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The bow of the Jane Miller, found after 136 years this past July, in Georgian Bay

Island built, Island bound 1881 Jane Miller wreck found after 136 years in waters near Wiarton

by Robin Burridge

COLPOY'S BAY—The Little Current-built Jane Miller, a 78-foot passenger and cargo steamer, has been found on the bottom of Lake Huron after going missing while enroute to Manitoulin during a storm 136 years ago with over 25 people aboard, all of whom drowned.

The ship was discovered by American shipwreck hunters Ken Merryman, Jared Daniels and Jerry Eliason on July 27 of this year, but the team chose to reveal their find on the 136th anniversary of the sinking on November 25 (the ship sank on November 25, 1881).

"The find of the Jane Miller is so exciting," said Little Current historian Bill Caesar. "These little boats are so important to the history of Manitoulin. It was loaded with supplies when it went down and those are such a treasure trove—a time capsule of what life on Manitoulin was like at that time (1880s)."

Mr. Merryman, who has been hunting shipwrecks for over 40 years and is a founder of the Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society, spoke with The Expositor earlier this week from his home in Minnesota

"We, myself, Jared Daniels and Jerry Eliason, had a permit from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport to search for four ship wrecks this year," he explained. "It was July and we had been in the Wiarton area searching for the Manasoo, but the weather got too rough to search in the open water (where they believed the Manasoo is), so we decided to look for the Jane Miller, which supposedly went down between Big Bay and Spencer's Landing, what is now called Skinner's Bay (a landing

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The Jane Miller at midship laying flat at the bottom of Colpoy's Bay in July of this year

#metoo

Survivor of childhood sexual abuse publicly tells her story after 40 years

EDITOR'S WARNING—The story that follows, an interview with a #metoo survivor and victim of childhood sexual abuse, is necessarily graphic in its descriptions of these assaults and may be upsetting to some readers of this family-focused newspaper who are encouraged to approach this story according to their emotional tolerances.

The Expositor believes the accounts given by the interviewee are accurate as she remembers them and, as the assaults began when she was between five- and-six-years-old, The Expositor has confirmed that this is the age from which people can reliably trust their memories of events, especially traumatic ones, that took place around (or were inflicted on) them as children at that age.

The paper has independently confirmed that Sarah reported her sexual abuse experiences to the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and the Children's Aid Society (CAS) in the late 1980s, nearly a decade after the abuse began.

"Sarah" is not the victim's real name but is a pseudonym assigned to her in the interest of protecting her children's privacy. As well, some of the facts as related by the victim have been left out or altered to protect the victim's anonymity and that of her family. She has not lived on Manitoulin for nearly 30 years and she has no idea of where her tormentors live now.

by Robin Burridge

SOMEWHERE ON MANITOULIN—Earlier this fall, a number of actresses and other women in the entertainment industry began sharing stories of sexual assault at the hands of Harvey Weinstein and other men who used their power and influence to prey on females in a predominantly male-run industry.

As the accusations began trickling out, these women's acts of bravery inspired others, both in and out of the entertainment industry, and soon an outpouring of accounts of sexual assaults and allegations were hitting the media and thus the #metoo movement was quickly born.

Sarah, a Haweater who now lives overseas, joined many women around the world who followed the movement with great interest but as she watched, a knot began to form in her stomach. The stories were all too familiar to her—she too had been a victim of sexual assault. In her

case, this began as a child, following her into her early days in the entertainment industry. Sarah reached out to The Expositor to tell her story in the theme and spirit of *#metoo* in the hope that her recounting of her experience will serve as a guide to young women and a warning to those who would try to take advantage of them.

"I came to peace with what had happened to me when I was 30," said Sarah at the start of her video interview with The Expositor, "but as women began coming forward with the *#metoo* movement, I felt that I needed to share my story as well."

Growing up, Sarah said that she and her family were close with another Manitoulin family. Her mom was best friends with one of her assailant's mother's. As a result, she was often in the company of the friend's teenage son and their extended family, including other teen boys.

"Our families did a lot together so I was at their home often," said Sarah.

"He (the son) would have been 15 or slightly order when it started," she said. "Sometimes I would be left in the care of the son, his cousin and others. I was five or six and I would be put down for naps in the 15-year-old's room. I remember him coming and lying on the bed with me, saying he wanted to rub my tummy. I said I didn't want him to, but he would bribe me with chocolate. He would rub me, but it wasn't my tummy. He would have his hands down my pants and would be rubbing my vagina. I said that wasn't my tummy and I remember him trying to act like I didn't know what my stomach was."

She said this story has been burned into her mind since it happened as a young child and that the abuse continued over the years.

"It's hard for me to know how long it went on, looking back, but it feels like it was a long time and I didn't tell anyone," she said, noting that she didn't fully understand what was happening to her but that she was ashamed. "I remember sitting on the bed and he would sit behind me and touch me."

"Another memory I have, we were playing hide and seek, myself, the boy and some other children at my mom's friend's house," said Sarah.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

The Manitoulin Expositor considers this story, as unpleasant as it is to tell and to read, important as a first-person account of what can happen to vulnerable people in our community, like small girls, if people who would take predatory advantage of them have not a sufficient 'moral compass' to direct them away from inflicting abuse and causing lifelong harm.

In this way, this true account is also a moral tale as it describes the consequences if fantasy is allowed to animate some people's 'base urges.'

The fact that a Vulnerable Sector Check is required for adults who would work with children and individuals with disabilities is a societal recognition that these base urges exist and is an attempt to screen people who might cause harm.

But, especially for boys, it is important to the health of our society that respect for girls and women and vulnerable people be taught at home and at the earliest age so that some people do not become misanthropic teenagers and adults with a defective moral compass.

This story is not about the person named 'Sarah,' nor is it about her perpetrators. Rather, it is a wake-up call to all of us to be vigilant in the raising of our sons and daughters, grandsons and grand-daughters, nieces and nephews and others around us for whom we care so that they have the moral compass they need to avoid inflicting or receiving the harm that was Sarah's childhood lot.

Please see the editorial on Page 4, 'Proper raising of boys fundamental to a secure society.'





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Forty-year Tehkummah Volunteer Fire Department veteran Gary Brown accepting this milestone recognition from Tehkummah Fire Chief Jeff Wilson. Lyle Gordon (unable to attend) also received a similar recognition.

Tehkummah Volunteer Fire Department celebrates their 40th anniversary

TEHKUMMAH—2017 marked the 40th year of formal operation for the Tehkummah Volunteer Fire Department, and their recent Christmas Dinner for volunteers, their families and guests recognized this significant accomplishment.

In conjunction with the 40 years, long term awards were presented to firefighters Gary Brown and Lyle Gordon (unable to attend the presentation). The recognition from the Office of the Fire Marshall, the Province of Ontario, and the Federal Govincluded ernment service awards, uniform pins and thanks from Fire Chief Jeff Wilson.

"Forty years of community service to the protection of life and property is a remarkable accomplishment," commented

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Tehkummah firefighters during their Annual Christmas Dinner at the fire hall in front of newly purchased hydraulic auto-extraction equipment, which will improve vehicle accident response capabilities for the department

Island residents urged to Piece the Assiginack Puzzle this Christmas

ASSIGINACK—Assiginack is ready to have a bit more fun over the holidays with Island residents. In past years the township has had the 'Catch the Candy Cane' and 'Find Frosty' contests running through December. This year they are mixing it up and doing an online 'Piece the Puzzle' contest.

Each day from December 1 to January 1, a piece will be added onto the puzzle. You will be challenged to try and solve the puzzle, then identify what the picture is and where it is located. It will be somewhere in Manitowaning. The Grand Prize consists of \$400 worth of gift certificates from local businesses including two one-hour ice rentals at the Assiginack Arena.

This contest can be found online daily on the Township Facebook and Instagram accounts, so be sure to follow so you don't miss any opportunities to solve it! There will also be weekly updates on the website Assiginack.ca, in The Expositor and

2017 Kenjgewin Teg Snowflake Gala raises \$15,000 for students

M'CHIGEENG— Kenjgewin Teg is pleased to share the exciting news that its 10th annual 2017 Snowflake Gala fundraising event held on December 2, at the M'Chigeeng Community Complex has not only met its fundraising goals but that the original goal of \$10,000 has been greatly exceeded.

"The ongoing support of our partners in education and the Mnidoo Mnising Island communities amaze us each year when we host the Snowflake Gala event!" enthused Stephanie Roy, executive director of Kenjgewin

Snowflake Gala 2017 is now down in the history books as the most successful fundraising gala event in its 10 years, all in sup-



The 2017 Snowflake Gala attending donors, from left, are Beverley Roy-Carter (BJ Corbiere Memorial Bursary); Dawn Madahbee-Leach (Waubetek Business Development Corporation); Valita Lloyd (Cambrian College); Jeanne Loiselle and Don Simoneau (Urban Windows and Doors); Hazel Recollet (United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mnising); Glen Corbiere (Kim Corbiere Mino Bmaadziwin Memorial Bursary); Stephanie Roy, executive director of Kenjgeiwn Teg; Dan (Laari Construction), Joel Narvudd (Laari Construction); Judy Manitowabi (Canadore College); Keith Welsh (Laari Construction); Summer Majeski (Colliers Project Leaders); Carolyn Hepburn (Sault College); Debbie Debassige, Little NHL. Kenjgewin Teg thanks all other donors who contributed to this year's fundraising event but who were not present for above photo.

photo by Vance Wood

Spring Bay trailer thief found guilty

by Robin Burridge with files from Alicia McCutcheon SPRING BAY—The case of the stolen Spring Bay 'window box' trailer has finally come to a close with an Evansville woman found guilty in

'The Crown Attorney called me today to let me know that the woman who stole my trailer back in 2015 has been found guilty," said Alan Gal-

As The Expositor previously reported, Mr. Gallant's trailer, which he maintained as a seasonally residence in Spring Bay, was stolen in May

Mr. Gallant, who lives in Nova Scotia, discovered his 10 ft. by 32 ft trailer-turned cottage had been stolen after receiving a Facebook message from his Spring Bay neighbour.

The trailer had been parked on Mr. Gallant's lot directly across the road from her store (the former Shelagh's Interiors) in Spring Bay. The neighbour mentioned that he had met the people who "bought" it, however Mr. Gallant hadn't sold his summer place to anyone nor was it on the market.

Mr. Gallant was shocked and surprised that not only was it stolen in broad daylight with the accused "making no bones about who they were

The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) was notified and the trailer was soon located in Evansville. A woman was arrested and charged with

The police reported that the trailer was found with the tongue removed, the tires badly damaged, making it immovable, and the fridge and stove missing.

"The thief was found guilty of theft under \$5,000," said Mr. Gallant. "We weren't able to prove its value, which I was disappointed about."

Since the incident occurred, Mr. Gallant sold his Spring Bay property. "I never got back my trailer," said Mr. Gallant. "She was smart about it, removing the tongue and busting the tires and rims—she made it next to impossible to move it."

Mr. Gallant said that it is up to him to find a way to remove the trailer from the Evansville property—something given his location in the country and the resources required, he doesn't plan to do.

The moral of the story I guess is that crime does pay—it did for her (the thief)," added Mr. Gallant. "She gets to keep the trailer and just gets a slap on the wrist."

Dolores Harper of Evansville was found guilty in the theft of the trailer this past Friday, December 8. She will appear in court on January 15,

Ministry to hire new Crown Attorney for Manitoulin

GORE BAY—The Ministry of the Attorney General has informed The Expositor that Manitoulin District Crown Attorney Stacey Haner is no longer employed as the Crown in Gore Bay.

'The Ministry is currently in the process of recruiting a new permanent Crown Attorney for the District of Manitoulin and we will move as expeditiously as possible to fill the role," said Emilie Smith, ministry

'In the interim, until a new Crown Attorney is hired for the District, prosecution supervision and resources will continue to be provided through the North regional office," she added.

Expansion of opioid response welcome news to local officials

SUDBURY—The Ontario government's announcement last week to expand the provincial opioid response is good news according to local officials, a press release from the Sudbury and District Health Unit (SDHU) states. Sudbury and District Medical Officer of Health Dr. Penny Sutcliffe and Greater Sudbury Police Services Chief Paul Pedersen are co-chairs of Sudbury's Community Drug Strategy, a multi-sector community initiative to prevent and respond to drug misuse.

The expansion of naloxone availability to police and fire services and the province's recognition of a public health emergency are important enablers to Sudbury's Drug Strategy," said Chief Pedersen. "The Greater Sudbury Police Service had already committed to taking this action to ensure our members were equipped with naloxone. The Greater Sudbury Police Service recognizes the importance of issuing naloxone nasal spray to our members who may handle or come in contact with hazardous opioid substances."

This provincial announcement brings further support to our local harm reduction efforts to reduce the impacts of drug use on individuals and communities," said Dr. Sutcliffe. "Addiction is a complex mental health concern for individuals, and many families have been impacted by addiction and have experienced tragic losses our community.

Local public health and police services are working closely with municipal and community partners to understand and respond to opioid issues. Local partner agencies have also had preliminary discussions about the need for an overdose prevention site.

In addition to expanding the availability of naloxone, Minister of Health Dr. Eric Hoskins formally requested that the federal government allow Ontario to approve and fund overdose prevention sites (also known as supervised injection sites). Under a new federal policy, provinces experiencing a public health emergency can request an exemption under federal law for temporary overdose prevention sites.

The SDHU recently expanded its public health mandate, which includes a greater focus on mental health and addictions, and providing harm reduction supplies and services, as well as distributing naloxone.

Public health units in Ontario are naloxone distribution leads for eligible community organizations to increase distribution to those most at risk of opioid overdose. Naloxone kits are currently available for free at participating pharmacies and local organizations, such as Réseau Access Network.

From April to November 2017, there were 52 visits to the emergency department in the Health Unit's service area related to drug overdose.

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<u>editorial</u>

Proper raising of boys fundamental to secure society

This week, this paper is publishing an interview with a woman who, 40 years ago, when she was between five and six years of age. began to be sexually abused by teenage male members of an extended family where the adults were close friends of her parents. This abuse continued, involving other young male relatives of her parents' fami-

Later on as an adolescent, this woman, Sarah, made a statement to the Ontario Provincial Police and the Children's Aid Society about her abuse but nothing came of these accusations.

Sarah, motivated by the #metoo movement that encourages victims of sexual abuse to tell their stories, contacted The Expositor and hence the startling interview

Gender relationships are learned. Some boys, who will become men, somehow come to believe that they can 'have their way' with girls and women, presumably without thought to possible eventual consequences, either for the girls and women or for themselves.

The Montreal Massacre and Sarah's experiences are points along the same continuum. Marc Lépine, the murderer 28 years ago in Montreal, felt that he should have had a place in the engineering school where he murdered the women students. He wasn't there because his application for entry had been denied and it's clear that he felt that he should have been accepted rather than some or perhaps all of those despised women he shot.

In Sarah's case, teenage boys somehow felt entitled to violate her young body. They felt they had the right, or didn't consider otherwise. It is clear they did not see her as a real person.

Last Wednesday, December 6, was the anniversary of the Montreal massacre and, as always, a local vigil was held on Manitoulin in their memory and in memory of all the other women killed or injured by men. We now know that this includes Sarah, a #metoo sexual assault survivor and other women with similar experiences.

Recent man/boy or woman/girl violence and sexual assault is, in the course of history, not by any means a unique phenomenon. What is disturbing and frightening is that, in spite of all of the information about motivations and inappropriate behaviours now available to us, abuse directed by males to females continues, seemingly unabated.

This has been a constant theme in this space but the fact remains that the best defense against boys growing up to be abusive men is for their families, as a priority, to tell them and to demonstrate to them that a very important aspect of being male is to have an abiding respect for girls and women that would preclude any suggestion of abuse of any kind, at any age.

There is no question that this can be a tall order, especially with the images of violence often directed against females that are delivered into our homes through the Internet and by video games

This means, in turn, that as well as schooling boys appropriately about relations with the other half of the population, that parents, grandparents and other caregivers who have the opportunity to supervise and influence young boys' development must give every attention to screening external influences. Raising children has always been an enormous responsibility.

Raising boys properly in these times is probably one of the most difficult tasks the modern social order has thrust upon us but in light of what we are taught by the interview with Sarah published this week, and by the annual memories of the December 6, 1989 Montreal Massacre and of course the other murdered and abused women closer to home, the proper raising of boys in this particular context is of the utmost importance to the future of our country and whether or not it will continue to be one of the best nations in the world in which

The behaviour of the other cultures in other countries is, of course, an entirely different issue but as citizens of Canada, we must continue to do whatever we can to oppose individual governments and political and religious groups that take it as a matter of faith that they have the right to treat women as objects and chattels.

The last time this newspaper published a story of this nature on the front page was a quarter of a century ago and, by coincidence, it also happened within a week of Christmas.

That story, also graphic in its description, was an interview with a Birch Island man who had been sexually assaulted by Father George Epoch when the abuser was a novice priest at Bishop Garnier School for Boys in Spanish in the 1940s. The priest, following his death, was identified as a lifelong paedophile.

This motivation was the same for both the current story and for the paedophile victim's interview: a warning of what is possible and how, as a society, we must care for the vulnerable among us.

The paper received some criticism 25 years ago for publishing such an unpleasant accounting so close to Christmas but then, as now, it is a reality that events happen when they happen, happy Christmas scenes notwithstanding. Especially at this time of year, it is appropriate to understand that some careless people do inflict pain on vulnerable individuals and we must resolve to create a society that recognizes this and works to eliminate it.

<u>letters</u>

A rebuttal to the open letter on herbicide spraying

An offer proffered for an official response based on science and research

To the Expositor:

Regarding 'An open letter to the Minister of Transport on herbicide spraying,' December 6, Page 5.

The Ministry of Transportation is simply being socially responsible in this instance. Herbicide spraying is used to control harmful invasive species which harm our environment or impact the safety of our infrastructure. It is typically not the first option but only used when it is the best option in an integrated pest management plan. It's disappointing that someone's uneducated opinion would be posted on your site without any research into the subject to verify the case.

If you would like to post an official response to this based on science, and research, I'm sure I could connect you to the right individual or

I am from the vegetation management industry and my opinion could be viewed as biased, but the science does not lie and leave room for opinions.

Regards,

Jon Froese, director **Univar Environmental Sciences**

EDITOR'S NOTE: Univar Environmental Sciences' website declares the company to be "the leading chemical distributor in North America."

The Friends of the Norisle should be unquestionably supported

Council should resign en masse and call an election

To the Expositor:

Recent weeks have seen some unusual activity noted in "Letters to Editor" from Manitowaning, specifically, regarding the moored vessel Norisle situation. An individual has offered his "services" to mediate, arbitrate, conciliate, whatever. The complexities of liability must be left to professionals. Could that liability rest on the hopes and aspirations of the "Friends of the Norisle" their desires to make good on their genuine intentions? Could liability be held against Assiginack Township council?

