

At two year mark, Island abattoir is thriving

Manitoulin producers taking advantage of opportunity to develop own clientele

by Robin Burridge

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Island Community Abattoir is moving into its third year of operations and is not only excelling, but is now in a position to hone in on its original goals and begin mass promoting and selling Manitoulin meats.

"The first two years here we were figuring out hiccups and just focussing on getting everything



running smoothly," explained abattoir manager Angela Johnston. "Now we are in a place to focus on our real goal, getting Manitoulin meats out to the public. We have established a new logo for Manitoulin Island Meats (previously Papa's Meats) in Providence Bay and are working on developing a website to help us expand our market."

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Manitou lots pilot project for phosphate-free septic beds



The greatly-enlarged photograph on the left is an example of a microplastic element found in a Lake Erie fish, while the photo on the right shows microfibres that have made their way into the lakes, our water supply, and the stomach of a fish.

Microplastics and microfibres Making their way into our food chain

by Alicia McCutcheon

GREAT LAKES—The news keeps getting worse about the ubiquitous microbead, which has spread from human consumption in its use in cosmetics, toothpastes and cleaners to the Great Lakes and its tributaries with the news that in preliminary research, almost all of the fish sampled in a recent study contain quantities of microplastics—and the higher up on the food chain, the more the plastic.

Dr. Sherri Mason, a chemistry professor at the State University of New York at Fredonia who is credited with discovering the plague of microplastics (plastic particles, fibres and microbeads under the size of one millimetres) in the Great Lakes in 2011, has since turned her attentions to studying what this means for the food web.

Since her initial study on the Great Lakes of Superior, Huron and Erie in July of 2011, Dr. Mason and her research team have completed in 2013 an additional survey for the rest of the Great Lakes, including the St. Lawrence Seaway as far as Montreal. Her findings were again astounding: an average of 280,000

particles per square kilometre in Lake Ontario, as an example. In 2011, Dr. Mason and her team found 600,000 particles per square kilometre on average in Lake Erie, known as the most polluted of the Great Lakes, and only 5,000 pieces per sampled area in Lake Huron.

"The numbers were staggering," Dr. Mason told The Expositor following the OMB hearing last Thursday. "This first step took six years. I will now be immediately applying for the six lot subdivision with the (Manitoulin) Planning Board (MPB) Subdivision.

Last year, the professor decided to move her attention to the affect

of microplastics on the food web, partnering with her local United States Fish and Wildlife research scientists on Lake Erie. When the researchers do broad scale monitoring on the lake, which involves the gill netting of fish (leading to their death) and aging them, Dr. Mason and her team stepped in to study the sampled fish stomach contents.

"A year ago we started our food web assessment using perch, now

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South Baymouth museum acquires another medal

Valentine Wilman's WWI Memorial Cross was up for sale

by Lori Thompson

SOUTH BAYMOUTH—In October 2012, Dave Thomson notified this newspaper and the Little Schoolhouse and Museum in South Baymouth of a WWI military medal that was listed for sale on eBay. Thanks to generous donations from Islanders enough funds were raised to purchase the Medal for Bravery in the Field belonging to First World War veteran Henry



Front and back of Private Valentine Wilman's WWI medal.

Boyd Chisholm, who was born in South Baymouth. Last week the museum was able to bring home another WWI medal, a Memorial Cross for Valentine Christopher Wilman, also from South Baymouth.

"That's pretty impressive,"

explained Mr. Thomson, "to find two World War One

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and once it gets approved I anticipate beginning construction in the next six months."

This reporter sat in on the OMB teleconference hearing last week, during which the OMB heard expert testimony confirming that the proposed pilot project subdivision demonstrated good planning. The board also reviewed the minutes of settlement between Mr. McLay, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC).

The settlement was officially reached earlier this year, approving a six lot pilot project (instead

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Northeast Family Health Team adds clinical opiates treatment

Patient list presently limited

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—The Northeastern Manitoulin Family Health Team (FHT) has begun treating the clinic's methadone patients on-site in Little Current thanks to a partnership between the FHT and Doctor Bryan Dressler of the Larch Street Clin-

ic in Sudbury.

"Addiction services are being offered by Dr. Dressler through the FHT for patients in our area," explained FHT Director Judy Miller. "When the clinic in downtown Little Current closed (in 2013) and the Sunrise Clinic in Wikwemikong opened (in 2014) there were 22 patients from the Northeast Town who were travelling off-Island to access care. A space has been provided at the FHT for Dr. Dressler and his staff to provide care for these patients. We are currently offering a local site for our patients who were travelling off-Island to receive this treatment. This is being offered in conjunction with our partners in the social services, mental health care and pharmacy services."

With the closure of the Water Street (methadone) clinic in Little Current in February 2013, all Island patients were left travelling to Sudbury to receive methadone treatment. M'Chigeeng First Nation developed a program to fill

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Little Current Lions give to Manitoulin Health Centre

The Little Current Lions Club presents a donation of \$5,000 to Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) CEO Derek Graham for the MHC's Sweet Slumbers bed campaign.

photo by Robin Burridge

Islanders speak out against rising hydro costs and join Enough is Enough movement

Enough is Enough petition gains Island support across Manitoulin

by Robin Burridge

ONTARIO—When Jacques Ouellette of Marathon started the Hydro One Enough is Enough Facebook group three years ago he never dreamed it would grow into a movement gaining 18,565 members (as of Monday) and reaching customers across Ontario, including many on Manitoulin.

"I started the group because I kept hearing all kinds of stories from people about their rising hydro costs," Mr. Ouellette told The Expositor. "Now we are holding rallies and standing up. I hope that through the petition, which we plan on presenting at Queen's Park in Ottawa at noon on Wednesday, May 13, people can finally start to get a fair shake. We have members from the Manitoba border to the Quebec border and everyone is standing together."

Locally, Patti McKenzie and Greg Young are two Island members of Hydro One Enough is Enough who are distributing the petition and working with the group to promote change.

"My husband and I built a new home in Tehkummah with all energy efficient appliances, windows etc., but we noticed that

instead of our bills going down compared to our old house, our hydro bills were increasing," shared Ms. McKenzie. "Hydro One couldn't give us an explanation. We were calling every month and eventually they admitted that the Smart Meter wasn't communicating with them and that they were basing our usage on the previous year. We contacted the Ombudsman and a week later Hydro called and sent a service technician to check our meter. Since then, everything has been better, but we write down our usage every day."

After her year-long battle with Hydro One, Ms. McKenzie came across the Facebook page for Hydro One Enough and joined.

"Reading people's stories, I learned we were far from being the only ones," said Ms. McKenzie. "Everyone is having the same problems across the province—hidden costs, over charging on delivery, Smart Meters not working—and everyone is struggling to pay their hydro bills."

"We are collecting signatures for the petition which we will present to the government at Queen's Park at a rally on May

13," continued Ms. MacKenzie. "I am also drafting a letter asking for support from each of the 4,400 municipalities across the province. Ontarians deserve more than what they are getting."

"A lot of Island people have learned about the group and joined," said Greg Young. "The testimonies and horror stories all have a different spin, but the bottom line is that Hydro One isn't working for them. The billing is a disaster, as everyone knows, and the Smart Meters aren't working. I keep hearing story after story from people who can't pay their bills—this has to stop."

The Hydro One Enough is Enough petition reads: To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, Whereas Hydro One rates continue to rise causing undue hardship for Ontario residents, families and business we the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows: by far the major cost associated with our hydro bills is the delivery charge, which is exceeding the price of hydro itself. We demand the removal of all the hidden charges that make up the delivery charge to be replaced with a standard

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DSB to introduce paramedicine in Gore Bay and Gogama

by Michael Erskine

ESPAÑOLA—The Manitoulin Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) is introducing a pilot Community Paramedicine program through its existing EMS resources in Gore Bay and Gogama, but larger communities such as Espanola and Little Current are not likely to see the program soon due to higher call volumes taxing emergency services resources in those communities.

Under the pilot program paramedics will utilize the traditional skills mandated under provincial legislation (to conserve life, alleviate pain and suffering and to promote health) in "non-traditional community based environments."

DSB Chief of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Michael MacIsaac, who presented a short video on how the program operates in Norfolk County to the March 26 meeting of the DSB board in Espanola, provided details on how the program will roll out in Gogama and Gore Bay.

"According to the Paramedic Conduct Standard located in the Ministry of Health's basic life support patient care standards, the paramedic 'will conserve life, alleviate pain and suffering and promote health,'" he quoted from the regulations, adding that the DSB's EMS service "have traditionally done a good job of the first part, but prevention and promotion of health is often an overlooked facet of the role of the paramedic."

Mr. MacIsaac explained to the DSB members that the community paramedicine program presents an improvement on promoting health through public relations and public education and proactive illness and injury prevention.

Through the program, paramedics in the two pilot communities will arrange follow up visits with patients who have been involved in a recent emergency issue to assess issues that might lead to the patient requiring those services again in the short

term. Statistics from similar programs in Norfolk County and other jurisdictions show a remarkable improvement in eliminating many of the return calls to the same individuals by helping them to access services, such as Community Care Access Centres and preventing reoccurrences in emergency calls.

Although the program was initially investigated, and some provincial funding provided for planning and assessment last August, the completion of partnership agreements with CCACs and other services were necessary in order for the EMS services to begin implementing the program in targeted communities.

The program will also involve paramedics taking part in community clinics to provide information and education in proactive illness and injury prevention through early detection and health promotion of seniors, the reduction of emergency department visits, hospitalizations and demand for long-term beds—essentially assisting seniors to age at home safely. "And, most importantly to the DSB, the reduction of 911 calls," said Mr. MacIsaac.

A joint implementation plan was established for the Algoma, Cochrane and Manitoulin Sudbury DSBs and funded primarily with a \$212,000 grant from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (the original budget submission was for \$272,000).

The implementation program was put together by a team made up from the three DSBs; Deputy Chief Paul Geurtin (Algoma), Commander Derrick Cremin (Cochrane) and lead by Commander David Wolff from the Manitoulin Sudbury DSB who looked at four initiatives where the paramedics would take part.

Those four initiatives included community referrals, where paramedics would refer patients to other care providers; Circle of Care partnerships and

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Suspended OPPA union leaders all on 'sunshine list'

TORONTO—The names of three Ontario Provincial Police Association (OPPA) officials who have been suspended (with pay) during an ongoing RCMP investigation of unproven allegations that the three participated in a sophisticated scheme to defraud the union's membership through tactics that included a travel company, consulting firm and risky offshore investments, could be found on the annual "sunshine list" of provincial staff making more than \$100,000.

Featured on the list are former OPPA President James Christie, salary cited at \$187,701, former vice president Martin Bain, salary cited at \$162,968, and former chief administrative officer Karl Walsh, whose salary was listed as \$182,069.

The unproven allegations against the elected union officials, who stepped aside from their OPPA roles in the immediate aftermath of a police raid on offices, homes and vehicles, and the former CAO Walsh, who was fired from his position with the union, were contained in the search warrant used in the searches. Those unproven allegations included theft, breach of trust, fraud and laundering the proceeds of crime. All three have been suspended from the OPP indefinitely with pay, but no charges have as yet been laid.

A recent communiqué from the OPPA has announced that the association's 20 union branch presidents voted to charge the three high-ranking members with bylaw violations. "Specifically, the branch presidents allege that the three have engaged in actions that may have brought the reputation of the association into disrepute, and that, based on the allegations outlined in the (RCMP affidavit)," acting OPPA president Doug Lewis and the union board of directors said in the OPPA newsletter, "they have breached the OPPA bylaw regarding investments."

Among those being investigated in the case are OPPA lawyer (and former police officer) Andrew McKay. Mr. McKay is alleged to have developed a complex scheme involving the travel company, a consulting firm and the aforementioned high-risk offshore investments.

Among the alleged investments made by the union executives were two beachside condos in the Bahamas, one valued at \$1.5 million and \$100,000 in union money wired to a Cayman Islands income fund.

Two days following the OPPA decision to fire OPPA CAO Walsh, OPP commissioner Vince Hawkes ordered Christie, Bain and Walsh suspended from duty.

As the allegations have not been proven, either in court or through the OPPA's own internal investigation, and under the presumption of innocence contained in Canadian law, the officers will continue to receive both their OPP paycheques and their honouraria as union officials.

Ontario investing \$25 million in cycling infrastructure

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—The April 1 announcement that the province was moving forward with a \$25-million investment over three years to create a more cycling-friendly future for the province was greeted as no joking matter for the province's cycling community. The announced funding is part of Ontario's 20-year CycleON strategy.

"Of course we are excited about it," said Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA) spokesperson Maja Mielonen.

Although the announcement of the funding included a reference to Highway 6 south of Espanola, Ms. Mielonen said that there were not enough details in the announcement to be certain exactly what that entails. "It is certainly a step in the right direction," she said. The cycling advocate made note of the fact that the Georgian Bay Cycling Route was mentioned in the announcement and that she was taking that as a very positive sign.

"We are the official designated cycling route of the province, always have been," she said. Manitoulin Cycling Advocates volunteers, including Ms. Mielonen, attended the annual Toronto International Bicycling Show 2015 at Exhibition Place in Toronto where they promoted Manitoulin and the cycling opportunities available on the Island, including passing out hundreds of copies of 'This is Manitoulin' to attendees of the show.

Ms. Mielonen noted that although she receives updates on cycling news in the province, she could hardly have missed the

announcement if she had tried. "The second after the announcement was made, Twitter just exploded with the news," she laughed.

"We know that working with our partners is key to creating a more cycling-friendly Ontario," said Minister of Transportation Steven Del Duca in a press release. "We'll continue to engage municipalities, road users, businesses, advocacy groups and non-governmental organizations to make sure we get it right."

"Cycling helps to build more healthy, active and prosperous communities as it generates a wide range of health, economic, environmental, social and other benefits," added Kathryn McGarry, parliamentary assistant to the Minister of Transportation in the same release.

"We're pleased to continue our partnership with the province as we share the vision to make Ontario a premier cycling destination in Canada," said Jamie Stuckless, executive director of the Share the Road Cycling Coalition.

The announced funding includes \$15 million for cycling routes that provide key connections and linkages on provincial highways, such as paved highway shoulders and barriers on bridges that separate cyclists from vehicles. Early proposals include Highway 33 west of Kingston (part of the Waterfront Trail); Highway 137 structure over the 1000 Island Parkway (part of the Waterfront Trail); Highway 6 on Manitoulin Island and south of Highway 17 at Espanola

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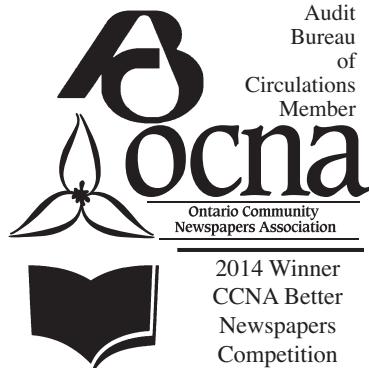
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Gore Bay's 125th is testament to community pride

Happy Birthday Gore Bay!

This year is the 125th anniversary of the incorporation under Ontario law of the Town of Gore Bay as a stand-alone municipality and yesterday, Tuesday April 7, was the 125th anniversary of the town's day and date of incorporation.

A community-based committee has firm plans for a myriad of activities this spring and summer and later on the year as well to celebrate this milestone year and to instill community pride in local residents in the process.

Actually Gore Bay and Little Current are the same age, having both been incorporated as municipalities in 1890. Things have changed somewhat in Little Current as, in the late 1990s, it lost its identity as a town when it joined with the neighbouring municipalities of Howland and McGregor Bay and the Islands to create a new, larger municipal entity: The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.

But not Gore Bay. At about the same time that the province of Ontario was encouraging municipal amalgamation, especially for small rural areas, Gore Bay remained intact, despite putting feelers about the possibility of creating a West End amalgamation which would have included Gordon Township, Barrie Island Township and the unorganized townships of Dawson and Robinson.

This didn't come to fruition and so Gore Bay remains within the boundaries established for it in 1890, a century and a quarter ago and so a celebration in certainly in order.

There is certainly a sense of pride of place that, among Manitoulin municipalities, is very evident in Gore Bay.

Nearly 20 years ago, this writer and his wife had taken a Sunday afternoon drive on a pleasant fall day to Gore Bay and were walking along the waterfront. A local professional person stopped to say hello as she drove by and, looking around enthusiastically exclaimed, "It really is a pretty place, isn't it?" There was certainly no disagreement on our part and all that was implied or inferred about that person's feelings about her town is the same reason why a community committee could be fairly easily found that would spearhead and organize

the 125th anniversary events. Gore Bay folks are proud of their town.

In the years since that pleasant exchange, Gore Bay has gone to exemplify its public community endeavours.

The Gore Bay Museum, for example, added substantial new gallery and event studio space at its hub location at the historic jail high above the downtown area.

More recently, the museum and the town cooperated on a business plan that saw the waterfront building originally built in the 1980s as a "business incubator building" (and that has housed the local fish and game club's fish hatchery) turned into more art studio and gallery space while the fish hatchery moved to new quarters in the town's old pumphouse building.

The town has accommodated Manitoulin's fledgeling brewing company, Split Rail Breweries, and its remaining business incubator building in the same locale.

All of these were improvements that give Gore Bay a distinct focus on the arts.

The harbour has been reinvigorated and a new protective break-wall is just now under construction.

Downtown, the Gore Bay Community Hall has had a massive facelift within the past two years, with the assistance of major local industry, Manitoulin Transport and the old building that was the perfect place for the annual wintertime Sailor's Balls a half century and more ago is now up to date and provides a modern home stage for the award-winning Gore Bay Theatre organization, in addition to other community and cultural events.

Manitoulin Transport is also investing in hometown community pride as the company has purchased vacant downtown business locations and has renovated them for new tenants, successfully, as two new businesses recently opened in one of the renovated buildings.

Every Manitoulin community has something about which to boast but not every place is celebrating 125 years of progress just now so "a tip of the hat" to this historic and vibrant North Channel community.

And once again, happy birthday!

letters

A rebuttal to a rebuttal on the Harper government terrorism bill

Repeating the mistakes of the last few decades we are entering a war the Allies can't win

To the Expositor:

I guess we should be grateful for Mr. Brad Middleton's incisive views ('A Conservative rebuttal to Chicken-Catch-A-Tory,' Page 5) on the Canadian political scene in the April 1 (appropriate) edition of the Expositor.

