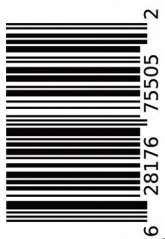


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**LEADING LADIES**—Rachael Orford, left, and Zara Farquhar, right, receive awards from their proud dads, Bill Orford, left, presenting Rachael with the Manitoulin/North Shore Agriculture Federation Bursary and Aaron Farquhar, right, presenting Zara with the RONA Builders of a Better Tomorrow Bursary during the 53rd annual Manitoulin Secondary School Awards Night held January 5. Rachael and Zara were recognized throughout the evening for their academic accomplishments. Both young women received the top marks in their graduating class at 96 percent. **FOR MORE AWARDS NIGHT COVERAGE, PLEASE SEE PAGE 12.**

## Hate signs near Killarney target Wiikwemkoong

*Pointe Grondine cabin threatened with arson*

by Michael Erskine  
POINTE GRONDINE—Stitch Manitowabi is a big proponent of living off the land and following a more traditional diet and as a resources coordinator with Wiikwemkoong Lands, he has introduced turkeys to Wiikwemkoong territories and held several workshops on the preparation of wild game. Mr. Manitowabi was shocked to discover threatening signs posted around his Pointe Grondine property during a December 23 visit.

“I already knew about the signs,” said Mr. Manitowabi, explaining that a friend had sent him photos of the signs. “They sent them to me as I was going to Killarney the next day. It was quite the calling card for the 12 Days of Christmas.”

The signs containing threats and profane language were posted about two kilometres up Halifax Road in the Killarney area.

Mr. Manitowabi said that he sees the signs as a hate crime, a conclusion that appears to be shared by the Ontario Provincial Police, who told him they are investigating the signs as such. He had originally gone to the

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## Quick thinking heroic action!

### Birch Island brothers in right place at right time to save choking child

by Tom Sasvari

ESPANOLA—Two young Whitefish River First Nation (WRFN) men are being called heroes for their efforts in saving the life of a two-year-old boy from choking in an incident at an Espanola restaurant.

“I am so glad that they were there last night,” Brittany Ackworth, the mother of two-year-old Jameson told The Expositor the day following the January 4 incident. “If it wasn’t for them, I don’t know what would have happened to my son. The ambulance did get their fairly quickly, but he was already unconscious, so who knows if he would have had any brain damage or anything.”

Ms. Ackworth, who works at the Cortina’s Restaurant in Espanola was there with her family for dinner, had got appetizers and then Jameson started eating some bread, putting too much food into his mouth and began choking.

Jameson began choking to the point of not breathing and becoming unresponsive. Both the server and the father tried to revive the child. This is when Talon McGregor and his brother Mskwoka stepped up and performed lifesaving measures and were able to revive the young boy.

Elsie Rubia, manager of Cortina’s explained, “Brittany is one of our servers in the restaurant, and she and her three boys, aged 2, 8, 14 and her husband were in for dinner. They had appetizers and her youngest helped himself to some bread which got stuck in his throat. It was at this time two of our servers started yelling to get 911. Talon and his brother jumped right in and saved him. Jameson lost consciousness and went limp at one point. They saved him. Thank God for there being here at the right time.”

“Originally we were going to go to the movies to see ‘Avatar: The Way of Water’ that evening because it was my brother’s last day of holidays before he was going to go back to Kingston as he is in the Canadian Armed Forces and is taking military training,” Talon McGregor explained last Thursday. “We wanted to do something to celebrate his last day of holidays and were going to go to a movie in Sudbury but didn’t want to drive far due to the weather. So, we decided to grab dinner locally.”

“We were sitting down ordering our dinner and a few minutes went by. Then we heard a commotion at a table close by, and thought it was staff or someone in a kerfuffle or something so we didn’t think much of it,” said Talon. “But it soon escalated, people were screaming and crying and saying ‘he’s choking’.”

Mskwoka explained, “we were at the restaurant sitting down and we



Brothers Talon, right, and Mskwoka McGregor, both of Whitefish River First Nation, are being touted as heroes after they saved the life of two-year-old Jameson, seen right with his mother Brittany Ackworth, who choked to the point of unconsciousness in an incident at an Espanola restaurant January 4.

heard a commotion, and thought it was just an argument between staff or a family, but it got much louder and that is when we got up to see if we could help out. There was a two-year-old boy who was choking on some food.”

“My brother performed the Heimlich maneuver and the probably 50 seconds or so seemed to take an eternity before Talon could get the youngster breathing again,” said Mskwoka. At the same time, “I

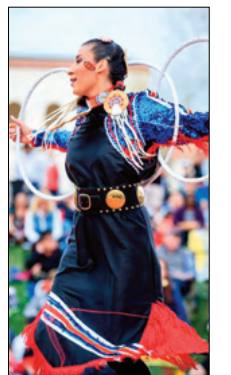
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## Lisa Odjig shows hoop dancing skills at Maple Leafs game

*Indigenous celebration game*

by Michael Erskine  
TORONTO—As a world champion hoop dancer, Wiikwemkoong’s Lisa Odjig is used to requests to perform the intricate Indigenous dance form at events, but this past Saturday, January 7 Ms. Odjig found herself giving a very special performance at Toronto’s Scotiabank Centre during the second intermission of the Maple Leafs’ first Indigenous Celebration Game.

“The love and support from the Toronto Maple Leafs and Major League Sports and Entertainment (MLSE) for all Indigenous people, communities, elders and residential school survivors,”



Lisa Odjig

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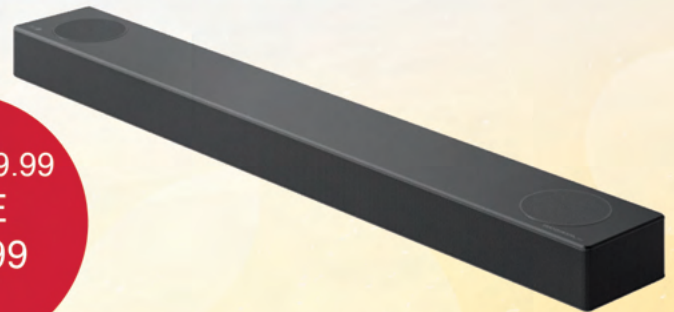
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# The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Gore Bay Mayor Ron Lane presents the Gore Bay Bursary to Abby Witty during the 53rd annual Manitoulin Secondary School Awards Night. Monica Zilio also received the Town of Gore Bursary. **FOR MORE AWARDS NIGHT COVERAGE, SEE PAGE 12.**

## Manitoulin Health Centre ‘Let’s Emerg Together’ fundraising campaign complete

MINDEMOYA—The Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) board of directors, fundraising committee and senior team are pleased to announce the ‘Let’s Emerg Together’ campaign to raise \$2.5 million for the renovation and expansion of the Mindemoya Hospital emergency department is now complete.

“I wish to say that the generosity of everyone who contributed to the ‘Let’s Emerg Campaign’ is unprecedented!” stated Michelle Hart, fundraising committee chair. “We have reached our goal due to every large and small donation the campaign received. We wish to extend our sincere gratitude from the MHC fundraising committee.” She noted the fundraising committee would also like to remind the public the needs for the hospital are ongoing and a new campaign will be announced in early spring.

Dennis McGregor, MHC board chair said, “it was over five years ago that the board of directors began the planning and implementation of this much needed project, and I am thrilled that the finish line is within sight. None of this would have been possible without the generosity of the Smith Family Foundation, corporate sponsors, national and local businesses alike, our First Nations and municipalities, many service clubs and organizations, both our hospital auxiliaries and in particular Judy McKenzie and the Mindemoya (Hospital) Auxiliary and, of course, all the individual donors from Manitoulin and beyond! Your contributions are truly appreciated and are responsible for mak-

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## Holidays proved busy for MHC, but hospital did not go over capacity

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—While the holiday season was very busy for the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) in terms of the number of emergency department visits from people with respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19 and RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) a virus that typically affects children, the Island hospitals did not surpass patient capacity.

“We were pretty busy over the holidays with a lot more people coming in with illnesses and mental health issues, which is pretty normal at this time of the year,” said Dr. Stephen Cooper, chief of staff of MHC. “But we were able to keep the doors open. We were close to capacity a couple of times but were never over capacity or felt the really long wait times for patients that many other hospital emergency departments had to face.”

Dr. Cooper pointed out that the Little Current site was lucky to have a couple of locum doctors who were very helpful in dealing with the high patient numbers.

Recently a new subvariant of COVID-19, dubbed ‘Kraken,’ has seen very high numbers of patients in

the US. It is predicted that the number of COVID patients with this subvariant in the US will increase significantly and could have the same impacts in Canada.

“Like I said with all variants, vaccinations provide good coverage to stem these numbers,” said Dr. Cooper. “We all need to make our own choices and use the knowledge we have accumulated. That is the way we are going to manage these new variants.”

Dr. Cooper also explained, “at the OMA (Ontario Medical Association) we are continuing to negotiate with the government to ensure we have the right mix of physicians for areas like ours. An announcement on this was expected by January 1, but this has been delayed for two months. We feel it might make a difference by having more bodies on hand to deal with the increasing complexities of health care. And the OMA and Ontario Hospital Association (OHA) feel nurse practitioners can give primary care, and some specialize in emergency medicine. On Manitoulin Island some of the nurse practitioners are taking on roles in nursing homes.”

## Indigenous Tourism Ontario establishes cultural integrity advisory committee

by Tom Sasvari

ONTARIO—Indigenous Tourism Ontario (ITO) has announced the establishment of the Indigenous Cultural Integrity Advisory Committee (ICIAC) to support the respectful growth of Indigenous tourism in Ontario.

The committee is made up of 14 members including several from Manitoulin Island, referred to as knowledge keepers, who will be called upon to contribute their expertise in Indigenous history, knowledge, teachings, and practices as the organization conducts its work to develop and deliver culturally authentic tourism.

“We are extremely excited to engage this group of outstanding individuals,” said Kevin Eshkawkogan, ITO president and chief executive officer (CEO) in a news release.

Members of the committee include Dominic Beaudry and Josh Eshkawkogan, both of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory, Neda Debassige of M’Chigeeng First Nation, and Tim McGregor of Whitefish River First Nation. Other members include Tyler French and Dorothy French of the Chipewas of the Thames; Jaquie

Jamieson, Six Nations of the Grand River; Beatrice (Bea) Johnson Tarbell, Akwesasne; Perry McLeod-Shabogesic and Laurie McLeod-Shabogesic, both of Nipissing First Nation; Quinn Meawasige of Serpent River First Nation; Sam Manitowabi of Lac Seul First Nation; Michelle Savoie of the Metis Nation of

Ontario; Laurie McLeod-Shabogesic of Nipissing First Nation; and David R. Maracle of Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory.

Mr. Eshkawkogan explained the committee, “Will focus on developing, implementing, and maintaining broad and inclusive

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## Young Manitoulin quilters to have works displayed at national conference

MANITOULIN—Four Manitoulin Island youngsters will have their quilting works alongside many other talented quilters throughout Canada.

“It’s pretty cool that several kids on Manitoulin Island will be able to be part of the Quilt Canada 2023 show with many other renowned quilters across Canada,” stated Jackie White, who runs a threads club in Manitowaning and is the media contact for the Canada Quilters Association (CQA). “I’ve been involved in CQA for probably a decade on the board, and now I am in their media department. They send me to the national conference



every year.”

“CQA holds a youth challenge every year where kids send a one-piece wall hanging that is then hung up for everyone to see at the conference,” said Ms. White who pointed out, “there are usually about 8,000 people that go through the conference.”

“Last year, we had two kids from Manitowaning entered in the youth challenge at the conference

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LEFT: Allie is one of four Manitoulin youngsters, three from Manitowaning and one from Wiikwemkoong, who will have their quilt works displayed at the Quilt Canada 2023 conference.

## Six nominated for WRFN council chief, 74 for councillor

by Michael Erskine

WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION—Nominations for the February 21 band council election for chief and council took place at the Whitefish River Community Centre last Friday, January 6. Six community members were nominated for chief and 74 for band councillor. The list of nominees will be whittled down considerably by the time it comes to a ballot. According to the band’s custom election code, nominees have five days to withdraw.

Nominated for chief were Anastasia Cywink, Sandy Jacko, Murray McGregor, Rodney Nawegahbow and David Shawanda. Mr. Shawanda, Sandy Jacko, and Anastasia Cywink have already confirmed their willingness to stand.

Nominees (in order of nomination) for councillor include Anita Ruth McGregor, Francis E.D. McGregor (inc), Leona Nahwegahbow (inc), Kimberly Laundrie, Esther Osche, Jeffrey McGregor, Tristan McGregor, Leslie McGre-

gor, Caralyn (Cara) McGregor (inc), Keith Nahwegahbow, Julianne Pires, Candice Jacko, Hunter Shawanda, Arianne Pitawanakwat, Edward Paibomsai, Curtis Nahwegahbow, Paige Jacko, Carmen Pitawanakwat, Murray McGregor, Martha Pitawanakwat, Lynn McGregor, Bonnie Nahwegahbow, Don McGregor, Murray Still, Gail Jacko, Vanessa McGregor, Clifford Jacko, Melanie Manitowabi, Kigen Pelletier, Crystal Angela Peggy McGregor, Amy Waboose, Tammy Nahwegahbow, Crystal

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## Island pharmacists to participate in one stop shop for common ailments

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—At least a couple of pharmacies on Manitoulin Island will be participating in providing a one stop shop for 13 common ailments with pharmacists now able to prescribe remedies, sanctioned by the province. Pharmacists feel this will not only make it more convenient for people to connect to care closer to home, but will, in turn benefit hospital emergency departments.

“We’re going to be participating,” stated Mike Malak, of Little Current Guardian Pharmacy in Little Current. “It is a great idea and one that is overdue,” he said, noting this same initiative is in place in British Columbia and several other provinces in Canada.

“It will help take the load off (hospital) emergency departments,” said Mr. Malak. “They will no longer get walk-in patients asking for the services of a doctor for common ailments, such as needing ear drops.”

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## editorial

### Hate should have no safe harbour in Canada

As the global pandemic starts to subside and Canada and the globe begin to dig out from the mountain of challenges presented in its aftermath, one "long COVID" symptom is of particular concern when it comes to the body politic.

It seems that hatred and anger have bubbled and percolated into a very nasty brew over the past few years.

Of course, the symptoms of that particular debilitating affliction were among us long before the perfidious COVID-19 virus and its more insidious varieties peaked their heads across our borders. Blame social media, blame the internet, blame kids today, wherever, whomever and however it has been nurtured among us, incidents of hatred and intolerance seem to be on the upswing in every avenue of communication.

Canada, as a Northern nation, is built by the hardworking people, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, first plying the fur trade, then in the lumber camps, mines and oilfields, farms and orchards. The latter few being the very building blocks of the modern comforts that inhabit our world today. As recently as the 2011 Northern Ontario Action Plan, a 25-year map forward for the Northern economy, Indigenous workers were identified as forming 25 percent of the Northern workforce by 2021.

Stitch Manitowabi, who brought a series of threatening signs posted near Killarney to the attention of The Expositor, expressed his hope and belief that broader education on treaty rights among both

non-Indigenous and Indigenous people will help alleviate expressions of hate and anger such as those he experienced near his camp. We hope he is right.

But the rise of hate groups across the globe makes it clear that this is not only a Canadian concern—it is endemic just about everywhere it seems.

That ubiquity of expressions of hate should not excuse its rise in Canada. There is only one place for intolerance in this country, and that is toward intolerance itself. We have built a nation that is the envy of the world for our ability to work together to welcome newcomers to our shores, as a shelter to the downtrodden and oppressed and whose shores welcome those who want to build a better life—and despite our occasional shortfalls in that area, that has largely remained true to the present day.

We are literally the envy of the world's democracies, let alone those nations struggling under the weight of despot and tyrants. We have won that envy because of our wealth, our institutions and, above all, our ability to live and work together despite the many cleavages that continue to tear apart lesser polities. Let us not let the intolerant among us define who we are through hatred and vitriol.

No Canadian should stand silent and let such actions and expressions pass unchallenged. Free speech is important, but hatred, threats and intimidation have no place within our borders.

## letters

### Writer weighs in on Little Current dumpster controversy

"Me people" seem to have no respect

#### To the Expositor:

About your article 'Little Current Dumpsters removed from town limits due to high level of misuse' by Alicia McCutcheon, page 3, Wednesday, December 21, 2022.

Unfortunately, your article, ratified by CAO Dave Williamson, is timely, absolutely true, and very disappointing! It is descriptive of individuals and groups of people whom I refer to as "Me People." Their wants, needs and actions take precedence over those of everyone else. Unfortunately, there are many "Me People" on our Island.

Back in the fall, my wife and I were going away for a few days, and we had one small bag of kitchen waste which we did not want to leave behind. We took the bag down to the bin by the pavilion near the marine service business and the market. Just as I went to drive in, a red, older model pickup truck passed me and pulled up to the bin with black garbage bags piled higher than the roof of the truck. An older male and a male youth got out and proceeded to toss the bags into the bin until it was full to overflowing, whereupon they threw the rest of the bags onto the ground, while looking at me with my one small bag. They got back into the truck, laughing at me, and drove away.