Any lay person does not have to use much imagination to consider the options of either side. Shall Friends of the Norisle achieve an award meant to eventually provide for an exciting, obviously profitable tourism enterprise for this suffering community? I know of these dedicated citizens, we should unquestionably support their efforts, without any doubt in their intentions to renovations/refits, providing future tourism and local commerce to Manitowaning.

Council has erred, acted in bad faith, and should resign, call an election, the most honourable thing to do. Restore the Island's confidence in the necessary position(s) of champions of decency, integrity, honesty, motivation to progress and future commerce advancement.

I am not from this Island of Manitoulin, but love Manitowaning nev-

Assiginack council has driven away far too many active commerce providing businesses. They have shown their destructive beliefs, philosophies by refusing support to too much existing or new commerce. Farming cannot sustain this area.

Your water plant upgrades mean nothing if no one is left here that just might require water.

Check your math Assiginack council. Continue on your campaign of tax base erosion and face justifying future self-imposed restructuring involving higher positions and wage increases.

It has been prolifically suggested that now in 2017, Manitowaning is 22 to 25 years behind in progressive thinking and related action(s). In 2018, that shall become 23 to 26 years and 2019 shall go down in history as Manitowaning stalled out at 24 to 27 years behind, to be continued into perpetuity? Is that the legacy present council wishes to "move forward" with?

To the recent writer: shame on you for soliciting your business through this venue. Manitoulin and especially Manitowaning citizens are not fooled by your questionable writings of supposed good intentions. One would think research into history of the matter would preclude an offer of intervention as you propose so boldly in "Letters to Editor." Who the heck ever offers service, the next paragraph, asks for any information regarding the same matter? Metaphorically speaking, vou are the same as an ambulance chasing lawver pursuing a car accident that has already been serviced by a business seeking, cruising around tow truck!

Mike White Manitowaning

Wiikwemkoong 29th annual Community Christmas Telethon

by Giselle Aiabens

WIIKWEMKOONG—The 29th Annual Community Christmas Telethon was held in the Band Office council chambers on Saturday evening.

The telethon, which raises much needed funds to award bursaries to post-secondary education students through Enaadmaagehjik (O/A Wikwemikong Development Commission), is an opportunity for community members to showcase their talents and to gain confidence in front of a live audience.



Gracie Girl Trudeau and the rest of her class from the Wiky School of Dance perform for the packed room.

Angela Peltier, administrative assistant for TV5 and lead organizer for the telethon, credits the many performers who perform on the show as a big reason for the pledges that are called in. Likewise, TV5 video technician Gordie Odjig, who has been involved with the telethon since its first year, says "it's important to showcase community talent and to motivate people to work on their talent and to come out of their shell" just like one of the night's young talents, Lena Trudeau, who was a first-time performer.

Lena, who performed 'Walk the Line' by Johnny Cash and 'Someone Like You' by Adele, said she was shy about performing.



Eugene Manitowabi, a perennial favourite, entertains the telethon audience.

Nonetheless, she was excited about being a part of the telethon and had been practicing since she "first heard about the telethon." After her performance, the eight-year-old singer feels pretty confident that she will be back to perform again next year.

Another performer, singer-guitar player Cassandra Odjig, who first performed "about 10 years ago" looks forward to being a part of the telethon every year. Ms. Odjig performed 'Who I Am' by country singer Jessica Andrews.

Other talent throughout the evening included Jason Manitowabi and Friends, a number of performances by Wiky School of Dance, Eugene Manitowabi, Shirley Peltier, Mark Beachey, Robbie Shawana and Holiday Express, as well as other impromptu performances.

Pat Peltier, lead singer for the house band, Holiday Express, said playing the



Telethon MC Chris "Pleasant" Pheasant urges viewers to call in their pledges in support of post-secondary student bursaries.



Young Lena Trudeau makes her debut at the telethon with two songs: 'Walk the Line' by Johnny Cash and 'Someone Like You' by Adele.



Shirley Peltier and Robbie Shawana join the house band for Orange Blossom Special.



Holiday Express, the house band, rocked the crowd all night long covering a wide selection of hits as well as some original songs. The band is comprised of Pat Peltier, Chris Peltier, and Brendan Peltier from Wiikwemkoong; Andre Proulx and Aaron Blanchard from Sudbury; and John Caselton and Pat Therrien from Manitowaning.

telethon "was a blast and all the guys had fun." He explained that while he, Chris Peltier and Brendan Peltier were in the house band for the telethon's 20th Anniversary, it was the first time being a part of the house band for Andre Proulx, Aaron Blanyears."

The evening raised \$1,650 in pledges. The MC urged pledge donors to stay off the "naughty list" by honouring their pledges.



Shirley Peltier and Robbie Shawana join the house band for Orange Blossom Special.

chard, John Caselton and Pat Therrien. "They all had such a great time. They had friends from out of town watching via the Internet who also called in and made pledges." Mr. Peltier credits Mr. Proulx with coming up with the band's name "Holiday Express" for the show.

Both Ms. Peltier and Mr. Odjig herald the telethon as a good example of community spirit and expressed their gratitude to the community including "the team leaders and volunteers as well as the local area businesses who provide donations of food and drinks for the performers and volunteers." These are the people who come together each year to make the telethon such a successful, long-standing event. They also said that "most of all" they are "grateful to the performers who lend their talent to the telethon, because without the performers, there would be no telethon." Mr. Odjig also wanted to be sure to thank "the community members for tuning in and supporting the telethon all these



Mark Beachey gets festive with a holiday favourite: 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town.'



Volunteers Lyric Peltier, Janine Pitawanakwat and Christianna Jones work the donation table and phones.

Stuff-a-cruiser to replenish food bank

The Manitoulin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) will join forces with Island Foodland this Friday, December 15 to help stock the shelves of the Manitoulin Family Resources Food Bank.

Members of the local OPP will be collecting non-perishable donations in front of the grocery store from noon until 7 pm. The Island Foodland is located at 11 Yonge Street in the village of Mindemoya.

The area food bank services clients on Manitoulin Island. Numerous citizens rely on the food bank's services and with Christmas fast approaching, the need is always increased.

The OPP look forward to meeting members of the public at this location and encourage support for our food bank.

Fatal collision closes Highway 17

On Monday, December 11 at approximately 4:40 am, the Manitoulin and Espanola Detachments of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) with the assistance of the Sudbury-Manitoulin District Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and the Baldwin Fire Department responded to a two vehicle collision on Highway 17 east of Mckerrow in Baldwin Township.

Preliminary information is that an eastbound passenger vehicle collided with a westbound transport truck. The driver of the passenger vehicle was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The OPP Technical Collision Investigators (TCI) are investigating the scene.

Festive RIDE

The Manitoulin OPP and United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) Anishnaabe Police would like to remind motorists that it will be conducting its annual Festive RIDE checks at locations throughout Manitoulin this holiday season until Tuesday, January 2.

The police ask that to ensure everyone has a safe and happy Christmas, please don't drink or drug and drive, call a designated driver or stay the night.

RIDE check nabs impaired driver

On December 7, members of the UCCM Anishnaabe Police service were conducting RIDE checks on M'Chigeeng First Nation.

A vehicle pulled into the check point and through investigation the officers determined that the driver was under the influence of alcohol. A 20-year-old male of M'Chigeeng First Nation was arrested and charged with drive motor vehicle while over 80 mgs. He was released on a promise to appear.

The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service would like to remind the public that consuming alcohol and or drugs





Fire crew responds to Ten Mile Point blaze

On Sunday, December 3, the Northeast Town Fire Department responded to reports of smoke billowing from a building at Ten Mile Point at approximately 3 pm. The fire department found the interior of the cottage located closest to the gallery half involved with the crew able to extinguish the fire. The fire was not suspicious in nature.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Expositor correction

In the December 6 Expositor article 'District Services Board announces new low rates for day care,' Page 22, the article incorrectly states that there is provincial legislation that requires child care centres to be open 12 hours per day, and also that there is provincial funding for centres that stay open longer than 12 hours in a day. This, in fact, is not the case. The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board decided to fund child cares based on a minimum 12 hours per day in order to increase access for parents and children. This DSB is also providing additional funding within the general operating grant for centres who are open longer than 12 hours per day. The Expositor regrets the errors.



and operating a motor vehicle is a criminal offense and will be stepping up their enforcement over the holiday season. If you suspect that someone may be operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs please call the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service at 1-888-377-7135 or the Ontario Provincial Police at 705-368-1122 or simply dial 9-1-

Traffic stop leads to drug seizure

A 56-year-old male from the Northeast Town and a 39-year-old female from Thunder Bay have been arrested and charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking.

On December 7, members of the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service conducted a vehicle stop in the Little Current area and seized a quantity of suspected cocaine and cannabis resin with a street value of approximately \$5,000. Both subject were released on a promise to appear with a court date to answer to the charges.



The Island police services remind motorists that they will be out in full force over the holidays, ensuring our roads are safe. Please don't drink and drive

photo by Constable Marie Ford

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Manitoulin Sporting Life



Panther points

As our Manitoulin Panthers rally to rise up the rankings for the push to the playoffs, here is a quick update on their season and give recognition to their rosters and staff.

The Novice currently sit in sixth place and hope to pull themselves up into a favourable position. Keep up the great work: James Panamick, Liam Stephens, Lincoln Rancourt, Treyton Manitowabi, Koda Peltier, Roen Deschenes, Cohen Rajotte, Bryden Romaniuk, June Corbiere, Ryan Carter, Tennille Shawanda, Preston Dey, Jaykob Corbiere and Memphis Shawanda. Thanks as well to coaches Jeremiah Corbiere, Nelson Deschenes, James Panamick and Scott Stephens.

On the Atom front, coach Kevin Eshkawkogan has his charges up into fifth place in division one. Congratulations to: Isabella Hughson, Kallan Jones, Greyson Orford, Keannu Bisschops, Jackson Noble, Kyle Nodecker, Noah Grenier, William McComb, Jack Koehler, Jack Carter, Corbin Best, Gage Hughson, Zach Seguin, Kohyn Eshkawkogan and Zaagaasge Toulouse.

The Peewees have five points thanks to a win and three ties. The young team looks to be in position to keep improving their game and move up the ranks. Kudos to: coach Jason Hughson and players Annie Balfe, Delaney Bridgeman, Jeremy Campbell, Jordan Cheechoo, Kal Debassige, Davin Deschenes, Kohyn Eshkawkogan, Liam Gray, Cole Hughson, Elijah Locke, Jorja Peltier, Brodie Pennie, Camryn Ramsey, Cole Stack, Jared Toope, Zaagaasge Toulouse, Brandon Visitor and Lucas Wright.

On the Bantam front the squad is proud to be sporting a five and five record, into the Christmas break. Julian Wemigwans, Abigayle Huard, Riley Lockeyer, Boomer Senese, Johnny Bushey, Trent Bell, Connor Langlois, Jaden St. Georges, Kaleb Genereux, Latrell Peltier, Jacob Campbell, Damion Debassige, Nyron Panamick, Zack Guay, Cord Hughson, CJ Newbury and Ty Bonsall all guided by coach Steve Campbell.

For more information and to get details on the next Panther home game please visit manitoulinpanthers.ca

Eagles and Colts travel to the Rainbow Volleyball Tournament

Last week the Central Manitoulin Eagles and the C. C. McLean Colts traveled to the double courts of Confederation Secondary School for the B Division Volley-Ball Championships. With 17 teams vying for the title it was a busy and competitive day of bumps, sets and spikes. Both teams were very competitive and improved over the event.

The Colts from Gore Bay were placed in very tough division against some of the best teams in the Board. The Red and Black played very well but unfortunately did not make it past the first playoff round. Mindemoya's Eagles placed second in their pool and won their first playoff match but were stymied in the quarter-finals. Congratulations to: Jacob Wilson, Zach Gibbons, Ethan Cooper, Liam Lariviere, Carter Moggy, Noah Thorpe and Aiden McCarthy. The team wishes a speedy recovery to the injured, Liam Bridgeman.

Island elementary volleyball continues this week with the boys' championship at the Wasse Abin High School and the girls' tournament at L.C.P.S. in Little Current.

Off the Rock hockey

Hats off to **Aurora Ominika–Enosse** and her North York Storm who dropped a heart breaker on the road 3-2 to the Stoney Creek Sabres. Aurora hit the score sheet twice with a goal and a penalty!

Basketball hardware

Jaden Shawana, son of **Ramona Wakegijig** and **Ed Shawana** (one of best Panther D-man ever), brought home the silver medal at the Rainbow District School Board's junior boys' basketball championships. Jaden plays for the perennially strong, Churchill Public School squad. Great job, Jaden.

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Mustang boys see a busy week of hockey ahead

Currently sitting 2 and 2 in league play

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Secondary School Mustangs boys' hockey team played the Espanola Spartans on Little Current ice on Friday night, winning by a score of 6 to 5.

"The boys played well enough to win but made too many mistakes for my liking," admits Mustangs coach Steve Doane. "We will continue to work on puck management this week. We also took a few too many penalties."

The coach noted the good crowd on hand for the hometown game. "It was fairly entertaining," he added, "with lots of goals and end to end action."

The Mustangs are currently sitting at 2 and 2 in league play with a busy two weeks leading up to Christmas.

The 'Stangs Monday night game against Lockerby was stabled due to a highway closure and inclement

weather and moved to next Tuesday, December 19.

The Mustang boys are back in action this Thursday, December 14 vs St. Ben's, 6:30 pm at Countryside Arena, and again on Friday, December 15 when they take on Lively at 7 pm back in Little Current.

The boys in black and gold head back to Sudbury on Monday, December 18 to play Lo Ellen at 3 pm at Countryside Arena, then the next day, on Tuesday, December 19, versus Lockerby at 3:30 pm for their makeup game at Cambrian Arena and again on Thursday, December 21 when they play L'Horizon at 1:30 pm in Little Current. The outcome of these games will determine at what level the Mustangs will play come January, in the A or B division.

The Mustangs will then take a much-needed Christmas break.



Canada 150 skating fun

Owen, age 6, with friend Skyla, age 4, and her parents Allyson and Clinton having fun skating at the Northeast Town Recreation Centre this past Sunday as part of the nationwide Canada 150 Skating Day. Communities across Canada hosted skating events, encouraging everyone to lace up and enjoy the favourite winter activity together and bid farewell to a memorable Canada 150 year.

photo by Robin Burridge





...Jane Miller wreck found after 136 years in waters near Wiarton

...continued from page 1 within Colpoy's Bay). The ship left Big Bay on the night of November 25, 1881 after picking up wood fuel. It was headed to Spencer's Landing next, only four miles away, but never showed up."

Mr. Merryman said that given the details of when it disappeared "it should have been easy to find."

"Sometimes people just don't look or aren't interested," he said of shipwrecks. "We had heard rumours of deep crevasses in the bay and thought the wreck may be hiding in one, but the sonar didn't indicate any. We decided to look past the turn into Spencer's Landing, extending our search southwest, thinking that maybe the captain might have gone past due to the weather, decided to go on to Wiarton or couldn't make out the turn in the dark. We found it (the Jane Miller) on our second or third pass (with the sonar).'

The ship was upright, flat on the bottom, Mr. Merryman said.

"The ship wasn't very deep—slightly beyond recreational diving depth," he explained. "With our permit we couldn't go in, we could only swim around."

Mr. Merryman and Mr. Daniels decided to do a dive after looking at the ship through a drop camera.

"The upper cabins were collapsed and the lower ones had been made out of soft wood and had deteriorated leaving big holes," he continued. "The cargo deck was intact and we could see in fairly well. The hull was totally intact, so was the mast behind the pilot house and the ship's wheel. There was also a pile of dishes and lots of crates."

Mr. Merryman said that he and Mr. Daniels also saw what they think were human remains.

"We think we saw human remains, 25 to 30 people went down with the ship, but the zebra mussels made it hard to tell," said Mr. Merryman.

The shipwreck hunter said that the Jane Miller was positioned on the bottom of the lake pointing due north.

"It was described as being a 'cranky ship' meaning it was top heavy," he said. "It looks like maybe it did try to turn into Spencer's Landing but it took on more water. It was said to have already taken some on possibly due to a leak, and tipped over. It was a cold and windy night so people were probably in their rooms and it happened quickly. That's our best guess at this point."

The Jane Miller was built in Little Current in 1879 by James Miller and Son, and named for Jane Miller (nee Bell). The ship was sold to Captain Andrew Port in 1880.

According to 'Canada's 150 Most Famous Great Lakes Shipwreck's by Cris Kohl and Joan Forsberg (and available at The Expositor Office bookstore), the Jane Miller was a 210-grosston, wooden propeller that transported cargo and passengers around the many small ports of Georgian

Bay and the North Channel. "On November 26, 1881,





One of the three divers investigates the wreck of the Jane Miller.

the Jane Miller departed Meaford, bound for Wiarton, 40 miles away, with 28 people (reportedly 27 men and one woman) on board and a cargo of general freight," states the Jane Miller description in the Great Lakes Shipwrecks book. "She had previously taken heavy cargo on board at Owen Sound. The little ship, last seen at Big Bay wood dock three miles west of Meaford, pushed right into the eye of a vicious gale and was never seen again. There were no survivors and no body was ever recorded.'

"There has been considerable excitement over the Jane Miller which left here on Friday last for Providence Bay, Manitoulin Island," states a Meaford Monitor newspaper article dated Friday, December 2, 1881 and featured on the Maritime History of the Great Lakes website. "She was to call at Wiarton and had a cargo for Lion's Head, but nothing has been heard of her from either port, though the telegraph has been freely used for news of her whereabouts. There is a rumour that packages of fish have been discovered on Hay Island, near Wiarton, but no one can tell if they belong to the cargo of the missing boat. Mr. Train of this place has received a letter from Lion's Head, dated Monday, and saying that the Miller had not been there.'

In another Meaford Monitor article, one week later, Friday, December 9, 1881, the ship's disappearance is confirmed.

"No trace has been discovered of the missing steamer, excepting a few relics which tell only too surely of her certain fate," the article reads. "The Jane Miller left this port on Friday the 25th of November, bound first to Wiarton and Lion's Head, where she was to have discharged her cargo, and

then for Michaels and Providence Bays, on Manitoulin Island. On her way she called at Big Bay, about ten miles from Wiarton, and at Cameron Dock, one and a half miles further on, where she was about 10 o'clock on Friday night. At that place it is now stated that it was known the steamer had water in her hold and that the captain was urged not to venture further, but he determined to go out, trusting to the pumps to overcome the

According to the article three men's caps, several tubs of butter, part of a

mast and other small portions of a vessel and two oars marked 'Jane Miller' were found on White Cloud Island at the entrance at Colpoy's Bay.

It also lists the names of the passengers and crews who went down with the ship including: "passengers J.B. Hallock, Lyman S. Vander, Jeremiah Walker Meaford), Stewart Thompson, Gilbert Corbett, Jensten of St. Vincent Township, Capt. Malcolm McLeod of Detroit, Hill of L. Butchart and Wife Tobermory, and 10 labourers who were going to the lumber shanty at Tobermory, unknown; the crew, Captain A. Port, Mate R.D. Port, Fred Port (purser of Wiarton), engineer J. Christison of Red Bay, wheelsman Alex. Scales of Keppel and three deck hands and two fireman who names have not been ascertained."

