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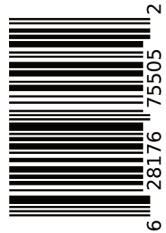
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GOOD PLAY! Manitoulin Special Olympian Danielle Foreshew, centre, gets a high-five from Manitoulin Special Olympics volunteers Janet Anning, right, and Amber Anning after her turn at bat. Danielle was one of many ball players, some of whom came from as far away as Timmins and North Bay, for the famed Mindemoya event, which hasn't been held in two years. For more Special Olympics ball coverage, see Page 7. photo by Tanya Giles

Integrity commissioner finds Northeast Town mayor, council blameless following citizen complaint

by Alicia McCutcheon
NORTHEAST TOWN—Council for the Northeast Town had the chance to review the findings of its integrity commissioner, Stephen Watt, during its August 23 meeting. The complaints were filed against council in January of this year and were numerous. However, the integrity commissioner found council to not be at fault in any of the instances in its first ever complaint against them. The first complaint filed by the individual was regarding the haying and cropping of an unopened road allowance. The second complaint stems from a letter to council which was placed on the August 31, 2021 agenda for consideration regarding the complainant's grievances with the haying and cropping as well as the spreading of manure on the road allowance. As the letter was put on the agenda, it became a public

document discussed in an open meeting of council, which the complainant deemed to be in contravention of the municipality's code of conduct. Thirdly, the complainant levelled accusations that the CAO, Dave Williamson, has tried to "influence council and to justify his lack of enforcement...In our opinion, mayor and councillors are taking direction from the CAO and are not exercising their own role under d(1) which is to 'ensure transparency and accountability...of the activities of senior management.'" Mr. Watt said he disagreed with that statement saying they were in full compliance with their statutory obligations. The complainants also claimed Councillor Bruce Wood to be in conflict as a relative of the person

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Michelle O'Bonsawin named first Indigenous Supreme Court justice

by Tom Sasvari
M'CHIGEENG—Prime Minister Justin Trudeau confirmed the appointment of Ontario judge

Michelle O'Bonsawin to the Supreme Court of Canada on August 26. Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare and Marion

Jacko, Children's Lawyer for Ontario and acting assistance deputy attorney general of Ontario (Indigenous Justice Division), were among the many people to congratulate Justice O'Bonsawin as the first ever Indigenous justice to sit on the country's highest bench.

"She is the first ever Indigenous justice and Indigenous woman to be nominated and it is with great pride that I acknowledge this historic achievement," said Ontario Regional Chief Hare.

"It is absolutely great news," said Acting Assistant Deputy

of Ontario released the preliminary figures, which also noted an overall drop in the death rate in

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Sudbury, Algoma close to top of opioid deaths in Ontario

57.9 and 52/100,000 residents, respectively

by Lori Thompson,
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter
SUDBURY—A report released last week shows that Northern Ontario remains hardest hit by the opioid crisis in Ontario. The province saw a dramatic increase in the number of opioid-related deaths in the first year of the pandemic and another increase over the second year.

There were 2,795 opioid-related deaths recorded in Ontario from April 2021 to March 2022, up slightly from 2,727 over the same period ending March 2021. Both were up significantly from 2019, when 1,559 people in Ontario died from opioids.

The Office of the Chief Coroner

Central honours pioneer reeve

Frank Wagg first postmaster, Carnarvon reeve

by Michael Erskine

CENTRAL MANITOULIN—The first reeve of Carnarvon Township (now part of Central Manitoulin) and its first postmaster, Frank Wagg, will be honoured with a plaque at the Mindemoya Cemetery thanks to a petition to council made by Ruth Pettis.

The motion to approve the installation of the plaque was moved by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Steve Shaffer.

"As a former postmaster myself I think it is incumbent upon me to

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Rocks below Bridal Veil Falls rearranged and would hinder autumn salmon spawning run

by Tom Sasvari
KAGAWONG—While it has not caused grief to the fish that inhabit the Kagawong River, at least at this time of the year, the township of Billings, Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association (MSIA) and Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) officials will be meeting in the near future to look at ways to provide education to visitors of the Bridal Veil Falls on why leaving the river materials in their natural state is paramount. This comes after a rock barrier structure had been set up in a section of the falls area last week that drew public concern.

"I've never seen that before in the municipality where rocks have been laid out on a section of the river in a rectangular shape," said Ian Anderson, mayor of Billings Township, who pointed out there is existing provincial legislation in place that prevents

members of the public from removing or adding to the water's bottom, where it can

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Early Deadline

As the Labour Day holiday falls next Monday (September 5), the Expositor office is moving the deadline for classified ads to 4 pm this Thursday (September 1).

Display advertising customers are also asked to have copy to The Expositor by Thursday afternoon. Our valued rural news correspondents are asked to have their submissions filed by Friday noon.

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Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) cadet Garrett Gauthier, from Manitowaning, is following in the footsteps of several of his family members in working towards becoming a full-time member of the OPP.

Manitoulin boasts OPP cadet Garrett Gauthier hopes to follow in the footsteps of his grandfather

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) cadet Garrett Gauthier, from Manitowaning, is hoping to follow in the footsteps of his grandfather, Graham Lloyd and other family members in becoming a full-time member of the OPP.

“I started on Manitoulin Island on June 6 after having taken a couple of weeks training in Thunder Bay,” said Mr. Gauthier, the son of Paula Fields and Chris Gauthier. “The OPP cadet program prepares future OPP officers with front-line experience.”

“The OPP has not had the cadet program since 2009,” said Mr. Gauthier. “It helps provide an opportunity for cadets like me to see if we are interested in becoming an OPP constable.”

“Yes, I’m hoping to eventually become a constable,” Mr. Gauthier told *The Expositor*. “After my cadet program, I still have to reapply to the OPP for consideration as an officer.”

“The cadet program is a year-long program and

provides a good steppingstone to becoming an OPP officer,” said Mr. Gauthier. He has been spending most of his training time with provincial constable Tess Kasch as well as other officers. “Everything has been going really good thus far.”

“My grandfather Graham Lloyd was a sergeant at the OPP detachment in Mindemoya and Gore Bay and detachment commander in Manitowaning and Gore Bay for a number of years,” Mr. Gauthier explained. “He was always an inspiration for me to get into policing. And growing up (in Manitowaning), a lot of my friends’ fathers were police officers, so this was an influence as well.”

Mr. Gauthier explained that as well as his grandfather, “my one great grandfather Howard Dinsmore was a town police officer in Gore Bay and then Mindemoya. My other great grandfather was Constable Ab Stewart, and he was stationed out of Little Current.”

Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride September 10

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is gearing up to host the second annual Marc Hovingh Memorial Run, Ride or Walk on Manitoulin. The event, which has been expanded to include more participants through the run and walk components, honours the late Marc Hovingh’s sacrifice and legacy of service in support of the OPP Youth Foundation.

“This will be the second annual Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride, Run or Walk,” said Adam Belanger, provincial coordinator with the OPP Community Safety Services. “We are expanding the opportunities for more participants to take part by adding the run and walk to the event. We held the first ride last year.”

Mr. Belanger explained, “there are a couple of reasons we added the run and walk to the event, to open up opportunities for the community to show support and the OPP running team will be taking part this year,” he said noting, “among OPP representatives present will be OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique.”

“This year there will be two main rides, one being a 110-kilometre ride around Manitoulin Island,” said Mr. Belanger. “There will also be a 34-kilometre ride around Mindemoya Lake, and a five-kilometre ride for children/families to take part in.”

Mr. Belanger explained that the

walks and runs will be five kilometres each.

“All participants taking part in the event will start out in the area by the community centre in Mindemoya and J.H. Burt Memorial Arena,” said Mr. Belanger.

“The event is a fundraiser in Marc Hovingh’s name for the OPP Youth Foundation,” continued Mr. Belanger. “The ride for youth is in support of local youth in need of assistance and who lack resources for positive development opportunities for sports or education.”

“We are hoping to raise \$25,000 for the OPP Youth Foundation through the event; last year we raised just over \$20,000. All the money is used for the OPP Youth Foundation in Ontario and on Manitoulin Island,” said Mr.

Belanger. “We are also donating 10 bikes to recognized youth in the Manitoulin Island community from the OPP Youth Foundation along with shoes, shirts and shorts.”

Registration to take part in the long ride is \$50, while the fee is \$25 for the short ride, run and walk.

To register you can go online at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/ontario-provincial-police-youth-foundation/events/marc-hovingh-memorial-ride-run-or-walk-2>. For those who can not participate but want to make a donation, they can use the following donate now link at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/74590>

The event will take place on Saturday, September 10.

Gore Bay woman becomes designated Gladue report writer

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—Gore Bay resident Maria Chovaz recently completed a 10-week course to become a Gladue report writer through Indigenous Perspectives Society British Columbia, which is in partnership with Royal Oaks University. “If I can submit only one Gladue report which results in an Indigenous person’s trauma being heard, then I believe that will have fulfilled my life’s purpose,” said Ms. Chovaz.

Ms. Chovaz immigrated to Canada from Greece as a child in 1965. “When my parents and I immigrated I was a child. We left poverty and the fear of political persecution and imprisonment behind for the promise of a secure and peaceful life,” she said.

“For many years, life was good. My parents found work. I went to school and together with other fellow Greeks, we would praise this country and its government for the kindness afforded us and for the opportunities we would never have realized in our homeland. We lived a sheltered life, socializing with our Greek friends and did not pay much attention to the news around us unless it affected us directly and so life continued until six or seven years ago when a friend mentioned that he had just completed a 12-week online course offered by the University of Alberta, called ‘Indigenous Canada.’”

As a passionate life-long learner, Ms. Chovaz jumped at the chance to learn something new. She

Municipal elections to be held in Cockburn Island and Killarney

by Tom Sasvari

COCKBURN ISLAND—There will be an election this fall in both Cockburn Island township and Killarney for both Mayor and council.

In Cockburn Island, incumbent Mayor Brenda Jones is seeking re-election while incumbent councillor Robert Brown is also in the running for the mayor’s position.

There are a total of seven people running for the four seats on council. They include Lee Chappell, Glen Cressman, Jeff House, Simon Lacombe, Evan Papineau, Richard Rintala and Scott Stewart.

For Killarney there will only be one election, for a councillor in Ward one.

Mayor Michael Reider has been acclaimed, as have ward two

councillors: Nikola Grubic and Mary Bradbury. There will be an election for the two ward one council positions with Rob Campbell, Mike Green, Doug Elliott, Peggy Roque and Dave Froats all having put their name in the hat for the three council seats in this ward.

