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20TH ANNIVERSARY ANGELS—A choir of angels sing at the 20th anniversary of Journey to Bethlehem, held last Friday and Saturday. The living nativity attracted over 400 people to Mindemoya. **SEE STORY AND PHOTOS ON SECTION FRONT.**

photo by Michael Erskine

'United Manitoulin Transit' group seeks funding for proposed Island bus program

An initial feasibility study would consider transportation needs

by Robin Burrige

MANITOULIN—A group of service providers from across Manitoulin have partnered together to find a solution to improving and expanding transportation options for Island residents.

Under the working name United Manitoulin Transit, the committee of 15 service providers includes representatives from First Nations on the Island, as well as many of the Island organizations and service providers.

"We have the support from the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnisico Mnisico (UCCMM) and from the Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA)," explained Guy Dumas of March of Dimes Canada (MODC), who is spear-

heading the project. "The MODC has agreed to act as a lead for the funding applications and we have issued a request for proposals for consultants for a feasibility study on improving and expanding transportation on Manitoulin."

The group has received several proposals from the RFP and will be reviewing them and making a recommendation prior to Christmas. Mr. Dumas noted that the feasibility study is dependent on the group receiving funding.

"We have applied, through the MODC for funding through a number of agencies," said Mr. Dumas.

Mr. Dumas wouldn't reveal

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South Baymouth, Meldrum Bay cameras monitor road conditions

by Alicia McCutcheon

SOUTH BAYMOUTH—The sudden appearance of a pair of cameras mounted at the corner Highway 6 and Duck's Bay Road in South Baymouth was cause for major concern for many area residents who wondered who had placed the cameras there and why. People in Meldrum Bay will soon have similar questions.

Karen Gerrard, clerk-treasurer of Tehkummah Township,

told The Expositor that she was unaware of the reasoning behind the mystery cameras, which are complete with solar panels. The installation is near municipal landfill property and

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Collingwood visionary's plan would put Norisle in a giant 'bottle'

by Robin Burrige

COLLINGWOOD—As the fate of the Norisle hangs in the balance, a Collingwood man has suggested an alternative to the ship being sunk by the Tobermory Maritime Association or made into an historical Great Lakes cruise ship by the S.S. Norisle Steamship Society.

"The Norisle was built in Collingwood, 200 km away from where she floats now in Manitowaning," said Alder Francescut. "I have been following the lawsuit (by the S.S. Norisle

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NAFTA talks concern First Nations, Waubetek GM tells Commons committee

by Michael Erskine

OTTAWA—Waubetek Business Development Corporation General Manager Dawn Madahbee Leach has been literally trotting the globe over the past few weeks, with stops in Dubai, New Zealand, Texas and just about every point in between—but among those recent stops was a presentation to the House of Commons International Trade Committee, which includes a lot of the people who are part of the Chapter 10 negotiating team in the recent NAFTA talks.

"It's been a very exciting time," admitted Ms. Madahbee Leach. "I am lucky I don't have jet lag." She describes her work with the trade committee as being "a very interesting project."

Ms. Madahbee Leach said that her presentation was linked to her role with the executive committee of the National Aboriginal Economic Development Board.

"I told them what we would like to see in the negotiations (regarding Indigenous trade rights). I wanted to ensure they had a strong understanding of the history of First Nations people's engagement in trade and invest-

ment. The history behind our trading networks isn't widely understood. I wanted to clear up that history, the history of Indigenous peoples."

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Dave's classic Jag has left the Island headed back to its British homeland

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—It's a bittersweet moment when your baby leaves home—even when that "baby" is a rare vintage 1961 Jaguar E-type (often referred to as a model XKE—X for experimental) that has been in nestled in your family for more than half a century, after all, there are very personal memories linked to such a car.

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The Jaguar XKE after Dave Schinbeckler's father Keith painted the car red in 1973. When Jaguar restores the car it will be returned to its original black coat.

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Northern Ontario Permaculture Research Institute Executive Director Justin Tilson is presented the Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence by Sudbury MPP and Ontario Energy Minister Glenn Thibeault.

Honora Bay permaculture operation receives Premier's Award for innovation

by Michael Erskine

SUDBURY—The Northern Ontario Permaculture Research Institute has been making plenty of ripples on the sustainable local food front on Manitoulin Island over the past couple of years, and now those ripples are starting to build momentum into a tsunami of accomplishment. On December 1, that impact was officially recognized by the province with a Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation during a ceremony in Sudbury.

The Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence recognizes and celebrates agri-food producers, processors and organizations who are helping create jobs, boost our economy, strengthen our communities and support a sustainable environ-

ment through their innovative ideas and projects.

"I am pleased to be part of today's celebrations and to have the honour of meeting the innovative recipients of the 2017 Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence," said Sudbury MPP Glen Thibeault as he presented the awards to Northeastern Ontario recipients. "These individuals, and many others throughout the North, are helping Ontario's agri-food sector thrive with initiatives that not only benefit their businesses but also grow our northern economy."

"Year after year, these awards showcase outstanding individuals across the province whose innovative ideas are helping grow Ontario's agri-food sector

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Ruth Eadie named LC Legionnaire of the Year

by Alicia McCutcheon

LITTLE CURRENT—The Little Current branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, #177, hosted its annual honours and awards and volunteer appreciation evening on Friday, December 1 with many acknowledgements being made to the individuals, groups and businesses who have rallied around the Legion over recent years, helping to keep the institution alive and well.

Legion President Debbie Menard began the evening's proceedings by acknowledging the death of Comrade Wayne Debassige of M'Chigeeng.

President Menard started with the most prestigious honour of the night, Legionnaire of the Year, awarding it to Comrade Ruth Eadie.

She told the audience that Comrade Eadie has been a member of the Legion for 16 years and currently acts as 2nd vice president and chair of entertainment, her third year in this role.

"She organizes all the dances and is quite creative with the themes as well as the decorating and luncheons to be served, only to do the cleanup after the parties," the Legion president said.



Little Current Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 177 President Debbie Menard, left, and Comrade Tom Stephens present Ruth Eadie with the Legionnaire of the Year award.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

"She has bartended, helped on wing nights with the sauces and overseeing bar activities, then cleaning afterwards, sometimes having to go to work the next morning." Comrade Eadie also helps with the meal functions by setting up the hall, purchasing food supplies, preparing and cooking the food, serving it and then, as always, helping to clean

up afterwards. She also donates many of the food supplies and helps the Ladies' Auxiliary with many of their functions too, Comrade Menard stated.

"Ruth has scuffed, buffed and polished our upstairs hall three times (along with her co-worker) and also the downstairs club-

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Donations sought to help stock Manitoulin Christmas hampers

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—The need for food banks among families and individuals is substantial at all times of the year, including the Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR) Help Centre, says a representative of MFR. And with the Christmas season closing in, the Help Centre is hoping for support of the Manitoulin community to help stock the same number of Christmas food baskets as were provided on the Island in 2016.

"We prepare Christmas baskets for families and individuals all over the Island to help people in need," said Nicole Mathia, MFR Help Centre assis-

tant, late last week. "These baskets include such items as ham, turkeys, mandarins, potatoes and other foods. And we receive toys to include in the baskets from the Lions Club."

"We filled and provided 800 Christmas food baskets last year, and are anticipating a similar number this year," said Ms. Mathia. Other organizations and groups help across the Island support the initiative with the District Services Board EMS and the UCCM Police and their respective staff an ambulance and stuff a cruiser events. As well, schools within the

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Wiikwemkoong project for community greenhouse receives \$50,000 Aviva grant

Community celebrates achievement

by Robin Burrige

WIKWEMKOONG—Focus Forward for Indigenous Youth, on behalf of a partnership between the Wikwemikong Employment office and Wikwemikong High School, has been named the winner of \$50,000 in funding from the Aviva Community Fund to build a greenhouse.

"Wikwemikong Greenhouse for Change is an Aviva Community Fund grand prize winner this year and will receive \$50,000 in funding," confirmed Priscilla Wong, public relations specialist with Aviva.

"Congratulations to all the grand prize winners and all of the amazing finalists this year," commented Debora Hendrickson, senior vice president of Aviva Canada in a press release. "Supporting and caring for Canadians in making positive sustainable change in their communities will always be our belief at Aviva. What a privilege it's been to be able to run another year of this competition, bringing our donation total to \$8.5 million over the past nine years. We're continually inspired by the commitment and engagement of Canadians from coast-to-coast."

The Aviva Community Fund winners in the various divisions were announced yesterday, with Wiikwemkoong hosting a community-wide celebration.

As The Expositor previously reported this fall, Wikwemikong Greenhouse for Change was named a finalist for the Aviva Community Fund.

Focus Forward for Indigenous Youth is an organization that seeks to improve the quality of life for Indigenous people. The organization meets with communities and look at their needs and projects that haven't been accomplished due to a lack of resources and helps them find funding to bring projects to fruition.

The Wikwemikong Greenhouse for Change project will support educational goals for students in the community ages 14 to 19, while creating a community-led sustainable food source.

The greenhouse will be built by Wikwemikong High School students in the construction/tech program, earning the participating students credits.

"Once constructed, this greenhouse will provide the Wikwemikong High School the opportunity to launch an innovative green industries agricultural program that teaches students the benefits and challenges of creating a community-led sustainable food source," the project explains. "The program intends to open enrollment for fall 2018. The capacity of the community will be further enhanced through the efforts of the employment office, by ensuring the greenhouse can be utilized free of charge by all community members."

For more information about the project, visit www.focusforward-fly.org or for the full list of finalists, visit www.avivacommunityfund.org.

Dean Roy re-elected as chief of Sheshegwaning First Nation

SHESEGWANING—Dean Roy has been re-elected for a second term as chief of the Sheshegwaning First Nation.

Incumbent Dean Roy won the election for chief among six candidates in the chief and council elections held November 18.

Mr. Roy received a total of 41 votes to securing his position as chief of Sheshegwaning for a second term. The other candidates for chief included Joe Endanawas, who received 31 votes; Gene Cada with 22 votes; Elizabeth Laford, 20 votes; Albert Cada, 13 votes; and Leonard Genereux with 11 votes.

In voting for the four council positions, Alana Endanawas received the most votes, 62, with incumbents Nicole Bush garnering 44 votes; Gene Cada, 41 votes; and Lance Panamick, who received 39 votes. Other candidates receiving votes in the election included Verna Hardwick, 38 votes; Janice Cada, 35 votes; Blair Sampson, 34 votes; Angela McLeod, 30 votes; Kathleen Malley, 26 votes; Ernest Wabegijik, 25 votes; Emilio Tomaselli, 25 votes; Sabastien Malley, 23 votes; Leonard Genereux, 23 votes; Cecilia Endanawas, 21 votes; Nick Bush, 17 votes; Freda Endanawas, 15 votes; Chris Sagon, 14 votes; and Charles R.E. Wabegijik, 13 votes.

There were a total of 138 valid votes cast for chief, with two ballots rejected. There were 139 valid votes cast for councillor with one rejected ballot.

Andrew Aguonie re-elected as chief of Sheguiandah First Nation

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION—Andrew Aguonie has been re-elected to his second term as chief of the Sheguiandah First Nation, the result of the election held November 22. Mr. Aguonie was elected with 78 votes to challenger Alison Aguonie's 39 votes.

Elected to the council were newcomers Carrie Waindubence (62 votes) and Elvis Mishibinjima (53 votes) who join incumbent Pearl Waindubence (54 votes).

The remaining votes were tabulated as follows: Jake Ago Neh, 27 votes; Orville Aguonie, 31 votes; Jackie Bowerman, 14 votes; Robert Manitowabi, eight votes; April McDowell, 18 votes; Darren Shawanda, 17 votes; Ruby Thompson, 46 votes; Cody Towers, nine votes; and Thomas Trudeau, six votes.

Chief and council will serve a two-year term.

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editorial

Island youth make their mark in math, science and technology

This has been a banner week for the recognition of Manitoulin Island youth in the fields of math, science, innovation and technology and is a testament to the hard work and dedication of Island teachers and their students.

It is a rare edition of The Expositor that goes to print not containing some indication of the accomplishments of Manitoulin Island students and young adults in technology of some form. These accomplishments have stretched back for generations. In the not too distant past Islanders will recall the years of the Manitoulin Secondary School Science Olympiad teams, whose steady stream of gold medal accomplishments kept our readers spellbound a decade or more ago.

Today's edition contains stories of yet more youthful accomplishments to bear witness to how our tiny but mighty Island punches well about its weight in fields scientific.

From the incredible accomplishments at Sudbury's Dynamic Earth of the four LEGO Robotics teams whose members span Island communities, to the recognition of the efforts of the young adult social entrepreneurs like Justin Tilson and the gang at the Northern Ontario Permaculture Institute, whose Premier's Award for Innovation in the Agri-food Industry clearly establishes Manitoulin Island as being at the forefront of a new generation of agriculturalists, ready to think outside the box and apply leading edge technical solu-

tions to the challenges of our Northern climate to today's local food industry.

And it isn't just in the fields of science, math and technology that Island youth are making their mark. The social conscience demonstrated by groups like the Grade 1 and 7 and 8s at Little Current Public School in providing assistance to the hurricane ravaged schools of Texas, or the annual efforts of the Manitoulin Secondary School SHARE committee give us all something to be very proud of.

Manitoulin clearly has never taken a back seat in the fields of science and technology and the latest generations are clearly continuing that tradition thanks to the hard work and dedication of teachers, volunteers, parents and guardians, and above all, the students and youth themselves.

Kudos also to Island municipalities, First Nations and the Rainbow District School Board who have stepped up and thrown their support behind the youth in our communities and provided them with the opportunities which our youth have grasped so securely in their competent hands.

We look forward to the new year when the pages of this paper will undoubtedly continue to chronicle the amazing accomplishments of Manitoulin Island youth as they strive to make this a world a better place.

letters

December 6 is a day to remember the Polytechnique victims

Do not idly stand by while violence and abuse are committed

To the Expositor:

Today, December 6, is a day to remember the women who were killed at a polytechnic in Montreal some years ago. On that day in 1989, a man walked into a classroom with a gun, opened fire, and killed 14 women, wounded 14 others, 10 of them women, students in an engineering program.

Violence against women takes many forms, including such things as the December 6, 1989 massacre, through to various types of physical violence, sexual abuse, stalking, intimidation, destruction of property, assaults on women's loved ones, and so on.

But there are other forms of violence against women, such as systemic and structural violence. The systemic one occurs in such things as the Indian Act, which is silent on Indigenous women's human rights to secure indigenous land tenure on Indigenous homelands. The systemic violence occurs when federal government legislation like the Indian Act only goes as far as providing Certificates of Possession to "Indians" living on Indian reserves in Canada. A Certificate of Possession is not 100 percent true ownership. It is only the Crown's permission to "live on, use, and occupy" our own homelands. The structural violence takes place when federal legislation says to Indian women, "Full legal title to Indian lands rests with the Crown."

Structural violence occurs when a band council says to its people, "there is a moratorium on land requests." To women, this means that we cannot even apply for our own homelands. The systemic violence happens when a band council prescribes the ways in which an Indian can apply for land, and then not provide the process or procedure by which a band member is to follow through. Systemic violence occurs when the local authorities remain silent on financial delinquencies of those who are in arrears for house payments, while at the same time criminalizing the female who uses her own funds to pay for house repairs on housing that was given to her according to traditional Anishinaabe custom. The systemic violence occurs when a judge in a courtroom interrupts an Indigenous woman's presentation in Anishinaabemowin by saying, "stop that! We're not playing games here!" The systemic and structural violence appears in the form of courts who say to a plaintiff wanting to be heard about Indigenous women's human rights to secure indigenous land tenure, "there are no merits to the case" or "the plaintiff is abusing the system." The systemic and struc-

tural violence occurs when a female indigenous elder is "criminalized" for expressing grief, loss, trauma, and homelessness, while the perpetrator who stalked, swore, attempted to intimidate, and destroyed property, was merely "spoken to." The perpetrator ought to have been charged with criminal harassment, elder abuse, fraud and theft.

Violence against women is even more insidiously practiced when a woman is not believed, is not heard, or is not allowed to speak up about the violence that is perpetrated against her. This is when the patriarchy says things like, "oh, you're just imagining it" or, "it didn't happen" or, "who's going to believe you anyway?" The structural violence occurs when women are paid up to one-third less in wages or salaries in the workplace. The structural violence occurs when onlookers exercise wilful blindness when an abuser is allowed to belittle or berate a female who has done nothing wrong.

Canada holds itself out as a haven of human rights. Tell that to the families of murdered and missing Indigenous women. Tell that to the families of the students who went missing, were drowned, or were murdered on the riverbanks and parklands in Thunder Bay. Tell that to the mothers who were forced to give up their newborn babies for adoption for the crime of being poor.

If you see wrongdoing, and say nothing about it, or do nothing about it, it's the same thing as if you're doing the wrongdoing. What can possibly be right about throwing an Indigenous female Anishinaabe elder out of her own home, off her land, not once, but twice? It is impossible for an Indigenous woman to trespass on Indigenous homelands. It is not possible for an indigenous female elder to live illegally on traditional Anishinaabe lands. Someone made the cruel suggestion recently, "get over it." It's the same thing as some members of Canadian society saying to indigenous peoples about dishonoured treaties, residential school abuse, imposition of foreign religions, prohibition of Indigenous languages, forbidding cultural practices and wholesale theft of Indigenous homelands, "get over it." The problem with this is that if we forget history, or if we don't learn history in the first place, then we run the risk of making the same sad, tragic, horrific mistakes over and over again.