Now that the three bins have been removed, we see people throwing bags of trash into the private bins behind Guardian Pharmacy, Three Cows, Hilltop Shell and Elliott's Restaurant. But unfortunately, it does-

n't stop there!

Every time I/we go out to the landfill, we see "Me People" blatantly abusing the bins there for recycling and household waste. They drive up to the bin closest to them, and throw everything into the same bin, regardless of how that bin/bins is labeled. Some even drive up the hill to the brush pile area and throw all of their waste on the ground up there!

Believe it or not, one day we were parked at Tim Hortons and a red minivan pulled up into a Handicap space, and an attractive young lady got out, opened the sliding door, took out two bags of trash, and threw them over the fence into the restaurant trash storage bin, then went into the store.

I could go on, but it would fill up too much valuable space in your excellent newspaper.

Do these "Me People" have no self-respect? What are they teaching their children? Are they so complacent with their own wants, needs and attitudes that you and us just don't matter? It seems that way, but they want the same respect that the people who help others and make our town a better place in which to live deserve. Please, "Me People," do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Robert Paxton  
Little Current

### Writer dismayed at vaccination requirement for Tims Camps

Segregation is not the answer

#### To the Expositor:

Tim Hortons Little Current has for the most part been a good neighbour. They provide a service that is clearly valued in the community. They create employment for many of our community members. Tim Hortons gives back to the community by donations to local organizations. Tim Hortons is for the most part a good neighbour, however, Tim Hortons has instituted a policy of discrimination against unvaccinated children.

Unvaccinated children aren't welcome at Tims Camps.

Tim Hortons is happy to collect money on Camp Day. I'm sure vaccinated and unvaccinated persons generously contribute to what appears to be a noble cause. How would these individuals feel if they were made aware of the discrimination against unvaccinated children?

For the last seven months I have reached out to Tim Hortons at every

level I can think of to register my sadness with this discriminatory policy. It would appear that Tim Hortons will continue this policy of discrimination into their next camp season.

It is my hope that Tim Hortons will do the right thing. Segregation is not the answer. In closing, I will refer to the final words of Martin Luther King Jr.

"And we've come by here to ask you to make the first item on your agenda—fair treatment, where God's children are concerned. Now, if you are not prepared to do that, we do have an agenda that we must follow. And our agenda calls for withdrawing economic support from you."

Sincerely,

Zak Nicholls  
Little Current

## Province invests in small, rural and Northern communities

TORONTO—The Ontario government is investing \$400 million in critical infrastructure for small, rural and Northern communities. The funding is being delivered in 2023 through the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) and will support economic growth and job creation in 425 communities across the province.

"Ontario's small, rural and northern communities are essential to the growth and prosperity of the province," said Kinga Surma, minister of infrastructure. "As part of our plan to build Ontario, our government is continuing to provide stable funding to meet local infrastructure need and provide support in response to pressures from inflation. By supporting key community infrastructure projects, we are helping communities attract jobs and build local capacity to grow and thrive for

generations to come."

OCIF provides funding to eligible communities every year to help them renew and rehabilitate critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, water and wastewater projects.

Assiginack Township will receive a grant of \$223,018 in 2023, an increase over the 2022 grant of \$193,929; Billings Township received funding of \$100,000 in 2022 and will see this increase to \$113,493 in 2023; Burpee and Mills Township will receive \$100,000 for the second consecutive year in 2023; Central Manitoulin will receive funding of \$167,640 in 2023, a decrease from the 2022 grant of \$197,224; Cockburn Island will again receive \$100,000 in 2023; the municipality of Gordon-Barrie Island will receive funding of \$115,000 in 2023, an increase of \$15,000 over 2022; the Town of Gore Bay will receive a grant of \$174,631 in 2023, a decrease

from the 2022 funding of \$186,533; The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands will receive \$164,781 in 2023, a decrease from the 2022 grant of \$193,860; and Township of Tehkummah \$115,000 in 2023, an increase of \$15,000 over 2022 funding.

In December 2021, the Ontario government announced an additional \$1 billion for critical infrastructure projects that support economic growth and job creation in small, rural and Northern communities, bringing the government's total investment to nearly \$2 billion dollars over five years.

OCIF supports local infrastructure projects by providing stable and predictable funding for communities with populations under 100,000 along with all rural and Northern communities.

# Following Hope's Path: Part XXXIII of a series

## Time has come to pry the devil out of the details

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** In 2013 retired nurse and midwife Mary Buie approached *The Expositor* with a mission. She had recently been diagnosed with breast cancer and was wondering whether this newspaper would be interested in following her journey as she battled the disease. It was with some trepidation that this paper agreed as the eventual outcome was far from certain to be positive. What followed was an engaging series that leavened a very serious health issue with Ms. Buie's irrepressible personality. Ms. Buie recently informed *The Expositor* that she would once again be facing down cancer. *The Expositor* continues the series 'Following Hope's Path' to relay the ongoing story of her journey.

by Michael Erskine and Mary Buie

**KAGAWONG**—Dealing with cancer presents many challenges for the patient, their family and the health team that supports them along their journey. For cancer survivors like Mary Buie the light at the end of the tunnel usually begins with ringing the bell and ends with an all clear from the oncologist. Unfortunately, not all paths lead to victory. Cancer is one tough customer and the form that Ms. Buie has ranks among the most aggressive forms of that disease. There can come a time when practical plans must be made.

"Cancer is progressing more in the lung, so I am now on continuous oxygen, but now I can live well with cancer again," reports Ms. Buie. "I have mobile oxygen to go out and I am going to start intravenous chemotherapy in Sudbury. The cancer needs to get slowed down."

She reports that they have now found more cancer in her spine. "So now we will do a bone scan and possibly radiation," said Ms. Buie. "I am taking lots more pills as I have fluid in the lungs and around the heart but can take things that work. I have had good family doctor and oncologist visits, so I am well pleased with the treatment plan."

Ms. Buie is always up for an adventure and sometimes she



Retired nurse Mary Buie is continuing her journey on Hope's Path, but these days she is accompanied by an oxygen tank she has nicknamed "Charlie." Ms. Buie is pictured here sitting at the concentrator that enriches the air she breathes now that her cancer has spread into her lungs.

finds that adventure when and where it comes. "I had fun going over in the ambulance to Mindemoya one morning as I needed to get oxygen and had home oxygen to arrange," she said. "So, I thought that would be interesting to talk about in my article. I can still go out for little outings with my mobile oxygen—I call it Charlie!"

While she is still able to get out and about somewhat thanks to "Charlie," the cancer in her lungs is taking a toll on her energy levels. "I have someone with me at the house all the time as my med-

ical condition gets more complicated," she said. "But I am still having a very happy life. I have all the Christmas lights up, my son Rob came home after my cousin and daughter Jen left."

Ms. Buie reports that while she is still able to drive to visit her husband John in the Gore Bay Lodge long-term care residence and friends, any significant movement uses up her oxygen supply very rapidly. "Driving is okay because I am sitting down and I don't have to use much energy," she said. "But I find that I only have about an hour or so with the

tank otherwise."

"Charlie" is quite heavy, so although she can drive Ms. Buie needs assistance with heaving the heavy tank in and out of the car.

In the house she has a concentrator which provides a steady supply of air. "I put it up to eight litres, which is high," she said. "Still, I can't do much, mostly I am sitting and lying around." Luckily, emails, telephone calls and texts don't require a lot of physical energy, so Ms. Buie manages to stay in touch with her prayer group, friends and family, and other supporters around the world.

Ms. Buie said that she will soon be on a new pill, one that wasn't available just a year ago. "It takes about four to six weeks to get approval as it is quite expensive," she said. She needs to travel to North Bay in three weeks, but after that she will be able to do the treatment at the chemo room in Mindemoya. The pill will help with the fluid buildup. "So, I still have lots of options," she said.

As her cancer takes its toll on Ms. Buie's energy levels, and is once again rapidly advancing through her body, the ever-practical "retired" health professional is under no illusions as to where things are heading—and she is meeting those things head on. "Also discussed end of life care at Dr. Maurianne Reade's appointment yesterday to have on file," she said. "No one likes to think about those things, but it is important that everyone in your family knows. Also, who is the substitute decision maker when you cannot. So, lots of stuff to deal with but I am still living very well." Having routines helps, she notes.

Among the tasks are considerations such as do not resuscitate orders, what kinds of heroic efforts should, or should not, be made. "If you can't make the decisions, who will be making those decisions for you needs to be clear," she said. "We have had a family conference by phone." Her family wanted to know specifics about her wishes and Ms. Buie heartily concurs. "Don't leave doubts," she said. "It is important that everyone is on the same page as to what your wishes are. It's not

something you want to do, but it is something you have to do for your family's sake." She pointed out that, difficult as it may be, her family felt better knowing for certain what she wanted. Although she has held conference calls with her children, Ms. Buie noted that she still needed to sit down with her husband John to discuss things.

"I have always been upfront about my cancer," said Ms. Buie. "I am just one of many people in this situation. I still get notes from people I don't even know who have seen my story in the paper."

The former nurse and midwife said that she is happy that her story is helping other people understand and deal with their own challenges. "I have always been a health professional," she said. "This is just one more way that I can help, so be it, I am happy to share my story with others if it helps them. This is a subject that doesn't get talked about very much, but it is a subject we all need to address at some point."

Ms. Buie wants people to know that she is at peace with her situation. Her faith sustains her as does her belief in eternal life. "It is not an end," she said. "It is just another step toward a better place. I have so much care and support around me, I am very lucky. I will do palliative care when the time comes, hopefully at home if I am able. I would rather be at home than in a hospital." For now, her pain is manageable. "I can manage with Tylenol 3s," she said.

Ms. Buie spent Christmas at her son Neil's home in Corbeil and was nestled in the bosom of her family during the holiday season. At present she is staying with her friend Linda Ferguson.

She wishes everyone a most Happy New Year.

In a special Christmas season moment the Island Singers, of which Ms. Buie was a long-time member, stopped by to sing carols for her.

"It was wonderful when the Island Singers sang to me at Linda's," said Ms. Buie.

## Island Singers and community members hold carolling event for Mary Buie

by Michael Erskine

**KAGAWONG**—Mary Buie, whose Hope's Path series has provided a first-hand glimpse into the health battlefield that is cancer, was an enthusiastic member of both the Island Singers and Manitoulin Community Choir. This past Christmas season, Ms. Buie was delighted to find herself on the receiving end of a good carolling, as members of the Island Singers and community members gathered outside the house to sing her favourite carols.

"It was fantastic!" said Ms. Buie. "I was sitting by the patio door and there was this beautiful choir singing a lot of Christmas carols. I even had a lyric sheet myself."

Ms. Buie is now on a steady stream of oxygen, so her participation was not what she would have wished it to be, but still she expressed her delight.

"I was almost a founding member of the Island Singers when it was Dorothy Anstice running the show," she said. "I got involved in Jane Best's choir as well. I really loved singing hymns and carols. It is one of the ways we communicate with God."

Ms. Buie said the choir regaled her for a good 20 to 25 minutes.

"I was always the one who would get carolling going in Kagawong," she said. "We would go to visit the shut-ins at Christmas time. Now they did it for me, it was so beautiful."

"This was instigated by her brother Mike Coombs," said Island Singers director Chris Theijsmeijer. "I just didn't have time



Members of the Island Singers and community members sing Christmas carols to lift the spirits of choir member Mary Buie.

to organize carolling this year. Mike asked if we could do something to help raise Mary's spirits. We bounced around a bunch of ideas, we thought about a concert, but then we were not sure Mary's health would be up to that. In the end we decided on the carolling. It was our tradition and Mary used to organize the carolling in Kagawong, so we got the word out, gathered in the parking lot in front of the house where

Mary is staying."

Mr. Theijsmeijer said that the response was huge. "We had people travelling all the way from Little Current and Evansville, and, of course, people in the community who know Mary well. It was quite the evening."

This tribute to Ms. Buie was poignant. "I will not be here next year," said Ms. Buie, whose cancer is now progressing quickly

and increasingly hampering her quality of life. "We have to be realistic," she said. "So, the carolling by my friends and neighbours, by the choirs I was a part of for so many years, was so very special to me. It fills your soul."

As for her favourite Christmas carol, Ms. Buie did not hesitate for a heartbeat. "'Once in David's Royal City,'" she said. "It's because it is so English, I think. The other carol I really like is 'Good King Wenceslas,' probably for the same reason," she laughed. "I have this old scratchy record of Christmas carols and the very first one on the record begins with one choirboy singing the first verse of 'Once in David's Royal City.' It is so beautiful."



Mary Buie sits by the patio door to join in the singing as friends from across the Island came to carol outside where she is living.

photos by Jill Ferguson

**OPP investigate Jan 5 break and enter**

The police are requesting the public's assistance and any information they can provide on a break and enter at a business in the town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands (NEMI).

On January 5, at approximately 8:10 a.m., the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a break and enter at a business (SLM Recycling) on Bidwell Road in NEMI.

The complainant reported that a person(s) entered the property between 5:04-5:16 a.m., stealing approximately \$3,500 worth of copper wire.

The investigation is currently ongoing with the assistance of the Manitoulin detachment crime unit of the OPP.

Police are asking anyone with information to contact Manitoulin OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Eyewitness accounts, video surveillance and photographs are very helpful in police investigations. If you wish to remain anonymous for any reason, you may call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or leave a tip online at [ontariocrimestoppers.ca](http://ontariocrimestoppers.ca).

Please call 9-1-1 if you fear for your personal safety, are the victim of a break and enter, see suspicious activity or a suspicious motor vehicle.

**Law & Order****Traffic stop leads to impaired charge**

At approximately 3:43 pm on January 4, officers with the Manitoulin detachment of the OPP were conducting general law enforcement duties on Cardwell Street in Assiginack Township.

The officer observed a vehicle owned by a suspended driver and a traffic stop was conducted. It was determined the driver had been consuming alcoholic beverages. The driver was subsequently arrested and returned to the detachment for further tests.

Tyson Ootosquaioib, 42-years-old, from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory was charged with: operation while impaired-alcohol and drugs, contrary to section 320.14(1)(a) of the criminal code (CC), operation while impaired-blood alcohol concentration (80 plus), contrary to section 320.14(1)(b) of the CC, and driving a motor vehicle with an unsealed container of liquor, contrary to section 42(1)(a), of the Liquor Licence and Control Act.

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario

Court of Justice in Gore Bay on January 18.

**Man charged following single vehicle accident**

A Sudbury man has been charged by the police after being involved in a single vehicle car accident Christmas day.

On December 25, at approximately 11:00 pm, the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a single vehicle in the ditch on Highway 6 in Assiginack Township.

Police attended the location, and it was determined by OPP officers that the driver had been consuming alcoholic beverages. The driver was uncooperative and assaultive towards police, and also caused damage to the police cruiser. The accused vehicle was towed with the driver's licence suspended for 90 days.

Joey Manitowabi, 27-years-old, from Sudbury was charged with failure or refusal to comply with demand, contrary to 320.15(1) of the criminal code (CC), assault a police officer, contrary to section 270(1)(a) of the CC, mischief under \$5,000, contrary to section 430(4) of the CC.

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on February 1.

**Property dispute leads to harassment charges for former Gordon's Lodge owners**

by Lori Thompson

**Local Journalism Initiative Reporter**

GORE BAY—A complicated property dispute has led to criminal harassment charges for former Gordon's Lodge owners. Laura Pinkerton and Andrew Pinkerton were both charged with criminal harassment but pleaded guilty on January 6 to the lesser and included offence of harassing phone calls under section 372.3 of the Criminal Code.

The charges relate to the former Gordon's Lodge property, located at 1 Water Street in Gore Bay. The 22-acre commercial property consists of a motel, rental cabins and a restaurant. The property was owned by 917488 Ontario Inc., which was an Ontario corporation of Andrew and Laura Pinkerton.

The court heard the corporation defaulted on a \$1,155,000 mortgage and the mortgagor obtained a default judgement on March 3, 2016 for the balance owing, and a writ of possession was issued in favour of

the lender.

Following a series of unsuccessful appeals and motions by the Pinkertons to quash the judgement, the mortgage lender sold the property to current owner Martian Properties Inc. (MPI). In a statement to police, Cliff Barnes (one of the owners of MPI) reported he had received several voicemails from the Pinkertons since 2020, that they were coming with a locksmith and to "get off the property." The Pinkertons also left several voicemails with MPI's lawyer that they were going to 1 Water Street. On July 28, 2022 they left a voice mail with MPI advising them they had five days to vacate the property, which the Pinkertons were showing to a prospective purchaser.

Mr. Barnes was so fearful the Pinkertons were going to follow through that he hired 24-hour security for several days, Assistant Crown Attorney David Didiodato told the Court. "Mr. Barnes feels harassed over the entire situation," he said. "The Pinkertons

are consistently sending threatening emails and voice mails."

The Pinkertons agreed to the facts but told Justice Buttazzoni this was an ongoing civil litigation matter and there had been an error made on the land registry when the property was purchased from the Town of Gore Bay in 1970. "There's 25,000 square feet, or 0.6 acres, we have been the owner of since 2015," Ms. Pinkerton said.