Just to correct a small misconception. Yes, we have had one (count 'em, one) what could rightly be called terrorist attack on Canadian soil. The other attack on a soldier, in Quebec, was characterized as the action of a random mentally disturbed individual by both the RCMP and the Minister of Justice.

So on the basis of a single sort-of terrorist attack, the Harper regime is turning our entire legislative system upside down and rushing through draconian laws that can have no better effect than to inconvenience millions of Canadians, and at worst will give to the Harper regime the powers to persecute protesters, both aboriginal and non-aboriginal, and to arrest and confine without charges anyone seen as an enemy of the state, whether real or illusory or just plain concocted, and to spy on any one of us at any time.

Why couldn't the Harper regime have merely created one of their famous 'Actions Plans?' After all, 1,200 missing and murdered aboriginal women and they respond with an 'Action Plan.' One dead soldier and it's 'call out the military and send them into Syria' and create the Arrest and Detain Anyone We Want To Act.

As you well know, Mr. Middleton, Louise Arbour (the lefty) is only one of thousands who have rightly protested the terms of Bill C-51. In fact, 95 percent of those who have testified in the hearings on the bill, including Conservatives, have suggested significant amendments. Now we all know that the Osgoode Hall Law School is an iniquitous den of 'lefties' who are bent on making it legal to take from the rich and give to the poor (horrors), unlike the ReformTories, who prefer to take from the poor and give to the rich (income splitting, anyone?).

One last thing. The militaries of the countries in the Middle East have more than enough soldiers under arms (over 1 million at last count) to take care of the ragtag band of 20,000 or so godless cowards known as ISIS, yet Generalissimo Harper deems it necessary to spend Canadian lives and treasure in pursuit of an unwinable and indefinable goal. At least we, the Allies, can't win it. All we're doing is to repeat every mistake of the last few decades, mistakes that have resulted in the mess in which we now find ourselves; fighting yet another foreign war, living in fear, passing untenable laws, hiding in closets. Shiites and Sunnis are just going to have to sort this one out for themselves, because it's for certain that we can't do it for them.

Yours truly,

Barry Epstein
Kagawong

A strong endorsement on Manitowaning's March Break events

Testimonials abound from both the young and the young at heart

To the Expositor:

Thank you Manitowaning for a fun March Break.

Sincere thanks to Jackie White for her generosity to coordinate such a great venture and to all those who prepared so well to guide the workshops at the arena and of course thanks too to all those assistants and for the refreshments too—such community spirit is great to witness.

At the arena on Wednesday evening, March 18, three workshops were full to the brim with eager kids making bathhouses, decorating cookies and 'grow your own' gardens. It was awesome to see so many parents and grandparents present, meeting, chatting and enjoying the joyful noise.

The workshops were so well organized, with helpful guides leading the instruction. From building and painting the take home bathhouse to learning that bats eat 600 mosquitoes every hour, to a spring theme for

cookie decorating with lots of finger licking icing, and those yummy colourful jelly beans to recycling those 'throw away' coffee pods into egg cartons to grow your own tomato seeds with watering instructions (Myra) and a pot to paint!

"I would do it again in a heartbeat!" said Fintan Balfe, nine-years-old.

"I would go back next year!" added Myra Balfe, seven-years-old.

"I hope they have it again because I love cookies!" said Amelia Balfe, five-years-old, and Grandpa Balfe.

I heard that leprechauns visited Manitowaning on St. Patrick's Day. Something about a leprechaun village being built? Some youngsters could probably tell you more.

Mary Balfe
grandma
Tehkummah

A castigation of the Hydro One and all involved

A call to rise up and hold the government to account

To the Expositor:

Hydro One is making the news again with their billing tactics and the Ombudsman calls it extortion because Hydro One is using threatening tactics against consumers and that's against the law. The Energy Minister does not want to get involved though it's probably that Kathleen Wynne who is planning to sell off part of Hydro One and that's going to affect our hydro bills. If that happens, citizens need to take action now instead of just complaining all the time. Stand up to this government, do not let them walk all over you. With all the criminal activities that have been going on with the Liberal government and with all the scandals and the Sudbury by-election it's a form of bribery, or it could be. The investigation is still going on because they will go to any length just

to hold power, even if that means breaking the law and they are so good at it. Somebody is going to take the fall. I believe Kathleen Wynne is somehow behind this one so she can do as she wishes, and the Energy Minister should retire and check himself into a home because he is probably just sleeping most of the time in his office, doing nothing at all and just wasting tax payers money with his big, fat paycheque. These two levels of government are not above the law. They have broken so many laws already and any organization could take them to court if they are discriminated against, even protesters have this right.

Ronald Osawabine
Wikwemikong

more letters**Writer lays all Ontario woes at the feet of the current premier*****Incomes do not rise as fast as Hydro One services*****Ms. Wynne,**

Your silence on the matter of skyrocketing hydro costs in Ontario is extremely disturbing.

Thousands of Ontarians, particularly those living in the rural areas, are suffering hardships as a result of the decisions that your government has made. The fact that you do not appear to be concerned with the welfare of Ontarians is extremely distressing.

We are witnessing the decimation of a once formidable province at the hands of your government. In a democratic society, of which Ontario is one, the people are meant to be heard. It seems that you decided upon obtaining a majority government in the last election that you no longer have to listen to the people of this province.

Your government's decisions are responsible for Ontario businesses closing; for families having to choose between food and hydro, between hydro and rent, between hydro and Christmas and birthday gifts; seniors freezing during the day and racing around at night to do tasks that require electricity; for farmers facing the loss of their farms; and for shift workers paying premium rates to do laundry and vacuum their homes. And what about Ontarians with medical conditions that require equipment that runs on electricity? These are not the stories of someone who knows someone.

The subsidy programs that your energy minister, Bob

Chiarelli, has put in place are not helping Ontarians. Ontarians do not need nor want more programs that discriminate between different income earners; they need a fair price for hydro for all Ontarians. Ontarians are not looking for handouts; they are looking for reasonable prices for a service that is readily available. Ontarians will never be content with paying exorbitant prices while your government is selling our surplus at a loss (a surplus that your minister states will exist at least until 2020). They will not be quiet as long as the company that they are forced to deal with is top heavy with executives whose salaries far exceed \$100,000 while they try to get by with so much less.

Ontarians state that they cannot afford to pay the current price for hydro and your government responds with more increases. Not only is your government planning to significantly raise hydro charges, but it is also planning to introduce a carbon tax of some kind. Ontarians cannot afford these charges. Ontarians cannot bear the burden of your green energy agenda. Ontarians do not want this. Why are you forcing your agenda on them? Why is your government bent on crippling Ontarians financially despite their pleas?

Your minister states that, "Most importantly, it is important that people take some of the responsibility themselves by way of conservation." Well, Ms. Wynne, what more do you expect people to do? Ontarians are already uncomfort-

able in their own homes. Your government dictated that the "smart" meters be installed and now Ontarians must do their laundry, use their dishwashers, vacuum, and cook their meals after 7 pm or pay a premium. They replaced all of their lights with CFLs and LEDs. They switched out their perfectly functional electric furnaces and baseboard heaters with natural gas, propane, or oil. They don't turn up their heat until after 7 pm. If they are home from work sick, they shiver under blankets and wait until 7 pm to turn up the heat. Please do not suggest buying solar panels or wind turbines on top of what they have already expended. Ontarians cannot keep up with their hydro bills so they certainly do not have any extra money for such idealistic luxuries.

Your minister is correct about one thing: the costs of services go up every year. What does not necessarily go up, and certainly not as fast as the cost of hydro, are the incomes of Ontarians.

If you care at all for Ontarians, not just the rich ones or the ones with a stake in wind turbines and solar panels, Ms. Wynne, please stop destroying the economic viability of this province.

Sincerely,

Tracy Simmons
Carp, Ontario

A welcome should only be laid out to those immigrants who embrace our values***Close the door on those whose actions paint all with the same brush*****To the Expositor:**

Seeing the front page of March 16, 2015, Sudbury Star, with concerned citizens protesting against Bill C-51, brought me to the real core problem of why we have to put up with terrorist activities in this country because of our lax immigration policy that went from having consideration for the feelings of Canadians as a whole to being over tolerant and over accommodating to all, allowing far too many undesirables into this country that have no real liking or love for Canada, other than what they can get for free, and have everything their way instead of ours.

In trying to combat terrorism with the so

called C-51 anti-terrorism legislation, as usual the Harper government screws things up by instead of just dealing with only terrorist issues, they tried to encompass other areas which have no place within that legislation and people are right to be upset if we give up our rights, it should be for a safer Canada from terrorists attacks only.

In a nutshell the following is a to-the-point, simple and straight forward consideration regarding immigration/citizenship policy in the words of Sir Wilfred Laurier in 1907:

"First of all we must insist that the immigrant that comes here is willing to become a Canadian and is willing to assimilate our

ways, he should be treated on equal grounds and it would be shameful to discriminate against such a person for reasons of their beliefs or place of origin. But it is the responsibility of that person to become a Canadian in all aspects of life, nothing else but a Canadian and there can be no divided allegiance here."

Any man who says he is a Canadian, but tries to impose his customs and habits upon us, is not a Canadian. We have room for one flag, the Canadian flag. There is room for only two official languages here, English and French. And we have room for loyalty, but only one loyalty to the Canadian people. We won't accept anyone, I'm saying

anyone, who will try and impose his religion or his customs upon us." - Wilfred Laurier 1907.

O'Canada, where did we lose sight of this common sense approach to welcoming those with willingness to integrate into society with an expectation for them to become loyal and true Canadian citizens and just close the door on the rest of them, whose actions paint all with the same brush and that's unfair to the good immigrants who want a life of peace and freedom here.

Colin Pick
Manitowaning

Reader pleased to see Manor board meetings reported in The Manitoulin Expositor***Accountability and transparency bodes well in such an important public facility*****To the Expositor:**

It was with some shock and then some admiration when I turned to page 13 of the March 11, 2015 edition of The Expositor and saw at the top of the page 'Manitoulin Centennial Manor Board Minutes.' As a retired Manor employee, along with many others in the public, there were always questions in the past as to why the Manor board never published their minutes in the newspaper like other public boards, such as the hospital. Along with that was the question of why the Manor never advertised their upcoming board meetings and I see that is also done in the last para-

graph of their board meeting minutes.

This is a very pleasant and up-beat occurrence (especially for someone like myself who was a long-term Manor employee and who has also served with the union local there) and I think it bodes well to show that accountability and transparency is such an important element in public facilities with public boards. I can't help but think, though, why did this change occur now, after all these years? Is it possibly because of a new administrator and some new board members who better understand their accountability to the public (taxpayers)? Whatever the reason, it is an

excellent move in the right direction; so kudos to whoever implemented this necessary source of information from a public facility to the public at large!

Thank you,

Greg Young
A retired Manor worker
Wikwemikong

EDITOR'S NOTE: The last two meetings of the Manitoulin Centennial Manor board were covered by Expositor staffer Robin Burridge, the author of the minutes.

Adult education program the start of a successful quest for a high school diploma***You can finish your Grade 12, whether through individual credits or through the GED test*****To the Expositor:**

I was born 33 years ago in the beautiful village of Wikwemikong. Under the Council of Three Fires I belong to the Potawatomi Peoples. School for me was very difficult and challenging. I did not do well in reading, writing and math. We all know the cruelty of children at young ages. Kids being kids, they were quick to point out my weaknesses. This caused a lot of unresolved issues. One of them was a low self esteem and I did not think that school was for me. I managed to make it to high school for two months, and then quit. It was not until my early twenties that life kicked me in the butt. A member of my community by the name of Derek Fisher suggested that I try adult education.

So, in 2007, my journey towards my educational goal began. It was a good program at that time but they ran out of funds. Adult education started up again at Wasse Abin High School. The first teacher we had in the program wasn't very helpful. I don't want to sound mean but we were glad to see him leave and when I say we, I mean my mother and I, both of us had struggled with school in our early days and we made a pact that, together, we would obtain our Grade 12 diplomas. Our new teacher on our adult education journey was Pete Charbonneau. He saw how much commitment we had for our education so he enrolled us in Independent Learning Courses so we could obtain our Grade 12 one credit at a time. We would never have completed any of these courses without his patience, good humour and teaching skills. My mother and I are also thankful to Mr. Charbonneau's assistant Ms. Angela Mogggy for all her help. We are not talking about a little help. We are talking about four years of help.



John Wemigwans poses with his hard won high school diploma and makes the case that as long as there is a nearby adult education program there is no reason to not finish Grade 12.

for people who drop out of school. Yes, I dropped out, but always felt bad about it. As long as you have an adult education program near you there really is no reason that you should not finish your Grade 12. Whether it is by getting individual credits like my mom and I did, or preparing for the GED test if you need too many credits. Whichever you chose, choose one and get your educational goal started or finished. Trust me if my mom and I, could do it, so could you.

John Wemigwans
Wikwemikong

Writings on Wall enjoyed***A request for an article on the library*****To the Expositor:**

As a senior from the other side of Manitowaning Bay, I really enjoyed Aurora's debut Wasse Abin High's Writing on the Wall, March 18, 2015.

I am sure she utilizes Wikwemikong's fabulous public library, I do.

Maybe she can do an article on it in the future, all the best.

Lorne Kostik
Assiginack

Manitoulin Health Centre Board Notes

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC), Derek Graham, began the March meeting of the MHC board with a summary report.

He explained that the Sweet Slumbers campaign to replace hospital beds is continuing to receive community support. He told the board he thought the campaign would reach the three-quarter mark (\$150,000) by the end of June.

"We're well on track and have had a great response," Mr. Graham said. "I have no doubt that will continue."

He spoke of a recent decision by the Ontario Court of Appeal on health care privacy breaches that will now allow for civil law action (including the right to sue for damages). "This will have major implications for all health care organizations and workers with respect to future liability premiums," Mr. Graham said. Previously, the damage potential for such breaches had been mitigated by language in privacy laws to be reasonably small in dollar value. However, this decision to allow the ability to sue under civil law opens the risk of damages being awarded into the millions of dollars. It is unclear if this award will be subsequently challenged up to the Supreme Court of Canada.

"I think this will have major implications for MHC and all Ontario hospitals," he said.

The Collaboration Agreement of the Island's health care partners has received signatures from the MHC, North East Community Care Access Centres, each of the three Island Family Health Teams and the Gore Bay Medical Clinic. Other agencies are still reviewing the agreement, the CEO reported.

"Physician recruitment has received a good level of support from the core of Manitoulin's municipalities with funding support promised by Assinack, Tehkkumah, Northeast Town, Central Manitoulin and Gore Bay," he said.

Chief Nursing Officer's Report

Pat Morka, chief nursing officer and vice president, clinical services, shared that the MHC submitted a proposal to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care in January to participate in a senior-friendly initiative.

"We have been chosen for the April cohort, which involves our integrated professional team spending three days in Toronto with the coaching team and teams from other organizations across Ontario, planning the project," Ms. Morka explained.

The team consists of Steve Blouin, physiotherapist, Laurel Leconte, dietitian, Lesley Green, phys-

iotherapist, Mary Jo Harper, RPN, Judith Van Leeuwen, RN, and Paula Fields, nurse manager.

"The project examines five areas of possible decline in our frail seniors within 48 hours of admission with a subsequent plan to address the areas of concern by all disciplines," she said.

Ms. Morka shared that a new chemotherapy chair has been purchased thanks to a \$2,000 donation from the 'boob scarves' campaign.

Ms. Morka told the board of a new handwashing initiative the MHC is undertaking. Eye catching infection control posters with a

graph below depicting weekly handwashing audit results will be placed at both hospital sites for both staff and the public to see.

"When you don't do what you're supposed to do, the public knows," she said.

Ms. Morka spoke of a patient who presented herself to admitting in Little Current, stating that she had been in contact with people who had travelled to Africa. The hospital went into full Ebola procedure mode.

It turns out the patient had not been in contact with African travellers but staff chalked it up to good training.

Manitoulin Central Family Health Team update

Lynn Foster, chief financial officer and vice president, corporate support services, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the development of the Manitoulin Central Family Health Team (FHT) in Mindemoya.

Substantial completion is estimated for mid-April, she shared, but noted it is too soon to establish an occupancy date.

New to this FHT design is a staff shower, which was requested as part of the design in order to encourage staff workouts during breaks.

Chief of Staff Report

Dr. Stephen Cooper explained, via teleconference from Toronto, that there are a couple of physicians planning to look at the open practices in Mindemoya and Little Current this spring. However, there has been no change to the physician manpower status. "A recent cancellation of a locum really highlighted the critical shortage we are experiencing," Dr. Cooper said in his report. "Happily, Sally (our recruiter) was able to come up with a last minute locum."

"The unilateral contract imposed by the Ministry of Health on Ontario physi-

cians includes many cuts to incentives to rural programs," his report continues. "It also severely limits a popular funding choice for primary care. I'm not sure of these changes will be good for recruiting physicians to the community. With the number of locums (physicians taking part-time work rather than joining a rural medical practice full-time), one wonders if physicians are waiting for the funding to improve before committing. I have been attempting to set up meetings with the LHIN (Local Health Integration Network) and our MPP to ensure they are

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Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc



Island product, hoists provincial AAA trophy

Congratulations to southern Ontario's **Dylan Bond** who plays defense for the Mississauga Rebels 2000 (Bantam) team who ended a spectacular season by winning the all-Ontario AAA Bantam championships in Timmins this past weekend. Dylan, son of **Terry and Karen (nee Semeniuk) Bond**, has anchored the Rebels for a run this season that saw them ranked number one in Ontario and eventually in all of Canada! Their 59-6-7 record including a very strong defensive core that saw an impressive 302 to 75 goal differential!

Manitoulin Minor Spotlight

There are still many MHHA teams who have not been recognized through this past season but there is still time! If your team didn't get shined on, please send in your information to the address below! This week it is the Mindemoya Thunder Peewees who are in the spotlight! This very young Peewee squad has had an amazing season, amassing a 19 wins and 1 loss campaign. The youngsters of course would prefer their only loss of the season didn't occur in the final match of the season but it only bodes well for them individually as players next year and in the future! Although they beat M'Chigeeng 3 out of 5 in the semis, Gore Bay had their number in the finals and took the Island trophy.