Unfortunately, The Manitoulin Expositor archives from May 1881 to May 1882 are missing and not available on the microfilm at the Little Current Public Library. However, in a Wiarton Echo article from December 16, 1881 there is mention of the various papers and their coverage

of the Jane Miller's sink-

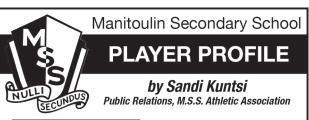
According to the Wiarton Echo article, the Guelph Mercury wrote, "We are not surprised at the wreck of the Jane Miller. When we learn from The Manitoulin Expositor that she ran ashore on Club Island the previous week but got off without injury. On her way up trip the week following her machinery got out of order during a storm and the vessel was almost ashore on Horse Island before it could be got to work again."

Mr. Merryman explained his decision to announce the ship's discovery just last month, opposed to when it was discovered in July

"We delayed announcing the ship's discovery because our permit doesn't allow us to make an announcement until we have submitted a written report to the ministry," said Mr. Merryman. "Since it was already delayed we decided to wait and make the official announcement on the 136th anniversary (of the ship's sinking)."

He said that he had hoped to return to the Jane Miller for another dive this year, but due to prior commitments he and his fellow discoverers were not able to.

"I would very much like to get back and do some further documentation of the ship," concluded Mr. Merryman. "We haven't heard back from the ministry and it would now be an archeological site and grave site, so we aren't sure how that will be handled."





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As an MSS Mustang, Tyler has taken the opportunity to show off his athletic skills. When Tyler isn't hard at work with his practices, he enjoys hanging out with his friends and playing video games.

During his years at Little Current Public School, Tyler was an aspiring athlete, doing basketball, flag football, and soccer. Tyler also played hockey for the Little Current Flyers for five years. When Tyler got to high school, he played basketball as a forward. In grade 10, Tyler took a break from basketball because there was no team that year. This year, Tyler is playing basketball on the Senior Boys' team. As he finishes his grade 12 school year, Tyler plans to try out for the badminton team.

Tyler's favourite sport is basketball because he loves the feeling he gets while playing with his teammates. His favourite part of sports is that he gets to learn skills that he can take with him anywhere, as well as staying active.

Tyler makes sure to enjoy his time in school by participating in extracurriculars and getting to see his friends. Tyler also enjoys his favourite class: Gym. While Tyler isn't sure what he wants to do following his graduation, he does know that right now, he loves seeing the friends he doesn't get to see often. Tyler is inspired by his family and friends as they encourage him to be great at the sport he loves.

Tyler is one of many talented Mustangs, and with his talent, collected mind-set, and sense of humor, he is bound to make MSS proud. Let's go, Tyler, let's go!



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MANITOULIN SPECIAL OLYMPICS

...Survivor of childhood sexual abuse publicly tells her story

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"Another boy, a close cousin of the older boy who was also a teenager at the time, told me we should hide in the basement. I didn't want to go down there, but he told me everything would be okay. While we were down there he pulled out his penis and made me masturbate him.'

"I remember one time so clearly," she continued. "The smell, the furnace (in the basement). He took me behind the furnace and performed oral sex on me. The sensation was so different than anything that had happened to me before that I peed—I peed in his mouth and on my pants that he had pulled down."

Sarah hoped that after that incident the abuse would stop, but it didn't.

"He (the cousin) started making me pee before he would touch me," said Sarah. "He would peak through this win-

dow to make sure I peed." She said he also tried to have intercourse with her.

"We were sitting on a couch at the older cousin's house and he (the younger cousin) picked me up and tried to put me on his penis but he was unsuccessful—I was too small and it just didn't work," she said, grimacing at the memory. "Another time we were all playing on a hay bale and the same boy went to lift me off and he positioned his fingers in such a way that they went up into my crotch—it was

Sarah feels now that, as a child, she was being 'passed around' for sexual purposes. An incident with another boy who was a friend of one of the cousins, although vounger, somewhat confirms this.

"He would have been around 13 at the time and we were playing house," she recalled. "He was the father and I was the daughter. He sent the other two girls away and told me that since I was the daughter I had to sleep with the father and pulled out his penis."

As the abuse was happening, Sarah said she began acting out in school: pinching other children, behaving badly.

"Hurting others and acting out hadn't been in my nature, but looking back I was reacting to what was happening to me," she said.

Eventually Sarah told one of her grandparents about

"I told my grandmother that they (the boys) wouldn't let me go on the toboggan unless I let them touch me," said Sarah. "My grandmother told my dad. I remember the day my dad asked me about it. I don't know how much I told him, but he put me in the car and drove me over to their friend's home. Both cousins happened to be there and he went over and spoke to them. After that, they never touched me again.'

Sarah said that, despite her parents learning of what had happened to her, visits continued as the families remained friends.

"My mom was best friends with the older boy's mother and our families did a lot together," Sarah reiterated. "My mom was a very private person and it was understood I was to not talk about it.'

She tried her best not to think about what had happened and move on with her life.

"When I was 15 or 16 I was swimming with the cousins as the families visited," explained Sarah. "We were all out on a raft and as we were swimming in to the shore the same boy who had forced me into oral sex years before, who was in his 20s at this point, grabbed my breast and ran his hand down my body under the water. He looked at me and said 'don't tell anyone'."

Sarah said that incident "triggered' something inside her and the memories of what had happened as a child began flowing back.

"I told my friend that summer what had happened to me," she said, explaining that her friend admitted to similar experiences with the same people. "She opened up to me that something similar had happened to her too, by the same boys, when she was younger.

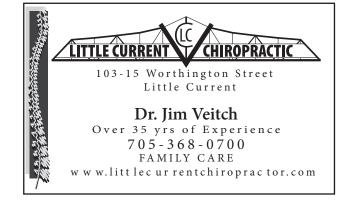
Knowing that they weren't alone gave the two friends the strength to come forward. They contacted the police and each told publicly told their story to both the Ontario Provincial Police and the Children's Aid Society.

"I gave statements to the police against the cousins," Sarah said. "I switched schools (she had been a student at Manitoulin Secondary School) because I was nervous for what was going to happen, but then nothing did. It was just kind of swept under the rug. I went to a counsellor at one point to help me deal with what had happened, but that was it.'

She said she has no memory of what, if anything, became of her own and her friend's statements.

(The Expositor was concerned that in spite of Sarah's statements to the OPP and the CAS, there did not seem to be any follow-up by the agencies, at least none that she was aware of, as she stated. Veteran legal authorities consulted by the paper explained that, at that time, it was not uncommon for complaints of this nature to lead to blind ends and

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Pilot project will review sexual assault cases in seven Canadian cities

by Robin Burridge

CANADA—A new pilot Violence project, the Against Women (VAW) Advocate Case Review Project, will review police cases involving sexual assault and intimate partner violence in seven cities across Canada, cases that have been dormant and 'unfounded' deemed or 'baseless.'

"Manitoulin Family Resources and the members of the Mnidoo Mnising Coalition Against Domestic Violence have been following the case reviews of sexual assault investigations and the announcement of related pilot projects closely," said Manitoulin Family Resources Executive Director Marnie Hall Brown. "While similar reviews are not currently planned at a local level, all members of the coalition recognize the lessons that we can learn from these reviews which will only enhance how we attempt to provide services locally. Currently our goals include updated police training, focusing on best practices, in domestic violence and sexual assault cases, as well as ongoing advocacy and attempts for funding to secure a local gathering unit that would also link victims to local and immediate necessary services. Manitoulin Family Resources is in a rather unique position of offering the diverse VAW services that would be shared by several agencies in other regions, while interacting with five distinct police services to do so. What we have learned locally is the importance of having highly skilled professionals, from police to social services to Crown prosecution, in order to create a network of support for the victim who takes the risk of coming

forward. We can't control the legal outcome, but we can influence the support that victim receives along the way."

The Ottawa Coalition To Violence Against End (OCTEVAW) Women announced last week that its project, in partnership with the Ottawa Rape Crisis Centre, the Violence Against Women Advocate Case Review Project, would be receiving \$399,500 in funding from the Status of Women Canada (SOWC) to adapt the Philadelphia Model to the Canadian context and pilot it at seven cities across Canada including Ottawa, Timmins, Stratford, Kingston, Peterborough, London and Calgary.

"The new case review project is the first of its kind in Canada, with frontline survivor support workviolence against women and legal experts reviewing police cases involving sexual and intimate partner violence," states a press release from the OCTEVAW.

"Communities and police at our pilot sites have made an historic commitment to work together to strengthen accountability and transparency –ımprovıng police response to survivors when they report sexual and intimate partner violence," commented OCTEVAW Executive Director Carrolyn Johnston. "This is an important element in a broader movement to end violence against women and genderbased violence, including prevention, education and support for survivors."

As well, over 15 other cities have expressed interest in conducting their own pilot projects.

The Philadelphia Case Review Model system was prompted by an investigation by the Philadelphia Inquirer which revealed police in the city were dismissing a high number of sexual assault complains as unfounded. It was first used in the US in 2000.

Earlier this year, the Globe and Mail launched an extensive investigation into how Canadian police handle sexual-assault allegations, specifically why police dismiss one out of every five sexual assault claims as unfounded, gathering data from over 870 police forces. Through their investigation, they found numerous inconsistencies in how many cases are closed as 'unfounded' or 'baseless.'

This prompted the government and law enforcement to come forward, promising to improve how sexual assault cases are handled. Since the Unfounded (the name the Globe and Mail gave to its series of reports) investigation, more than 50 police forces have announced their own investigations into sexual-assault cases were previously deemed 'unfounded.'

This includes the OPP, which launched a sevenmonth review of 4,000 the province.

The federal SOWC announced in June of this year \$100.9 million for the first federal strategy to prevent and address genderbased violence.

Fifty projects have been approved for over \$18 million in 'Funding to Advance Gender Equality,' including the Violence Against Women Advocate Case Review Project.

"Over the course of 36months, the projects will address systemic barriers in Status of Women Canada's three areas of focus: increasing women's eco-

nomic security and prosperity, encouraging women and girls in leadership and decision-making roles, and ending violence against women and girls," states a press release from the SOWC. "The Canadian Women's Foundation will facilitate a pan-Canadian network of women leaders to support feminist action for gender equality at the national level. These leaders have been chosen for their remarkable efforts at the local level to realize tangible advancements in supporting and empowering women, girls and gender non-conforming people. By creating a network of visionary women we will broaden the reach of their efforts beyond their communities - inspiring others from across the country to add their voices and contribute their ideas towards achieving real progress.

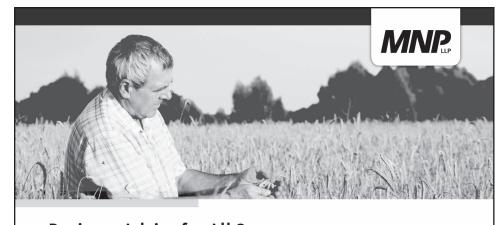
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...Survivor of sexual abuse publicly tells her story

...continued from page 9 that, at the time when these type of incidents were reported to have taken place, much more consideration was given to evidence from corroborating witnesses before charges were laid. Of course the nature of incidents such as the ones reported would rarely involve such third-party witnesses. This year, however, the federal Ministry of the Status of Women announced funding to reopen sexual assault cases that, when they were initialinvestigated, deemed to be 'unfounded' or 'baseless.')

Her mother's friendship with the woman in the abusing family ended when Sarah came forward and made police statements. Sarah still feels resentment towards her mother for having let the incident be swept aside when she was an adolescent reporting on childhood sexual abuse.

Sarah continued on with her life, eventually coming to terms with the abuse, but unfortunately it wasn't the end of being a victim.

"In university, I went out with a guy and I was prepared to sleep with him at the end of one night, if circumstances worked out that way, but instead, when we got back to the room, he forced me onto the bed and raped me. He was being rough with me and wasn't using a condom and I kept telling him 'no' but he wouldn't stop until he was done," she shared. "I didn't know what to do. I had agreed to go on the date, I was emotionally prepared to have sex with him, but he forced himself on me and I said 'no' and 'stop' and he didn't.'

After university, as a young professional in the entertainment industry, Sarah was working towards becoming a news anchor or television host.

"A director at a major news network took me on as a mentor," she said, adding that he was a married man. "He took me on a tour of the studio and, during the tour, threw me up against a wall and shoved his tongue down my throat. I pushed him away, but I didn't do anything else—I thought he had the power to make or break my career and I felt powerless. We continued on the tour and later I went out to a pub with him and his colleagues. He continued to be 'touchy feely' with me throughout the night and his coworkers didn't with enough income to supreact." with enough income to support my children in Cana-

Sarah explained that it was unspoken in the entertainment industry but sexual harassment was normalized and women were expected to put up with it if they wanted to get anywhere in their careers.

In another job Sarah had, she told of an old 'roadie' who worked for the same company and would sexually harass her and it was excused by her port my children in Canada (Sarah is a single parent, the sole supporter of her children). The last time I was home, my one child and I were living in a oneroom Air B&B together. I was so scared to share my story—I am in a position now where I can support my children and give them the life they deserve. I was scared to risk that, but I don't want what happened to me to happen to someone

said that there is another movement that has started: #aftermetoo, in which women like herself are looking to the future.

"What do we do now?" she questioned. "We need to teach boys respect for girls and girls how to stand up for themselves. #aftermetoo starts with everyone. I feel that a great deal needs to be added to the school curriculum and as a society, we need to change the culture."

Last week, Time Magazine named 'the silence breakers,' the *#metoo* movement, as its 2017 Person of the Year.

"The women and men who have broken their silence span all races, all income classes, all occupations and virtually all corners of the globe," states the Time article on the magazine's choice of the Person of the Year, written by Stephanie Zacharek. Eliana Dockterman and Haley Sweetland. "They might labour in California fields, or behind the front desk at New York City's regal Plaza Hotel, or in the European Parliament. They're part of a movement that has no formal name. But now they have a voice."

The phrase 'me too' was started over a decade ago by Tarana Burk, a social activist working with survivors of harassment and assault.

Actress Alyssa Milano popularized it, tweeting it this October. "If you've been sexually harassed or assaulted write 'me too' as a reply to this tweet." The hashtag #metoo has since been used by millions who have come forward with their experiences, people like Sarah.

These outcries echo the feminist movement of the 1960s, but it is shocking that, as far as we have come, it has taken another generation of courageous women to step forward and bring this particular issue to light.

For Sarah and the thousands of other women who have had the strength to speak out—they have started a change, they have shone a spotlight into one of the darkest corners of our society. It is now up to all of us to ensure that we keep that light shining bright and to move together as a united global community to create a different world for future generations.

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There is also a national hotline dedicated to children's concerns. The Kids Help Line toll-free number is 1-800-668-6868.

Another Manitoulin resource is Manitoulin North Shore Victim Services. The phone number is (705) 368-9945.

coworkers.

"He would look at my breasts and say things like 'your period must be coming'," she said with disdain. "The other people I worked with would just excuse it. They would say 'he did a lot of drugs back in the '60s; 'don't worry about it'."

She shared that she was taken out by a client of her boss around the same time to a strip club and that the man went on about how his wife allowed him to have 'threesomes' with the women he worked with.

"I was uncomfortable, but again, I didn't know what to do," said Sarah. "Looking back, there have been so many incidents in my life where something happened and I didn't say anything. I was scared about losing my job or what would happen if I did."

Throughout Sarah's life she has struggled, not just as a female in the entertainment industry or as a victim of sexual assault—she has struggled with depression, finding her path in life and giving her children a better life.

"I work now abroad as a well-paid professional in my field of study," said Sarah. "I couldn't find a job else, certainly not to my child. I want anyone else who may have had this happen to them to know that they aren't alone."

It has been 40 years since the abuse took place but, to Sarah, it is still vivid in her mind.

"I have developed coping mechanisms to push it aside," she said. "I think I've adjusted pretty well, but what happened to me definitely shaped my relationships as an adult. I've been drawn to men who have been controlling and abusive—both emotionally and physically."

Her experiences have also made her very protective as a mother.

"I didn't want what happened to me to happen to my children," said Sarah. "I have raised amazing kids—they are so smart and gifted—I am very proud of them."

Sharing her story now, Sarah also hopes that she can put the experience behind her.

"I want closure, I want to move on," she said. "I thought I had, but the #metoo movement brought a lot of it back." This, in turn, encouraged her to break her public silence and contact The Expositor.

Moving forward, Sarah



The Central Manitoulin Public Library is holding a Happy Holidays Pet Food Drive for the month of December. Donations can be dropped off at the Mindemoya and Providence Bay libraries. All proceeds will be distributed amongst Manitoulin Pet Rescue, Fixing Our Felines and Manitoulin Pet Save. As the library CEO Claire Cline remarked, "Our pets deserve a happy holiday too." Ms. Cline is pictured with library assistant Sally Miller.

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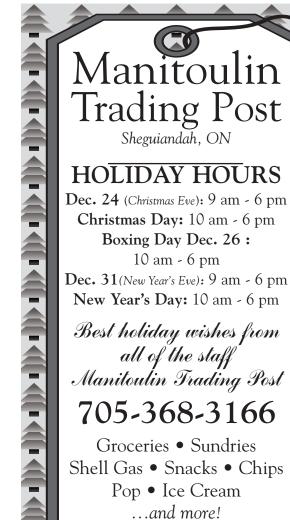
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Blind River and Elliot Lake not in running for nuclear waste facility

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—A December 6 announcement from the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) has ruled out Elliot Lake and Blind River in the running for a deep storage facility for the spent nuclear fuel from Canada's reactors.

"Technical studies and engagement with people in the area identified a number of factors that would pose challenges in siting a repository," said the NWMO release. "These include complexities associated with the geology, limited access and rugged terrain, and low potential to develop the breadth of partnerships needed to implement the project."

Three other communities in Northern Ontario continpotential sites for the repository. They include Ignace, which lies about 250 kilometres northwest of Thunder Bay; Manitouwadge, which is located about 395 kilometres east of Thunder Bay; and Hornepayne, which lies about 85 kilometres further east of Thunder Bay than Manitouwadge.

There are two other locations being considered for the site, South Bruce and Huron-Kinloss, both of which are located near the Bruce Nuclear generating plant on the shoreline of Lake Huron. A proposal to locate a repository for low to medium level nuclear waste near those same sites has been under heavy attack from many quarters due in large part to its proximity to the Great Lakes, a

ue to be considered as source of fresh water for millions of people on both sides of the border.

Elliot Lake Mayor Dan Marchisella expressed disappointment in announcement, characterizing the disqualification as a "huge potential loss" for the whole district. But in the end, the geology of the area being considered proved to be too small to be viable for the project.

There are about 2.7 million used nuclear fuel rod bundles currently stored in specialized containers and heavy water storage tanks near the nuclear facilities that have used them. The search for a permanent home for the rods began around 2010, and 22 communities expressed an interest as willing communities. A previous attempt to find a site was derailed largely because of a lack of consultation with communities that were considered viable as sites for the facility.