They have hired an expert real estate lawyer "along with others" to correct the error made on the property, she said. "We have been the owner since 2015, and have been working with the Ministry of the Attorney General's civil law office and the director of titles to correct this land issue that is currently owned by the Pinkertons."

Ms. Pinkerton referred to a June 12, 2015 court order that confirmed them as owners of the 0.6 acres in the heart of the 22 acres. "The Crown Attorney unfortunately has the facts incorrect," she said.

Justice Buttazzoni pointed out he was

unable to decide a property issue and asked the Pinkertons if they agreed that repeated telephone calls were made to the complainants.

Ms. Pinkerton responded that she was authorized to deal with MPI's lawyer and had communicated with him numerous times. "I apologize if they were considered harassment," she said.

The judge again pointed out the offence was repeated phone calls to MPI, Cliff Barnes and Michael Lockhart that were harassing in nature. "Do you agree with the facts regarding the harassing phone calls?"

The Pinkertons agreed, but disagreed with the Crown's position on sentencing. Mr. Didiodato was seeking three years probation and a no communication order for both Pinkertons, with a conditional discharge for Mr. Pinkerton and a suspended Sentence for Ms. Pinkerton.

There are mitigating factors, said Ms. Pinkerton. "We have hired an expert in real

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**Probation and suspended sentence for man involved in suspected cannabis operation explosion**

by Lori Thompson

**Local Journalism Initiative Reporter**

GORE BAY—On October 12, 2019, a bunkie at the rear of a property located in Providence Bay exploded, seriously injuring an Island woman. Tyrone Wood, who lives in Sudbury, and his girlfriend were inside the bunkie when the explosion occurred, causing the walls and roof to collapse. Mr. Wood pled guilty on January 6 to mischief involving destroying or damaging property, contrary to section 430.1(a) of the Criminal Code (CC).

The property was being rented at the time by Mr. Wood's mother. A neighbour heard the explosion and arrived at the scene, where he located Mr. Wood and his injured girlfriend.

The Ontario Fire Marshall (OFM) office attended the scene to investigate and found 10 empty butane canisters at the scene but no butane operated devices. The OFM concluded the explosion was caused by the introduction of butane gas into the bunkie, which was ignited when Mr. Wood's girlfriend used a lighter to light a cigarette.

The court heard the OFM believed butane gas was being used to extract THC from cannabis. While this was not admitted, Mr. Wood did admit to emitting butane gas into the air.

Mr. Wood had to hold up the roof to get his girlfriend outside. He put her into a shower and later asked his mother to take her to the hospital in Mindemoya. She was then transported to Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto with life threatening injuries, having suffered significant burning to her

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**Friends and Neighbours****Kagawong  
Team Fergmeijer**

Happy new year! We hope you rang in 2023 in a manner most appropriate. Whether that meant you were dressed up to the nines, or in bed by nine, we hope you had fun! Team Fergmeijer decided to go all out this year and attended a super swanky NYE party with tons of famous people. We didn't mingle too much; mostly we stayed at our small booth table. But at one point a celebrity we recognized came over and asked if they could sit with us. It was a bit crowded already, but we scooted over because there's always room for J. Lo.

Manitoulin is a generous place. Each year members of the public, businesses and townships contribute to grants and bursaries for graduates of Manitoulin Secondary School. Tens of thousands of dollars are awarded to deserving young people who are moving into post-secondary education and training adventures. This year's awards night at MSS was held last week. You can see a full lineup of awards and recipients in the Expositor. The paper lets us get away with the column running a bit long sometimes, but even we realize that the full list of awards and recipients is pushing our luck. Congratulations to all those who received grants and bursaries and thank you to all of the people who make it all possible!

Mary B has been quite the social butterfly in the last few weeks, travelling to North Bay to spend time with Neil and family, (and various chickens too we imagine), then back home just in time to host Rob and family (significantly fewer chickens with them). Now\*\*, she is celebrating (and perhaps lamenting just a bit) the arrival of MBB! That's right, Mary Buie's Brother (aka Mike) and the ever-lovely Susie are back on the Island for a few weeks to visit. Keep an eye out for them. Or an ear. Those who know and love MBB know that you can usually hear Mike coming before you see him.

(\*If we got this column in on time, they will have just

arrived. If we missed the deadline, MBB and Susie will have been here a week and this is old news.)

The township has altered their council meeting schedule. Council now meets on the first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month. You can find details of meetings (minutes and agendas) on the township website ([www.billingstwp.ca](http://www.billingstwp.ca)).

In related news, the Billings library board meetings have changed to the second Tuesday of every month. These meetings are open to the public and are held at the library starting at 7 pm. Contact the library directly for more information ([billingsread@gmail.com](mailto:billingsread@gmail.com) 705-282-2944).

Did you know that January is national puzzle month? The library has pieced together an event to celebrate: a PUZZLE SWAP! Come to the library on Saturday, January 28 from 10 am to 1 pm, and bring the jigsaw puzzles of your past to trade for the jigsaw puzzles of your future! Mingle with other like-minded puzzle lovers and piece together which puzzle you want to take home with you. We really hope you can fit this into your busy schedule (we know you jig saw what we did there).

There's a lot of talk in this country about a shortage of workers and companies struggling to fill jobs. We have a friend who was telling us all about it. He just started working at a plant that makes plastic Draculas. There is just him and one other worker on his busy shift, so he has to make every second count.

The lights are up and running at the rink! Now covered with fresh, new boards, the rink can be lit up after dark to extend our enjoyment of the ice. Once we have some ice. It's slow going with this weather, but there is a dedicated group of volunteers that are gearing up for the colder weather to make that ice a reality.

The fire hall remains off limits due to dangerous structural issues that have come to light during the renovations. The township is investigating the options put forth by the engineering company, but until a solution is implemented, the access to bulk water from the fire hall is completely off-limits. Please utilize the water at the public works garage at 34 Carter Crescent. There are two hoses available: one between the two truck bays, and the other next to the main

door. Please be mindful of the bay doors, and do not leave your vehicle unattended.

As we enter a new year, we like to reminisce over the fun and adventure we had over the past circle around the sun. One great way to do that is to visit the Team Fergmeijer archives at <http://teamfergmeijer.blogspot.com>. You can look back over the good, the bad, and the punny in the township all the way back to 2015!

January is traditionally the month when everyone kicks off new, healthier habits. Top tip for those getting back into exercising with their new year's resolutions - after a workout, if you rub olive oil and Epsom salt on painful spots on your body, they will immediately feel greasier and saltier. Have a good week!

**Barrie Island  
Lillian Greenman**

Scott and Enid Runnalls had their daughter Katie from Toronto home for a few days at Christmas. Family joining them for supper on Christmas day were Oliver and Barb Runnalls, Cameron and Dione Runnalls and Micah.

Doug and Linda Lane had their daughter Angela and husband Darryl Wunsch and their son Thomas home for a few days at Christmas.

Murray Montgomery had his daughter Erin from Blind River home for a few days at Christmas.

Lance and Lillian Greenman had Natalie and Roger Hayden and family, Terry and Kyle Greenman and friend Laurie for supper after Christmas.

Dave and Theresa Carlisle had their daughter Stephanie from Waterloo home for the Christmas holidays. Family joining them for supper on Christmas day were Jerry Carlisle, John and Joann Carlisle and Joan Ralph.

George and Carolyn Calback had supper after New Year's with Lyle Phillips in Manitowaning, also Marguerite and Travis Strong.

# Manitoulin Sporting Life

## Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

### Leafs honour, Indigenous people?

The NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs have tried to foster reconciliation with Indigenous People over the last number of years. Their Alumni Club even hosted a game in Wiikwemkoong this past autumn as an example. This past Saturday, the Toronto Maple Leafs hosted their Indigenous Celebration game at Scotiabank Arena on Saturday against the Detroit Red Wings.

To their credit, the Maple Leafs wore custom warm-up-only jerseys designed by Indigenous artist, **Tyler Tabobondung-Rushnell** before their game against the Detroit Red Wings. Prior to the game, the Maple Leafs were gifted beaded medallions created by six Ojibwe women and elders from Wiikwemkoong. The blue and white medallions of the Maple Leafs logo featured each player's number at the top of the leaf. Wiikwemkoong's own, multi-year International, Hoop Dance Champion, **Lisa Odjig** was one of the lead performers in the ceremony before the game and not televised.

So, with that forethought of making the evening honourable to Indigenous people they appeared to think a sign on the Jumbo Tron, would be well received. I guess, their intention was to honour the Late **George Armstrong**, the Leafs' Longest Serving Captain of 13 years and still holds many Leaf and League milestones. FYI, his Granddaughter, Kalley Armstrong played in that aforementioned game in Wiikwemkoong last autumn. A sign flashed before all that said "Big Chief Shoot the Puck 10". The sign referenced his number 10 and a name that was given to him by the Stoney Mountain First Nation back in 1950! The sign was not referenced or explained. Many hockey fans, Leafs included, only saw a dated name without the backing information. Many did not even know what the "10" referred to.

Without an education piece, people only see a sign on social media or an overheard soundbite and some may perpetuate names like this. It is nearly three quarters of a century since George was given the moniker. A few things might have changed in these 73 years!

### Curling club calling newbies!

The Providence Bay Curling Club is hosting classes for adults that are interested in learning about the sport of curling. The club wants beginners to learn in a fun and encouraging environment, and learn the basic skills of the game and meet new people! This program is aimed at adults new to the sport of curling with a desire to learn with like-minded people. All you need is a clean pair of shoes as all other equipment will be available at the club for you to use. Coaches recommend dressing in layers.

Classes go every Monday for three more weeks and are just an hour and a half in duration. The cost to participate is only \$40 per person. The Learn to Curl program will prepare you to join their regular leagues in February! Please contact **Marc** at 705-869-7844 or email providencebaycurling@gmail.com if you would like to participate or have any questions.

### Ho, Ho, Hockey Christmas!

The 2022 version of the Wiky Christmas Co-ed Hockey took place a while back but they deserve mention. In the end it was Team Julian or better known as Team Red Machine. The tournament tradition featured great action, lots of laughs and close games

Congratulations to **Julian Wemigwans, Amber Lewis, Mackenzie Shigwadja, Reese Shigwadja, Nyssa Solomon, Levi Morrison, Mathew Oshkabewisens, Jonas Mejaki, Kenneth Kagige, Seth Reynolds-Peltier, Alex Peltier, Peter Wemigwans and Greg Trudeau.**

Players and fans alike send their chi-miigwech to **Gerry Baibomcowai** and the Thunderdome Arena staff for the well managed tournament. What a great way to spend the kick-off to the Christmas Holidays!

### Keep Dancing!

**Candice Irwin** has opened registrations for her winter sessions. Candice is excited to keep moving with you in the New Year! Yes, winter dance is starting next week. They will be back with kids classes in Mindemoya, Little Current and Manitowaning. Dance continues to be completely free in Manitowaning thanks to the municipality receiving a grant through Ontario Trillium Foundation.

They're also expanding their programming for ages 3-4. Their Creative Movement A class was such a success in Little Current this fall that they are also offering it in Mindemoya this winter.

They're also expanding seniors dance programming. Chair Supported Dancing continues in Manitowaning Thursday Jan 19-March 9 from 3-4 pm. They will also be running this class in Little Current Tuesday Jan 24-Feb 28 from 10:30-11:30 am. Both these classes are free thanks to the respective municipalities.

The Mindemoya sessions go from Tuesday, January 17-March 7. Little Current is staggered a day later on Wednesdays from January 18-March 8. Finally, Manitowaning get Thursdays from January 19-March 9. You can head to their website for the full schedule and to register early to make sure you get into the dance classes you want!

### Yoga updates

There will be some changes to the Spring Bay Yoga Classes. Tuesday classes need to be combined due to attendance. Starting January 10, all Tuesday classes are now combined for a 2 pm class start time for the winter session. Other classes had to be relocated to the Providence Bay Hall. Due to scheduling conflicts the following classes will be moved: Wednesday January 11, Tuesday February 14 and Tuesday, March 14.

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# Peter Bond rink wins Mindemoya curling bonspiel

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—The Peter Bond rink won the annual Mindemoya Curling Club men's curling bonspiel this past weekend.

The Peter Bond (skip) rink which included Harold Fox, Brad Ham and J.J. McCabe, defeated the Bob Smith rink in the first event. The runner-up Bob Smith rink included Doug King, Larry Breau and Ian Williamson.

In the second event, the David McDermid rink

which also included T.J. McDermid, Bob McDermid and Mike Johnston, took first place. The runner-up was the Mike Corrigan rink, with Al Lanktree, Zach Corrigan and Devin Lockeyer.

In the third event, the Lew Lanktree rink, which included Jack White, Dan Forest and Rob Lanktree, defeated the Reuben Allen rink. The Allen rink included Joe Cooper, Mike Wall and Bud Spry.

There was a total of 16 rinks that took part in the annual bonspiel.



The Peter Bond rink won the first event final at the annual Mindemoya men's curling bonspiel, held this past weekend. In photo from left is J.J. McCabe, Brad Ham, Harold Fox and Peter Bond.

photos by Tom Sasvari



The second event winner was the David McDermid rink which included T.J. McDermid, Rob McDermid and Mike Johnston.



Taking first place in the third event was the rink made up of Lew Lanktree, Jack White, Dan Forest and Rob Lanktree.

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# ...Hate signs near Killarney target Wiikwemkoong

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Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Service (WTPS), but since the signs were located outside their jurisdiction, he did not file a complaint with WTPS and turned to the OPP which took his information and is investigating the incident.

Mr. Manitowabi has had several incidents of harassment at his hunting camp. "They stole my beds and wrote graffiti all over the walls," he said. "I mean, who steals beds?" He believes the signs and other actions are aimed at the high number of hunters who access the area along that road, but it is clear from the signs that the anger is primarily aimed at people from the community of Wiikwemkoong, who are specifically identified in the signs.

Killarney Mayor Michael Reider visited the area where the signs were posted and said that he had also met with several residents of Wiikwemkoong. "I didn't have the feeling that this was a non-aboriginal and aboriginal issue," he said. "What I understand is that it is an issue between two aboriginal groups who are having a disagreement among



Stitch Manitowabi poses with one of the hateful signs (edited by this newspaper) found posted near his hunting cabin.

themselves about hunting rights and limits of animals taken."

Mayor Reider said he found out about the signs on Halifax Road off Highway 637, the road into Killarney from MCTV News.

"I knew absolutely nothing about it until I received a call from an MCTV reporter."

"So, I went out there to talk to people in the area and got what I thought was the story from people on

both sides of the issue," said Mayor Reider. "It appears to be a fight between two groups of aboriginal people, one group that says the hunting that is being carried out is ruining the area by taking too many animals and the other group saying they have the right to hunt."

"It appears to be an old issue among two aboriginal groups, who are having a disagreement among themselves on limits on animals taken, aboriginal history and customs for hunting," asserted Mayor Reider. "It has nothing to do with the Town of Killarney and it doesn't appear to be an aboriginal and non-aboriginal issue. It has nothing to do with that. That is the feeling I get."

Mr. Manitowabi points out that this is not the first time there have been incidents he believes were aimed at Indigenous hunters. "About eight years ago there were similar reactions," he said. He noted that while there have been discussions between a neighbouring reserve where hunters also access the area, he feels those concerns have been largely laid to rest.

Mr. Manitowabi said that he feels the issue real-

ly stems from a lack of understanding of Indigenous treaty rights. "I believe education is the solution," he said, noting that even among Indigenous peoples who have treaty rights to hunt, there is a lot of misunderstanding of what that means.

But the threats and anger exhibited on the signs, many of which specifically cite Wiikwemkoong, are not strictly aimed at hunting.

"We did harvest birchbark from the area," said Mr. Manitowabi, "but that didn't kill any trees." One of the signs was posted on a tree that had some outer layers of birchbark taken off claimed, following a profane epitaph, that "everything is dead."

The chilling effect has spread a long way.

Researchers from the University of Guelph who are studying wolf populations in the region in collaboration with Wiikwemkoong contacted Mr. Manitowabi asking if it was safe to resume the study.

For his part, Mr. Manitowabi said he does not believe the signs reflect the general attitude among residents of Killarney. "I am always greeted pleas-

antly in Killarney," he said. Mr. Manitowabi said he hopes better education and communication will provide a solution.

"We have a long time to live here together so we need to have a respectful relationship," he said, "without threats and intimidation like this. To me, these are hate crimes, it is hard to see them any other way."

Mr. Manitowabi noted that the area has attracted youth groups from southern urban reserves who come to experience and connect with the land.

Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police Service issued a release on the matter, noting that while they "have not received a complaint with regards to this type of messaging. Since receiving this information, WTPS has been investigating and would like to reach out to the public for assistance in identifying any suspect(s) who may be responsible for these despicable hate motivated offences. Anyone with information is asked to contact WTPS at 705-859-3141. Tips may be provided anonymously by calling crime stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS."

# ...Lisa Odjig shows hoop dancing skills at Toronto Maple Leafs game

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responded Ms. Odjig when asked how the performance came about. "They welcomed us with open arms. The love and support has been overwhelming and many of our Indigenous people and communities have been fans and also have shared their love and support for the major sports leagues for decades. The connection has been beautiful and we can't thank them enough. I had reached out to the Toronto Maple Leafs and MLSE and we kept in touch throughout the last season and the beginning of the new season. The connection has been exciting from the beginning, and I am happy everything worked out beautifully."