The crew took their show on the road to the Copper Cliff Tournament a coupe of weeks ago and despite a slow start, they finished strong! They missed their first two then won the next match to send them into the C Championships. In their C final game they shut their opponents down and won their championships 1-0. Hats off to: **Trevor White, Jasen Millette, Marjorie Scott, Tyler Leeson, Avery Sheppard, Kyle Smith, Owen Duncanson, Michael Hore, Hunter Smith, Hailey Prior, Michael Gibbons** and team staff, **Ryan Prior, Brent Leeson, Glen Duncanson, Darren Smith and Shelba Millette**.

Panthers to prowl in 2015 – 2016

The new slate of Panther coaches have been selected to shepherd their charges through this upcoming 2015 – 2016 coming season. Congratulations to the head coaches of: Novice – **Kevin Eshkawkogan**, Atom – **Brent Assineawai**, Peewee - **Dean Hare**, Bantam – **Craig Abotossaway** and Midget – **Steve Doane**!

It is great to see a full slate of coaches willing to provide a great program for the upcoming season. Parents and players should be getting ready for the spring try-outs coming up this coming week. The first of which are to take place Monday, April 13 and follow through to Saturday the 18. The week will also determine the viability of a Midget team that failed to materialize this past year. For more information and required forms please visit www.manitoulinpanthers.ca

Mustangs to hold early tryouts

Head coach **Brad Bond** would like to announce that there will be Manitoulin Mustang Senior boys try outs coming up on April 9, 13 and 15. All try outs are at 3:30 - 5 pm at the NEMI Rec Centre. There will be a \$10 per try-out fee. Coach is looking forward to having his best team ever and has to be looking to bolster his roster with several returning vets! He is also looking to be 'drastically increasing the number of games' they play this season. Go Mustangs, go!

Around the Bay

Congratulations to Bay Estates **John Saftic** who recently completed the 30km Around the Bay race in Hamilton in under the 2.5 hour barrier. Way to go John!!

Former Wild, now coach

Many will remember **Jay Punsky**, an American import who was a stalwart netminder for the Manitoulin Wild Jr. A squad. The young coach was just hired as coach of the Cape Cod Islanders for the 2015-2016 season! After he finished playing hockey he has been moving up the ranks as a coach for numerous east coast teams. Punsky spent the last two seasons with the Bay State Breakers Junior Hockey program of the United States Premier Hockey League (USPHL). With the Breakers, Punsky served as Assistant Coach of the Junior A team and Head Coach of the Empire Junior B and U18 AAA Tier I teams. Jay is a real student of the game and even holds a masters degree in Sports and Recreation management with a specialist in coaching! Keep up the good work, Jay!

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Students in Paul Becks' Manitoulin Secondary School Grade 10 construction class pose behind the new tools that were donated to the school from Stanley, Black & Decker. From left, Billy Hallaert, Braedan Case, teacher Paul Becks, Trenton Bond and Bryce Mastelko.

photo by Robin Burridge

Manitoulin Secondary School receives over \$3,000 in new tools

by Robin Burridge

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin Secondary School's (MSS) technology department has received over \$3,000 worth of new tools thanks to a donation from Stanley, Black & Decker.

"We needed some new tools so I emailed all the major tool manufacturers looking for donations," explained MSS teacher Paul Becks. "Stanley was actually the only one who got back to me—the rest of the companies sent back automated 'no' replies. Stanley asked what type of tools we were looking for specifically and asked for a 'wish list.' I was expecting a few hammers but they sent us almost everything on our wish list. All in, the retail value of

everything they sent is over \$3,000. They were extremely generous."

Mr. Becks said that the new tools will allow him and other teachers in the department to expand the projects they are doing with students.

"It's (the new donation of new tools) pretty cool," commented Grade 10 construction student Bryce Mastelko. "So far in the class, we have made composting bins and a germination table."

MSS Principal Laurie Zahnow said that the donation will provide more opportunities for students and help teach skills that will help them later in life or in their careers.



Go Thunder!

The Mindemoya Thunder peewees won the Copper Cliff C Division over the weekend. The proud victors are Trevor White, Jasen Millette, Marjorie Scott, Tyler Leeson, Avery Sheppard, Kyle Smith, Owen Duncanson, Michael Hore, Hunter Smith, Hailey Prior and Michael Gibbons.

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Manitoulin Legal Clinic elects new board at AGM

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—The Manitoulin Legal Clinic held its annual general meeting on Tuesday, March 31 and elected a new board containing many familiar faces along with one new one.

Executive Director Michael Shain delivered a report that noted that small clinics, such as the Manitoulin operation, were somewhat under siege recently, as Legal Aid Ontario was attempting to consolidate small rural clinics into larger urban centres under the concept that “bigger is better.” The Toronto clinics are being heavily consolidated through the GTA Transformation Project, with 16 clinics being reduced to three plus additional clinics for Peel and York Regions, he noted in his report. “This is not necessarily a template for what will occur in the North, but many of the

ideas and processes that were used in this project will no doubt be applied in the North.”

Mr. Shain noted that, due in no small part to the hard work of the Manitoulin Legal Clinic board and its representations, as well as some first hand experience of the challenges presented by the Northern geographical realities, the Manitoulin clinic seems to have been spared from an ill-advised consolidation of services from remote rural areas to central urban operations.

The clinic workload, reported Mr. Shain, reflects the “usual level of activity,” but he was able to report “quite a bit of activity under law reform and media contacts as a result of our involvement with the Manitoulin North Shore Injured Workers Group, who have proven to be a pretty dynamic group of people.”

...Islanders speak out against rising hydro costs

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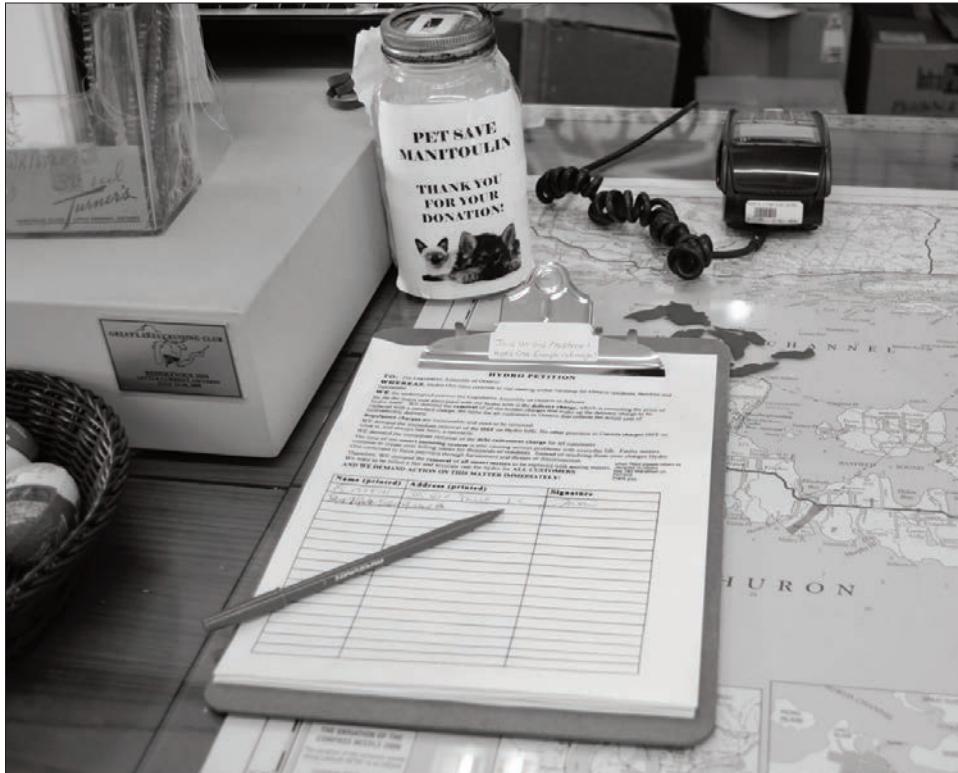
charge, the same for all customers in Ontario that reflects the actual costs of hydroelectric delivery. Regulatory charges are inexcusable and need to be removed. We demand the immediate removal of the HST on hydro bills. No other province in Canada charges HST on what is, and always has been, a necessity. We demand the immediate removal of the debt retirement charge for all customers. The time of use smart metering system is also causing serious problems with everyday life. Faulty meters continue to create over billing issues for thousands of residents. Instead of resolving these over charges Hydro One continues to force payment through harassment and threats of disconnection. Therefore, we demand the removal of all Smart Meters to be replaced with analog meters. We want to be billed a fair and accurate rate for hydro for all customers. And we demand action on this matter immediately.”

Mr. Young said that the petition is quickly gaining support across the Island and is available in Wikwemikong at Petro Zip-Thru Gas Bar, First Tel-

Office, Andy’s, Hillside Variety, Lewis Variety, the Wikwemikong Development Commission, Ed’s Restaurant, Karen’s Coffee Mat; Manitowaning at Nack’s; Little Current at Buddy’s Liquidation, Turners of Little Current and K & T Variety; Birch Island at

the home of Candace Robin Bowerman (Candy Cakes) and The General Store on Highway 6; M’Chigeeng First Nation at Paul’s Corner Store and Finn’s Gas Bar; Sheguiandah at the Manitoulin Soap Factory and Manitoulin Trading Post; Gore Bay at Central Pharmacy and H&M Mini Mart; Spring Bay at Buie’s; and Mindemoya at Wilson’s Corner Store, Williamson’s Hardware, Island Foodland and Mum’s Restaurant.

As of press time on Monday, Mr. Young reported that Island signatures had already reached over 500.



This fresh copy of the Hydro One Enough is Enough petition located at Turners of Little Current was recently replaced as past pages have been filling quickly.

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...Ontario investing \$25 million in cycling infrastructure

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(part of the Georgian Bay Cycling Route); Highway 17B and Highway 17 between Sault Ste. Marie and Espanola (part of the Lake Huron-North Channel Cycling Route).

The province has also dedicated \$10 million to the Ontario Municipal Cycling Infrastructure Program to help municipalities: expand their local cycling routes, connect with provincial cycling routes and launch pilot projects to make cycling improvements. Consultations on the municipal program have concluded, noted the release, adding that the launch of the program is on track for spring 2015. Work is also underway to identify a province-wide network of cycling routes in collaboration with a broad range of cycling stakeholders.

Ms. Mielonen and her MICA compatriots have visited Manitoulin municipalities, urging them to include cycling infrastructure in their asset management plans. “If cycling infrastructure is in those plans, then when funding is announced, the municipalities will be in a good position to apply,” she noted. “The \$10 million for municipalities might sound like a lot of money, but when it is spread across the province it can be snapped up pretty quick by

those who are prepared for it.”

MICA is keenly aware of the cost of adding paved shoulders to municipal roads, she noted, but said she hopes that municipalities can identify critical areas within their assets where short runs of paved shoulders could make all the difference in making Island roadways cycling friendly. “We can’t just hard top all of the shoulders on municipal roads,” she admitted, but pointed out that “there are places where a steep hill can cause cyclists to slow down.” Ms. Mielonen pointing out that by adding short sections of paved shoulders at those critical bottlenecks, riding up to the crest of a hill could vastly improve safety and accessibility both for cyclists and other vehicles utilizing municipal roads.

The provincial announcement highlighted that investing in infrastructure is part of the government’s economic plan for Ontario. “The four part plan is building Ontario up by investing in people’s talents and skills, building new public infrastructure like roads and transit, creating a dynamic, supportive environment where business thrives and building a secure savings plan so everyone can afford to retire,” concluded the announcement.

...DSB to introduce paramedicine in Gore Bay and Gogama

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paramedic directed home services (grouped together as they basically encompass the same procedures in dealing with patients); and community driven paramedicine wellness clinics.

Training of paramedics for the new program has largely been completed and the program was anticipated to begin on April 1 in the Manitoulin Sudbury DSB.

The communities of Gore Bay and Gogama were chosen for the roll out of the program due to the low call vol-

umes generated by those communities and the high volume of chronic illness calls in Gogama pointed to a good return on investment of resources in that community.

“Both these communities have call volumes that are not so overwhelming that the paramedics can perform community paramedicine initiatives while on regular duty,” noted Mr. MacIsaac. “In addition, it is felt that the DSB should see some improvements in call volumes with the implementation of these initiatives and, possibly, a reduction in call outs at night.”

“Since there is no additional fund-

ing for this program, we felt it was important to implement the program where it would not require a significant investment of additional funds from our DSB,” said DSB CAO Fern Dominelli. “This would not be possible in other communities such as Little Current and Espanola where there is a much higher volume of calls.”

“The DSB will operate these programs using regular on duty paramedics, when not otherwise occupied by emergency calls and the cost to the DSB will only be nominal ancillary costs,” confirmed Mr. MacIsaac.

Returning to the board are Linda Erskine (reelected chair), Leslie Fields (vice-chair), Ned Martin (treasurer) and board members Mary Alice Lewis, Rosemary Burnett, Heather Jacko (a returning former board member), newcomer Colin Pick (chair of the Manitoulin North Shore Injured Workers Group) and retired lawyer Steve Marshall.



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This week’s player profile is Maggie Strain. Maggie is in grade twelve and from Gore Bay. She attended Gore Bay’s local elementary school, C.C. Mclean, where she received the student council award. At C.C. Mclean Maggie participated in all the sports she could. This included sports such as volleyball, basketball, soccer and running. Throughout elementary school Maggie also played hockey for the Gore Bay Bruins. Later on she moved onto Ice Angels and then in grade 11 to the high school team. Maggie has been playing hockey the majority of her life and she hopes to continue which is why it’s Maggie’s favorite sport; it’s a sport you can continue playing recreationally and meeting people for a long time. In high school Maggie played for the hockey team in grade eleven, basketball in grade nine and tennis every year. In grade nine Maggie’s basketball team qualified for NOSSA! This year Maggie has also been very active in the cross fit group that runs at the school. Maggie says that even though she’s never been the best athlete she always enjoyed the exercise and social aspects that came with every sport.

Outside of school Maggie enjoys snow-machining, fishing and working out. In school Maggie’s favorite subject is English and next year is going to Algonquin College where she has already been accepted to get her PSW and from there be able to move in and become a communicative disorders assistant.

...OMB approves six lots as part of a three-lake study

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of the planned 21 lots) with the condition that the septic systems of the new lots will be monitored for three years prior to the second phase of the subdivision being approved by the MOECC.

The Lake Manitou Area Association (LMAA), which has been publicly objected to the subdivision in the past, was also involved on the call. However, despite stating that the organization does not support the project, it accepted and withdrew its objection.

"LMAA decided to accept the agreement and withdraw our objection, in part because of a number of communications during the prior week (with representatives of the developer and the province)," Robert Coulter of the LMAA explained to The Expositor following the hearing. "They made it clear that the province actually wanted the agreement in order to proceed as part of a three lake 'pilot project' to assess the effectiveness of developing phosphorus removal/retention technologies. This interest by the province lent additional weight to the opposition LMAA would be facing in a full hearing and a majority of LMAA directors provided direction not to pursue the objection."

"We wish to clarify that we do not in any way support the agreement," continued Mr. Coulter. "As I stated during the hearing event, Lake Manitou is a provincially significant

lake trout lake (so designated by Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry) in its own right, and additionally so since the operation of the Blue Jay Creek hatchery station provides Lake Manitou genetic material to support the lake trout fisheries in a number of lakes across the province. As such, it is a singularly inappropriate location and context to run a 'pilot project' experiment."

"In communications prior to the hearing event, LMAA was able to secure two relatively minor changes or additions to the agreement," he added. "One of these is that LMAA will receive copies of all monitoring reports and have the opportunity to forward its comments to MMAH/MOECC before the province reaches decisions on the adequacy of the results."

Mr. McLay explained that the pilot project will demonstrate the effectiveness of phosphorous removal septic system technology and is the first of its kind on Manitoulin.

Three of the sites will feature septic systems with special soils to trap phosphates while the other three sites will feature a Waterloo Biofilter System (an advanced onsite wastewater treatment system for off-sewer developments).

"Part of the pilot project is that we have to prove phosphates won't get into the lake and I feel confident that we can do this," said Mr. McLay. "I think that the future of all development on Lake Manitou is going to depend on me proving the effectiveness of these systems."

...Family Health Team adds clinical opiates treatment

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in the service gap for their band members shortly after the Little Current clinic's closure through a partnership between the M'Chigeeng Health Centre, Dr. Dressler, the Manitoulin Central Family Health Team and the Guardian Pharmacy in Mindemoya.

Patients from the rest of Manitoulin were left travelling, some daily, to Dr. Dressler's Larch Street Clinic in Sudbury. Last year, Wikwemikong partnered with Dr. Brian Sankey to form the Sunrise Clinic in the community for band members.

Despite the two new programs, 22 patients of the North-eastern Manitoulin FHT from Sheguandah, Little Cur-

rent, Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation and Whitefish River First Nation were left still travelling to Sudbury to receive treatment, in addition to others from communities across the Island.

"As I said, right now we are only offering a local site for our patients, but we will be looking at the possibility of opening up the program to additional patients (from other Island communities) and/or new patients at our (North-eastern Manitoulin FHT) board meeting on Monday, April 17," Ms. Miller told The Expositor. "We will be looking at how the program and process has been working for the existing 22 patients and if and how we might open the doors to additional patients."

...South Baymouth museum acquires another medal

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medals from such a small community."

Mr. Thomson, who resides in St. George in southwestern Ontario, is interested in Canadian history. He likes to search for Canadian military medals online, notifying the family or local museum so they can repatriate the medal. When he found the Wilman medal he notified Jane Deyell, former chair of the museum. "This cross," he wrote to Mrs. Deyell, "commonly called the 'Mothers Silver Cross' would have been given to his mother Elizabeth Wilman. You will probably find over the years after WWI Elizabeth Wilman was likely the Silver Cross Mother for your area on one or more Remembrance Days."

Mrs. Deyell took immedi-



WWI Private
Valentine Wilman

ate action by notifying the current board, Reeve Eric Russell and the municipal office. "You'll remember Dave as the man who got us our Chisholm medal," she stated. "This one is the Memorial Cross...I think it is an important find and hope the municipality/museum can act on it immediately."