Marie McGregor-Pitawanakwat
Whitefish River First Nation

Council disappoints

Theatre group deserves support

To the Expositor:

I am disappointed in the recent thoughts of the Assiginack Township council. According to the report in the Expositor, the Burn's Wharf Theatre Players were asking council to assist them in obtaining funding. This is not asking for money; this is allowing them to seek their own money.

Their attendance figures have proven that this group have brought enjoyment to local people, other Islanders and to summer visitors. It has enlarged the experiences of the actors, singers, workers and volunteers. It is an attraction that our village presents on a professional scale. It is hard to imagine any reason why it should be discouraged.

The citizens of Assiginack were given a questionnaire recently and the top response of desired expenditures was to support the needs of the Burn's Wharf Theatre and get it back in operation. In fact, there was a second survey—it showed the same wish by the citizens of the Township. Sounds democratic. I think that would have meant something to the elected body.

Our township must develop and grow; it must survive by attracting business and industry and a life style that is as good or better than other areas. We have a lot of assets but we can't have development without council at least giving the moral encouragement to groups who work for these very same ideals.

Jane Tilston
Manitowaning

Michael's Bay news questioned

Why can't cemeteries be severed?

To the Expositor:

In the page 1 story of November 22 issue of The Manitoulin Expositor, "Tehkummah council gets updated on status of Michael's Bay," Danielle Pilon of the Canadian Government, Public Works, tells us that 100 acres of Michael's Bay property is grazing land for Manitoulin cattle and the land will be sold separately. Why can't the same thing be done for the cemeteries in the Michael's Bay property?

What kind of people do we have running our country who don't put our buried pioneers and history first? The hardships these women and men went through at Michael's Bay for many years to cut the trees by hand for the logs to make the lumber to ship by boat to make houses elsewhere. Now they are buried with no respect by our own Canadian government. Phone for free to our MP, Carol Hughes, 1-855-297-4200 to complain.

Doug Tracy
Little Current

Ambition is the Path to Success

Wiikwemkoong High School celebrates its 2016-2017 award recipients at 19th annual Christmas Gala

by Gisele Aiabens

WIKWEMKOONG—The Wikwemikong High School 19th Annual Christmas Gala was held on December 1 where close to 50 awards were handed out at the dinner and awards banquet honouring the best and brightest of the 2016-17 school year.

Family and friends gathered for the celebration which began with a welcoming song by Abigail Aiabens and Brandy Peltier. Rosemary Wakegijig then provided a prayer before the lovely dinner prepared by Hiawatha's Catering.

Jillian Peltier, Wiikwemkoong High School guidance counsellor and athletics director, was the evening's MC. In her opening remarks, Ms. Peltier recounted how a much smaller group of staff and students came together 19 years ago, in 1999, to establish the vision for the high school, which emphasized two key qualities: pride and excellence. She spoke about how the students being honoured at the awards banquet "are true visions of those keys of the high school's vision" and that their names, engraved on the award plaques that grace the halls of the high school, "will become a permanent part of the high school's history." She took time to thank all the award sponsors as well as the many friends and family members who "allow the award recipients to excel."

Among the evening's award recipients was Moses Pitawanakwat, who received The Manitoulin Expositor award, which is presented to a student in a workplace pathway with the highest achievement in a workplace English course. In addition to The Manitoulin Expositor award, Moses, who recently won a scholarship to Canadore College for business as a result of being on the winning Enterprise Olympics 2017 team in the Mining, Forestry and Agriculture sector, was also awarded the Wikwemikong Board of Education English Scholar Award for a Senior. Moses expressed his gratitude for receiving the two awards and said that it "feels good to be acknowledged."

It was also a proud night for Julia Wemigwans whose grandson, Carlos Wemigwans, was awarded the Anishnaabemowin Award for demonstrating achieve-



The 2016-2017 Wiikwemkoong High School Award recipients were feted at the 19th Annual Christmas Gala.

photos by Gisele Aiabens

ment and fluency in a Native Language Course. Ms. Wemigwans, who raised Carlos, spoke to him in the language as much as she could. Carlos explained that as part of his course work he created a workbook for young children which included every day conversational words and numbers as well as matching games and crosswords. Carlos said that he feels the award gives him "more confidence to speak the language" and provides inspiration to keep speaking the language.

In a very touching moment Ms. Peltier presented the Mackenzie Nodin Peltier Award, which is in memoriam of her son Mackenzie, who she described as always being a brave and happy little boy in the face of his illness. The award is presented annually to a student who demonstrates resilience and perseverance. Ms. Peltier was pleased to present the 2017 award to recipient Thunder Recollet.

To end the evening, Robin Wemigwans—mother of Annie Wemigwans—took the stage to accept nine awards on behalf of

Annie.

Annie was unable to make it to the awards ceremony due to an exam that day at Nipissing University where she now studies Science and Nursing since graduating from Wiikwemkoong High School in June.

In a very inspirational and moving acceptance speech, Ms. Wemigwans spoke of Annie's journey to becoming a multiple award-winning scholar, which wasn't always an easy journey. Because of challenges faced at school in the city, Ms. Wemigwans wanted Annie to attend high school in Wiikwemkoong and benefit from "being around her people, her culture, her language" and thus asked her mother, Julia Wemigwans, to take Annie in while she attended Wiikwemkoong High School. Mrs. Wemigwans agreed to take Annie in and so began her journey at Wikwemikong High School where she flourished and excelled in all areas. Ms. Wemigwans attributes the community to her daughter's growth and held Annie up as a true exemplar of the adage that it takes a community to raise a child. She told the audience that "Annie

knows and understands that her accomplishments are attributed to everyone in our community" and that it is the community that keeps her going, including the teachers who taught her while in Wiikwemkoong.

Ms. Wemigwans ended her speech by impressing to the young award recipients that, as the evening's motto goes, 'ambition is the path to success;' that they are the best



Moses Pitawanakwat was not only the recipient of the Manitoulin Expositor Award for highest marks in a Workplace English course and the Wikwemkoong Board of Education English Scholar Award, but also received a scholarship to Canadore College for business as a result of being on the winning Enterprise Olympics 2017 team in the Mining, Forestry and Agriculture sector, and was awarded the Wikwemikong Board of Education English Scholar Award for a Senior.

they can be; they ought not to give up on any endeavours they wish to pursue; and that they will indeed find success if they strive for it.

The awards ceremony ended with an honour song sung by Ms. Aiabens and Ms. Peltier followed by closing remarks from

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more letters

An open letter to the Minister of Transport on herbicide spraying *Witnesses raise concerns over discrepancies over where spraying was done*

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is an open letter from a number of Tehkummah residents to the Ministry of Transportation.

Dear Mr. Sedgwick,
Thank you very much for your detailed reply to the township of Tehkummah regarding the spraying of a chemical that is highly toxic to fish and aquatic life, also a known 'Class 2B carcinogen,' in the township this summer.

We do appreciate your ongoing concern for public safety. However, indiscriminate spraying of barely tested, newly developed toxins is very dangerous. The very real hazards of skyrocketing cancer rates in humans, irreversible poisoning of rivers, ground water, insects, fish, animals, and people's vegetable gardens adjacent to the highway far outweigh the benefits of saving a few dollars on labour costs to maintain clear sight-lines with chemicals of notorious uncertainty.

As you correctly mention, Ontario Regulation 63/09 and Pest Control Act requires "a public notification and/or individual notification signs posted in the area to be sprayed." This same law, section 79(2), states that the notice "may be published... at least one week before the extermination begins." The notice in question was published three business days before the spraying was scheduled to begin, as per the notice itself. While still technically legal, it is absolutely inadequate.

Unfortunately, no signs were put up in the areas sprayed. Therefore, we only have your word on that only six hectares (14 acres) were sprayed and not the planned 11 hectares (27 acres). "In addition, a small print 3"x5" public

notice on page 21 of a local newspaper was noticed by only a very small number of people, who then brought it to the attention of their neighbours. A bigger, more precise advertisement in the beginning of the newspaper would have been much more noticeable. Even allowing for the "potential gaps" that you mention, mass mailings are very efficient in reaching the actual people who are affected by this spraying, whether they read the local newspaper or not." Notifying the township office is also a good start.

The "natural woody stemmed plants" that you mention are called "trees" in plain English. It is with great sadness that we see the steadfast, non-invasive flagships of native flora such as the beautifully shivering alder, ever-whispering poplar, graceful birch, fragrant cedar, towering pine, stately spruce and the colourful sumac being targeted by the spraying. In many cultures across North America, and to some of us, these plants are sacred and are a source of powerful medicines.

Furthermore, instead of saying that the spraying program was "not limited to..." and "...etc." you could have saved words and simply wrote: everything. This blanket spraying targeted everything. The deadly concoction destroyed or seriously damaged every living organism it touched.

It is disheartening to learn that 1.2 kg of the stuff was released into the environment that day, mere 12 hours before a torrential downpour the very next morning.

Your statement that "[the] herbicide was not applied to any area outside of those areas identified in the public notice" directly contradicts a report by a local resident

who witnessed the spraying being done on the east shoulder of highway 542, just north of the Sandfield bridge. The witness estimated that the spraying was done as close as 500 m away from a creek. To remind you, the notice stated that the area to be sprayed is "starting 250m west of Hwy 542A and then Northerly for 10.11km". We invite you to locate the westernmost point of Hwy 542A on a map, measure 250m west from it, and then draw a line due north thereon for 10.11 kms. The resulting line is nowhere close to where the spraying was witnessed. Was the witness mistaken? If she was not, who is?

We are looking forward to your contacting the Township of Tehkummah to discuss the proposed vegetation control operations in the future.

Yours truly,
Tehkummah residents:

- Aldona A. Tribinevicius
- Algis Tribinevicius
- Anastasia Eranosova
- Beth Richards
- Bob Playter
- Boo Watson
- Brenda Playter
- Connor Davies
- George Kopylov
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A much better idea on where to place legal fee money

Rogers Creek Bridge needs replacement

To the Expositor:

Assignack in the scrap steel business? Assigninack, we the taxpayers have no interest in the lawsuit over the Norisle, which will end up in over \$200,000 in legal fees that we the taxpayer will have to pay.

Instead, why not put this legal fee

money you seem to have found for the Norisle into a new bridge on Rogers Creek Road? This closed bridge has become a party place and a place for hunters to shoot at anything that moves.

Councillors of Assignack do not care about our bridge, we the people

that live around the bridge care.

So, do the right thing and quit wasting our tax dollars. Fix our bridge.

Milan Lee
Leason Bay Trail
Assignack

Wiikwemkoong assault leads to charges laid by Tribal Police

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police are investigating a home invasion that occurred on the Wikwemikong First Nation.

On Saturday, December 2, at approximately 10:16 pm, officers with the Wikwemikong Tribal Police received a report of an assault on Webkamigad Road in Wiikwemkoong and that two females and one male had fled the scene in a vehicle.

Police were on patrol in the area and immediately conducted a traffic stop on the suspected vehicle and confirmed two females and one male to be inside the vehicle. Both the victim and the accused male received minor injuries.

As a result of the investigation, police have charged: a 22-year-old female of Wiikwemkoong with assault, assault with a weapon and uttering threats; a 30-year-old female of North Bay has been charged with assault and assault with a weapon; and a 35-year-old male of Wiikwemkoong has been charged with assault, assault with a weapon and possession of a weapon for dangerous purpose.

Reports on social media state that the victim was recovering from knee surgery and was utilizing a wheelchair at the time of the attack. Photos circulating online show a blood-stained kitchen floor as a result of the victim's injuries.

If anyone has any information related to this offence or any other offence, they are asked to call the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service at 705-859-3141, or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Police lay charges in fail to remain

Last week, The Expositor reported that the OPP were investigating a fail to remain collision that was reported to police on Monday, November 20. The collision happened the evening before, on November 19, on Highway 540 near Silver Water, with the vehicle sustaining a great deal of damage.

As a result of the OPP's investigation, a 26-year-old male of Shesheganing has been charged with several Highway Traffic offences including: driving while suspended; fail to remain at the scene of an accident; fail to report an accident; and drive motor vehicle - no currently validated permit.

OPP assist with male injured in fire

On Sunday December 3, at approximately 7:19 pm, officers from the Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Detachment were called to assist with an injured male at a residence in Gordon Township.

Officers attended the scene with the Gore Bay Fire Department and assisted with a male who had been injured as a result of a fire near his residence. A 33-year-old male of Gordon Township

was transported to hospital by ambulance, with serious injuries. The fire is not considered suspicious.

OPP traffic stop results in cocaine seizure

On Saturday December 2 at approximately 10:10 pm, officers from the Manitoulin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) conducted a traffic stop after observing a traffic violation at the intersection of Highway 6 and Ge Teh Mikan on the Sheguiandah First Nation.

Investigation revealed that the lone male driver was in possession of controlled drugs. Police seized

a quantity of marijuana and a quantity of cocaine. Further investigation revealed that the male was an unlicensed driver and there was a warrant out for his arrest.

As a result of the investigation, a 22-year-old male of Whitefish River First Nation has been charged with: possession of a Schedule II substance, cannabis marijuana, under 30 grams; possession of a Schedule I substance, cocaine; and drive motor vehicle, no licence.

The accused was released on a Promise to Appear

(PTA) and is scheduled to appear at the Provincial Court of Justice in Gore Bay on January 9, 2018.

Male arrested in daylight robbery

A 26-year-old male from M'Chigeeng First Nation is in custody awaiting bail as a result of a robbery investigation over the weekend. On December 3, officers with UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service responded to a complaint in M'Chigeeng First Nation where two females were approached by a male subject who snatched some merchan-

dise that they were carrying. During the altercation, one of the females

was assaulted. A short time later the male was located and arrested for the incident. He was combative and caused damage to one of the police cruisers and the cell area of the police station.

He was held for a bail hearing with charges of robbery, assault and two counts of mischief.

Arrest warrants executed over the weekend

Members of the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service were busy this past week-

end executing two separate arrest warrants.

On December 2, officers arrested an 18-year-old male at a residence on M'Chigeeng First Nation. The accused attempted to flee and in the process of the arrest assaulted a police officer. The 18-year-old was subsequently charged with assault.

A short time later, a second male, a 23-year-old of M'Chigeeng First Nation, was also arrested at that same residence and was taken into custody without incident. Both warrants were held by the Ontario Provincial Police, Manitoulin Detachment, and both subjects were turned over to them.



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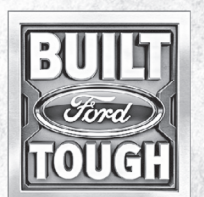
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Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

Manitoulin Minor Spotlight!

The Manitowaning Wolves Pee wee team is off to a great start this year. They have played almost all the teams in the division and are thrilled with how close the competition is amongst all the teams! Currently on a winning streak, they know that things are going to get tough as the winter progresses. It is going to be a great season of hockey!

It's pretty neat that the majority of the bench staff are not parents, but amazing community volunteers! With a bench staff of **Jeff Pitawanakwat, Ray Moreau, Teina Pitawanakwat, Zeke Peltier, Brock McKenzie and Dawn Roque**, the players are well guided in their quest to play amazing hockey!

As for the players, it is a pretty hard working group of kids! **Chloe Otosquaib** recognized that the team was short of a goalie and jumped into the new position and is blowing everyone away with her amazing saves and willingness to constantly work at stopping that puck!

Forward lines consist of **Emily Roque**, who always knows exactly where she is supposed to be and constantly drilling that puck to the net! Formidable players and great goal scorers are **Nikolai Assiniwe, Ethan Dey, Jon Mende, Jordan Ominika-Cooper and Joel Mailloux**. What is pretty incredible is that the team has a new player Peter Kanasawa who is quickly turning out to be their secret weapon in the opponent's end!

The defence line is one to be watched for sure! When **Kordell Elijah** gets that puck you don't want to be in the way! **Brooke Gibeault** might as well leave scorch marks on the ice. When she gets that puck, no one can catch her! **Steven White** and **Alex Peltier** complete the defence lines by constantly taking the puck out of their end.

Players, parents and bench staff are looking forward to the fun competition hockey brings on Manitoulin Island! Keep up the good work, Wolves.

Volleyball stars rising

Two Island girls playing for the same volleyball squad combined with their teammates to shine in a SDSSA contest this week. Wiikwemkoong's **Caydence Webkamigad** (mother **Colleen**) and M'Chigeeng's **Hali Debassige** (mother **Tanya**) helped power their St. Charles College Cardinals to a victory over Chelmsford Valley District Composite School. Both young ladies are multi-sport athletes competing at a high level will be competing in next level at the Northern Ontario, NOSSA championship.

Off their Rock, hockey!

Two weekends ago saw Island alumni **Sam Assinewai, Liam Bridgeman** and **Carson Shawana** and their Nickel City Sons Minor Bantam "AAA" hockey team travel to Whitby for the International Silverstick tournament. Drawing the top teams from across Canada and the US, this promised to be the tournament of the year for the N.C.S. side. Starting out tough against the provincially ranked #5 Quinte Red Devils team, the #21 N.C.S. carried a 2-1 advantage into the 3rd period. The Red Devils relentless onslaught in the 3rd earned them the tying goal, and N.C.S. had weathered the storm to salvage a tie. Match #2 was against the #25 Toronto Red Wings. Again taking the lead, the Sons gave up the tying goal and consequently could not solve the Wings' keeper, and again settled for a tie. That set them up for a must win against the formidable #4 Hamilton Huskies. Battling scoreless into the third, N.C.S. ran into penalty trouble while trying to match Hamilton's physicality. The Huskies took advantage of a 5 on 3 to net their first, and followed with another on the subsequent 5 on 4. The game finished a hard fought but disappointing 3-0. While elimination games may be the most nerve wracking for fans and players alike, a final game after you have been eliminated may be the most challenging to get up for. This proved the case for the N.C.S. side, who came out flat and gave up 6 in the final 2 periods in a 6-0 loss to Chicago Mission (#18 USA). On the upside Liam and Sam, still together as linemates, combined for 66% of the scoring, with Sam netting 2 of the NCS 3 goals, both assisted on by Liam. Carson was at his usual defensive best, helping keep the sometimes relentless attack from exploiting his side, or extracting a high cost from those who ventured there.