Ms. Odjig was joined on the on-ice carpet stage by Toronto Council Fire All Nation Jr's Drum group and its lead singer Kevin



Champion hoop dancer Lisa Odjig of Wiikwemkoong, left, is joined by the Toronto Council Fire All Nation Juniors Drum Group, lead singer Kevin Myran and dancers Nikki Shawana, Ian Akiwenzie, Daniel Secord, Emily Gaudet and Ascension Harjo. Also joining her on-ice were elders Gilbert Sunday, residential school survivor (and Ms. Odjig's mother) Margaret Jackson and (Ms. Odjig's father) Franklin Fisher Odjig.

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Jackson and elder (and Ms. Odjig's father) Franklin Fisher Odjig.

"We all felt the love and support," said Ms. Odjig of the audience response to the performance. "The audience cheered and clapped for the drum,

drummers, dancers, residential school survivors and elders. We were all excited and a bit nervous, but we went out and gave it our all."

Ms. Odjig, who now lives and works in Toronto, said that she wanted to have more people take part in the performance, but the 20-by-20-foot carpeted square really limited how many could take part.

"I was honored, grateful and thankful for this opportunity," said Ms. Odjig. "We've all come a long way and I thought about our lost brothers and sisters, lost aunts, uncles, grandparents in the residential school system and the residential school survivors that are still here with us today. I thought, 'we will make you proud and will continue to honor you, sing for you, dance for you, represent you because we

know the importance of keeping our traditions and culture strong and alive and we will not let you down'."

The hoop dance must have brought a bit of its magic to the Maple Leafs as not only did they score a 4-1 win over the Detroit Red Wings that game, but they also secured a new franchise scoring record with Mitch Marner's goal

and assist taking place in a 23-game scoring streak.

Maple Leaf players wore warm-up jerseys designed by Indigenous artist Tyler Rushnell. Those jerseys will be up for auction on Real Sports Auction, with all proceeds being donated to the Toronto Council Fire Native Cultural Centre.

# Assinack councils nixes plans for waterfront development study

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—Council for the municipality of Assinack has decided not to proceed with the conceptual plans or updating costs from the Manitowaning waterfront development upgrading proposal from a study in 2001.

At a special meeting last week council passed a motion, "that we inform JL Richards that we will not be proceeding with the conceptual plans or updating costs from the waterfront upgrading proposal from 2021 at this time."

Mayor Brenda Reid told The Expositor after the meeting, "the municipality has paid \$4,308 so far on the study. But we need to know what exactly we want to be looking at. And the company (JL Richards) wasn't presented with exact plans as to what they were being asked to include in the plans for this almost 22-year-old study."

Councillor Rob Maguire voted against the motion passed by council. "I didn't support the motion. I would have preferred for conceptual drawings to be completed and presented to the public for review, so that we would get input on plans that could be looked at for the waterfront."

"There was talk of expanding the marina and moving the current swim beach," said Councillor Maguire. "If we had drawings on the table, and then received public input,

we could look at what could work. Either way what I wanted was to have Bay Street opened up, even if it continued to the dead end and turned around there. If the road was opened up there would be another third of a mile of waterfront, and we could put in things like a boardwalk."

"I hope we explore this whole issue again in the future," said Councillor Maguire. "We have an area there we could improve, that could be improved to make things better to the people who live in the community and those who visit." He pointed out the end of Bay Street ties into the Assinack arena property, "even if there was a walking trail it would benefit the community."

"I had hoped we would ask for conceptual plans for the waterfront that could come to the table," said Councillor Maguire.

"If we ever decide to do something with the waterfront we will be able to go out and apply for funding for a study and have this and a design carried out for a project," said Mayor Reid. "We need to say thank you to JL Richards for the work they have already done and to have them send us a final bill. Then we can make a decision on what if any plans we want to make for the waterfront."

## PET SAVE MANITOULIN



### Thank you from Anthony

Our tortoiseshell male, star-boarder, 'Anthony' would like to thank all of those kind people who sent in e-transfers, cheques to our mailbox, and made donations to our jars so that there would be enough funds to cover his dentistry. Two teeth were extracted and the remaining teeth were cleaned resulting in a brilliant smile.

Thanks also to 'the two girls from Sudbury' for their donation of food. We wish to thank the Expositor for hosting the Sudbury donations overnight. Thanks also for providing a space in the newspaper for these pet features.





## ...‘Let’s Emerg Together’ fundraising campaign complete

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ing this vision a reality.”

Paula Fields, president and chief executive officer of MHC said, “I am always humbled by the generosity of our community, from individuals, to families, estate bequests and of course, our corporate sponsors. I am so pleased to lead our facilities into this next phase with no financial obligation for future generations. Thank you so much to the fundraising committee for all their efforts, to everyone who thought enough of this initiative to donate and to our staff and patients who endured the destruction and construction phase. We look forward to welcoming everyone into the new state of the art facility in Mindemoya.”



A store room in the Mindemoya Hospital emergency department.

In the spring of 2019, the ‘Let’s Emerg Together’ campaign kicked off with the lofty goal of raising \$2.5 million dollars to renovate and expand the emergency department at the Mindemoya site. The initiative was daunting, given the onset of COVID-19, supply chain issues and other challenges. The community of Manitoulin and beyond our Island borders came together and helped MHC to the finish line, due in large part to the Smith Family Foundation who led the charge with their \$1 million pledge.

While the project specific fundraising has come to a close the construction is ongoing. MHC anticipates the grand opening to take place in the spring of 2023.

## ...Island pharmacists to participate in one stop shop

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“It will be very good for our customers,” said Kidane Gebrekristose of Central Pharmacy in Gore Bay. “And the new system will not be that much different than what we provide now. I think it is a good idea.”

As of January 1, Ontarians will be able to stop in at pharmacies across the province to receive prescriptions for 13 common ailments, including rashes, pink eye, insect bites and urinary tract infections with just their health card. This service makes it more convenient to access care by removing a doctor’s office visit or a trip to the emergency department of a local hospital and will come at no extra cost to Ontarians.

Pharmacies will receive a reimbursement through OHIP for consultation/writing a prescription depending on the condition, for in-store consultation of \$19 and \$15 for a virtual (including telephone) consultation. However, there is a limited number per patient that pharmacies will be reimbursed by OHIP every year, province-wide.

“Stopping by your local pharmacy for quick and easy access to treatment for some of your most common ailments increases your access to the care you need closer to home,” said Sylvia Jones, deputy premier and minister of health in making the announcement December 28. “Expanding

the ability of pharmacists to provide care is one more way we’re putting people at the centre of our health care system, making it easier, faster and more convenient to access health care in their community.”

Pharmacists will be able to offer prescriptions for: hay fever (allergic rhinitis), oral thrush (candida stomatitis), pink eye (conjunctivitis—bacterial, allergic and viral), dermatitis (atopic, eczema, allergic and contact), menstrual cramps (dysmenorrhea), acid reflux (gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD)), hemorrhoids, cold sores (herpes labialis), impetigo, insect bites and hives, tick bites (post-exposure prophylaxis to prevent Lyme disease), sprains and strains (musculoskeletal) and urinary tract infections (UTIs).

Allowing pharmacists to prescribe for these common ailments will make it more convenient for Ontarians to receive the care they need, while offering patients more convenient choices

for how they access and receive health care. With a large, province-wide footprint, pharmacist prescribing will help to increase access to care in rural parts of Ontario.

In addition to providing more convenience, pharmacy prescribing will also help free-up doctor’s bandwidth to provide care for more complex needs, helping to reduce wait times for these services.

Dr. Steve Cooper, chief of staff of the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) said, “there are some clinicians who are nervous about this initiative, in terms of acute care medicine. But this is less of an issue here (Manitoulin Island) than larger areas where they rely on a lot of walk-in clinics and emergency for these cases. We can deal with this issue due to the good relationship we (local physicians) have with our pharmacists on the Island; they know they can reach out to us at any time on any issue or concern. There is more of a team atmosphere on the

Island than in other areas.”

“The legislation is good because it provides another access for patients to get what they need without having to see doctors through emergency departments,” said Dr. Cooper. He pointed out the 13 common ailments that patients can now receive prescriptions for in the pharmacy were chosen by the ministry very carefully to further make sure in any case of a missed

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Meeting # 489 313 1974  
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Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday and Thursday of the month. For a full copy of the agenda, please visit our website at [www.townofnemi.on.ca](http://www.townofnemi.on.ca)

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**Tender Opportunity**  
The Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands is now accepting Tender Submissions for an Aircraft Fuelling System Upgrade at The Manitoulin East Municipal Airport. For a copy of the full document details, please see our website [www.townofnemi.on.ca](http://www.townofnemi.on.ca)  
Tenders will be accepted in writing up to 4:30pm on February 15, 2023  
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## ...Young Manitoulin quilters to have works displayed at national conference

...continued from page 3 held in Vancouver,” said Ms. White. “I put it out to our young quilters again this year that they could participate, and we have three kids from Manitowaning and one from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory who are participating in the challenge.”

The four youngsters include Myla Trudeau of Wiikwemkoong, Chloe Moggy, and sisters Ally and Katie (whose parents did not want their last names published) all of Manitowaning taking part.

The CQA posted on a recent Facebook message, “We caught up to Chloe, Allie and Katie working on their JN Harper Youth Challenges. Each has a unique spin on their piece. They are so excited, knowing their quilt will be hanging at Quilt Canada this June in Halifax.”

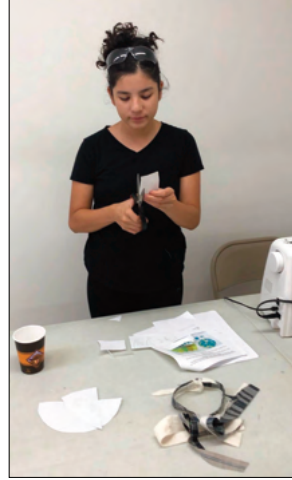
Ms. White has been running a threads club in Manitowaning for about six years. “Several of our



Chloe Moggy of Manitowaning has her works displayed at the Quilt Canada 2023 conference.



Katie will have one of her quilt works displayed at the Quilt Canada 2023 conference.



Myla Trudeau of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory is one of four Manitoulin quilters who will have their works displayed at the Quilt Canada 2023 conference.

quilters have been in our club since they were beginners and some are more experienced quilters.”

The four young quilters are all still working on their quilts that have to be complete by April, to be forwarded to Halifax, where they will be judged among other youth works. “About 30-60 quilts will be entered and their quilts

will be among those going to the conference,” continued Ms. White. Along with their quilt pieces, each quilter has to provide an artist’s statement on their piece under this year’s show theme, ‘Sun and Sand and Sea,’ which is printed beside each of the quilts, along with a description of the quilt.

“There are between

over a huge convention centre.”

The quilt may be any size, up to a 200-inch (508 centimetre) perimeter. It must be made of three layers and be quilted by either hand or machine. It must be either bound or closed along the edges with either hand and/or machine-stitching.

Most of the quilt must be the work of the young quilter. The quilter may use any combination of hand-and/or machine-piercing, applique, and quilting. The use of embellishments such as beads, embroidery,

fibres, ribbon, paint, crayon, etc. is the choice of the young quilter.

The entry must be free of any text or images that are protected by copyright unless the quilter has written permission from the holder of the copyright.

There will be an online display and voting for viewers choice in three age categories. As well, there will be in-person voting at Quilt Canada 2023.

Entrants in the youth challenge will be divided into three age categories: 5-9, 10-14, and 15-19.

## ...ITO establishes cultural integrity advisory committee

...continued from page 3 Indigenous cultural integrity guidelines applicable to all aspects of tourism operations, engagements, and practices. Their work will be reflective of the nations in Ontario and will lead with an Indigenous-led grassroots approach.” The goal of the guidelines is to protect the knowledge, values, beliefs and traditions of all Indigenous peoples in Ontario while developing tourism initiatives that are in high demand. As the wider tourism industry looks to build partnerships and help develop Indigenous tourism products, these guidelines will help to prevent cultural appropriation and exploitation of Indigenous cultures in tourism, ITO outlined.

ITO knows that when developed sustainably Indigenous tourism can be



Kevin Eshkawkogan

a powerful vehicle for improving the socio-economic conditions of Indigenous people while building a greater understanding and relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people. Across the province, over 400 Indigenous ITO members look to enhance existing products and develop new products, and market and promote their offerings. Through one-on-one support with entrepreneurs, business owners

and community members, ITO is taking the necessary steps to build the Indigenous tourism industry in a responsible manner.

By establishing the ICI-AC advisory group, ITO will rely on these diverse Indigenous peoples from across Ontario to guide its work.

After extensive outreach and careful consideration, “ITO is ecstatic to announce the committee members. With a plethora of expertise in Indigenous history, knowledge, teachings, and practices, the committee’s commitment to preserving Indigenous culture and traditions are invaluable to the Indigenous tourism industry and will allow ITO, and the industry, to maintain integrity in the development and delivery of our culturally authentic tourism.”

“Ensuring we maintain

the integrity of our culture while engaging in business is critical to moving forward in a positive direction,” said Tim McGregor, knowledge keeper. “It is my pleasure to help the team at Indigenous Tourism Ontario and the industry with this important work.”

## ...Six nominated for WRFN council chief

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Clark-McGregor, Elizabeth (Lissa) McGregor, Marilyn Stevens, Raymond Francis, Valerie McGregor, Marida McGregor, Brian McGregor (inc), Jordi Jacko, Susan Stevens, Tania Jacko, Courtney Landrie, Julian Nowgabow, Rodney Nahwegahbow, Ann Robin Ziegler, Louise Jacko, Carrieanne Agawa, Thomas Kerry Francis, Richard Shawanda, Matthew McGregor, Brandon McGregor, Roxanne Jacko, Talon Chin-McGregor, Justin Andrew McGregor, Franklin Paibomsai, Michael Dennis McGregor, Anthony Blain McGregor, Emmett Pitawanakwat, Victor Pitawanakwat, Ignatius Pitawanakwat,

Lorilee McGregor, Derek McGregor, Andrea Recollet, Carson Pitawanakwat, Michael John McGregor, Gisele McGregor, Allen Paibomsai, Mariette Sutherland, Chris McGregor, Paul McGregor, Todd McGregor (inc) and John Recollet.

Councillor Leona Nahwegahbow was acting as chief following the resignation of Chief Shining Turtle in the fall. Chief Shining Turtle, a former engineer, noted at the time he was leaving to take up another opportunity in educational administration.

The election will take place on February 21 in the community centre.

## ...pharmacists to participate in one stop shop

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diagnosis it will not cause harm to a patient. “There is a very low risk,” he said. “In some cases, I’m not sure how pharmacists are going to manage this because they are already very busy,” said Dr. Cooper. “I expect pharmacists have the choice to take on these added services, or decline.”

Justin Bates, chief executive officer of the Ontario Pharmacists Association said, “empowering pharmacists to use their expertise to assess and treat minor ailments helps patients get the care they need sooner and closer to home, but the benefits

go much further. It reduces demand on hospitals, emergency departments, walk-in clinics and family physicians. It also frees up time for our healthcare partners, allowing doctors, nurses and other healthcare providers to focus on more complex care issues.”

Ontarians can now also visit local pharmacies for Paxlovid prescriptions. Visit [ontario.ca/antivirals](http://ontario.ca/antivirals) for more information on eligibility and to find local pharmacies that are dispensing Paxlovid.

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Interested individuals are invited to apply for membership on the Manitoulin Planning Board representing the portion of the planning area without municipal organization. Appointments are made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for a 4 year term.

Planning Board members are responsible for:

- Providing input and making recommendations concerning local land-use planning matters;
- Considering applications for the conveyance of land;
- Reviewing local land-use planning documents and making recommendations regarding amendments;
- Interpreting and applying provincial policy and legislation relating to local land-use planning; and
- Attending regular and special meetings of the Planning Board

The portion of the planning area without municipal organization consists of the geographic townships of Dawson and Robinson.

To be eligible for appointment as a Planning Board member to represent the portion of the planning area without municipal organization, the candidate must complete an interview, be a Canadian citizen and be eligible to vote in an Ontario election. The candidate should be familiar with the portion of the planning area without municipal organization. Knowledge of Ontario’s land use planning system is an asset.

Interested individuals must apply via the Public Appointments Secretariat (PAS) website at [www.ontario.ca/publicappointments](http://www.ontario.ca/publicappointments). Applications must be submitted no later than February 10, 2023.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Planning Board at [mpbcarlisle@bellnet.ca](mailto:mpbcarlisle@bellnet.ca) or from the contact below:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Municipal Services Office – North (Sudbury)  
Caitlin Carmichael, Planner  
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# ...Birch Island brothers in right place at right time

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jumped in to help the rest of the family, the parents and their two other boys who were all in utter distress, both of them saying, 'Oh my God,' because they thought he was dead. I talked to them and tried to comfort them. My brother continued to resuscitate the boy."

Talon McGregor, who is 25, explained, "The little one was having a really hard time breathing and was choking. I told them I had training for this and asked the staff and the parents if I could take him and the parents gave me the little one. My brother helped by comforting the parents and their two other children."