Act they did. Within 10 days the medal was in Tehkummah.

Private Wilman was born May 18, 1892 in South Baymouth to parents Valentine and Elizabeth (nee Bennett). According to his obituary published in The Recorder in 1923, Mr. Wilman Sr. was "one of the earliest pioneers on the south side of the Island, having come with his grandparents who were of United Empire Loyalist stock from Pennsylvania, from Quebec in 1873 to Walker's Point on the south shore of the Island where his uncles Christopher and Peter had already established a trading post. They had another at Gore Bay, being among the first white settlers there. Old residents will remember the loss of the "Sea Horse" when both

Mr. Wilman's uncles were drowned, also Mr. Love, Mr. Turly and another. They were on their way to Sarnia with their fish. Shortly after this Mr. Wilman moved to South Bay Mouth where he resided until his death."

The younger Valentine Wilman enlisted to serve in the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force in October 1915 when he was 23-years-old. He served in the 37th Battalion, Canadian Infantry for only a short time. He died April 2, 1916 at Isolation Hospital, Folkestone. The cause of death was measles and pneumonia. Private Wilman is buried at Shorncliffe Military Cemetery.

The Little Schoolhouse and Museum will feature the Wilman and Chisholm medals in its military exhibit for the upcoming 2015 season.



Positive Ticket Campaign winner

On April 2, 2015 UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service held the draw for the M'Chigeeng Positive Ticket Campaign. Congratulations goes out to Aurora Panamick, the proud winner of an iPod. UCCM Anishnaabe Police Community Services Officer Murray Still presented the winner with her prize and looks forward to issuing more positive tickets.

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Autism Awareness Month: A Gore Bay family's story

by Blake Priddle

GORE BAY—Autism Awareness Month continues on Manitoulin Island and all across Canada. Pamela McLaughlin is a Gore Bay mother whose daughter Molly has autism. She recalls how they came to discover that Molly had autism.

"I was a first-time mom with twin girls, Molly and Annie," she told The Expositor. "Molly was always ahead of Annie in all of the childhood milestones such as crawling, walking and talking. Then virtually overnight we saw a drastic change in Molly at the age of one. She stopped talking, she had dark circles under her eyes, she stopped looking at people and got very quiet. I had no idea what autism was in those days—not many people did. At the time, just by coincidence, my girlfriend from university told me her two-year-old son had just been diagnosed with PDD-NOS (Pervasive Development Disorder-Not Otherwise Specified)—a form of autism."

"I went on the Internet and Googled it and then I



Parent and Gore Bay Councillor Ken Blodgett, parent Stasia Carr, parent Pamela McLaughlin and Gore Bay Mayor Ron Lane display the Autism Ontario Raise the Flag banner prior to it being hoisted upon the lanyards outside the Gore Bay municipal offices. Students from Gore Bay's Charles C. McLean Public School marched through the downtown streets of the municipality later in the day to raise awareness.

photo by Michael Erskine

stopped using sign language around the age of four when she started to speak and she learned to read and write by Grade 3. She loves music and can recall hundreds of songs and lyrics. Molly has an amazing memory and vocabulary. The use of an iPad at school and at home with the many helpful apps available has helped Molly with her communication skills. She can ask for things in basic sentences and make comments about things but she's not a conversationalist.

Her mother Pam elaborates: "You might not think that Molly is aware of what's going on. She may seem aloof, but she listens to everything and she can understand what you are saying. She is very sensitive to the emotions of others, their words and their tone. She is also very sensitive to noises. Even the birds outside chirping hurts her ears. She has a lot of sensory issues such as smells, noises, food textures that she has to deal with everyday. Molly has to deal with so much but she is sweet and loving. She likes to give hugs and her laughter is contagious!"

Molly McLaughlin of Gore Bay is a young woman living with autism with the full support of her family and community.

started to cry," Ms. McLaughlin continued. "Our daughter Molly had several symptoms that were on the list of autism symptoms. So we had medical confirmation by the time she was 21-months-old that Molly had severe autism or classic Kanner's Syndrome. That was a very hard time as there was virtually no services or help. We felt helpless. I read every book I could get my hands on, I scoured the Internet and even took training at the Geneva Centre in Toronto. The waitlists for basic therapy were long and we were so relieved when Molly was finally able to receive IBI/ABA therapy. My husband Ken and I, along with the therapists, started to learn sign language so we could communicate with Molly. Slowly with the ABA therapy Molly started to come along and began to connect with us. She didn't speak for a couple of years and she was very active, always needing supervision for her safety."

Molly has come a long way since she was little. She

from the communities on Manitoulin Island.

"The school, the students

and the community in Gore Bay has been very supportive of Molly," she said. "It is

so heart-warming when someone stops me at the grocery store to ask how

she's doing or a person gives me an article they have clipped out of a magazine about autism. Some folks even call me at home if there is a program on television about it. It makes this journey we are on a little bit easier."

Molly will be going to high school this September at Manitoulin Secondary School. It is a huge transition for her but so far her 'little visits' to the school have been successful.

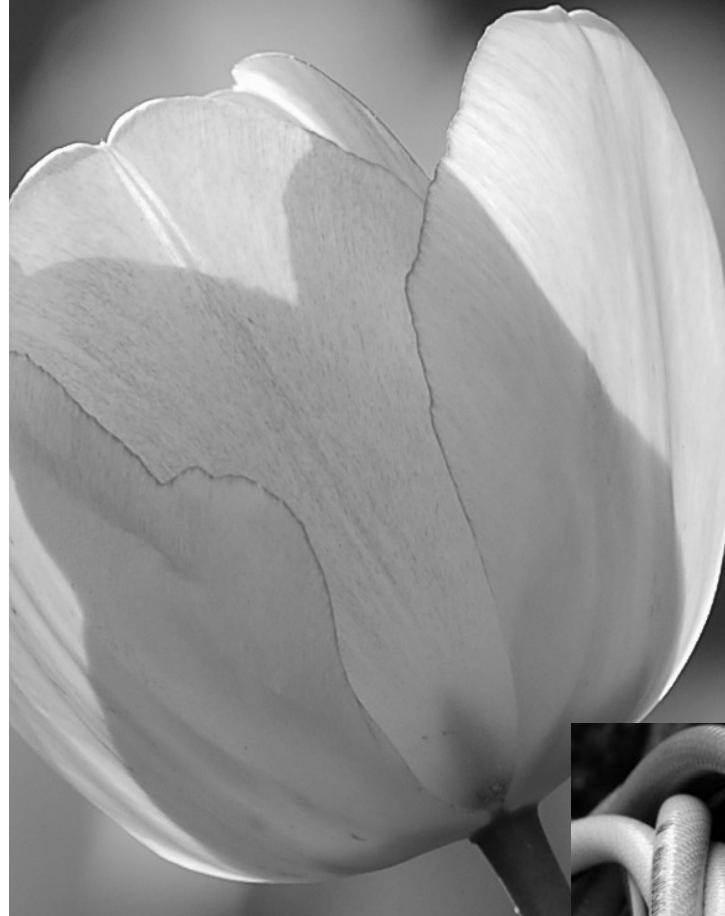
"Molly has enriched our lives and she has taught us so much," Ms. McLaughlin continued. "When we first started this journey I had no idea what the word autism even meant. Now here we are 12 years later and the information about autism has exploded. It's prevalent and with numbers as high as one in every 66 children having some type of Autism Spectrum Disorder—this is something that will touch all of our lives in one way or another."



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Special Needs Strategy sought for Sudbury-Manitoulin District

by Betty Bardswich

MINDMOYA—The Ontario government's Ministry of Children and Youth Services hosted an information webinar at the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) in Mindemoya on March 11. The purpose of the open forum was to outline a Special Needs Strategy (SNS) to help families with children and youth with special requirements including physical, developmental, and/or communication needs get timely and effective services whether it be at home, at school or in the community and to outline the Sudbury-Manitoulin Proposal Development Table.

Facilitated by Joanne Tramontini, the clinical manager at the Children's Treatment Centre in Sudbury, and Dr. Terri Barriault, a member of the Executive Leadership Team of Child and Community Resources, those in attendance were informed that the government of Ontario has asked agencies in the Sudbury-Manitoulin District to come together in order to improve the service coordination and integration of rehabilitation services to children and youth with special needs.

As outlined in the webinar, in order that the children and their families achieve the timely and effective services that the government envisions will take place at the provincial and local levels, collaboration across sectors, listening to family and youth input and innovative approaches to addressing challenges and barriers for families, this will mean a seamless experience of services, clear access and service plans, smooth transitions and the fact that stories will not have to be

told over and over. An overview of the first steps for the SNS includes a new, voluntary developmental screen to identify potential risks to children's development and to connect them with the services they need. This screen will be developed by scientific experts and grounded in a strong understanding of child development and will be appropriate for children ages 0 to 6. It will be offered at well-publicized community locations by trained staff and will not be compulsory but will be available to parents upon request. As well, this screen will identify risks for healthy development and developmental delays and, if a need or needs are identified, children will be referred for further assessment and treatment. The second step is a coordinated service planning processes for children with multiple and/or complex special needs so families can access a range of services and supports. This is for children and youth with multiple and/or complex special needs who would benefit from added support due to the breadth and cross-sectional nature of their service needs. Also, these children and their families will have a service plan that is built around their strengths and needs, their stories will not have to be told multiple times and they will have a "go to" person when they have a question about their service plans and who will monitor the child's service needs. A third step will be the integrated delivery of rehabilitation services so children have access to speech-language therapy, occupational therapy and physiotherapy services delivered seamlessly from birth to the end of school.

These services will be built around their goals for home, school and the community and will be delivered in a way and in the place that meets the needs of the child and family. Two proposals for the Ministries' approval from each of the 34 service delivery areas in Ontario will see the Coordinated Service Planning due June 15, 2015 with implementation beginning in November, 2015, the Integrated Delivery of Rehabilitation Services due October 30, 2015 with implementation beginning June 2016. The Developmental Screen is scheduled to be available in 2017.

In outlining the expectations of the coordinated service planning, it shows that there are three key elements. These include a single coordinating agency in each service delivery area, dedicated service planning coordinators and one coordinated service plan for each child/youth with multiple and/or complex special needs. The locally developed proposals will describe how children and youth with multiple and/or complex special needs and their families will have: a clear referral process, access to a service planning coordinator with collaborative relationships across sectors, one coordinated service plan that takes into account all of their goals, strengths and needs and family involvement in determining needs and strengths and setting goals. The outcomes of this planning will be an improved service experience, the fact that families won't have to repeat their stories multiple times and families will know who is responsible for helping them with and monitoring their service plans.

Under delivery of rehabilitation services, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech and language therapy services will be realigned so that children and families experience rehabilitation services as one program, do not require a lead agency model and are not about amalgamation. These services will be delivered seamlessly from birth through school exit, families and regulated health professionals will work together to determine needs and there will be a broad range of intervention types available. Parents and youth will have transparent access to services and can self refer to services, children can access services regardless of age, severity of disorder and/or diagnosis and services will be continuous across transition points.

These rehabilitation services are currently provided through Children's Treatment Centres, Preschool Speech and Language (PSL) Program lead and partner agencies, Community Care Access Centres (CCACs), District School Boards (Public and Separate and French and English), School Authorities, Section 68 School Authorities and Section 23 Programs in Care, Treatment or Custody and/or Correctional Facilities and Children's Development Services.

The Sudbury Manitoulin Proposal Development Table was also discussed at the webinar showing that work thus far has been about planning and setting the stage, that is, putting in place the people and processes to support system change and proposal development. There are 14 agencies involved including Children's Community Network, Child and Community Resources, Wordplay, Rainbow District School Board, Child and Family Centre, Sudbury and District Health Unit, Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board, Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board, Community Care Access centre, Sudbury District School Board, Ontario Local Health Integration network, Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-

Ontario, Conseil scolaire public Grand Nord de L'Ontario, and Health Sciences North.

The Sudbury Manitoulin Special needs Steering Committee makes key decisions based on sub-committee input and is responsible for final proposal submissions. This includes the Family and Youth Engagement Committee which provides input and makes recommendations on key process areas touching families, children and youth. Also included are two sub-committees, the Coordinated Service Planning Subcommittee which is focussed on the development of the coordinated service planning proposal and the Integrated Rehab Service Delivery Sub-Committee to be focussed on the development of the integrated rehab service delivery proposal.

Several matters under the development table have been dealt with including the election of co-chairs, the development of terms of reference, the completion and approval of a budget and the hiring of a project facilitator with

expertise in process improvement. As well, a communication plan/strategy has been developed, plans have been made for family engagement, a detailed work plan has been established and outreach has been made to aboriginal service providers and agencies not already involved.

It was emphasized at the meetings that family and youth involvement is essential to ensure that the proposals reflect the voices, needs, strengths and goals of children and youth with special needs and their families and to support proposal development that places the needs of children, youth and families at the centre.

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...Microplastics and microfibres

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"we're at 17 species and a double crested cormorant," she explained. "Every species, 18, has had plastic in them—every single one. We might have had an individual fish that didn't, but all of the species did."

The lower the fish on the food chain, the less plastic, from one to three particles. The cormorants, the top of the food chain, had the most at 36 pieces of plastic.

"We can now establish that plastic is making its way into the food chain," Dr. Mason said.

She noted that the Great Lakes have typically been harbingers for bad chemicals that like to cling to plastics.

"There's no data, but it's safe to say that this same bad stuff is probably making its way into the food chain," the professor added.

Almost all of the Great Lakes states have passed, or are in the process of passing, legislation to ban microplastics, with an NDP MP putting forward a motion to have Canada add microplastics to its list of toxic substances. This motion has gained unanimous support. Ontario, too, is looking to create a similar ban.

"I guess we've presented enough of a story that people are noticing," Dr. Mason said. "I love what I do and it's very encouraging to see people taking note and making changes—be it at a personal or government level."

The scientist told the story of a recent talk at a high school, sharing her studies on microbeads and listing some of the products that contain them. A young girl in the audience, who had only the day

before purchased a face wash that featured microbeads, was so horrified to learn the affects of these particles she returned the unused face wash the next day. It's stories like that make Dr. Mason proud of the work she does, she said.

"Microbeads are one aspect of the problem, but discussion on our use of plastics needs to continue," she added.

What's next for Dr. Mason? "Sleep," she laughed. "I want to look at zooplankton and mussels and 'what are the impacts on organisms once the plastics are ingested.' As the plastics degrade, what happens to them? We know that the polymers change and there are chemical releases that can perhaps be even more harmful."

The professor and her team have also discovered high amounts of plastic fibers in the streams and tributaries leading into the Great Lakes, noting that every time a micro or polar fleece garment is washed (these so-called fleece products are made from recycled plastics), 2,000 microfibres are released into the wash water, and back into the water system. "We are finding them (fibres) in enormous quantities in streams and fish."

"We are also looking at studying the issue across the States, not just the Great Lakes, to show the ubiquity of the issue," Dr. Mason added. "Taking this to a regional issue to a national issue to a global issue."

"I'm not pointing fingers at wastewater treatment plants, they are doing exactly what they were designed to do," she concluded, referencing the plants' inability to capture microplastics. "It's our problem."

Central Manitoulin Council Notes

Council to receive donations for hatchery program

A motion by Councillor Patricia MacDonald seconded by Councillor Dale Scott has authorized the municipality to accept donations, and issue charitable receipts on behalf of the United Fish and Game Clubs of Manitoulin, for the specific capital project of the Mindemoya Fish Hatchery.

"It will be an ongoing project," noted Councillor MacDonald, adding that the municipality can only accept donations aimed at the capital costs of the project. She said that Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) support for the project will be contingent on the results of a 2013 MNRF assessment of the fish populations in Lake Mindemoya.

"The assessment has apparently been delayed by an illness in the department," she supplied, "but by August 1 they expect the results to be available."

Providence Bay custodial contract deferred to committee

A recommendation from the Office and Administration committee to set the custodial contract for the Providence Bay Hall and the Welcome Centre be set at \$19,000 per annum and the Mindemoya custodial contract be set at \$27,000 per annum, and that each employee be may be required to work at each others' buildings on occasion, was deferred to committee on a motion by Councillor Dale Scott and Councillor Derek Stephens.

"There was some concern on the way it was put together," said Mayor Richard Stephens in making the suggestion that the contracts be referred back to committee for further study.

Angel Bus receives municipal donation

A motion to donate \$1,000 annually to the Angel Bus fundraising efforts of the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Inc. for the next two years was moved by Councillor Patricia MacDonald and seconded by Councillor Derek Stephens.

"I have worked in the nursing home structure and I do know that the residents like to get out to do some shopping now and then," said Councillor Stephens. "I do hope that the other municipalities get on board with this as well."

"This is not only for the Lodge residents, but also for medically vulnerable residents," said Councillor MacDonald.

"This is not restricted to Lodge people," agreed Mayor Richard Stephens.

Financial reports approved

A motion to approve the year to date financial report ending February 28, 2015 for the Office and Administration committee was moved by Councillor Patricia MacDonald and seconded by Councillor

Dale Scott.

A second motion to approve the Finance and Development report for the month of February 2015 was moved by Councillor Derek Stephens and seconded by Councillor Alex Baran.

Approval of the cheque register for the month of January 2015 in the amount of \$417,405.41 and February 2015 in the amount of \$458,731.94 were approved on motions from Councillor Alex Baran and Councillor Ted Taylor.

"These expenditures are given a pretty detailed discussion in committee," noted Mayor Richard Stephens, cautioning the media present that although there was no, discussion of the reports contents at the council meeting per se, the reports "do not pass us by un-reviewed."

Tile loan application approved

Approval of an application to council a tile loan submitted by a Mr. Orford was moved by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Derek Stephens.

"There is no municipal dollars going into this," said Councillor Stephens. "This is simply an in and out arrangement—a flow through."

Advertisement approved

A motion to purchase a quarter page advertisement in The Manitoulin Expositor for National Volunteer Appreciation Week was moved by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Linda Farquhar.

"I think it is coming April 18 and that the advertisements should be in The Manitoulin Expositor and the Recorder," said Mayor Richard Stephens.

"There wouldn't be much going on in our communities without our volunteers," said Councillor Derek Stephens. "They are the ones who really make things happen."