School board trustee English Public Dena Morrison has been acclaimed as has Julie Allen for French separate school board trustee.

There will be an election for the English separate school board trustee seat between Claire Morrison and Alex Cimino. An election will also take place for French Public school board trustee with Monique Berube and James Ebbers both having their names on the ballot this fall.

Former Manitoulin resident appointed to Praxis Spinal Cord Institute board of directors

by Tom Sasvari

VANCOUVER—Sean Gjos, who grew up on Manitoulin Island, is one of four new members appointed to the Praxis Spinal Cord Institute (formerly the Rick Hanson Spinal Cord Injury Research Foundation) board of directors.

“I had some casual discussions encounters with Praxis representatives,” said Mr. Gjos, who is the son of Rick and Gail Gjos of Sheguiandah. In early January, Bill Barrable (CEO of Praxis) had reached out to me to explore my interest in being appointed to the board.”

“I did express my interest, but the appointment to the board was not expected,” said Mr. Gjos. “I am quite pleased and honoured to be asked and to be able to contribute to their mission.”

Dr. Ian Rigby, on the Praxis board, told *The Expositor*, “I have only met Sean virtually a few times. Having said that, I am extremely excited to get to serve on the board with him. Sean embodies so many of the experiences and qualities that we feel will make him a great board member for Praxis. These include an interest and experience in the health of others in his role with Boreal Wellness. Furthermore, Sean has strong business experience working with Triton Pacific Capital Partners that gives him an understanding of the business and commercialization space that Praxis continues to expand into.”

“Finally, Sean is a person with a lived experience of spinal cord injury which allows him to apply his knowledge and experiences through the lens of those with a spinal cord injury,” said Dr. Rigby.

“The combination of all these makes him an inspiring member of the community and we are grateful he has decided to join Praxis board of directors.”

Arushi Raina, Praxis director of commercialization, welcomed Mr. Gjos to the board saying, “his experience, volunteering to provide lived experience on our projects, to assist with financial and business development and given his background and current role as an entrepreneur,” will serve him well on the board.

“The appointment of four new members to the Praxis Spinal

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MTO should be paving major highways on Manitoulin: MPP Mantha

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Complaints about the state and safety of Island highways has raised the ire of Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha. Roadwork to remediate deplorable road conditions on Highways 542 and 551 was not completed by the Ministry of Transportation as promised by August 15 and sightlines are blocked by uncut grass along the sides of highways.

“Why do we have to accept substandard highways and secondary roads?” he asked. “This would never be accepted in Muskoka. They should be paving Highways 542 and 551, our major traffic arteries, that should be welcoming tourists and bicycles.”

MPP Mantha told *The Expositor* he would “absolutely” be approaching the Minister of Transportation on this issue. “The ministry is not meeting what they said and everyone expected the work on the roads to be finished by August 15. People are frustrated with damage being done to their vehicles because of this. What we are seeing is unsafe conditions. There is dust control and grading that needs to be

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editorial

Back to school time calls for diligence on the roads

Island youth will soon be congregating in groups along the highways and byways of Manitoulin as they wait for buses to collect them for in-person classes, while hordes of excited young people living closer to school will be making their way across busy intersections. This is a time which calls for a greater vigilance on the part of drivers as they approach groups of children, crosswalks and stopped school buses.

This is particularly true of pick-up time for students, especially between 1 pm and 4 pm when and where parents are collecting their children from our schools.

As most parents or drivers can attest from experience, children are not the most attentive when it comes to road safety. They are kids and it kind of goes with the territory. But drivers are adults and a big part of “adulting” is paying attention while driving.

Sadly, human beings are not well designed for paying attention to things they do every day. Many of us have our minds on a plethora of things other than the road and the people on the sides of it when driving. Studies have repeatedly shown that the design of our roads doesn't help the situation because they are actually constructed to be as “idiot proof” as possible. While this allows drivers to enthusiastically drum the steering wheel in rhythm to their favourite tunes on the radio, or to offer agitated counterpoint to talk radio pundits with differing views from their own, it does not help when it comes to paying

attention to the road and to driving.

Neurologists explain that drivers utilize the part of their brain in the back that deals with automatic and repetitive tasks instead of the “thinking part” in the frontal cortex, thanks to road designs created to make driving easier. If this was not the case, most drivers would collapse in mental exhaustion even navigating a normal commuting drive.

Unfortunately, that means drivers don't assign enough attention to what they are doing when driving—even though hurtling down the road in large metal monsters at lethal speeds alongside our most precious commodity—our children.

Taking responsibility is the adult thing to do and, collectively, it behooves us all to force our minds into mindfulness when travelling along roadways likely inhabited by school children. It isn't easy. It should be, but the truth is it isn't. Human genetic composition works against it.

But the thing about human beings is we can and should have the capacity to override those counter social predispositions that are foisted upon us by genetic mechanics.

So, stay alert, be aware and let's get all our children home safe from school. Treat every roadway or street as a “Community Safety Zone,” even ones not posted as such.

letters

Writer defends verbal attacks on deputy prime minister

The fault lies with Trudeau and his government

To the Expositor:

The deputy prime minister is in Alberta and gets called out and then Trudeau says that is unacceptable. Well for me, I think that is acceptable. Trudeau calls this cowardly, but I think it's the other way around. Because they are the ones who are cowards. They are always giving in to the rich, giving handouts to people who do not need the help. It's the average citizen who really needs the help and when citizens express their anger against the politicians, they are not cowards either because when they try to deal with the government in a reasonable manner, the government never listens to them.

I have said it so many times that these politicians need to smarten up, but nothing ever gets through their thick skulls. These confrontations

these politicians face will just get worse probably until they start listening.

I know citizens are getting so fed up with them and until they do, they will keep facing confrontations. They have a right to express their anger, if the government is not listening and right now, citizens really need the help because of rising inflation, especially during the winter months. I was going to stop writing articles, but when I heard this person called a coward, that really got me angry. Trudeau has no right calling somebody a coward when it's their fault.

Ronald Osawabine
Wiikwemkoong

Manitoulin Fine Arts Members Show on at Sheguiandah museum

by **Michael Erskine**

SHEGUIANDAH—One of Island art patrons' favourite times of the year has returned after a two-year-long COVID hiatus. The Manitoulin Fine Arts Association Members Show is currently on exhibit at Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah and will run until September 25.

watercolour to mixed media and beyond, there is something to just about every patron's taste, and best of all, if one hurries there is also the opportunity to purchase a favourite piece. Some are already sold.

If you can't make it out to the show, then pop by The Expositor's Facebook page to see a quick live



Artists Penny Bois, Cliff Jewell and Sue Cairns (also Manitoulin Fine Arts Association president) pose in front of some of the works on display.

“I am really pleased with the number of members who have participated in the show this year,” said MFAA president Susan Cairns. “There are so many great artists on Manitoulin and it is wonderful to see their work after all this time.”

There are 20 members of the MFAA who have submitted work for this show and the media and styles they work in are highly varied. From oils to acrylic, from

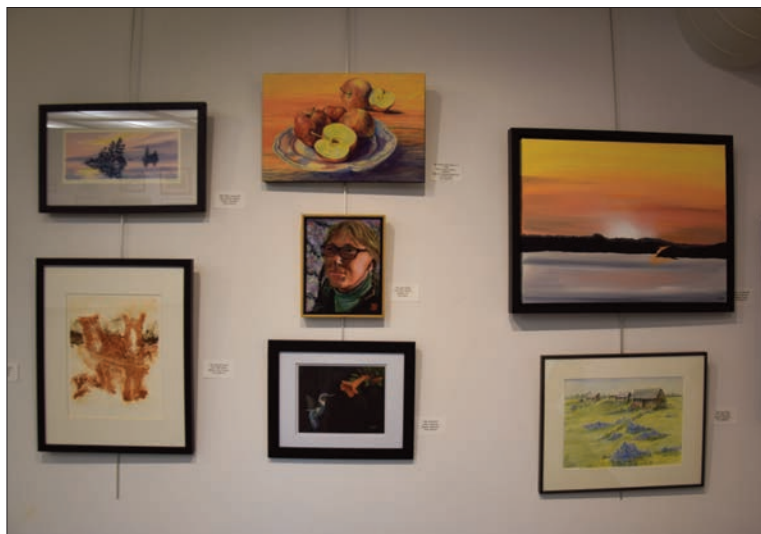
post video of the works on exhibit, but a quick video really doesn't do justice to the works. It's a great opportunity to drop into the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah to check out the MFAA Members' Show and maybe even take a gander or two at the museum exhibits while you are at the museum.

Admission to the MFAA show is free. A nominal fee applies to entry into the museum exhibits.



Visitors touring Northern Ontario stop by the Manitoulin Fine Arts Association Members Art Show at the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah.

photo by **Michael Erskine**



A selection of works by members of Manitoulin Fine Arts Association that are on exhibit at the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah.

David Parker

David arrives at the boardroom of the Centennial Manor, offering his hand as he approaches. A business-like handshake ensues. Getting into the Manor as a guest these days requires certification of immunization, hand disinfection and a clean rapid test, with 15 minutes of waiting time. David, 90, his mobility enhanced by a walker, smiles, and sits down at the big table. Twenty minutes earlier, while waiting for test results on the bench outside, the writer notices the fancy electric ride, David's alternate transportation mode, ready to take him into town.

After chatting for a few minutes, it becomes clear that David has led an interesting life. A life filled with the challenges of living through a world war, moving to a new country and evolving family relationships. It was the honing of skills in ballroom dancing with his second partner that became his 'raison d'être.' His first memories begin in pre-war Britain, with 13 siblings. They move to the despair and isolation of the war years and the subsequent, decisive move to Canada. That emigration from post-war Britain would sow the seeds of a new beginning, one that would escape the joblessness of the old country and the ongoing restrictions of



David shows off his newly caught salmon on his new lot in Kagawong prior to building his home.

rationing. Today, his memories, self-declared to be softened by time, still include that expertise and love for ballroom dancing.

"A distant relative was a gunmaker in Birmingham in 1750. I found him in the census records that went back 300 years. At that time industrial workers who migrated to cities to find employment were more like serfs. Birmingham became an industrial center for manufacturing. My grandfather was lucky to have his own shop, 'Parker's', inherited from his father. Grandfather also became a government agent, dealing with swords and weapons he procured for the soldiers. We had one of his bayonets used in the Boer War. It hung over the door in our house all the years I was there."