The trio were off to Hamilton this past weekend to take part in the Hamilton Bulldogs Backspin Classic. Starting against the home Bulldog side, NCS fought through a parade to the penalty box to earn a 1-1 tie. In game 2 they handily defeated the Syracuse Nationals 4-1, then tied the Markham Majors 4-4 in game 3. This left the Sons in second place, and set up a game against the Winnipeg Warriors in the qualifying round, a game the Sons lead 3-1 before a last minute goal by the Warriors made it a 3-2 final.

The quarter finals found NCS in tough against the St Louis AIC Prospects, as a 1-1 tie held through regulation's end. 5 minutes of 4 on 4, and another 5 minutes of 3 on 3 didn't settle it, so tournament rules dictated the dreaded shoot out. After teammate Cameron Shanks lead off by narrowly missing the net, former line-mates Sam, Liam and Sudbury's Scooter Rienguette all found the back of the net, while outstanding saves by backstop Noah Beaulne lead the NCS side through to the semis, where a re-match with the Syracuse Nationals awaited.

In the semis, the Sons scored early to set the tone and lead by 2 for most of the game. A final score of 4-3, a result of a late Nats goal that made it an interesting final half minute, left the Sons victorious. Fans were in for a fast paced, hard fought final against the Winnipeg Monarchs. Scoreless through one, the NCS side pushed and pushed but just could not solve the Monarch's goaltender. Despite extended periods of pressure, two posts and numerous near misses, especially late in the 3rd, the Sons gave up power play and empty net goals to fall 3-0. Though that was undeniably disappointing, the NCS should hold their heads high as finishing second of the 16 international sides is an outstanding result.

Greyson Brewer-Case of the Nickle city Jr sons minor "AA" is off to Newmarket for the International Silver - Stick tournament from January 11-14th.

Aurora Ominika-Enosse had a great road game in Niagara versus the Badgers in the battle for first place. The game ended in a 1-1 tie with lots of excitement on the ice, in the penalty box and even in the stands. In fact, the refs called the game with 2:04 left to go in the 3rd! Thanks to Aurora's beauty goal for the North York Storm on a mesmerizing, spin-a-rama, the Storm held their position in the standings.

Eagles' Basketball

The C.M.P.S. Jr. Basketball team travelled to Sudbury on November 22nd to participate in the LaSalle Lancers 4 on 4 Fast Break Tournament. Despite the group missing out on collecting any wins the boys did exceptionally well, displaying excellent sportsmanship and facing each game with renewed spirits and positive attitudes! **Coach Christa King** is very proud of her Jr. Boys, and is looking forward to coaching them for years to come! The basketball stars are: **Rylan Carrick, Tieren Noble-Stone, Seth Verboom, Ethan Horula, Noah Thorpe, Liam Lariviere, Zach Cooper** and **Aiden Case**.

A good sport is good for sports. chipstoquips@gmail.com

Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association

Official Standing

As of December 4, 2017


#	NOVICE	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
1.	MINDEMOYA	8	7	0	1	15	84	7
2.	M'CHIGEENG	6	5	0	1	11	74	10
3.	WIKWEMIKONG	6	3	3	0	6	47	56
4.	MANITOWANING	7	2	5	0	4	26	63
5.	LITTLE CURRENT	4	1	3	0	2	13	50
6.	GORE BAY	7	0	7	0	0	11	69

#	ATOM	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
1.	M'CHIGEENG	6	5	1	0	10	69	18
2.	GORE BAY	5	4	1	0	8	32	16
3.	MINDEMOYA	9	3	6	0	6	30	55
4.	MANITOWANING	5	2	2	1	5	18	36
5.	WIKWEMIKONG	3	1	2	0	2	15	22
6.	LITTLE CURRENT	4	0	3	1	1	9	26


#	PEEWEE	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
1.	MINDEMOYA	8	5	2	1	11	49	25
1.	MANITOWANING	6	5	0	1	11	48	27
3.	LITTLE CURRENT	6	5	1	0	10	60	15
4.	M'CHIGEENG	6	2	3	1	5	44	43
5.	GORE BAY	6	0	5	1	1	22	45
6.	WIKWEMIKONG	6	0	6	0	0	12	80

#	BANTAM	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
1.	GORE BAY	6	5	0	1	11	48	17
2.	WIKWEMIKONG	5	2	1	2	6	26	26
3.	MINDEMOYA	6	1	3	2	4	29	33
4.	LITTLE CURRENT	5	0	4	1	1	15	42

#	MIDGET	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
1.	GORE BAY	5	5	0	0	10	50	13
2.	WIKWEMIKONG	5	2	2	1	5	24	20
3.	LITTLE CURRENT	4	2	2	0	4	31	27
4.	MINDEMOYA	3	1	1	1	3	17	15
5.	MANITOWANING	5	0	5	0	0	15	62




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Central Manitoulin Council Notes

Property Committee

It was recommended to council and approved that staff make repairs to the soffit at the Mindemoya Old School at an estimated cost of \$300. Councillor Pat MacDonald voted nay to the motion.

Council has appointed Darren Dewar as a member of the Providence Bay Community Centre Board.

Council has approved the Property Committee's year to date expense report and has accepted the proposed property operating budget and will forward it to the Committee of the Whole meeting in January

Finance and Economic Development Committee

Council accepted the minutes of the Mindemoya Old School Repurposing Committee (MOSRC) and the minutes of the Beautification Committee.

The Community Improvement Plan (CIP) request for \$28,000 plus \$3,500 from the Economic Development Officer (EDO) was outlined in the CIP review. The CIP was initiated by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and can cover activities as construction and rehabilitation of municipal facilities as well as parks and recreation works and signage, streetscape and landscaping. Councillor MacDonald asked that this matter be referred to the committee of the whole and council did so.

Council agreed to a third reading of bylaw 2017-18 and recommended that the Emergency Management Program committee meet at least twice a year.

Safety, Security and Health Committee

Council will earmark and flow the same contribution amount of \$6,000 that was provided last year to the Manitoulin Physician Recruitment sub-committee. Council has declared the week of February 1 to February 8, 2018 as Eating Disorder Awareness Week.

Council will forward the proposed safety, security and Health operating budget to the Committee of the Whole meeting in January for further consideration.

Consent to sever stymied by Central Manitoulin landfill

MINDEMOYA—The Municipality of Central Manitoulin held a public meeting on November 23 to consider the application to amend zoning bylaw amendment File No. 2-07ZBL - 17-006. The application was made by the landowner David Schinbeckler who proposed a zoning amendment to fulfill a condition of a Consent to Sever to prohibit residential uses within 60 metres west of the easterly boundary of the proposed severed land.

His reason for doing so was because Raymond McPherson, chief bylaw officer (CBO) for the municipality, advised the Manitoulin Planning Board that the municipality cannot support the proposed severance of Mr.

Schinbeckler's Part Lot 26 due to the proximity to the Mindemoya landfill closed site. The site is undergoing test sampling per Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) guidelines and as Mr. McPherson pointed out, there may be a need for the municipality to acquire land in order to expand the 'attenuation zone' in order to reach compliance with MOECC regulations. The municipality cannot support the issuance of a building permit as the property is within 500m of the fill area.

In October, the municipality informed Mr. Schinbeckler that his consent application can be supported conditional on an amendment to restrict residential uses within 60

metres west of the easterly boundary of the new lot proposed. This would restrict any residential uses within 500 metres of the closed landfill site boundary.

A history of Mr. Schinbeckler's land shows that two new lots have been created and that he proposes to sell the newly created parcel of land for farm-related residential uses. However, it appeared that the easterly 60 metres of the proposed severed land is within 500 metres of the municipal landfill site and that a condition of consent approval thus requires an approved amendment restricting residential uses within part of the proposed new lot. This land would also still be zoned as rural. If the amendment is

approved as proposed, it would also have to be consistent with Section 3.0 of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) of 2014, Protecting Public Health and Safety, which states that development shall be directed away from areas of natural or human-made hazards where there is an unacceptable risk to public health or safety or of property damage, and not create new or aggravate existing hazards.

Councillor Dale Scott questioned the feeding and watering of animals on this land and was assured that there is no issue with the Planning Board and that the area in question is outside the 500 metre stipulation. Councillor Alex Baran questioned whether knowledge

of the restricted land will be in the bylaw. "How does a future owner learn about the restrictions?" he asked. He was assured by Mr. McPherson that this information will always be on the land title.

It was recommended that the application for the zoning bylaw amendment be approved by council with the provision that the registered plan of survey is received.

Northeast Town, Gore Bay and Billings commit to climate action

Through membership with Green Economy North, area municipalities take stock of energy usage

MANITOULIN—Several Northern Ontario communities are making sustainability a priority with the help of Green Economy North. Starting this fall, the municipalities of Blind River, Northeast Town, Gore Bay, Sables-Spanish Rivers and Billings Township will participate in community-based projects that will help them reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Through direct support from Green Economy North, these communities will first take an inventory of their current emissions and identify where reductions can be made. Green Economy North will work with the municipalities to identify areas of inefficiencies and suggest improvements and upgrades that will reduce emissions and lower operating costs. Upgrades to lighting and heating systems are examples of possible projects that could have a major return on investment.

"As a community, we are taking steps to protect our environment and control future costs," said Northeast Town Mayor Alan MacNevin. "Our participation with Green Economy North will help us identify opportunities for energy savings and establish benchmarks for future greenhouse gas reductions."

Mayor MacNevin explained that the municipality is applying to funding through Green Economy North to change lighting at the Northeast Town Recreation Centre, which could see savings of up to 74 percent, and replace the aging boiler system that heats up water for the ice surface cleaner to a new on-demand system.

"Green Economy North is will be looking at our energy usage and creating a baseline for what we currently use and setting up a system for measuring improvement moving forward," Mayor MacNevin further explained.

"We're excited to work with Green Economy North to analyze our current energy usage, and discover where we can reduce consumption," said CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Anette Clarke, Town of Gore Bay. "This project is the first step towards our ultimate goal: a full community energy plan that will help guide our municipality in the future."

With the help of funding provided by not-for-profit partner Environmental Defense, this project will also initiate consultations in some communities that will set the framework for a much larger community energy plan. A full community energy plan can help a municipality continually reduce energy consumption and

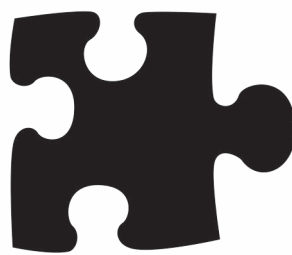
greenhouse gas emissions, improve energy efficiency, and anticipate what future energy needs could be.

Green Economy North is Sudbury's membership-based sustainable business program.

"Our members have access to a wide variety of support, from technical workshops to one-on-one coaching," explains greeneconomynorth.ca. "Green Economy North is a program of rethink Green."

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...‘United Manitoulin Transit’ group seeks funding

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what agencies they were seeking funding from, but did confirm that they had submitted an application to the Community Transportation Grant Program.

The Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (MNDM) announced last Friday that they would be expanding bus service across the North.

“Ontario is launching a new Community Transportation Grant Program to help municipalities, Indigenous communities and other organizations throughout the province provide more travel options in areas that are not served, or underserved by public transit and intercommunity bus,” states a press release from the MNDM. “The program will make it more convenient for seniors, students, persons living with disabilities and others to access essential services in their communities, connect with other transportation services and travel between cities and towns.”

Through the Community Transportation Grant Program up to \$30 million over five years will be available to municipalities, as well, an additional \$10 million will be available to Indigenous communities, Indigenous-led organizations and not-for-profit organizations starting in the summer of 2018.

Also as part of the initiative, the Ontario Northland Transportation Commission (ONTC) will increase bus service in the Northeast and will work in collaboration with existing private carriers to introduce service to communities in the Northwest. “The communities that will benefit from this collaboration include Hearst, Hornepayne, White River, Red Lake, Emo, Rainy River, Fort Frances, Atikokan, Red Rock and others,” continues the release from the MNDM. “Improved services will provide vital links between communities that will help people liv-

ing in Northern Ontario travel to medical and personal appointments, attend school, visit with friends and family, and access other essential services.”

Mr. Dumas explained that through his employment with the MODC he encountered a number of clients who were struggling to get to appointments and jobs.

“Most of them (clients) don’t have driver’s licences or vehicles,” Mr. Dumas said. “They rely on others to drive them to appointments and around Manitoulin. This sparked the idea that this was a gap in service that needed to be addressed. I began speaking to other service groups and organizations which reaffirmed that this (transportation) is a problem on Manitoulin.”

With a background as a management consultant, Mr. Dumas decided to take the project on and approached MODC, asking if they would be the lead on funding applications, to which they agreed.

Mr. Dumas organized a meeting, inviting service providers, organizations and groups from across Manitoulin to attend and provide input on the transportation challenges experienced by their clients and look at a solution collaboratively.

“We discussed a lot of challenges around transportation and potential ideas, but we don’t want impose what we see as the solution, that is why the feasibility study is important,” said Mr. Dumas. “We need to see what the need is and what the people of Manitoulin want as a solution.”

United Manitoulin Transit is awaiting funding through the applications submitted by the MODC on the group’s behalf. If funding is obtained, the chosen consultant will undertake the feasibility study, which is to be carried out between January and June 2018.

...South Baymouth, Meldrum Bay cameras monitor

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many other curious parties had contacted the municipal office with enquiries, the clerk explained. Her guess was that it was part of the Ministry of Transportation’s (MTO) new roads monitoring system, which was unveiled earlier this month. Turns out Ms. Gerard was correct in her assumptions.

“The MTO is committed to keeping Ontario’s highways as safe as possible during winter weather conditions,” Bruce Sedgwick, area contracts engineer for the MTO, Sudbury District, told The Expositor in an email. “Significant efforts are made in order to make Ontario’s highways safe and to provide efficient winter maintenance services for the public. The ministry continually reviews standards, new technology, equipment and materials to improve winter maintenance practices. All of these efforts contribute to Ontario’s record of having among the safest roads in North America.”

“Ontario uses state-of-the-art technology to keep highways safe for winter driving, to make sure snow and ice are removed quickly and efficiently and to use salt in an environmentally responsible way,” Mr. Sedgwick continued. “The Road-Weather Information System (RWIS) helps to predict winter weather and highway conditions. There are 148 similar installations across Ontario that monitor current conditions and provide site-specific forecasts. This helps maintenance crews prepare the right equipment and materials before a storm, act quickly once the storm arrives and adjust their activities as conditions change. The RWIS utilizes cameras and sensors to monitor pavement surface conditions, wind, amounts and type of precipitation, air tempera-



South Baymouth is home to a Ministry of Transportation mini weather station pilot project.

photo by Larry Killens

tures, dew points, as well as future weather forecasts for the local area.” This includes the camera located at South Baymouth.

“The RWIS station you observed on Highway 6 in South Baymouth is part of pilot project to test a new type of mini weather station,” Mr. Sedgwick explained. “The ministry will install 11 of these weather stations this winter to test their effectiveness to determine if they

will provide reliable weather data. These weather stations are easy to install and require substantially less capital investment than our permanent network of 148 Road-Weather Information System stations. The cameras on all of the RWIS stations are aimed along the highway to capture images of the road conditions for winter maintenance operations purposes only and to ensure person-

al information is not captured.”

There is an existing RWIS installed at 10-Mile Point on Highway 6 in addition to the new unit at South Baymouth, and another is being installed on Highway 540 at Meldrum Bay, added Lara Cantin, MTO regional issues and media advisor, Northeast Region. “The two new mini-stations are part of a pilot program and will provide essential weather and road information at the furthest points of Manitoulin Island. The weather can vary across Manitoulin due to effect of the Great Lakes. It can be sunny and clear in Little Current while an intense snow squall is occurring in South Baymouth. As our winter maintenance equipment deploys from the Little Current, Gore Bay and Mindemoya patrol yards, these RWIS stations can provide essential information to our maintenance crews on when and where to deploy equipment. The stations are strategically installed in locations across the province to capture specific weather and road conditions.”

The public can access road condition information, including each Road-Weather Information System, by visiting the Ministry of Transportation Traveller Information Services online at www.ontario.ca/511.

“We anticipate the Road-Weather Information System recently installed on Highway 6 at South Baymouth will soon be available on the Ministry of Transportation Traveller Information System,” Mr. Sedgwick said. “The ministry has also launched two pilot projects called TrackMyPlow, a web-based service showing where winter maintenance equipment is at work in Ontario and a Winter Driving Conditions Forecast on the Ontario511 website.”

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...Ruth Eadie named LC Legionnaire of the Year

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room to a lustrous shine," Comrade Menard continues. "She just goes non-stop then cleans and cleans. The energizer bunny has nothing on her!"

"Ruth works tremendously hard for the welfare of this branch," the president continued. "She was presented with a certificate of appreciation in 2015 and a certificate of merit in 2016. Her dedication and loyalty all of these years towards Legion endeavours are immeasurable and boundless. Let us stand and commend this amazing woman."

Comrade Eadie received a Legionnaire of the Year plaque, a bouquet of flowers and a poppy necklace and earring set for her efforts. The large crowd gave her a standing ovation in recognition of her considerable efforts.

