case. The manicured lot, amazing concrete driveway & 2 large decks of which one is a covered verandah. Also included is a 10 X 12 storage shed & a heated completely finished & insulated double garage. Asking \$370,000. MLS#1024690



**AFFORDABLE LAKE MANITOULI RETIREMENT HOME OR YEAR ROUND COTTAGE!**

- Located at the end of a private road this south facing 1 + 1 bdrm home has 1800 sq. ft of living space & comes with a single car garage on cement slab & drive-thru shed add on. This very private, nicely landscaped flat lot has a sandy water front that is kid safe with a gradual decline. Reduced to \$249,000 for this Manitoulin hideaway! MLS#1024220



**BEAUTIFUL SAND BEACH, LOG COTTAGE, NO YARD MAINTENANCE, YEAR ROUND ACCESS!!** - Located 15 mins from the golf course, the grocery store & the hospital. This rustic 2 bdrm log cottage comes with a 200 amp hydro service, a drilled well & a cute little Bunkie for your guests. The property has natural landscaping with no grass to cut. The property is situated right in the middle of Square Bay which is one of the islands finest sand beaches! Asking \$250,000. MLS#1021778



**SOUTH SHORE BEAUTY !!** - This 1700 sq.ft. year round 2 bdrm/2 bthrm home comes beautifully landscaped with cemented stone walkways & a natural rock basketball court. A wonderful sand beach is just a 1 min walk down the shoreline & the 150 ft of waterfront on this property is magnificent smooth bald rock limestone. There are 2 nice decks on the front of the house facing the lake as well as one on the guest cottage which also comes with running water. Asking \$279,000. MLS#1021511



**LAKE HURON** - Year round 3 bdrm, 3 bath home or cottage. Spectacular south facing over Lake Huron with private setting. The shoreline is bald limestone. Asking \$339,000. MLS#107954



**GOLFING BUSINESS AND MAGNIFICENT HOME** - with a 1 Bedroom Apartment!! The golf business includes a driving range, 4 golf simulators and a Pro Shop. Lots of potential to grow the business. The 3 bedroom house features a spectacular cherry wood kitchen with polished granite counter tops, a very large upstairs den, 2 roof top patios to hit golf balls from and a 1 bedroom downstairs apartment/ granny suite with in-floor heating. Call for details. MLS#1027667



**RUSTIC COTTAGE ON 50 ACRES OF PRIME HUNTING LAND!!** - Located off of New England side road close to Manitowaning, this off-grid cottage features a sleep loft, wood fired sauna, storage shed & of course a deer hanging pole. This private location has no close neighbours. Asking \$80,000. MLS#1027235



**PRIME DEER HUNTING!!** - Located within mins of the ferry this 100 acre mixed bush property is located in the heart of deer country. On the property is a fully furnished hunt camp with a wood cook stove & a metal air tight wood stove which will provide plenty of heat. The Blue Jay Creek famous for speckle trout fishing runs through one corner of the property. There are a couple of really good tree stands & ATV trails for you to enjoy. Seller willing to hold \$30,000 mortgage for 5 years at 5% interest. A great price only \$99,000. MLS#1021644

**BEAUTIFUL NEWER GORE BAY WATERFRONT HOME!!** - Own a beautiful waterfront home with an attached one bedroom flat that allows your company & you some privacy. Recent addition, modern construction, new well & septic system. Attractively landscaped lot comes with a 24 X 30 garage with a concrete floor. Shopping, medical center, golf course & other amenities are close by. Asking \$325,000. MLS#1029185

**GORGEous WATERFRONT HOME ON LAKE KAGAWONG!!** - Located close to Ontario's prettiest Town of Kagawong, this beautifully landscaped waterfront 3 bdrm open concept home with a loft comes fully furnished with a double detached garage, dock & boat lift & is priced to sell at \$339,000. MLS#1027292

**LARGE TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW IN MANITOWANING!!** - This 1440 Sq. ft. home comes with a full mostly finished basement, 2 propane fireplaces, a 24 X 24 attached garage plus 14 X 12 workshop and is located on a quiet dead end street. It is walking distance to downtown and public sand beach. This property is being sold 'as is' and in as is' condition and needs just a bit of TLC. Reduced to \$189,900. MLS#1030227

**QUALITY 3 BDRM WATERFRONT HOME WITH MAGNIFICENT MANICURED LOT IN ONTARIO'S PRETTIEST TOWN KAGAWONG!!** - This fantastic property features a beautiful sunset view over Lake Huron's Mudge Bay, sandy swim beach, immaculate landscaping with tiered gardens, interlocking brick driveway, interlocking walkways & patio & a remote control in-ground sprinkler system. This quality home has hardwood & ceramic flooring throughout, a finished basement with large workshop, spectacular recently upgraded eat-in kitchen with built-in appliances plus a great dining room, a new (2014) propane furnace with heat pump, central air conditioning & an over-sized double car attached garage. Asking \$390,000. MLS#1027443

**COUNTRY LIVING!!** - Very cute 1 bedroom home located on Highway 542, 6 km west of Spring Bay. This building has been upgraded with septic system, drilled well, new kitchen & bathroom. This building located on a unique corner lot with access off White Church Road has had many uses over the years and left to your imagination for its next use. Reduced to \$119,000. MLS#1025330

**NOT YOUR AVERAGE 2 BDRM KAGAWONG HOME!!** - Large private waterfront lot with a 2 bdrm home, detached 2 bay garage, 2 bdrm bunks, sauna building with change room & indoor plumbing, a 10 X 10 shed & a large carport. This rustic bungalow with its beautiful hardwood floors, open concept kitchen/ dining room/ living room surrounded with a beautiful deck on 3 sides. Located on a cul-de-sac at the end of Poplar Dr. in the pretty town of Kagawong. The beach is a short walk. The town of Kagawong has a marina with dockage for your boat. Reduced to \$199,000. MLS#1024965

**3 PLUS ONE BEDROOM GORE BAY BUNGALOW!!** - Beautiful well maintained high-end home located in prestigious area of Gore Bay, a short walk to downtown. This property is located on a quiet dead end street and the school is also a short walk. The house comes with in floor heating and walk out basement, large double sized attached garage and workshop and a brand new sauna. The lot is beautifully manicured with a stream running through back of the lot. Asking \$235,000. MLS#1027176

**ENDLESS SEA OF BEAUTY !!** - Fantastic southern view over Lake Huron located on the sandy beach shoreline of Dominion Bay. This beautiful two storey home features an upstairs living room for a great panoramic view & a master bdrm with en-suite. The main floor has 2 additional bdrms & full bath with magnificent ceramic tile flooring. There is also a single detached fully finished garage. The landscaping is all natural with absolutely no grass to cut. Asking \$350,000. MLS#1027151

**COUNTRY LIVING IN THE HEART OF MANITOULIN ISLAND!!** - Located on a year round well maintained road 7 km from the town of Spring Bay. Only 20 mins to the town of Mindemoya, Gore Bay or Providence Bay where you can find shopping, golf courses & beaches. This 3 + 1 bdrm home on a large 1 acre private lot has many upgrades including new septic, water treatment system, hot water tank, water pump & pressure tank. Priced to sell at only \$119,000. MLS#1028207

**BEAUTIFUL ELEVATED VIEW OVER LAKE HURON'S SOUTH BAY!!** - This nicely maintained one plus one 920 square foot bedroom home shows pride of ownership. This very private retreat has a fully finished walkout basement with insulated concrete floor under the flooring. The large viewing deck on the lake side of the house provides plenty of room for outdoor furniture and makes for a great outdoor kitchen. The 125 foot waterfront home comes with a wrap-around driveway, 10 X 10 shed and a useful 16 X 24 detached garage which has a wood cook stove & a metal air tight wood stove which will provide plenty of heat. The Blue Jay Creek famous for speckle trout fishing runs through one corner of the property. There are a couple of really good tree stands & ATV trails for you to enjoy. Seller willing to hold \$30,000 mortgage for 5 years at 5% interest. A great price only \$99,000. MLS#1024802