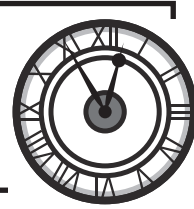
"When World War I came to Britain, my father Albert Parker joined the war effort. Dad fought in the Battle of Vimy Ridge, and I understand that his name is carved into one of the tunnels that the soldiers had dug for their shelter. Father was in the Worcester Regiment, the same one my brother joined for World War II. At that time, if a soldier was found outside of the designated conflict area, he could be charged or shot for desertion. My wounded father luckily escaped this fate when he was found outside of his area by New Zealand troops. Luckily, they chose to keep him away from the British military."

David, the third son, was born to Lillian and Albert Parker on June 23, 1932. "The Prince of Wales, who would later briefly become King Edward VIII (before



Now and Then

A Celebration of Life on Manitoulin
Mnaachtoong Maadsewin
By Petra Wall



David in his room at the Centennial Manor.

he abdicated) happened to be visiting the hospital so mother named me Edward David Parker. The King later abdicated from his throne to marry his sweetheart, Wallis Simpson. That was a shock to everyone. Years later, a similar response was felt when Diana left her Prince Charles. She was such a beauty; people were broken-hearted about her departure."

"After the family was complete, 15 people were sharing a three-bedroom house with no inside bathroom and no kitchen. Winters were always cold, and at night we all used chamber pots which yielded slop that had to be emptied. The male siblings were Nevil, Mervin, David, John, Albert and Sidney. Six of the seven girls were Lily, Rose, Jean, Kate, Ina (Georgina) and Margaret."

"In about 1936, the 'Blimp' passed innocently over our house on the outskirts of Birmingham, where we lived. I remember the fear and pain of the subsequent war years. Every night, starting in late 1939, bombs plagued the main cities. The first bomb would be a distance away. By the time we heard the fourth bomb hit a nearby target, we would run into the cellar, damp and cold from the stored coal. No toilet was available. During those years, we developed impetigo and other diseases from the poor conditions we were constantly exposed to. Some of our neighbours dug tunnels to escape to, or they built air-raid shelters in their back yards. The house across the street was hit and it cracked down the middle. The front, second and middle doors wound up in a heap in the backyard."

"The Germans were systematically bombing each of the big cities, one after the other, using a method of locational bombing that kept us all up at night. I remember when I was eight, going into the downtown area of Birmingham with my parents. The city center was filled with fire and smoke. There were hills of dirt over the water pipes so that fire engines could get over them. We found the 'bull ring,' the big market center with the huge glass roof, bombed and burning. Animals were trapped inside. Those animals that survived were soon released into the city. We found strange birds and animals in the countryside for quite a while."

"When the sirens went off at school, we would run to the base-



David's parents in England.

ment. I missed much of our schoolwork, but I remember reading Agatha Christie books. Parents were getting fearful that gas weapons could be used against the population, so they conspired to get the younger children out of the cities and into the countryside. One Monday, we were bundled up and taken by bus to the railway stations with many other children. That was laundry day at our house, so we had only wet clothes to wear. There were four children from our family, but we were split into two groups. Mervin and John went to the hamlet of Emily Castle, a town which had lost its castle much earlier to Henry VIII."

"My younger brother Nevil and I arrived at Netherton to stay in a 100-year-old thatched cottage with a farmer and his wife. The next day we were brought to a house with a giant table laden with clothes we could use. I remember seeing pair of little girl's slippers, with buttons, that might be useful on a cold stone floor. Far in the distant cities, we could see a glow in the sky and hear the bombs going off."

"We had never seen farm animals: cows, horses, pigs and chickens. The fence around the chickens had openings big enough for us to sneak in and pinch a few eggs. We also found a duck's nest filled with eggs at one end of the barn. After a while, it was clear the farmer and his wife, a nurse in the city, were not happy with us. We became too much of a problem, so we were taken to Pershore, still in Worcestershire County. That home couldn't take us, so we were taken to another couple who worked in a grocery store. They had rooms and took us in, but they didn't feed us very well. One day we found a cake covered with nuts and we ate all the nuts. As punishment, we had to pick up stones in the back yard."

"Our parents had been paying a monthly fee to keep us safe in the

country, a fee they could barely afford. They visited us once. By this time, brother Albert had joined the air force and the family dynamics were changing. We were still far away from the life we knew and we felt we were not being fairly treated. At the end of the visit, our parents gave us some candy. As soon as our parents were out of sight, the candy was taken from us. I decided to take drastic action. Nevil, five, and I, eight, walked to the bus station and bought tickets to Worcester where we got off. We played dumb. We told the conductor that our mother had really bought a ticket to Birmingham. They finally let us on the bus. By then our parents had learned of our escape. They worried we might drown in a nearby river. Meanwhile, much to their amazement, we arrived home safe and sound. We stayed there for the rest of the war."

"During the war, the National Service had provided infrastructure for the Third Infantry Division of three to four-thousand soldiers. Their collective footprint had extended from Norway to Persia. After the war, Britain was slowly granting independence to the countries of the Empire, a double-edged sword. Once the British were gone, there were no soldiers to defend democracy and keep the peace. Inner turmoil proliferated in many states. After the war, the National Service had adopted a standardized form of peaceful conscription so they could offer transitional help to the new countries."

"In Britain, when you join the National Service, you worked full-time for two years, earning 50 cents a day. After that you offered services as part of the Reserve Army for another five years. I joined the British army at 18, joining REME, the Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers deployed to the Suez Canal in the Middle East. I was quartermaster in charge of all store items, from gas to food. When I came home, still a member of the National Service, the country was continuing the rationing which would last into the 1950s. If something like candy was no longer restricted to 4 oz a month, the store shelves would be empty of that item in a few hours. We had debts too. We had to pay back the families that took our children and pay back the Americans who had helped fund war costs in Britain. They wanted dollars, the currency standard. Pounds were worthless."

In 1952 David married Mary Ensell. David was working 48 to 53 hours a week with overtime to get ahead. "We were broke, just living in a trailer, barely paying for rent and food. Rationing was still happening. Little gas, food and few available jobs were the norm for British society. Canada was starting to look rather good. I heard 'bars of gold' could be found in Canada. About this time, Mary got pregnant despite her desire to remain childless. I remember her showing up at the foundry gates and yelling at me, 'You SOB, you got me pregnant.' Little Debbie was born in 1957."

That year, the government was paying the Cunard Ship Company to take immigrants to South Africa or Australia and Canada. David asked the War Department for his family to come to Canada for a fresh start. David made all the arrangement for the trip. Mary was reluctant to go, never-

theless the family arrived in Canada in the fall, a challenging time to find work. "We had to start at the bottom and work up the ladder."

"I turned down a foundry job at Massey-Harris and soon realized that had been a bad decision. I wound up as a milking machine operator in Scarborough. Mary got a job making leather shoes, but she only stayed for a week. We needed \$4,000 to buy a house with four bedrooms but we didn't have enough money yet so we lived in a basement apartment in Toronto." David soon found work as a machinist, helping to build the Toronto Bloor Street subway for the company Stack Pole. His office was in a small location on the Danforth. "The company wanted us to move to the destination for the subway line at St Clair and Lansdowne, the edge of the city at the time. We wound up north of the Lansdowne and I had to walk one hour to get to the streetcar."

"Eventually we got a car, a 1952 Pontiac with rusted headlights, an engineering flaw. The headlights were set into a hollow sphere so dirt and water could easily accumulate, but we had wheels." When Debbie was about five, Mary returned to England with their daughter. David was heartbroken. He had grown close to his family, especially little Debbie. Now, he was sad and lonely. "I took refuge in bartending for the Toronto Argonauts Football Stadium and for the Chamber of Commerce. At that time, you sold liquor by the bottle, not the glass. It was \$45 a bottle which I took to each table, earning \$24 a night."

In 1967, David was introduced to Joan, a ballroom dancer. The couple soon made ballroom dancing their mainstay at the Legion. "I tried to join the Legion, but they refused me because they did not recognize the Theatre of Operation in Africa and the Suez Canal, where I had been stationed." This didn't slow down his dancing with Joan.

"Joan had a son, Paul, one-year-old, from a previous marriage and David adopted Paul to make his new family complete. Joan's mother, Mary W. Morrison (Allen) was the first person to provide inoculations after the Banting and Best discovery of insulin. Her mother recalled Dr. Banting sharing with her that he was unhappy when his second in command also won the Nobel Prize. This information had come out in a recording made 60 years ago and her mother's name had likely been mentioned."



Debbie and her new hubby in England.

David and Joan became experts, well-known in the ballroom dancing circles, winning many championships. "One time, we travelled to Blackpool, England the Mecca of dancing, as part of a Canadian delegation. Joan's dress had arrived in a shoe box, all the way from Australia. It sprang to life beautifully when released from the box." The pair won the championship.

At 55, David became jobless. Through layoffs and cuts, he lost his position. "I was supposed to get a week's wage for every year worked but the company cheated us. I was disenfranchised at age 55 with no insurance and this had

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Tour de Meldrum!

Wow, 15 years already! Dr. Dale Scott started this endeavour a decade and a half back to raise money for the Mindemoya Hospital Renovation and Expansion fund. To date, what started out as Dale and a couple of dedicated individuals has become a great success and has raised thousands with his two day fun and fitness fundraiser. The trek is on September 24-25th or portions thereof, your choice. The "Full Monty" or less-than?! Visit the 'Tour de Meldrum' on Facebook for details.

McLeans Relay is Back!

Keeping the two-wheeled events going, the McLeans Relay is coming up on September 3rd on the gorgeous mountain bike trail in Assiginack. It, like other events, is back after a two-year hiatus! The McLean's relay challenges riders to see how many laps they can complete in 6 hours. Try it solo, or in teams of 2-4 people. The course consists of about 6km of challenging, but fun singletrack with very little climbing.

The race entry fee is \$20, to be paid on-site before the race. All proceeds will be donated to a worthy cause. Draw prizes will be provided by Breakaway Sports. For information you can email: caroline.black39@gmail.com with your team info.

Couple celebrates Lacrosse success!

Wiikwemkoong's Mackenzie Shigwadja and her partner Kyren Lazore (hailing from Six Nations) have both been demonstrating their prowess in lacrosse.

Mackenzie is now a veteran on the varsity team at Brock University in St. Catharines.

Kyren, for his part, won the silver medal recently at the World Junior Lacrosse Championships. Playing for team Haudenosaunee, they defeated Team USA and played Canada for gold in the finals and came away with the silver.