Comrade Menard then called up Little Current Lions Bruce Burnett, president, and Mike Dubreuil, treasurer from the Little Current Lions Club.

"On behalf of Branch #177, we are deeply grateful to you for considering us with your Catch the Ace endeavours and profits," the president said. "You have enabled us to be so much more financially secure. Your donations to the branch have enabled us to secure three GICs (guaranteed income certificates) which gives us great peace of mind and added security for the future of this branch's existence. Your continued support is much appreciated as it benefits



Little Current Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 177 Ladies' Auxiliary President Nancy Milburn, right, presents Josephine Eshkibok with a pin for her 45 years with the auxiliary.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

both of our great organizations, which in turn benefits the community organizations."

During the evening's proceedings, seven certificates of appreciation were also handed out to deserving individuals: Margaret Bowerman, John Chapman, Joe Hannah, Debbie Menard, Judy Miller, Lucy Sagle and Tom Stephens

Four certificates of merit were also awarded to: Doug Clarke, The Manitoulin Expositor, Rob and Ursula Paxton and Elizabeth St. Jacques.

As always during the Legion honours and awards, pin presentations were also made to the following ordinary members:

Dave Walton, 40 years (150th anniversary medal); Blair Sullivan, 30 years (90th Legion anniversary medal); Paul Manion, 20 years, Denis Blake, five years, John T. Murray, five years; associate members: Mike Cooper, 35 years; Kenneth Rowe, 35 years; Charles Adam, 35 years; Terrance Hari, 30 years; Kevin Hutchinson, 30 years; Denis Cunningham, 25 years; Cecile Migwans, 25 years; Robert McCallum, 20 years; Brian Morrison, 20 years; Cathy Morrison, 20 years; Elizabeth Ann Wahamaa, 20 years; Gary Green, 15 years; Darin Hannah, 15 years; Mathew Jordison, 15 years; David Marshall, 15 years;

Connie Donaldson, 10 years; John McLennan, 10 years; Larry Smith, 10 years; Asa Jewell, five years; Jim McBain, five years; Leonard Neganegijig, five years; John Stephens, five years; Philip Stephens, five years; affiliate voting: Darrell Eadie, 20 years; Marcel Gauthier, 20 years; Gordon Keatley, 20 years; Godfrey Lovelace, 20 years; Jack Omnet, 20 years; Stewart Harris, 10 years; Norm Hore, 10 years; Marlene Mallette, 10 years; Leonard McCoy, 10 years; Bill Strain, 10 years; affiliate non-voting: David Naples, 10 years; and Fred Burger, five years. (These last two are summer visitors from the United States and the president explained that she and Comrade Roy Eaton had made their presentations to them before they returned home.)

The Ladies' Auxiliary, led by president Nancy Milburn, then handed out its pins, including a 55-year pin to both charter members Verna Heise and Peggy Patrick, neither of whom were in attendance, but do still attend events when able, it was noted.

Josephine Eshkibok of Wiikwemkoong was also presented with a pin for 45 years with the auxiliary, with daughter Marie Eshkibok being presented with her 20-year pin.

The honourees were then treated to snacks and refreshments following the awards presentations.

...Donations sought to help stock Manitoulin Christmas hampers

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Rainbow District School Board held a collection day November 30 to help out all food banks in their area, including Manitoulin Island.

"We set up boxes in grocery stores in various locations (around Manitoulin) for food donations," said Ms.

Mathia. "The schools will often do food drivers on our behalf, at Christmas and other times. Teachers will sometimes initiate classroom projects. Last year the Island schools combined to do a stuff a bus collectively in addition to those things. In addition, many of our local churches and com-

munity groups self-initiate donations from their group."

"We will have a food bank day where the Christmas food baskets are filled to be given to families in need," said Ms. Mathia.

...permaculture operation receives Premier's Award for innovation

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for today and tomorrow," said Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Jeff Leal in a release announcing the awards. "I'd like to congratulate this year's recipients and thank them for their commitment to strengthening Ontario's world-class agri-food sector and positioning our province for continued economic growth."

"It is incredibly energizing and affirming," said Mr. Tilson when contacted by The Expositor on Monday.

The award came as a bit of a surprise for the NOPRI team. "I thought it was a bit of a long shot when I applied," admitted Mr. Tilson, "so I wasn't anticipating anything. When I got the word, it came as a surprise."

The award's citation notes that "The Northern Ontario Permaculture Research Institute (NOPRI) is on a mission to supply fresh, nutritious produce to northern communities year-round. To achieve this goal, the not-for-profit organization designed a solar-powered, four-season greenhouse made with

recycled materials like "styrocrete"—a blend of concrete and Styrofoam diverted from landfills. This would enhance local production of fresh food throughout all seasons – a benefit to food security, the environment and the promotion of healthier lifestyles. NOPRI has future plans to build multiple micro-greenhouses on Manitoulin Island, allowing local producers to grow crops and raise fish in a controlled environment. The low-cost structures are scalable, helping create food hubs with increased availability of local food in northern communities."

The award comes with more than just some nice words on a fancy certificate. NOPRI is depositing a nice \$5,000 cheque that will help go a long way toward furthering their mission.

"It will pay for the engineering plans for our next prototype," Mr. Tilson said.

That prototype will be a 960 square-foot greenhouse, location yet to be finalized. The 48 by 20 foot greenhouse will take the NOPRI all-season local

food concept to the next level. "That's the goal," said Mr. Tilson. "We are still working on the control system."

Another bonus of the award was the interest generated the NOPRI work has generated with the energy minister and his office. "It was a good networking opportunity," agreed Mr. Tilson. "We will hopefully see something good come out of that."

The award money will also be used to revamp the NOPRI manufacturing facility's electrical system.

The Northern Ontario Permaculture Research Institute joins a number of Manitoulin businesses and

organizations that have received Premier Awards in this category, including two for Manitoulin's Mike Meeker for his work in aquaculture, Manitoulin Streams, Burt Farms and the Northern Ontario Aquaculture Association.

Since 2007, the Premier's Award program has received more than 1,700 nominations, with \$4.25 million distributed to 525 award-winning innovators. Ontario's agri-food sector supports more than 800,000 jobs and contributes more than \$37 billion towards the province's gross domestic product.

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...would put Norisle in a giant 'bottle'

...continued from page 1 Steamship Society against Assinack Township) and I have another solution. I think she (the Norisle) should return home and be the heart of a Great Lakes museum we could build in Collingwood."

As The Expositor has previously reported, the society began legal proceedings earlier this year when it learned of the municipality's plans to sell the historical ship to the

would include the draining and closing off of the original Collingwood shipyard drydocks, placing the Norisle high and dry up on blocks and building a large glass structure around the ship.

"This is the only drydock from the 1800s that still exists in the world," claims Mr. Francescut. "The Norisle is the last of the Mohicans (of its kind) and it would be the main focus point of the museum. The

Mr. Francescut has yet to present his idea to either the Collingwood or Assinack council, but is hoping that something can be done to save the historic steamship.

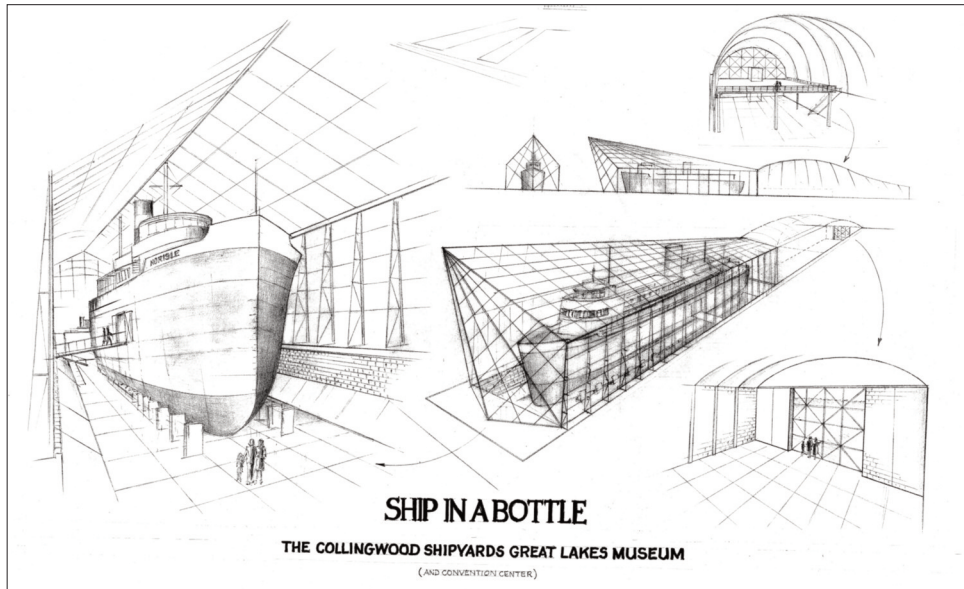
To Mr. Francescut, "gutting the Norisle" to make it into a Great Lakes cruise ship, as has been proposed by the S.S. Norisle Steamship Society, is only slightly better than sinking it.

"The ship has survived

Assignack CAO Alton Hobbs said prior to the lawsuit that the Norisle's sale to the TMA wasn't a done deal.

"Council's position prior to the lawsuit was that they wanted the ship removed," said Mr. Hobbs. "If the lawsuit was settled in Assinack's favour, I'm sure council would be open to looking at any proposals for the ship."

As of press time on Monday, a court date for the legal proceeding had still not been set.



These scaled drawings by Alder Francescut of Collingwood show his concept for a Ship in a Bottle Great Lakes Museum featuring the Norisle.

Tobermory Maritime Association (TMA) to be sunk and used as a dive site.

Mr. Francescut explained that Collingwood had hired a consulting company to develop a Waterfront Master Plan for the municipality to revitalize the city's waterfront.

"They were having public input sessions earlier this year and I presented my idea for a 'Ship in a Bottle: The Collingwood Shipyards Great Lakes Museum,'" said Mr. Francescut. "It was well received by many of the community members in attendance."

Mr. Francescut's vision

ship is as beautiful today as it was when she was built and it would be a way to preserve it for future generations."

Mr. Francescut also presented his idea at a celebration for the 100th anniversary of the shipyard.

"Mr. Francescut spoke to me about his idea at the celebration," said Collingwood Councillor Deb Doherty. "As a member of the community, anything that celebrates the heritage of Collingwood and brings tourism, while highlighting the waterfront, is something that I would support in principle."

all these years," said Mr. Francescut. "It doesn't need to change, it just needs to be preserved how it is. I want to get the idea out there that there is a way to do that."

The Expositor spoke to Dave Ham, chair of the S.S. Norisle Steamship Society, about the 'Ship in the Bottle' museum concept.

"He (Mr. Francescut) called me about a year ago," said Mr. Ham. "I never gave it much thought. I can't really say what the group (Steamship Society) would say about it and our meetings are on hold right now due to the lawsuit."

...Waubetek GM tells Commons committee

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The discussions around Indigenous trade and investment going on currently in Canada and United States are being replicated around the world. "I have been working a lot with outfits out of Australia, New Zealand and South America."

One specific thing that is on Ms. Madahbee Leach's mind is the Jay Treaty of 1794—recognized and codified in various US statutes but not agreed to by Canada. The Jay Treaty largely focused on the free movement and trade between Britain and Canada, but it included key elements that have impacted on Indigenous peoples on both sides of the border—allowing for free travel into the US for the purpose of trade and employment.

To wit, in the Jay Treaty the British and the US set out that: "It is agreed, that it shall at all times be free to His Majesty's subjects, and to the citizens of the United States, and also to the Indians dwelling on either side of the said boundary line, freely to pass and repass, by land or

inland navigation into the respective territories and countries of the two parties on the continent of America (the country within the limits of the Hudson's Bay Company only excepted)... and freely carry on trade and commerce with each other."

"We talked about the Jay Treaty and how that has worked and how some of the work that has been going on in South America has worked," she said.

Ms. Madahbee Leach shared a lot of documentation on Indigenous rights and spoke at length about the treaties when she addressed the committee, things that are better understood on one side of the equation, but not so well understood by the broader Parliamentary community.

Another key element of her discussions focused on the high level of unemployment

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...Dave's classic Jag has left the Island

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"I have to admit there was a trace of a tear in my eye when it was loaded up and headed down the driveway," said David Schinbeckler, of Mindemoya, until recently the dotting owner of the iconic vehicle. Mr. Schinbeckler recently sold the vehicle back to Jaguar Land Rover, the United Kingdom's largest car manufacturer, the original manufacturer of the high performance sports car as part of that company's Jaguar E-Type Reborn program. That Jaguar program will see the company hand restore E-Type Jags in its original Coventry manufacturing plant for resale to the public, complete with a full company warranty.

Like most autophiles, Mr. Schinbeckler is a walking encyclopedia about the Jaguar company and is more than willing to share the information he has garnered in his travels with an interested listener.

...Waubetek GM

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ment in Indigenous communities and the relatively low-hanging fruit that creating jobs in those communities presents to the broader GDP.

"All we need to do to turn that around is to create 135,000 jobs across Canada in Indigenous communities," she said. "It sounds like a lot, but when you spread it out across the whole country it isn't insurmountable at all." In Ontario, that would mean the creation of less than 20,000 jobs. "It is so easy to do," she said. It is important to note that those numbers include the creation of self-employment opportunities.

One of the first places those jobs could be created that would be to bring education in First Nations communities up to par with the provincial school boards. "Children in our education systems receive two-thirds less than mainstream Canadians," she said. "Once we get proper education and skills development in place a lot of those employment opportunities will open up." The impact on Canadian GDP will be immense.

The Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, she notes, lay out a roadmap for economic reconciliation.

When it comes to taking that road, one of the first signposts can be found in the realm of government procurement. "Procurement in Canada is \$18 billion annually," she said.

While there is a long road ahead, and perhaps the road behind may have been rockier than smooth, Ms. Madahbee Leach was optimistic about the road ahead.

"The openness with which we were received is unprecedented," she said of the reception at the House of Commons committee. "I appreciate that we had that opportunity, to build a relationship. I truly believe that we opened some eyes and had valuable input in the process."

"The company founded by Sir William Lyons in the 1930s was originally called the Swallow Sidecar Company," he revealed. "It built fairly stylish sidecars for motorcycles." As a natural extension of that business, the company expanded into building car bodies and then full automobiles—one of those models was the Jaguar. With the advent of the Second World War, Sir William's company geared up for full-on war production, throwing itself into the war effort with enthusiastic abandon and changing stripes to manufacture military engines.

"When the war finally ended, Britain was in awful shape, deeply in debt and their economy in shambles, everything was being rationed," said Mr. Schinbeckler. "The government focussed heavily on exports as they were desperate for foreign currency with which to pay back the US for the Lend-Lease program and other war debts." (Under the Lend-Lease program, the still neutral US supplied the Allies with the military wherewithal needed to fend off the Nazis.)

"If you wanted a supply of steel or rubber, it was export or perish," noted Mr. Schinbeckler.

"Sir William had noticed that there was a huge appetite for sports cars fol-

lowing the war, particularly in the US."

At the close of the war, the automobile company was still called S. S. Cars Limited, but the "SS" moniker held negative connotations due to the dreaded Nazi paramilitary organizations that sported the same prefix. The name was switched to Jaguar, which melded well with the sporty little cars the company planned to sell into a war-weary global market.

British sports cars proved to be a big hit, especially with US servicemen introduced to the zippy little vehicles while serving as part of the occupation forces. "They were buying them up by the bail-load," said Mr. Schinbeckler. "There was nothing like them back home."

A Studebaker Lark was lucky to be able to muster 60 miles per hour "downhill with a tailwind," explained Mr. Schinbeckler. "The British sports cars were already topping 100-120 miles per hour. The British sports car companies could literally not build them fast enough for the market demand."

Enter the senior Mr. Schinbeckler.

"My dad was too young to serve in the US Army during the war, but he joined up and served as

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...Dave Schinbeckler's classic Jaguar has left the Island

...continued from page 12 part of the occupation following the war. He was absolutely smitten with them," noted Mr. Schinbeckler, whose family origi-

movie star, taking him on tours of the production facility, and soon he and Mr. Gable became fast friends. It was a major marketing coup. "Everything in Holly-

wood is all about appearances and keeping up with the Joneses," laughed Mr. Schinbeckler.

The British automotive industry hauled that coun-

try out of the economic doldrums almost single-handedly as the post-war demand for fast little sports cars manufactured by the likes of MG, Aston Martin (of James Bond fame) and Triumph saw as much as 75 percent of those company's production shipped to North America and around the world.

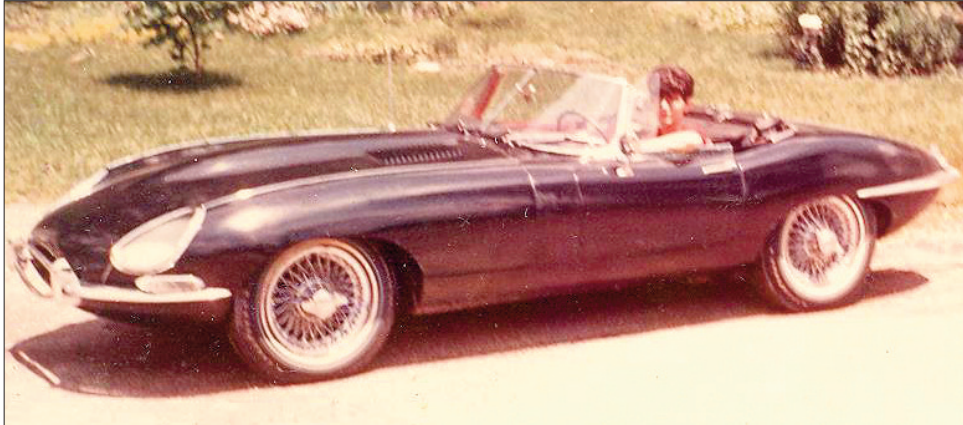
But back to our story.