This newest search seeks to overcome the issues raised in the successful challenge to the last attempt to find a permanent home for the rods. The NWMO wants to find a single secure storage site that can be accessed in the future to recover the rods, when technology advances to the point that the residual energy contained in the rods can be accessed and utilized.

The NWMO hopes that their search can be completed by the year 2023.

The announcement that they have been rejected as a potential site isn't all bad, however. The NWMO has also announced that it would make up to \$600,000 available for community projects to Blind River, Elliot Lake and the Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation-along with another \$300,000 slated for Spanish and the North Shore.



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Wiikwemkoong celebrates AVIVA grant

by Giselle Aiabens WIIKWEMKOONG—Last week, students, teachers, representatives from the Wikwemikong Development Commission and Focus Forward for Indigenous Youth gathered in the Wikwemikong High School gymnasium to hear the winners for the Aviva Community Fund being announced.

Wikwemikong Greenhouse for Change, a partnership between Focus Forward for Indigenous Youth, The Wikwemikong Development Commission and the High School, was named a finalist for the Aviva Community Fund earlier this fall and all interested parties had anxiously been awaiting the results which had been scheduled to be announced on December 5 at noon.

Christiana Jones, apprenticeship officer for the Wiin-Ni N'Guch Tood (LMS), the employment training division of the Wikwemikong Development Commission, began the event with a short presentation and overview of the Greenhouse for Change. After her presentation, she was joined by Evan Veryard, founder and executive director of Focus Forward for Indigenous Youth, and Althea Wishloff, team leader for their Toronto office, to present the final results of their \$50,000 application to the fund.

The webpage with the results, showing that the project was one of the grand prize winners and was being awarded the \$50,000 grant, appeared and Jones excitedly announced "we won, we won!"

The students, staff, and all others at the event joined in Ms. Jones' excitement and posed for photos while holding the Aviva-supplied signs heralding themselves as a '2017 Aviva Community Fund Winner,' and the 'Proud winner of the Aviva Community Fund' while also acknowledging all who voted for them with a 'Thank you for voting for

us!' sign.
Ms. Wishloff described the win as "really exciting and a testament to how much work Christianna and Jocelyn have put in and all the support we've had from the high school and all the resources in the community." She also acknowledged the "great teams in both the Kingston and Toronto Focus Forward



Geordan Lewis gives a thumbs up and says "Thank you for voting

offices" who also put a lot of work into the project.

Mr. Veryard described the process as "an awesome experience" in which all parties worked well together from the early stages of planning with Ms. Jones and Jocelyn Bebamikawe, **Employment and Training** with Officer Wiin-Ni N'Guch Tood (LMS), both of whom he noted "were really engaged," which "the grant applicamade tion really easy.'

Ms. Jones said she was really excited when the project became a finalist in October; however, having now won the fund, she is even more excited for the high school and the students and "being able to offer more courses in the high school and getting the high school students excited about horticulture, gardening and the land." She further remarked that "because they get to participate in the build of the greenhouse, as the Apprenticeship Coordinator, I'm excited that students are going to be able to work in 'apprenticable' trades and learn a little bit more about carpentry and solar installation.'

Jason Thibault, the high school's vice-principal, said that at the high school "we're personally excited about the new curriculum that we'll be able to offer surrounding the greenhouse as well as hand-on training" and that the win has stirred up a lot of conversation about offering more trades related cours-

Ms. Jones expressed gratitude for the Focus Forward team who contacted her in June regarding their goal to do 50 projects in Indigenous communities. After initial meetings, they took the greenhouse concept and came up with the drawings. which Ms. Jones described as the moment when she realized that this project would come to fruition. She

further describes the team, who wrote the application, as "a group of really great people who've been great to work with." She also expressed her appreciation for Aviva, who "gives back to the community through the fund, which is a wonderful thing for a company to do—and it means a lot to be a part of that."

Ms. Jones concluded that "it means a lot to be able to help the high school and the community move forward with this really exciting year-round greenhouse project."



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...continued from page 3 posters in town. As the puzzle continues to grow, people are encouraged to drive around Manitowaning to try and locate the picture in the puzzle.

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and email the municipal office as to what it is and where it is located. All entries must be sent to info@assiginack.ca dropped off at the township office at 156 Arthur Street. They must include name, phone number, and their guess of what the picture is and where it is located. The draw of all

the correct entries will be done on January 8, 2018. Be sure to check out the Christmas decorations and lights at the new Queen's Park in the centre of Manitowaning when you are on your quest to solve the puzzle. Good

... KTEI Snowflake Gala raises \$15,000 for students

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port of helping students of Mnidoo Mnising succeed in achieving their educational goals. It is this milestone year of 2017 that also had Kenjgewin Teg thoughtfully reflecting on this pre-holiday event, with many members of the organizing committee reminiscing once everyone was back in office last week, knowing the hard part of the work was over for yet another

In recognition and reviewing the successes (and some of the challenges too) of the 10th anniversary gala event, the Kenjgewin Teg staff organizing committee and staff took some time to think about the past decade and the committed effort it has taken to pull together a community event of this size. Beverley Roy-Carter, director of post secondary education and training at Kengjewin Teg, who has been a part of the Kenjgewin Teg organizing gala committee for many years, commented, "I'm always both amazed and at the same time, yes very much relieved, after each gala event is over knowing our 300 plus guests have had a great (and safe) evening out. I'm also very appreciative to all our amazing Kenjgewin Teg team members over the past 10 years who have put forth tremendous effort and dedication to make each year's event successful. Ten years later, I still marvel at how our team/staff decorators somehow manage to make a community complex turn into a special pre-holiday event in a matter of a couple of days and nights!'

It is with all these past reflections in mind that Kenjgewin Teg wishes to share with the Manitoulin community that the year 2017 officially represents the last and final year for hosting the Kenjgewin Teg Snowflake Gala, as it's known in its cur-

with the kindness and generosity of the Island communities and Kenjgewin Teg is tremendously grateful for the community support received over the years; we want everyone to know that the simple gesture of just buying a gala ticket every year and being our guest have made tremendous impacts on the lives of many students," Ms. Roy said. "Perhaps without knowing it, all our gala guests over the decade have directly and positively assisted many students reach and celebrate their graduation day."

In making the decision that 2017 would be the last Snowflake Gala hosted by Kenjgewin Teg, the organizing committee had a few laughs and shared good memories as they reminisced over the many tribute entertainment acts and solo musicians/artists the Island community has enjoyed over the past decade.

'Who can forget some of the tribute entertainment acts like Rod Stewart, Tina Turner, the Beatles and Credence Clearwater Revival? And certainly, the Gala would not be the 'Gala,' as we've come to know it, without the DJ talents of Blake Debassige every year?" Ms. Roy commented.

While the Snowflake Gala event may now have officially come to an end, this doesn't, however, mean that fundraising efforts for students will come to an end. In fact, nothing could be further from the truth. With a great success in sponsored student bursaries in 2017, Kenjgewin Teg has decided to build on this success by striving and setting even higher student fundraising goals by creating new and creative activities and events in the years to come. With one decade coming to an end, the next decade represents the start of something new.

"Kenjgewin Teg looks forward to your "The past 10 years have been amazing continued support!" Ms. Roy concluded.

...Fire Department celebrates their 40th anniversary

...continued from page 3 the fire chief, and they additionally received further justified recognition their firefighter from peers.

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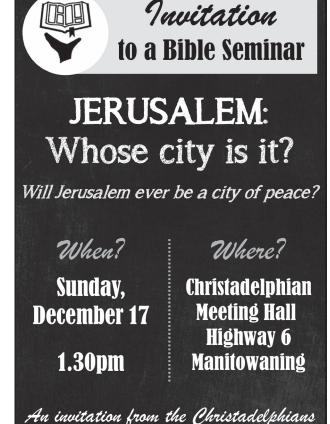
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December 6 Mindemoya vigil recalls the Montreal slain

by Michael ErskineMINDEMOYA—A small group of hardy individuals braved the strong winds and snow of the first significant blizzard of the season on the evening of Wednesday, December 6 to attend a vigil in honour of the National Day of Remembrance and Action Violence Against Women held at the Mindegazebo—joining moya groups across the nation in sombre solidarity.

The National Day of Remembrance and Action Violence Against Women began after 14 women were slain at Montreal's l'École Polytechnique on December 6, 1989 and the reading of their names has been a part of

throughout the past decades, but this year the families of the slain women requested that practice be discontinued, noted organizer Tracey Van Horne, woman abuse outreach counsellor at Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR).

Those attending the vigil shared their own experiences of violence against women before setting out for the MFR boardroom where light refreshments and welcome hot beverages awaited to chase away the winter's chill.

Manitoulin OPP Community Services Office Marie Ford shared her first experience of dealing with domestic violence

was killed by her abuser during Constable Ford's first day on the job. "While she was on the phone screaming for help she was being murdered," recalled the officer.

"We had interactions with him before and removed him from the house," she said. In those days, the tendency for police forces was to simply remove the abuser from the family home too often with tragic consequences. "Policing has changed so much for the better," said Constable

The keynote speaker for the vigil was Janice Trudeau, who worked for the Wabano Centre in recently returned home to Wiikwemkoong and has iust finished a contract with Noojmowin Health Services.

current issues ("the mess") surrounding the National Inquiry of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls

should remember the missing Indigenous men as well, we are just coming up to the end of the 16 Days of ...continued on page 17





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Keynote speaker Janice Trudeau, vigil organizer Tracey Van Horne, community member Janet Anning, OPP Community Services Officer Marie Ford and community member Gordon Soplet gather in front of the candles lit in remembrance of the victims of violence during a vigil held in the Manitoulin Family Resources board room.

photo by Michael Erskine



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Christmas parade lights up Manitowaning

by Giselle Aiabens MANITOWANING—The 5th Annual Parade of Lights took place in Manitowaning on Saturday night.

In the spirit of the season, the parade magically appeared out of nowhere just before the scheduled start time, with floats and parade participants coming from all directions of the community. The parade, which is held in the evening in order to better showcase the festive lights, had a small number of floats with a large presence of festive excitement.

Parade organizer Lisa Hallert explains that each year is a bit of a mystery as to how many floats will show up but it always comes together. Ms. Hallert first organized the parade five years ago because her and her family "always loved attending the parade of lights" in her previous home community and she saw the parade as a way for their family "to give back to the community" of Manitowaning.

The parade was an opportunity for community members to come together, right in their own backyard, to share in an event which is traditional in many communities across the country.



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Scrooge and Cratchit brings the rest of the story to life

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—For almost 175 years the Charles Dickens' classic 'A Christmas Carol' has been a classic tale of Yuletide redemption, retold in innumerable styles and adapted to fit just about every genre over the years, but the tale has rarely ventured beyond the happy ending to reveal how the central characters of Ebenezer Scrooge and Bob Cratchit made out in the years that followed.

Thanks to a Sunday, December 3 dramatic reading by the Little Current United Church Players of the Matt McHugh novella 'Scrooge and Cratchit,' as adapted by Anne-Marie Law and Joshua C. Law, the mystery of the duo's fate has been revealed.

"I found the novel by Matt McHugh about 15 years ago when I was the minister in Cochrane and I really loved it," said Little Current United Church Pastor Paul Allard. "I wondered then if there was something that we could do with it at Christmas."

Together with the local Anglican Church, Cochrane's St. Pauls United Church put together an ensemble to put on a dramatic reading. "A playwright in Toronto turned it into a dramatic reading and we did it about two years ago," said Pastor Allard. "It went over really well."

Digging out his own copy of the script, Pastor Allard



The cast of 'Scrooge and Cratchit,' aka the Little Current United Church Players, take a bow following their production of a spin on 'A Christmas Carol' held recently at the church.

went to his congregation and suggested that it would be a great opportunity for outreach with the parish. "I always wondered myself what happened to Scrooge," said Pastor Allard. "I loved how he bookended the life of Scrooge and family."

So a sign up sheet was posted in short order and soon a dozen people had stepped up to the stage, or rather the microphone. A dramatic reading is conducted much like a radio play of old, with the players reciting the lines without the movement and sets of a stage production. Still, the players were dressed in appropriate period costume. "The audience can sit back in their seats and let

their minds explore as the story unfolds," said Pastor Allard.

The casting of the reading was nothing short of inspired. Following a welcome by Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin, the deep voice of Scott Mosher filled the church, painting the opening scene and holding his audience spellbound throughout the production.

Between scenes, members of the Little Current United Church choir led the audience in traditional Christmas songs, including 'Good King Wenceslas,' 'As With Gladness, Men of Old,' 'Coventry Carol,' 'The Carol of the Bells,' 'Verse from the Wassel Song,' 'We Three Kings,' 'Silent Night,' 'God

ber; and Glenda Hodder as Old Lady. The cast put their hearts and souls into each part, no matter how large or small, taking turns to step up to a microphone set to the side of the pulpit wherein the redoubtable Mr. Mosher held forth.

The production team

Parrill as Mrs. Cratchit;

Karen Allard as Mrs. Dil-

The production team included catering by the Little Current United Church Women, posters and promotion were by Lori and Betty Edwards and the ushers were Gail Cronin and Betty Edwards.

Admission to the production was by free will offering and/or non-perishable goods for Manitoulin Family Resources and the Food Bank. "It went over pretty well," said Pastor Allard. "We raised a little bit of money, about \$206, and a shopping cart full of groceries. I think we may look at doing it again next year."

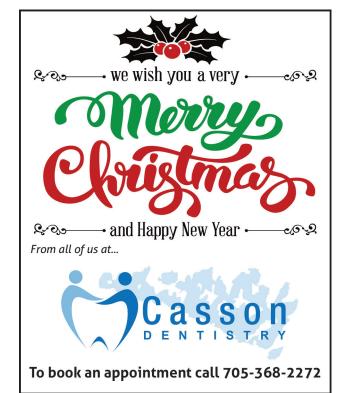
Judging by this year's performance, 'Scrooge and Cratchit' may well become a Manitoulin Christmas classic in its own right.

photo by Michael Erskine

Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen' and 'Once in Royal David's City.' Pianist Barb Cranston provided the accompaniment and music production for the piece.

The main cast included a nightgown-clad Pastor Allard as Scrooge and a top-hatted Helen Eade as Robert Cratchit. The two main characters delivered their lines with a passion that brought their respective characters alive.

In supporting roles were Elaine Moore as Constable and Gentleman; Carol Hill as Deacon; Marian Henry and Brenda Hallett as messengers; Ivan Edwards as Stranger and Notary; Ken Lippold as Fred and the Ghost of Marley; Diana



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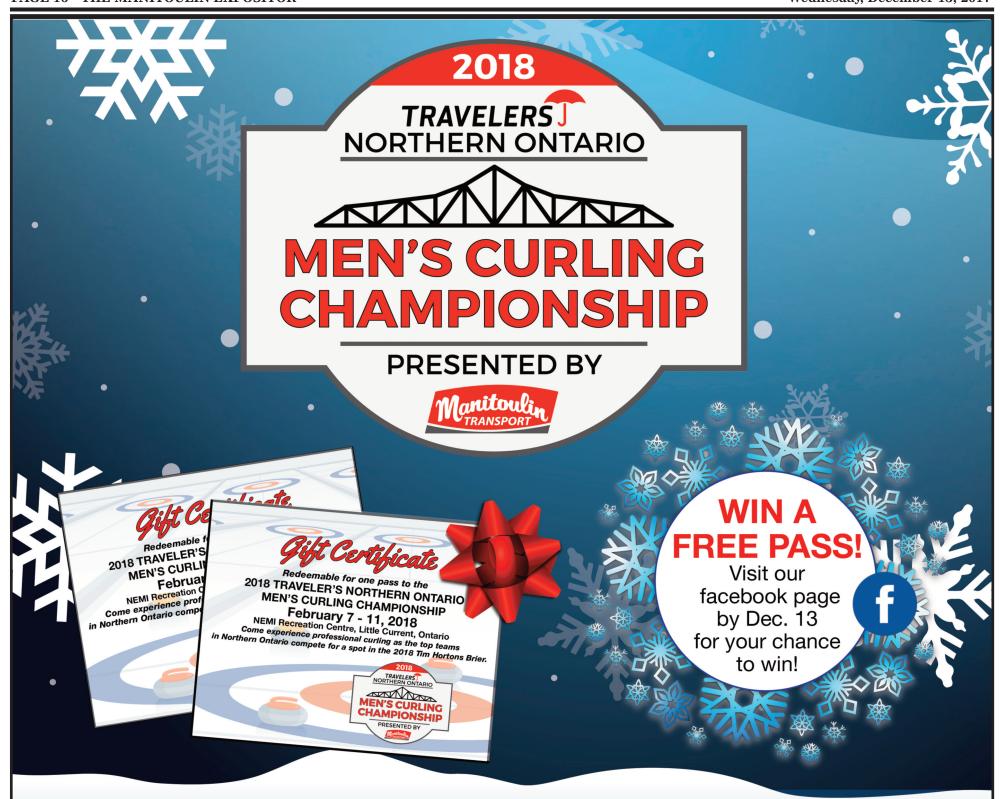
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Workforce Planning study seeks employment future

by Michael Erskine SUDBURY—A recent study released by Workforce Planning for Sudbury and Manitoulin supplied a statistic that was startling at first glance. The study, covering the quarter from July to September 2017 and reported by some off-Island media, suggested that there was a grand total of 29 employment opportunities to be found in the Manitoulin District during that period—but like many stories, there are a plenty of devils to be unearthed when you take a close look at the details, and sometimes even an angel or

Workforce Planning for Sudbury and Manitoulin (WPSM), the folks who commission the reports on employment for our region, is an agency funded through the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (formerly Colleges and Universities).

We conduct research and provide labour market information on industry and workforce trends from both a supply and demand perspective," explained WPSM Executive Director Reggie Caverson when contacted Monday by The Expositor. "WPSM connects stakeholders from various sectors, collaborates on partnership projects, activities and programs to address current and emerging labour market issues and supports economic growth and development."

WPSM is one of 26 workforce planning boards across the province that are seeking to gaze into a crystal ball comprised of data mining, web bots and the arcane sciences usually practiced by actuaries to discern current and future trends in employment. It isn't a exact or perfect science, but it is providing some picture of what the future for employment may be for Manitoulin and Sud-

"The report is based on online job postings," explained Ms. Caverson. The information going into the report is based on data collected by a net bot employed by a company contracted by WPSM. That net bot seeks out the postings online at sites such as Workopolis and the Canada Job Bank and then rationalizes them to weed out duplications.

They tell us that the online postings will account for about 55 percent of the jobs," noted Ms. Caverson, "so it is just one window into the job market."

A quick tally by The Expositor of its own online job bank indicates that assumption may be flawed. "We had 43 job postings in July, 62 job postings in August and 23 job postings in September," said Expositor webmaster Dave Patterson. "But if it is a web bot they are using and if I don't recognize it, we have probably blocked it. I have found that too many web bots out there are malicious and they tend to chew up an enormous amount of our server's capacity.'