Panthers ready to pounce!

It is encouraging to see that the Manitoulin Panthers have announced that their tryout registration is now open. The deadline to register is Sept 16th. On their website (manitoulinpanthers.com), click on the Registration Link tab to register. The schedule of tryout and development skates are to be posted soon.

Local fastball players represent!

Cape Croker's Nawash Sin is now the seven-time All Ontario First Nation champs with Lyle Baibomcowai and Mike Abotossaway critical to the team's success over the last, say, seven years! The All-Ontario First Nations Championship was recently played on the Saugeen FN. Lyle won the award for the top catcher of the whole weekend.

The all local team, Wiikwemkoong's Sons of Pitches (Gerry's Kids!) had their best result ever getting into four games with a two and two record! Congratulations to Coach Gerard Baibomcowai and players: Brandon Pheasant, Nelson Morningstar, Warren Simon, Michael Aiabens, Jesse Peltier, Jordan Trudeau, Ralph Gonawabi, Gregory Trudeau-Paquette, Jonas Aiabens, Darren Zack, Evan Peltier and CJ Newberry.

Karate call!

Dan Fletcher's Manitoulin School of Martial Arts is returning to the Mindemoya Hall as their dojo this season. The school is a multi-discipline karate school that specializes in Goju Ryu style and self defence. This will be their 12th season on Manitoulin and they just keep on growing! Wednesday, September 14th will mark their registration day as well as their first class. The evening begins with a Mixed Ages class from 6 pm to 7:15 pm and then an all-ages, Specialized Techniques Class from then until 8:45 pm.

Contact can be made by phone at 705-348-0455 or through email: renshidanf@gmail.com

15th Annual Golf Challenge!

The Wiikwemkoong Development Commission - Enaadmaagehgik "People Helping People" is putting the call out for entries to support their \$15,000 goal of supporting youth for student bursaries. The fun begins on September 9 with a four-person scramble "Poker Run" format. There are all kinds of special awards through the day including two, 'hole in one' challenges for \$15,000 total, putting, driving, poker hands, etc!

The team fee of \$600 includes dinner, cart and registration gift. Sign-up starts at 8:00 AM with respective tee times to follow starting at 9:00 AM. For more information, contact Jamie Oshkabewisens at 705-859-3001 ext. 231 or by email at spassistant@wikydevcom.ca or just visit: www.rainbowridgegolfcourse.com.

Paper Kings arrive!

Back in the NOJHL, Espanola has been ramping up to join the Northern Ontario Hockey League once again with a new moniker, the Espanola Paper Kings. The team has already secured an affiliation with the nearby Sudbury Wolves of the Ontario Hockey League and the Sudbury Wolves of the OHL have officially confirmed a player alignment with the Espanola Paper Kings for the upcoming 2022-2023 season. The team is quickly whittling down its roster and will definitely have some Manitoulin looks as they don a new jersey and new attitude. Go Paper Kings!

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Manitoulin Special Olympics Ball Tournament returns to the field

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—The Manitoulin Special Olympics (MSO) annual ball tournament has been a perennial favourite late summer pastime for many, but the pandemic kept teams from the field over the past two years. This past weekend, the ball tournament

the teams arrived and lined up behind their respective signs to troop out onto the field for the opening ceremonies. Plenty of banter could be heard taking place among the players eager to get things started.

"If you want to hear pure and honest comment, this is the place

ly to Mr. Lockeyer about this observation and drawing a bit of teasing himself.

Coming to a ball tournament on Manitoulin Island takes more than a little volunteer commitment and a whole lot of funds, noted an organizer from Timmins, who shared the cost for this



The Manitoulin Nightriders took gold in the Adapt (T-ball) division.



The Manitoulin Wolverines scored gold in the C level B division championships.

returned and proved to be a home-run hit for all.

"It is really nice to see everyone again," said organizer Janet Anning. "We see so many familiar faces here today that we haven't seen in too long a time." Ms. Anning noted that many of the participants, some coming from as far afield as Timmins and North Bay, have been regulars over the years and have been sorely missed by both the players and volunteers.

The atmosphere was vibrant as

to be," laughed scorekeeper and announcer Greg Lockeyer, who has been the recipient of plenty of good-natured verbal pokes himself down through the years.

Volunteers from Manitoulin, North Bay, Sudbury and Timmins were enjoying themselves just as much as the players.

"It's really nice to be back," said umpire Bruce Wiggins. "We've all really missed this."

Mr. Wiggins noted that there were a lot more umpires on the bases this year, commenting loud-

trip would top \$12,000 before the final pitch. "We raise money throughout the year through our bingos," she said. "But with the pandemic that has been tough."

Thankfully, Island accommodation providers have been very helpful.

"We like to keep the costs down as much as we can," said the Timmins organizer. "The motel owner let us use his barbecue to prepare meals for our teams and that has

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History Night in Kagawong captivates with tale of ‘Canada’s Titanic’

Salvation Army Staff Band adds atmosphere with period music

by Michael Erskine

KAGAWONG—History Night in Kagawong has become synonymous with top shelf historical seminars, mostly focused on maritime history (which makes a lot of sense given that the Old Mill Heritage Centre museum tends to focus a fair bit of attention on maritime events). The story of the sinking of the RMS Empress of Ireland proved a true case in point.

The sinking of the RMS Empress of Ireland is often referred to as “Canada’s Titanic,” noted Old Mill Heritage Centre curator Rick Nelson in his opening remarks, but despite being this nation’s worst peacetime maritime disaster, the vast majority of Canadians have never heard of the catastrophe. “By the time this evening is over, you folks will know more about the Empress of Ireland than the rest of Canada put together,” he promised. The presentations provided by the evening’s two presenters proved him as good as his word.

Despite the immense amount of information and historical anecdotes contained in those talks, the audience remained rapt in attention thanks to the storytelling skill demonstrated by the two presenters.

One attendee related to The Expositor that a “fidgety” grandchild at the beginning of the talk settled almost immediately as the presenters began their



Old Mill Heritage Centre Rick Nelson, left, looks on as author David Saint-Pierre and Salvation Army archivist Major Ron Miller take questions from the audience. TVO journalist Steve Paikin stood service as facilitator for the Q and A session.

talks and remained attentive until the very end.

The first presenter was Montreal author and historian David Saint-Pierre (originally from Rimouski, QC, a community that had, and continues to have, huge connections with the disaster) and who is the author of a new book about the Empress disaster.

The second presenter was Salvation Army archivist Major Ron Millar, who provided intimate anecdotes illuminating the impact the loss of a large group of Salvation Army senior officials who were travelling to a conference aboard the vessel and the staff band, almost all of whom “went down with the ship.” The ripples of those

impacts have reverberated onto the present day and the Salvation Army continues to honour those lost in ceremonies held at a monument to this day.

Mr. Saint-Pierre noted that while the story of the RMS Empress of Ireland has largely faded from the nation’s memory, it remains very much alive in the memory of his hometown of Rimouski. His book, ‘L’Empress of Ireland: une histoire par l’image,’ is currently only available in French, but is in the process of being translated into English.

He noted that the story of the RMS Empress of Ireland is “too often limited to the story of its tragic end.” Pointing out that the ves-

sel was in active service for eight years before coming to becoming Canada’s largest peacetime maritime disaster. Its designation of “RMS” instead of the more common “HMS” was due to it being a Royal Mail Ship, charged with delivering the critical postal communications which, in those days preceding widespread telephones use or digital communication, provided the main link between businesses, governments and families.

“During these years, the Empress of Ireland and its twin Empress of Britain made the connection between Quebec and Liverpool and became the darlings of Quebec,” he said.

“Everywhere on the shores of the St. Lawrence, the ship acquired an excellent reputation and testimonies in the press at the time abound, describing the immense crowds that gathered on the quays to see them pass.”

The shock to the nation, and the world, when on the night of May 28 to 29, 1914, the Empress of Ireland, enroute to Liverpool, was hit by the Norwegian ship Storstad just below Rimouski in dense fog was immense.

The accident, in dense fog that was not expected, saw the Empress of Ireland sink beneath the waves in less than 15 minutes. So fast, in fact, that 1,012 people were unable to escape and lost their lives. The Storstad had cut deep into the Empress and when it reversed the water rushed in causing the Empress to heel over, while the ship’s electricity was cut causing the interior to be plunged into darkness, making it nearly impossible for anyone below decks to escape.

The author delivered two explanations for the collision as both the Empress and the Storstad held to differing accounts. In the days before universal radios were to be found onboard ships and with dense fog enveloping the channel, signals were made by the sounding of horns and the positioning of red and green lights.

Mr. Saint-Pierre offered a

suggestion on how the positioning of the lights may have led to confusion as to which way the ships were turning and the sounding of horns appears to have been misheard.

The Storstad had backed its engines to try and minimize the collision that caused the ship to pull out of the cut it had made in the Empress. The Storstad continued to pull away believing the Empress would remain afloat. It was about a mile away before realizing the ship was sinking. It then returned to pick up survivors. Most of the 465 survivors of the tragedy were picked up by the Storstad, who transported them to Rimouski.

Mr. Saint-Pierre spoke on how the entire community, a very small town at the time, mobilized to come to the aide of the survivors.

“From then on and forever, the name Empress of Ireland will be associated with that of Rimouski,” he said.

Major Millar took the audience into a different direction, focussing on the emotional impact the tragedy had on the Salvation Army, still a nascent organization at the time, having been established in Canada in 1885, a mere 15 years after Confederation.

The Salvation Army was founded in London, England in 1865. William Booth, a minister, had abandoned the conventional concept of a church and a pulpit to

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really helped us out a lot.”

The opening ceremonies began with the trooping of the teams onto the field and the singing of ‘O Canada.’ This was followed by the recital of the Players’ Oath by Manitoulin player Tyler Madahbee: “Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt,” followed by the famous invocation: “play ball!”

“It was a great weekend,” said Ms. Anning. “Thank you to all of our volunteers this weekend, from the kitchen work-



A line drive secures a home run under the watchful eye of umpire Bruce Wiggins.

photos by Michael Erskine

ers, the umpires, the ground crew, to all those who just showed and asked what they could do to help. Everyone was so thankful that this tournament was once again able to take place, but no one was happier than all the athletes. You could see all of the huge smiles as they got off the buses. Every athlete went home with a medal to finish off their day. We live in the greatest place in this country.”

Many members of the Manitoulin community came out to cheer the home teams on, but there was plenty of applause when the other team members made a great play as well.