Councillor appointed to physician recruitment committee

Councillor Patricia MacDonald was appointed by council to the Manitoulin Health Centre's Physician Recruitment Committee on a motion made by Councillor Derek Stephens and seconded by Councillor Linda Farquhar. Councillor MacDonald had earlier recused herself from this item on the agenda.

"Good luck," offered Mayor Richard Stephens.

"Thank you for the recommendation to the committee and the support of council," said Councillor MacDonald following the unanimous vote. "I hope this will prove to be a success for the Island."

"I think they are still working on the terms of reference for the committee," said Mayor Stephens. "It is a good time to be in on the ground floor."

Accessibility plan approved

Council, through a motion put forward by Councillor Alex Baran and seconded by Councillor Dale Scott, approved a multi-year accessibility plan, updated February 15, 2015.

"I think it is a good plan that does a little bit each year so that it doesn't put too much pressure on any year," said Councillor Patricia MacDonald.

"It is an ongoing process," agreed Councillor Dale Scott.

Design workshop to seek public input on Prov parking lot/landscaped park

A motion authorizing the Providence Bay Community Centre Board to host a design workshop on Saturday, April 11 to gather input from the community with regard to designing a combined use parking lot/landscaped park in the empty lot beside the Providence Bay Community Centre was moved by Councillor Ted Taylor and Councillor Patricia MacDonald.

"Are the Providence Bay committee involved?" asked Mayor Richard Stephens.

"They provided the property," noted Councillor Taylor.

"This is not a new idea," said Councillor MacDonald. "This is something they have been working on for the last few years." Ms. MacDonald pointed out that the committee has been sourcing funding toward the project. "One of the things they are talking about is a new picnic spot," she said. "Mary Jo Gordon has been working on the design and doing that work for free."

"Do we normally have a representative on that committee?" asked Councillor Dale Scott.

"I am the representative," noted Councillor Alex Baran.

"I know we allotted money for this," said Councillor Derek Stephens. "I hope the committee takes that into consideration."

"The first step is design," said Mayor Stephens.

"This will be as much of a volunteer project as possible," noted Councillor Baran.

Appointment to Providence Bay Community Centre Board

Council appointed Jeff Wilson to the Providence Bay Community Centre Board through a motion made by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Alex Baran.

"(It is) always good to see someone new added to the list," said Mayor Stephens in commanding the volunteer's application.

May 4 to 10 declared Emergency Preparedness Week

A motion by Councillor Ted Taylor and seconded by Councillor Dale Scott was passed by council proclaiming May 4 to 10 as Emergency Preparedness Week in the Municipality of Central Manitoulin.

"I presume this is an issue that has been going on for a while?" asked Mayor Richard Stephens.

"It was there last year," supplied Central Manitoulin Treasurer Denise Deforge, sitting in for CAO Ruth Frawley as staff support for the council meeting.

"It is good to review emergency preparedness," said Councillor Taylor. "There are a lot of services in the community."

"A notice will go out with the next tax bill to let people know," said Councillor Linda Farquhar.

"Is the municipality looking at doing something?" asked Councillor MacDonald. "If we are encouraging people to take part, we should have something."

"There is usually a display in the foyer (of the municipal offices)," said Councillor Baran.

"There should be something to drive people to this," suggested Mayor Stephens.

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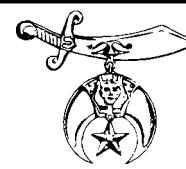
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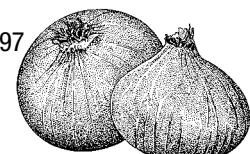
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Computer glitches continue to dog Ontario Works software

by Michael Erskine

ESPAÑOLA—The new software undergoing implementation in Ontario Works offices across the province continues to bedevil the folks charged with administering welfare and disability support programs across the province.

SAMS (social assistance management software) manages case files, including benefit payments, for hundreds of thousands of the province's Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program recipients.

Members of the Manitoulin Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) were updated on the trials and tribulations being experienced by those charged with working with the flawed system and given the lowdown on some of the glitches being experienced by local staff.

DSB CAO Fern Dominelli noted that many of the difficulties being experienced with implementation of the SAMS system stem from the ambitious attempt to bring the incredibly complicated software online in all jurisdictions simultaneously. That, and the poor integration of legacy data, has meant that much of the work the software is meant to automate and make easier has, in fact, required manual efforts that have placed increased costs and burden on staff resources. It is in recouping the full impact of those added costs that the DSB is most concerned with at this time.

Mr. Dominelli noted that the DSB has received one time funding of \$300,000 three times so far over the course of the problematic SAMS implementation period.

A key concern in the AMO letter, and with the DSB, is that the 50/50 administrative costs arrangement should not be included in these added costs.

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Ontario (AMO), which outlined the "unsustainable" issues besetting the system and endorsed a number of recommendations to address the issue.

"In addition to the immediate short-term issues, we are concerned with the long-term implications of using SAMS," notes the AMO letter addressed to the Honourable Dr. Helena Jaczek Minister of Community and Social Services. "It is not evident that SAMS is providing the intended service benefits as promised. As we understand it, SAMS is not handling well the myriad of rules and exceptions that govern Ontario Works. Basic functions such as client intake and address changes take much longer to perform than the previous Social Delivery Model Technology (SDMT) system. There are also a number of accountability features not yet functioning in SAMS. This is affecting the ability to perform financial reconciliations. Again, manual work will be necessary to do what SAMS fails to do. All this will have long-term cost and service impacts, which have yet to be assessed, let alone addressed by the ministry."

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Minister Jaczek went on to say that "the rollout of

the new SAMS technology has been challenging and stressful for the people who use it and I want to again thank our staff and our delivery partners for their patience and continued dedication as we work through these challenges together. While PwC (Price Waterhouse Canada) continues its work, the ministry will continue to implement system improvements based on input from our joint municipal/provincial Technical Working Group. As well, we've increased meaningful and collaborative engagement opportunities with front-line staff and our municipal service delivery partners. SAMS is improving social assistance in Ontario, but there's no question its implementation must continue to be improved."

The opposition was not as convinced and has called for the premier to fire the Community and Social Services minister.

Progressive Conservative MPP Bill Walker said he has heard from people in the support offices that there were problems with this past Wednesday's cheque run. "A small delay to someone who relies on this funding to provide for their family isn't a small anything," he said.

NDP MPP for Hamilton Mountain, Monique Taylor, rose in the legislature and called on Premier Wynne to ask the minister responsible for the SAMS debacle to resign.

"No one is above accountability in this legislature," said Ms. Taylor. "But the Minister of Community and Social Services refuses to take responsibility for the SAMS fiasco. Since November, families have been underpaid. Cheques have been too late to pay the rent. Staff are overwhelmed and exhausted,

and just yesterday, SAMS had to be rebooted, forcing staff to reassess many of their cases."

"SAMS is a nightmare, but the Liberals still think they aren't accountable to the people of Ontario," continued Ms. Taylor. "What will it take for the premier to ask the minister to resign?" The minister said last Thursday, 'we have been extremely successful,' the Liberals' measure of success includes \$240 million and counting, wasted on software that doesn't work, 21 weeks of chaos, 500,000 T5s shredded, 720 clients' privacy breached, and now, \$200,000 spent on a report that ignores the biggest issues staff and recipients have been telling the Liberals about for months, the functionality of the system. How much more needs to go wrong before the premier asks the minister to resign?"

The report on the SAMS will be ready "within a few

weeks," but critics note that it will not cover an assessment of the project's performance since inception, or assess the overall system

or infrastructure performance of SAMS, nor will it provide an opinion on the functional or technical readiness of the system.



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Billings Library hosts Seedy Saturday event

by Sharon Jackson

KAGAWONG—The first seed swap of the year in Billings attracted a dozen enthusiastic gardeners to the Billings Library during the Easter weekend.

Librarian Jill Ferguson hosted Seedy Saturday, welcoming knowledgeable green thumb gardeners and newcomers alike.

Pumpkin, kale and ‘mystery squash’ seeds were shared by gardener Rachel, who was thrilled to fill little bags with seeds to be taken home by her fellow vegetable gardeners.

Those who did not bring seeds to swap were encouraged to make a donation to support the development of a heritage seed lending library.

“Hybrids,” explained Ms. Ferguson, “are a mix of two varieties of plants while heritage seeds stay true to the parent plant.”

The goal of the library’s seed swap program, shared Ms. Ferguson, is to have people “check out the seeds, grow them at home, harvest them and return the seeds in the fall.”

Ms. Ferguson was pleased with the great turnout and urges people to keep an eye out for a follow up swap in the fall.



Avid gardeners met at the Billings Library to share stories and swap seeds at the first “Seedy Saturday” held during the Easter weekend.

photo by Sharon Jackson

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aware of the risks.”

Auxiliary report

Dave Sylvester presented the Little Current Hospital Auxiliary report, noting that a recent in memoriam donation of \$5,000 from the late Irene Cadieux, coupled with another \$5,000 from other fundraising initiatives, meant a cheque presentation of \$10,000 for the Sweet Slumbers campaign. The cheque was presented during the auxiliary’s annual casserole dinner.

He explained that the auxiliary has donated toward three beds over the last 18 months.

This year is the 70th anniversary of the Little Current auxiliary and the group is planning a special 70th anniversary dinner in June.

Suzanne Norris, MHC board chair, thanked Mr. Sylvester and the rest of the board for their hard work. “We appreciate what you do,” she said.

Fundraising chair

Angela Becks, fundraising chair and board vice chair, thanked Rick,

Julia and Alicia McCutcheon of Manitoulin Publishing for the media coverage the two Island newspapers give each of the donations MHC receives. She noted the importance of the Manitoulin West Recorder as well “as it is something those on Western Manitoulin hold dear and expect to see photos there,” which saw nods of agreement from around the table.

Draft budget passed

The board passed the draft operating budget for 2015-2016.

The Roosterant in Mindemoya



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...Island abattoir is thriving

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The abattoir works as a co-op, Ms. Johnston explained to The Expositor, with producers either becoming a member and having part ownership in the abattoir and a discounted rate to use the facility, or paying a flat fee to utilize the facility. Manitoulin Island Meats is a subsidiary of the abattoir with a separate board of directors and

operations last year had an affect on the abattoir.

"Blue Goose wasn't a part of the abattoir's original plan," responded Ms. Johnston. "They only processed a few beef cattle with us, so we haven't felt a huge impact. Our goal is to break even this year, our third year. Our goal is 350 head of beef (with two pigs or four lambs equaling one cow as well). We are doing really

the Lakes Farm,' located between Big Lake and Lake Manitou, started raising heritage breed Berkshire pigs a few years ago in part due to the new abattoir.

"I have had very positive experiences with the abattoir and Manitoulin Island Meats," said Mr. Doane. "My customers have commented on the quality of the pork and how it has been well processed—they are very professional and do a good job. Before the Manitoulin abattoir producers had to go off Island—now the process can be done locally. It is nice to be able to produce and sell ethically raised local food."

Tween the Lakes pork can be purchased through Manitoulin Island Meats or directly through Mr. Doane.

To learn more about the abattoir or Manitoulin Island Meats visit 'Manitoulin Abattoir' on Facebook or call 705-377-5622 for meat inquiries and 705-377-5325 or 705-377-7960 for the abattoir.



The abattoir saw a successful first quarter, with many Island producers utilizing its services.



Pork producer Steve Doane raises Berkshire pigs, which eventually make their way to the abattoir and the plates of Islanders.

deals with promoting and selling meat from the abattoir.

"The abattoir purchases meat—beef, pork and lamb—from producers across the Island and then markets the meat through the store (Manitoulin Island Meats)," added Ms. Johnston. "We have protocols in place such as no hormones and no antibiotics for beef and we are currently developing similar protocols for pork and lamb—we want to sell good quality meat. We have starting selling boxes of packaged meat to individuals and businesses such as Andy's in Wikwemikong and the West Bay General in M'Chigeeng. We hope to now really start branding Manitoulin Island Meats and reach new markets."

Before the abattoir all the lamb I sold had to be sold whole," explained Bidwell producer Rob Pennie of 'Hidden Springs Farms.' "It (the abattoir) has been quite helpful. Now I can sell packaged lamb and it encouraged me expand to cattle as well."

Mr. Pennie said that currently his meat is slaughtered at the abattoir, processed at Manitoulin Island Meats in Providence Bay and sold at The Island Jar in Little Current, but he hopes to expand this summer through Manitoulin Island Meats and introduce his product to new markets.

The Expositor asked Ms. Johnston if the Blue Goose withdrawal of Island cattle

well so far with our first quarter projections being right on target. In fact, we did better this first quarter than last year and that quarter actually included a few head from Blue Goose."

Personally, the abattoir has had a huge impact on Ms. Johnston and her husband's beef and lamb businesses, 'Cheeky Heifer,' and other Island producers.

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Easter weekend fun on Manitoulin



Lucy Paibomsai, age 5, of Whitefish River First Nation show off her colourful Easter eggs at the annual Centennial Museum of Sheguianah hunt.

photo by Robin Burridge



The Easter Bunny poses with some of the children who came to Kagawong to take part in the Community Easter Egg hunt. Members of the Billings Recreation Committee hosted the event and provided chocolate covered eggs and Kandy Kabob treats to 35 kids of all ages.

photo by Sharon Jackson



Shayanna Corbiere, age five, and Oliver Wilding, age two, both of Little Current, excitedly collect eggs during the Sheguianah Easter egg hunt.

photo by Robin Burridge



The 28th Annual Assiginack Easter Egg Hunt was a great success as egg hunters of all sizes looked for loot hidden in the snow. Special thanks to the Friends of the Assiginack Library for sponsoring the event and to the Fields' family for hosting.

photo by Heather Pennie



And they're off! Dozens of children of all ages participated in the fourth annual Mindemoya Easter egg hunt which featured over 3,000 eggs.

photo by Betty Bardswich



Hailey Corbiere of M'Chigeeng participated in the fourth annual Mindemoya Easter egg hunt along with her aunt Dakota Legge.

photo by Betty Bardswich



This year's winner of the Assiginack Egg Hunt was Brooke Gibeault who found the two special eggs that were redeemable for cash prizes.

photo by Heather Pennie



Nora Uhlig, son Logan and the Easter Bunny pose for a picture at the Kagawong hunt.

photo by Sharon Jackson



ABOVE: Eden reaches for an egg hidden in a snow bank at the annual Tehkummah Easter egg hunt.

photos by Laurie Thompson



LEFT: Even the little ones got into the hunt in Tehkummah. Robert reaches for an egg in the area set aside for one and two-year-olds.



Hayden Morrison, age four, visited Sheguianah from Sault Ste. Marie to attend the community Easter egg hunt.

photo by Robin Burridge

Island vets help Wikwemikong family reclaim lost war medals

by Alicia McCutcheon
WIKWEMIKONG—Late last month friends and family of the late Wilfred Trudeau gathered at the Wikwemikong band council chambers in a special ceremony that saw the WWII war hero's medals of honour returned to the family.

It was a fortuitous meeting between Alanna Trudeau, Mr. Trudeau's daughter, Colin Pick, president of the War Pensioners of Canada and Wayne Golden, a member of the Little Current Legion's executive and an advocate for the recognition of veterans, during the War of 1812 ceremony that took place at the Wikwemikong High School in February.

Ms. Trudeau, emcee for the event, struck up a conversation with Mr. Pick and Mr. Golden, sharing that her late father's medals were removed from his home and never seen again. He served as a paratrooper in WWII in the 82nd Air Division with the United States Army, seeing action in Africa under General Patton and also in Europe. He was wounded three times.

Mr. Golden explained that all he needed was her father's service number and that he would take care of the rest. Ms. Trudeau said that she called numerous family members, none of whom could remember where to find the veteran's service number. A few days into her search, Ms. Trudeau, who works at the band office, just happened to look at the Warriors Wall, which lists all of the Wikwemikong band members who have served in the armed forces, and there it was, right before her eyes. She quickly called Mr. Golden who then got the ball rolling with his contacts in the United States. Mr. Golden is himself a US Vietnam veteran.

"You have no idea how rewarding it is to do this kind of work," Mr. Golden said.

"It was important to my family, and this community, that we get these medals replaced," Ms. Trudeau said.

She told the assembled crowd that years ago her father's medals went missing—a WWII American Defence Medal, a Bronze Star, a European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign



At a special ceremony recently, WWII war hero Wilfred Trudeau's medals of honour were presented to his family. Back row, from left, is Veteran Colin Pick, Veteran Wayne Golden, Patrick Trudeau, Lorne Trudeau and Adam Migwans. Holding the medals are Mr. Trudeau's daughter Alanna Trudeau, beside her, Leah Migwans. Front row, from left, is Robyn Trudeau, Radim Eshkawkagan, Pahquis Trudeau and Maya Trudeau.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon



Alanna Trudeau receives her father's war medals from War Pensioners of Canada Colin Pick and Little Current Legion executive member Wayne Golden.

Medal, WWII Victory Medal, WWII Army of Occupation Medal and a Purple Heart. "He just let it be. He didn't think he was important enough to do anything about it," she said. "He didn't know what to do, so he just left it."

"Today is my dad's birthday," she continued. "He would have been 88."

Ms. Trudeau told the group that her family received an American flag from the US Army when her father died and this momento was brought out for the ceremony.

"Hopefully you gentlemen will be back again and again to help other community members get their medals back," she said to Mr. Golden and Mr. Pick.

Ms. Trudeau shared that her grandfather served as a sapper in WWI and worked as a prisoner of war camp guard in Espanola during the Sec-

ond World War. His medals were lost too.

"He didn't talk too much about the war," she continued, speaking of her father, "and definitely not to girls. He sometimes did after a few drinks."

Following a ceremony conducted by Mr. Pick and Mr. Golden, the new medals were presented to

Ms. Trudeau.

"This man was a true war hero," Mr. Golden said. "I'm very, very proud to be able to do this," he added, calling him and Mr. Pick "a team."

He urged those who may have family members who are also missing war medals to contact himself or Mr. Pick, who will pro-

vide them with the necessary forms.

Mr. Golden also noted that he has helped Legion Branch #177 to form a rifle party, which will be available to give a 21-gun salute at the graveside of veterans.

"It was a pleasure to have known your dad," Mr. Pick told Ms. Trudeau.