Mr. Patterson suggested that the company utilizing the bot should contact him to ensure that their bot has access to the job bank. "Gathering the data for employment and education planning is a legitimate goal," he said. But smaller online businesses leaving themselves wide open to the Wild West of the Internet can be a recipe for financial and privacy disaster.

As to the larger online job markets there are issues as

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Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. Being active in standing up against violence is something that we should do all the time.'

She noted that the fundamental flaw in the MMIWG national inquiry has been that it is based on a colonial system and not a grassroots Indigenous approach.

Ms. Trudeau spoke of her own experiences in supporting her friend Michelle, whose daughter Cheyenne fell into bad company after moving to Toronto. "Cheyenne was beautiful when I first met her," she recalled. "She met somebody and had a baby, moved home. When she was 20 she got involved with some bad people. She called home and said that she was in trouble. Later that night, she was thrown from a balcony 23-24 floors. Her attacker has not been brought to justice."

Ms. Trudeau's cousin from Birch Island, Sonya Cywink, was also murdered, leaving behind a small child. "Her body was found in a wooded area and she had died from blunt force trauma to her head, her murderer was never found.'

"Too many of our young women are exploited by predators," she said, "people who get them involved in drugs and addictions. We have to stand up for the women who have been lost to violence.'

Ms. Trudeau presented MFR with a bundle of medicines that can assist with healing from trauma, particularly sage, but also cedar and willow, that she had won at a recent conference in Little Current.

"Sage calms the spirit," she said, noting that it is important that the women's shelter be open to Indigenous women using the medicines in their traditional way. "This is the start of your bundle."

Following her talk, Ms. Trudeau played the song 'Porch Light,' written and performed by the 2016 Canadian Folk Music Award winning Indigenous duo Twin Flames. "This song was written in honour of our Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls," said Ms. Trudeau.

well. "On Manitoulin there are a lot of smaller companies and posting to some of these online services can be very expensive," noted Ms. Caverson. "We were looking at posting an opening for an intern on Workopolis and it would have cost \$700. It's very costly.'

But attempting to chart a course through the shoals of the future is an important goal at many different levels and needs to be attempted despite the challenges.

"It is a big issue on a lot of fronts," agreed Ms. Caverson. "We are the only ones who are really looking at the issue across every sector." Other studies tend to focus on sub-genres of the market, such as health.

Ms. Caverson noted that the Manitoulin online job posting numbers were higher in the previous report and that the numbers have improved on the yet to be released

"The good news is that employment is going up overall, both in the Sudbury and the Manitoulin Districts, it's going up slowly to be sure, but it is going up nonetheless, and that is a good thing," she said. "A lot of the jurisdictions in the North are not going up at all. They are experiencing shrinking demographics and an aging population.'

The good news contained in the data is that Manitoulin appears to be bucking that Northern trend.

WPSM works with a number of sector partners, such as LAMBAC and government agencies such as FedNor and the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation, colleges, universities, health organizations and large corporations that are major players in the economy to try and plot a course for the future.

There is a lot contained in the report besides the online job numbers, notes Ms. Caverson. "For instance there are 103 business licences issued on Manitoulin in the agricultural sector," she said. It is the largest sector, followed by the retail trade and construction. "The newest data that has come out shows that there are 1,052 business licences in the Manitoulin District," she said. "But 61 percent of those businesses have no employees."

In fact, the Manitoulin economy is powered primarily by what are termed microbusinesses, those employing zero to four employees. "That's 81 percent of the businesses, but hardly a surprise."

WPSM keeps tabs on which employment sectors are seeing increases and which are going down. "There is a lot of impact coming from robotics, we are already seeing it with automated checkout stations in stores and automatic teller machines."

The organization reports their findings back to the education sector so that colleges and universities can better plan their course offerings, should they so choose. Too often, however, there is a troubling gap as colleges, like any business, are focussed on attracting students to their campuses and that means giving people more of what they want rather than what they need.

"There are 11 colleges offering police foundations and paramedic programs," she said. "There is a high demand for the courses, but there are no jobs." Meanwhile, other sectors are challenged to find enough employees to fill the vacancies being created by a workforce that is aging out employees faster than new ones

Ms. Caverson said that she hopes the information being supplied by her agency will help educational institutions and private companies rejig their training regimes to meet the challenges of the future, particularly in the North.

"There are companies that are growing in the North, an economy that is growing and creating jobs," she said. "It would be nice if those jobs could be filled by the people living here, rather than companies having to import workers." Ms. Caverson gave anecdotal examples of construction companies having to bring workers onto Manitoulin Island from Sudbury.

Another big concern is succession planning, particu-

larly with the microbusinesses on Manitoulin Island Ms. Caverson said that she hopes to see a number of workshops set up to assist business owners in tackling the many issues that come with planning for the day that

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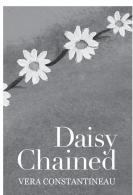
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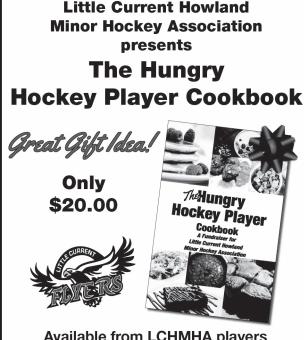
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Elliott's fundraiser to feature gourmet hot dogs for a cause

by Michael Erskine

LİTTLE CURRENT—You may not be able to teach an old dog new tricks, but you can definitely dress up a pretty fancy gourmet hot dog. Elliott's Restaurant of Little Current were casting about for a way to give back to the community during this Christmas season when they hit upon the concept of holding a Gourmet Hot Dog evening.

"We get our hot dogs from Burt Farms in Ice Lake," said Jodie Elliott, who owns and operates the eatery with her husband Jason. "We are putting an Elliott's spin on it."

Not to let the dog out of the bag, but some of the creations involve jalapeno poppers, mac and cheese and some everlovin' BLT action.

A Split Rail craft beer will be paired with each of the gourmet hot dogs to create a unique dining experience. "We are keeping it all local," said Ms. Elliott.
Originally, the duo had planned to donate the proceeds

Originally, the duo had planned to donate the proceeds from the Gourmet Hot Dog evening to the community turkey dinner hosted by local radio station Great Lakes Country 103. "But then we discovered that they were not



doing the dinner this year," said Ms. Elliott. That opened a whole new facet to the concept—one that owners of a restaurant are perfectly poised to pursue.

"We thought 'why not do it ourselves'," said Ms. Elliott.

"We thought 'why not do it ourselves'," said Ms. Elliott. So it was that the Elliott's Community Turkey Dinner was

"All of the proceeds from the Gourmet Hot Dog event will be going towards the Tuesday, December 19 complimentary turkey dinner," said Ms. Elliott. "The dinner will be free and open to anyone who may not be able to have a urkey dinner this Christmas."

The duo are not going it all their own though, they have enlisted some community partners to assist with the event. "Rodney from Barney's is donating 120 pounds of turkey and we will be accepting donations towards the event."

The restaurant's high school staff will be kicking in some assist and if there is anything left over from the Gourmet Hot Dog fundraising after the turkey dinner, the restaurant will be turning it over to the Manitoulin Secondary School SHARE committee to assist with their good works.

"We are hoping the Gourmet Hot Dog night will be well received," said Ms. Elliott. "It should be a really fun event and a chance for people to put the pre-holiday stress behind and just come out, have some fun, and support a great community cause."

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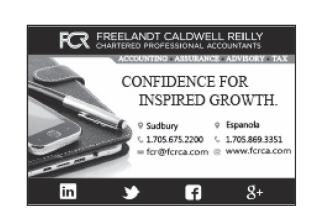
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Mindemoya Christmas Bird Saturday, Count December 16.

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New Year's Eve dance sponsored by Tehkummah Seniors' Club. December 31. Starts at 9 pm to 1 am. Bill the DJ will be playing. Midnight buffet. Licensed cash bar, 50/50 draw. limited tickets available. For tickets call: Linda, 705-859-3579 or Floyd, 705-859-2046.

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Support group for care partners and families of those caring for a person living with memory loss. 5 Duke Street. Mindemoya (VON office), 10 am to 12 pm. December 19, January 23, February 20, March 20, April 17, May 22. To register please contact Alison Sloss, 1-800-407-6369. email asloss@alzheimersudbury.ca

December 17: Christmas Comes Early to Elizabeth Bay, Elizabeth Bay United Church, 7 pm. Neighbours and friends are invited to join us for a quiet retelling of the Christmas story, featuring candles and Communion. 29-30p

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DO YOU LOVE ISLANDS?



If you love islands in general, along with Manitoulin Island in particular, then please consider being part of Manitoulin's Great Lakes Islands Coalition all-volunteer team.

The Great Lakes contain the largest, most diverse collection of freshwater islands in the world. Approximately 20 of these are inhabited year 'round. While Manitoulin is the largest and has the biggest population, the other islands-such as Madeline, Washington, Beaver, Mackinac, Drummond, Harsens, Pelee, and South Bass, to name just a few—share similar interests, challenges, and opportunities.

The Great Lakes Islands Coalition is a recently formed organization with the mission of enhancing communication and collaboration among these unique communities.

As a member of the Manitoulin team you would be expected, with other members, to represent the various interests of Manitoulin Island as it works with the Great Lakes Coalition. This would entail an occasional team meeting, participating in a monthly conference call with the other islands, attending the annual "Summit" meeting, which rotates among the islands, and helping host the "Summit" when it is Manitoulin's turn.

At present there is no compensation, and no reimbursement for travel expenses.

If interested, please send a note or email to Great Lakes Islands Coalition Team, in care of the Manitoulin Expositor, to editor@manitoulin.ca. Just a few sentences explaining why you would like to be on the team.

For more information see The Expositor article: "Manitoulin takes part in initial Great Lakes Islands Summit," October 11, 2017.





Billings Township Holiday Closings

Municipal Office

Closed from December 25 to reopen January 2, 2018

Kagawong Landfill

Closed Sunday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 26

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHER

Claims against the Estate of John Tsun Late of Municipality of Meldrum Bay, Dawson-Robinson Township, District of Manitoulin who died on October 19, 2017. Must be filed to the undersigned Solicitor for the Estate Trustees on or before February 28, 2018.

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Death Notices

GERALD PALMER COPELAND

erald passed away peacefully on December 3, 2017 at Mount Sinai Hospital, in his 93rd year. He will join his beloved wife, Eleanor (September 12, 2008). He was the loving father of Lynda Bricker, Susan Copeland. and Andrew Copeland (Sandy); dear grandfather to Cal Bricker (Samantha), David Bricker (Sarah), Lyndsay Degroot (Derek), Jordan, Jenna, and Paige Copeland; great-grandfather to Palmer and Ella Degroot, and Jack Bricker. Gerald and Eleanor lived with their family in Sudbury for nearly 40 years and summered on Manitoulin Island before moving to Toronto in 1989. Special thank you to the Yip family (Nancy. Sammy, Julie, Ricky, and extended family) for the daily care, support, assistance, and especially the love and companionship that they provided to Gerry for the past 14 years. Gerald graduated from the University of Toronto in 1952 and moved to Sudbury to start his orthodontic practice. He flew a plane to serve patients in Northern Ontario. He was very involved with St. Andrew's United Church in Sudbury. He received an honorary doctorate and served on the Board of Laurentian University. Gerald and Eleanor established grant and bursary programs to support students. Gerald also volunteered his time in support of many organizations, and served on numerous Boards. Friends and family will greatly miss a giving, devoted, adventurous, amazing Gerry. The family is grateful for the compassionate medical care given at Mount Sinai Hospital.

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

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On behalf of my family I

would like to thank everyone for their prayers, caring and support when my Mum, Jane Nielson, died. Special thanks to the Grace Bible Church and Pastor Paul VanKesteran for guiding us along and not keeping it short. Thank you to Robert Paxton and the Holy Trinity Anglican Church family. Ursula, thank you for allowing Mum's grandchildren and great-grandchildren to each ring the bell to welcome her into Heaven. Thank you to Tony and Gloria for your guidance and patience in preparing Mum's Celebration of Life. Mum's grandchildren were especially thrilled that Julitette the dachshund was invited to the celebration. To painting/knitting Mum's ladies, thank you so much. She loved you all. Thank you to everyone who fed and nurtured us during this time. Angela, you sing like an and we were so angel, moved by your singing of Amazing Grace. Thank you to Denise and the Anchor Inn for the lovely family supper afterwards. It was so special for the children to see the Santa Claus Parade come by. "Oh look, its Grandma Jane's parade." Thank you to all of the staff at MHC who brightened Mum's day during her many visits there. Thank you to the staff at the Manitoulin Centennial Manor who made my Mum feel at home and cared for her during her brief stay. We were so impressed. All of the memorial donations are gratefully appreciated. Thank you to Mum's NP Anne Gervais and Dr. Barss and all of the other medical staff for your excellent care over many years. Thank you to Tracy and Dr. Kate for being there on Mum's final day and treating her with such care, respect and dignity. I am comforted by the peace of the palliative care suite. I am so grateful to the NEMFHT for their patience and allowing me the time I needed, and to my co-workers for picking up the slack. Thank you to all of the Burnett family for being there for all of us with a special thank you to Randy for picking up the pieces and wiping the tears. Tish Millette

We, the Lloyd family, would like to express our sincere thanks to all who knew Roger and appreciated all the things he did. A special thanks to Martin for coming to the hospital and for the beautiful eulogy. To the fire department, honour guard, the Ham radio club for their touching memorial, to all the fire departments and the pallbearers. We would also like to thank Dr. Al Hadi and staff at the Mindemova Hospital paramedics, Billings Township and the various committees he was on. Also a special thanks to Stuart and Sheila Simpson and staff Simpson's Funeral home, the ladies and gentlemen for the delicous lunch. A superb job, well done. Thanks for the beautiful flower arrangements, donations, food brought to the house, cards and well wishes. Last, but not least, for the fire truck escort to the cemetery. It was really touching. Elva, Carl, Tom, Blanche, Barry and family

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At this time we would like to extend our sincerest appreciation for your generosity, prayers, telephone calls, visits, cards, flowers, food donations, monetary donations and words of spiritual support as our loved one, Wayne Robert Debassige Ba, began his spiritual journey through

the western door way.
We would like to offer and extend our special thanks to Grandfathers and helpers who conducted the traditional ceremony. Firekeepers. drummers and singers (women and men), helpers during the cedar bath, pall bearers, cooks and helpers during the wake and feast. M'Chigeeng First Nation, M'Chigeeng Health Centre, U.C.C.M. Police, Greater Sudbury Police service Sudbury EMS, Island Funeral Home, Little Current Legion branch #177. We are so blessed that help, love and prayers came from so many people in so many ways. Your kindness and help will not be forgotten as it was great comfort to all of the family. Chimilgwech to everyone who shared our celebration of life for Wayne Robert Debassige

Love, the Debassige Family, M'Chigeeng 30p

Sincere thank you for all the cards, and phone calls I received in the passing of my sister Marguerite Hembruff. Sincerely, Vera Chatwell and family

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The family of Phyllis Smith wishes to extend our sincere thanks for all the support and condolences received following the passing of our wife, mother, and grandmother. We also send our gratitude and appreciation to the staff and volunteers at the Manitoulin Lodge, where Phyllis spent her final days. Her legacy lives on in her family and through her many kindnesses to those she knew on the Island. The Smith Family



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2+1 BDRM COUNTRY HOME - On 3.7 acres of land in the quaint town of Silver Water. This well insulated home has new windows, some not yet installed, a completely insulated unfinished basement with a large wood stove and a walkout to one of two driveways which adom this property. Also on this nicely landscaped lot is a 31 by 24 ff garage that comes with 2 doors, a cement pad & hydro. Much of the property is forested & the public beach & boat launch on beautiful Silver Lake (well known for its bass & walleye fishing) is a short 1 minute drive down the road. Asking \$139,000. MLS#1050231



JUST LISTED - 1990 Bon Air Trailer, a ten by twelve sleep camp & shed in Stanley Park on beautiful Lake Mindernoya. This nicely landscaped lot with plenty of decking & two 45 gallon holding tanks. This gorgeous sand beach is an externely short walk & the park has many amentities as well as activities for kids. The hospital, restaurants, grocery as activities for Nus. The Incospilat, restaularities, growth shopping, golfling & much more is close by. The lake is well known for its great fishing for walleye, perch, bass, pike & whitefish. The yearly rent is \$1750.00 & includes hydro. The park is open from May 1st to October 1st. The trailer comes turn-key & includes all contents except personal items. Asking \$16,900.00! MLS#1045227



NCOME PROPERTY IN LITTLE CURRENT!! - Located at 23 Vankoughnet Street East, this property is within walking distance of all the amenities in Little Current including
hospital, shopping & swim beach. The single floor building
consists of a 705 sq. ft commercial store front attached to
it is a 610 sq. ft 1 bdrm apartment & a 960 sq. ft. 3 bdrm
apartment. This property has tons of potential!!! Listed at
only \$199,000. MLS#1044554



2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LAKE MANITOU!! - Nice renovated cottage with open concept close to Mindemova which ed cottage with open concept close to Mindemoya which has amenities such as shopping, hospital & golf course. The cottage comes with a storage shed & a double size garage with a workshop. The cottage comes turn-key with all furnishings, window coverings, dishes, riding lawnmower & a dock on wheels. Lake Manitou is the largest lake on an island in the world & is famous for its lake & speckle trout as well as walleye, bass & perch. Asking \$209,000. MIL \$41104109 MLS#1044109

MOVE IN READY COUNTRY HOME!!