"The parents gave me permission to take the little one and I performed the Heimlich, we call it ab thrusts, and to see if I could get him to cough up the food," said Talon. "I was able to take one knee and able to give him back blows. At this point the youngster was virtually passed out. I had tunnel vision now; I kept going to see if I could give the kid a chance. Finally, he coughed up bits of food and was crying which was a great sign."

"Someone got the mother to come over when he was okay," Talon, who is a community health nurse in WRFN, explained. "The paramedics were on their way, she was told. It was only a couple of minutes but it felt like forever."

"It was just the little one's fate that it was meant to be that he would be okay," said Talon. "The little one fought, he decided it was not his time. I was just happy we were

able to give the little guy a second chance. I just hope the family is okay, they were in a lot of distress, understandably."

Talon said that, fortunately, with his profession, he takes updated first-aid training courses on a regular basis.

The boys are both from WRFN, and Mskwoka, who started in the military in August, is in Alloy training as well as going to school at Royal Military College said, "we were happy when we heard the youngster was taken by ambulance to the hospital and was going to be okay."

"It was a wild turn of events," said Mskwoka. "We are both so happy that fate had us at the restaurant."

"This was the best outcome we could hope for," stated Talon. "Oh yes, this incident will stay with us forever. We did the best we could."

"We ended up going home after enjoying our dinner to watch the Canada-US world junior hockey game," said Talon. "Overall, everything happened the way it was supposed to, and everyone was okay."

At 5 am on January 5, "Mskwoka was on a bus back to Kingston and I was wishing him the safest trip forward," said Talon. "It isn't until later that you realize everything turned out the best for the little one. We had to help, the little one has barely even started his life yet."

Ms. Ackworth brought Jameson to the hospital after the incident and said he was fine and acted like nothing had happened.

## Legion celebrates 10th volume of Service Recognition Book

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—Time certainly flies. It was 10 years ago that the Royal Canadian Legion first launched its Military Service Recognition Book, making the printing of this year's 10th volume a very special occasion.

Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command Information Bulletin editor Comrade Roy Eaton popped by The Expositor office in Little Current to announce the launch of the new edition and to seek assistance in encouraging veterans' families to submit their service member's information for inclusion in the book.

"We have a number of Island veterans featured in the book," shared Comrade Eaton, "but there are a lot of other veterans who we don't have included yet. It would be great to see those veterans honoured as well."

Comrade Eaton shared that all nine previous versions of the book can be accessed at the NEMI Public Library on Meredith Street in Little Current. "The 10th volume should be available there very shortly," he said. "We really

hope people will take advantage of the opportunity to commemorate their veteran's service to their country."

Funds raised through the book have helped support programs for veterans to the tune of \$300,000 since its inception, especially in the realm of transitioning back to civilian life. "Some veterans come out of the service totally lost," said Comrade Eaton. "Many are suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder from their experiences while serving. There are also homeless veterans who need our help to lead productive and meaningful lives. We are the only Canadian charity defending mental health for veterans specifically from coast to coast."

The forms for inclusion in the Service Recognition Book can be found online at [on.legion.ca/remembrance/military-service-recognition-book](http://on.legion.ca/remembrance/military-service-recognition-book). The completed forms can be dropped off at your local Royal Canadian Legion branch. Island branches are located in Little Current and Gore Bay.

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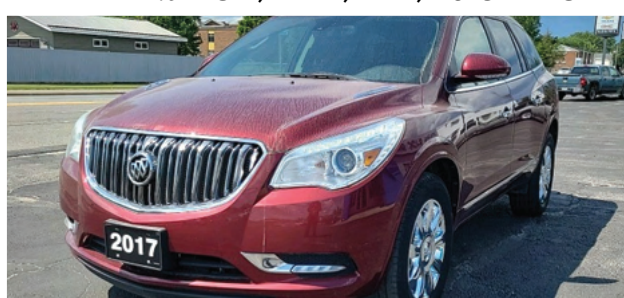
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# Over \$50,000 awarded to MSS grads at annual Awards Night

M'CHIGEENG—Manitoulin's generous nature was once again on display for the 53rd annual Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Awards Night, held January 5, as over \$50,000 in student bursaries was handed out to the graduating class of 2022.

Joining the MSS alum were proud supporters of the students, family and friends, teachers, support staff and special guest Rainbow District School Board Trustee Lisa Corbiere-Addison, board vice-chair and First Nations Trustee Linda Debassige, Algoma-Manitoulin Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes, Superintendent of Schools Lesley Fisher along with MSS Vice-Principals Dawn Noble-McCann and Travis Corbiere and Principal David Wiwchar.

Trustee Corbiere-Addison gave a warm welcome to Awards Night, her first official task as Island trustee, she noted.

Trustee Corbiere-Addison noted the community that is Manitoulin is no more evident than when you leave the Island and happen upon a fellow Islander. "You feel that connection."

She also encouraged the graduates to consider coming "full circle" and not to forget their Island roots be it by coming back to Manitoulin to work, or by becoming a benefactor one day and supporting future graduates.

Trustee Debassige also offered remarks, offering her congratulations to the graduates and encouraging them to apply for as many bursaries as they can from their respective post-secondary institutions.

MP Hughes acknowledged the commitment and sacrifice of the many people who got the graduates to that very moment, be it parents, teachers, support and administrative staff and even friends.

"It's also important to recognize the generous contributions of those award-givers," the MP added.

MP Hughes also noted the hard work of Karlene Scott and the Manitoulin Student Aid Fund committee in putting together such an impressive evening. Ms. Scott, who retired last year but still organized the special evening, was recognized throughout the night for her efforts.

Following the handing out of awards, Principal Wiwchar gave encouraging words to the students, saying he was optimistic the students could feel the hopes the community has for them channeled through the generosity showed that night.

"Communities are all about this," he said.

At the end of the evening, long-time MSS guidance counsellor Leslie Marshall was gifted with a bouquet of flowers by Ms. Noble-McCann. It was announced that this would be Ms. Marshall's last year with MSS as she gets ready to retire after helping to counsel students there since the 1990s.

The awards are as follows:

## A. J. BUS LINES AWARD (2) \$500.00

To two deserving students continuing post-secondary education. Presented to Ms. Gillian Becks to Ava Ferguson and Aleynah Moffatt.

## ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH GOOD SAMARITAN BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Awarded to one boy and one girl in the graduating class who demonstrated the Christian principles of caring and compassion. Presented by Mr. Andrew Argall to Carter Moggy and Rachael Orford.

## DOUGLAS ALLEN BURSARY \$500.00

To a student continuing post-secondary education and for excellence in English. Presented by Ms. Yana Bauer to Patricia Patterson.

## OSWALDINE ARGMANN MEMORIAL BURSARY (2) \$200.00

Donated by the Argmann family to two graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Mike Wesno to Trinity Behm and Emily Aguonie

## ART DEPARTMENT AWARD (Gift)

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Caroline Black to Ayriell Nodecker.

## ASSIGINACK MUNICIPALITY BURSARY (2) \$150.00

To two Assiginack Students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Dawn Roque to Lane Phillips and Christopher White.

## AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION BURSARY \$200.00

To assist and encourage a graduate from the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation. Presented by Ms. Erin Ferguson to Trinity Behm.

## BMO, BANK OF MONTREAL BURSARY (2) \$500.00

To two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education in a business related field. Presented by Mrs. Kim Cooper to Leah Carrick and Ayriell Nodecker.

## SHANE BEBONANG MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Jon Balfe to Noah Hare.

## RON BECKS MEMORIAL BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Presented to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Gillian Becks to Rachael Orford and Lane Phillips.

## BEST BOOKKEEPING & ACCOUNTING BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a student continuing post-secondary education in a business related field. Presented by Mrs. Leslie Marshall to Leah Carrick.



Alex Carrick, right, receives the Big Lake Women's Institute Bursary from Brenda Knox.

## BIG LAKE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE BURSARY \$100.00

To assist a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Brenda Knox to Alex Carrick.

## BILLINGS MUNICIPALITY BURSARY (2) \$200.00

To assist two deserving Billings students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mayor Brian Barker to Rachael Orford and Patricia Patterson.

## REINER BLOK-ANDERSON MEMORIAL BURSARY \$100.00

Donated by Stan and Beth Ferguson to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Erin Ferguson to Brie Rose.

## BRAVISSIMO MUSIC AWARD \$100.00

Presented to an outstanding student in music, demonstrating both musical ability and leadership in the classroom and through extra-curricular activities, and who is pursuing post-secondary studies in a music related field. This Award will be held in Trust.



Gary Brown presents Aiden McCarthy with the Carl Brown and Sons Bus Lines award.

## CARL BROWN AND SONS BUS LINES \$250.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Mike Wesno to Aiden McCarthy.

## JOHN BUDD MEMORIAL BURSARY \$200.00

To assist a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Jon Balfe to Noah Hare.

## BURPEE & MILLS MUNICIPALITY BURSARY \$500.00

To a deserving Burpee and Mills student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Jon Balfe to Alex Fowlie.

## CAMPBELL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY BURSARY \$100.00

Presented to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Melody Hore to Aleynah Moffatt.

## CENTRAL MANITOULIN MUNICIPAL BURSARY (3) \$250.00

To assist three Central Manitoulin students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Dr. Angela Johnston to Amelia Lewis, Ward 1; Zoe Redmond, Ward 2; and Alex Carrick, Ward 3.

## CENTRAL MANITOULIN PUBLIC SCHOOL BURSARY (2) \$100.00

Awarded to a male and female graduate of Central Manitoulin Public School and Manitoulin Secondary School, and is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Kait Watson Smith to Leah Carrick and Carter Moggy.

## CLASSIC SCHOOL OF DANCE AWARD \$500.00

Presented to a former student of the Classic School of Dance who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Classic School of Dance instructor Maja Mielonen to Eliza Ermilova.

## CORAL & JOHN COLLINS MEMORIAL BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Mike Wesno to Aleynah Moffatt

## COMMUNITY LIVING MANITOULIN BURSARY \$250.00

To assist a graduate continuing post-secondary education in a related field or to a family member that is supported by Community Living. Presented by Executive Director Ms. Adrienne Farquhar-Kuula to Jessica Boyle.

## D. H. ELECTRICAL TRADES BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a technical related field. Presented by Mr. Steve Robinson to Declan Allison.

## O.G. DAVIES MEMORIAL BURSARY \$300.00

Awarded in memory of former M.S.S. principal Gwynn Davies by his family, to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Andrew Argall to Patricia Patterson.

## O.G. DAVIES MEMORIAL CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION BURSARY \$200.00

Awarded to an outstanding Co-operative Education student who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Andrew Argall to Abby Witty.

## ALEX DAVY ROBOTICS AWARD \$250.00

Donated by Mr. Allan Davy to a former Robotics student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Allan Davy to Lindsay Sheppard.



Nova Debassige presents Noah Hare with the Anne Debassige Memorial Bursary.

## ANNE DEBASSIGE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$300.00

Donated by the family to a deserving student continuing post-education Presented by Ms. Nova Debassige to Noah Hare.

## DOMTAR INC. BURSARY \$500.00

Awarded to a graduate entering their first year of post-secondary education at a community college. Presented by Dr. Angela Johnston to Michael Gibbons.

## DOMTAR INC. SCHOLARSHIP \$500.00

Awarded to a graduate entering their first year of post-secondary education at a university and for academic achievement. Presented by Dr. Angela Johnston to Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier.

## FAMILY STUDIES BURSARY \$100.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Caroline Black to Jessica Boyle.

## BETTY AND BILL FERGUSON MEMORIAL BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Presented in memory of Betty & Bill Ferguson to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Erin Ferguson to Ava Ferguson and Brie Rose.



Karlene Scott presents Kyle Smith with the First General Services, Manitoulin Division, Bursary.

## FIRST GENERAL SERVICES, MANITOULIN DIVISION BURSARY \$150.00

Presented to a student continuing their education in a technical trade related field. Presented by Mrs. Karlene Scott to Kyle Smith.

## THE FLOWER HUTCH BURSARY \$150.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Leslie Marshall to Trinity Behm.

## MARIE FOSTER MEMORIAL BURSARY \$150.00

Donated by Yvonne, Kevin, Rebecca & Patricia Bailey in memory of Marie Foster to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a health related field. Presented by Mrs. Dawn Noble McCann to Mary Hore.

## FRESHWATER COMMUNITY CHURCH BURSARY \$250.00

Awarded to a deserving graduate who is pursuing post-secondary education. Presented by Pastor Josh Wilhelm to Aiden McCarthy.

## FRIENDS OF MISERY BAY, STEVE & RITA HALL AWARD \$150.00

To a deserving student who is pursuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Peter Tallman to Trent Bell.

## FUEL THE FIRE BURSARY \$300.00

Donated by Mr. Neil Debassige to a deserving graduate who is continuing post-education in an outdoor education program. Presented by Ms. Darci Debassige to Chloe Peltier.

## MARCEL & WENDY GAUTHIER BURSARY (2) \$300.00

Donated by Marcel & Wendy Gauthier to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Marcel Gauthier to Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier and presented by Mrs. Wendy Gauthier to Annie Cooper.

## EARLE GILMORE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

Donated by the family in memory of Earle Gilmore presented to a graduate continuing post-secondary education in the carpentry trade or a technical related field. Presented by Mrs. Carol Gilmore to Alex Fowlie.

## IRENE GOLTZ MEMORIAL BURSARY \$300.00

Donated by Samantha Ramage to a young woman who has demonstrated advocacy and/or leadership qualities at Manitoulin Secondary School. Presented by Ms. Samantha Ramage to Chloe Peltier.

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## GORDON AND BARRIE ISLAND MUNICIPALITY BURSARY (2) \$150.00

To two Gordon or Barrie Island students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Steve Robinson to Trent Bell and Mary Hore.

## GORDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE, REVEREND WM. MUNRO MEMORIAL BURSARY \$150.00

Donated by the Manitoulin West District Women's Institute to a Western Manitoulin graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Melody Hore to Mary Hore.

## GORE BAY BURSARY (2) \$200.00

To two Gore Bay students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mayor Ron Lane to Abby Witty and Monica Zilio.

## GORE BAY DAY CARE BURSARY \$500.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing their education in a child care related field. Presented by Ms. Caroline Black to Amelia Lewis.

## GORE BAY MANITOULIN LODGE AUXILIARY INC. BURSARY \$400.00

Awarded to a high school graduate who plans on pursuing studies in a health related field. Presented by Mrs. Alison Orford to Abby Witty.

## THE GOVERNOR GENERAL ACADEMIC AWARD (2) Certificates

This Bronze Medal is awarded for academic excellence to the student who achieves the highest average in their graduating year from a secondary school. Presented by Ms. Carol Hughes to Zara Farquhar and Racheal Orford.

## HAR-COR DIESEL AWARD \$150.00

Donated by Mr. Dave Harper to a graduate continuing post-secondary education in a technical related field. Presented by Mr. Steve Robinson to Declan Allison.



Lianne Hovingh gives Zoe Redmond a warm embrace following the presentation of the Marc Hovingh Memorial Bursary.

## MARC HOVINGH MEMORIAL BURSARY (2) \$500.00

Donated in Memory of PC Marc Hovingh to a student who has demonstrated service and commitment to the community and is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Lianne Hovingh to Patricia Patterson and Zoe Redmond.

## HOWLAND SR. CITIZENS BURSARY \$200.00

Donated by the Howland Sr. Citizens Club, to a deserving NEMI area graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Shan Keatley to Ava Ferguson.

## ICE LAKE COMMUNITY BURSARY \$300.00

Awarded to an Ice Lake area graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Bill Orford to Racheal Orford

## ISLAND FOODLAND BURSARY \$100.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Mike Wesno to Chloe Peltier.

## J.K. AUTOMOTIVE BURSARY \$500.00

Donated by Joe & Kim Moore to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a technical related field. Presented by Mr. Allan Davy to Declan Allison.

## TED JACKSON MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

In fond memory of former MSS Physical Education teacher, T.J. Jackson, to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Andrew Argall to Trent Bell.

## MARGUERITE JOYCE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

Donated by the citizens of Dawson-Robinson Township to a graduate from Dawson-Robinson continuing post-secondary education. This Award will be held in trust.

## ANNE KETTLING AWARD (2) \$250.00

In honour of Anne Ketting to two young women continuing their post-secondary education in an engineering field. Presented by Mrs. Alison Orford to Zara Farquhar and Sophie Heitkamp.



Dawn Roque presents Lane Phillips With a Knox United Church Bursary in memory of Jean McLennan.

## KNOX UNITED CHURCH BURSARY (2) \$200.00

Donated by the members of the Knox United Church in memory of Mrs. Jean McLennan to two deserving Manitowaning students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Dawn Roque to Lane Phillips and Christopher White.

## LEARNfirst EDUCATION AWARD (4) \$250.00

Donated by Mr. Neil Debassige to four deserving graduates who demonstrated leadership and excelled during their time at Manitoulin Secondary School and are continuing in post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Neil Debassige to Jordan Bailey, Autumn Deschenes, Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier and Sophie Heitkamp.

## LIFE TOUCH CANADA BURSARY \$100.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Steve Robinson to Emily Aguonie.

## LIONS CLUB OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN BURSARY (3) \$500.00

To three Central Manitoulin graduates who are continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Alison Sloss to Lindsay Sheppard, Zoe Redmond and Kyle Smith.