"In 1964, we had the XK-120, but dad found out about an E-type that had been in a low-speed head-on collision (under 20 mph)," recalled Mr. Schinbeckler. "The front three-feet of the front end was crumpled, but there isn't really anything in that part of the front end."

The original owner of the car, one Thomas Riddick

Sr., was a piano store and Indianapolis radio station owner whose work-a-day ride was a Lincoln. Mr. Riddick Sr. and his wife went to work in the Lincoln one day, while 18-year-old Junior drove the Jaguar to school. "The subdivisions in those days were laid out in these crazy spaghetti patterns and there was no such thing

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Dave Schinbeckler's mother Joanne sitting in the E-type when it was still painted its original black colour.

nally hails from the States. "The first Jag in my family was a 1948 Jaguar XK-120—a red one."

Sir William was a canny businessman and he was among the first to recognize the power of celebrity in the US market. This was not as self-evident as might be expected by a 21st century North American, since the cult of celebrity is actually a bit of an anathema to the English—particularly in the mid-20th century before the advent of mass media.

"Clark Gable (a famous movie star of the mid-20th century) was driving his XK up and down Hollywood Boulevard," said Mr. Schinbeckler. "Soon, every A-lister in movieland simply had to have one." Sir William cultivated the



Jaguar E-Type scout Ian Trapp joins Dave Schinbeckler for a photo after the classic vehicle was loaded up and on its way to the Jaguar restoration facility in Coventry, England.

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UCCM Police receive cultural training

by Michael Erskine
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outcomes for Indigenous children, family and communities.”

Chief Nahwegahbow pointed to the sign at the entrance to the UCCM

culture.

“It doesn’t take your responsibility away,” noted Chief Nahwegahbow of the cultural training, “but it fosters a greater under-

standing of the elements in culture that can have an impact. It is important that we don’t find ourselves working against each other, but to open the door to a greater understanding.”

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Institute for Culturally Restorative Practices Executive Director Estelle Simard (middle front) conducted a day-long training session with members of the UCCM Police Services. The training took place at the Four Directions Multi-use Complex in Aundeck Omni Kaning.

photo by Michael Erskine

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ABOVE: The Expositor staff and Miss Manitoulin Meg Misner, far left, cheerfully hand out Christmas chocolates during the Little Current Santa Claus Parade.

photos by Robin BurrIDGE



RIGHT: Santa and Mrs. Claus pose for photos with children following the Little Current Santa Claus Parade.



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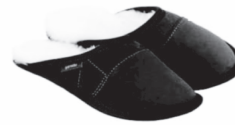
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Parkinson's Disease Support Group. For those affected by the disease and their caregivers, meetings will be the third Thursday of every month, 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Mindemoya Public Library (at the Municipal office building), Mindemoya. Call Marilyn at 705-368-0756, Ext 238 if there are any questions. All welcome.

Manitoulin Family Resources offers programs to support and promote positive family relationships on Manitoulin and the North Shore. Violence against Women Services: Haven House Shelter, Outreach Counseling Crisis Line 705-377-5160; Toll Free Crisis Line 800-465-6788; Children's Services: Manitoulin Best Start Hub, Child Care 705-368-3400; Help Centre: Treasures Thrift Shop, Food Bank 705-377-5532; Administration 705-377-5532.

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Gateway To Life Church service schedule, Sunday Morning Gateway Kids ages 4 to 12, 9 am to 10 am; Sunday Worship, 10:30 am; Tuesday Bible Study, 7 pm; Wednesday The Gate Youth, 7pm. Affiliated with P.A.O.C., 22 Vankoughnet street east, P.O. Box 681, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0. Pastor Philip Hovi 705-368-0245, email: office@gatewaytolifechurch.com

for sale

Terry Land's 2018 Birds of Manitoulin is now available. Wall calendar, \$18; desk calendar, \$10. Makes a great seasonal hostess gift and lasts longer than wine and chocolate. To order, call 705-282-2962 and leave a message or drop by 4 Eleanor Street, Gore Bay on any Wednesday.

Frank's Manitoulin garlic, priced by size, ample supply. 705-618-0161.

Hercules, one-set, 195/60R15, new summer tires, \$180; 195/65/ R15 Champiro winter tires, set of four, \$300. 705-822-4279.

Wedgwood china dinnerware, 12 settings of six pieces each plus eight soups, covered sugar bowl, creamer and seven serving dishes. \$750, call 705-368-3881.

wanted

Donate your old car or truck or farm tractor, etc., or even an old metal boat to our church. We can send a truck right to you to pick these up, and in return you will receive an income tax receipt for the scrap value of your donation to St. Bernard's Church, Little Current. Please, no smaller items such as fridges, stoves, hot water tanks, etc. Contact Tony Ferro at 705-368-3066 or Jim Griffin at 705-859-2289.

Wanted to purchase: tube elevator for square bales, motor not important. Call 705-859-2820 between 6 - 9 pm.

rentals

Three-bedroom Lake Manitou waterfront home for rent. \$1,100 per month plus utilities. 519-546-6438.

Two-bedroom furnished home on waterfront in Little Current. \$790 per month plus utilities. Lawn care and snow removal included, no pets. Call 705-368-2186.

Two-bedroom house for rent close to all amenities in Little Current. New windows, doors and flooring; big back yard with workshop. \$900 plus utilities, call 705-665-1177.

rentals

Little Current 2-bedroom apartment, \$925 all inclusive. Modern 2-bedroom apartment, located close to downtown and Low Island, heat and hydro included, fridge, stove, washer and dryer, snow plowing included, lawn maintenance available, big back yard, no smoking or pets. Call or text 705-968-1007.

26tfn

Three-bedroom furnished house to rent with stone fireplace. Ideal for retired or professional. No pets. \$920 plus hydro. Snow removal and lawn care included. 705-368-2186.

29tfn

Legion Events

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #177 Little Current hours: Closed Sundays and Mondays. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 4 pm to closing.

25tfn

Euchre every Wednesday night at 7:30 pm, \$4 entry.

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Sea Cadet Events

#348 Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps: Sea Cadets meeting each Monday from 6:30 pm to 9 pm, Little Current Public School, ages 12 to 18. For information call 705-368-2031.

15tfn

coming events

The Little Shoppe Around the Corner at Knox United Church, Manitowaning will be closing for the season on Saturday, December 9. Everything in the store will be 75% off on December 8 and 9. Open 10 am to 3 pm on Friday, 10 am to 6:30 pm on Saturday for "Christmas Madness". Hot drinks and prize draws on Saturday! The Shoppe will re-open on May 11, 2018.

29p

The Little Schoolhouse and Museum in South Baymouth is having their annual Christmas Caroling, December 10, 1 to 3 pm. There will be singing, draws and a light lunch. Come and enjoy the start of the Christmas season with us!

29p

Mindemoya Christmas Bird Count on Saturday, December 16.

29-30c

Manitoulin Health Center Auxiliary book sale is on Friday, December 15, 5 pm to 8 pm. Saturday, December 16, 9 am to 2pm. Come to the Cafeteria at the Manitoulin Health Center, Little Current. Stock up for winter reading, lots of kid's books and jigsaws too.

29-30c

Passport photos are taken Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4:30 pm at the Expositor Office. \$20.50 including tax. **No appointment necessary.** 705-368-2744.

coming events

Silver Water Christmas UCW Party: Thursday, December 7. Beginning at Stop 540 restaurant at 12:30pm followed by silent sale, entertainment and refreshments at the Silver Water Community Hall at 1:30 pm. Roll Call: bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank and share your Christmas wish. Exchange new gift value, \$12. Fill your car, bring your friends, come and have a good time. By Silver Water United Church Women, hosted by Myra Duncanson.

27-29p

Children Shop for Free time is here again on Saturday, December 9 from 11 am to 1 pm at Trinity United Manitoulin (formerly Mindemoya United Church). Children under 12 years old are welcome to come and shop for parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters. Assistant shoppers are on hand to help smaller children shop while the parents enjoy cookies and refreshments. Wrappers are on hand to wrap the gifts. Donations of new or gently used item for children, men, boys, women, girls and pets are welcome. Contact persons are: Marian Sloss 705-282-2816, Willie Munro 705-282-8541, or Tom McQuay 705-377-5783.

27-29p

Homemade Christmas cookies for sale by St. Paul's Anglican Church ladies in Manitowaning. \$4/dozen. Call 705 859 1212 to reserve today. Pick up: December 16, Assiginack Public Library, 10 am to 12 pm.

28-29p

Manitoulin Secondary School Christmas Concert with various elementary schools joining. Entrance by donation. Refreshments available. Thursday, December 7 at 7 pm, MSS cafeteria.

28-29c

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

December 24: The ABCs of Christmas, St Andrew's United Church, Silver Water, 7 pm. Everyone is invited to share a light-hearted, interactive retelling of the Christmas story.

29-31p

Book launch for Evelyn Cardiff and Vera Constantineau Saturday, December 9 from 1 pm to 4 pm at the Gore Bay Harbour Centre, 2nd level. Meet the authors, enjoy readings and refreshments, buy local books for Christmas gift-giving. Hosted by Gore Bay Museum and Manitoulin Writers' Circle. Everyone welcome. More info 705-282-1714.

29c

The Manitowaning Agricultural Society will be holding their annual general meeting at 7 pm on December 13 in the boardroom at the Assiginack Museum in Manitowaning. Everyone is welcome.

29-30c

coming events

Manitoulin Flee Market

25% OFF All In-store Stock
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coming events

Christmas
at
The Harbour Centre
in Gore Bay

Saturday, December 9, 2017
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Join us at the cafe and studios
High Tea and Dual Book Launch for
Evelyn Cardiff and Vera Constantineau.
The authors will read and sign copies of their books.

Merry Christmas from all of us at the studios,
the Manitoulin Writers' Circle members
and The Gore Bay Museum.

coming events

We shall light a Thousand Candles

Please join us for two celebrations of
Seasonal music
presented by the *Island Singers & Friends*



Sunday, December 10, 2017 • 3:00 pm
Sponsored by
Little Current United Church

Monday, December 11, 2017 • 7:30 pm
Sponsored by
Mindemoya Missionary Church

Adults \$10 • Family \$20 • Students \$5

Christmas Craft Fair & Luncheon



Saturday, December 9
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Mindemoya Community Centre
Proceeds go to Manitoulin
Pet Rescue

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday,
Jan 27, 2018

Traditional Robbie Burns Dinner

Hosted by the
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League at Four
Directions Complex in
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Watch for details.

help wanted

Debajehmujig
Storytellers

8 Debajehmujig Lane
Wikwemikong, ON
POP 2J0
705.859.2317
www.debaj.ca

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Debajehmujig Storytellers is a multi-disciplinary arts organization located on Manitoulin Island. Our main focus is storytelling through many mediums including visual and performance arts, multi-media, music, and more. We take a land-based approach to our creative work which means we also engage in many land-based activities that augment our artistic practise.

GENERAL MANAGER - PERMANENT, FULL TIME

The General Manager is responsible for establishing and executing major goals and objectives for Debajehmujig. Implement policies established by the Board of Directors. Provide leadership, direction and guidance of Debajehmujig's activities. For complete details please visit www.debaj.ca and click on the "Opportunities" tab.

BOOKKEEPER/DATA ENTRY - PERMANENT, FULL TIME

Duties include basic book work and financial reporting. For full details please visit www.debaj.ca and click on the "Opportunities" tab.

help wanted

Private classified word ads, like this, are \$8 for up to 25 words and 10 cents for every additional word, per week, plus HST. Pre-payment (VISA, MasterCard, cheque or cash) is required. Private sales only. Call 705-368-2744 to book your ad.

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QUALIFICATIONS:

Excellent Customer Service skills
Ability to work independently as well as part of a group
Motivated and capable of adapting to the needs of individual customers
Ability to work under pressure and with some time constraints
Proficiency in Excel would be considered as asset
Work with little supervision
Attention to detail

In exchange for your efforts, we offer a competitive salary and a comprehensive benefits program.

Please email your credentials to Janelle Addison at jaddison@monarchr.ca
Deadline for applications is Friday, December 8th, 2017

Manitoulin TRANSPORT

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www.manitoulintransport.com

help wanted

Manitoulin Family Resources

Manitoulin Family Resources
Employment Opportunity
Shelter Residential Counsellor, Casual Position

Manitoulin Family Resources requires one casual Residential Counsellor to support women in our Violence Against Women shelter program, Haven House. The Residential Counsellor provides counselling, crisis intervention, support and advocacy to women and children residing at the shelter as well as telephone counselling and support through crisis line coverage.

Qualifications:

- Relevant post-secondary diploma or degree, and/or combination of training/experience working with victims of woman abuse.
- Excellent interpersonal, planning, and communication skills, experience with data entry and computer skills, and a demonstrated commitment to diversity, cultural competency, and anti-racist/anti-oppressive frameworks.
- Current CPR/First Aid certification, Food Handler's Safety certificate, valid driver's licence and Vulnerable Sector Screening are all required.
- Registration with the College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers is an asset, as is second language fluency in Ojibway and French.

This position is a bargaining unit position and flexibility in scheduling will be required to meet the needs of the shelter.

Please forward applications to dleblanc@mfresources.net

Manitoulin Family Resources
Attn: D. Leblanc
P.O. Box 181
Mindemoya, ON
POP 1S0
705 377-4863 (fax)



**NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
Employment Opportunity
Behaviour Analyst/Behaviour Therapist**

Summary

As part of a multi-disciplinary team, the Behaviour Analyst/Behaviour Therapist will provide hands-on functional assessment in order to develop and implement behaviour support/treatment plans for pediatric clients, as well as to provide strategies, training and support to families and educators. Optimizing safety and participation of children in their daily activities across environments will be an utmost goal of the position. The role also includes support of program planning and quality improvement.

Responsibilities

1. Administer, evaluate, and interpret assessments/testing as appropriate.
2. Develop, implement and monitor behaviour support/treatment plans in collaboration with families and educators
3. Collaborate with the case manager to manage available resources with the unique needs of the community, client and care giver circle.
4. Collaborate as needed with consulting psychologist in intervention planning and implementation
5. Participate in collaborative goal-setting and care planning with a multi-disciplinary team
6. Strive to advance knowledge, skills, and abilities and consistently share these with others
7. Document daily activities and submit detailed reports.
8. Contribute to statistical/workload reporting
9. Comply with school policies, procedures, and best practices
10. Monitor progress of students, including recommendations for the subsequent year(s) of the project.
11. Respond to parent, teacher, and/or student inquiries.

Qualifications

- Bachelor level education and post-graduate diploma in Behavioural Science, Behavioural Services, or similar combination of education and experience.
- Board Certified Behaviour Analyst an asset.
- A minimum of two years recent related experience in pediatric behaviour management preferred
- Strong clinical skills and demonstrated competence in assessment of children, youth and their families.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Anishinabek culture, formal cultural sensitivity training and experience working with aboriginal cultures are assets
- Ability to speak Ojibway is an asset.
- Valid driver's license and licensed vehicle
- Clear CPIC and Vulnerable Sector Screen are required.

Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copies of credentials and two (2) names of immediate supervisors with contract information marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Behaviour Analyst/Behaviour Therapist
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0
Telephone: 705.859.3164 • Fax: 705.859.3300 • Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: December 12th, 2017 at 2:00pm

Copies of the following will be requested from the SUCCESSFUL candidate: CPIC/VSS, Driver's License & Abstract.
DO NOT INCLUDE IN PACKAGE.

*We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.
Incomplete submissions will not be accepted. No return of submissions.*

**NOOJMOWIN TEG HEALTH CENTRE
INDIGENOUS FOODS COORDINATOR
FULL TIME 2.5 YEAR CONTRACT**



Job Summary:

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is inviting applications for the Indigenous Foods Coordinator for a minimum 2.5 year contract position. Under general direction, the Indigenous Foods Coordinator develops plans, and implements traditional foods sessions to Indigenous community members within the Manitoulin District, and generally enhances nutritional knowledge to partnering health care providers. The Indigenous Foods Sovereignty program complements the Manitoulin Community Fresh Food Initiative (MCFI). The successful applicant will work under the direction of the MCFI Project Manager and Executive Director.

The Indigenous Foods Coordinator will assist the MCFI Project Manager in developing and coordinating sessions pertaining to traditional food sources, including foraging wild edibles, harvesting forest and freshwater foods and engaging First Nation community members in traditional healthy eating through a marketing and promotions strategy. In addition, the Coordinator will build upon existing, and develop new, partnerships, working collaboratively with various partners to enhance program content ensuring materials and processes are culturally appropriate. The Coordinator will assist the MCFI Project Manager with other MCFI program duties as required.

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

Requirements of the Position:

- Minimum two year diploma in Food and Nutrition Management or related field
- One to three years previous experience working within food and nutrition management
- One to three years previous experience providing group facilitation
- Current CPR C and First Aid Certification
- Valid Class G driver's license and have access to a vehicle
- Experience working in First Nation communities
- Knowledge of traditional teachings related to food and medicines
- Knowledge of the First Nation communities of Manitoulin Island
- Knowledge of the nutritional services within the Manitoulin Island catchment area
- Knowledge of First Nation health issues
- Understanding and sensitivity for the Anishinabe culture
- Experience working within an electronic medical records environment

Pre-requisites:

Please submit the following, no later than **5:00p.m. December 15th, 2017:**

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

Please inquire for a full job description.