Results from the tournament are: B level, gold for North Bay and silver for Timmins (coincidentally two of the teams in the tournament who travelled the furthest). In the C level A division it was gold for Sudbury and silver for Timmins. C level B division saw Manitoulin Wolverines pull in gold, while silver went to North Bay. In the Adapt (T-ball) division, it was Manitoulin Night Riders with the gold and Sudbury taking home the silver.



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nessed during that phase of his career played a key role in his decision to join the Legal Aid Ontario community.

Much of Mr. Shain's practice in recent years has been in representations on behalf of injured workers, a difficult and nuanced field. Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) is a field that can be very lucrative for private legal professionals, but Mr. Shain took on that role on behalf of those who could not afford those avenues. While the thickness of legal briefs are often measured in inches, they can easily approach a depth of feet in the WSIB arena.

Long-time Manitoulin North Shore Injured Worker's Group president Colin Pick travelled from his home outside Sud-

bury to be at the dinner to honour Mr. Shain, and Mr. Pick delivered an impassioned and emotional speech thanking Mr. Shain for his efforts in both assisting in founding that organization and for his ongoing support of their issues over the years.

"Mike's work on behalf of injured workers has been of great importance and cannot be overstated," said Mr. Pick. "He is going to be missed."

Mr. Shain was slated to retire last year but agreed to stay on for an additional year in order to accommodate the needs of his successor, who will be taking over the reins in the first weeks of September.

"I still have a little bit of work to finish up," said Mr. Shain.

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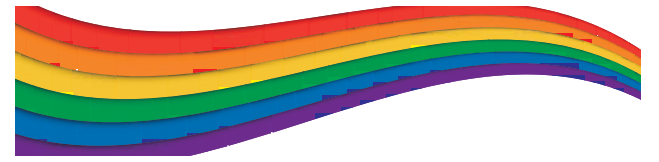


Joe Pitawanakwat knows his plants. The Indigenous knowledge keeper has made an in-depth study of the medicines associated with plants native to Manitoulin Island.

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Sarah Seabrook makes the first cut into the 2022 Pride Cake, crafted by baker Kendra Reocollet of Baked North at the Pride barbecue at Little Current United Church. The cake cutting was the final activity of a very successful and well-attended Manitoulin Pride Week, according to organizers.



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Long-time C.C. McLean teacher, Dan Smith, bids school adieu

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—"I feel so fortunate, and it is with gratitude that we made the decision to stay here and Patti and I have raised four kids on the Island. It has been fantastic," stated Dan Smith, who retired as a teacher at Charles C. McLean Public School at the end of the past school year.

Mr. Smith completed his 27th year of teaching after undergoing a change in careers with the Sudbury Parks and Recreation department. "I started at C.C. McLean in 1995 to teach French and physical education, and have taught other courses as well," said Mr. Smith. He had left the school at one point, after 17 years at C.C. McLean. "It was taking Patti a bit of time to get her transfer to the Manitoulin OPP (Ontario Provincial Police) and I was teaching in Sudbury and coaching my son in triple A hockey. I taught in Sudbury for two years. Once we moved back to the Island, we have been here ever since."

When he was growing up in Sudbury, "I was 16 when I was asked to teach summer school, French, for the Catholic board. French is my first language, and so I taught Grade 7-8 students in summer school."

"I worked a total of seven years in Sudbury and Rayside-Balfour (as a recreation supervisor)," said Mr. Smith. He completed his education degree at Laurentian University and his education degree at the University of Toronto.

"I went to college after working for the City of Sudbury, and got involved in golf, volleyball and track at Laurentian University," said Mr. Smith. He also red-shirted for the men's volleyball team, practicing with them as well as with the track and field team. "I wasn't super in any one sport, but good enough to make the varsity team."

"When Patti and I first came to the Island she was stationed on Manitoulin with the OPP. We spent four or five years in Gore Bay and then figured we would head back to Sudbury eventually," said Mr. Smith. "Twenty-seven years later and having had four kids, we are still here."

"One of the many draws we have to the Island is that



Dan Smith, a teacher at Charles C. McLean for the past 17 years, will not be returning to the school this fall.

Patti's dad Murray is originally from Barrie Island and her grandmother was living in the Millsite Apartment building."

"My oldest son lives in Montreal, and Andrew is a police officer while Alex is a teacher in Walkerton," said Mr. Smith.

"I am definitely looking forward to retirement. I could have retired last year, but our daughter was finishing Grade 8 this year (at C.C. McLean) and that was an incentive to stay for one more year. And with COVID and restrictions I hoped to have a pretty normal last year of teaching," continued Mr. Smith.

Mr. Smith has a love of sports, coaching eight teams at C.C. McLean, besides coaching local Gore Bay minor hockey teams. "Being at school with kids never felt like work to me. It was fun, sports, and watching them develop as athletes, students and growing up. As a phys-ed and French language teacher, I was teaching every grade every year. Every student was with me for half an hour to an hour every day during the school year. One of the things that is nice to know is that over the past 27 years, students from age 4-41 in this area, I've taught them and now I am teaching their kids. It's special."

"Kids always remember the simplest things, they don't remember a great lesson in math, or language. It's the special trips, tournaments, games and activities that they remember," said Mr. Smith. "I had the opportunity to teach many wonderful students over the years."

He pointed out he taught some of the current teachers at C.C. McLean when

they were kids.

"The best compliments I've received from former students-athletes is that while they might never have been great at sports, 'but you believed in me, gave me confidence and made me feel an important part of the team,' and because of it they stayed active in sports into adulthood. This was always a goal of mine to keep students active and healthy."

"I also believed it was important to try to encourage kids to turn to sport, because it leads to active, physical healthy lifestyles," said Mr. Smith. "And they develop transferable skills, working together as a team and they develop confidence."

When he was first looking for a teaching job, Mr. Smith originally wanted to teach in secondary school. "Mac Hall, Director of Education for the former Manitoulin Board of Education hired me. Mac told me, 'Don Bosley (former principal at C.C. Mclean) would love you to teach and get involved in coaching sports at the school,' and he asked if I happened to speak French. He set up an appointment with Don and I was hired right there."

"After about four years I was fortunate that Anna Armstrong (principal at C.C. McLean at the time) asked me to be the teacher in charge (replacing the principal had work and meetings out of school) which I did for about 15 years," he explained. "(The late) Jean Hanson (former director of education) and the school board was pushing for me to become a principal, but I wanted to stay at C.C. McLean."

"I have loved teaching, coaching and spending time with the kids at the school," said Mr. Smith. "And a lot of the students I coached in minor hockey as well."

"I have had a fantastic career at C.C. McLean," said Mr. Smith. "For me, if it wasn't for sports I never would have become a teacher. Even when I was young, school was so much more interesting to me because of the sports I could also play. I had no aspiration to teach math or other subjects. I loved phys-ed and it was the driving force behind me becoming a teacher."

"At this point, with retirement, I will supply teach for a couple of years until Patti retires from the OPP," said Mr. Smith. "I won't commit to too much right now, but I'm sure I will be involved in track meets and coaching, maybe at (Manitoulin Secondary School) and definitely at C.C. McLean." "When you have students that you teach 10 years, they become like your own children," continued Mr. Smith. "We are their parents at school. When they graduate, you are happy and proud for them but sad because they are moving on to the next level of school. That is what I've always

loved about community school; you get to know the students as a person and watch them develop over the years."

In 2019 Mr. Smith received the Outstanding Contribution to Co-Curricular Programs (coaching etc.) award from the RDSB. In 2012 he had been requested to train two teachers from every elementary school within the board (at a full-day professional development seminar) on how to implement the new Provincial Physical and Health Education curriculum.

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New amber-red light warning systems mandated on school buses

by Tom Sasvari
RAINBOW DISTRICT—The Sudbury Student Services Consortium (SSSC) has outlined new technology that is being installed on buses and is designed to improve school bus safety. And the new technology, which includes the mandating of new amber-red light warning systems on school buses, is being welcomed by a local school bus company.

“As school bus drivers, we are talking about the kids’ and drivers’ safety, which is crucial,” stated Robert Brown, of Carl Brown Bus. “Members of the public need to know of all these changes that are being made to improve safe-



This fall, school buses will feature amber-red warning lights.

approaching, when the bus is leaving their particular stop and when it’s dropping the student off at the school,” said Ms. Boucher.

Ms. Boucher pointed out that, as part of a pilot project, some buses will also be equipped with stop arm cameras. The cameras capture licence plate numbers of traffic violators and tag the video evidence with date, time and GPS location.

Ontario passed legislation in 2020 that allows footage from the stop arm cameras to be used in court.

“There are a lot of good changes coming,” stated Ms. Boucher.

ty. If the new rules and technology in place can help, we are in favour of it.”

The new eight amber-red light warning system is going to be in place on all school buses, with the goal of increasing rider safety and decreasing the number of motorists who do not stop for school buses.

Under the system, when you’re driving and a school bus approaches, motorists will have to watch and if the bus slows and flashes its overhead amber lights, it means that the bus is coming to a stop to pick up or drop off passengers. When drivers see a school bus with its overhead amber lights flashing, you need to slow down and prepare to stop whether you are behind or approaching a bus.

When the bus stops and flashes its overhead red lights and activates its stop-

arm, this alerts other motor vehicle drivers that the bus has stopped to pick-up or drop off passengers. It is dangerous and illegal to fail to stop for a stopped school bus that has its overhead right lights flashing or its stop arm activated.

Before continuing on their way, motorists must wait for the bus to start moving, for the overhead red lights to stop flashing and wait until the stop arm is no longer activated. If a driver goes past a stopped school bus with its overhead red lights flashing or its stop arm activated, drivers face a first offence fine ranging from \$400 to \$2,000 and six demerit points. For each following offence, the fines range from \$1,000 to \$4,000 along with six demerit points and possible jail time of up to six months.

The registered owner of

a vehicle illegally passing a school bus that is caught by camera technology may be charged and fined.

These updated safety lighting requirements took effect July 1, requiring all buses manufactured on or after January 2005 to switch to the new system. Buses will have to display revised signage on the rear of their vehicles to read, ‘Do not pass when red lights flashing.’

Renee Boucher, executive director of SSSC told The Expositor as well, “we are going to have tablets equipped on school buses for drivers; information that they can access hands-free so they won’t need anything that is handheld with software so they have turn-by-turn directions and be able to see the students’ names and have all the information they need at bus pick up and drop off

locations.”