## LIONS CLUB OF LITTLE CURRENT BURSARY (3) \$500.00

To three deserving students from the Northeastern Manitoulin area continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Shan Keatley to Jessica Boyle, Zara Farquhar and Brie Rose.

## LIONS CLUB OF SOUTHEAST MANITOULIN BURSARY (2) \$250.00

To two Southeast Manitoulin graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs Lisa Hallaert to Lane Phillips and Christopher White.

## LIONS CLUB OF WESTERN MANITOULIN BURSARY, IN MEMORY OF PAUL SCHUTZ (2) \$150.00



Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier gives dad Chris Gauthier a big hug after receiving the Little Current Guardian Pharmacy Bursary.

Awarded in fond memory of former Lion Paul Schutz to assist a Western Manitoulin graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Steve Robinson to Sophie Heitkamp and Ayriell Nodecker.

## LITTLE CURRENT FISH & GAME CLUB BURSARY \$400.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Club President Lou Shortt to Autumn Deschenes.

## LITTLE CURRENT GUARDIAN PHARMACY BURSARY \$200.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Chris Gauthier to Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier.

## LITTLE CURRENT MEDICAL ASSOCIATES BURSARY \$500.00

Donated by the doctors of the Little Current Medical Centre to a deserving graduate pursuing studies in the arts or humanities. Presented by Mrs. Alison Orford to Kingsley Roy.



Alison Orford presents Kingsley Roy with the Little Current Medical Associates Bursary.

## LYONS MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH BURSARY \$300.00

To assist a graduate who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Jeff Heitkamp to Sophie Heitkamp.

## M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION CHIEF & COUNCIL BURSARY \$300.00

To a deserving M'Chigeeng First Nation graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Chief Linda Debassige to Noah Hare.

## MANITOULIN BROADCASTING, COUNTRY 103 BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing in post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Dawn Roque to Emily Aguonie.

## MANITOULIN CATTLEMAN & SOIL CROP ASSOCIATIONS BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Peter Tallman to Sophie Hietkamp.

## MANITOULIN CENTENNIAL MANOR AUXILIARY BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a health-related field. Presented by Mrs. Shan Keatley to Jenna Taylor.

## MANITOULIN COMMUNITY FITNESS CENTRE BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Donated by the members of the Manitoulin Community Fitness Centre to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Alison Orford to Autumn Deschenes and Noah Hare.

## THE MANITOULIN EXPOSITOR BURSARIES (4) \$125.00

Awarded to a deserving student in each grade who has made an outstanding transition from their previous grade(s). Presented by Ms. Alicia McCutcheon to Xavier Coleman, Gr. 9; Alexander Leblanc, Gr. 10; Julie Migwans, Gr. 11; and Shaolin Roy, Gr. 12.

## MANITOULIN FAMILY RESOURCES AWARD \$300.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing their studies in a helping profession. Presented by Ms. Yana Bauer to Jessica Boyle.

## MANITOULIN FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION BURSARY \$200.00

Awarded to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Erin Ferguson to Kingsley Roy.

## MANITOULIN HEALTH CENTRE AUXILIARY BURSARY (2) \$500.00

Presented to two deserving students continuing post-secondary education in a health related field. Presented by Mrs. Shan Keatley to Annie Cooper and Jenna Taylor.

## MANITOULIN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION BURSARY (2) \$150.00

To two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education and who has been involved with the Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association. Presented by Mr. Allan Davy to Trent Bell and Zoe Redmond.

## MANITOULIN NATURE CLUB \$150.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in an environmental related field. Presented by Mr. Peter Tallman to Sophie Hietkamp.

## MANITOULIN/NORTH SHORE AGRICULTURE FEDERATION BURSARY \$300.00

Awarded to a student that is a child of a Federation of Agriculture member. Presented by Mr. Bill Orford to Racheal Orford.

## MANITOULIN PHYSIOTHERAPY CLINIC BURSARY \$250.00

Donated by the Manitoulin Physio Centre to recognize the academic and athletic achievements of a post-secondary student athlete. Presented by Ms. Nova Debassige to Noah Hare.

## MANITOULIN RENTALS BURSARY (2) \$300.00

Donated by Mr. Frank Gurney to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Jon Balfe to Autumn Deschenes and Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier.

## MANITOULIN SECONDARY SCHOOL STAFF BURSARY (4) 100.00

Donated in fond memory of former teacher Mr. Peter Nelson to four deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Leslie Marshall to Trinity Behm, Michael Gibbons, Aley-nah Moffatt and Patricia Patterson.

## MANITOULIN SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS' COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP \$250.00

Presented to a graduate who has made an excellent contribution to the school, in terms of school activities, school spirit and good citizenship and who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Caroline Black to Alex Carrick.



Proud mom Erin Ferguson gifts daughter Brie Rose with one of the Three Fires Confederacy Scholarships.

## MANITOULIN SECONDARY SCHOOL THREE FIRES CONFEDERACY SCHOLARSHIP (3) \$100.00

Presented to three First Nation graduates who have made an excellent contribution to the school and is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Erin Ferguson to Trinity Behm, Kingsley Roy and Brie Rose.

## MANITOULIN SNOWDUSTERS AWARD (2) \$250.00

Given to two graduates of M.S.S. who demonstrated care and concern for the environment and who has shown commitment to volunteer organizations on Manitoulin Island. Presented by Mr. Allan Davy

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to Lindsay Sheppard and Christopher White.

## MANITOULIN STUDENT AID FUND BURSARY (2) \$200.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Penny George to Michael Gibbons and Racheal Orford.

## MANITOULIN TRANSPORT AWARDS (Plaques)

Presented by Ms. Janelle Addison and Mrs. Maya Marsland to the top students in their respective grades.

Grade 9: Autumn Davy  
Grade 10: Mackenzie Green  
Grade 11: Alex Keatley  
Grade 12: Zara Farquhar and Racheal Orford

## MANITOULIN TRANSPORT INC. BURSARY AWARD (2) \$500.00

To two deserving graduates who are continuing their education in a Business or Computer Studies related field. Presented by Ms. Janelle Addison and Mrs. Maya Marsland to Leah Carrick and Ayriell Nodecker.



Janelle Addison presents Jordan Bailey with the Manitoulin Transport Scholarship Award.

## MANITOULIN TRANSPORT INC. SCHOLARSHIP AWARD \$1,500.00

Presented to a graduate of M.S.S. who is a son/daughter of an employee of Manitoulin Transport and who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Janelle Addison to Jordan Bailey.

## MANITOULIN-WEST SUDBURY DAIRY PRODUCER SCHOLARSHIP \$500.00

Awarded to a graduate of M.S.S. continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Caroline Black to Racheal Orford.

## MANITOWANING AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Awarded to two deserving Assinack graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Lisa Hallaert to Lane Phillips and Christopher White.

## MANITOWANING GUARDIAN PHARMACY BURSARY \$200.00

To assist a student pursuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Chris Gauthier to Lane Phillips.



Larry Karn presents the Manitowaning Mill Home Building Centre Bursary to Leah Carrick.

## MANITOWANING MILL HOME BUILDING CENTRE BURSARY (2) \$350.00

To two graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Larry Karn to Alex Carrick and Leah Carrick.

## JOAN MANTLE MUSIC BURSARY \$100.00

In memory of Joan Mantle, honouring a graduating student who excels in music, academics and community. Presented by Mr. Chris Theijsmeijer to Racheal Orford.

## MASONIC LODGE EDUCATION BURSARY \$500.00

Presented by Doric Lodge #455, Eastern

Manitoulin, to a deserving graduate who is continuing post-secondary education and who has demonstrated courtesy, fairness, honesty and consideration for others. Presented by Mr. Larry Smith to Zara Farquhar.

## JOHN & JENNIE McCULLOCH MEMORIAL BURSARY \$200.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Erin Ferguson to Zara Farquhar.

## MARIA McDERMID MEMORIAL BURSARY \$100.00

Awarded in fond memory of a passionate Manitoulin educator, Mrs. Maria McDermid, to a deserving student who has demonstrated perseverance, good attendance and community involvement. Presented by Dr. Angela Johnston to Kyle Smith.

## ADAM McDONALD MEMORIAL BURSARY \$500.00

Awarded to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Penny George to Monica Zilio.

## DR. R.B. MCQUAY & DR. J.B. MCQUAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (2) \$200.00

Donated by Ms. Jan McQuay to two Ontario Scholars who obtained the highest average, in their graduating year and who are continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Trustee Lisa Addison to Zara Farquhar and Racheal Orford.

## MEEKER'S MANAGEMENT SERVICES BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Donated by Mike & Sharon Meeker to a male and female continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Mike Meeker to Trent Bell and Jenna Taylor.

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# Gore Bay Christmas bird count reveals interesting avian visitors

by Terry Land

GORE BAY—The 55th Gore Bay Christmas Bird Count, the third of the COVID-19 pandemic, was held on Sunday, December 18, 2022.

Just before 8 am, 12 field team members making up six teams picked up their report form packages from the plastic container at the end of the (Terry and Judy) Land's driveway in Gore Bay and set off to hunt within our 24-kilometre circle, to list every species seen and to count every individual bird.

Like last year, in many ways the weather conditions were ideal for a successful count. The morning temperature hovered around -4° Celsius with light winds. Visibility was clear with broken clouds mixed with intermittent sunshine. The snow on the ground varied from almost none to no more than 20 centimetres in drifted areas. Through the North Channel, Lake Wolsey and Gore Bay were open while the inland lakes were mostly frozen. Initially the water was calm enough to be making ice but as the wind picked up, there was little to bother the ducks.

As the day progressed, the temperature rose to 0° Celsius in most areas.

Between 3:30 and 4:30 pm, the field teams returned to place the reports of their efforts into the container. Meanwhile Judy Land was coordinating the various reports from the 31 feeder watchers as they came in by telephone or email. The feeder watcher reports were an essential component in an accurate tally of all the potential species and individual birds. I thank all of them for participating and look forward to their contribution again next year.

When the information was analysed, the 55th Gore Bay Christmas Bird Count



A Blue Jay was one of 47 species of birds spotted during the 55th Gore Bay Christmas bird count.

resulted in 47 species of birds, with the total number of birds totalling 4,213. This may not be the way it is summarized on a pdf report form because the number shown there had to be reduced by one because the Gore Bay count distinguishes between adult and juvenile bald eagles though, combined, they represent only one species.

I am not aware of any count week birds showing up on the three days before and after the count which did not appear on the actual count day.

With the open waters within the count circle, there were two Canada geese, one of which was healthy and one of which was not. In addition to the six red-necked grebes which appeared in Gore Bay, there were seven species of ducks. Common goldeneye (774 individuals) and common mergansers (730 individuals) constituted the top two species of all birds seen. Not far behind were 667 herring gulls and the ever-popular black-capped chickadees coming in at 425 individuals.

Other sightings of interest were one belted kingfisher hanging around

Bickell's Creek, a very unusual Carolina wren which showed up late in the afternoon at the Land's feeder, a Sandhill crane spotted on the Noland Flats in Evansville and a northern flicker in the Ice Lake area. One field team also noted a great black-backed gull.

The result of 47 species seems to fall within the average of recent years but the total must be considered in perspective.

Of concern with this total is the fact that, if the North Channel and Lake Wolsey had been frozen, most of the duck species would very likely have



Kingfisher anyone?

been gone. At least 15 species were counted that had six or fewer birds. That could easily have had a significant impact on the count results.

As compiler of the count, I wish to thank my spouse Judy who manned the phones and coordinated the response from the feeder watchers while watching out for birds. I also wish to thank the field team observers and all the feeder watchers for their enthusiasm in taking part this year. I particularly wish to thank spreadsheet savant Bruce Lindsay of Gore Bay for his invaluable help in creating the tally programs and related work in creating the forms used in the field.

Thank you everyone. Happy New Year and have a great year of birding.

The following is a list of birds counted during the annual bird count: Canada goose, two; American black duck, four; mallard,

94; bufflehead, 79; common goldeneye, 744; hooded merganser, 67; common merganser, 730; red-breasted merganser, 15; ruffed grouse, six; sharp-tailed grouse, 27; red-necked grebe, six; bald eagle (juvenile), 19; bald eagle (adult), 18; rough-legged hawk, three; ring-billed gull, five; herring gull, 667; great black-backed gull, one; rock pigeon (feral pigeon), 50;

mourning dove, 96; belted kingfisher, one; red-bellied woodpecker, 22; downy woodpecker, 37; hairy woodpecker, 45; northern flicker (yellow-shafted), one; pileated woodpecker, seven; northern shrike, two; gray jay, four; blue jay, 113; American crow, 161; common raven, 139; horned lark, 16; black-capped chickadee, 425; red-breasted nuthatch, 25; white-breasted

nuthatch, 38; European starling, 191; bohemian waxwing, 12; snow bunting, 83; American tree sparrow, nine; dark-eyed junco (slate covered), two; northern cardinal, 13; brown-headed cowbird, one; pine grosbeak, 43; Carolina wren, one; pine siskin, 25; American goldfinch, 99; evening grosbeak, 37; house sparrow, 28; and Sandhill crane, one.

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# Thousands of birds counted during 2022 December 17 Mindemoya bird count

by Chris Bell

MINDEMOYA—Two thousand two hundred and twenty-seven birds of 41 species were counted on the 49th annual Mindemoya Christmas Bird Count held Saturday, December 17.

The birds were counted by 26 feeder watchers and 18 birders. The species count of 41 was below average for the 49 years and was five below the 46 species last year.

The 15-mile diameter count circle was divided into the usual nine areas with a team in each. One team had two areas. Another group walked the Lake Huron shoreline and reached Timber Bay.

This was another coronavirus year with several restrictions that were observed.

Vivienne Eaton talked with both the Saint Francis Church and the Manitoulin Nature Club and got us out of the weather into the church, both before and after the count. This was a big improvement over the last two years when we had to huddle outside. In the church it was strange to meet up with the birders indoors and all wearing masks! I could not recognize many of them and had to ask them their names! Everybody was on time.

Three volunteers phoned the feeder watchers and brought their results to the church to add to the birding teams results. We got a start on the tally but I had to finish it at home, some days later.

The autumn had been very mild but the bird population was very low. The count of 2,270 birds was well below the 3,761 last year and below the 49-year average of 2,977. Numbers were down in most families of birds this year.

The most uncommon birds seen this year were



This Carolina Wren was one of 4,213 in total reported by field team members as having been seen during the 55th Gore Bay Christmas bird count.

two American coots at Hare's Creek. The only previous sightings had been three single birds.

Other uncommon birds seen this year included eight ring-billed gulls; two, or possibly three sharp-shinned hawks hunting at bird feeders; three northern shrikes; our seventh brown thrasher and house sparrows. House sparrows are very hard to find on this count.

Most numerous birds this year were the 415 black-capped chickadees, 290 common mergansers, 284 mallard and 146 European starlings.

The bald eagle count of 20 birds was lower this year. No owls were reported on count day and there have been no snowy owl reports this winter.

The larger lakes and bays were mainly wide open or had fresh thin ice and even some of the smaller lakes were still ice free until the day before the count, but by the morning of count day the ring-necked duck and red-necked grebe had gone.

Count day began at -5°C, rising to 0° and was calm. Snow cover was shallow.

Apart from 120 American goldfinches and 34 evening grosbeaks, other finches were in very low numbers with no crossbills, hoary

redpolls or pine siskins.

Common grackles were the only blackbirds this year.

We had nine tree sparrows and seven dark-eyed juncos, but no unusual sparrows this year. More sparrows and blackbirds had been expected after a mild autumn but climate changes did not increase wintering bird numbers.

The 40 cardinals was the highest since the count of 52 in 2010.

The 26 feeder watchers reported fewer species than on previous counts. Only three of the them reported 10 or more species with Tracy Vyse reporting 10 species, Lyn Thompson 11 species and Charlie Cox an impressive 17 species.

Here is the full list of the birds: 14 Canada geese; two black duck; 284 mallard; 49 common goldeneye; five hooded merganser; 290 common merganser; four ring-necked pheasant; six ruffed grouse; 28 sharp-tailed grouse; 85 rock pigeon; 89 mourning dove; two American coot; eight ring-billed gull; 77 herring gull; two sharp-shinned hawk; 20 bald eagle; 11 red-bellied woodpecker; 22 downy woodpecker; 36 hairy woodpecker; 14 pileated woodpecker; three northern shrike; 113 blue jay; 65 American crow; 118 common raven; 415 black-capped chickadee; 21 red-breasted nuthatch; 26 white-breasted nuthatch; one brown thrasher; 146 European starling; 17 bohemian waxwing; six house sparrow; 34 evening grosbeak; seven pine grosbeak; two purple finch; four common redpoll; 120 American goldfinch; 61 snow bunting; nine American tree sparrow; seven dark-eyed junco; seven common grackle; and 40 northern cardinal.