3+1 bdrm with 2 full baths on 1 acre landscaped lot. Fully finished basement with attached 2 car insulated garage. High efficiency propane furnace, central air conditioning with screened in porch, large deck & 2 large sheds. Ready to move in. Asking \$229,000. MLS#1035248



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This south-facing endless sea of beauty features a nice flat lot with a rocky shoreline & good fishing for 4 types of salmon & 3 types of trout. This off grid lot has plenty of deer that traverse it & the close by town features

ty or deer that traverse it & the close by town features such amenities as the islands largest grocery store, a hospital & a golf course. Asking \$60,000. MLS#1045397 4.3 ACRES - with 287 ft of Lake Huron Shoreline on the South Shore of Manitoulin only 20 mins from Mindemoya. This southwest facing endless sea of beauty features a nice level lot with a rocky shoreline & condificient for 4 hose of salmon & 3 expected from good fishing for 4 types of salmon & 3 species of trout Many deer traverse this property & the close by towr Many oeer traverse trils properly & the close by town features such amenities as shopping, a hospital, restaurants & a golf course. Asking \$50,000. MLS#1045396

READY TO BUILD LOT IN SUNSITE ESTATES!! - Lot has septic, hydro, a large circular driveway & \$5200 water levy has been paid in full. Culvert for drainage is in place & property has been landscaped with trees, herb gardens & flowers. Backing onto park area & only steps to the water. A must see to appreciate the only steps to the water. A must see to appreciate the beauty of this lot. Asking \$35,000. MLS#1039591

7.7 ACRES - with 300 ft of Lake Huron Shoreline on the South Shore of Manitoulin only 20 mins from Mindemoya



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CUTE 700 SQ FT BUNGALOW IN MINDEMOYA!! - Lo boat launch on Lake Mindemoya, this little summer home comes with an open concept has a large living room, an eat in kitchen, a small bedroom, a large L-shaped deck & a couple of sheds in the back yard. This beauty comes with most furnishings & listed at \$100,000. MLS#1037207



GREEN BAY BEAUTY!! - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1 1/2 storey quality built home on Lake Manitou with gorgeous flat 3.6 acre waterfront lot in a gated subdivision. This nicely manicured lot consists of a covered boat harbour & light house. The property also includes an attached single car garage & 3 detached garages, 2 of which have nice lofts above them that could be used for storage or bunkies & also included on the property is a massive 28 x 70 ft 4 bay garage with 13 dots, steel roof & large storage shed. The landscaped on the property is a massive 28 x 70 ft 4 bay garage with 13 dots, steel roof & large storage shed. The landscaped to its flat & supports several very large matture trees & the cattage needs. This property is priced to sell. Assessed at \$539,000 but listed at only \$450,000. MLS#1039860





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LAKE MINDEMOYA WATERFRONT all seasons cottage on a year round road has wonderful landscaping leading to an appealing shoreline suitable for swimming or boating. The home features open concept living, dining & kitchen areas with patio doors leading to a deck which over-looks the lake. Including all appliances this property is move in ready. There is a 2 car garage for all the toys. Reduced to \$350,000. MLS#1035687



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BAY ESTATES - Waterfront cottage with sleep camp on gentle sloping lot to shoreline. 6ft high basement with propane stove & concrete floor, open concept living/kitchen/dining facing lake with patio doors to deck. Some finishing needed in bedrooms. 4pc. bathroom with washing ma chine. Asking \$249,000. MLS#1032814



11 1/2 ACRE WATERFRONT PROPERTY - 1000ft shore-line & 500ft deep, heavily treed lot, with ATV trail to lake patio doors to decks facing lake, very secluded & private Great for hunting, fishing or just plain relaxing. Reduced to \$230,000. MLS#1032037



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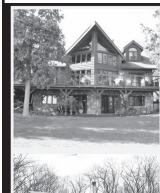


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This west end home is located or a quiet street, just a short walk to Low Island Park & downtown Little Current. The home features 3 bedrooms and a full bath on the main level, and an additional bedroom & bath in the basement. The exterior features a paved driveway leading to a detached garage. Attractively priced & ready for your family. Asking \$179,900. MLS# 2051475

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NEW VACANT LOT -Little Current Commercial Lot. Close to the swing bridge and Highway 6. Attractively priced. Asking \$15,000

NEW VACANT LOT -Gore Bay Residential Building lot. Corner lot in convenient location. Close to all amenities. Asking \$12,500

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BUSH LOT ON 100 ACRES - Mixed bush lot with a variety of hardwoods and cedar, as well as towering white pine. Centrally located in Billings Township. Good vehicle access via road allowance from Jerusalem Hill Road. \$89,900 MLS 1045422

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LAKE KAGAWONG WATERFRONT

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LITTLE CURRENT BUNGALOW \$102,900

2 bedroom bungalow on a quiet street in east end of Little Current. House has been completely renovated and also has detached garden shed. This home is a short walk to the grocery stores, hospital, and downtown. Also very close to the waterfront boardwalk. No stairs! Perfect for retirees or starter home. Asking \$102,900. Contact listing agent MLS#1039015

Barry Barnes

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TOBACCO LAKE HOME \$127,000

Three bedroom single storey home with attached carport, part block basement, three bedrooms, large covered veranda and deck, oil heat, approx. 150 feet waterfrontage on this attractive lake, only 10 minutes to Gore Bay shopping. (MLS#1036258)

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LAKE HURON COTTAGE \$155,000 Large cottage under construction, approx. 1400 Soft, three bedroom, two washrooms, 1.5. storey in design completion required siding and windows on site. \$155,000 MLS#1042712

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LAKE HURON 10 ACRES WATERFRONT

South shore in Mills Township, seasonal road, no services, cottages in area, limestone shoreline, attractive setting on this southerly asking location, (MLS#1038369)

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BRIDAL VEIL ESSO, KAGAWONG \$549,000 Well established business for sale. Excellent location on Hwy. 540, only 5 minute walk to the falls. Gas, groceries, coffee shop, propane service, ice cream, fishing equipment, courier service, commercia and residential tenant income, frontage on Kagawong river, ATM, LCBO outlet, a quality commercial offering, asking \$549,000 (1399) (MLS#1021556)

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MANITOU RIVER \$79,000

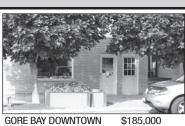
very rare offering on the Manitou River leading to Michaels Bay, over 400 feet frontage on the river, frontage also on year round road (Michaels Bay), hydro at road side in area, nicely treed level lot, surveyed, great building site for cottage or home, come and watch the trout swim by!! MLS#1024342



GORE BAY FOUR BEDROOM HOME

Character two storey older home, estate sized lot 80 x 200 feet, oil heat, paved drive, basement area, 4 piece and 2 piece washroom, only five minute walk to public school, asking \$122,500 MLS#1040220

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\$185,000 Newer commercial building and business

currently housing jewellery store on main level and three bedroom apartment on sec-ond floor. Well established business, electric heat, a solid opporunity to work and live in the same location. (1353) (MLS#1015566)

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250 ACRE FARM \$385,000

Year round paved road, mixture of work land pasture and bush, gravel pit for private usage totally interior upgraded farm house,natural wood walls and ceilings, 4 bedrooms, two washrooms, drilled well that can supply both home and barn , livestock barn in very good condition concrete bottom area, perfect for the farmer or outdoor enthusiast. MLS#1031304

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Three lots on North Channel, 2 acres and 3 acres in size, beautiful elevated view over water good road access, surveyed lot, possibility of buying as a package, each lot valued at \$49,000 MLS#1045046

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ESTATE SIZED BUILDING LOTS near Lake Mindemoya.

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LARGE BUILDING LOT in Sheguiandah. Municipal water to the lot. Great location for a home or business. Asking \$25,000. MLS 1036059

GORE BAY WATERFRONT Large level waterfront lot on lighthouse road , Gore Bay harbour, easterly facing, municipal water, paved road, area of newer homes and cottages, 150 feet frontage by one acre in size, surveyed lot, only 5 minute drive to Gore Bay shopping, (1321) MLS#1012977 \$69,500

COUNTRY BUILDING LOT with access to Lake Mindemoya. Build your dream home on this estate sized lot, located less than 15 minutes from all amenities. VACANT BUILDING LOT with town services on quiet

town of Little Current. Adjacent lot also for sale. listing brokerage MLS#1039011 asking

VACANT BUILDING LOT with town services on quiet street in town of Little Current. Adjacent lot also for sale. Contact listing brokerage MLS#1030913 Asking

CHECKERBOARD LANE ALLAN TWP - 5.45 acres , vacant land , mixed bush, deer habitat, good access to parcel, only 10 minutes to Gore Bay shopping , asking \$13,000 MLS#1041827



GORE BAY COMMERCIAL \$149.000 Business and building for sale, main intersection in downtown Gore Bay, abundant vehicular and walk in traffic location, good solid building. Lots of choices for retail marketing, presently operated as Woods Brothers Clothing (1347)

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190 ACRES NORTH CHANNEL \$169,000 Approx. 190 acres waterfront / recreational treed lands, good access road, mature tree cover, excellent deer hunting location, ideal location for year round or seasonal home / cottage, gentle meadow area, panoramic view of North Channel (1426) (MLS#1025246)

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STONEHOUSE, in Gore Bay, operating 10 years, as a profitable B&B has become a preferred destination. Three storey, massive stone home 3,258 sq. ft, upgraded to be attractive & efficient. Main floor w/reception, dining, spacious kitchen, formal living room, bedroom & bath for the owners. Second floor w/3 large bedrooms, each with own bath for guests. Third floor loft w/two bedrooms, kitchenette, bath, dining & living rooms for guests or longer rental. Stonehouse can become a grand home or 3 apartments, as electrical already separated. However, the financials will convince you to continue operating the B&B. Check out bbcanada.com/stonehouse \$319,000 (1323)



LAKE KAGAWONG COTTAGE w/spectacular elevated view over water & Kakawaie Island. Beautiful maintenance free bungalow w/vaulted cedar ceiling & walls w/2 bedrooms, 3 piece bath, entry & laundry room, great room w/full wall of windows to the deck & view. Everything looks new including all contents less a few items. Seasonal access but all year cottage home. \$297,000 (1374)



MAPLE POINT CHALET cottage 1408 sq. ft. on 2 levels. Finished open concept kitchen dining living w/bright east facing lounge. Second level spacious bedroom fully wired & insulated to be completed. Wrap around decks from kitchen, living room & upper level. Ready to enjoy w/propane heat & year round access. Large 8.75 ac. w/hardwood ridges & 2 bow hunting tree stands. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$138,000 (1219)



GORE BAY HOME on large corner lot 0.5 ac. w/175.56 ft. on Main & 124.08 on Laird split by a creek running through. Two storey 1598 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, kitchen dining area & living room. Newer steel roof, aluminum fascia & soffits, high efficiency oil furnace & top of line tank. New bathroom going in one bedroom & 100 amp electrical being installed. Detached raised garage w/basement & open covered south facing porch 6x15 ft. \$99,000 (1315)



LAKE MINDEMOYA waterfront home w/150 ft. on Hwy542. Well maintained bungalow 1550 sq. ft. on full basement w/2+2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, dining & living rooms w/hardwood flooring & propane stone fireplace, kitchen, family room & double attached garage. Great water or pastoral views, beach, private deck, paved driveway, propane heat & hot water, central air, shed, apple trees & 3 stainless appliances. \$269,000 (1235)



A-FRAME HOME w/spacious dormer addition offering 1629 sq. ft. living space w/3+1 bedroom, 1.5 baths, sunroom, living & family rooms each w/own stone fireplace, kitchen & dinette. Large hardwood lot in Treasure Trails w/access to Lake Mindemoya & short walk to golf course. Extras of attached & detached garage, wood shed. outside basement entrance & 4 appliances. \$169,000 (1292)



MANITOWANING HOME on large corner Walcot Street lot w/2 bedrooms, living room, kitchen & combined bath laundry. Spacious deck w/storage shed & 20x20 ft. garage. Fully wheelchair accessible. All major appliances & pellet stove included. Nicely land-scaped & fruit trees. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$120,000 (1289)



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worth a look. \$199,500 (1322)

SILVER LAKE 398 ft. of shoreline w/traditional cottage open to the cedar log roof rafters w/895 sq. ft. plus spacious sleeping loft adding another 400. Mostly wood interior w/wood heat, one bedroom, bath, eat in kitchen & very large family area for comfort & extra dining space. Spacious back yard for play, boat house & garage workshop. All contents making this a turnkey cottage. \$169,000 (1354)



KAGAWONG HOME completely renovated, setback from Hwy540. Spacious 1.75 storey 2382 sq. ft. w/1751 on main floor w/5 bedrooms, 2 baths, open great room, mudroom, all on full walk in basement. Second floor private MBR w/5 pc. bath & walk through closet. Lots of extras including 20x40 steel quonset built 2012 w/concrete floor, power & propane heat. \$247,000 (1281)



GORE BAY HOME on west edge of Town w/spacious back deck for glorious sunsets. Bungalow 1014 sq. ft. w/large sitting room entry from deck, full basement partially finished, 1+1 bedrooms, bath & great room w/ newer kitchen. Detached garage w/workshop area, front & rear garage doors & power. Extra lot available behind fronting Armstrong Road. All appliances. \$189,500 (1347)



SILVER WATER HOME on surveyed lot 120 by 330 ft. fronting on Hwy 540. Closed in sunroom porch plus 1.5 storey 990 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, bath, large kitchen dining & living room. MBR on first floor. Some contents. \$65,000 (1077)



WESTERN MANITOULIN country retreat or homestead on 25 ac. of open & forested areas & hardwoods fronting Mississagi L.H. Road. Authentic square log home plus 3 stick built additions totalling 1287 sq. ft. Exterior board & batton w/ log & pine interior w/broad board & granite flooring. New bathroom, kitchen, dining, living & overflow area with very large bedroom. Several outbuildings & large transport trailer for multiple uses. \$139,000 (1325)





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HOMES, COTTAGES & CAMPS MEL-DRUM BAY 503.8 ft. water frontage & 3.03 ac. w/year round access, cabin & sauna w/hydro, running water \$169800 (1217); ICE LAKE GET A WAY cabin 16x24 on 6 ac. w/2128 ft. water frontage off the grid. Very private Point. \$104000 (1288); LAKE KAGAWONG trailer cottage at Kamp Kagawong Park w/all contents, 2 decks \$21000 (1299); MANITOWAN-ING BAY cottage across from golf course w/106 ft. frontage. \$164500 (1330)

SMALL ACREAGES IN MELDRUM BAY at affordable prices w/66 feet wide unopened road allowances surrounding each parcel. Two wooded lots w/four acres each. Lot D \$4,700 and Lot F \$5,900. (Files 1379 & 1381)

ACREAGES BURPEE at end of BELL ROAD, surveyed 10 ac. w/legal truck road access \$15900; Between Gore Bay & Maple Point accessed via SCOTLAND ROAD 200 ac. w/truck road access. Known hunting area. \$149500.

FOR RENT Gore Bay Pavilion \$300/ month plus other terms. (1312).



MANITOWANING BAY COTTAGE w/106 ft. waterfronage & 119 ft. on Cardwell St. across from 18 hole golf course & restaurant. Bungalow 973 sq. ft. + 115 more of breezeway & storage lockers, heated by stone fireplace wood insert & electric. Rustic full cathedral living room w/pole rafters, kitchen, dining, 2 baths & 2 bedroom areas. Long sloping open lot to the water w/panoramic view. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$164,500 (1330)



GORE BAY WATERFRONT HOME on 7.55 ac. w/362.7 ft. on Lighthouse Road & 226.5 ft. on Armstrong Road. Bungalow 1991 sq. ft. w/cedar log living room, 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths & family room in basement. Detached double garage w/723 sq. ft. apartment above adding 2 more bedrooms, full bath & great room. All buildings clad in marvellous Manitoulin limestone. Varying terrain of field, bush & lawn w/stone retaining walls & garden shed. Great water view from decks & patios. \$397,000 (1346)



IMPROVED BUILDING LOT of 1.75 ac. & 359.67 ft. fronting Maple Drive w/municipal water capital charge paid in full. Currently has a cedar cabin w/roofed deck, cedar privy, shower house, shed & driveway. Building site surveyed w/full set of plans for raised bungalow. Hydro available but using solar w/4 batteries, 3500 Watt inverter & 440 Watt panel. Worth a look. \$49,900 (1375)



LOON LAKE COTTAGE 24x32 ft. built 2010, vinyl clad, steel roof w/pine & laminate interior. Enhanced w/deck on 3 sides, boardwalk to water side deck & permanent dock. Lot has 198 ft. waterfrontage tucked into west side, accessed by boat from Public Landing. Off the grid w/wood stove, propane appliances, solar 12 volt lights, wood fired hot tub, gravity fed water & shower, composter & all contents. Turnkey offering. \$159,000 (1334)



SCHOOLHOUSE COTTAGE HOME east of Silver Water w/954 sq. ft. on level 0.96 ac. of open front yard & forest at back. School room intact w/chalk-board, teacher's stage, 2 bedroom spaces, 2 full baths, open kitchen dining living. Extras of 200 amps, septic, drilled well, shingles 6 years, most contents. Some work needed. \$69,000 (1369)



A SWEET SPOT of 150 ac. fields, prairie, mixed bush & very large section of maple w/4950 ft. fronting year round Beange Road. Three storey log home 1428 sq. ft. on full basement, garage 26x36 ft. w/2 room guest loft 12x36, sauna w/wood room & lounge area, septic system, solar & propane energy, trails, tree stands, all in a pretty hardwood deer country setting. Most contents. \$327.000 (1311)



LAKE MANITOU HOME w/south easterly exposure from Camp Maryanne Road. Chalet w/2 additions on walkout partly finished basement providing 1,910 sq. ft. finished living space of 2+1 bedrooms, 2 full baths, great room for cooking dining relaxing, large entry w/laundry, full length glass enclosed heated porch for view. Landscaped property w/road to water, garage, workshop, sheds, spacious deck. Extras aluminum dock, central vac, water treatment, most contents. \$347,000 (1386)



UNIQUE HOME on Gore Bay's Lighthouse Road is mult level beautifully decorated w/large kitchen, formal dining room, living room w/vaulted ceiling, half bath, laundry & spacious bedroom w/ensuite on main level plus 2 bedrooms & full bath w/whirlpool on upper level. Lower part has family room, workshop & furnace room that walks out to double garage. Amazing home w/fantastic views from multi level decks all on 1.6 ac. lot w/150 ft. frontage on the North Channel. A must see! Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$349,000 (1360)



MOUNTAIN VIEW RESORT w/1705.69 ft. of Lake Manitou shoreline w/1396 ft. facing the Manitoulin Island sunsets supported by 145.5 ac. of field & forest suitable for farming, hunting, gardening, etc. Strong revenue from 8 cottages varying from 384 to 693 sq. ft. & from 1 to 3 bedrooms. Comfortable owners' home 2500 sq. ft. including walkout lower level w/all appliances, 3 large workshop sheds totalling 4088 sq. ft., sheltered harbour dockage, all cottage contents plus boats & motors for rentals. Just a short stroll to sand swimming beach. \$825,000 (1356)



FOREST RETREAT in 3 bedroom cottage on 200 ac. of mixed forest covered w/trails, roads & tree stands. Finished bungalow 864 sq. ft. on foundation w/open kitchen dining living area, private sleeping quarters, open covered porch w/2 pc. bath. Fully wired to Kabota generator in shed plus 2 more outbuildings for tools & toys. Most contents including second generator. Only 1.5 km to Elizabeth Bay for those warm summer days. \$189.500 (1388)



DOMINION BAY SAND DUNE COTTAGE/HOME on south side of Manitoulin w/panoramic Lake Huron view from 12x52 ft. deck, pure sand beach w/dunes, year round access. Magnificent raised bungalow 3,116 sq. ft. w/4 bedrooms, 3 baths, laundry & electric sauna, beautiful ground level entry w/sold oak stairs to main level. Lower floor guest room & bath. Upper floor self sufficient apartment 989 sq. ft. on other side of hallway Main residence w/large open great room, 2 bedrooms & 6 pc bath. Garage below 1,138 sq. ft w/2 bays, workshop, storage & detached garage 738 sq. ft. w/front & rear doors. Only pictures can provide the detail. Swiss owner even has European electrical outlets along side the North American. All quality & matching contents included w/exception of toys & tools. \$527,000 (1350)



sq. ft. in private setting of 4 ac. & 1,010 ft. of frontage at south end of Ice Lake via Strawberry Point Rd. Pristine area w/wetland boardwalk. All comforts of living w/MBR at one end & 2 BRs at other separated by sunroom w/each end having own bath. Spacious great room for cooking, eating & relaxing w/wood fireplace. Turnkey offering includes a bank of 20 batteries, 10 solar panels, generator, treated water, septic, propane appliances and most other contents. \$324,000 (1290)



COZY COTTAGE of one room on Meldrum Bay w/board & batten exterior & all pine interior w/laminate flooring 411 sq. ft. plus 12x12 ft. sunroom w/great view. Shingle beach 114.84 ft. along shoreline of crystal clear water. Also included 4 pc. bath, approved septic, drilled well, boat garage, year round access, hydro, some contents & all seasons living. \$119,000 (1384)



BAKER TRAIL forest cottage on 16.35 ac. for hunting & relaxation. Well built fully insulated & wired camp 20x32 ft. w/2 bedrooms & great room w/propane appliances, lights & wood stove heat. Solidly constructed sauna, bunkie, shed, privy & wood shelter. All contents as well as generator included. Just move in to Sleepy Hollow.