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Attractive newer bungalow on quiet cul de sac, all municipal services, three bedrooms and two washrooms, walking distance to public school, partially finished basement, large rear deck, area of newer homes, a preferred location in town, residence only 15 years old, motivated vendor, call now for viewing opportunity. MLS#1030118

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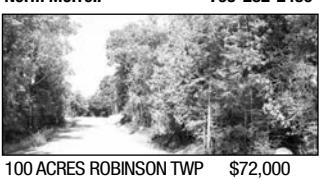
BASS LAKE \$249,000  
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**SAND BEACH WATERFRONT** \$299,000  
Beautiful Waterfront Home on a Sand Beach. Close to the village of Kagawong, this home has been completely renovated. In fact, the only original part of this home is floor and wall framing. Upgrades include poured concrete foundation, septic system, water system, windows, doors, insulation, washrooms, custom kitchen, bamboo flooring etc. Too much to list. This home must be viewed to be appreciated. MLS#1021795

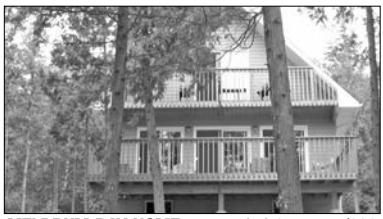
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**INCOME PROPERTY** w/solid 7.57 % return based on listed price. Downtown building 1792 sq. ft. on full basement w/o one commercial tenant on lease. Assumable \$150,000 mortgage at 3.5 %. Call for details. \$234,000 (1152)



**ELIZABETH BAY SAND** beach cottage home w/186 ft. landscaped frontage. Beautiful bungalow 1248 sq. ft. w/BC red cedar exterior, new shingles, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, sunroom, open kitchen dining living, all completely equipped w/quality furnishings, appliances & 3 kayaks. Pine & cedar accents, deck, patio, electric heat & drilled well. Must see to appreciate the sand, wild flowers, herbs, berries & trees. \$334,000 (1193)



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



**ICE LAKE STONE HOME** w/65 ac. of fields, forests & wetlands plus 700 ft. water frontage. Beautiful 2 storey 2028 sq. ft. w/2-1 bedrooms, family room, 2.5 baths, kitchen, dining & living room w/massive stone fireplace & some stone interior on full basement. Covered porches on 3 sides. Cabin 16x20 ft. w/own living & bath plus shed. Remote creek frontage & marshland boardwalk. \$427,000 (1070)



**KEMP LAKE HOME** east of Silver Lake w/317 ft. frontage & 2.7 ac. Chalet 1020 sq. ft. on full finished walkout adding 672 sq. ft. of living space w/2 bedrooms, great room w/cathedral ceiling & large family room. Lots of cedar accents, good drilled well, electric & wood heat, spacious deck on two sides & landscaped lot, rail fenced on two sides. \$164,000 (1185)



**GORE BAY HOME** overlooking harbour, town & channel from a quiet setting. Two storey 2880 sq. ft. built 2007 w/many recent beautiful upgrades on full walkout basement. Family home well set up for B&B w/3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, open great room, family room, lower & upper decks w/west exposure for sunsets & great water views, plus attached garage. Main level has MBR w/ensuite. Eight quality appliances including induction cooktop plus Generac generator & central air. Really is a must see! \$329,000 (1133)



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

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**STRAW BAILE COTTAGE** on Lake Huron w/325 ft. frontage & 7.67 ac. open & wooded alvars. Raised bungalow on 10 block high basement 1302 sq. ft. w/steel roof & walls coated w/lime plaster inside & out, in-floor heating tubing & manifold installed. Shell completely open w/quality windows, walls 14 in. thick, some solar, composting toilet & wood cook stove. The view is serene. \$125,000 (1083)



**DOWNTOWN GORE BAY** home on corner of Dawson & Water Streets near marina, tennis courts & commercial core. Waterview 1.75 storey 1517 sq. ft. on full partly finished basement plus covered porch of 333 sq. ft. in prime location. In the process of being finished as two apartments w/one on second floor & other on main & basement levels. Both currently rented. \$165,000 (1187)



**HOME AT CORNER OF AGNES & BAY** w/Gore Bay, Bickle's Creek, parkland & boardwalk practically in backyard. Large lot w/1.75 storey 1624 sq. ft. w/mixture of old charm & modern comfort of eat in kitchen, living & dining area, 3 bedrooms, upgraded full bath, laundry mud & utility room. Property has been a garden of flowers & vegetables w/shed & heatable workshop 14.5 x 22.5 ft. Covered porch on south & open deck on west w/magnificent view. \$155,000 (1206)



**SMALL COUNTRY HOME** on open surveyed lot 135 x 313 ft. in quiet area at corner of Silver Bay & Johnston Roads. Bungalow 574 sq. ft. on full partly finished walkout basement Currently 735 sq. ft. living space of one bedroom, bath, eat in kitchen & living room. Extras of garage, sheds, lake water, septic, deck & wood heat. Direct access to Lake Manitou at end of road. \$84,000 (1177)



**BRICK HOME** on Gore Street w/2 backyards separated by a creek. Bungalow 1248 sq. ft. plus full finished basement with 1+2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, spacious kitchen, dining & living rooms, big laundry mudroom, large family area & workshop. Lot 70 x 414 ft. w/24 x 30 brick garage w/private rear deck & concrete deck on street side. Wood stove & 3 appliances included. \$189,000 (1146)



**SEVENTH LINE GORDON HOME** on 2.1 ac. of fenced agricultural land. Two bungalow additions on a 1.75 storey of 1550 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, full bath, kitchen, dinette, living room & laundry room. Mostly full basement, oil heat, shed & deck facing south. \$70,000 (1197)



**COUNTRY HOME OF COTTAGE** on Gore St. w/40 ft. frontage Hwy 540 just west of water. Enclosed walkout addition over 608 sq. ft. living space w/a screened room & second finished bedroom in detached single garage. Year round, drilled well, septic system, hydro, phone & all contents. \$64,000 (1175)



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



**LITTLE LAKE HURON** camp w/150 ft. frontage accessed via Pebble Road. Aspenite clad cabin 416 sq. ft. w/wood heat, 2 bedrooms, kitchen, dining & living area plus 2 sheds, all off the grid. All contents including propane refrigerator, stove, several lights. \$35,000 (1167)

**SILVER WATER HOME** w/renovated interior on surveyed lot 120 by 330 ft. fronting on Hwy 540. Closed in sunroom porch plus 1.5 storey 990 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, bath, large kitchen dining & living room. Two bedrooms on second floor. Most contents. \$97,000 (1077)

**LIVE OFF GRID** in 24 x 32 ft. bungalow w/year round access, drilled well, septic system, large shed garage. All wired for generator or invert for solar energy. Mostly wooded lot 60 x 725 ft. \$49,000 (1181)

**GORE BAY HOME** on waterfront downtown. Lot 124x87 ft. at corner of Main & Water Streets. Spacious 1.5 storey 1119 sq. ft. on main floor plus full double loft w/3 bedrooms, 2 baths, all municipal services, wood & electric heat. Detached double garage with finished interior walls & power. \$80,000 (1195)

**COMMERCIAL** building in downtown core of Gore Bay on corner lot. \$59500; income building in downtown Gore Bay w/solid return \$234000; Kagawong 3000 sq. ft. on corner Hwy 540 \$129000; Providence Bay 10000 sq. ft. near beach \$199,900; commercial opportunity near Dryden's Corner w/2500 sq. ft. of business & living space plus 8300 sq. ft. storage \$119000; Garland Street warehouse of 7772 sq. ft. plus long covered shelter, loft & shed all fenced \$119900.