“And at the end of the day, for example, it will provide information to the driver about Kindergarten students so the drivers know that, for example, for a Senior Kindergarten or Junior Kindergarten student, a parent needs to be there at the bus stop before the letting the child off the bus. For students with any type of disability, it will indicate this and what the driver needs to do help them on or off the bus.”

Students will be given a QR code that will be checked when they are getting on or off the bus and parents will be able to download a free app, said Ms. Boucher.

“This is a really good program and helps the drivers and the students,” said Ms. Boucher.

“The notifications will tell them when the bus is

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Back to School Safety Reminders

It is that time of year again!

Prepare for the 2022-2023 school year by following these simple safety tips

1. **NEVER** pass a school bus while red lights are flashing when children are entering or exiting the school bus

Exercise caution when approaching a school bus or coming to bus stops

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SLOW DOWN, speed limit is reduced for a reason in a school zone, keep your eyes out for children, especially if there's no sidewalk, before and when school is over when the traffic is heavy

Watch for bicycles and darting children.

Allow up to 3 feet of passing distance between your vehicle and the bicycle. Children are often inexperienced and unpredictable.

Obey the crossing guard

The crossing guard is there to keep children safe

Parents also have a key role in school safety

Take the time to teach your children about school zones and bus safety

Never too old to learn, Naomi Abotossaway completes Lakehead U. program

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—When Naomi Abotossaway moved from Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) to Thunder Bay more than 35 years ago, most people knew her better as Olga Cywink, but she has always kept up close ties with her Manitoulin friends and family.

“I wanted to go to school,” noted Ms. Abotossaway on her decision to move to Northwestern Ontario. She originally set out to gain her nursing degree, but marriage to Nolan Abotossaway derailed those plans after two years as she settled into married life and raise their four children.

“Fifty years ago, I left school,” she said. Although she doesn’t regret her decision, following her retirement in 2018 Ms. Abotossaway decided to take another look at academia and enrolled in the gerontology program at Confederation College. “It took me two years,” she said. “I received two years of credit for my nursing studies.”

Ms. Abotossaway has passed on her love of education to her children: a son is an environmental engineer, a daughter has a BA in television broadcasting, another daughter is a lawyer in Thunder Bay and the youngest son is currently studying at college in

Thunder Bay.

The decision to return to school came to Ms. Abotossaway following a road trip to Nova Scotia she took following her retirement.

Today, she works with elderly clients coming into Thunder Bay from Northern communities. “It’s a big challenge,” she admitted. “It’s going to be a lot of work when I get back after my vacation, but it is very rewarding.”

Ms. Abotossaway was back in the district last year for a workshop held at Dreamer’s Rock, Sunshine Alley, in her original home community of Whitefish River First Nation. “It was at the powwow grounds and there were four artists there, Leland Bell, James Jacko and two others,” she said. The workshop was aimed at healing for the families of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Ms. Abotossaway, along with other participants, was invited to choose an artist to work with.

“I walked around the tent and finally decided to choose James Jacko,” she said. “It was just a feeling that it was right.”

Over the next few days Ms. Abotossaway worked with Mr. Jacko to place her impressions, memories and feelings onto canvas. The result was an original work of art that is

to be displayed in an exhibition in Toronto. Ms. Abotossaway received a copy of her work on canvas to take home, which she picked up on this visit.

“I am pretty pleased with how it turned out,” said Ms. Abotossaway. “There are many ways of learning.”

Ms. Abotossaway is the sister of Sonya Nadine Mae Cywink, a 31-year-old woman who was pregnant when her body was found on August 30, 1994 in London, Ontario and whose murder



Aundeck Omni Kaning’s Naomi Abotossaway has made learning a life-long passion.

remains unsolved to this day.

Ms. Abotossaway remembers her sister, not as a victim, but as a shining light who could bring laughter into a room the moment she walked in. “The night before the workshop, I didn’t know what I wanted,” she said. “I knew I wanted a tipi and a woman looking off to the horizon.”

Soon other images came to mind, including a feather and storm clouds. “The feather symbolizes

how we talk to the Creator,” she said. “The eagle takes our prayers upwards. When a feather falls to earth we hold that and can talk to our Creator, and we need to do that. The eagle takes the message to the Creator and we continue with our journey.”

“The healing part is the storm clouds, it comes from my heart. They connect everything—the earth, the trees and the plants, the air, the sky, all living things on the planet. We need to respect all things on the planet. I will try to do that as I continue my journey.”

M’Chigeeng annual Jiingtamok (powwow) on this weekend

by Michael Erskine

M’CHIGEENG—The sacred fire for the September 3 and 4 annual M’Chigeeng Jiingtamok will be lit on Thursday, September 1 in preparation for the grand entry at 1 pm on Saturday, September 3. There will be three grand entries over the weekend, the aforementioned on Saturday and another that evening at 7 pm and then again on Sunday at noon.

Host drum for this weekend’s events will be Black Bull Moose sharing duties with co-host drum Red River, all under the capable hands of master of ceremonies Mista Wasis and co-host Greg (The Goose) Sutherland. Arena director Steven Peltier will ensure things are unfolding smoothly on the dancing ground as head elder Jean Debassige and head veteran Justin Debassige lead in the eagle staffs followed by head dancers Wes and Tracy Cleland. Junior head dancers are Noah Hare and Scarlett Shogga.

The Jiingtamok will be accepting the first five drums (with a minimum of five singers) and there will be a Crow Hop special.

There is rough camping available and, as is traditional, no alcohol or drugs will be allowed.

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My Ol' Blues specializes in an assortment of comfortable, eco-friendly Canadian themed clothing, but also features collections for every season. Stop in for a shop and request a tour of the production area.



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Cindy's Fashions is centrally located in Mindemoya (just west of Foodland). Cindy's carries a wide variety of women's clothing options from sizes small to XL and everything from stylish outerwear to blouses, dresses, pants, purses, jewellery, hats, bathing suits and more.

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Pheasant, Stan Panamick and Leland Bell. The store also has a selection of quill boxes from local artists, medicine wheels, dream catchers, drums, Adrian Klis Fine Leather buffalo hide wallet and purses, moccasins, Boy Chief blankets and shawls, pelts and furs. There is a great children's section with book, toys, puzzles and games, as well a large adult book section on various Indigenous teachings and history. It also carries both Hawberry Jelly and a wide selection of Manitoulin branded clothing for men, women and children.



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The Green Tricycle was born from owner Connie McCue being a real estate broker and her love of homes.

Ms. McCue has 20 plus years as an interior decorator and artist, as well as an owner of a previous home decor and gift store. The

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At the Green Tricycle you will also find canvas art, bath and bedding, home accents, kitchen, custom branded candles, handmade soaps and a shirt line. Stop in for local and Ontario artists and complimentary and in store decorating advice.

"It's not just a store, it's an experience," says Ms. McCue, noting that the store is, 'Anything but ordinary.'



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Manitoulin Island Stops and Shops Guide

FERGUSON'S COTTAGE SUPPLY CO.

Nestled along the side of Highway 6 in Sheguindah is Ferguson's Cottage Supply Co., the brainchild of Lee-Anne Ferguson and her husband Jim Jr. Lee-Anne and Jim Jr. have curated a store with beautiful home décor, drinkware, and clothing. Store clothing features the Manitoulin Deer Gear logos, available exclusively at Ferguson's. There is a wide variety of drinkware from BruMate and Corkicle which can be custom engraved on site.

"I try to carry Ontario brands such as KT Inspired, Old Soul Soap Company, Declan and Riggs and HilBrand Co.," explained Lee-Anne. "We also carry a lot of Canadian brands such as Chilly Moose coolers." Ferguson's is a proud official dealer of Old Hickory Buildings, as well Island Pads inflatable islands.



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ISLAND HOME OUTFITTERS

Island Home Outfitters is the lifelong dream of Ashleigh and Jennifer Moffat. Their inspiration and love for decorating comes from their mother Mitch. The sisters wanted to encourage people to explore Central Manitoulin, offering a place to shop for the perfect gift, Manitoulin gear or home/cottage décor. The store features many local and Canadian makers. In addition to handmade goods, you can also find drinkware from Swig, luxury lifestyle line Business and Pleasure Co., PopUp Docks, Sun Bum products and Pura Vida jewellery, to name just a few. Ashleigh and Jennifer bring rustic décor and modern apparel to both their neighbours and visitors of Manitoulin Island. Visit them at the heart of the Island in downtown Mindemoya.



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Island Oasis is a tranquil nail salon located in downtown Little Current. Owner and esthetician, Marilee Harasym, has 10 years' experience in the industry and opened the doors to her own spa last year.

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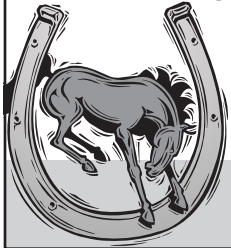
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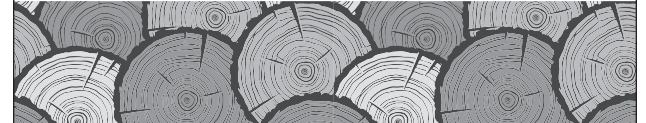
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Experienced Police Officer (1) - Full Time – Permanent

Position: Police Constable
Location: Wikwemikong Unceded Territory
Responsible to: Chief of Police, Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service

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Executive Director**

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Our mission is to Promote environmental, social, physical and mental health through the use of accessible public transit by promoting a) extended micro trips around Manitoulin, b) joining community social activities, shopping and appointments, c) visiting friends without the stress of driving, d) an alternative to using a private vehicle.

The qualified candidate will have:

- Post secondary accreditation
- Managerial experience, coordinating teams and individuals towards a unified goal
- A significant capacity with computers and programs
- Experience working with Indigenous communities and municipalities
- Foundational understanding of AI programs for ride share and on demand transit

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and a C.V. by September 14th at 5:00 pm to info@umit.ca.

Salary: \$55,000-75,000



DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS - SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION

Full Time, Regular Band Office Hours (After hours will be required)
Tentative Start Date: ASAP

As the Director of Operations, you will report directly to the Chief and Council and be responsible for the successful leadership and management of the organization in accordance with the strategic direction, vision, mission and values. Specifically, you will be responsible for developing and implementing the strategic plan of the organization, overseeing administration, operations, financial management, programs/services and ultimately, ensuring that Sheguiandah First Nation fulfills its mission and vision.