WILDLIFE LOVER'S PARADISE!! - Snuggled into 48 acres of mixed bush & meadows along with a little duck pond this really nice rustic little 2 + 1 bdrm home comes with 2 full baths, a full basement, a large sunken sun room/wildlife viewing station, heated with a free standing metal propane stove as well as centrally heated by a forced air oil furnace. The yard is landscaped with wildlife feeding stations & bird houses that are viewed while walking the mowed trails through the meadow & several fruit trees leading into the thick forested cedars & mixed bush. The open concept home comes with a beautiful sunset view out the large living room window. All this beauty located only 15 mins from the amenities of Mindemoya or Gore Bay. Great for lakes in every direction only mins away. A truly magical place to live. List price \$277,000!! MLS#2050191 comes with 2 full baths, a full basement, a large sunker



6 YR OLD 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!! ted at the North end of Lake Mindemoya, this - Located at the North end of Lake Milnoemoya, this modern looking camp comes adorned with a vaulted ceiling in the open concept kitchen/living room, indoor flush toilet with septic system, water drawn from the lake, a huge L-shaped deck, several outbuildings & a very large beautifully landscaped lot. The waterfront (a short walk from the cottage) consists of a kid friendly, sand bottom great for swimming. The lake features great fishing for walleye, perch, bass, pike & whitefish. The amenities of the town of Mindemoya only 10 mins ways Asking \$55.00 MI \$#104052 Asking \$65,000 MLS#1044952



LARGE MAJESTIC VERY PRIVATE LOT AT THE END OF A DEAD END STREET! - A very short walk to the beautiful sand beach of Providence Bay. Only a 15 min drive to the amenities of Mindemoya includ-ing Manitoulin's largest grocery store, a hospital & the golf course. This nicely landscaped lot comes adomed with 2 large driveways, 2 sheds (one of which is a sea will z large driveways, 2 sites for the five will ris a spec-can shipping container), a great little bunkie, a spec-tacular fully insulated 30 X 30 ft heated garage with 12 ft ceiling, metal roof & a cement pad & a 2 bdrm bungalow with partially finished walkout basement, all newly renovated & upgraded plumbing (including new drilled well), wiring etc. Price to sell only \$189,000. MLS#1042981



3 BDRM HOME IN THE CHARMING TOWN OF EVANSVILLE!! - This perfect retirement home is only 15 mins from the amenities of the town of Gore Bay which has a live theater, medical centre & plenty of shopping. The house features an unfinished base-port a user large do the size grape, with stepred loft. ment, a very large double size garage with storage loft, a covered front deck & a fancy steel roof. Great fishing in Lake Huron or Lake Wolsey is less than 2 mins from our door. Asking \$169,000. MLS#1042403



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SPACIOUS 3 BDRM HOME ON AN EASY TO MAINTAIN LOT - Steps away from post office, bank, grocery store & pharmacy, this is the perfect home for retirement. Relax in the sunporch in the mornings, enjoy summer evenings on the deck. Call to view this great listing! Asking \$115,000. MLS#1037885



AMENITES – Stunning south facing waterfront loca-tion with panoramic views, exceptional landscaping & exceptional amenities such as a picture perfect setting. Fantastic home with spacious SPECTACULAR COUNTRY HOME - Featuring modmassive white pine log construction, metal roofing, in floor hot water heating, tile & hardwood flooring, stunning stone fireplace, double heated attached garage & very private 5 acre site to get away from it all. Located within 15 mins of the ferry docks at South Baymouth & a short commute to Manitowaning or Mindemoya for the Village of Shegulandah. Very attractively priced at short commute to Manitowaning or Mindemoya for the Village of Shegulandah. Very attractively priced at short commute to Manitowaning or Mindemoya for the Village of Shegulandah. Very attractively priced at shorting supplies Over the Top quelity & appeals of the Septiment of the Village of Shegulandah. shopping supplies. Over the Top quality & appeal & one of the finest log homes built on Manitoulin! Please call



QUALITY LAKEFRONT LIVING - Very attractive wawalking distance to shopping & a solid 3 wood drive from the Golf Course. Nestled at the end of a private laneway the location offers very good privacy & direct access to the North Channel for swimming, fishing, sailing, kayaking or simply enjoying the view. Many upgrades include substantial addition, hardwood flooring, large room sizes, en-suite off the master, walk out basement, trex decking, lovely gazebo, all appliances, 3 car insulated & heated garage & over an acre of land. Great New Price for Waterfront Living! \$299,000! MLS#1042594



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LAKE MANITOU WATERFRONT SUBDIVI-SION - 19 Lot plan of subdivision comprising 41.95 acres & 2,855 ft of shoreline offered as a

41.95 acres & 2,855 ft of shoreline offered as a package deal at substantial discount! Considerable infrastructure in place, most of the planning process complete, several lots available to sell immediately & an extremely good location with possibly the best attributes available in any development to take place on Manitoulin in decades. Please call for complete details, MLS#1044521 100 ACRES CLOSE TO AIRPORT - has grave! & stone quarry licence. Excellent hunting property. Currently used for cattle pasture. Subject to severance approval. Asking \$100,000. MLS#1042597 Call Sales Person A! Franks @ 705-859-3297 MILLS ROAD ACREAGE - 200 acre site with mature forest and heavy tree cover. Good road access, excellent location and a great spot to get away from it all. Great price at only \$135,000. Please call for full details. MLS#1044923

A UNIQUE LAKE MINDEMOYA HOME IN A BARN - The Barn House is a large 30 ft x 40 ft, 9 ft ceiling, modern contemporary barn that is currently being used as

em contemporary bam that is currently being used as a recreational cottage. The bam house is a 3 or 4 bdm plus home/cottage that sleeps 12, is south facing with 160 ft of shoreline on a wonderfully landscaped lot that includes apple trees. The bam house is built on the west side of the lot leaving plently of room to build your future dream home, or use the existing space to develop a unique & creative home, or a B & B. The property is located on a year round municipal road at the north end of Mindemoya Lake, is only a few minutes from the amenities of the town of Mindemoya & the lake is good fishing for walleye, perch, bass & whitefish. Listed at \$354,000. MLS#1045047

LITTLE CURRENT - Older 3 bdrm home on a corner lot has a new deck, large porch, a new asphalt roof (2013), & a solid foundation, Interior requires a little TLC. Priced to sell at \$74,900. Call now! MLS#1050222

LAKE MANITOU COTTAGE - A truly charming old

cottage on Lake Matiliou with wooden intensity, rain-wood floors & a stone fireplace. There is over 1000 sq. ft., including 3 good sized bdrms (all with closets), a large living room/dining room, a galley kitchen, a 3 piece bath & comes with most furniture & appliances.

There is a verandah at the front overlooking the lake

with beautiful sunsets. There are 2 storage sheds &

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LITTLE CURRENT - 2 bdrm family home with spacious layout, large bathroom/laundry room with claw foot tub, detached garage, large shed, low mainte-nance & level site across from Public School. Centrally

POTENTIAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY - Family home on 3.7 acres straight across from new Cup and Saucer parking lot. Build in 1982, a lot of traffic exposure on Hwy 540 from Little Current to M'Chigeeng. Lot has clearings with mature Apple trees, Pear trees and other trees. Home needs a new roof but the current roof is not leaking. Asking Price \$159,000. Please call Sales Person Al Frank at 705-859-3297. MLS#2050352



LAKE MANITOU WATERFRONT HOME! - Spacious 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 storey quality built home on Lake Man-itou w/gorgeous flat 2.7 acre lakefront lot in a gated subdivision. Features include a cathedral ceiling w/floor subdivision. Features include a camedral ceiling writoor to ceilings windows, propane stone fireplace, wonderful open layout for entertaining, hickory & ceramic tile flooring, oak hardwood stairs & railings, hickory kitchen cabinets, washrooms w/in-floor heating, huge decks w/tempered glass that wrap around 3 sides of the home, 8 inch walls, basement walkout, underground hydro & drive-thru garage. Top floor consists of French doors that open to the master bdrm, & en-suite w/jet tuly whit/poul la addition the top floor has a loft produce. tub whirlpool. In addition the top floor has a loft nook that overlooks the entire floor below. Property includes



WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY - 62 acres with 1,931 ft frontage on Manitowaning Bay at High Falls. Exceptional property features include mature hardwood forest, great beach area, hydro & access road to site, historic draft plan subdivision approval & a tremendous setting for waterfront development





COZY 2 BDRM COTTAGE/HOME ON ICE LAKE!



BIRD LOVER'S PARIDISE - 3.93 acre view lot with municipal water available. Uniquely different lot, well treed with mature hardwood setting & exceptional lake



Al Frank, Sales Person





triat overlooks the entire incorpetory. Property includes a Chalet style, open concept 2 bothm guest cottage w/ loft. This beautiful manicured lot consists of a protected boat harbour, & a rustic bridge to a small private island. Truly exceptional 4 season cottage or home! A Must See. MLS#1044382





TEHKUMMAH TOWNSHIP - Peaceful country living on Lakeshore Rd North, close to fern. 1 1/2 storey, 2 bdm home on 150 ft x 150 ft. Fully fenced lot with nice flower gardens. Insultated 20 ft x 28 ft garage. Also wood shed & chicken coup with fenced chicken yard. New submersible water pump in 2016. Great starter or retirement home. Asking \$ 95,900. Please call Sales Person Al Frank at 705-859-3297. MLS#1045203



cedar) 4.59 Acre lot with 200 ft of shoreline. The cottage features wood cupboards, wood stove, & an open kitchen/dining, living room concept overlooking a beautiful landscaped yard. This charming cottage/home located on Ice Lake Drive has a private roads committee that keeps the road nicely maintained & oplowed in the winter. Ice Lake has good bass & pike fishing & this lot is located only about 10 mins from the amenities of Gore Bay. This cottage/home comes with most furnishings/appliances & is listed at \$189,000. MLS#1042940

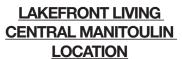
view. Stream running through lot. Very private property with lots of possibilities, close to Little Current. Priced to



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Alan Mihelchic Sales Person Cell: 705-282-4602



Spacious 4 bdrm waterfront home fronting on a beautifully landscaped lot on Big Lake. Very attractive setting on a gradually sloping, manicured lot surrounded by mature maple forest. eatures modern construction, master suite with en-suite & walk in closet, built in appliances, huge decks, large room sizes, low maintenance, double att'd garage & a huge det'd garage! Close proximity to town amenities including shopping, school & hospital. Reduced to \$369,000! MLS#2051819

BAY ESTATES BACK LOT - One of the finest

BAY ESTAILES BACK LOT - One of the finest lots we have seen available in years. Includes driveway & partial lake view, nicely sloping upwards from road front, heavy tree cover & municipal lake access within walking distance. Great price at only \$14,777. MLS#205184 SPECTACULAR MINDEMOYA WATERFRONT PROPERTY - Spectacular 2.45A Mindemoya Lake prepared to the control of the control

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Neophyte Island teams rock the LEGO Robotic world

by Michael Erskine

SUDBURY-LEGO Robotics mentor Chris Mara has developed a bit of a flair for understatement. "It was a good weekend," he said. "All of the Manitoulin teams were rookies this year, but they wound up doing really well." This following the performance of four Manitoulin Island teams at the 13th Annual FIRST LEGO® League Regional Qualifying Tournament held December 2 at Sudbury's Dynamic Earth that saw one of them going onto the provincials in London.

On their inaugural outing at the competition the Island teams certainly did all score well, with an Assiginack team placing second overall and qualifying to go on to the provincial competition January 28 at the University of Waterloo.

Each year the LEGO League competitions, the elementary version of the First Robotics compe-

Van Deyl and teacher Ms. Alberti.

Lindsay Shepherd of Central Manitoulin

Public School MPS codes the robot.

She is missing in the group shot above.

tition that Wiikwemkoong High

School has been competing in for

a number of years, are held with a

central theme. This year that

theme was Hydrodynamics, cen-

Teams are made up of two to 10

tering on all things water.



The Assiginack teams, Blackbird and Assiginack, pose together at Dynamic Earth, from left are: Brooke Gibeault, Margit Alberti (mentor), Samuel Pennings, Chris Mara (mentor), Christopher White, Xavier Mara, Rowan Leblanc, Sebastian Mara (mini-mentor), Steven White, Noah Holmes, Ryan Kuntsi, Nevaeh Giles, Mark Gibeault (mentor), Dane Gibeault and Ethan Leblanc.



broken pipe with a new section.

Teams were awarded points for each completed mission. There was a lot of pressure in the competition, with barely two and a half minutes for each, but the Manitoulin teams performed marvellously under pressure.

"They really have to think strategically and have to retain their composure under pressure while they are up on the stage at Dynamic Earth in front of everyone," said Mr. Mara. "They have to come up with the specialized attachments to accomplish each task. They showed a lot of poise.'



Blackbird's Noah Holmes presents the team's innovation project.





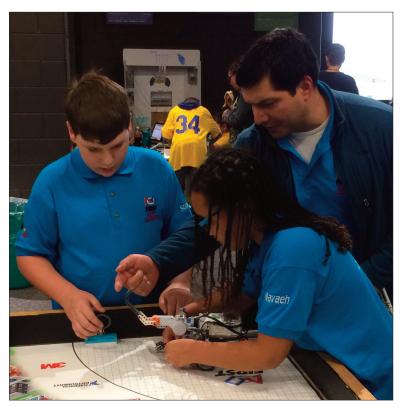
Pontiac's Stella Flamand and Brianna Mishibinijima code missions

Coding is a critical part of the operation as each robot must be told how to reach the key checkpoints. Mr. Mara noted that the teams have to know their robotic creations "inside and out."

The Assiginack Blackbird team received the highest overall score in the engineering design component. The two Assiginack teams tied for fourth overall in the mission component. The Assiginack team came up roses, however, scoring second overall for a berth at the provincials at Waterloo.



The Wilkwemkoong LEGO Robotics team included Brianna Mishibinijima, Adrian Pampersad (Mentor), Nikolai Assinewe, Isaiah Manitowabi-Bell, Tyrone Pakosigan, Arianna Recollet, Sage Eshkawkogan-Recollet, Cathy Harley (Mentor), Joshua Harley (Helper), Mikaila Staruck and Stella Flamand.



Assiginack's Steven White and Nevaeh Giles adjust the robot configuration with Mentor Mark Gibeault during the competition.



Central Manitoulin Public School's technicians Carter Moggy and Zoe Redman hard at work.

CMPS had the first LEGO Robotics team formed on the

Each of the teams had their own focus and take on the hydrodynamics theme.

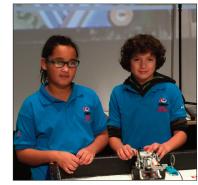
The Assiginack Blackbird team scored impressive kudos for their focus on agriculture. "The judges said that was the first time they had seen that in these competitions," said Mr. Mara.

The CMPS team focussed their approach around water recovery in hockey arenas, also something near and dear to rural communi-

The other Assiginack team focussed on gray water recovery and the Wiikwemkoong team took a very timely approach as well, looking at ways and means of dealing with drinking water that has been contaminated with mercury and arsenic.

The teams received a bit of a teaser on next year's theme while they were at the competition that is sure to generate excitement for next year's teams. "Space," said Mr. Mara.

As for this year's competitors Mr. Mara had some high praise. "We really didn't expect to do this well on the first time out. It is a real tribute to them and they are a real tribute to Manitoulin.



Nevaeh Giles and Dane Gibeault worked as mission technologists for competition.



Central Manitoulin Public School's LEGO Robotics team hams it up at the competition. In photo are Chloe Peltier, Jacob Wilson, Madison Skippen, Carter Moggy, Tyrel Sagle, Zoe Redmond, Lavitz Young, Ben Dewar, Kasch Lentir, Sage

> There were two teams from Assiginack (both municipallysponsored teams), one simply named Assiginack and the second

> bearing the historically evocative

moniker of Blackbird. The other

Island teams were elementary

school efforts, one each from Cen-

tral Manitoulin Public School and

competition, the mission table

(where they had to complete as

many tasks as possible in two-

and-a-half minutes), a five-minute

innovation presentation, a five-

minute core values presentation,

a five-minute team values presen-

tation and engineering design

presentation (where competitors

present their strategies behind

like flushing a LEGO toilet, which

then filled a pipe which in turn

released water and sludge. "The

robot would then have to do some-

thing like flip a manhole cover.

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There were four sections to the

Wiikwemkoong.

their robots).

The competition in full swing onstage at Dynamic Earth.





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Little Current Public School students present funds to Texas

By Michael Erskine LITTLE CURRENT—Students at Little Current Public School murmured in excited anticipation as they waited to connect with their counterparts at an elementary school in Texas. The students were eager to present the money they had raised for the faraway school ravaged by the torrential downpours that resulted from this year's Hurricane Harvey.

"The Grade 1 and Grade 7/8 classes are once again humbled by the generosity of our students," said teacher Mark Volpini following the presentation. "Our purpose was to reach out, as global citizens, to help people who needed our support."

The Little Current Public School students took on a "backwards clothing" theme day and a bake sale to raise funds for their Texan counterparts.

"As a final total, Little Current Public School will be sending \$770 to Kolter

Elementary in Texas to help their Kindergarten classroom rebuild after Hurricane Harvey," said Mr. Volpini.

The LCPS students' efforts has resulted in a cascading effect, noted the teacher. "It is worth noting that this same school was so touched by our efforts that they too looked at a way to pay it forward and ended up sponsoring a school in California devastated by wildfires.'

The students connected through Skype, on Friday, December 1 at 10:15 am



with thier Texan partners to deliver our amazing news.

"On behalf of the Grade 1 and Grade 7/8 Coyote buddies, we are once again humbled and thankful," said Mr. Volpini.