**CAUSEWAY COTTAGE** w/850 ft. of Julia Bay frontage is a work in progress on the way to Barrie Island. Two storey could be 3650 sq. ft. plus double garage if all finished or 1440 sq. ft. on main floor which is partly completed. Level lot w/great view, shed, year round access, septic & hydro. \$180,000 (1208)

**FOUR SEASON COTTAGE/HOME** in Bay Estates w/access to Manitowaning Bay. Open concept bungalow w/living dining kitchen space, 2 bedrooms, bath, laundry & deck. Serviced by year round road, hydro, telephone, cistern, composting toilet & grey water bed. Gated winding driveway & spacious drive lot. Detached workshop w/power. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$109,000 (1200)

**LITTLE LAKE HURON COTTAGE** w/walking access to big water. Fully equipped 1.5 storey 1245 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, open kitchen dining living w/cathedral ceiling, stone fireplace w/insert, decks. Insulated w/metal roof, wood fired sauna, propane appliances & water heater, septic, wired w/10000 generator. \$99,000 (937)

**MILLS** 100 ac. 0.8 km w/e of Poplar Road w/seasional access. \$435,000 (751)

**LOON LAKE HOME** on about 62 ac. w/an estimated 2000 ft. of waterfrontage. Great development potential w/some tilled land, fronting on Highway 540. Bungalow 1008 sq. ft. built 1995 on full basement w/2+1 bedrooms, full bath, eat in kitchen area, living room & entrance foyer. Includes barn soft shelter 50x90 ft. needing some repair. \$164,000 (1209)

**LOON LAKE ACREAGE** w/split potential. Open tillable land about 23 ac. w/estimated 462 ft. of waterfrontage & over 700 ft. on Highway 540. \$64,000 (1210)

**SANDBERG HOME** Village on unopened lot 100 x 200 ft. w/retired couple, and bungalow 557 sq. ft. plus a small partially finished shed & side mudroom. Entrance w/2 bedrooms, full bath, eat in kitchen, living room. Extras of refrigerator, stove & patio. \$39,500 (1103)

**CAMPBELL BAY BRICK HOME** on surveyed point about 2 ac. w/914 ft. water frontage. Two storey 2000 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room, spacious kitchen dining room, family & sun rooms. Second floor balcony overlooking living room w/cathedral ceiling. Detached double garage w/woodworking shop addition & full 2 bedroom apartment above & separate pole shed. Hot tub in its own gazebo, gardens, large deck, dock, geothermal heat, privacy & more. \$429,000 (1072)

**LAKE MANITOUE HOME** w/100 ft. frontage accessed via Dryden's Lane from Gibraltar Road. Raised bungalow about 1236 sq. ft. on full walkout finished basement w/2+1 bedrooms, 4 pc. bath, great room, sunroom, family room & recreational area. Extras of 4 appliances, 2 decks, dry boat house, double garage insulated & finished, permanent dock. \$274,000 (1098)

**GORE STREET HOME** on level lot 71x176 ft. plus double garage w/full second floor storage loft. Bungalow & 1.5 storey 1477 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms & bath upstairs plus bedroom & full bath on ground level. Eat in kitchen, laundry area, large pine finished entrance, separate dining & living rooms. Good back yard & all Gore Bay services. \$109,000 (1056)

**KAGAWONG COTTAGE** in Maple Ridge w/150 ft. on Mudge Bay w/firm sand bottom for swimming. Bungalow, on full storage basement, 1028 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms, bath & open kitchen dining living overlooking water. Walkout to private 2 tier deck. Tree covered lot, circular drive, large shed, aluminum dock, municipal water, electric & wood heat & all contents. \$205,000 (1159)

**FOREST COTTAGE** in Burpee just west of Misery Bay Park Road w/1122 ft. frontage on Hwy 540 & about 4.5 ac. Triangular shaped lot 313 ft. deep backing onto a beautiful wildlife marsh w/observation blind. Cottage 513 sq. ft. w/hydro, screened porch, 2 open decks, wood fired sauna, several sheds & double privy. All contents. \$54,000 (1138)

**COUNTRY HOME** in Gordon w/109.9 ft. fronting on Hwy 540 & 426.9 ft. deep. Two storey 1388 sq. ft. w/5 bedrooms, 4 pc. bath, laundry, eat in kitchen, living room & office on a full basement. Extras include attached shed, double detached garage, steel roofs, new water filtration & septic systems. \$105,000 (1095)

**COUNTRY HOME OF COTTAGE** on Gore St. w/40 ft. frontage Hwy 540 just west of water. Enclosed walkout addition over 608 sq. ft. living space w/a screened room & second finished bedroom in detached single garage. Year round, drilled well, septic system, hydro, phone & all contents. \$64,000 (1175)

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**SOUTH BAY** - Fabulous cottage with master bedroom on the main floor plus a loft with 2 queen beds. Expansive decking & quality finishes throughout this open concept cottage. There is a large garage for all the toys. All contents included. This is a very private property with nice landscaping & good access. Asking \$249,000. MLS#1030471



**EXCEPTIONAL VIEW & GREAT QUALITY HOME** - Situated close to Little Current this spectacular home offers one of the finest views any ware on Manitoulin. Features include spacious rooms, terrific layout, stone fireplace, triple garage, excellent landscaping and a very private location with awe-inspiring 360 degree views. Call for full details. MLS#1030201



**BIG LAKE WATERFRONT HOME** - with a three car garage on a beautiful lot. This 3 bdrm home would be ideal for a family with swimming, boating, schools, shopping, hospital and many amenities nearby. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1029998



**LAKE MANITOU** - Absolutely charming! Modern custom built winterized cottage on an estate sized lakefront lot with 2.81 acres of land & 202 ft of water frontage. Exceptional landscaping, large detached garage, incredible views from extensive decking & a location surrounded by mature hardwood that's hard to beat. Cottage size allows for separate home construction on site. Asking \$269,000. MLS#1029998



**PROVIDENCE BAY** - Large Majestic very private lot at the end of a dead end street! A very short walk to the beautiful sand beach. Only a 15 min drive to the amenities of Mindemoya. This nicely landscaped lot comes adorned with a new well, 2 large driveways, 2 sheds, great little bunkie, spectacular fully insulated 30 X 30 ft heated garage with 12 ft ceiling, metal roof & a cement pad & a 2 bdrm bungalow with partially finished walkout basement, all newly renovated & upgraded plumbing, wiring etc. Priced to sell only \$189,000. MLS#1029947



**LAKE MANITOU WATERFRONT ESTATE** - Exceptional acreage retreat & fantastic setting featuring 587 acres of land with over 3.5 kms shoreline on Manitoulin Island's most pristine lake. Extensively renovated century old main lodge boasting dining & great rooms with huge fieldstone fireplace's, immaculate kitchen with built in appliances & 5 bdrms for extended family. Other features include expansive south & west views, guest cottage, large boat house on protected harbor & extensive decking and dockage. Furnished & ready to move in! Call for details. MLS#1029937



**TEN ACRES OF INVESTMENT** - a 10 acre private lot with 100 ft of shoreline. Includes in this parabolic style home are all appliances & approx. 15 face cords of wood. Enjoy this property with its spectacular pastoral views & low utility costs! Asking \$159,000. MLS#1028143



**LITTLE RIVER TOWNSHIP** - a 7 year old bungalow built on a large lot with an attached garage. The exterior is insulated and features a wood stove. This home is well maintained and ready to move in. Close to the school and easy walking to downtown. Asking \$179,000. MLS#1029701



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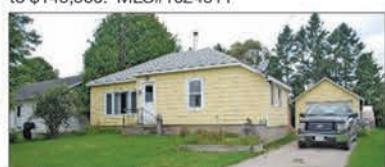
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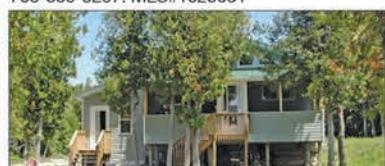
**LITTLE CURRENT** - Spotless 3 bdrm home west of Campbell St. Modern 1000 sq ft home with partial basement. Paved driveway. Reduced to \$149,900. MLS#1024911