Send "Confidential" to: **Attn:** Debbie Francis, Director of Operations
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd., Bag 2002,
Little Current, ON POP 1K0
Ph.: 705-368-2182 ext. 204; Fax.: 705-368-2229
Email: Debbie.francis@noojmowin-teg.ca

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



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For more information about this employment opportunity, please visit www.rainbowschools.ca/about/employment.

Interested candidates should apply by **noon Monday December 18, 2017** and submit a cover letter, resume and names of three (3) references.

Doreen Dewar
Board Chair

Norm Blaseg
Director of Education

rainbowschools.ca



WIKWEMIKONG
BOARD OF EDUCATION

34 Henry Street, Wikwemikong, ON POP 2J0
P: 705-859-3834 | F: 705-859-3787
wbe-education.ca

EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT OPPORTUNITY

POSITION: Wikwemikong High School Principal
SALARY: According to WBE Salary Grid
START DATE: January 2018 - June 2018

The Principal is responsible for the development and management of school administration and adhering to the WBE Board policies, curriculum development and delivery, student learning, supervision, evaluation and development of school employees and the management of the school building and facilities.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provides excellent leadership to staff through supervision and performance with a focus on communications, professional growth and development.
- Evaluates, develops, implements, and enhances curriculum to ensure that it's current and that new trends or developments are appropriately incorporated with a focus on the Anishnaabe language and culture program.
- Develops, adjusts and ensures that School Improvement Plan is achieved.
- Applies effective conflict resolution to build positive relationships with students, parents, staff and community members.
- Collaborates with outside agencies including the 2 other schools with the WBE School Board to continually improve community involvement and awareness of activities and to promote and enhance well-being.
- Maintains confidentiality on all matters relating to the affairs of the Wikwemikong High School and WBE.
- In charge of management, organization, attendance, discipline of school, extra-curricular supervision, and other records; comprehensively administer school programs.
- Engage parents/community in all aspects of school operations.
- In consultation with school board and supervisor, improve, adapt and develop curriculum, course outlines, long range plans and calendars.
- Maintain a daily report of activities in a supervisory daybook.

QUALIFICATIONS, KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor of Arts/ Science Degree, Bachelor of Education Degree & Principals Qualifications.
- Registered with the Ontario College of Teachers.
- Additional Qualifications in Guidance/Special Education/ Native as a Second Language, are strongly recommended.
- Knowledge of WBE Board Policy and Ministry of Education Statutes and Regulations.
- Knowledge and appreciation of Anishnaabe language, First Nations culture and heritage are an asset.
- Demonstrated ability in leadership and team building.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with parents, staff and community.
- Team player, experience in administration, behavior management and counselling preferable with strong interpersonal communication skills.
- Awareness and sensitivity to current education issues and the changing nature of instruction, including the use of technology.
- Experience in a supervisory capacity as Principal or Vice-Principal.
- Demonstrated ability in the management of a school including, but not limited to, proposal planning and writing, financial budgets, HR issues and daily administration.
- High School experience is preferred.

HOW TO APPLY:


- Provide a letter of application and resume.
- 3 letters of reference. One letter must be on letterhead from most recent employee.
- Current (original) criminal/vulnerable reference check (within the last 90 days).
- Original TB Mantoux test (formal Medical Form/Letter from Family Doctor, within the last 90 days).
- Recent copy of performance appraisal/evaluation.
- This position comes with full group benefits and Ontario Teacher's Pension Plan (OTPP).

DIRECT APPLICATIONS TO:

Fay Zoccole, Education Director
Wikwemikong Board of Education
34 Henry Street, Wikwemikong, Ontario, POP 2J0
Tel: 705-859-3834 • Fax: 705-859-3787
email: fzoccole@wbe-education.ca

Closing Date: Friday, December 8, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
Only those selected for an interview will be contacted





Conseil des Services du District de
Manitoulin-Sudbury
District Services Board

210 bout Mead Blvd
Espanola, ON P5E 1R9
Telephone/Téléphone: (705) 862-7850
Fax/Télécoeur: (705) 862-7805
<http://www.msdsb.net>

The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board is a municipal service management organization created by the provincial government to oversee the local planning, coordination and delivery of a range of services and programs divested to the municipal order of government. The specific programs our DSB is responsible for are: Ontario Works, Social Housing, Emergency Medical Services (Land Ambulance), and Early Learning and Child Care services.

The following Employment Opportunity is now available to anyone interested in joining our highly dedicated workforce.

PATIENT TRANSPORTATION ATTENDANTS
Contract Position in Espanola/Little Current
6 Positions Available
Competition #2017-03-PTS
Closing date: Dec. 15, 2017
For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at
www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers

While all responses are appreciated, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



**Join Community Living Manitoulin's
FAMILY HOME PROGRAM**

Do you have room in your home and your heart to have an individual share your home? Community Living Manitoulin provides financial support to families who are able to become Family Home Providers. The Family Home Program strives to match individuals with intellectual disabilities to home providers based on a variety of factors. All families must go through an application process in order to make sure that we create the best possible matches.


For more information about the Family Home Program, please contact:
Wendy Friesen at (705) 377-6699 ext. 201

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



Employment Opportunity
Wellness Worker, 2 Positions – 2 Year Contract

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a qualified and motivated individual for the positions of Wellness Worker with the Nadmadwin Mental Health Program.

Summary
The Wellness Worker will take an innovative approach towards addressing addictions and will work in collaboration, through case management meetings, with a team of professionals. The team will include but is not limited to Traditional Resources, mental health workers, addictions workers, child and family service workers and Ontario works in addressing complex needs of those affected by addictions.

Responsibilities
The Wellness Worker will be responsible for:

1. Case Management
2. Ensure that culturally appropriate and effective clinical services are provided to the community of Wikwemikong.
3. Facilitate culturally appropriate and efficient addictions and mental health services to the community of Wikwemikong.
4. Ensure culturally appropriate quality of service by working under close supervision of the Mental Health Manager.
5. Keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues in appropriate fields of interest and communicates information to the Mental Health staff.
6. Assist with the facilitation of professional development.
7. Maintain culturally appropriate professional competency on an ongoing basis.
8. Promote culturally appropriate addictions and mental health services in the community of Wikwemikong
9. Program Implementation; apply relevant policies and procedures relating to criteria of Naandwe Miikan; design and implement activities to improve client health and well-being

Qualifications

- Post-Secondary degree in one of the helping discipline from a recognized institution.
- One to two years of experience in case management.
- Three to five years of experience in First Nation's health services/mental health and addictions services.
- Knowledge and experience in working with First Nation, provincial and federal government systems of health.
- Fluent in Anishinaabemowin is considered an asset.
- Excellent communication, interpersonal and leadership skills.
- An intimate understanding of the lived experience of Anishinabe people and Traditional wellness approaches.
- Good time management and the ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines.




Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copies of credentials and two (2) names of immediate supervisors with contract information marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Wellness Worker
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0
Telephone: 705.859.3164 • Fax: 705.859.3300 • Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: December 12th, 2017 at 2:00pm

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FEDERAL COURT

The Tug "Warren L. II" No. T-1191-17

NOTICE TO PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS

ARISING FROM THE TOWAGE OF 50 TONNE ROCK TRUCK AND FALLING OFF BARGE IN KILLARNEY CHANNEL DECEMBER 7, 2015

The owner of the tug "Warren L. II", namely Ross Patrick Herbert c.o.b. Herbert Fisheries commenced an action in this Court to limit his liability pursuant to the provisions of the *Marine Liability Act* arising out of the towage of a 50 tonne rock truck which fell off the towed barge in Killarney Channel on or about December 7, 2015.

On November 8, 2017 the Court made an Order requiring Ross Patrick Herbert to provide a guarantee bond and/or a letter of undertaking from a reputable insurer in the amount of \$500,000 plus interest from the date of the incident, constituting a limitation fund and giving directions to interested parties as to how claims against the limitation fund may be filed. The Order may be inspected and a copy obtained at the Registry of the Court at 180 Queen St. West, Suite 200, Toronto, Ontario M5V 3L6. A copy of the Order may be obtained from Rui Fernandes at Fernandes Hearn LLP, 155 University Ave, Suite 700, solicitors for Ross Patrick Herbert.


IF YOU HAVE A CLAIM for loss or damage resulting from the towage of a 50 tonne rock truck which fell off the towed barge in Killarney Channel on or about December 7, 2015 or if you dispute the right of the Plaintiff to limit his liability pursuant to the *Marine Liability Act*, you must file a Defence or a Notice of Claim supported by affidavit in the Registry of the Court on or before February 28, 2018 or you will be barred thereafter from participating in these proceedings or in the distribution of the limitation fund.

DATED at Toronto this 8th day of November 2017.

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TO CREDITORS AND OTHER**

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Sincerely,
The Journey to Bethlehem Committee 29p

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Thank you very much. 29p

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District Services Board announces new low rates for daycare

by Alicia McCutcheon
MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) has developed a standard set of child care rates which will mean some financial relief to parents who use DSB-approved daycare services.

DSB CAO Fern Dominelli explained that under new provincial legislation, daycares must now be open a

minimum of 12 hours per day and should they choose to stay open longer, their provincial funding will be higher. On Manitoulin, while none of the daycares are officially open 12 hours a day, that care can be accommodated by request.

"The biggest challenge is finding qualified staff," Mr. Dominelli told the DSB board at this month's meet-

ing, noting that early childhood educators are often choosing to go to school boards, which offer better pay, or other higher paying jobs rather than work in daycares.

DSB Chair Les Gamble said that parents are often having to work jobs that involve evenings and weekends and that DSB daycares should look to be open on

weekends.

Donna Stewart, director of integrated social services, said that this has been discussed, but staffing is an issue. Ms. Stewart explained that a survey will be undertaken soon to see if such a need exists.

Dean Wenborne of French River asked why ECEs don't get equal pay. Mr. Dominelli spoke of the

school board's collective agreements, whereas "we have not-for-profit daycare centres, all not for profit," he reiterated. "For them (daycares) to move their salaries, they need stable funding. Our biggest challenge is to get the centres full. There's currently no waiting list."

Mr. Dominelli explained that when the province boosted ECE funding last year by \$2 an hour, it appears on the paycheque as a separate line item, not as part of the regular pay. He said work needs to be done to have the \$2 incorporated so that should the funding stop, an ECE's rate of pay won't change.

"The salary doesn't drive people to the profession," the CAO admitted.

As of September, the new universal rates for child care centres are as follows: full day, infants, \$35; full day, toddlers, \$30; full day,

pre-school, \$25; full day, school age, \$20; socialization care, all ages, \$15; before and after school care, all ages, \$10; after school care, all ages, \$10; and before school care, all ages, \$5.

The new rates for licenced private home programs are: overnight care, \$45; extended day care, \$35; full day, \$25; half day, \$15; before and after school care, \$10; after school care, \$10; and before school care, \$5.

These rates are available at the Little Current Child Care Centre (705-368-3400), Mindemoya Child Care Centre (705-377-5065), Gore Bay Daycare and Assinack Daycare (both can be reached by calling 705-282-7250), as well as all licenced home care providers on Manitoulin.

These rates will be reviewed annually.

...Dave's classic Jaguar has left the Island

...continued from page 13 as snow tires," explained Mr. Schinbeckler. A low-speed collision ensued.

The insurance company wrote off the vehicle, even though it cost \$3,000 brand new. "That was a lot of money in the 1960s," said Mr. Schinbeckler. His father wound up purchasing the vehicle for a comparative song.

Following six months of determined research, Mr. Schinbeckler managed to track down the younger Mr. Riddick in La Mesa, California and they struck up a conversation. "I will be meeting him down there in a couple of weeks," he said.

So why was the Jaguar company eager to purchase his particular vehicle?

There are four things that come into play when setting a value on a vintage automobile, noted Mr. Schinbeckler. "The first is the serial number, the earlier the number the more valuable it is. My car rolled off the assembly line on November 3, 1961," he said, very early in the production run. "The second is whether it is a roadster (a ragtop convertible) or a coupé (solid top), with the former being the more desirable. Being a roadster adds 25 percent to the value."

The third important item is "matching numbers." Mr. Schinbeckler explained that just about every key part on a Jaguar had a serial number stamped on it, including body, engine, cylinder head. His numbers match.

Finally, and often most important as any fan of the popular show 'Antiques Roadshow' can tell you, is provenance, the history of the automobile. "Mine is a two-owner car, if you exclude the insurance com-



The shipping company showed up on Tuesday, November 21 with a 24' V-nosed car hauler. It took about an hour-and-a-half to stuff the hauler full of the Jaguar body and accompanying crates and boxes.

pany," said Mr. Schinbeckler. "It has been in my family for 50 years and, thanks to Thomas Riddick, I have been able to secure a photograph of the original owner in the car."

Mr. Schinbeckler's Jaguar has it all.

The car was originally painted black, Mr. Schinbeckler's father had the restored Jaguar painted red. When fully restored at Jaguar's original Coventry manufacturing plant, the Schinbeckler/Riddick car will once again sport its ebony chic.

So coming to the Gordon Sinclair question (a reference older viewers of CBC's Front Page Challenge will be familiar with): how much did Jaguar pay?

Enough that Jaguar has a full-time scout by the name of Ian Trapp scouring the planet for the best Type-E Jaguars to restore. Mr. Trapp came to visit Mr. Schinbeckler in Mindemoya to look at his vehicle and documentation. Enough that the transfer is now safely ensconced in Mr. Schinbeckler's account despite his deep attachment to the vehicle and the storied part it has

played in his family's history and his childhood memories...so how much, queries the ghost of Gord?

"Sorry, that's something that has to remain between me and Jaguar," laughs Mr. Schinbeckler, but he does admit that he has already sunk \$50,000 into the restoration and estimates that it would take at least another \$50,000 to compete the job.

So, aside from the money, why did he agree to part with the vehicle that means so much?

"Well, I am now a pensioner," he supplied, "and

to be realistic, I am not getting any younger. I know that I would have to eventually sell the car and this really seems like the best possible outcome for everyone."

So popular is the E-Type Reborn program with autophiles around the worlds that the German buyer for the vehicle has already been found—Mr. Schinbeckler hopes to meet up with him at the factory when he takes delivery.

"Part of the deal with Jaguar is that I get to take it out for a spin on their test track before it is handed over," he said. "I am hoping to convince Thomas and the new owner to come to the Coventry factory to meet up when it is complete."

That will be a while, Mr. Trapp estimated that the hand-restoration will take between 12 and 18 months to complete.

Following this interview, Mr. Schinbeckler bid The Expositor adieu as he clambered into his current vehicle—as you probably might have guessed, it's a later model Jaguar. The Ferrari was sold last month.

Death Notices

ROGER LLOYD



Roger Lloyd of Kagawong, passed away at Mindemoya Hospital on Tuesday, November 28, 2017, in his 53rd year. He will be sadly missed by his mother Elva, siblings Earl (Margot), Tom (Louise), Blanche (Bill) Campbell and Barry (Maryse). Cherished

uncle to Jacynthe (Mike), Christina (Dave), Randy (Alison) and Michelle as well as 3 great nieces and one great nephew. Roger will be missed by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Predeceased by his father Norman, sister in law Cathi, nephew Christopher and niece April. Roger was a man with a big heart. He was one of the founding fathers of the Manitoulin North Shore Injured Workers Group. His interests included hunting and fishing, the Economic Development Committee and Billings Fire Department. He was passionate about ham radios and his joy in 18 wheelers was contagious. Visitation was held at the Simpson Funeral Home on Sunday December 3, 2017 from 7-9 pm, where the funeral service was held on Monday at 1 pm. Interment Kagawong Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation or the Kagawong Cemetery Board as expressions of sympathy and may be made through www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca

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

THANK YOU

The family of Brian Hester wish to extend their thanks for all the cards, emails, phone calls, food, flowers, donations and support extended to us at the time of the loss of our dear husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

Special thanks to all who traveled great distances to be with us at this sad time.

Our thanks to Health Sciences North medical staff, doctors, nurses and support services who attended to and treated Brian with care and dignity.

As it will be impossible to thank all those concerned individually please accept this as a token of our heartfelt appreciation.

Beulah, Lorraine, Chad, Clay and families.



spirituality

In his Rosh Hashana message (September 21, 2017) Rabbi Moshe Miller said: "the theme for this year is: 'Who is this coming up from the wilderness leaning on her beloved', 'Song of Solomon 8:5. Of course, as with everything else in scripture there is a much wider application. The her in this text is symbolic for the church and the beloved is Jesus and it is not just the coming up from the wilderness that is important, but the entering into the promised land that goes together with this that is more significant. Just like Joshua (Yah-Shua meaning salvation of Yahweh) brought the Israelites out of the wilderness into the promised land, so Jesus is going to bring his church into the Kingdom of God, that will come to earth for which millions have prayed in the Lord's prayer. The name Yahweh (Hebrew Jod-He-Wah-He) is used about 7000 times in the Bible and it is called the tetra grammaton (the four-letter name of God). It is the Hebrew acronym for Yahshua Hanazareth Wemelech Hajehudim which was the superscription on the cross when Jesus was crucified, see JOHN 19: 19+20.

What most Christians do not realize is that Jesus is Yahweh. He is the God and Lord of the entire Bible and the creator of the universe, see JOHN 1:1-3, COL. 1:15+16, HEBR 1:1+2.