DUTIES:

- Develop and implement standards and controls, systems and procedures, as well as regular evaluation to achieve program quality and organizational stability;
- Access and secure funding for projects and ensure that all funding reports are completed accurately and on time;
- Consult with the Finance Committee on forecasting financial, budgetary and planning needs to meet goals;
- Ensure that strategic initiatives are understood, obstacles are communicated and improvements are recommended;
- Direct all operations and managers to adhere to all legislation, policies, procedures, values and achieve their goals;
- Ensure the health and safety of all SFN employees;
- Prepare official correspondence on behalf of the organization;
- Consult with Chief and Council to attract, motivate and retain qualified employees;
- Research funding sources, develop project plans, and prepare proposals to increase the operating revenues of the administration; and
- Identify and evaluate liability and risks to the organization and implement appropriate controls to minimize impact.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Degree/diploma in Business Administration, Accounting or a related field;
- Three to five years' leadership or management experience, preferably working with a First Nations community;
- Know the Indian Act and other relevant legislation/policies and agencies as they pertain to First Nations;
- Knowledge and experience in financial and human resources management; and project management skills;
- Experience and knowledge of written and oral communication skills, ability to multi-task; working with Sage (ACCPAC) and Microsoft application environment.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Clear Criminal Reference Check, valid driver's licence and reliable transportation.
- Fulfill all other responsibilities as determined by the Chief and Council.

A full job description is available upon request.

SALARY: Salary negotiable

CLOSING DATE: REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FILLED

A cover letter, resume, three (3) work-related reference letters marked 'Confidential' submitted as follows:

- By Mail: Attn: Chief and Council
Sheguiandah First Nation
142 Ogemah Miikan
Sheguiandah, ON POP 1W0
- By fax: (705) 368-3697
- By email: elvis.mishibinjima@sheguiandahfn.ca

All applications are appreciated, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Water Operator Lead**

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising Tribal Council (UCCMM) was established in 1979 to support the First Nation communities of Mnidoo Mnising. The First Nation member communities are Aundeck Omni Kaning, M'Chigeeng, Sheguiandah, Sheshegwaning, Whitefish River and Zhiibaahaasing. Located in M'Chigeeng First Nation, UCCMM provides support and services ranging from Administrative, Finance, Justice, Technical, to Lands and Resources. The prime responsibility of this position is a shared responsibility and oversight for the day-to-day operations of the UCCMM's Water and Wastewater Hub System and it's First Nation Treatment Facilities.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide assistance to First Nations existing operators, work with UCCMM's Field Water Operator and UCCMM HUB staff to effectively provide support for all aspects of water and wastewater operations.
- Ensure that all process control decisions with the facility are made with accordance with regulatory requirements, operational manuals or standard operating procedures with the aim to protect human health and the natural environment.
- Ensure proper certification/licencing of facilities and operators are maintained to O.Reg. 128 and O.Reg. 170 for operational parameters.
- Oversee, coordinate, and assist in daily activities of the water systems, distribution, sewer systems, at all UCCMM member communities within the First Nation's jurisdiction including efficient and effective use of staffing, equipment, and materials to ensure compliance with respective legislation, protocols and agreements, inclusive of the Protocol for Centralised and De-Centralised Water Systems in First Nations.
- Develop and maintain Maintenance Management Systems, Standard Operating Procedures, Standard Operating Guidelines and Source Water Protection initiatives.

REQUIREMENTS

- Water Treatment Qualification – Level 2
- Water Distribution Qualification – Level 2
- Wastewater Treatment Qualification – Level 2
- Wastewater Collection Qualification – Level 2
- Confined Space Entry, WHMIS
- Valid "G" or other Driver's Licence Designation
- Three (3) years' experience with a Membrane Treatment Facility
- Three (3) years' experience with a Slow Sand Conventional Facility
- Three (3) years' experience with a Facultative Lagoon Facility
- Knowledge and experience with SCADA computer system
- Knowledge of the Ojibwe culture, traditions and language
- Ability to work non-standard work hours
- Proficient in MS Office, Excel, data entry and reporting

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates must submit all the following documents 1) a cover letter addressing qualifications and skills, (2) a resume, (3) a copy of certificate(s), and current operator's licences (4) three years' work-related references. Only applications with all the required documents will be considered for an interview. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All interview candidates must provide a current criminal reference check at time of the interview. The successful candidate must provide proof of vehicle, insurance and driver's abstract. Salary will commensurate with qualifications. Closing date for applications is **Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 12 noon.**

Mail To: UCCMM Water Operator Lead Application
United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising
P.O Box 275, M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0
Attn: Hazel Recollet, Chief Executive Officer
Or via email to hrecollet@uccmm.ca

notice

Gore Bay United Church Food Cupboard is open every Thursday from 12 noon to 3 pm. Come to the church side door (facing McQuarrie Motors). You will be invited into the Food Cupboard to choose your food items. If you don't have a bag, there are some available. Please wear a mask. If you have questions, please call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily. Everyone is welcome.

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Knox Rummage Sale in Manitowaning is closed for re-stocking until mid-September.

15-16p

in memoriam

RUSK—It is with a heavy heart I'm saying goodbye to Vivian Rusk, who passed away on August 3, 2022 in Kagawong. Viv was a good friend and person. I will miss her so much and find it hard to believe she is gone. I also would like to send sympathy out to her two daughters Carrie and Laura and all her grandchildren. Rest in peace Viv, and know that you are missed and in my thoughts forever. With much love, Sharon Montgomery

thank you

Thank you to everyone who attended my 80th birthday celebrations and thank you to family who put it on. Thank you to all who sent cards and notes plus congratulated me on the streets of Manitoulin. 80 wonderful years due to you. Norm Morrell

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Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board

****IMPORTANT NOTICE****

Declaration of Acclamation to Office

To: All residents of the territory without municipal organization within the Districts of Manitoulin and Sudbury.

The certified candidates listed below are to be acclaimed to the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board as members representing territory without municipal organization effective January 1, 2023:

- Bruce Killah
- David Santi
- Denise Portelance-Godin

Noojowin Teg Health Centre
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy 540
48 Hillside Rd, Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
Little Current, ON P0P1K0

Tel: (705) 368-0083
Fax: (705) 368-3922
info@noojowin-teg.ca
www.noojowin-teg.ca

REQUEST FOR TENDER

Noojowin Teg Health Centre is accepting quotes for material and labour of a roof replacement at the Noojowin Teg lower shed located at 48 Hillside Rd, Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation.

We are inviting experienced and interested parties to submit a tender for the following work:

- Removal of existing roofing material
- Installation of new roofing paper, waterproof membrane, and shingles across approximately 1310 sq ft
- Replacement of vents (if necessary)
- Disposal of old roofing material and cleanup of work site

If you are interested in a site viewing, please contact Josh McGregor by email at joshua.mcgregor@noojowin-teg.ca

Please submit tenders in a sealed envelope 2022 to the following:

Debbie Francis
Noojowin Teg Health Centre
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy 540
48 Hillside Rd, Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0
Or by email to: info@noojowin-teg.ca

Deadline for submission is September 9th, 2022 at 4pm

Death Notices

FLOYD AUTREL LOCKYER

“PORKEY”

May 23, 1933 - August 21, 2022



In loving memory of Floyd Autrel Lockyer who passed away on Sunday, August 21, 2022 at the Manitoulin Centennial Manor in his 90th year. Floyd, who was known to most people by his childhood nickname “Porkey”, was born in Little Current on May 23, 1933, the son of the late Clifford and Annie (nee Coughill) Lockyer. Growing up, Porkey was an avid hockey player, a passion that stayed with him throughout his life as he played on and coached many different teams. He was drafted to the farm team of the New York Rangers as a teenager but unfortunately a career in professional hockey was not to be. After graduating high school, Porkey worked briefly for Ontario Hydro before going to work for the Department of Highways (now M.T.O.). Hired to work as a labourer, Porkey worked his way through the organization, retiring as the Area Patrol Supervisor for the District of Manitoulin after more than 36 years of service in 1989. He then went on to elected office, serving as a member of the Little Current Town Council for three terms. He was a proud member of Doric Lodge No. 455 for over 50 years. After retirement, Porkey and his wife Lila purchased a home in Florida where they spent more than 20 years, happily living the Snowbird lifestyle. Porkey is survived by his wife of 66 years, Lila Lockyer, his daughter Tammy George (Ron) of Little Current, his son David (Rebecca) of Brampton and two granddaughters, Shannon Lockyer of Little Current and Makaylah Hopkins of Brampton. He is also survived by his brother Dean (Darlina, predeceased) of Little Current. Predeceased by his sister Audrey (Toots) McDermid (Murray) of Providence Bay, sister Betty Beaudin (Humphrey) of Little Current and Ethel (Sally) LaChapelle (Laurier) also of Little Current. Predeceased by his mother and father-in-law Nellie and Harold Size, brother-in-law Erling Size (Effie), Leland (Bud) Size (Nora), Norman Size and Ted Size (Jean). Survived by brother-in-law Harley Size (Irene) of Little Current and sister-in-law Moyra Size of Manitowaning. He will also be missed by many nieces and nephews. At Porkey’s request, cremation has taken place and there will be no funeral service

“He never looked for praise, he was never one to boast, he just went on quietly working, for the ones he loved the most. His dreams were seldom spoken, his words were very few, and most of the time his worries, went unspoken too. He was there ... a firm foundation through all our storms of life, a sturdy hand to hold on to, in times of stress and strife. A true friend we could turn to when times were good or bad, one of our greatest blessings, the man that we called Dad”.

Dad ... we will love you forever and miss you always.

Donations in Porkey’s memory can be made to the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxillary, the Heart & Stroke Foundation or the charity of your choice.

ROBERT STANLEY ELMER ALLEN

January 25, 1937 - August 23, 2022



In loving memory of Robert Stanley Elmer Allen. Stan’s wish was to live out his life in his own home and that wish was granted. Stan passed away peacefully in his sleep on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at the age of 85. Cherished father of Laurie (Michael) Addison, Robert Allen, Reuben (Sharon) Allen and Stacy (Mark) Ostland. He was a special Papa to Curtis (Josée) and Janelle Addison, Brendan and Brittany Allen, Macy, Ethan and Ashley Ostland. He will be missed by his sister-in-laws Betty Allen and Patricia Hembruff, his many nieces and nephews, extended family and friends. Stan was married to his loving wife, Jeanette (Hembruff) for 58 years, where they called Manitowaning their home. He was predeceased by his parents David and Ida (Glenn) Allen, his beloved siblings, Doris (Lloyd) Jeffkins, Harold Allen and Dorothy Perisio. Stan was passionate about hunting, fishing, gardening, playing cards and marbles, but his greatest joy was his family. He sailed on the Great Lakes for 36 years and was proud to say he was a 2nd engineer. This was not an easy life but he never complained. He made the most of his time at home by spending it with his treasured family, friends, coaching minor hockey, volunteering as a firefighter and helping those less fortunate than himself. He had a big heart and a gentle nature. Forever missed, forever loved! A graveside service will be held on Friday, September 2, 2022 at 1 pm at the Hilly Grove Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Manitowaning Medical Clinic or a charity of your choice. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at IslandFuneralHome.ca.