**SPRING BAY HOME** - 3 bdrm, Full Basement home with Rec Rm and Detached Garage. Recent upgrades include: New Windows, New kitchen cupboards, Renovated bathroom & new shingles. Located in a quiet area with no neighbours behind. Close to Park and local store/gas station. Reduced to \$113,900. MLS#1030370



**NEWBYS BAY LAKE MANITO** - Approx 300 ft of sand & gravel shoreline ideal for small kids, very secluded, last property on road. Partially landscaped with rest in cedar & hardwood. Main cottage approx. 700 sq ft plus small guest cottage & storage sheds. Very reasonably priced at \$189,000. Please call Sales Person Al Frank, 705-859-3297. MLS#1025051



**FOUR SEASON COTTAGE OR YEAR ROUND HOME!!** - This newer 2 + 1 bedroom four season cottage or year round home is located along Lake Huron Drive's Lonely Bay. It has plenty of character with a raised kitchen & living room, a sunken master bedroom with ensuite & a walk-out to the lake, as well as a sunken screened in sunroom with a pan abode view over the endless water of Lake Huron. Only 15 mins from the amenities of Mindemoya or the re-known sand beach of Providence Bay. The lake in front of the house features great fishing for Lake, Rainbow & Brown Trout as well as Salmon. Reduced to \$229,000. MLS#1022862



**LOG HOME WITH PANORAMIC VIEW!!** - This beautifully landscaped property nestled into the west bluff has a majestic view over Gore Bay. Watch the yachts & sailboats enter the harbour from this cozy 940 sq ft log home. The property is nicely landscaped & comes with a great little sleep bunkie for your guests. The almost 1 acre property is on a year round road & has plenty of privacy & features 304 ft of road allowance lake frontage. Asking \$179,000. MLS#1022581



**CENTRAL MANITOULIN LOG HOME WITH 670 FT OF SAND BEACH!!** - Magnificent log home with garages & outbuildings & 3 magnificent log cottages. Spectacular south facing view over Lake Huron. This spectacular 7.8 acre property comes with tennis & bocci courts & a hard-topped laneway. The main log house has a wonderful kitchen, heated ceramic tile flooring, 2 fireplaces & a solarium sunroom. All this is located in the waterfront subdivision of Dominion Bay amongst other quality built homes & the privacy of this lot is absolutely fabulous. The amenities of the town of Mindemoya are only 20 min. away. Call for full details. MLS#1027298



**WINTERIZED COTTAGE** - located in the country on the west shore of South Bay, a quiet & private area. It has electric heat, an air tight wood stove & drilled well with abundance of water. This 920 sq ft cottage has 2 bdmrs, plus a small room ideal for a child. It also has a kitchen, bathroom, utility room & an area outside for garden. Lake shore frontage is 352 ft. & a depth of 198 ft. covering 1.59A. Only 15 min from the ferry. Asking \$149,900. MLS#1025338



**PRIME CORE COMMERCIAL LOCATION** - Large commercial retail building with spacious second level 2 bdmr owners accommodations or rental apartment. Excellent locational factors with high visibility corner lot overlooking the North Channel from downtown Little Current. Great opportunity to start your new business! Asking \$198,500. MLS#1028626



**LITTLE CURRENT - INCOME PROPERTY** - Ideal location fronting on Hwy #6. 2 residential units plus 1 commercial. Recent updates, newer roof & siding. Good income, lots of room to expand. Call for details. Asking \$224,500. MLS#1026386

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**PROVIDENCE BAY** Beautifully landscaped 1,500 sq.ft. (main level), 3 bedroom bungalow (built in 2002) on a 3/4 acre lot in a nicely treed setting. Master bedroom has a large walk in closet and 3 piece ensuite bathroom. Lower level could be a one bedroom apartment (770 sq ft) with private entrance. Property includes large decks, carport, 9'x11' sleep camp w/hydro, fire pit and children's play area. List price \$239,000. MLS#1029550



**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, master with ensuite on main floor, 2 bedrooms and 2nd bath on second level. Full walk-out basement. Covered verandah with breathtaking view of islands and mountains. Appliances included. Don't miss this offering! \$309,000. MLS#1024773



**SUN SITE ESTATES - NEARLY NEW!** This beautiful 4 year old home has 2 bedrooms with the possibility of 3, and 1.5 baths. Situated only 20 min from the bridge and 25 min from the Ferry, this property boasts a beautiful view of Manitowaning Bay. Direct access to the water through 3 municipal parkways or drive down to the marina to access your boat. The home is nicely designed with open concept kitchen, living room, and dining room. The heated 2 car garage has plenty of storage with a secondary work shop. The attention to detail extends to the exterior of the home offering maintenance free composite decking and modern glass railings. The 1.27 acre property is meticulously landscaped and offers established gardens including a greenhouse. Attractively priced at \$219,900. MLS#1029814



**LAKE MANITOU LOT** - Nice water front lot on south side of Manitou. Nicely sloped, tree cover, good road access - a great spot to build your dream home or cottage on Manitoulin's premier lake! Hydro available close by. Located on Oak Cliff Dr. \$125,000. MLS#1028378



**COUNTRY LIVING** - Spacious 3 bedroom 2 bath home just 10 minutes from Little Current. This tastefully decorated home has an updated kitchen and elegant dining room, new addition includes a 20 x 20 family/sitting room with woodstove. 3 bedrooms all on the second floor and master bath with whirlpool jet tub. Carpet free home with the original hardwood floors throughout. This property is just under 1 acre, has 2 sheds and room for a garage. Priced to sell at \$249,000. Please call for details. MLS#1030203



**LAKE MANITOU GEM** One of a kind, hand built scribe log home, a true piece of art situated on desirable Lake Manitou. This year round log home is built with local lumber, boasting maple kitchen cabinets, solid oak stairs and red pine floors. This 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home offers a beautiful open concept kitchen, living room and dining room. The West facing exposure provides spectacular sunsets from the two decks on the property. The secondary building has a large sauna and change room that could be used as a bunk house. There is a double car garage nicely divided to offer a wood working area on one side and mechanic shop on the opposite side. Don't let this opportunity pass you by, book a showing to view this dream home! \$439,000. MLS#1030162



**WATERFRONT HOME** - Wonderful waterfront home or seasonal cottage on a nice level east facing lot with views of the North Channel and the LaCloche Mountains. A well maintained home with many recent upgrades including a brand new bathroom. Also 6 new ConvectAir wall mounted heaters. Free standing wood stove. 10'x12' screened-in porch. 22'x26' garage with back addition used as a wine cellar. Priced at \$299,000. MLS#1019307



**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#1029029

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## COUNTRY LIVING!

Cozy bright country home located approx 5 minutes East of Mindemoya on Highway 542. Two bedroom clean home on a level fenced lot. Detached 2 car garage with lots of parking space. Large yard and a deck for entertaining guests. This home would be ideal for the first time buyer or a retired couple. Priced to sell at \$145,000. MLS#1030447



**MANITOONING** This bungalow (side split) is located in a very attractive location. Relatively close to downtown, but on a large private lot offering wonderful water views from the back deck, living room (bright), and kitchen. Very close to the local public school. Den/office could also be used as a bedroom. Offering also includes a large double attached garage, above ground pool, propane fireplace, and more. List price \$240,000. MLS#1030277



**LAKE KAGAWONG COTTAGE** - A west facing cottage on a desired location on Lake Kagawong. This 2 bedroom cottage has a bunkie and workshop, as well as other useful outbuildings. From the shoreline deck you can end the day watching the sunset across Long Bay area. \$185,000. MLS#1029888.