This Jesus is the beloved on which this woman is leaning. The word leaning is a sign of trust and dependence. Are you trusting and depending on Yahweh? Another thing that most people don't realize is that Jesus is the word, the Lord who spoke the ten commandments: He is also the Holy Spirit who writes those same ten commandments in the heart in the renewed covenant (Brit Cha Dash). The Hebrew name for the New Testament is Brit Chadash (Chet-Daleth-Shin) the word chadash is translated in PS 103:5 as renewed: "He renewed thy youth like the eagle's". Also in PS 51:10 as renew: "And renew a right spirit with in me." So, the better name for the new testament would be the renewed covenant. And what the new testament is all about is that Jesus came to die so the Holy Spirit might come and do his most glorious work of writing the law (the Decalogue) in the heart of Gods people so establishing the renewed covenant, JER 31:31-33, HEBR 8.8-10, 2 COR 3:3. Notice the covenant is described as the covenant that God made when he brought Israel out of Egypt.

DEUT 4:13: says: "And he (that is Yahweh) declared to you his covenant that he commanded you to perform, that is the ten commandments." The ten commandments start with: "I am Yahweh your God who brought you out of Egypt." 2 CHRON 5:10 says: "There was nothing in the ark but the two tablets (of the covenant) that Moses put there at Horeb, where the Lord made a covenant with Israel when they came out of Egypt." ROM 2:14+15 say: "when the gentiles do what the law requires, they show that the law is written in the heart."

The main purpose why God offers the Holy Spirit is that he wants to empower people to obey him, EZ.36:27. And when people obey God they fulfill the conditions for receiving Gods blessings DEUT 28:1-15. And the Holy Spirit is available for everyone who confesses his sin, repents, accepts Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and gets baptised (completely immersed in water) in the name of Jesus, ACTS 2:38. The new covenant is not a different covenant but it is the exact same covenant that God made with Israel as found in EX. 20 and DEUT 5. And when somebody disobeys any of the ten commandments he rejects the new covenant and the most glorious work of the Holy Spirit.

In REV.12 there is a woman (Israel) she brings forth a man child (Jesus Christ) the woman is persecuted by Satan and flees into the wilderness where she is nourished for time, times and half a time, And Satan starts making war on the rest of her offspring, those who have the testimony of Jesus and keep the commandments of God. Please notice there are two main characteristics that identify true Christians they have the testimony of Jesus and keep Gods commandments.

Please note in DEUT 4:1+2, 6:18, 8:1, 11:8 the keeping (obeying) of the ten commandments is listed as the condition for entering the promised land. This is symbolic for entering the Kingdom of God. Do you want to leave the wilderness of mystery that you are in and enter the Kingdom of God? Then start leaning on your beloved Jesus Christ and start obeying the ten commandments (including the 7th day Sabbath) and that is thus says the Lord. Hank Reckman, Prophet of Manitoulin, Search for Truth Biblical Ministries, Box 210 M'Chigeeng, Ont. P0P 1G0.

...Ambition is the Path to Success: Wiikwemkoong High School celebrates

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 Wikwemikong High School Principal Mick Staruck, who expressed his pride in all of the recipients and thanked all who attended the celebration.

The complete list of awards and recipients for the evening are as follows:

The Intermediate Canada and the World Award, sponsored by John and Jennifer Capin, for students with the highest achievement in history or law courses was presented to both Symone Peltier and Charisma Staruck who were tied for the highest grade in history.

The Business Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik, for the student with the highest achievement in a business course, was awarded to David Jackson.

The Hospitality Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik, for a student with the highest achievement in a hospitality and tourism course, was presented to Charisma Staruck.

The Trades Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik, presented to the student with the highest achievement in a trades related course was awarded to Reynold Assiniwe.

The Media Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik, presented to the student with the highest achievement in a media related course was awarded to Grey Neganegijig and Amber Smith.

The Wikwemikong Heritage Organization Art Award presented to a student who demonstrates excellent skill and technique in all art forms was awarded to Junior Annie Wemigwans and Senior

Tessa Ominika. The First Nations Studies Award, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization, for a student with the highest achievement in a First Nations studies course was awarded to Jacob Peltier-Henry.

The Anishinaabemowin Award, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization, for the student who demonstrated achievement and fluency in a Native language course was presented to Intermediate Ferris Eshkawkogan and Senior Carlos Wemigwans.

The Grade 9 Native Language Award, sponsored by Peggy and Bernie Brant, presented to the student with the highest achievement in a Grade 9 Native language course was awarded to Jasmyn Manitowabi.

The Little Current Royal Canadian Legion Award, presented to a graduate pursuing post-secondary education, was awarded to Jacob Peltier-Henry and Annie Wemigwans.

The BMO Science Awards, sponsored by Little Current BMO, presented to the students with the highest achievement in a science course were awarded to Grade 9, Navy Mishibinijima and Annie Pangowish; Grade 10, Garret Peltier and Tia Wemigwans; and Senior Annie Wemigwans.

The Mara University Science Award, sponsored by Chris Mara and Margit Alberti, presented to the student with the highest achievement in a university level science course was awarded to Annie Wemigwans.

The Lafarge University Math and Lafarge University Science Awards, presented to a student with the highest overall achievement in university level math and science courses, were both awarded to Annie Wemigwans.

The Mathematics Scholar Awards, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Health Centre, were presented to the students with the highest achievement in each grade level for mathematics. The 2017 recipients were Grade 9, Mary Pangowish; Grade 10, Caleb J. Corbiere and David Jackson; Grade 11, Brooke Trudeau; and Grade 12, Annie Wemigwans.

The Wikwemikong Board of Education English Scholar Awards, presented to the students with the highest achievement in English courses were awarded to Junior, Mary Pangowish; Intermediate, Charisma Staruck; and Senior, Moses Pitawanakwat.

The Manitoulin Expositor Award, awarded to the student in the workplace pathway with the highest achievement in a workplace English course, was presented to Moses Pitawanakwat.

The Life Skills Class Participation Award, sponsored by Wikwemikong Community Living Anishinabek, awarded to a student in the Life Skills class with the best participation throughout the year was presented to Fabian Recollet-Ominika.

The Mnamaadawin Physical Education Awards, sponsored by Mnamaadawin Active Living Studio, was award-

ed to the students with the highest achievement in healthy active living courses for each level. The recipients were Grade 9 girls, Jasmyn Manitowabi and April Pangowish; Grade 9 boys, Ian Dokum; Grade 10 girls, Hannah Peltier; Grade 10 boys, Ferris Eshkawkogan; and Senior, Elijah Bell and Caleb B. Corbiere.

The Cooperative Education Award, sponsored by the Andrew Manitowabi Group and presented to a student with the highest achievement in the Co-operative Education Program, was awarded to Seneca Manitowabi.

The Mackenzie Nodin Peltier Award, sponsored by Jillian and Lanny Peltier and family, was presented to a student who demonstrates resilience and perseverance by Jillian Peltier and her children to Thunder Recollet.

The Manitoulin Family Resources Award, sponsored by Manitoulin Family Resources and presented to the Wikwemikong High School graduate who is pursuing a career in a helping field, was awarded to Annie Wemigwans.

The Manitowaning Guardian Pharmacy Award, sponsored by Manitowaning Guardian Pharmacy, presented to a Wikwemikong High School graduate who is enrolled in a health-related post-secondary program, was awarded to Annie Wemigwans.

The Wikwemikong High School Parents' Council Attendance awards for the student in each grade with the best attendance throughout the year were awarded to Grade 9, Lyndon Neshkwe; Grade 10, Travis Assiniwe; Grade 11, Dante Lewis; and Grade 12, Eileen Letander-Trudeau.

The Wikwemikong Chief and Council Awards for Academic Excellence, presented to the students with the highest overall average in each grade, were awarded to Grade 8, Chelsea Man-

damin-Turner; Grade 9, Mary Pangowish; Grade 10, Charisma Staruck; Grade 11, Patrina Pitawanakwat; and Grade 12, Annie Wemigwans.

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 photo by Michael Erskine

Lakeshore Excursions makes a Lion donation
 Manitoulin members of the Lakeshore Excursions team hand over a cheque for \$500 to the Little Current Lions Club to further the service club's good works. The Manitoulin-based excursion company, which handles land based cruise ship excursions at ports across the Great Lakes and Eastern Seaboard, including the Port of Little Current, also provided a \$500 donation to a Sault Ste. Marie children's hospice. In photo are Lakeshore Excursions' guide Roy Eaton, Lion Mike Dubreuil, Lion Marcel Gauthier, Lakeshore Excursions owners Kelly and Bruce O'Hare and Lakeshore Excursions' guide Bill Caesar.
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BACK OF THE MOON!!

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PRIVATE, SECLUDED & OFF GRID WATERFRONT BUILDING LOT!! - Located on South Shore of Manitoulin Island this 5.47 acre lot comes with 300 ft of water frontage, a cedar/evergreen forest teeming with wildlife & plenty of private shoreline to enjoy a fantastic view or great for swimming & fishing. Deer are also plentiful & the property is accessible by a seasonal road over an open concession allowance. Reduced to \$60,000, try an offer! MLS#1031144

BUILDING LOT IN CENTRAL MANITOU ON MUNICIPAL MAINTAINED ROAD WITH HYDRO AVAILABLE!! - Located in the heart of the island this large, level 1.5 acre corner lot comes with 2 driveways both with 20 ft metal culverts and gravel in place. The lot has plenty of soil for a full basement, it also comes with an 8x12 shed. The property comes with a great water view over beautiful Lake Mindemoya & there is access to the lake across the street. Amenities such as hospitals (people & pets) and shopping are just minutes away. Asking \$20,000. MLS#1042214

200 ACRES OF PRIME DEER HUNTING - In an area of Manitoulin that is well known for its large deer population!! Located close to the town of Kagawong this remote property offers plenty of privacy, ATV trails & some tree stands. Also on the property are many acres of fully mature cedar & many acres of hardwood as well. Large marshy ponds connected by a creek also traverses the property & is full of minnows, ducks & geese providing great waterfowl hunting. The property is currently under a Forest Management Plan which is self-directed and allows for a 75% property tax cut. Current access to this spectacular remote property is by ATV. Asking \$200,000. MLS#1045297

7.7 ACRES - with 300 ft of Lake Huron Shoreline on the South Shore of Manitoulin only 20 mins from Mindemoya. 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 such amenities as the island's 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 & good fishing for 4 types of salmon & 3 species of trout. Many deer traverse this property & 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 beauty of this lot. Asking \$35,000. MLS#1039591



LAKE MINDEMOYA WATERFRONT - This home or 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



EXTREMELY HIGH QUALITY 3 BDRM HOME WITH NICE VIEW OVER LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - This beautiful home with its hardwood floors & vaulted ceilings comes with a magnificent kitchen with cherry stained maple cabinets, 3 baths including the en-suite in the huge 600 sq ft master bdrm found at the top of a spectacular oak stair case. The manicured lot comes adorned with a variety of mature trees which nicely outline the property, amazing concrete driveway & huge sidewalks leading to 2 large decks of which one is a covered veranda. Also on the lot is a 10 x 12 storage shed & a heated completely finished & insulated double size garage. Asking \$370,000. MLS#1037157



RETAIL BUSINESS FOR SALE IN CENTRAL MANITOU LIN!! - Located in the town of Mindemoya at the intersection of Hwy 551 & Hwy 542 this retail property has 5 income streams: 1) fuel & propane 2) grocery, confectionary & lottery 3) ice cream parlor 4) laundry mat & 5) 3 residential rental units. All amenities of this expanding town which has become the hub of Manitoulin are in walking distance. The building is well maintained & upgraded, the lines to the gas pumps have also been upgraded to meet new codes & the property has undergone an environmental study with a clean bill of health. The sellers are willing to hold a mortgage on this turnkey retail business. Priced to sell at \$499,000 plus inventory. MLS#1042095



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 machine. Asking \$249,000. MLS#1032814



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



OLD CHURCH - Being sold in as is condition. The need of repairs is good. Some renovations have begun. The lot is very private located on Silver Bay Road close to Lake Manitou and only 15 minutes from the amenities of the town of Mindemoya. Currently there are 2 bedrooms, a kitchen area and a living room area with an upstairs loft. Asking \$30,000 and open to offers!!!! MLS#2051786



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6 YR OLD 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!! - Located at the North end of Lake Mindemoya, 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 away. Asking \$65,000. MLS#1044952



GREEN BAY LODGE ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE MANITOU WITH FANTASTIC FISHING!! - This large 13 acre property comes with a very nice 4 bdrm personal residence plus 3 rental units. 3 units are under the main residence and there is a separate building with a large studio & rental unit under it. The waterfront has a gorgeous protected harbour. The entire operation comes turn-key! This spectacular property would make a great family retreat or allows you to live for free at this wonderful resort. The rental units are currently rented by the night with a 3 night minimum stay. There is plenty of room for expansion if so desired. The amenities of Mindemoya or Little Current are only 15 mins away. This is a great buy at \$600,000. MLS#1044479



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 including Manitoulin's largest grocery store, a hospital & the golf course. This nicely landscaped lot comes adorned with 2 large driveways, 2 sheds (one of which is a sea can shipping container), a great little bunkie, a spectacular fully insulated 30 x 30 ft heated garage with 12 ft ceiling, metal roof & a cement pad & a 2 bdrm bungalow with partially finished walkout basement, all newly renovated & upgraded plumbing (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 basement, 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 your door. Asking \$169,000. MLS#1042403



CUTE 700 SQ FT BUNGALOW IN MINDEMOYA!! - Located close to golf course & a short walk to public beach & 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



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3 BDRM LAKE KAGAWONG TURNKEY COTTAGE!! - Located in the center of Manitoulin Island this quality finished cottage is on a year round road in Oriole Park Subdivision. The lot is quite private with a nice deck, it has 2 useful storage sheds & some lovely gardens. This beautiful 960 sq. ft. cottage with its marvelous hardwood floors comes fully furnished including dishes & also has a great dockage including boat lift. The amenities of Gore Bay & Mindemoya are both 20 mins away in opposite directions & include such things as a live theater, restaurants, hospital & golf courses. The cottage is well insulated; it has been used in the winter & has both wood & electric heat & could easily be converted into a year round home. The nicely landscaped lot slopes gently to the water which is fine for drinking, swimming & fishing. Asking \$295,000. MLS#1044176



AFFORDABLE COTTAGE ON LAKE MANITOU!! - Located along the Rockville Road close to Mindemoya this 3 bdrm cottage comes with nice hardwood flooring, a large deck, dock, steel roof & large storage shed. The landscaped lot is flat & supports several very large mature trees & the east facing view over the bay is gorgeous. The piers under the cottage need to be straightened up & levelled out. Book your showing today!!!! Asking \$159,000. MLS#1037571



ELEVATED SUNRISE VIEW OVER BEAUTIFUL LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - Large 2 1/2 acre lot with almost 150 ft of shoreline, a dock & a grandfathered-in) boathouse. A quick flight of stairs brings you from the dock & fantastic deep water shoreline to the top of the flat bluff where you find a 3 bdrm cottage with an eye catching view! The golf course, hospital, restaurants, shopping are only 15 mins away. Only \$200,000!!! MLS#1043385



SITIN ON THE DOCK ON THE BAY!! - This really cool house of character is located at the mouth of the Mindemoya River in the historic town of Providence Bay. This bay is famous for its sand beach as well as the rainbow trout that run up the river in the spring & the salmon that do the same in the fall. This amazing quality finished home has six different levels to it, a very unique architect designed home with spectacular views over the boardwalk & endless sea of blue called Lake Huron. The large double lot that this magnificent house sits on comes adorned with a beautiful perennial garden & deer protected vegetable beds. Only \$350,000!! MLS#1041839



VISTA WITH A WOW!! - This one acre property is located on a site that has one of Ontario's prettiest cliff views. This nicely manicured acre of property comes with a magnificent 4 bdrm executive-style manufactured log home accented with a centerpiece stone fireplace, granite counter tops with matching table, in-floor heating, highest of quality built-in appliances, great flooring & a 5 piece ensuite with a Jacuzzi & a large steambath/shower. The double garage comes with an attached ATV garage & an exercise room with a bathroom & sauna & the floors in this building are also heated. A steal of a deal at \$799,000! MLS#1038089



GORE BAY ON THE HARBOUR - Executive Tudor style 2 storey home. This 2980 sq ft home offers 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 fireplaces & a sunken dining room. Sweeping staircase from the foyer gives an architectural design to the home. Cedar shake roof & brick & stucco surround the home. 3 car garage with access to basement. \$500,000. MLS#1041821



BAY ESTATES LOT - Vacant building lot 100' x 300' in popular Bay Estates approx. 15 minutes from Little Current. Hydro and Telephone service available. Great affordable spot to build your home or cottage getaway! \$9500.00 MLS#2051406



SAND BEACH RETREAT - This property offers 800' of water frontage on Elizabeth Bay, which leads to Lake Huron's North Channel. For years it operated as Pine Haven cottages. The main lodge was built in the 1930's. In addition there are 3 mobile trailers, 6 - 2 bedroom cottages, 3 - 3 bedroom cottages, 4 - 1 bedroom cottages. \$375,000 MLS#1043489



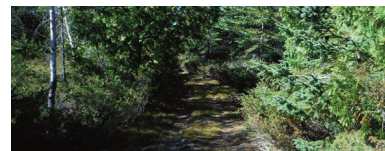
LAKE MANITOU! Wonderful 4 season cedar cottage on Manitoulin's premier Lake Manitou. The property is level and fronts on a small sand bottom bay offering westerly views. There is over 430' of frontage providing lots of privacy. Significant investment on shoreline to protect against erosion. Cottage life at its best! \$375,000. MLS#1044628



SECLUSION! Beautiful waterfront home with over 500' of frontage on Meldrum Bay. This home offers 1 level living, large master bedroom with ensuite bath & walk-in closet, & a large deck providing sweeping water vistas. Double garage, workshop, bunkie, & cabin (complete with kitchenette & bathroom). Adjoining lot also available. \$390,000. MLS#1043996