JEROME MANDAMIN

(THEODORE)

Sunrise July 4, 1929 - Sunset August 4, 2022



In loving memory of Jerome (Theodore) Mandamin who passed away on August 4, 2022 at the age of 93 years. Beloved husband of Christine (Tina) Mandamin (nee Manitowabi). Son of the late Bazil and Dorothy (nee Kinoshameg) Mandamin. Brother of Victor, Henry, Joseph, Buddy, Alexander, Mary Jarret, Margaret, Henrietta, Edna, Doris, and Theresa (all baa). Brother-in-law of Connie, Julien and Louis (baa) (Agnes). Loving father of Danette (Art), Dorothy, Michael (baa), Barry (Dawn), Glenda and Jerome Jr. (Baa). Will be sadly missed by his grandchildren Randy, Bradley (Briana), Alicia (Tyler), Naomi (Clint), Jennifer (Thomas), Rebecca, Luskahlahkwaw, Kepreece (Irving), Colton, Joseph, Joelle, Keith, Chastity (Andrea), Brendan, Shawn, Allyn, Waaskones and Christopher (Lexie). Great-grandfather to Lilly, Ketrice, Brooke, Torrance, Angelene, Kyson, Theo, Cale, Mackinnon, Gabriella, Nikolai, Malakai, Maxim, Yuri, Evgeni, Ryah, Gariss, Everly, Jaesonnah, Brinley, Kyah, Irving Jr., Darcy, Ethan, Morgan, Ryenn, Noodin, Evelyn, Catherine and Penelope. Great-great-grandfather to Easton, Desmond and Kyrince. Special father of Muriel, Yolanda, David, Gail, Abigail, Wendell (baa) and Junior (baa). Special grandpa to Sophie (Ikkid), Jaelyn and Tashina. Godfather of Robin, Monica, Sandra, Theresa and Mathew (baa). Special uncle of Henry (Nell), Ivan, Monica, Jerome (baa), Danny (baa), Lyla, Mary Lou and Randy. Will be loved and missed by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Family and friends gathered at Theodore’s home, 2152B Kaboni Road, Wiikwemkoong on Monday, August 8, 2022 from 11 am. Funeral Service was at St. Anthony Daniel Church, Kaboni on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 2 pm. Cremation followed. A feast followed at Kaboni Church.

DOUGLAS CHARLES CANNARD

February 16, 1933 - August 19, 2022



In loving memory of Doug Cannard, 189, of Mindemoya who passed away peacefully on Friday, August 19, 2022 at the Centennial Manor in Little Current, Ontario. Born and raised in Big Lake, son of Earl and Elva Cannard (predeceased). Doug (in his words) graduated from the Big Lake University! He spent many years sailing the Great Lakes and shared many wonderful stories. He then met the love of his life Margaret (nee Caddel, predeceased) and together they settled in Amherstburg where he continued his sailing career until joining Ford Motor Company where he worked until retirement. They returned to Big Lake and made it home once again. Doug was a lifelong member of the Thistle Masonic Lodge. Doug loved life, sharing stories and time with family and friends. He spent many hours fishing, hunting and woodworking. After retiring he especially liked working alongside his son-in-law Mike Pearson (predeceased), feeding the deer and getting the hunt camp ready for the annual deer hunt. Doug was a member of “MUM’s 6 am Coffee Club” where many stories and shenanigans were shared. Doug was an amazing and loving father of Bev Cannard, Judy Levert (predeceased) and proud grandfather of Chad Pearson, Eva Torresan and Nicole Levert. Great-papa/grandpa to Mikayla Farquhar, Matteo and Damian Torresan, Aiden Levert, Michael, Andrew, Jack and Joseph Pearson. Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Special thanks to all the staff and volunteers of the Centennial Manor for making Doug’s final chapter in life the best it could be. Interment will be held October 1, 2022 at Mindemoya Cemetery at 11 am, followed by a Celebration of Life at the Mindemoya Curling Club. If so desired, donations in his honour can be made to the Manitoulin Centennial Manor. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at IslandFuneralHome.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 Fundraising or 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.

After 34 years, Betty's Convenience changes hands

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The transfer of ownership of Betty's Convenience Store in Gore Bay marks the end of an era. Betty and Dave Little have owned the business for the past 34 years and have now sold the business to Tim and Deanna Hardy.

"We bought the store 34 years ago, on September 1, 1988," Ms. Little told The Expositor. "At that time, we had a clothing and lottery store. Then on June 19, 1993, we converted the store to a convenience store with groceries." She pointed out, "with so many seniors around they needed a convenient place in town to get some of their groceries and supplies." The business hours at the time were from 8 am to 10 pm in the evening, "but five years ago we began to close at 9 pm at night, and with COVID-19 at 7 pm."

"We have had a lot of employees, good people over the years—good people" said Ms. Little. "Katherine (Thibault) started with me in 1998."

"We are going to miss everyone," said Ms. Little, who quipped, "we had people that who came in to be harassed and we knew who not to bug."

"Dave and I want to thank all our patrons over the years for all their support, for all the laughs and the cries. We are going to miss them," stated Ms. Little.

Deanna Hardy said, "We



After having operated Betty's Convenience Store in Gore Bay for the past 34 years, Betty and Dave Little have now sold the business. From left is Tim and Deanna Hardy (the new owners of the store) and Betty and Dave Little.

took over (ownership) as of Monday, August 15. Definitely, the name of the store will be staying the same." "We are quite excited to be embarking on this new adventure," said Ms. Hardy. "We are looking at some changes, nothing drastic, and it will be awhile before we make any (changes)."

"Betty and Dave have been amazing; they have been helping us all the way

through the process," Ms. Hardy added. "We have been very fortunate to have their help."



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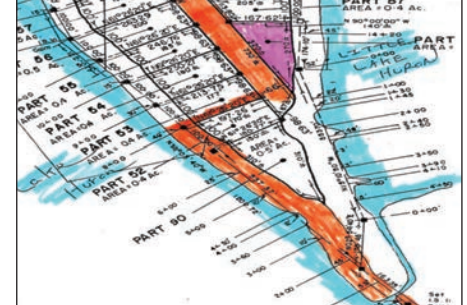
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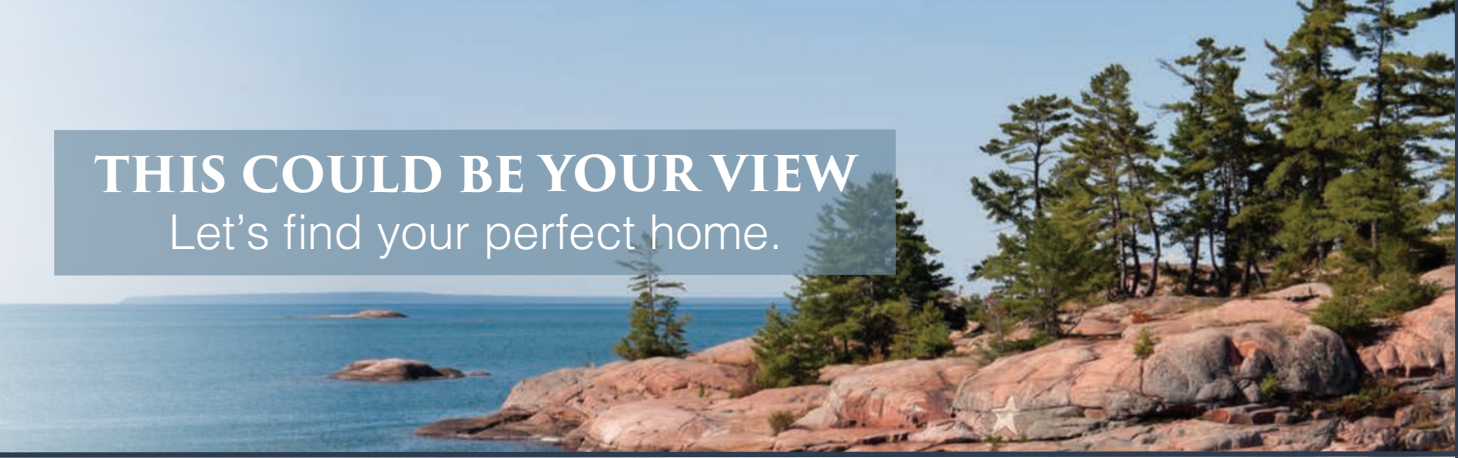
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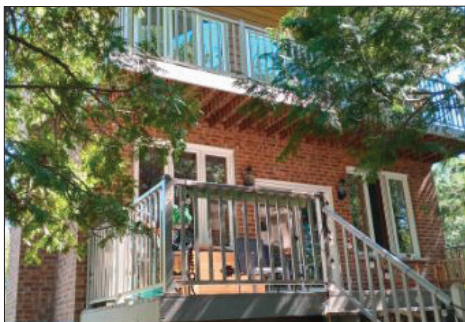
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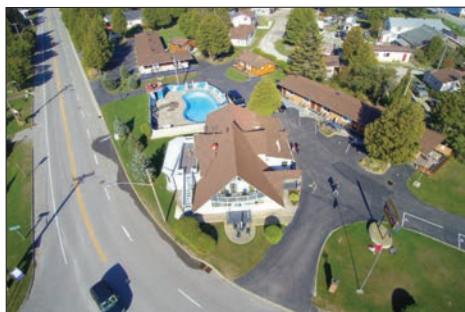
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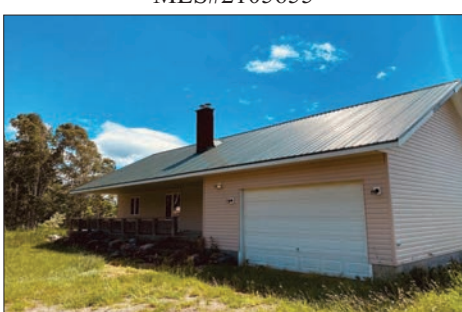
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