**GORGEOUS NEARLY NEW HOME** Custom built home nicely situated in Sunsite Estates. This 5 bedroom, 2 and 1/2 bathroom home has everything you would expect from an executive dwelling. It features Geo Thermal heating and cooling, main floor laundry, beautiful open concept kitchen, living room and dining room with large windows that allow you to enjoy the natural surroundings. No expense was spared when constructing this home. Come see for yourself the attention to details. MLS#1027789



**SUMMER RETREAT!** Prime Beaverstone Bay cottage situated on 2.5 acres with incomparable views southerly toward Georgian Bay and northerly to the Killarney Mountain peaks. This island property offers seclusion like no other. Featuring 3 bedrooms, 3pc's bath, large living room with stone fireplace, screened sunroom porch and large deck, detached guest house, boathouse/storage, excellent protected deep water harbour with docks. Beautiful natural surroundings of pine, granite and Georgian Bay waters. MLS#1029161



**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



**LAKE MANITOU** - Approx. 97 acres with approx. 2000' west facing shoreline, fantastic view from bluff over Lake Manitou. Great road access, hydro available. Forested areas, ideal for recreation, cottage, or home (subject to final MPB approval). Huge sand deposit and natural springs on the property. Please call for full details on this rare offering! List price \$309,000. MLS#1026415



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**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



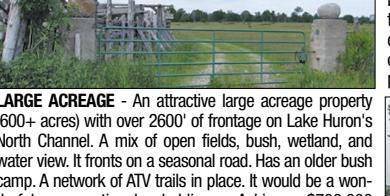
**LITTLE CURRENT** Just like new! Solid 1200 sq.ft. raised bungalow with wide open kitchen, dining and living area on upper main level, great for family and entertaining - plus a full bath with jet tub. Lower level has 2 large bedrooms (with potential for third or more!), second full bath, utility and plenty of storage. FA Oil heat plus wood pellet stove - very efficient and easy to heat. Walkouts to 2 patio decks to enjoy both the morning and afternoon sun! Good central location, very close to school and recreation area. List price \$215,000. MLS#1027758



**PRIME BAY ESTATES WATERFRONT!** Year round home featuring 3 bedrooms on main level, open concept kitchen, living and dining areas with walkout to large patio deck overlooking the Bay. The fully finished basement features a large rec room area with woodstove, a 4th bedroom for guests, large laundry room and plenty of storage space. Over 1700 sq. ft. of nicely finished living area. The outdoor areas feature a screened gazebo on the deck and a shoreline patio with fire pit to make the best of those summer evenings. There is also great access for launching watercraft and toys at the lake. Bonus features include central air, electrical emergency generator backup wiring, metal roof, detached garage and many more recent upgrades. This home is ideal for first time buyers, young families, retirees but would also make an ideal 4 season cottage. Please call for your viewing today! \$269,900. MLS#1028851



**COUNTRY HOME** - Large bungalow with highway frontage just west of the hamlet of Spring Bay. Newer addition offers 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, including a large master bedroom and large ensuite bathroom. Walkout to deck from dining room and master bedroom offering south facing country views. Approx. 1,900 sq. ft. of living area! List price \$134,000. MLS#1029090.



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**SPACIOUS ALL BRICK!** Very well maintained and nicely appointed all brick bungalow on almost a full acre lot. 1450 sq. ft. on main level includes a spacious bright kitchen, dining, living room, 3 bedrooms and a full bath. The equal size full basement features a large rec room with wood fireplace, additional room suitable for bedroom, office, sewing or hobbies, large laundry room, storage space and potential for 2nd bath. Attached garage with great enclosed breezeway/mudroom. This solid house has municipal water service and upgrades in recent years include new roof shingles and new windows! A great home for retirees and families alike! List price \$249,000. MLS#1029448



**LITTLE CURRENT** - Nice 2+1 bedroom raised bungalow with many recent upgrades in last 5 years. Roof shingles, main level exterior doors and windows, exterior of home, air exchanger, and Roth oil tank. Newer kitchen appliances included. Great value at \$167,900. MLS#1028852



**SERVICED BUILDING LOTS** - Newly developed subdivision in Little Current - choice of several building sites with great views to the south and McLean's Mountain. Water/sewer services included in the price of \$29,700. Please call for full details.



**GORE BAY HOME** 3 bedroom, 2 baths (master/ensuite), electric forced-air furnace, electric fireplace, and A/C on main level. Lower level has 1 bedroom apartment with, separate meter, wheel chair access bathroom, electric baseboard and propane fireplace, separate driveway, garage, and entrance. \$217,500. MLS#1029349



**GREAT STARTER HOME** - 1246 sq. ft. 1 3/4 storey dwelling with detached double garage. Features 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths main floor laundry room and large country kitchen. New carpeting in living rm, FA oil heat (new oil tank in 2013). Lot runs from street to street between Meredith and Hardbargain - possible severance potential. Please contact listing broker for details. List price \$95,000. MLS#1026751



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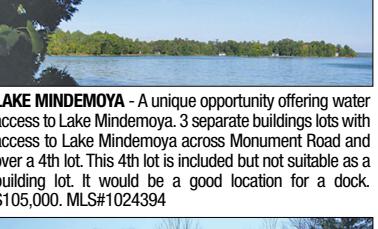
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Workers at the Blue Goose LaCloche fish farm site gather to harvest rainbow trout from frigid North Channel waters.

photos by Giovanni Capriotti

## *Mike Meeker skated from the NHL to aquaculture renaissance man*

by Giovanni Capriotti

EVANSVILLE—Back in the good old days of the NHL, initiation was a common practice for rookies.

The first contract and encounter with other accomplished professional players had to be celebrated through a manly ritual. Probably no mom would be happy for a similar treatment reserved for her boy, however ceremonies to build and cement a group proved to be effective in many team sports.

A Toronto hotel, in 1978, was the theatre of the 20-year-old Mike Thomas Meeker's initiation. The veterans of the Penguins shaved all his body and head and applied a culturist cream to his skin. The feeling was pretty much similar to pouring pure alcohol on an open wound.

Mr. Meeker, a successful University of Wisconsin alumni, despite being in the pipeline to become an elite hockey player, did not like the lifestyle of the player off the rink.

He loved the game, but he was

the Penguins was the fight he picked with Rick MacLeish in his first NHL game ever.

Mr. Meeker struggled all summer to be back in the game, but the kind of injury he suffered did not allow him to be part of the league anymore. Later he spent two years playing in Sweden and in 1983 he officially retired from the scene.

Fishing and the wilderness had always been fascinating to Mr. Meeker since his hockey days. After the end of his playing career, he spent two years in British Columbia, near Prince George, working in a local hatchery and learning the ins and outs of fish farming.

A convinced environmentalist, his idea has always been to embrace this activity in a sustainable way. Over the course of time, living closely to the wilderness allowed Mr. Meeker to shape a balanced approach to the environment, refraining from any propagandist statement or false moral. At the end of the day, commenting from a comfy living room has always been easier



Blue Goose office manager Anna Armstrong, right, shows off some knitted socks to fish farm worker Mitchell Bell while Mike Meeker, background, looks on with a grin.



LaCloche site manager Rob Pennie, centre, and Kyle help Mike Meeker prepare for his icy dive to check the cages.

aware that once he was done playing something completely different would show up on his path.

Unfortunately he did not have to wait a long time. He spent part of the 1978-79 season out for a back injury. The only highlight of the four games he played for

than being on-the-spot.

"If I weren't convinced of the project's substantiability, I wouldn't do it," he said enthusiastically.

"See? I keep the fish cages practically in the backyard of my house—do you think I would shit there?" he continued, smiling.

ing.

In Canada it appears not to be uncommon, when looking at rural or remote areas, to experience discordance between the locals and the city regulators. Generally the two approaches clash. On one hand there is the academic credo fostered on books and scientific research,



A sample of rainbow trout bounty.

while the other side of the coin flaunts years of consumed local experience, which often tends to confute the validity of the official theories.

Only three years after his short NHL stint, Mr. Meeker and his wife Sharon placed roughly

3,000 rainbow trout in a homemade cage on Lake Wolsey. This was the first commercial aquaculture establishment on Manitoulin Island. The family has lived on the same property ever since.

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## Northeast Town Council Notes

### Water Street to close Saturday to Sunday Haweater Weekend

The Northeast Town council reviewed a request from the Little Current Lions Club to close Water Street from Saturday, August 1 at 6 pm to Sunday, August 2 at 11 pm for Haweater Weekend.