BARRIE ISLAND ACREAGE - Just Reduced for quick sale. Make things easy by purchasing a property on Barrie Island. This property is plentiful with deer and offers a great opportunity to fill your tag this season. Nice flat lot that offers 6 tree stands on the property. \$69,900 MLS#1044872



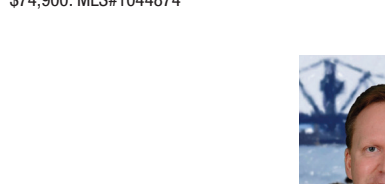
NORTH CHANNEL - Rare waterfront lot with western view over North Channel on year round maintained road with hydro and telephone service available, only a short drive to Little Current or Mindemoya amenities! Sloping lot ideal for your home or 4 season cottage. \$75,000 MLS#1042859



MELDRUM BAY LOT - Large east facing lot with 250ft of water frontage on beautiful Meldrum Bay. It is a very tranquil setting on the west end of Manitoulin Island. (Neighbouring properties also for sale.) \$99,000. MLS#1043993



GREAT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY! Near the famous beach at Providence Bay, Manitoulin Island - Great opportunity to run your own business - Present use as 10 unit motel & retail gift store. Past uses included restaurant, laundromat, arcade etc. Could be brought back to its full potential. Great highway exposure, tourist area very popular in summer with several events & festivals in immediate area. \$559,000. MLS#1044830



SPECIAL MANITOULIN West-end home and property. The house has had extensive exterior upgrades (2016). Windows, doors, and Manitoulin cedar. Also new insulation added to the house, and new electrical service to the house and outbuilding. The outbuilding consists of an insulated garage (900 sq.ft.), and a 2 bed room apartment (900 sq.ft.) with its own septic system. \$199,000. MLS#1043551



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WATERFRONT ACREAGE - 6.15 Acres with fantastic view of LaCloche Mountains & Strawberry Lighthouse. Zoned Shoreline Residential, excellent possibilities to sever, hydro available, great municipal road access, approx 1085' shoreline. \$475,000. MLS#1041423



GREAT WATERFRONT SITE - Flat lot offering 2 sided view of Manitowaning Bay. The cottage on the property is in poor condition and would need extensive repair. Picnic Point Lane. List price \$99,000. MLS#1045457



STRAWBERRY CHANNEL 3 bedroom A-frame cottage/home minutes from Little Current on Strawberry Channel. 344 ft of frontage & just over 6 acres in property. Main floor kitchen/dining/sitting with full bathroom & walkout to a deck with fantastic views. Second floor is a large loft bedroom. Lower level has living room & bathroom & bathroom. \$265,000 MLS#1050137



MINDEMOYA - New home in central Mindemoya. Short walk to all amenities of town and the public school. 3 bedrooms and 1 full bathroom on the main level. Large open concept kitchen, dining, and living room. The lower level is unfinished with unlimited potential. Basement ceilings are over 8' and roughed-in plumbing for a bathroom. Be the first to own this quality new home. Taron New Home Warranty! \$244,900 incl HST. MLS#1044218



GORE BAY 3 bedroom bungalow on a quiet street. The basement has additional finished living space with more potential. Kitchen has upgraded cupboards (some finishing required). Combination wood/oil forced air heat. Great starter home. \$129,000 MLS#1044444



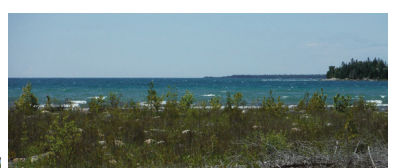
NEW HOME IN MINDEMOYA. Walking distance to all amenities & public school. 3 bedrooms & 2 full baths on main level. Master bedroom has an ensuite bathroom. Walkout to a covered deck from the kitchen. The lower level is unfinished with unlimited potential. Basement ceilings are over 8' & roughed-in plumbing for a bathroom. \$249,999 incl. HST MLS#1044217



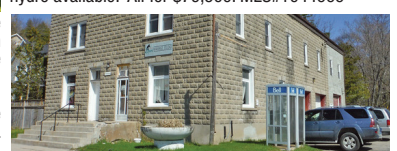
PERFECT FAMILY GETAWAY! Great cottage at the end of Big Dam Lake Road. Large cottage with custom woodwork throughout, plenty of room for family, friends. Open concept on main level, with bedroom and full bath. Upper level has 3 pcs bath and 2 bedrooms. Detached garage, plus large storage shed. Excellent level lot. \$294,900. MLS#1042101.



WEST BAY Beautiful water front lot, close to Kagawong. 293' frontage, mature tree cover & good beach. Hydro to lot line. Seasonal road access. Eastern exposure over West Bay and northerly views of the North Channel & distant mountains. \$89,000. MLS#1032685



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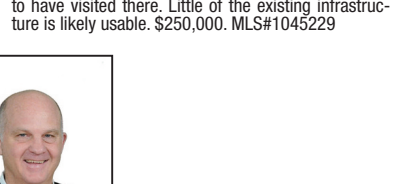
GORE BAY 2-storey commercial building located in the heart of Gore Bay. Gore Bay is the judicial capital of Manitoulin Island - the largest fresh water island in the world. There are currently 7 rental units as well as undeveloped space formerly used as firetruck parking bays. The units include commercial and residential. \$175,000. MLS#1043371



GORE BAY HOME - Nice family home located in a popular residential area. At the end of the street resulting in minimal traffic. Master bedroom has a 4-piece ensuite bathroom. Another 3-piece bathroom on the main level. List price \$209,000. MLS#1034904



SANDFIELD ACREAGE - 26.7 Acres with 1442' frontage on East Road, Sandfield Twp. Surveyed, hydro available at road. Fully treed, ideal hunting or recreation property. Across road from 10 acre waterfront lot offered by same owner, could be purchased as a package. \$43,000+HST MLS#1043693



ROCKVILLE ROAD ACREAGE - Close to 200 acres of land with 2.4km of year round road frontage. Trailer on site with electrical service. There are blinds, tree stands, and approximately 4km of trails. The land is level with a mix of open areas, bush, and wetland. It is currently pastured which reduces tax rates. \$165,000. MLS#1036976



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Journey to Bethlehem

Journey to Bethlehem celebrates 20 years of sharing the 'greatest story ever told'

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—Over the last 20 years of its run, it has taken an army of more than 200 volunteers to pull off the wonder that is the Journey to Bethlehem and this year was no exception.

"I can't say enough about the wonderful people who make this happen every year," said organizer Monic Shaw. "Especially those people who you don't ever see, like the folks who spend all week baking cookies and doing things behind the scenes. They are not up front and you hardly ever see them, but they make such a difference every year."

While Friday night is the busiest evening for locals, both nights of the two-night run were packed with people lining up in the unseasonably warm weather to take the journey celebrating the Christmas story.

There were more than 400 people who took in the community theatre presentation again this year. Over the past few years the crowd has been fairly steady, but recent years have seen a drop-off in the number of buses pulling in from other communities.

"There used to be a lot of church groups who organized trips to see the Journey to Bethlehem, but buses are so expensive now," noted Ms. Shaw. "It's cheaper to just have a bunch of people jump in a van to come over."

There were visitors from Sudbury, from Capreol and across the Valley, from across the North Shore and beyond who made the trip, and not all were just coming to see the show. "We have people from Sudbury and Lively who come to help each year," said Ms. Shaw.

Once again Gary Brown and family could be found driving the bus between the parking lot at the Mindemoya Missionary Church and Our Lady of Canada Roman Catholic Church where the start of the trail begins.

A host of period costumed actors and musicians entertained folks with a play depicting the story of the interaction between Herod and the Three Wise Men, a sing-along led by Tara Bernatchez and Maurice Labelle, and the shepherd garb-clad band led by Jeff Pyette kept everyone entertained while they waited their turn to be guided down the trail—tax bills in hand and ready to be enumerated in the great census ordered by the Roman Caesar.

Along the way, angels sang out their songs of praise, while shepherds guided their flocks by night, threading their way through grumpy Roman guards, pitiful beggars and lepers, all the while being cajoled by insistent merchants and an army of thieves intent on relieving the pilgrims of the precious gold needed to pay their taxes.

At the end of the line lies the inn, behind which the stable containing the live babies playing the baby Jesus can be found.

Although this was the 20th anniversary of the start of Mindemoya's Journey to Bethlehem, the troupe did not set up any special celebration of the landmark date. "It's enough to get everything organized," laughed Ms. Shaw. "We just concentrated on putting on a show."

Ms. Shaw was also effusive in her praise of the youth who help out with the production. "They are so amazing, so helpful," she said.

This year's Journey to Bethlehem was once again a major hit with attendees, despite the sometimes lengthy wait that taking the journey can entail. "The last family probably went through just before 11 pm," said Ms. Shaw. "People are amazingly patient."

But they never leave disappointed, as the wait is always time well spent.



One of the top highlights of the Journey to Bethlehem is the final stop at the simple manger containing Mary and the baby Jesus, played each year by an area mother and child.

photos by Michael Erskine



The market scene is always a hectic rite of passage for pilgrims on the Journey to Bethlehem.



The three magi take a well deserved break from their exertions chasing the Christmas star to its holy destination. The Persian-style rug added a nice touch to the ambiance of their campsite.



ABOVE: One of the great things about living in a rural community is that the animal actors are definitely warm to the touch, like this cooperative goat.

LEFT: Cranky Roman guards stand ready to harass the weary pilgrims on their way to Bethlehem. The actors took to their roles with a gusto.

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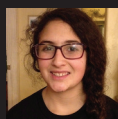
It may be cold outside, but it is heating up at MSS with athletics, and making a difference in local and global communities.

The girls' volleyball season has officially started, with both teams attending a tournament in Sudbury from December 1-2. The Junior team this year consists of Mackenzie Cortes, Paige Vander Weerden, Madison Swihart, Abby Smith, Ayriell Nodecker, Jess Craig, Kyliegh Biederman, Reece Carter, Hailey Prior-McGillis, Ally Hall, Jasmine Clarke, Amber Wiwchar, Naomi Naokwegijig, managed by Lauren MacKay, and coached by Ms. Thirkill and Ms. Cheng.

The boys' basketball team is ready to start their season. The senior team is being coached by Mr. Trudeau: Bryce Draper, Tyler Disley, Greg McGauley, Cordell White, Carter Stonepoint, Maverick Bushey, Oha Cada, Chris Haner, Adam Goodfellow, Alex Martin, Maddy Madahbee, and Johnny Bushey. The Boys' hockey team had a tournament in North Bay from December 1-2. The girls' hockey team also had a tournament in London.

Thanks to Manitoulin and SHARE, a school will be built in Nicaragua. According to UNESCO, in Nicaragua the average person lives on less than \$2 per day, are only able to attend school for less than 5 years, and many children are forced into child labour. Education is the number one com-

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batant to fight poverty.

A huge cheer went out on Wednesday, November 29 from the MSS students and staff involved in SHARE (Students Helping All 'Round Everywhere). Thanks to the generous silent auction contributions of Island businesses, including the Anchor Inn and Hotel, Avon, Borderline, Breakaway Sports, Dreamer's Cove, Elliott's Restaurant, Guardian Family, Island Jar, Jocelyn Kuntsi, Karlene Scott, Manitoulin Fragrance Company, Manitowaning Home Hardware, Manitowaning Loco Beanz, My Ol' Blues, Nack's, Napa, Rain Barrel, Robertson IDA, Trish Leeson, Turner's, Tween the Lakes Pork, and the many visitors who attended and bid on items at the MSS Christmas Craft Sale SHARE/Go-Green was able to make a huge \$2,000 donation towards the construction of a school in Nicaragua on Giving Tuesday. This amount was multiplied 5X by an anonymous corporate sponsor, resulting in a total donation of \$10,000. The students are discussing the possibility of travelling to Nicaragua on a service trip to partic-

ipate in the actual construction of the school.

Now SHARE focuses its attention on the Christmas hampers on Manitoulin and the Brick-by-Brick Campaign to build a school in Tanzania. Businesses and individuals can sponsor a Brick for a toonie to help build a school in Tanzania; 5,000 bricks sponsored equals an actual school. Donations can be sent to Manitoulin Secondary School care of SHARE.

Three Fires Confederacy finished their clothing drive with a full bin. All of the donations will be given to families on Manitoulin who need help keeping warm this winter. The Shoebox Campaign is also taking place, and which ever class fills the most shoeboxes with toiletries, school supplies, and little toys, will get a free taco lunch from Three Fires.

Mr. Robinson took a group of students to Espanola for the cardboard boat races on November 28. There were 15 teams from Northern Ontario, competing for four spots at the provincial competition. The teams had two hours to build a cardboard boat out of two sheets of 4X8 cardboard and two rolls of duct tape. Jasen Millete, Quentis Wood, Nathan Janoki, and Alex Dawson, along with their videographers Tanner Golder and Mason McFarlane, will be mov-

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Way to go, class!

Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) has always been known for its generosity, and this year's Grade 4 class is no exception! Working hard together the Grade 4 class was able to collect 25 boxes for Operation Christmas Child this year. This initiative brings Christmas tidings and gifts to those less fortunate. This venture tied into our Character Trait learning and helped students better understand the concept of empathy through helping. We would like to thank Laila Kiviaho for contacting us again this year and picking up our boxes. We would especially like to thank all of the parents, students, and staff, who donated articles and full boxes to this wonderful cause! You are truly making a difference by brightening a child's Christmas! - *The Grade 4 class*



Anglican cookie walk provides Santa bait

If you are having trouble luring the jolly old elf down your chimney, you probably missed the annual Anglican Church Cookie Walk this past weekend. With three sizes of cookie haulers there was something for every budget.

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Industrious youth raising funds

Desiree and Julia were busy raising funds for their youth group by selling Christmas ornaments.

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ing onto provincials.

On November 29, a group of nine girls travelled to the Carpenters Union Training Facility in Azilda for a workshop on drywall installation. The girls got a "Sisters in the Brotherhood" t-shirt and other swag items. Hard hats, toe caps and safety glasses were provided, fully equipped tool belts were waiting and the girls learned how to properly install drywall. This included cutting out windows, plugs and pipes. Opportunities in the construction trades were highlighted as well as the urgent need for skilled labour.

Even though the winter weather hasn't come yet, the MSS Mustangs are getting ready for the Christmas season by giving back to the community and representing Manitoulin. 'Til next time, stay golden, Mustangs.

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Manitoulin Streams launches gift catalogue in time for Christmas

by **Robin Burridge**
MANITOULIN—Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association has launched the 'Everyone

Lives Downstream' gift-giving catalogue, just in time of the holiday season. "These days it seems more people are forgoing

giving traditional gifts of 'stuff' to loved ones and instead giving meaningful gifts that support causes close to their hearts,"

shared Seija Deschenes, project coordinator for Manitoulin Streams. "Here at Manitoulin Streams we are excited to offer you the opportunity to give back to Manitoulin's natural landscape by purchasing a gift on behalf of a loved one that will benefit the Island."

The gifts are divided into several categories including: enhance stream habitat, in-stream structure; riparian habitat and erosion control material; native trees, shrubs and grasses; livestock stream access restriction; and education investment.

Streams. Manitoulin Streams is a registered charity and contributions made over \$25 toward the purchase of the gifts is tax deductible and a receipt will be provided.

Examples of gifts are: large boulders, \$50, which are placed in streams in groups to provide stream habitat and create local scouring by increasing flow velocity around the boulders; coconut coir matting, \$40, used for controlling bank erosion; native trees (Eastern white cedar, white or red oak, white pine, silver maple, white birch, tamarack or white spruce), \$25; and educational signs,

Ms. Deschenes explained that the gift-giving catalogue is filled with "great ideas that will help support our work at Manitoulin Streams."

"I guarantee that you will find something perfect for everyone on your list," she said. "Don't just limit yourself to the holiday season—what about a gift for a wedding, anniversary, birthday, house warming party or in memory of a loved one or thank you present."

When you purchase an item, the recipient of the gift will receive a certificate stating the gift you purchased on their behalf and in support of Manitoulin

Ms. Sloss said that a number of new volunteers have come forward this year and that the community-wide event is always well attended.

Children can shop for free this Saturday, December 9 from 11 am to 1 pm at Trinity United Church (6070 King Street, Mindemoya). Children under 12 are welcome to come and shop for parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters. Volunteers will on hand to help smaller children shop, while the parents enjoy cooking and refreshments. There are also wrappers on hand to wrap the gifts.

The annual event was started by the late Marion Seabrook and has been continued in memory of her famed community spirit.

For more information or to donate items, call Marian Sloss 705-282-2816, Willie Munro 705-282-8541 or Tom McQuay at 705-377-5783.

Children Shop Free event on this weekend

by **Robin Burridge**
MINDEMOYA—Children from across Manitoulin are invited to the Children Shop for Free event this Saturday, December 9 at Trinity United Church Manitoulin. Children under the age of 12 are able to attend the shopping event and choose Christmas gifts for all members of their family, free of charge.

"We are pleased to once again be offering the Children Shop for Free event," said Marian Sloss, of the Trinity United Church (formerly Mindemoya United Church). "The event is coming along really well. We have a lot of donations but we will be setting up on Thursday to see exactly how much we have and have some funding to purchase more if needed."

"We are still accepting gently used items for children, men, ladies, boys, girls and pets," Ms. Sloss added.



Breakfast with Santa and Ms. Claus

The Claus's took a break from their busy Christmas schedule to drop in to the Little Current United Church's annual Breakfast with Santa celebration. There were plenty of filling treats sure to fortify kids and parents for a busy day's shopping.

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