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In the beginning: the story of Gore Bay as the town marks 125 years

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following excerpt is published with the permission of W. John McQuarrie, publisher of the book 'The Early Years of Gore Bay: 1890-1990 the Grand Manitoulin Island,' as part of the town of Gore Bay incorporation of 1890 for its Centennial Year (1990). This past Tuesday, April 7 marked Gore Bay's 125th birthday.

GORE BAY—One lone settler, Ned Saunders, made a crude shelter at Gore Bay some time before 1870 and when he saw other people moving in he left for a remote area west on Manitoulin Island.

In 1870 a Mr. McKeown moved to Gore Bay and in that same year James Fraser and John Hector McQuarrie settled here. Later, Robert Thorburn came and in a letter he sent back home he reiterated that he had arrived and found James and John in good health.

The three original settlers all came from Caledonia in southern Ontario and were related through marriage. And so it was in 1870 the Town of Gore Bay, a truly Scottish community, began to take shape.

In 1872 the Township of Gordon, in which Gore Bay was situated, was surveyed by Edgar Bray. The area is 30,424 acres or 47.54 square miles. The town plot of Gore Bay was surveyed in 1875 by G.B. Abrey.

In the early years of the community the settlement was known by the Odawa's as "Pushk-dinong," or the Barren Hill. At that time, and for many years after, the West Bluff and much of the East Bluff had very few trees on them. This, no doubt, was a result of the great fire that had swept over all of Manitoulin Island destroying everything. Because there is precious little soil on either of these bluffs around Gore Bay it took many, many years for it to regenerate. The fire would have been so intense that what little soil there was would have been baked and no self-respecting seed would even think of trying to regenerate in such a dismal spot.

In the early 1850s the steamer Gore, a vessel of 149 tons, took shelter here and became frozen in for the winter months. The area was uninhabited at that time and people would come from Kagawong to see the boat. It might seem that it was because of this that the town became known as Gore Bay, but other writings have stated that it was because of the shape of the bay that the name came about and it was known as Gore Bay long before the vessel Gore spent the winter here.

When Willard Hall arrived at Gore Bay in 1869 he followed an Indian trail at the mouth of Bickell's Creek to his land in Gordon Township. At that time, because this was a low lying swampy area, the trees had grown and it was a very dense area with cedar and pine standing some six feet tall. The town site for the most part was a dense swamp.

Mr. Hall was the first white settler in Gordon Township and he settled to the north and east of the community cemetery. The next year settlers arrived at Gore Bay.

In these years there were no deer on Manitoulin Island and many early settlers said there were no wolves either. There were caribou, and black bear that caused many farmers concern for their livestock.

On a trip to Meldrum Bay by horse and wagon, Jack Merrylees and Ranald McQuarrie shot a number of caribou at the Robinson-Dawson border line. People were terribly poor in those days and the men distributed the meat to the people in Meldrum Bay and brought much of it back for the people in Gore Bay.

Gore Bay was not long in attracting other settlers and before long it was a thriving community. For a number of years the passenger and freight boats did not call at Gore Bay and people arriving would have to get off at Little Current and then make arrangements to get on to the town by a smaller boat. This changed as a dock in the harbour allowed larger

vessels to load and unload goods and then Gore Bay became a regular port of call.

The community attracted more and more settlers and the old town site located at the north end of the town began to move southerly where there was more

room for expansion. This was a low lying area but there was an abundance of good gravel close by and the town gradually changed from a dense swamp to a thriving community.

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Lamb care after delivery

The average gestation period for a ewe is 147 days, but some will always be early. The lamb should start breathing at birth. It may need help; check that there is no placenta covering the nostrils or mouth. A gentle rub over the chest with a towel or straw whisk, tickling the inside of the nostrils with a piece of straw or blowing into the nostrils (do not allow your lips to come in contact with the wet lamb while doing this) will often stimulate breathing. At this time the lamb's navel should be disinfected to prevent infection. The ewe usually starts to lick the lamb; this is a natural process and should be allowed to continue. A healthy lamb struggles to its feet soon after birth and starts to nurse its dam. Lambs, weak from a difficult delivery, should be helped to nurse or given up to 250 ml of colostrum by stomach tube. The first nursing is critical as the colostrum contains antibodies to give the lamb immediate protection against infectious agents common to the flock. All lambs should nurse or be tube fed colostrum within 6 to 8 hours of birth. In the first 24 hours of life, each lamb should receive about one litre of colostrum. After 36 hours the lamb is unable to absorb any more antibodies from the colostrum. After any assisted delivery the ewe may require an antibiotic injection. Check with your veterinarian for a recommended protocol. Check with your veterinarian for the recommended protocol for the following practices. Some things that were considered routine are now done on an as needed basis. Code of practice for the Care and Handling of Sheep is used as a guideline.

Injections: In Ontario, newborn lambs can be born selenium deficient. As a routine, they should be injected with the appropriate dose of a Vitamin E/selenium preparation. Always inject into the neck area and not into the muscles of the hindquarters. Navel treatment: The navel of the newborn lamb needs to be disinfected as soon after birth as possible. The untreated navel is an excellent route for infectious agents to enter the lamb causing internal abscessing or joint ill. An iodine solution is the most common disinfectant used. Castration: Market lambs may need to be castrated depending on age to market.

Biosecurity for your birds

It is hard to believe that spring is coming and soon it will be time for chick, poult or pullet orders for the coming growing season. With that in mind it is also time to start

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by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell

vent wild birds from feeding in your feeders and waterers. This included keeping bird species separate. Do not have turkeys, pheasants, peacocks or other game birds in pens or pasture areas that chickens have been on. Chickens can harbour histomoniasis (blackhead) which is a protozoa parasite that can exist for long periods of time in the soil.

2. Keep your premises clean: you can harbour pathogens and parasites in soil, litter and other organic matter, thoroughly clean pens, feeders, waterers and other equipment including the shovels you clean with. This includes keeping yourself clean too! Using a good surfactant (soap) will help remove the organic matter on whatever you are cleaning and then followed by an approved disinfectant. Refer to your certification body to ensure you use an approved disinfectant. Next week, part 2.

**Eagle eye view**

The population of bald eagles on Manitoulin is growing each year as can be seen by this photo taken along Highway 6.

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STARTS May 30 for 1 day
LOCATION Little Current campus

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TUITION \$124
DAYS Mon. and Tues. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
STARTS May 11 for 2 days
LOCATION Little Current Recreation Centre

BABYSITTER TRAINING

This course is designed for youth, 11 years of age and older, who are or who want to become babysitters. The course covers the role and responsibilities of the babysitter, safety tips for children of all ages, basic child care skills, and what to do in case of an emergency.

TUITION \$60
DAYS Tues. and Wed. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
STARTS May 19 for 2 weeks
LOCATION Little Current campus

MICROSOFT OFFICE 2010

This course will familiarize students with the Word, Excel, and PowerPoint applications contained in Microsoft Office 2010. Students will also learn the basics of Windows and file management.

TUITION \$118.65
DAYS Tues. 6 to 8 p.m.
STARTS May 26 for 6 weeks
LOCATION Little Current campus

SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS

This course will provide students with an introduction to social media, emphasizing the impact of new technologies on small businesses. Students will learn why businesses use social media and how to integrate social media tools such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube into their organization's overall marketing plan. Understanding the power of social media advertising, students will learn to define and reach their ideal target market, strategically communicate with audiences, and build their brand using social media.

TUITION: \$118.65
DAYS: Wed. 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
STARTS: May 27 for 4 weeks
LOCATION: Little Current campus

SMART SERVE

This course will teach students responsible alcohol beverage service. Anyone who serves or handles alcohol in a licensed establishment in Ontario must be certified by Smart Serve.

TUITION \$67.80
DAYS Sat. 1 to 4 p.m.
STARTS June 6 for 1 day
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STAINED GLASS

Learn the basics of creating stained glass art. Students will learn how to make and use patterns; cut, break, grind, and fit glass; and foil, solder, and finish projects. Students will make a sun catcher and will be able to select from a number of patterns, glass, and finishing products. Tools and supplies will be provided.

NOTE A fee of \$20 will be payable to the instructor on the first night.

TUITION \$62.15
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TUITION \$42.94
DAYS Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
STARTS May 30 for 1 day
LOCATION Little Current campus

KIDS' CLUB

In this four-week after school arts and crafts Kids' Club, youth will learn how to make a total of eight different crafts. Kids will get messy and have fun learning to braid friendship bracelets, create French braid hairstyles, learn stained glass techniques, finger paint, work with Mod Podge, make scrapbook picture frames, and tie-dye t-shirts. Along with learning to use resources around the house, participants will learn the importance of safe and clean work spaces and being respectful to each other's work and ideas. This workshop will provide most materials for the crafts, however kids will be asked to bring in photos and a white t-shirt. Each session will start with a brief snack time, so please bring a small nut-free snack. Kids' Club is designed for ages 10 years and older.

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Providence Bay News and Notes

We hope everyone had a great Easter. The weather was beautiful.

This Friday, April 10 at 7 pm there will be Karaoke Night for the Youth Group at Community of Christ Church.

The guest speaker next Sunday will be Emili Whitworth from Guelph on the importance of youth ministry.

Aanii readers! I hope everyone's had a safe, fantastic Easter weekend! I hope the Easter bunny was good to your little wee ones, if you have little wee ones! Hopefully everyone had their favourite chocolate and I hope everyone had great quality time with their families.

I'm so very happy to announce that our school's robotics team placed 13th out of 39 teams at competition in North Bay. I know they've been in the paper last week, but our school is so very proud of them and all they have

done. Team member Reynold says that he "feels that our team was a little small in comparison to other teams that were there."

Hopefully in the upcoming years our robotics team grows bigger but they've come a long way and it's a huge accomplishment. Way to go, Reynold Assinewe, Kaitlynn Recollet, Shaelynn Recollet, Tim Pitawanakwat,

The pancake breakfast held at the Curling Club on the first Thursday of the month (from 7:30 to 9:30 am) had the largest crowd yet. We would like to thank all the people who helped in any way.

Wendy and Rick Hibma will be going back to London early Monday morning. We all had a great visit with Linda and Martin Garniss at their home. We enjoyed our-

selves talking about different topics; some were very amusing.

Wendy invited Sandy and myself to join them.

Remember our seniors and veterans—let them know you love them and help them in any way you can.

Call me if you have any news, Gloria, at 705-377-4449.

Wasse Abin Highs Writings On the Wall



Eileen Letander-Trudeau, Hannah Peltier and Annie Wemigwans! I can't forget to thank teacher/mentor Mr. Chris Mara for all his hard work and dedication to this team.

I'm also very happy to say that

our school's badminton team attend pre-NSSA and did fairly well. This tournament gave them a great chance to scope out their

competition for NSSSA. Starlee Kanasawe came in 4th at pre-NSSSA in girls singles. Congratulations! Our school's badminton team is hoping to make it NOSSA. We wish them the best of luck. By the time this article

comes out our badminton team will be at NSSSA so good luck to Andrea, Elieen, Starlee, Winash, Nimkii, Landon, Mikey, Justin and Hunter! No matter what you place just remember to always stay positive and that we are always proud of you!

Well that's all I have for you this week. Everybody have a great rest of the week, and when the time comes, a safe weekend. Also heads up to Wikwemikong Warriors that Student Council is planning a Semi-Formal. Ka waabmin!

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Parkinson's Disease Support Group. For those affected by the disease and their caregivers, meetings will be the third Thursday of every month (no meetings in July and August), 1:30 - 3:30 pm, VON office, Mindemoya, 6062 Hwy 542. Call Marilyn at 705-368-0756, Ext 238 if there are any questions. All welcome.

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Are you concerned about someone's drinking? Al-Anon has one purpose: Welcoming, giving hope and comfort to help family and friends of alcoholics. Changed attitudes can aid recovery. Stepping Stones Al-Alon Group: Thursdays at 7 pm in the library room at the Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya, 705-377-4892/705-377-5138. Espanola Al-Anon, Tuesdays at 7 pm, Anglican Church, 213 Tudhope Street, Espanola, 705-869-6595.

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47-48p



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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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44-48p

Luncheon and bake sale, Saturday, April 25, 11:30 am to 1 pm. Please join us at Our Lady of Canada Church, 6289 Hwy 542 Mindemoya. Tickets are \$10.

47-49p

Pancake Breakfast and Sugar Bush Tour, April 18, from 8 am to 10 am at the Gordon Community Hall. Pancakes with maple syrup, sausages, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea and juice. Adults, \$8; children 10 and under, \$4. Sponsored by the Gordon Women's Institute.

47-48a

Stonecroft Prime Time Connection is having a brunch for the ladies at Abby's Restaurant, 645 Crosshill Road, M'Chigeeng on Monday, April 20 at 11:30 am. There will be a special speaker, Wendy Payne, and a special feature by Ramona: Fragrance Oils. Please bring a friend or neighbour. \$14 all-inclusive, with a door prize. For reservations call Theresa at 705-377-5138 or Sharon at 705-282-8558 by Thursday, April 16 or Friday, April 17. If unable to attend, please cancel. Featured by Stonecroft Ministries of Canada.

47-48a

Come join us for our Farewell to Winter supper at Knox United Church, Napier Street, Manitowaning on Wednesday, April 22 at 5 pm. Adults, \$10; ages 6-12, \$5; ages 5 and under, free. Tickets available from members of Knox and at the door. Proceeds to Knox United Church.

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Employment Opportunity Youth Mental Health Worker

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of Youth Mental Health Worker with Nadmadwin Mental Health Clinic.

Job Summary

Under the direct supervision of the Nadmadwin Mental Health Manager/Clinician, the Youth Mental Health Worker is responsible to provide professional clinical assessment, counselling, education and referral services to youth under the age of 25 of Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve (WUIR); wholistic health promotion services in the form of educational and primary prevention activities. The Youth Mental Health Worker will collaborate with all health team members, community agencies and the general public.

Responsibilities

- Provide clinical assessment and counselling to youth under 25
- Provide programming and activities that will assist in achieving the goals set out during the assessment period; provide public education in a culturally and age appropriate way about mental health and addiction issues and services which includes youth engagement, leadership, cultural and social development, educational support and recreational activities
- Participate in the Outdoor Adventure Leadership Experience Program
- Actively participate in program/services team meetings and participate in consultation meetings with Psychiatrists and Psychologists.
- Maintain confidentiality and professionalism.
- Assist, liaise and develop positive relationships with parents, care-givers, guardians, and educators in working together towards meeting goals
- Promote a healthy life style; Aboriginal beliefs and values and be a positive role model
- Ensure that effective and efficient use is made of all resources available to Wikwemikong in order to respond to the healing and wellness needs of Wikwemikong
- Ensure age and culturally appropriate quality of service by working under close supervision of the Mental Health Manager
- Complete client charting and reports

Qualifications

- Successful completion of a post-secondary degree in one of the helping disciplines preferred; or, successful completion of a college diploma program in the social services field;
- Three years' experience in providing clinical service to Aboriginal youth;
- Three years' experience in community development from planning to presenting;
- Excellent written, oral and interpersonal skills;
- Knowledge of community and rural mental health;
- Must have a valid class "G" driver's license and own reliable vehicle;
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- Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Training;
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Melissa Roy

NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre

Box 101, 16A Complex Drive

Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0

Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300

Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: Friday, April 10, 2015 at 4:00pm

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In preparation for Easter Weekend, the school celebrated last Thursday with a chocolate egg hunt organized by Students' Council. Lots of tiny chocolate eggs were scattered on doors, in bookshelves and in classrooms. Students collected as many chocolate eggs as they could. They munched on their delicious chocolate and started their Easter chocolate horde.

The badminton team had a great tournament in Central Algoma. They are proceeding to the North Shore Championships and will be practicing hard so they can represent MSS well. Grade 9 doubles player Victoria MacDonald said, "The tournament was fun and a great way to help us prepare for NSSSA. I think it showed me what I should work on before NSSSA. Ethan and Hunter Tai-bossigai won every single game they played and Bryce Mastelko got second I believe." Bryce Mastelko did an amazing job and won almost all of his games. The rest of the team was sitting in their coats and backpacks cheering but also waiting for him to lose a game so they could get home.

The boys' hockey tryouts are coming up fast. Any students interested have tryouts on April 9, 13 and 15 at the Little Current Arena at 3:30 pm. Good luck to the young men trying out for the team.

A boater safety course could be offered at MSS if there are enough interested people. Interested students should talk to Mr. Doane. This is a great opportunity for students to get their boater's license and get ready for a summer full of boating.

Share Go Green will be selling Vesey's flower bulbs until April 30. There is going to be a We Are Silent day which honours people without a voice (e.g. women and children in third world countries, child soldiers, people in poverty, disabled people) and participants will be collecting pledges in their community to go towards brick by brick in Haiti to build a school.

There have been several creative writing opportuni-

ties. The Spring Thaw Short Story Contest by MSS Minute has come to a close, and the winners have been announced. In the Grade 9-12 category, Robin Genereux (Grade 12 from MSS) won first place with her short story "It'll Turn You Into Something Ugly." The winner of the Grade 7-8 category is Caleb Byers (Grade 7 from CMPS) with his story "Never Let Go." Honourable mention goes to Liam Leblanc (Grade 11

from MSS) with his short story "The Stalker's Trial."

Another opportunity for writers is the James Bartleman Aboriginal Youth Creative Writing Award recognizes aboriginal youth for their creative writing talent. Every year up to six aboriginal students each receive the award of \$2,500. The award is named after the Honourable James Bartleman who was the 27th Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, serving

from 2002-2007. Bartleman was the first aboriginal Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. The award was set up as a legacy to his efforts in promoting literacy among aboriginal youth. This is a great opportunity

for Native students to show their culture to the world.

Everybody is having a good start to spring, and had a great Easter. 'Til next time, stay golden, Mustangs.

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The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

CEMETERIES MAINTENANCE, OPENING & CLOSING OF GRAVES

RFP will be accepted by the undersigned for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands until April 13, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

An opportunity exists for the supply of grounds maintenance, grave opening and closing, and monument inspection and maintenance services for a period extending seasonally from April 1 to 31 December, for 2015 - 2018 years upon the agreement for the following cemeteries located within the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands:

Cold Springs Cemetery
Elmview Cemetery
First Settlers' Cemetery
Mountainview Cemetery
Green Bay Cemetery
St. Bernard's Cemetery
Anglican Cemetery

An information package outlining detailed requirements and conditions is available from the Municipal Office in Little Current, and prospective suppliers are recommended to obtain a copy.