Typically the road is only closed on the Sunday of Haweater Weekend, but the Lions explained that they were having problems securing vendors as they weren't able to set up for the entire weekend. The road closure will also allow for the Haweater Weekend car show to move downtown on Saturday.

"Has anyone discussed this with the BIA (Business Improvement Area)?" questioned Councillor Michael Erskine.

A representative from the Lions said that he had been unable to since their next meeting wasn't until May and that they needed a decision as soon as possible.

Councillor Bill Koehler said that he had no objection and suggested that the road closure would probably help with downtown business.

"People have been saying to me for years that the street should be closed on Saturday as well, so I'm happy with this," added Councillor Laurie Cook.

Councillor Dawn Orr said she was in favour of the idea but wanted staff to ensure that there was proper disabled parking available.

The motion to close the downtown street from Saturday to Sunday on Haweater Weekend was moved by Councillor Paul Skippen, seconded by Councillor Bruce Wood and carried by council.

### Council donates to Rainbow Crusiers

The Northeast Town council carried a motion to donate \$200 to the Rainbow Country Crusiers Car Club for the Little Current Lions 2015 Haweater Cruise In.

"This event just adds one more thing that makes Haweater Weekend so special," said Councillor Marcel Gauthier.

"I think it is a great event, but I just can't support this because of the budget we passed," said Councillor Melissa Peters.

Following council carrying the motion, Cruise In organizer Roy Knobel thanked council and commented how the event was continuing to grow and gain notability across Ontario year after year.

"We receive great comments from visitors about how beautiful our town is," said Mr. Knobel. "This is the ninth year for our hot wheel racing and last year we had 50 kids, all of whom received prizes, which your donation will help support."

### Council remuneration to increase

Council reviewed the Administration and Finance Committee's recommendation to increase council's remuneration.

The current remuneration is a monthly allowance of \$300 for the mayor and \$175 for councillors, \$95 for the mayor and \$75 for councillors for council or committee meetings, and \$100 for full day attendance at a training session, seminar or conference or \$75 for a half day and the reimbursement for expenses of mileage when using a personal vehicle for municipal business, up to \$100 for meals when on approved council business outside the municipality and necessary accommodation when travelling on approved council business outside the municipality.

In a recorded vote, Councillor Cook, Councillor Erskine, Councillor Orr, Councillor Gauthier, Councillor Skippen, Councillor Wood, Councillor Keohler and Mayor MacNevin carried a motion to increase the remuneration rate annually by the same rate as provided to the management staff effective January 1, 2015. Councillor Peters voted against the motion stating that she didn't feel council should be making this change in the middle of a budget year.

### Changes to procedural bylaws

Council reviewed a recommendation from the Administration and Finance Committee to limit the number of councillors who attend training sessions, seminars and conferences to three councillors and the mayor.

In a recorded vote the motion was carried by Councillor Cook, Councillor Erskine, Councillor Orr, Councillor Gauthier, Councillor Skippen, Councillor Wood, Councillor Keohler and Mayor MacNevin. Councillor Peters voted against the motion.

Based on another recommendation from the Administration and Finance Committee, council carried a motion to amend

bylaw 2007-21 limiting a councillor's ability to claim remuneration for a back-to-back public meeting and council meeting unless there is a 15 minute break between the two meetings.

In the recorded vote regarding the decision, the motion was carried by Councillor Erskine, Councillor Gauthier, Councillor Skippen, Councillor Wood and Mayor MacNevin. Councillor Cook, Councillor Koehler, Councillor Orr and Councillor Peters voted against the motion.

### Council increase water and sewage rates

Following a public meeting last week, council carried a motion to increase water and sewer rates for both Little Current and Sheguiandah.

The motion will mean a four percent increase (over last year), which amounts to an annual increase of \$43.37 for Sheguiandah water rates and \$14.65 for Little Current water rates.

### May 7 committee meeting rescheduled

The Northeast Town council carried a motion to reschedule the Administration and Finance meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 7 to May 21 to be held in conjunction with the Community Services and Public Works Committee meeting due to a number of councillors and the mayor being away at a conference.

### Cameron Spec nominated as Senior of the Year

Councillor Marcel Gauthier spoke to council about nominating 94-year-old Northeast Town Resident Cameron Spec for Senior of the Year. Council carried a motion to support this nomination.

### Fire Report

Northeast Town Fire Department Chief Darren Bailey reviewed the April department report with council. He reported a grass fire in Sheguiandah First Nation On April 14, a garbage fire in Sheguiandah First Nation on April 17 and three grass fires and one bush fire in Shegiandah First Nation on April 19.

"One was pretty substantial, but we were able to get it under control which was good because it could have been a lot worse," said Chief Bailey.

Chief Bailey also thanked council for approving the fire department's budget which allowed the department to purchase 17 new turn out suits (fire fighting suits).

### Community Services and Public Works report

Reid Taylor went through the Community Services report with council. For the recreation centre he said that the ice plants have been shut down and the ice is removed and being cleaned up.

"User groups are using the rooms weekly and staff are completing maintenance tasks daily preparing for summer events," said Mr. Taylor. "With the (Spider Bay) marina and parks, the ice is melting slowly around the docks, but the marina and buildings are being prepared for opening. Parks and playgrounds are being inspected regularly. Spider Bay Marina is set to open May 15 if all goes well and the fields (at Low Island Park) will begin opening preparations once they are dry."

Mr. Taylor also noted that the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah will be opening for the season on Monday, May 4.

For Public Works, Gary May reported that the roads are being graded as they firm up and that patching is being done as required.

"Street sweeping and sidewalk cleaning and repair is underway," he added. "And landfill operations are going well."

CAO Dave Williamson explained to council that the roads budget was being shifted around to allow for hard surfacing on White's Point due to urgency instead of the area of road in Honora Bay which was originally to receive road work this year.

### Buildings Controls/Bylaw report

Mitch Varey presented council with the Building Controls and Bylaw report.

"Open permits from past building seasons are being kept up with and inspections are taking place when called for," said Mr. Varey. "We currently have eight permits out in 2015 with a total value of \$169,648. For bylaw enforcement, there are no pressing issues, however parking is still being monitored regularly and any complaints are being followed up on."

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# A community farm fueled by passion and sustained

by Giovanni Capriotti

ICE LAKE—At the beginning of the 80s, a young man named Max Burt decided to enrol into the Agriculture Diploma at University Of Guelph. Nothing suggested that those two years would have shaped his professional life as well as his private sphere. His wife Joanne had never thought of going to school and meeting the man of her dreams.

"I didn't go to school to meet guys. If somebody would have told me about Max, I would have laughed at the time," she said smiling.

Purchased in 1994 by Max's parents, the Burt Farm sits at the very beginning of the Tenth Concession, near Ice Lake. The road runs directly into the Gore Bay downtown, crossing acres of land, birch and maple forests plus several ponds.

Shortly after his gradu-

ation Mr. Burt began applying his skills and gaining experience at the Sharpe Farm, a Guelph company whose main goal at the time was to meet the crop input needs of the area farmers.

Those were the days when his desire to provide people with a quality product flourished. The operations conducted at the north Guelph farm did not convince the young Burt. He recalls driving a truck worth \$250,000 while spreading pesticides on the land.

"Truthfully, the company was doing an accurate job in applying anti-growth technology to the land," he said in a whisper.

In 1994 he and Joanne moved into the farm, making their dream come true. All their efforts on studies and working for somebody else finally paid off. The couple was now ready to embrace their life together



Max Burt greets a customer to the Burt Farm.

LEFT: Max Burt and Lee Hayden hard at work in the butcher shop.



as farmers.

Passion has always been the driving force of Max Burt. According to him, the key component of agriculture lies in aiming to build the wealth from the land. Manitoulin is a glacial rocky island that does not necessarily welcome agriculture. A big effort has to be put into working the soil to render it into

making it fertile.

"The passion for my job is always there. It may vary day to day, but it's there constantly," he said while butchering meat. "One day you might be really passionate about cattle and that's when you get a kick on your leg," he continued.