LEFT: Mr. Volpini's Grade 7/8 class and Ms. Volpini's Grade 1 class pose for a photo that shows the amount of funds raised for their Texas counterparts, \$770.



by Sandi Kuntsi

The Mustangs are getting ready for Christmas with lots of fun events. The MSS Christmas Talent Show took place on Thursday, December 7. Hosted by April Torkopoulos and Isaac Gosse, the Talent Show had everybody clapping and cheering. April and Isaac entertained the crowd with their wit and banter between acts, getting many groans for their jokes and puns. The lineup featured the Junior and Senior Band; Ezra Jones; a wind ensemble; Zoe Peltier; Carissa Holliday; Izzy Morin; JD Herlehy; Jacob Bebamash; Isaac Gosse; Josh Desbiens; Vocal Group; Kendra Jordison; myself; Mr. Nelson; Mr. Theijsmeijer; Mr. Kategiannis; Mr. Mohamed; and Mr. Scott. Audience and performers alike were blown away by Kendra Jordison singing 'O Holy Night,' and the teacher band consisting of Mr. Scott, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Theijsmeijer and Mr. Kategiannis. The teacher band's lead singer Tom Sweaty, otherwise known as Mr. Scott, performed his final song as an MSS teacher, singing 'You Don't Know How I Feel' and 'Running Down a Dream.' The students and staff stood for an ovation as Mr. Scott sang for his last time.

On Thursday evening, the Island Christmas Concert took place at MSS. Mr. Theijsmeijer, Emily Savage and Isaac Gosse organized a very successful concert. The concert was to raise money for the music programs in schools on the Island. Lakeview, C.C. Maclean, Little Current, Pontiac and CMPS choirs performed Christmas carols. To open the concert, the Senior Band played 'O Canada' followed by 'Jingle Bell Rock' and 'Frosty the Snowman,' to get the audience energized. The Little Current choir sang $\mbox{`A}$ wish for peace' and 'Deck the Halls.' C.C. MacLean then sang, 'Hurry Santa' and 'Make a Difference.' The Lakeview singers performed 'Frosty the Snowman' and 'The Christmas Cup Song.' CMPS sang 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' and 'Silent Night.' The last elementary school performance was by the Pontiac Guitar Ensemble, who performed a three part round and 'The First Noel.' This was the end of the first half of the show, and during intermission audience members were able to buy treats, as well as sponsor the SHARE/Go Green Brick by Brick campaign. Following the intermission, The MSS Vocal Group sang 'Deck the Nutcracker Hall' and 'You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch,' to which the band members, and audience members, sang along quietly, bouncing to the fun song. Junior Band played 'Nighthawk' and 'Up on the Housetop' and invited the audience to sing along.

The MSS Vocal Group returned to the stage to sing 'Silent Night' and 'Hallelujah.' Kendra Jordison, Isaac Gosse, Carissa Holliday and Izzy Morin performed their solos from the talent show earlier in the day. Kendra sang 'O Holy Night,' Isaac played 'You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch' on his saxophone, Carissa sang 'I'll Be Home,' and Izzy sang 'Hallelujah.' The last performance of the evening was the Senior Band with 'The William Tell Overture,' Disney's 'Magical Marches,' and 'Rudolph the Redclose the concert, the band played Wish You a Merry Christmas,' sending everyone into the evening with a song on their lips and the holidays on their minds. The concert was enjoyed by band, choir and audience members alike.

The MSS boys' basketball teams have played two games of their regular seasons. The first game against Espanola was a hard game for both the Juniors and Seniors because Espanola has a summer league and the boys train yearround. The second game against W.C. Eaket was a better game, the Juniors winning their game 46-12. Both the Junior and Senior teams are looking forward to improving their skills on the court.

The girls' hockey team had a tournament in London on December 4 to December 6. The team rallied, and came out in second place of the B division, meaning a fourth place finish overall. The boys' hockey team had a game against Espanola on home ice, on December 8. The Mustangs won 6-5.

Students' Council is organizing the Winter Semi-Formal, giving students the opportunity to dress up and have a night of dancing with their friends. The dance will be on December 21, from 9 pm until midnight. Tickets are \$8 per person and \$12 for a couple. That is also the night alumni return to MSS for awards night.

With winter sports and Christmas concerts, the staff and students of MSS are in the mood for Christmas. 'Til next time, stay golden, Mustangs.





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Christmas in **Tehkummah**

Brian Perry of Sandfield was a vendor in the Tehkummah Christmas craft show held recently. Mr. Perry is well known for his excellent jams, relishes and sauces. He is pictured with the event's organizer Mary Johnston of Teȟkummah.

photo by Betty Bardswich



Sharla, age 8, from Wiikwemkoong, enjoys a visit with Santa at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre during a Christmas market held this past weekend.

photo by Robin Burridge

Letters to Santa

For Christmas, I would like Paw Patrol, Hachmool, P welr, a doll. This year, I have been nice.

Love,

Priscilla

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is..... a sock snowman, a slushy maker, camera, remote control car, playmobel hockey set game, a music box that sings don't wanna know by Mruan 5, and a t.v. that goes on the back of a car seat for me and for Cilla. Tell rudof I said Hi.

Sapphire

P.S. my mom works at the post ofes in Wiky so I don't have to pay to mail U.

P.P.S. (from Sapphire's mommy) Yes, I do pay for postage. She doesn't:)





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Ginger Veil Falls

Centennial Manor Chef Chris Lethbridge has outdone himself once again this Christmas season with this Bridal Veil Falls-inspired creation. This year's model took 80 pounds of icing sugar, 25 pans of gingerbread, 120 rice crispy trees, lots of candy and rivers poured with the same material that covers candy apples, except tinted blue. This is the sixth year the chef has undertaken the creation of an unique entrance diorama.

BELOW: A closeup of the falls.

photos by Michael Erskine





A Knox Christmas Gala

The Knox United Church in Manitowaning held a candlelight Christmas gala late last month with plenty of good food and great musical offerings from homegrown talent from the folks at Debajehmujig and the Burns Wharf Theatre Players.

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Tehkummah Talk and Times

'What is it?'' Sometimes when I think I have it all figured out The stories we live And what love's all about, A cloudy horizon Will mar up my view. I have to rethink, Do a new overview. There is love without tak-

ing, Unconditionally.

There is love for your neighbour

And for your family, Love for all nature And beauty as well. Love for your homeland And some love to sell, There is love overflowing When your heart's due to burst

And a lost love is often Fit to be cursed.

"What is it?" There's the love of our

Who holds us in His hand Compassionate love That says we understand. How can we describe it? Do we have a choice? But to sing of God's love When we raise up our

March 04, 2017 Pat Hall

I cannot count the number of times I have been strengthened and so encouraged by your love and support I am truly blessed, and so grateful.

Monday- today at Mum's apartment Susan opened the Captain Morgan playing cards. We had a few games of cribbage. I won two of three, then my luck continued on at Bingo. I took a good luck charm, a miniature Valentine card I had given Mum years back. I had made a pot of soup earlier in the day, and took a bowlful for Susan's supper.

I don't know who bent the sign post at the corner, obviously he/she didn't stop until they hit it. But I think they'd have to get out to read it (wrong side). It said Stop and they did.

"If you think you have someone eating out of your hand, don't forget to count your fingers!" I'm enjoying my "clearer" view. Thanks, Ray and Dave.

Well, on my way home from Espanola Tuesday, I just happened to drive to the harbour. What a show of rollers, froth and foam crashing against the breakway, a beautiful misty spray sifted over to the ferry dock region. It's quite surprising the size of the boulders it lifts up there onto the tarmac, as well. The seagulls were finding treats on the foamy surface. The aqua sky painted with dark clouds, trimmed with bright coral and gold was quite the setting. I stopped in for a cup of tea with Cal. He said he and Eugene had been to see the seas earlier. The wind gave the van a few good lifts on my journey, only Islanders spotted, Pat and John Novak at the GT Boutique.

I had tea at the neighbours before bedtime.

Hey, Doug Heis, how're ya doin? Hope you're feeling better.

Happy birthday this week to Laura Scott.

Cribbage was a little light, I'm guessing because of the snow squalls, here and there different reports from different areas. When I went to set up at 10 after 12 not a snowflake in sight, but by 1:30 they had made themselves known (well). First, Janet and Glenn, 955; second, Patrysha and Laura, 936; third, Graham and Sheila, 909; low, Betty Jean and Mary, 848; door, Dorothy, Margaret McC, Betty Jean; high hand, Margaret McC,

Bid euchre on Thursday afternoon, five tables. Next week will be the last until the new year! And they are doing a Christmas special lunch afterwards: high, Janet, 235; second, Lyla, 220; third, Glenn, 213; low, Donna. 62; door, Marg Case; draw prize, John Novak.

Congratulations to Carol Binm of Nobleton who won the afghan last week. She was with the antique car folks when they were in our

Tonight, after Bid Euchre I drove to Mindemoya. Had my supper up there, toured the streets looking at Christmas! Does "candy cane lane" get better each year or is it my imagination? I made three passes and one still doesn't get to see it all. I miss the park! I guess the big wind damaged Betty Jean's big Santa even if it wasn't blown up. Pretty wild few days here.

Saw lots of Hydro guys working on my travel day.

Sherry and Dave are in Sudbury tonight. Dave was getting an eye done today. So, hope all goes well with that. Bev's had lots of problems with her eyes lately, and Cal went to Sudbury Wednesday for his needle in, went with his brother Lyle. Sounded like the roads were bad on the trip over.

Can't believe it's 24 years, December 10, that my brother Peter passed away. Pancreatic and liver cancer. Still miss him, seems like yesterday. So much water.

Tonight, I'm singing from the

"Women's Institute Song Book," one of my Mum's treasures, \$0.35 it cost. I've gone through a bunch of songs too, she had written out. Cal was in for a bit, brought me some tasty fish he had cooked, it hadn't been too long since I was home. I'd had delicious spaghetti supper with Lori and Rick. In the afternoon, we went through a lot of Christmas music, Lori getting ready for the carol sing at the Museum on Sunday. It was nice to visit too, Zoe as well. She's a cute dog. A beautiful Sunday kept appearing through the appearing through the clouds as I watched from their window.

Saturday night! What a delicious turkey dinner at the Hall for the Triangle Club members and their faithful musicians Manitouliners." The chairs full. George Williamson won the huge Poinsettia donated by Jenna Wood. Robbie sang a few Christmas carols, after helping serve up the wonderful fare prepared by Denise and her Thanks so much.

After dinner, Cal and I visited Sherry and Dave just checking on the guy with new eyesight. The other will be done in early January 2018.

Tonight too, I hear Betty Lentir is in hospital, as well as Bev Lynch. Hope all is well soon folks.

Sunday (actually Monday 1:30 am) I don't sleep well, so I read or write, kind of a busy day. Most definitely snow, about 8" snow to wade through. Church in the morning, snow deterred some, I'm sure, white gift (food bank basket) sermon.

Love the season's songs.

Christmas Eve service will be our regular service time, here at Fairview, 11:30 am Sunday morning. Immediately after church, I went in to the Little Schoolhouse Museum's Christmas Carol sing-a-long, an annual event.

They had some delicious snacks, foods, desserts and refreshments. Lori Gordon

led the sing-a-long. They had four draws. The winners: the wreath, Laura Greenough, fancy bowl basket; Anna Lewis, Kitchen basket; table cloth, cook books basket, me. Loretta's name came out but she gave us a second chance. Brenda made a special trip from Sudbury for this event; she stayed with Jeanette a couple of days.

My cousin Bunny Laird phoned me from Vancouver in the evening, Cal called

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Approximately 25 people attended the curling club breakfast that is held the first Thursday of every month. Coffee and toast is available regularly on weekdays from 7-

The Central Manitoulin Township has cleared out the area across the road from the curling club and were thinking that it could be to make more room for parking. It sure opens it up now that all of the shrubs and Manitoba maples have been removed.

Happy belated birthday wishes go out to Stuart Pearson who celebrated on December 11.

The post office will be holding a customer appreciation day to coincide with the Mini Mutchmor opening on Thursday, December 14. Come on out and enjoy some local handmade gift shopping and warm up by having a hot beverage and some munchies.

The Providence Bay history books are back. They were so popular that they decided to print another 100 copies. They can be purchased by contacting Lyle Dewar at 705-377-4645. It would make a fantastic Christmas gift for just about anyone on your list.

The Island bird watchers will be out counting all bird species on Saturday, December 16. They were very inter-

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MPP CONSTITUENCY CLINICS

Monday Dec. 18th **Little Current**

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. @ Rec Centre

Wiikwemkoong First Nation

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. @ Band Office

Manitowaning

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. @ Assiginack Twp. Office

Espanola

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. @ Public Library

Wednesday Dec. 20th

Tuesday Dec. 19th Whitefish River First Nation

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. @ Band Office

M'Chigeeng First Nation

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

Mindemoya

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. @ Municipal Office

Gore Bay

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. @ Municipal Office

Thursday Dec. 21st

Nairn Centre 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. @ Twp. Office

Massey

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

Sagamok First Nation

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. @ Wellness Clinic

Spanish

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. @ Town Office

Algoma Mills

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. @ Twp. Office

Blind River

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. @ Public Library

Iron Bridge

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. @ Municipal Office

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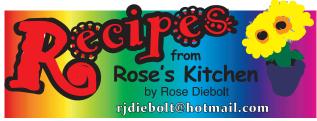


Pictured Left To Right: Lions Laura Hallett, Janice Abbott, Dale Scott, Tara Bernatchez, Stacey Chisholm, Kristy Keller And Samantha Wyman (Missing Is Tom McQuay)

farm facts and furrows by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell

Grassland Stewardship Program returns for 2018

Back for its third year, the Grassland Stewardship Program (GSP) will begin accepting applications in early January 2018. The program supports on-farm conservation activities that benefit Bobolink and other grassland birds at risk, and is piloting the use of Conservation Agreements. GSP is delivered by the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) and is funded by Environment and Climate Change Canada as part of their Species at Risk Partnerships on Agricultural Lands (SARPAL) initiative. The Bobolink is a ground-nesting



When we go visit "the family" in Airdrie, Alberta, I always pack with me a cookbook that I haven't had time to read, and new recipes that I have clipped and need to try out on discerning, fussy kin (grandkids and kids). Experiments, here I come. Some of the meals were a bust because of the texture, a different spice, and a new vegetable! So when the 7-year-old complained that there were no cookies in the house, mmmmm, that brought back memories with the same comment from his Dad when he was that age. So, we went to action stations and, for the next four days after school, myself and my kitchen lackeys (and non-stop samplers) spent time learning how to make cookies, and making ones that were healthy, and of course, not so healthy. The fun parts for a 7- and 4-year -old were breaking the eggs, using the mixer, and then using their hands for mixing and rolling the dough into balls (and tasting dough of course). The best part were the smiles of the two boys when the cookies came out of the oven and they had to taste test them. (after the ongoing tasting there were not a lot left.)

My smile was for their future empowerment in cooking and eating real food.

Thick and Chewy Chocolate Chip Cookies

This recipe was day one of our cookie baking marathon. You have to use butter and the extra egg yolk to keep the cookie textures soft. These cookies are best served warm from the oven but are still just as good cooled or coming from the freezer.

2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour

1/2 tsp baking soda

12 Tbsp (1 1/2 sticks) butter, melted and cooled until just

1 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1 large egg, plus 1 large egg yolk

2 tsp vanilla extract

1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips

- 1. Pre-heat the oven to 325°F and line two large baking sheets with parchment paper.
- 2. Whisk the flour, baking soda, and salt together in a medium bowl: set aside
- 3. Either by hand or with an electric mixer, mix the butter and sugars until thoroughly blended. Beat in the egg, yolk, and vanilla until combined. Add the dry ingredients and beat at low speed just until combined. Stir in the chips to taste.
- 4. Use a small scoop for measuring and roll the dough into a ball (this was the best part, I had two extra set of hands rolling the dough). Place the rolled dough balls on the prepared baking sheets and flatten slightly with a fork.
- 5. Bake until the cookies are light golden brown, and the centers are still soft and puffy, 15 to 18 minutes. Cool the cookies on the sheets. Remove the cooled cookies, eat at once or put them in the freezer for Christmas.

*You can switch them up by adding 1 1/2 cup unsweetened flaked coconut and 1 cup toasted sliced almonds with the chips, or substitute1/2 cup white chocolate chips for 1/2 cup of the semi-sweet. Add 1 cup chopped pecans.

Lemony Whole Roasted Cauliflower

This was one of the recipes that was a hit. Maybe it had to do with the extra hands that smeared the sauce all over the cauliflower! Make extra sauce because the thicker the better (more flavour and a crispy crust).

- 1 head cauliflower, outer leaves trimmed (size depends on how many people you are feeding)
 - 2 Tbsp olive oil or sunflower seed oil
 - 2 Tbsp whole grain Dijon mustard
 - 1 Tbsp maple syrup
 - 1/4 tsp sea salt
 - 1 lemon, zest and juice
 - 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

Preheat oven to 375°F.

Add cauliflower to glass or ceramic baking dish that will fit the size of your cauliflower.

In a small bowl, combine oil, lemon zest and juice, mustard, maple syrup and salt. Rub evenly over cauliflower.

Bake 40 minutes to 1 hour, until cauliflower is tender when pierced with a knife. Transfer to serving dish and sprinkle with parsley. Slice into wedges and serve.

grassland bird that can be found in hay and pasture fields across Ontario. It has been designated as a species at risk both provincially and federally due to its rapidly declining population. "Farmers' stewardship actions are critical to the survival of Bobolink, which depends to a great extent on farmland for habitat," said Andréa Dubé-Goss, Environmental Programs Manager at OSCIA. "GSP provides funding to support farmers' efforts to protect and restore agricultural grassland habitat." GSP supports four best management practices that play a key role in maintaining Bobolink and other grassland bird habitat, which includes both tame and native hayfields and pastures. Supported practices include: Control of Encroaching Trees and Shrubs through Mowing, Grassland Restoration, Incorporating Delayed Grazing into Rotational Grazing Systems, and Forage Harvest Management (Delayed Haying). The SARPAL initiative is piloting the use of Conservation Agreements as a mechanism for supporting species at risk recovery through habitat protection on private agricultural lands. Program participants are required to sign a Conservation Agreement with Environment and Climate Change Canada. Producers who wish to participate can apply online or on paper during two application submission periods:

Intake 1: January 10 – February 1, 2018; Intake 2: April 9 May 1, 2018. Projects must be carried out between January 1 and December 15, 2018. The maximum funding available through GSP is \$20,000 per farm business. For full prodetails. gram please www.ontariosoilcrop.org/oscia-programs/sarpal/gsp.

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ested to hear about our sighting of the snowy owl.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Linda Gilchrist who celebrates on December 16 and to Jesse McDermid and to Sharlene Kay who both celebrate on December 19.

The New Year's Eve Dance will be held this year again on Sunday, December 31 from 8 pm until 2 am. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be obtained by contacting Matt Young at 705-377-7149.

If you have something that you would like to contribute to the Providence bay News and Notes, please let us know. We know the amazing people and things that happen in our community but let's allow everyone to know. If there is an upcoming birthday, anniversary, fundraiser or celebration, please let us know. You can email Cheryl at prov_chick@hotmail.com or call her at 705-862-1613. Submissions must be received by each Sunday at 3 pm for submission in the following Wednesday publication of the paper. We look forward to hearing from you.





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