Pam Cress, Clerk

Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands
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CASUAL CLEANERS

Rainbow District School Board invites applications for **Casual Cleaners** to work in schools on Manitoulin Island. The ability to work day and afternoon shifts is required.

Successful candidates must have an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, be physically capable of performing cleaning duties, the ability to work independently and good written and oral communication skills. Preference will be given to those individuals with cleaning experience.

Interested applicants should reply by **3 pm Monday April 20, 2015** and submit a cover letter, résumé, proof of Ontario Secondary School Diploma and the names of three (3) professional references to:

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

Rainbow District School Board thanks all applicants for their interest in the public school system. Only the applicants who are selected for an interview will be contacted prior to May 29, 2015. The candidates selected for the position will have to provide a criminal record check and successfully undergo a physical abilities assessment.

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

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Doreen Dewar
Board Chair

Norm Blasig
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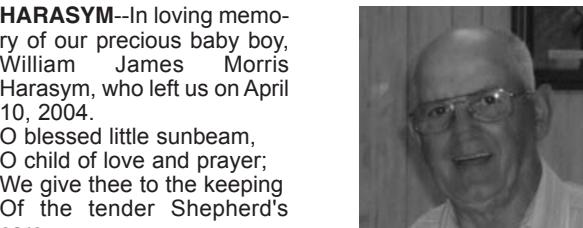
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BOWERMAN--In loving memory of my dear, sweet wife, Isabelle Cora Bowerman, who passed away April 8, 1989. Always a smile instead of a frown, Always a hand, when one was down, Always true, thoughtful and kind, Wonderful memories she left behind. Miss you dearly, Angus/Bud Bowerman

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+ in memoriam



HARASYM--In loving memory of our precious baby boy, William James Morris Harasym, who left us on April 10, 2004. O blessed little sunbeam, O child of love and prayer; We give thee to the keeping Of the tender Shepherd's care. Lovingly remembered by mom Marilee, brother Landen, sister Hailee, Grandpa and Grandma Harasym, Aunt Mallory and Uncle Mitchell.

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DEBASSIGE--In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother, Sadie, who left us one year ago on April 6, 2014.

Her smiling face and pleasant ways Are a pleasure to recall She had a kindly word for each And died beloved by all. Some day we hope to meet her. Some day we know not when, To clasp her hand in the better land, Never to part again. Love you forever and miss you always, Elsie, Jaylyn and Jordan.

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+ in memoriam



CORMIER--In loving memory of a dear husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Raymond Joseph Cormier, who passed away April 2, 2010. A million times I've needed you, A million times I've cried, If love could have saved you, You never would have died. Things we feel most deeply, Are the hardest things to say, My dearest one I loved you, In a very special way.

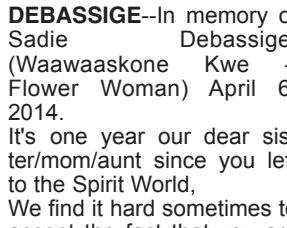
If I could have one lifetime wish, One dream that would come true, I'd pray to God with all my heart,

For yesterday and you. You are still very much missed everyday and loved very much by your wife Darlene and children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memory is a lovely lane, Where hearts are ever true. A lane we so often travel, Because it leads us to you. Love always, James and Bonnie.

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+ in memoriam



DEBASSIGE--In memory of Sadie Debassige, (Waawaaskone Kwe – Flower Woman) April 6, 2014. It's one year our dear sister/mom/aunt since you left to the Spirit World.

2014.

We find it hard sometimes to accept the fact that you are no longer here, Yet we would not want you to suffer the pains that you had, so we accept it.

Not a day goes by that we do not think of you and pray to you to help us,

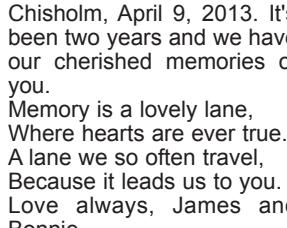
And watch over us in our times of need and suffering. We will feast for you on this day to make our offering to you.

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You will always be in our hearts and one day we will meet again. Loved forever from all of us, your family.

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CHISHOLM--Helen Irene Chisholm, April 9, 2013. It's been two years and we have our cherished memories of you. Memory is a lovely lane, Where hearts are ever true. A lane we so often travel, Because it leads us to you. Love always, James and Bonnie.

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Death Notices

HESTER ZAHOREC

Hester Zahorec of Espanola passed away at her residence on Saturday, March 28, 2015 at the age of 72 years. Beloved wife and best friend to her husband the late Paul Zahorec; daughter of the late Sarah Matilda (Reid) and the late Alfred Cranston. Loving mother of Jeffrey (wife Wendy) and twin granddaughters Alexis and Brooke Zahorec and Christopher (wife Helen) and step grandchildren Dalia and Micah; sister of the late Sheila Cunning. Hester is survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Godfrey and Barbara Cranston. She is also survived by her mother-in-law Marie Cameron and step-siblings-in-law, Heather, Debbie, Gordon, Beth, Robert, Anna and Scott. Loved by nieces and nephews and so many friends. She was a friend to many and could not do enough for the town of Espanola and its people with her husband Paul. She was always there working along side Paul, often supporting special fundraising events for children and families in need. A member of the Espanola United Church UCW group, spending countless hours supporting the church; Espanola Lions Club fundraisers and Espanola Minor Hockey for her sons. Friends attended a visitation at the Bourcier Funeral Home, Espanola on Friday, April 3, 2015 from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm. Funeral Service was at the United Church of Espanola on Saturday, April 4, 2015 at 10 am, with the Reverend Cory Vermeer-Cuthbert officiating. If so desired, memorial tributes may be made to the UCW group of the United Church of Espanola.

MINNIE FLORENCE GRAHAM

Minnie Florence Graham, a resident of Manitoulin Centennial Manor, Little Current, and formerly of Kagawong, passed away at the Manor on April 2, 2015 at the age of 94 years. Minnie was born at Tehkummah on Manitoulin Island, daughter of the late James and Alice (Cooper) Hopkin. Minnie was predeceased by her beloved husband, Lyle Graham, on December 22, 2006. Loving mother of Dianne, husband David Fraser, of Kagawong and David Graham of Southampton; proud grandmother of Michael Graham of Prince Edward Island. Survived by sisters-in-law Gelena Hopkin and Joy Hopkin. Predeceased by sisters Vera (Reuben Hembruff), Daisy (Harold Hamilton), Grace (Reginald Dewar), Maud (Jack Dewar), Hazel (James Winter), brothers Leonard Hopkin, Morley Hopkin, Lloyd Hopkin, Frank Hopkin (Amy). She will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews. Other than a short period of time when Minnie worked in a munitions factory in Toronto during the 2nd World War (while husband Lyle was in the service), she resided on Manitoulin. During her life, Minnie enjoyed family, cooking, baking, working in her vegetable and flower gardens and helping Lyle run Graham's Cottages. She was a member of Church of St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Kagawong and active in church activities for many years. Friends were received at the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, from 7 pm to 9 pm on Monday, April 6, 2015. Funeral Service was conducted at St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church, in Kagawong, on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 11 am with Rev. Sherry De Jonge officiating. Spring interment in Kagawong Cedars Cemetery. In remembrance, donations to St. John's Anglican Church, Kagawong or Manitoulin Centennial Manor, Little Current, would be appreciated. www.culginfuneralhome.ca

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0 or Pet Save Manitoulin, Box 393, Gore Bay, Ontario P0P 1H0.

NORITA ANNE PRESTAGE (NEE BEST) AUGUST 29, 1937 – MARCH 31, 2015



Norita ("Toad") passed away unexpectedly but peacefully at her home in Sudbury. Norita grew up in Gordon Township and was the elder daughter of the late Bert and Annie (MacDougall) Best. Norita was married for 56 years to the late Doug ("Eddie") Prestage. Norita taught for 30 years at Falconbridge Public School, and since retirement has divided her time between Sudbury and a summer home in Kagawong. Norita loved to cook, and loved to entertain but above all else loved her role as a Gramma. Norita is survived by her son J.A., her daughter-in-law Lisa Goodmurphy and her beloved granddaughters Katie and Emma. She will be missed by her sister Nickie (Art) Hinds, her special cousin Betty-Lou Purvis, and an extended group of friends and family. A celebration of life took place at Lyons Memorial United Church in Gore Bay, Ontario on Saturday April 4, 2015 at 11 am. Interment at Gordon Cemetery. Memorial donations to Lyons Memorial United Church or charity of choice would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted to the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay. www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

MARILYN EVETTE HANER "GRAMMY"



"Remember me for my kindness and sense of humour."

Marilyn Evette Haner "Grammy", a resident of Mindemoya, died peacefully at home, on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at the age of 71. Born to Mae (nee Gibson) and Lloyd Haner, on December 24, 1943. Cherished mother and grandmother of Theresa and Dan Webb and children Sylina, Amber, DJ and fiance Jessica, Brian Paquette (predeceased) and children Adam and Daniel, Jacqueline Paquette and Rob Hopkin and our kids Sierra, Serena, Branden and Tara. Dear sister of Bill and Marion Haner, Gertrude and Evan Morrell, Frank Haner and Eva, Mary and Roy McCulligh (both predeceased), Charlie Haner, Nancy and Dale Sagle and Susan Haner. Sister-in-law Anne predeceased. Will always be remembered by many nieces, nephews and friends. Marilyn had a big heart, she became like a mom to the people in her building. The coffee gang at the Espresso Bar will greatly miss her morning visits. She was always helping, or driving someone to an appointment, the grocery store, or wherever they needed to go. She enjoyed euchre and always had a car full of passengers when going to a euchre party. Marilyn was a Christian, and an active member in her church. She loved sharing Jesus with everyone. Marilyn's confidence in her faith, gave her peace knowing she would be reunited with her parents and son Brian again. We will miss you. Family and friends gathered at Spring Bay Pentecostal Church from 7 pm to 9 pm on Sunday, April 5, 2015. Funeral Service was held at 11 am on Monday, April 6, 2015 at Spring Bay Pentecostal Church with Rev. Dan Thompson officiating. Cremation with burial of ashes in Burpee-Mills Cemetery. Donations in Marilyn's memory are for a cause close to her heart, money gathered is for a family in need within the community who is dealing with cancer and treatment. Marilyn was in the process of setting up a fundraiser. At the families request the name of the family in need is being kept private. The other cause close to her heart was for the "Thomas Sagle Van Fund". Other charities mentioned were the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary or the Spring Bay Pentecostal Church. "If you want to honour Mom, please be kind to those most vulnerable in our community." Record your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

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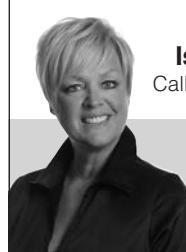
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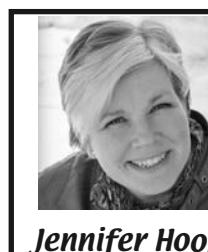
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PROVIDENCE BAY - Large Majestic very private lot at the end of a dead end street! A very short walk to the beautiful sand beach. Only a 15 min drive to the amenities of Mindemoya. This nicely landscaped lot comes adorned with a new well, 2 large driveways, 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



QUALITY 3 BDRM WATERFRONT HOME WITH MAGNIFICENT MANICURED LOT IN ONTARIO'S PRETTIEST TOWN KAGAWONG!!

This fantastic property features a beautiful sun-set 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



TWO RUSTIC COTTAGES ON 1 ACRE LOT FRONTING ON LAKE KAGAWONG!! - A two bedroom 575 sq. ft cottage and a 1 bedroom 360 sq. ft cottage come fully furnished on a year round road with a western view over Lake Kagawong which features great fishing for bass, jumbo perch, walleye and large pike. The cottages both have running water and flush toilets and are being sold 'as is' for the low price of \$129,000. MLS#1029784



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



7 YR OLD BUNGALOW WITH 3.4 ACRES & 200 FT OF SHORELINE ON INLAND LAKE!!

This very private year round 2 bdrm quality finished home/cottage has open concept kitchen/living room with a beautiful panoramic elevated view over Ice Lake & exceptional internet service. The full basement is unfinished but fully insulated with a sub floor. There is a very large wide heavy duty deck which features a magnificent 17 step staircase down to the shoreline. List price \$230,000!! MLS#1029290



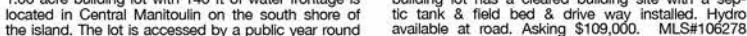
BEAUTIFUL ELEVATED VIEW OVER LAKE HURON'S SOUTH BAY!! - This nicely maintained one plus one 920 square foot bedroom home shows pride of ownership. This very private retreat has a fully finished walkout basement with insulated concrete floor under the flooring. The large viewing deck on the lake side 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 hydro and a concrete floor; Reduced to \$249,000. MLS#1024802



AFFORDABLE COUNTRY LIVING - On the outskirts of Providence Bay! This very rustic haven is located on Government Rd only 20 mins from the ferry & only 15 mins from Mindemoya & amenities. The cottage comes furnished with bunk beds which sleep 6 to 8 people. The sleeping quarters are separate from the kitchen & dining/living room open concept. A newer double size detached garage with a solid concrete pad & a drilled well adorn the property. Asking \$129,000. MLS#1028551

SECLUDED 4 BDRM COUNTRY HOME ON 2 ACRES!!

Located on Barrie Island this country homestead has undergone many renovations. The acreage is nicely landscaped, fully fenced & includes a garden & several fruit trees. This property is accessible by year round road & totally private with no neighbours. The amenities such as shopping, medical center, restaurants etc. are less than 15 mins away in Gore Bay. The beautiful sand beach & boat launch on Julia Bay are only a 2 minute drive from your doorstep. Priced to Sell at only \$129,000. MLS#1029941



BUILDING LOT FOR MANY USES IN LITTLE CURRENT!! - Great fully serviced lot on Campbell St. on the west side of Little Current a short walk to downtown amenities and beach. Lot can be used for residential, multi-residential or institutional purposes. Lot is 66 ft by 165 ft. Only \$24,000. MLS#1029856

VACANT SOUTH BAY BUILDING LOT - Walking distance to ferry & shopping and marina. Access off of municipal road. Building lot beside is also for sale. List price \$19,900. MLS#1028286

VACANT BUILDING LOT IN SOUTH BAY MOUTH!! - Access off of a municipal road a short walk to the marina, shopping and the ferry. Cleared building site 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

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

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

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 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 can be 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 & whitelash. 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 separate tank & field bed & drive way installed. Hydro available at road. Asking \$109,000. MLS#106278

8.41 ACRE CORNER LOT, HIGH TRAFFIC AREA IN MINDEMOYA!! - Located on the corner of Hwy 551 and Ketchankooker Trail close to downtown Mindemoya this lot has many potential uses. Mindemoya is a growing community with many needs. Hydro & telephone available at the lot line. Asking only \$95,000. MLS#1029322

8.33 ACRE HUNTING PROPERTY!! - This property is accessible by seasonal road and is located down Guida's Side Road. This is a great deer hunting area just a short drive from all of the amenities that the Town of Little Current has to offer. Asking \$15,000. MLS#1029289

LARGE WATERFRONT ACREAGE!! - Approx. 133 acres of mixed forest with some small meadows & about a half mile of shoreline along the Mississagi Strait of Lake Huron located at the west end of Manitoulin close to the town of Meldrum Bay. The property is accessible by truck. Asking \$189,000. MLS#1020069

200 ACRES WITH YEAR ROUND ROAD ACCESS!! - This prime deer hunting property is located close to Silver Water & has over 2400 ft of frontage along Hwy 540. There is a driveway installed that runs to a building site where you will find a 16 X 16 ft shed with a concrete floor, hydro ready, a drilled well & also a partial footing dug. Silver Creek runs through the east side of the property & into Lake Huron. Some very well built enclosed tree stands & deer blinds & a 16 ft travel trailer are included. Asking \$200,000. MLS#1022479



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 MANITOULIN 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 waterfront that is kid safe with a gradual decline. Only \$269,000 for this Manitoulin hideaway! MLS#1024220



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



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 bthm 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



AMAZING PROPERTY & AMAZING HOME !!

- Beautiful sand beach luxury home, nicely secluded on the south shore of Manitoulin. South facing over Lake Huron, 5 bdrms, 4 baths, 2 kitchens, large double garage only 20 mins from Mindemoya. They don't come any nicer than this one. Please call for more information. MLS#1027254



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

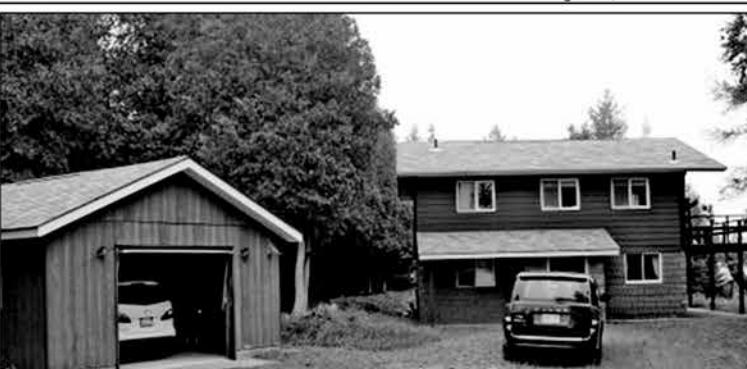


PRIME DEER HUNTING!!

- 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

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

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

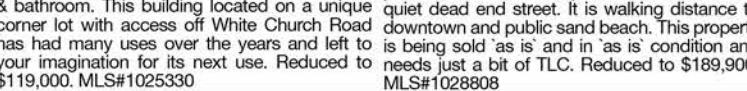
GORGEOUS WATERFRONT HOME ON LAKE KAGAWONG!! - Located close to Ontario's prettiest Town of Kagawong, this beautifully landscaped waterfront 3 bdrm open concept home with a loft comes fully furnished with a double detached garage, dock & boat lift & is priced to sell at \$339,000. MLS#1027292

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



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



LARGE TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW IN MANITOULANING!!