"The perception can change in a matter of sec-

onds," concluded Mr. Burt.

Nowadays human beings seem to have lost the ability to feed themselves. It is not uncommon for city dwellers to get caught supporting causes they barely know. Most of the time the idea of cruelty is applied to the nature without its explicit consent.

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behaviours happening within an urban environment than in a hard working farm. When a group of wealthy individuals join forces, all they do gets metabolized by the mass more easily than possibly the actions of an independent farmer reiterating practices nearly as old as the planet.

"In this farm we feed our animals with forage and grains produced on our land," Mr. Burt said. "I rent some land from Lee Hayden, my neighbour, so that I can optimize the rotation," he continued.

Every once in a while Mr. Hayden helps Mr. Burt with chopping meat, a crucial operation for the retail store and the entire farm. The idea is not waste anything. The fat is an incredible source of bio-diesel, essential to run all the farm tractors.

The attention to details is maximized at the Burt Farm. The diet of the animals involves forage for



Joanne and Max Burt take a break from butchering for some much deserved lunch while Lee Hayden works on.

**RIGHT:** Joanne Burt takes an order from Chuc Willson during Friday Burt Farm Country Meats' store day.

the greatest part, while by the end the grains become fundamental to increase the energy profile of the

I produce my own grains and avoid soybeans. In North America they are all GMO (genetically modified)," Mr. Burt

find the same situation jobwise.

Jamie Gibson is married and father of two girls. He has worked at the Lake Wolsey fish farm for roughly six years. His brother Matt joined him shortly after.

"Winters are bitterly cold. Sometimes the wind chill makes the temperature drop at 40 below. Yet I wouldn't want to work indoor. I am an outdoor guy," he said holding his three-year-old daughter.

Matt, his brother, sits on the couch resting after work. Once the cages have been sunk there is not much to do and the two can enjoy shorter shifts or days off.

To have a steady and secure job on Manitoulin Island is a blessing. Mr. Meeker definitely succeeded in providing jobs for Islanders and at the same time a good lifestyle that allows them to afford a mortgage and live a comfortable existence.

In a world where minimum wage seems to be threatened on a daily basis, possibly the passion and the commitment of a man toward his job and the community rendered the figure of the entrepreneur under a different and more humane light. Entrepreneurship does not always mean environmental disasters and uncontrolled resources exploitation.

"I love this Island, I don't want to leave. My wife wants to travel—I don't; I like it a lot here," Mr. Meeker said. "Sometime I might look like a monster because I am willing to make a profit out of my business. Who doesn't? Finding a good balance is reasonably the key," he continued, staring at one of his old pictures in a Penguin uniform.

"Can I barf?" he mumbled looking out of his truck window.

## ...from the NHL to aquaculture renaissance man

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"I firmly believe in the philosophy of the recycle and reuse. I don't want anything to be wasted from the fish that I grow," Mr. Meeker said, pointing to a huge sand-looking pile scattered with seagulls.

"That is the compost of my trout. The fish heads and guts make an incredibly effective fertilizer, which goes by the name of Meeker's Magic Mix," he proudly continued.

The Meeker's rainbow trout production grew slowly up until 1994 and it has stayed at the same level ever since. He is widely recognized for his cutting edge technologies in fish farming and is the man behind Ontario's first submersible cage system and fines removal feed delivery system.

His aquaculture passion has brought him to work closely with the Laurentian University and Environment Canada on topics such the bottom sediment studies.

However, he is still encountering resistance from the main regulatory institutions.

"I believe I have the experience and know how to support the substantiability of my project," he said. "Every year I have to prove my point and I am getting kind of tired of it," he admits. "Honestly, I think I will make sure everything will get recorded this year. I have to look into this possibility with my lawyer."

Truthfully, the kind of business he established on the Island is one-of-a-kind socially too. His company was able to create multiple jobs in a place where the youth tends to leave for the lack of occupation, and eventually come back and



Jason Forest and Mitchell Bell unload the harvest.

said firmly. "I am not against a reasonable use of technology, still I want to provide a quality local product," he confessed.

The relationship with the community is another aspect in which the entire Burt family takes pride. Their motto goes: "From our land to your hand." The customers attend their retail store and you can tell that there is a special bond with the family. Everything goes beyond the pure commercial interaction.

"Money is important and you've got to be careful with your expenses if you want to survive," said Mr. Burt. "The give and take from the community is

what makes my job. It makes me proud when somebody wants to feed the chickens with my grains," Mr. Burt added.

In all honesty, you don't happen to see customers hugging a butcher in a major grocery store. The kind of life we currently embrace is paced by vital priorities. Food often appears to be something consumed to live.

Well, Manitoulin sets itself apart. Being able to proudly look people in the eyes is still a reward challenging the logic of profit. The Burt family seems well aware that a local production needs an emphatic community to support it.



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# Little Current gardening volunteers seek help to keep town's blooms pruned

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—Both the Community Gardeners and Adopt-a-Garden program in Little Current are seeking volunteers this spring/summer to help clean up, plant and maintain the many garden spaces around town.

"We have two groups—the Community Gardeners, who meet on Tuesday nights from May to October and work on the town gardens from Spider Bay Marina to the swing bridge—and the Adopt-a-Garden program where people can 'adopt' a town garden space and work on their own schedule and pace to clean up and maintain it," explained coordinator Wendy Gauthier.

"With the Adopt-a-Garden program we have eight spaces adopted at the library, the post office and Spider Bay. We have others looking for adoption if there are any gardeners who are interested in taking a space on. There are various sized areas depending on how much time people have to volunteer. As for the Community Gardeners, we have been hitting 200 to 300 volunteer hours the past three years and this year we are hoping to reach 1,000 vol-

unteer hours by the end of the summer."

Over the past three years the Community Gardeners

have planted 1,500 tulips, which town residents can look forward to this spring.

Both groups were born out of a CSAC (Community Services Advisory Committee) initiative and work with the Community Gardeners, helping when garden adopters are away.

"Both programs are supported by Har-Cor (Diesel and Farm Supply) and funded through the Northeast Town's Parks and Recreation department," said

Ms. Gauthier. "We have a great group of volunteers and really enjoy working together. We have reclaimed a lot of landscape in town and are looking forward to maintaining it again this year. I think it has really made a difference downtown."

Ms. Gauthier urges anyone looking to get involved in either the Community Gardeners or the Adopt-a-Garden program to contact her for more information at 705-368-3247 or mwgauthier@sympatico.ca. Volunteers for the Community Gardeners can also just come out on Tuesday nights starting on May 5 at 6 pm, meeting at the Little Current Post Office parking lot.



The Community Gardeners hard at work in Expositor Square.

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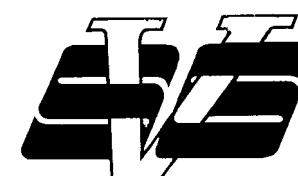
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# Tehkummah Talk and Times

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When the sun is so bright  
But on those dark days,  
And in any dark hour  
I begrudge the money  
I spend on the power.  
The power that they have  
That bargaining chip  
That we hostage held,  
Or the way they do clip  
The charges delivery  
They add up on the paper,  
We starve while we pay  
up

That's why all the rage  
I'd love to go solar.  
Have money to burn  
But there's no senior rate  
And I'm too old to earn  
Pat Hall 2015  
Hydro this month, \$653.

Good news, he's back. I asked if he spent the winter indoors or out, I expect he would have dried up if indoors? It's my friend "Toad" I'm talking about, who else but me! Right?

Birthday party today at the Hall. Our Manitouliners have a new band member. Good to hear George (Williamson) along with Gordie, Harold and Peter. Gordie and Eileen celebrated their birthdays and Steven made a cameo appearance! (In time to pick up his mom.) Mary baked the birthday cake and prepared lunch with Margaret. I beat Mom at three card games today.

I was phone chatting with Elaine, Bert, Barb, Pat (Sissy), Lori and Laura (as Mom's answering service!!) and Helen.

Happy birthdays to Pauline (April 26th), Eileen (Leeson, April 27th) and Lydia (April 29th). It's strange sometimes how I get my information. Congratulations Kevin Hobbs on your retirement from the Espanola Mill after 39 years.

I hear my musicians this "Earth Day" playing the "song of the raindrops" outside my bathroom window. (This is five in the morning.) Sounds pretty good. Hey let's "pay it forward" for Earth Day!

Hey it's amazing this Thursday morning I see birds walking on water!! They are picking goodies out of the ice.

A terrific afternoon at cribbage, five tables. Lunch was provided by many, including Tuesday's leftover birthday cakes, lemon and chocolate, good. We play four games, take our break and then play four more. C'mon down.

The high hand, Ted, 24; first place, Laura (W. Scott) and I, 944; second, (Mom) Jean and Mary, 926; third, Joy and Bert, 913, low, Lori and Rick, 855; door prizes, Gib and Laura, Lois' birthday.

After the game we were treated to our supper at Knox Church's Spring into

Spring event. Thank you to Sissy Pat and her Ma Laura, Mom, Irene, Cal and I, Gib and Florence, lovely. Cal met us there, he had just got back from his Sudbury (needle in the eye) appointment. He travelled with his brother Lyle. Hello out there, Shirley too!

Well here it is Friday evening and I'm laying down writing this; darn, had to get up, I forgot my pills again.

We just came home from trivia night at Knox Church Hall. We had a lot of fun and ultimately, we did better than we thought we would.

Mom, Sherry, Lori and Jackie (Bryant) joined our team and we had a couple of good scores. Team finals:

Titans, 80; Snowbirds, 78; Big Lake, 73 (only three on their team); Trial Blazers, 66 (us); and the Buglers, 64.

As trail blazers, we kinda lost our axe; I love these competitions!! Thanks Martin and prize providers, and snack and coffee providers (ours was the funniest team).

During the afternoon we used the Tehk Hall for our Sr. UCW meeting, nine members came, a good meeting. I provided tea and coffee, Lynda brought delicious soups and snacks, good dessert too, healthy.

I just gave myself a lecture, the problem is, I'm not a good listener. I march to the now, and what moves me drum, unfortunately.

Earth Day, and what could I do for the/our earth?? Stay out of the rain/snow/sleet/cold and sun? I've since done a little yard work, but the winds are keeping their bite!

Happy birthday to Norris Pyette (Sault), who also shares that date with his daughter. What a birthday present that was a "few years" back.

Three and a quarter tables for euchre, winners: Dave Nelder, 78, and 5 lone hands; low, Andy, 51. Ladies, Dorothy, 74; Pauline lone hands, 4, low; Margaret, 56; door, Audrey.

Eileen Leeson's shopping trip to Espanola turned into a birthday surprise.

I was talking to Cal on the phone this Sunday morning and Cole is back home again. A call from Mollie, she had her eye done on Friday and says she is doing O.K.

I took an oh-oh-oh-oh (!) pain in my back at sis Susan's place on Saturday night. Now if you think there is any sympathy to be found there, you're absolutely wrong. That triggered a series of Oh-oh-oh-oh Stayn' Alive, Stayn' Alive! Musical interludes, even when I was leaving there, Sherry and Susan were on the deck doing the actions! Kind of took the focus from Pauline's good birthday cakes! We all (Pauline, Wayne, Susan, Simon, Mom, Sherry, Dave

and I and their daughter Christine) had gone to Green Acres for a delicious supper where Pauline got a lovely piece of birthday cake with a candle, brought all the way from Val Therese by Dave (Merrick); as always, a great event and get together. Mom, Susan, Simon and I took in "Back Roads Country" music at the Triangle Club Hall, before the supper. I was late, as I had been doing yard work. A nice crowd, they sold lunch and pies and had a 50/50 draw. The members of the band: Bob (Eadie) is looking well, Barry is their "leader", Betty, Heather, Lonnie, Bill and Diane; some good git pickin' goin' on.

Linda McNaughton is hosting the last bible study of the season Wednesday afternoon.

Skylar held her "Kid" birthday party on Sunday afternoon with Cameron and guests.

Deep in their roots all flowers keep the light, flower seeds too!

What a lovely dedication of the windows that border the cross in St. Andrews on Sunday. A wonderful book of church history was also dedicated. These projects, Reg Leeson, Loretta and Eleanor and Robert Brown, good job. I love Martin's sermons when he incorporates music and song, flowers, love, etc. Refreshments after the service.

Susan and I took in the music afternoon at Helen's, sing alongs and featured artists and more food, thank you all.

Elvis is coming to Tehkummah Hall on the 9th of May, don't miss it!

Hello Corrine, Colleen, Darlene and Jean, messages received.

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## M.S.S. Kids in the Halls



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Last week included several spirit days. On Wednesday, there was a Jersey Day. There was lots of fun chirping going on as people supporting different teams argued about which team is better. Even the teachers were having fun joking around with friendly hockey rivalries. On Friday, there was a Grease Lightning day. Students and teachers were dressed in leather jackets and had their hair slicked back as if they were back in the '50s. There were girls dressed up in their poodle skirts. All through lunch there was Grease music playing in the halls and there were lots of people singing along. Could this be a hint of next year's MSS Musical?

The Grade 9 academic math class learned not to get Mr. Balfe started on whether carbohydrates are

healthy or not. When a student asked if breakfast cereal were healthy, Mr. Balfe took the entire class on a roller coaster ride through the workings of carbohydrates. There was math involved, as well as health. Students will miss these cross-curricular discussions while the strike is going on.

As the high school teachers start a strike, students are in limbo. Nobody knows what is going on, but I do know that many students are looking forward to getting time off, while others are hoping that everything goes back to normal, and soon. Grade 9 student Ben Sayyae says, "I think it is awesome!" Denver Leeson says, "I'm so happy! I want the strike to go on for a little bit, but not for a full two months." Grade 12 student Logan Murphy says, "It's a

welcomed break. I just don't want it to last too long. I want to actually finish my year. Plus there's the Stratford trip that I've been looking forward to since the beginning of the year."

The Rainbow District School Board has set up learning materials such as E-learning Ontario, Ontario Education Resource Bank, and Math Homework Help so students can continue to develop their skills. If the strike goes on for too long, students may receive their mid-term marks as a final mark. During the strike, there will be no extra-curricular activities, field trips or sports meets. The school

will not be open to students, but community and after school usage my community groups will continue.

On May 5 there is a planned Pride Day organized by the Rainbow Rights Alliance to support gay rights. The students involved are very passionate about their cause. Many students fully support them and what they are doing to decrease discrimination. This event will hopefully take place after the strike ends.

Many activities are in limbo until the end of the strike: prom, annual pow-wow, Stratford trip, track and field, tennis, and OFSAA gymnastics. These

activities will be put off until after the strike and may not occur if the strike goes on for too long.

There will not be any more news from MSS until after the strike. Stay golden, Mustangs, 'til next time.

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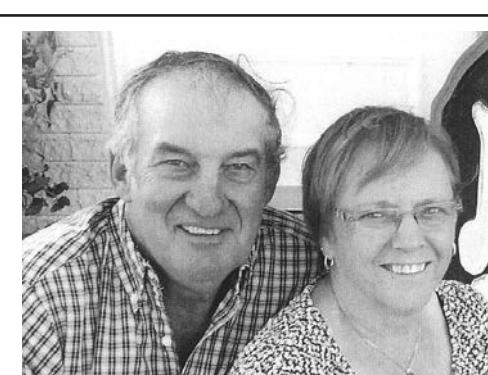
## Prov Bay News and Notes

Not much news this week. The rainbow are in the river now.

On Friday, May 8 there is a Youth Dance at the Community of Christ Church in Providence Bay from 7-9 pm. All are welcome. Come out and see your old friends and meet some new ones.

Blair Sullivan is back from his granddaughter's wedding. He had an excellent visit. If you have any news please let me know at 705-377-4449.

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