- This 1440 Sq. ft. home comes with a fully 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#1028808



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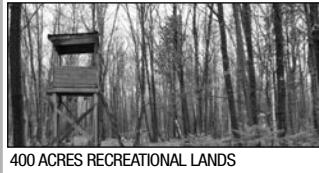


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BIG LAKE HOME \$139,000

attractive home on Big Lake, only 10 minutes to Mindemoya shopping, two bedrooms, and 1.5 baths, oil and electric heat, well manicured lawn area, surveyed lot approx. 1 acre in size. ([MLS#1013399](#))

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400 ACRES RECREATIONAL LANDS

located in deer country , Burpee Township, good road access , gravel pit area, mixed timber, excellent package for ATV outdoor enthusiasts, call for details, consists of 4 complete 100 acre lots. (1454) ([MLS#1028177](#))

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LAKE MANITO FOUR SEASON COTTAGE \$249,000

142 feet of sheltered Manitou shoreline. 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath. Features include municipal road access, a bunkie, new foundation and insulation, upgraded hydro service, wrap-around decking and a beautiful landscaped lot with mature maple and cedar trees. (1442) ([MLS#1023934](#))

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ACREAGE ALLAN TOWNSHIP \$19,900

Located off Checkerboard Lane, surveyed lot, approx 6 acres, nice hardwood growth , well built sauna and privy, good bush road access, only 10 minutes south of Gore Bay, good deer location. (1447) ([MLS#1027001](#))

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118 ACRES BURPEE COTTAGE \$139,000

Attractive cottage in excellent deer hunting / recreational location, three bedrooms solid cottage, drilled well, wood stove, 5 substantial outbuildings, perfect for the outdoor enthusiast group, (1443) ([MLS#1026572](#))

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MUDGE BAY KAGAWONG COTTAGE \$219,000

Three bedroom rustic treasure, paved road, municipal water, location of quality homes and cottages, marina just a short walk away, stone fireplace, electric and propane features, newer shingles, verandah and decking, lots of upgrades, potential for year round use, asking \$219,000 (1456) ([MLS#1027070](#))

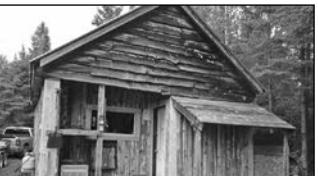
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ICE LAKE WATERFRONT COTTAGE \$179,000

Over 940 feet of lakeshore, minutes from Gore Bay. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Cottage. Level lot with landscaped lawn and excellent shoreline. Asking \$179,000. File #1439. ([MLS#1026791](#))

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HUNT CAMP AND LOG SAUNA \$85,000

on 100 acres, close to Little Current. Several tree stands and quad trails make this camp ready for the fall hunt! Many recent upgrades! ([MLS#1016274](#))

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MANITOWANING HOME \$229,000

Manitowaning Home. 3 Bedrooms. Large open layout 24' x 46' heated garage/workshop with loft. Quality home on a beautifully landscaped lot. MLS#1023251

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WATERFRONT LORNE LAKE \$249,000

Approx 1000 feet shore line and 34 acres on this inland lake in Burpee Township, two rustic cottages included, deer country, great for fishing or canoeing, secluded private location, washrooms and well, interior natural cedar lined, a great recreational package. (1448) ([MLS#1027070](#))

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100 ACRES ROBINSON TWP \$72,000

fronting on Mason Line Road east of Silver Water, good recreational/ hunting lot, some mature timber areas, excellent deer location, call the hunt group now. (1445) ([MLS#1026791](#))

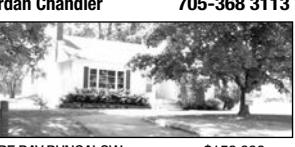
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GORE BAY BUNGALOW \$159,000

located in Burpee Twp, highway frontage, newer bungalow approx 28 x 42 feet, steel roof, 6 inch walls, shed, good deer location, this building could be a year round home. Mindemoya. Homecoming Supplements, property located a few miles west of Evansville, 28 x 42 cottage with 2400 watt solar power, 8x 12 bunkie with solar, 8 x 8 shed with propane fridge, 12 x 14 metal drive shed , 8 x 20 boat shelter asking \$159,000 (1391) ([MLS#1020340](#))

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BRIDAL VEIL ESSO, KAGAWONG \$549,000

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GORE BAY BUNGALOW \$219,900



INCOME PROPERTY w/solid 7.57 % return based on listed price. Downtown building 1792 sq. ft. on full basement w/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)



LAKE MANITOU 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)



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)



ALMOST WATERFRONT CENTURY HOME well worth seeing w/frontage on Thorburn & Water Streets w/direct access to Gore Bay harbour & marina. Two storey 2146 sq. ft. w/sun room, kitchen, dining & living rooms, large laundry mudroom, 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, spacious halls on both floors. Completely refinished interior or from the studs plus hardwood floors down & pine up including wiring & plumbing. Surveyed lot, water paid, F/A oil heat, propane fireplace. \$219,000 (1151)



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

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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 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)



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/western 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! \$349,000 (1133)



COUNTRY HOME OR COTTAGE on 10 ac. w/440 ft. fronting Hwy540 just west of Silver Water. Enclosed trailer w/add ons for 608 sq. ft. living space plus screened room & second finished bedroom in detached single garage. Year round, drilled well, septic system, hydro, phone & all contents. \$64,000 (1175)



WATERFRONT COTTAGE HOME w/great water view yet surrounded by trees & grassy slopes. Mansard roof 2 level style 1316 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, open kitchen dining living w/electric & wood heat, municipal water, 150 ft. on Main Street & Mudge Bay w/firm sand bottom. \$212,000 (1155)



SOUTHERN LOOK HOME in downtown Gore Bay on 62x175 ft. lot close to amenities. Two storey 1727 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, family size kitchen, separate dining & living rooms. Private outdoor living on 2 walkout decks, 2 screened porches, landscaped yard, paved drive w/high cedar fencing. Never insulated vinyl siding, upgraded windows, propane fired hot water heat, 2 pellet stoves, tankless hot water & garage. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$190,000 (1158)



GORE BAY GRAND HOME 2720 sq. ft. plus 410 more of covered wrap around porch w/many recent interior upgrades including a new kitchen. Two storey on large lot w/double detached garage 26x34 plus insulated loft workshop. New windows, well insulated 6 inch walls, newer vinyl siding & shingles on this house w/spacious rooms including 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, kitchen, sunroom dinette, dining & living rooms, family room & laundry mud room. Heated by FA oil furnace or pellet stove. Worth a look! \$234,000 (1135)



BIDWELL ROAD HOME on 11.9 ac. w/over 1800 ft. road frontage just west of Springer Brook Road. Two storey 1424 sq. ft. w/one bedroom, bath, living room, kitchen & dining area on first floor plus fully open second floor with bath. Lots of open green space outside w/some sheds. \$124,900 (1081)



FOREST COTTAGE in Burpee just west of Misery Bay Park Road w/1122 ft. frontage on Hwy540 & 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)



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)



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)



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)



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



STRAW BALE COTTAGE on Lake Huron w/325 ft. frontage & 7.67 ac. open & wooded alvars. Raised bungalow on 10 block high basement 1302 sq. ft. w/steel roof & walls coated w/lime plaster inside & out, 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)



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, countertop stove & dishwasher, washer & dryer. The property comes adorned with a storage shed & a single detached garage with large workshop. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1029967



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 mins away. Priced to sell at \$249,000. MLS#1029381



LITTLE CURRENT - executive home in a desirable neighborhood. A lovely 3 + 1 bdrm home with a large family room. Beautiful kitchen with an open concept dining & living room. A large Jacuzzi bathtub in the main bath & lots of storage throughout the home. A 1.5 car garage which leads to a large mud room & separate laundry room. Ready to move in this all brick home is in fine condition. Asking \$289,900. MLS#1029330



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



SOUTH BAY WATERFRONT HOME - with a double sized lot. A very unique home with a beautiful flat rock shoreline on South Bay on Manitoulin Island. The house has a 3 bdrm living quarters on the main floor with a large family room & large workshop in the basement. Across the deck from the main house is a self-contained gazebo with a loft & could be used as a rental unit or a guest house. Under the deck is a large boathouse with a railroad into the lake & a boat carriage with an electric winch. There are many other features such as stained glass windows, a garden shed, a bunkie, 2 stone fire places & lots of stone walls in the landscaping. This has to be seen to be appreciated. Asking \$230,000. MLS#1029183



SANDFIELD - Five bedroom house and commercial building. Run a small business, and live in a beautiful older house or possibly run a bed and breakfast and/or eating establishment. Whatever endeavor you choose it's a great opportunity to work close to home and enjoy beautiful downtown Sandfield. Asking \$329,000. MLS#1029104



PARK LIKE SETTING - Completely re-modelled three bedroom bungalow featuring attractive open layout and great quality of finish inside and out. Numerous amenities include full basement with 2nd bath, double garage, covered and open decks, carpet, fantastic landscaping and a relatively level site. Quite west end Little Current location! Half acre lot with double services, great potential for severance of a building site. Call for details. MLS#1028673



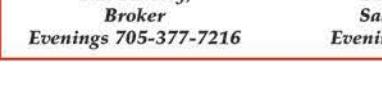
MAGNIFICENT 3.7 ACRE LANDSCAPED LOT - features mature forest, field, garden, ravine & nearly 600 ft of shoreline on the Island's premier salmon stream, the Manitou River. Immerse yourself in the cool quiet of this pristine waterway, or chill-out in the custom-built cabins, surrounded by soul-inspiring designer details. Over 800 sq ft of cozy living/working space in four separate buildings, ingeniously designed to take maximum advantage of natural air flow & passive solar energy for low cost, low impact enjoyment. A natural fit for nature-lovers, bird-watchers, stargazers, painters, poets, musicians, hikers, cyclists & yoga enthusiasts. Located just 15 mins from the South Baymouth ferry terminal on a year-round road. A world away from the stress of the city but only minutes from most amenities! Please call for complete details. MLS#1028717



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



SPECTACULAR SAND DUNE LOCATION - With absolutely spectacular Jesuit Built Log Cottage nestled amidst the sand dunes on Square Bay. Features mature pine forest setting & large site fronting one of Manitoulin's finest sand beaches plus modern guest cottage for the company. Full south lake view of one of our most scenic settings in a very private location for peace & tranquility! Attractively priced at \$295,000! MLS#1028296



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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



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



LAKE VIEW - Large 4 bed country home, approx. 2,000 sq ft of living area, 720 sq ft garage. All on a 2.2 acres level lot, only 200 meters to public beach on Lake Manitou. Excellent garden area. Maintenance free exterior, country kitchen & separate dining area. Reduced to \$189,000! MLS#1026680



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



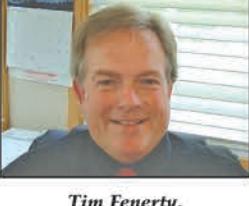
HUGE PRICE REDUCTION - 3 bdrm home in move-in condition with water views over the North Channel. Finished basement family room with fireplace & bar plus separate laundry room. Attached garage with door opener & paved drive. Master bedroom en-suite & hardwood floors. Nicely finished interior with plenty of closets. A very nice home to show! Great family location! New price \$199,000. MLS#1028521



BAY OF ISLANDS JEM - Exceptional appeal and very low maintenance cottage situated on an extremely appealing island location in Bay of Islands. Cottage surrounded by mature Pine and Oak forest and includes water view from every window, sun rise and sun set from your front yard and direct access to some of the best fishing available on the North Channel. Turn-key offering with furnishings, equipment and appliances included. Also features exceptional dockage, huge deck and separate guest cottage. Great New Price!!! \$239,900. MLS#1028965



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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



EXCEPTIONAL PROPERTY - New beautiful country retreat with approx 2000' of waterfront at the west end of Manitoulin Island. The 3,100 sq. ft. quality built home and 3 bay detached garage blend in well with the 10 acre parcel of land. It has its own bay with a boat launch and suitable for a float plane. Also a trout and salmon stream. Master bedroom and ensuite on the main level. Open concept main level with large windows and doors. Must be seen to be appreciated! MLS#1028943.



EXECUTIVE RANCH Exceptional quality and design! Gorgeous 2891 sq. ft. custom ranch home in the country, surrounded by 17 acres of prairie and woods! An ideal escape from the city. Solid stone exterior, huge open concept living, kitchen (walk-in pantry) and dining areas. Large master bedroom - walkouts to back yard patio and pool area. 2 full baths with custom shower units, one with sauna. Interior finished in top quality tile, hardwood flooring and custom trim. Third bedroom ideal for home office (current use). The oversized attached heated double garage (over 1100 sq. ft.) is ideal for tinkering with the toys year round, and has a built in bar! The detached heated garage is set up for the serious hobbyist, 768 sq. ft., built on hoist, compressor and 10 doors with 12' ceilings and forced air heating. 14'x30' in ground fiberglass pool has full southern exposure - ideal for summer lounging. Pool house includes a separate woodworking shop and a shower. Space for the helicopter and just minutes from the airport. Truly one of a kind for quality and amenities! MLS#1028145.



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



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



LAKE MANITOU ACREAGE: Spectacular rolling landscape with some hardwood bush area. 9.95 acres with 357' frontage off Lucar Point Road - great shoreline access and very scenic landscape - ideal for your year round home or cottage! Many prime building sites to choose from and great views of Cud and Saucer - Due to current new lot development freeze on Manitou, prime lots like this one will be in high demand! \$325,000. MLS#1019678



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MUDGE BAY HOME

This well maintained bungalow offers one level living in a private waterfront setting on a year round road. The majority of the over 2 acre lot is a Maple Bush complete with a sugar shack. In addition there are perennial gardens and a 24' x 28' detached garage with a semi-finished loft. There is a nice beach which is suitable for swimming or launching watercraft. Great view of the popular North Channel and Mudge Bay. \$275,000. MLS#1024740



CENTURY HOME - In Little Current within walking distance to downtown and all other amenities. Adjoining lot included in the purchase price. This house has 4 large bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Large double parlour on the main floor is ideal for entertaining and perfect for the home theater system. Spacious kitchen with adjoining dining room, main floor laundry. New windows, shingles, basement insulation with waterproof "drytek", sump and dehumidifier all in 2011. \$239,000. MLS#1029657



LAKE KAGAWONG COTTAGE - A west facing cottage in 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.



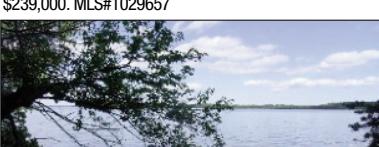
GORGEOUS NEARLY NEW HOME Custom built home nicely situated in Sunsite Estates. This 5 bedroom, 2 and a half bathroom home has everything you would expect from an executive dwelling. It features Geo Thermal heating and cooling, main floor laundry, beautiful open concept kitchen, living room and dining 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



FARM/RECREATIONAL - Almost 500 acres of prime pasture/hunting lands. Excellent access direct from Hwy 6 and also from the north boundary off Fields Road, a few minutes north of Manitowaning. Mainly flat terrain with mix of open pasture areas and forested areas. Natural spring water, creek running through property for cattle watering. Older farm dwelling suitable for hunt camp. A great recreational property with potential for a little pasture income, or start your own hobby farm. \$400,000 MLS#1028656



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



SANDFIELD - 202' of east facing frontage on Lake Manitou. This property is almost 4 acres in size. Great potential building site in a maple hardwood bush offering elevated views of the lake. A driveway is in place and hydro service is close. \$125,000. MLS#1019712



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#1026513



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



SPECTACULAR LAKE VIEW HOME Country living at its best! Spacious all brick home with 2000+ sq. ft. on main level, and similar sized full finished walk-out basement. 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths plus a 2 p/c bath in garage. 200 amp electrical service with generator back-up for power outages. Engineered wood flooring, wood burning stove, spacious rooms, hobby/craft/game room, attached 20'x30' garage are just some of the features. All set on over 19 acres to play on (with large storage shed/workshop tool) with a gorgeous view over Bass Lake - plus just a minutes drive to the public boat launch. This home shows pride of ownership! Please contact listing office for your appointment to view. MLS#1028962



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 \$289,000. MLS#1029762



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



COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITY - 9000 square foot steel frame and clad building currently used as auto/marine repair shop - 5 x 14' bay doors and 1 10' bay door. In floor radiant heat, fully insulated shop. Ideal for many uses including auto/marine/rv/rec vehicle, indoor heated storage facility and so on. 3 acres of useable land. Municipal water to property (not connected at present). Great location and easy access off Hwy 6. Great potential for your business! \$299,000. MLS#1029385



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, wheelchair access bathroom, electric baseboard and propane fireplace, separate driveway, garage, and entrance. \$217,500. MLS#1029349



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



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



CENTRAL LOCATION Charming Little Current bungalow within walking distance to shopping/school/churches/hospital/downtown. This tastefully decorated 3 bedroom bungalow has many upgrades including roof, insulation, windows, hardwired generator, propane pedestal stove and more. All on one level and completely maintenance free!!! The large garage has a workshop addition with plenty of storage space. List price \$154,900 MLS#1029561



IN THE HARDWOODS! Very well maintained all brick bungalow surrounded by maple hardwood bush in the hamlet of Shequianah. Main level has 3 bedrooms, newly remodeled full bath, bright living room with hardwood floors, large eat-in kitchen with walk-out to screen porch for summer evening dining. Full basement with workshop area plus large rec room area with woodstove ready for your choice of finish. All new water treatment system. Large property to play on (includes storage barn) plus adjacent to hiking trails. A great location within minutes of town amenities yet surrounded by nature. List price \$289,000. MLS#1029762



SOUTH END PRIVACY Country living in town! 3 bedroom, 1.5 storey dwelling with basement. F.A. Oil heating, air conditioning, municipal water and new septic in 2013. Spacious lot with gardens and mature tree cover for privacy. Paved drive and attached double carport. Please call for full details and a viewing! \$229,000. MLS#1029572



KAGAWONG - A home near the popular hamlet of Kagawong that would also be suitable as a cottage with 2, possibly 3 bedrooms. Located on 1.5 acre lot with sugar maple trees. 2nd level upgraded with the lower level in progress. Nice quiet location. Priced at \$99,950 MLS#1018936



LAKE MINDEMOMA - A unique opportunity offering water access to Lake Mindeymo. 3 separate buildings lots with access to Lake Mindeymo across Monument Road and over a 4th lot. This 4th lot is included but not suitable as a building lot. It would be a good location for a dock. \$105,000. MLS#1024394



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