## Chi Happy Birthday to Mr. Peter Mishibinjima of Kaboni!


Peter, or commonly known as Pienne by friends and family, has turned a tender 90 years of age on January 9, 2023! Pienne is a father of six, a grandfather of 12, and a great-grandfather to many! Pienne has strived to live his life in a kind and humble way. He has attended Church quite regularly at St. Anthony Daniel Church in Kaboni, and more recently has started to attend the St. Ignatius Church in Buzwah. Pienne has a love for on-going learning. At the age of 75 he graduated from a tri-degree program, and ended up with a PhD in Metaphysics! This is not the only learning that Pienne has done. He understands the natural laws, and has his own traditional medicines which he uses to keep himself healthy and in good spirits. Pienne has sought out healing throughout his lifetime, and has shared his laughter, stories and Anishinaabemowin with everyone he encounters! Chi-miigwetch for the memories, laughter and teachings which you have blessed us with! Gizaagain from your children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews!

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Welcome back! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday! The snow is finally becoming more consistent (and with that, snow days) as we start the final stretch of the semester.

After two weeks of a relaxing Christmas break, we are jumping right into the exam season. The common room is bustling with studying students. Senior classes have been narrowed down to just an exam, rather than the focus on culminating projects we've seen in previous years. Exams will take place from January 26 to January 31. The exam schedule has been sent out to all student emails.

Wednesday, January 4 was National Ribbon Skirt Day. Ribbon skirts are a part of Indigenous culture, each ribbon on the skirt has a special meaning for the woman or girl wearing the skirt. Thank you to the staff and students who wore ribbon skirts!

Awards Night was on Thursday, January 5. This night is an MSS tradition where community donors contribute

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Alexandra Wilson-Zegil

money to help graduated students on their path to post-secondary school. This year there was almost \$60,000 raised and awarded to graduates. The room was nicely decorated with gold garland, artificial plants and lights. Thank you to everyone who made this possible and supported MSS's graduates.

Speaking of graduating, university applications are due on January 12 for students graduating this year. Students are encouraged to speak to their guidance counsellors if they have any questions, concerns or problems regarding this deadline. Best of luck to everyone!

The robotics team had their season kickoff event on Saturday, January 7. The game for this season was announced

and now it's up to teams to start building and planning for competition. On top of this Manitoulin Metal will be submitting an application for the FIRST Impact award this year. Have a great season, Manitoulin Metal!

Here are some quick updates:

The MSS Alpine Ski Team started their practices on Thursday, January 5. Any students interested in joining are asked to speak to Allison Orford, our school's social worker.

The MSS musical is set to be performed on March 4-6. They will be performing the play 'Something Rotten.' Tickets will be available soon!

SHARE/Go Green will be participating in an energy saving competition next month. They will be trying to get the whole school involved in saving energy and the environment!

That is all for this week! I hope everyone is having a great January. Until next time, go, Mustangs, go!

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## notice

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## coming events

Ladies! You are invited to morning coffee/tea and conversation each Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 am at Grace Bible Church, 10 Draper Street East, Little Current.

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The annual meeting of the Manitowaning Agriculture Society is January 18, 2023 at 7 pm at the Assinack Museum. Everyone welcome.

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## services

Is alcohol a problem? AA may be able to help. Meetings 7 days a week - visit [www.area84aa.org](http://www.area84aa.org) or call 705-210-2135 for more info.

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

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Are you concerned about someone's drinking? Al-Anon has one purpose: Welcoming, giving hope and comfort to help family and friends of alcoholics. Changed attitudes can aid recovery. Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group: Thursdays at 7 pm in the library room at the Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya. Espanola Al-Anon, Tuesdays at 7 pm, Anglican Church, 213 Tudhope Street, Espanola, 705-869-6595. For more information call 1-888-4AI-Anon (1-888-425-2666, M-F, 8 am - 6 pm ET) <http://www.al-anon.org>. For meetings including electronic in Northern Ontario go to OntarioNorthAl-Anon.com. Please note the only Alateen meetings available in Northern Ontario are on a mobile app. Look for the app under Al-Anon Family Groups.

Questions or concerns about diabetes? We can help. Please contact the MHC Diabetes Training and Care Centre. Individual and group appointments available with a registered nurse or dietitian certified in diabetes education. Clinics in Little Current, Mindemoya, Silver Water, Gore Bay and Manitowaning. Please call 705-368-2300 ext. 2415 for more information. Self-referrals accepted.

## Legion Events

Royal Canadian Legion meetings will be held the third Thursday monthly at 6:30 pm at the Legion Hall. Executive meeting to be followed by membership meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. Thank you for your continued support of the Legion so we are able to support veterans and their families. Sue Morin, President Royal Canadian Legion Branch #177

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Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre at the Little Current Legion. Murder by Candlelight presented by the Espanola Little Theatre. Two showings, February 10th and 11th. Doors open at 6 pm, \$60 per person. For tickets, please call the Legion, 705-368-2661.

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## church services

King James Bible Church, Providence Bay worships every Saturday Sabbath, 10 am to 12 noon. For more information call 705-348-2229.

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Prayer Group, third week of every month beginning January 25, 2023 at Our Lady of Canada Church, Mindemoya. For more information, please email [keithlegrree@gmail.com](mailto:keithlegrree@gmail.com) or call at 705-968-0822. God Bless

26-35p

## services

Are you a cancer survivor and need someone to talk to on Manitoulin? Meetings are not yet in person due to the pandemic but can support over the phone. Please feel free to reach out to anyone listed for support. Cancer Support group contacts: Mary Buie, RN, 705-210-0733 or [mary@buie.ca](mailto:mary@buie.ca); Bonnie Young, 705-377-4998; Terry MacKenzie, RN (oncology nurse), 705-507-0433 or [tandjmackenzie@hotmail.com](mailto:tandjmackenzie@hotmail.com). Ask us your questions, tell us your concerns.

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Christian Counselling: Alcohol, addiction, anxiety, children, depression, drugs, faith, grief, illness, marriage, PTSD, salvation, sin, etc. Free and confidential. King James Bible Church, 705-885-8951, [cc.manitoulin@gmail.com](mailto:cc.manitoulin@gmail.com).

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM WORKER - ENVIRONMENT

**Summary**

Community Health Program Worker - Environment will be responsible for the support, education and advocacy of health and health care within the community with a focus on environmental issues.

**Responsibilities**

1. Organize and lead community outreach activities.
2. Coordinate agency health promotion activities with other organizations/groups (i.e. health fairs, screening clinics).
3. Provide health care and prevention education within the community including schools, community centres and patient homes.
4. Adhere to reporting procedures for accidents and incidents.
5. Maintain a high level of confidentiality in all interactions, at all times.
6. Monitors the environment and investigates sources of pollution by performing laboratory and field tests (water testing).
7. May involve fieldwork which involves taking soil samples or water samples from rivers, lakes, and streams.
8. Collection of water samples from households with holding tanks.
9. Prepare and maintain necessary reports and records as required.
10. Work closely with the Indigenous Services Canada Environmental Officer.
11. Conduct bacteriological or other tests related to research in environmental or pollution control activity.
12. Participate and contribute to Emergency Preparedness.

**Qualifications**

- Diploma and/or certificate in community health, health education, environment health or related field.
- 3 - 5 years' experience related to community health education.
- Knowledge of the priorities affecting Indigenous health.
- Ability to present information in group settings.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Excellent interpersonal skills.

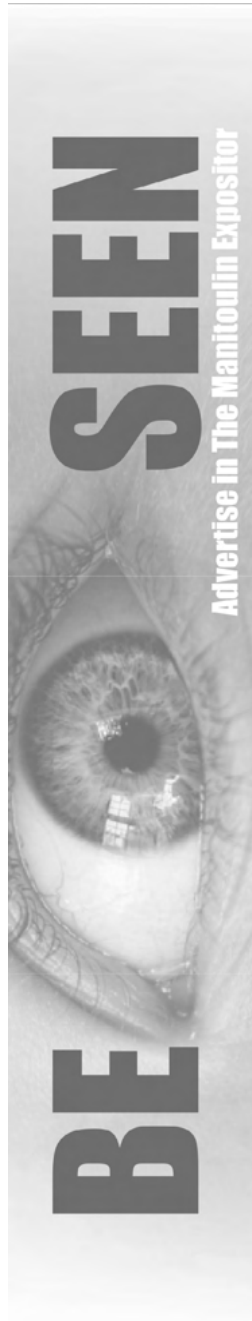
Interested applicants must submit cover letter, updated resume, photocopy of certificates diploma/degree from a post-secondary institution; and 4) Contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

Attention: Melissa Roy  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0  
Telephone: 705-859-3164 / Fax: 705-859-3300 / Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Posted: December 28, 2022

Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

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## Municipality of Central Manitoulin Employment Opportunity Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

The Municipality is seeking an experienced and motivated individual to fill the position of Treasurer/Deputy Clerk. The municipality of Central Manitoulin is located in the heart of Manitoulin Island and has a rich history of service and achievement. The municipality includes the services and functions of a municipality. We offer diverse opportunities and unique challenges such as our sandy beaches, recreation and access to Lake Manitoulin, the rest of the island, the population of 1,000 and growing.

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The candidate must possess a combination of experience and recent education in municipal government. The candidate should be considered a professional. The candidate should have a solid understanding of municipal finance and necessary details of description of the position. The candidate should be a member of the professional association. The candidate should have a minimum of 5 years of experience in a similar position.

**CLOSING DATE:**  
Friday, January 13, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

Please reply with a cover letter and detailed resume to:  
**Box 420, 6020 Highway 542  
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Only those individuals who are selected for an interview will be contacted.



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Nadmadwin Mental Health Manager

**Summary**

Under the direct supervision of the Health Services Director, the Nadmadwin Mental Health Manager oversees and provides administrative and clinical supervision to the staff of Nadmadwin Mental Health and ensures the provision of culturally appropriate mental health services and case management system. The Nadmadwin Mental Health Manager supports and ensures effective day-to-day smooth operation of Nadmadwin Mental Health in accordance with Nadmadwin Clinical policies and procedures and maintains a manageable balance between caseload, community development and management duties.

**Responsibilities**

- To ensure that culturally appropriate and effective clinical services are provided to the community;
- To ensure the provision of a culturally relevant case management system within a framework of person-centred and trauma informed care;
- To ensure that cultural values, beliefs and practices and Anishinabemowin is incorporated into program delivery;
- To maintain working relationship/partnership with other agencies/organizations, stakeholders and members;
- To keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues in appropriate fields of interest and communicates information to the Mental Health staff;
- To develop and implement annual workplans including required training & professional development for all staff;
- To maintain culturally appropriate professional competency on an ongoing basis;
- To facilitate team approach and work with health services and programs within Wikwemikong;
- To prepare budgets and required reporting and oversee all financial expenditures within department
- Coordinate strategic planning activities for short & long-term program goals.

**Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree in psychology or social work or one of the helping disciplines (Master's degree preferred)
- Minimum three years' experience in management, personnel and finance
- Registered or ability/willingness to register with a regulatory body (ie. Ontario College of Social Workers)
- Ability to demonstrate positive role model and living in balance with Anishinaabe Aadziwin
- Understanding and urgency of job is an asset or the willingness to learn
- First aid Training / First Aid Training,
- Excellent interpersonal and written communication skills within an electronic environment
- Experience in budget planning, funds development, proposal writing and working with for non-profit organizations
- Solid analytical and technical skills and ability to handle multiple tasks under pressure
- Ability to plan, organize, develop, implement, and interpret goals, objectives, and policies
- Must be able to work effectively as part of a team and as a leader when required to foster quality service to clients and to promote a good working environment
- Knowledge of cultural services available to the seven nations of Manitoulin with respect to Mental Wellness Crisis Response Team

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, updated resume, copy of credentials from a post-secondary institution; and 4) Contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

Attention: Melissa Roy  
E- Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, Ontario  
Telephone: 705-859-3164 / Fax: 705-859-3300 / Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Posted: October 11, 2022

Deadline: Open until position is filled

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## Financial / Administrative Assistant – Township of Billings

### The Township of Billings is seeking a highly motivated individual to fill the vacant position of Financial/ Administrative Assistant.

Working under the direction of the CAO/Clerk, the Financial / Administrative Assistant is the first point of contact to the public when entering the Municipal Office and is primarily responsible in assisting in the financial and administrative operations of the Township in accordance with the accounting and administrative policies and practices in the Township and in accordance with the Municipal Act and other legislation.

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Emily Dance, CAO/Clerk Township of Billings  
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or edance@billingstwp.ca until 12:00 pm, Friday, January 20, 2023.  
Please indicate Financial / Administrative Assistant in the subject line.**

Township of Billings thanks all those candidates who submit an application however, only those individuals identified for an interview will be contacted. Personal information contained in applications will be used for recruitment purposes and collected as per the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. The Township of Billings is an equal opportunity employer that is committed to an inclusive, barrier-free recruitment and selection process. If contacted for an employment opportunity, please advise if you require accommodation.



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Nookomisnaang Counsellor

**Summary**

Responsible for planning and facilitating safe therapeutic counselling; ensuring care management duties are completed according to minimal standards; preparing and maintaining administrative duties, promoting a supportive, respectful and harmonious team environment.

**Responsibilities**

- Plan and facilitate safe therapeutic counselling to individuals and/or families by providing:
  - Accurate and complete intake packages
  - Orientation to the environment and counselling process
- In accordance to the minimal standards, ensure case management responsibilities are current and accurate by:
  - Submitting documentation for feedback, revision and approval
  - Updating client contact sheets and case management tracking sheets
- Prepare, conduct and maintain administrative duties by:
  - Adhering to and abiding by the contents of the Shelter Service Operations Manual
  - Completing and submitting weekly time sheets and appropriate leave forms
- Promote a supportive, respectful and harmonious team environment by:
  - Working cooperatively and in coordination with all staff members
  - Communicating concerns with all staff members in a sensitive and direct manner to promote understanding and resolution

**Qualifications**

- Post-Secondary graduate in Social Work or relevant discipline
- Minimum of two years of work and/or volunteer experience in the provision of services regarding family violence
- Understanding of the impact of family violence on the individual family, clan, nation and community

Interested applicants MUST submit: 1) A cover letter; 2) Updated resume; 3) Photocopy of certificates diploma degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

Attention: Melissa Roy  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Posted: October 21, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled  
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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Physical Activity Health Promoter Maternity Leave

**Summary**

This position will plan, develop, implement, coach & evaluate physical activity initiatives and in various setting for adults aged 25 and over. By designing and delivering age-relevant physical activity programs, this will contribute to the overall well-being of the "healthy" populations to maintain and/or improve lifestyle management.

**Responsibilities**

- Co-ordinate and delivery of physical activity programs/events for adults ages 25+;
- Assist colleagues in the delivery of programming related to physical activity programming;
- Develop strategies to promote physical activities within community;
- Participate in monthly sessions with all WHC program/services to obtain feedback in the design and implementation of the program;
- Prepare a monthly report on program statistics and outcomes;
- Use evaluation tools as measurement of success/barriers to support WHC programs/services.

**Qualifications**

- Post-Secondary degree or diploma is required in the area of one of the following disciplines: Physical/Health Education; Physical Fitness Management; Fitness and Health Promotion;
- Experience in developing community-based physical activity programs;
- Experience in working with Aboriginal populations;
- Standard cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid certification
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence & a reliable vehicle;
- Ability to work independently and ability to work flexible hours
- Anishnaabemowin and knowledge of the Anishinabek culture an asset.

Interested applicants MUST submit: 1) A cover letter; 2) Updated resume; 3) Photocopy of certificates diploma degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER (PSW) MATERNITY LEAVE

**Summary**

The PSW will be required to work in a home care setting and see assigned clients on a regular basis. You will work collaboratively with other health care providers in providing holistic care that focuses on achieving and maintaining optimal health for clients.

**Responsibilities**

- To assist persons with the activities of daily living and/or personal care and to contribute to their quality of life by promoting their independence, dignity, social/emotional/physical well-being, mobility, personal appearance, comfort and safety.
- To provide light household management services to clients.
- To observe and report any changes in client service or environment to the supervisor.
- Able to react to change productively and handle any other essential tasks as assigned.
- Bilingual fluent to communicate with clients in their language of preference comfort.

**Qualifications**

- Be able to understand and speak the language
- Valid First Aid, CPR
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation Communities and their culture
- Personal support worker certificate health care aide
- Secondary School Graduation Diploma

Interested applicants MUST submit: 1) cover letter 2) updated resume 3) photocopy of certificates diploma/degree from a post-secondary institution; and 4) Contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Posted: November 24, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Nadmadwin Mental Health Counsellor

**Summary**

Under the direct supervision of the Nadmadwin Mental Health Manager, the Counsellor provides professional clinical assessment, counselling, education and referral services to individuals, groups and families; and health promotion services in the form of educational and primary prevention activities to the community of Wikwemikong.

**Responsibilities**

- To ensure that culturally appropriate and effective clinical services are provided to the community of Wikwemikong.
- To facilitate culturally appropriate and efficient mental health services to the community of Wikwemikong.
- To ensure culturally appropriate quality of service by working under close supervision of the Mental Health Manager.
- To keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues in appropriate fields of interest and communicates information to the Mental Health staff.
- To assist with the facilitation of professional development of other staff.
- To maintain culturally appropriate professional competency on an ongoing basis.
- To promote culturally appropriate mental health services in the community of Wikwemikong.
- To participate in the "Critical Incident Response Plan" for Wikwemikong.

**Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree in psychology or social work or one of the helping disciplines; or successful completion of a college diploma program in the social services field.
- Membership or membership qualification in a recognized provincial regulatory body is an asset.
- Minimum three years of social work experience in a health care setting or social service agency.
- Excellent assessment, interviewing and counselling skills.
- Expertise in mental health and substance abuse areas preferred.
- Knowledge of therapeutic interventions.
- Must possess the ability to make independent decisions when circumstances require and must know when to refer a patient for further medical assessment.
- Able to effectively communicate both verbally and in writing.
- able to work efficiently as part of a team as well as independently.
- Good organizational, time management and prioritizing skills.
- Strong morals and ethics, along with a commitment to staff privacy.

Interested applicants MUST submit: 1) cover letter 2) updated resume 3) photocopy of certificates diploma degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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Posted: September 20, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMUNICATIVE DISORDER ASSISTANT (CDA)

### Job Summary

The CDA will report to Aasgaabwitwindwaa Binoojiinhik Wiin ni Gshkiwewziwaat Manager and work under the direction and clinical supervision of the contracted Speech Language Pathologist (SLP).

The CDA will provide direct one-on-one therapy sessions to individuals and small groups of children ranging from 2 to 21 years old in schools on Manitoulin Island, the Northshore and surrounding areas, under the supervision of the contracted Speech Language Pathologist. The qualifying CDA will need to drive between schools and home-base office.

### Responsibilities

1. Plan and carry out treatment sessions based on specific therapy goals established by the supervising SLP;
2. Collect and record client data;
3. Report on client progress and any related issues to the supervising SLP and Aasgaabwitwindwaa Binoojiinhik Wiin ni Gshkiwewziwaat Manager;
4. Provide Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) support for students; create low-tech communication aids; set up and program high tech voice output devices; assist with the training of students, teachers, Early Childhood Educators and Educational Assistants in the use of the devices;
5. Implement individual and group communication, speech and language programs for eligible students; prepare lesson plans, activities and materials; document student performance, comfortable with play-based individual and group therapy.

### Qualifications

- Graduate from an accredited CDA Program; Member of the CDAAC or equivalent.
- Excellent written communication skills.
- Good computer skills and knowledge of office applications.
- Training and experience related to child development and childhood exceptionality, specific articulation and language development, speech and language disorders, treatments and interventions used.
- Set up and use of augmentative communication systems and technology, i.e. Proloquo2go, PECS.
- Assistive listening equipment, i.e. FM systems.
- Evidence of effective customer service, organizational, interpersonal, communication, judgement and decision-making skills.
- Able to work independently in carrying out communication screens and given therapy programs.
- Flexible, self-directed and able to work effectively with minimal supervision.
- This position requires travel to schools with the contracted First Nations Reserves, and therefore, the successful candidate must have a reliable vehicle and a valid driver's licence.

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, updated resume, photocopy of certificates diploma/degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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Posted: August 31, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CASE MANAGEMENT WORKER (MATERNITY LEAVE)

### Summary

The Case Management Worker will take an innovative approach towards providing a Culturally Appropriate Community-Based Case Management System in addressing addictions and mental health in collaboration with a team of professionals. The Case Management Worker will provide support and ensure consistent services are provided via a team approach. The team will include but is not limited to Traditional Resources, Mental Health Workers, Addiction Workers, Child and Family Service Workers and Justice Program (i.e. Probation and Parole) in addressing complex needs of those affected by addictions.

### Responsibilities

1. Culturally appropriate case management;
2. Ensure that culturally appropriate and effective harm reduction support services are provided to the community of Wikwemkoong;
3. Ensure the provision of culturally appropriate clinical assessment and counselling services of a supportive, educational and skills building nature is delivered to individuals, groups and families;
4. Facilitate culturally appropriate and efficient addictions and mental health services to the community of Wikwemkoong;
5. Ensure culturally appropriate quality of service by working under close supervision of the Mental Health Manager;
6. Keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues in appropriate fields of interest and communicates information to the Addictions and Mental Health staff;
7. Assist with the facilitation of professional development of other staff;
8. Maintain culturally appropriate professional competency on an ongoing basis;
9. Promote culturally appropriate addictions and mental health services in the community of Wikwemkoong.

### Qualifications

- Degree / Diploma in one of the helping disciplines from a recognized institution.
- Experience in case management.
- Experience in First Nation's health services/mental health and addictions services.
- Experience in delivering culturally safe practices with a strong knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal Culture, Traditions and Language.
- 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 Anishinaabe people.
- Good time management and the ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines.

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, updated resume, photocopy of certificates diploma/degree from a post-secondary institution; and 4) Contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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Posted: September 27, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

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## Mnaamod awin health services nc. Employment opportunity Community health nurse Temporary Full-Time contract (to cover maternity leave)

### Overview:

The Community Health Nurse (CHN) will deliver comprehensive community health nursing services in five First Nation communities, in collaboration with an interprofessional health care team. Through consultation, clinical practice, leadership, and by facilitating health promotion and disease prevention, the provides care utilizing in-depth nursing knowledge and skills, clinical expertise, and advanced judgment. The will utilize a primary health care approach to address overall health needs in Indigenous communities. The successful candidate shall possess

### Required Competencies:

- Integrity and respect cultural diversity  
work effectively both independently and with others  
show initiative and be action-oriented  
dependability and adaptability
- Critical thinking  
Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Continuous learning

### Qualifications and work experience

Experience incorporating physical, mental, social environment and emotional spiritual practices in order to meet the needs of individuals, families and communities  
knowledgeable and respectful of Anishinaabe customs, culture and language  
minimum of three years related experience as a registered nurse or registered practical nurse, currently registered with college of nurses of Ontario  
in good standing  
current Ontario driver's licence and vehicle  
current and first aid certification

Deadline: Friday, January 20, 2023 @ 12:00pm

Submissions send resume, cover letter, vulnerable sector Check, three references and copies of credentials marked Confidential in person, by mail or email to

Human Resources  
Mnaamodzawin Health Services  
Postal Bag 2003, Hwy 540  
48A Millside Road, Aundeck Mni Aning  
Little Current, Ontario P0P 1 0  
705 368 2182 ext.271  
hr@mnaamodawin.com



## Employment Opportunities

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre (NTHC) is comprised of a multi-team of health care professions providing community-based services through the use of a wholistic approach that integrates both traditional and western healing methods. Our dynamic team includes: Traditional Healing & Cultural Services, Primary Care, Mental Health & Addictions and Health & Wellness Program & Services.

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

NTHC is an inclusive employer. Accommodation is available in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.

### Current available positions:

- Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (Full-time 1-year contract)
- Psychologist (Full-time)
- Transitional Care Coordinator (Full-time)
- Traditional Knowledge Keeper (Full-time)
- Receptionist (Casual/On-call)
- Aging at Home Van Drivers (Casual/On-call)

For job details please visit: [www.noojmowin-teg.ca/about-us/employment](http://www.noojmowin-teg.ca/about-us/employment)

### Submission Pre-Requisites:

- Please submit a cover letter, resume, copy of registration, and list three (3) work-related references
- Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Status is required

Applications can be received marked Confidential, by email at [info@noojmowin-teg.ca](mailto:info@noojmowin-teg.ca), by facsimile at (705) 368-3922 or by mail:

Attn: Human Resources  
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre  
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy. 540  
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation  
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0

To learn more about employment opportunities, call (705) 368-0083 ext. 235. Miigwetch/Thank you for your interest in Noojmowin Teg Health Centre "A place of healing"



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ACHWM SPECIALIST

### Summary

Under the direction of the Nadmadwin Mental Health Manager and Dr. Nancy Young, the ACHWM Specialist will be responsible for assisting research coordination relating to Aboriginal Child Health Well-Being Measure projects.

### Responsibilities

- Provide research support.
- Review research proposals and develop detailed implementation plans for each project. Review these plans with the partner organizations in the community and revise, as necessary, through collaborative consultations.
- Building and sustaining relationships with Anishinaabe community members, partners and organizations.
- Supporting the recruitment of participants for health-related studies including the creation of posters and materials and participating in community outreach and presentations.
- Preparing for and assisting with key informant interviews and focus groups (e.g. scheduling, printing interview guides, organizing completed interview notes, etc.).
- Supporting the collection of community level data (e.g. community demographics, health status, available health services and programs for older adults).
- Assisting with data analysis and the sharing of results through reports, presentations and other activities.
- Ensure secure storage of research data and supporting documentation.
- Planning meetings including preparing agendas, booking rooms, arranging catering services, inviting and confirming participants, preparing travel expense forms, printing agendas and documenting meeting proceedings (e.g. taking photographs and meeting minutes, distributing documents to participants).

### Qualifications

- Successful completion of post-secondary diploma in a health-related discipline.
- Minimum two years' experience working with Indigenous people or in research.
- Experience with outreach activities with communities, organizations and partners.
- Experience with knowledge translation and exchange with Indigenous communities.
- Knowledge of Anishinaabe culture, value and beliefs.
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a collaborative team.
- Ability to travel.

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, updated resume, photocopy of credentials diploma/degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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Posted: December 28, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FACILITIES BUILDING MAINTENANCE

### Summary

The Facilities Building Maintenance will be responsible for completing Maintenance duties primarily at Nookomisnaang.

### Responsibilities

- Perform regular preventive maintenance on equipment
- Perform a variety of plumbing maintenance tasks as required
- Conduct general carpentry functions
- Use a variety of hand and power tools, electric metres and material handling equipment while performing duties
- Participate in various aspects of building maintenance requirements, including updates and new constructions
- Set priorities for preventive maintenance work orders, maintenance requisitions and scheduled work
- Maintain adequate supplies for the maintenance department
- Perform regular workplace inspections to determine areas that need maintenance or repair
- Ensure any required maintenance and repairs are completed in a timely manner
- Prepare, paint and decorate interior and exterior surfaces as required
- Operate groundskeeping power equipment and maintain external property
- Perform minor construction work, e.g. dismantling and erecting walls, finishing carpentry work, pouring concrete, etc.
- Troubleshoot, repair, install, and maintain various electrical components, appliances and equipment in accordance with pertinent codes, the preventive maintenance program and departmental procedures
- Perform basic maintenance and repairs on the various mechanical operating systems, including furnace systems, air conditioning systems, etc.
- Inspect the premises for burnt out light bulbs – ensure these are replaced immediately
- Change furnace and air conditioning filters as needed
- Complete daily, weekly and monthly checklists on building equipment maintenance procedures
- Prepare and set up rooms for meetings or various other activities and clean up afterwards
- Maintain outside grounds (remove snow, ice and debris, spray and remove weeds, sweep and clean gutters)

### Qualifications

- High school diploma/GED
- At least one year of work experience in building maintenance considered an asset
- Ability to perform minor repair work
- Strong communication and problem-solving skills
- First aid skills and/or certificates are considered assets
- Possess a valid driver's licence

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## REGISTERED NURSE LONG TERM CARE/HOME & COMMUNITY CARE

### Summary

Home Care Registered Nurse (RN) assesses, plans, implements, evaluates and documents all nursing care of patients in accordance with policies and professional nursing standards. RN oversees the quality of departmental nursing services. RN develops day-to-day nursing care plans for care after discharge. Act as a primary point of contact between patients, families and healthcare professionals. Follows the nursing process of assessment, planning, intervention, implementation and evaluation, and performs all other duties as assigned.

### Responsibilities

1. Assess the patient; collect and document the current health status and medical history of the patient.
2. Demonstrate the ability to handle emergency situations in a prompt, precise and professional manner.
3. Monitor all aspects of patient care, including diet and physical activity.
4. Administer treatment and give medications to patients under the direction of physicians and according to policy and procedure.
5. Perform frequent and accurate patient evaluations, including monitoring and tracking vital signs and respond appropriately.
6. Develop, manage and revise nursing care plans and maintain medical records.
7. Communicate with the physicians regarding patient needs, the nursing assessments, and recommendations.
8. Act as part of an inter-disciplinary team attending Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) rounds as required and team meetings for Individual Plan of Service (IPS).
9. Coordinate care with clinics, outside physicians, hospitals and other health care providers.
10. Participate in cross training to ensure seamless patient care at all times.
11. Ensure compliance with regulatory standards.

### Qualifications

- Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) and/or Diploma in Nursing.
- Minimum one year of supervised experience as an RN.
- Knowledgeable regarding the nursing process and its application, including the assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of nursing care.
- Demonstrated ability to assist patients, family members or other clients with concern and empathy; respecting their confidentiality and privacy and communicating in a courteous and respectful manner.
- Well-defined sense of diplomacy, including solid negotiation, conflict resolution, and people management skills.
- Able to effectively communicate both verbally and in writing.
- High level of critical and logical thinking, analysis, and/or reasoning to identify underlying principles, reasons or facts.
- Strong morals and ethics, along with a commitment to privacy.

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WAASA NAABIN COMMUNITY YOUTH SERVICES CENTRE MANAGER

### Summary

To promote healthy youth, family and community environments in which all community members can thrive through culturally appropriate, community-based programs. In addition, the Youth Centre program encompasses their services under the direct supervision of the Health Centre.

The four components of program delivery are included on a regular basis through workshops and daily activity:

- Cultural Awareness; Health & Wellness; Mental Health & Awareness and Recreation & Leisure

### Responsibilities

- To provide leadership, guidance, support, supervision and direction to the Waasa Naabin Community Youth Services team.
- To coordinate the planning, implementation and evaluation of the youth programs by providing an annual work plan.
- Consult with management groups and community as to the progress and direction of service by reviewing the five-year work plan.
- Comply with the WUIR Personnel Policies and Procedures.
- Participate in regular program manager's meetings coordinated by the Health Services Director.
- Analyze, evaluate and interpret collected data to assist and advise support staff in selecting the most suitable service delivery of programs and services.
- Evaluate effectiveness of existing programs and recommend improvements.
- Conduct annual employee performance appraisals with full-time staff.
- Collaborate and develop partnerships with other organizations for cost effectiveness in program implementation.
- Develop an annual budget along with a five-year budget in accordance with righter futures funding as per first nations health.
- Develop proposal for additional funding.

### Qualifications

- University Bachelor's degree in social sciences.
- Minimum two years' experience in program development and implementation.
- Two years' supervisory experience.
- Ability to work respectfully in a multi-disciplinary team.
- Strong personal commitment to youth development.
- Clear criminal reference check.


Interested applicants must submit cover letter, updated resume, photocopy of certificates diploma/degree from a post-secondary institution, and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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### Psychometrist and Contract Indigenous Support Workers


At Rainbow District School Board we are leaders in learning, inspiring success for all students by reaching minds and touching hearts. Together, we prepare students to become lifelong learners, achieving their full potential as confident, caring members of society.

Rainbow District School Board is now accepting applications for a **Psychometrist and Contract Indigenous Support Workers.**

For more information about this employment opportunity, please visit [www.rainbowschools.ca/join-our-team](http://www.rainbowschools.ca/join-our-team).

Interested candidates should apply by **noon Wednesday January 25, 2023** and submit a cover letter, resume and names of three (3) references.

**Bob Clement** Board Chair  
**Bruce Bourget** Director of Education  
[rainbowschools.ca](http://rainbowschools.ca)



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CHILD & YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS WORKER

**Summary**  
Under direction and accountability to Wikwemikong Health Centre, the Child & Youth Mental Health & Addictions Worker (CYMHAW) will provide clinical assessments, planning, treatment and counselling to children and youth of Wikwemikong Unceded Territory under the age of 18 years, and consultations regarding community behavioural assessments and intervention.

**Responsibilities**

- To complete general responsibilities relevant to administration and counselling practice.
- To provide culturally appropriate and effective clinic services are provided to Wikwemikong children and youth.
- To participate and/or promote mental health awareness to children and youth.
- Mandatory participation in the Outdoor Adventure Leadership Experience program by taking necessary training and participating in the ten-day canoe trip.
- To participate in quality improvement and personal growth activities.
- Perform other duties as assigned within the scope of the position.


**Qualifications**

- Successful completion of a Post-Secondary degree or diploma in one of the helping disciplines preferred
- Experience in providing clinical service to Indigenous Youth
- Demonstrated experience in First Nation program delivery and in Traditional healing coordination
- Experience in conducting counsellor/client interviews, assessments, planning and treatment, referrals, group facilitation and group therapy

Interested applicants **MUST** submit: 1) A cover letter; 2) Updated resume; 3) Photocopy of certificates diploma degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

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### United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing is seeking a JR. FIELD WATER & WASTEWATER OPERATOR

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing Tribal Council (UCCMM) was established in 1979 to support the First Nation communities of Mnídoo Mnísing. The UCCMM First Nation member communities are Aundeck Omni Kaning, M'Chigeeng, Sheguiandah, Sheshegwaning, Whitefish River and hiibaahaasing. Located in M'Chigeeng First Nation, UCCMM provides support and services ranging from Administrative, Finance, Justice, Technical, to Lands and Resources.

The prime responsibility of this position is to evaluate, perform, assist with O & M and Asset Management Program activities for the processes and facilities under the supervision of the Sub Lead and Overall Responsible Operator (ORO) of UCCMM's Water and Wastewater Sub System and its First Nation Treatment Facilities.

**KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Adhere to policies, procedures, and instructions as related to all of First Nations Water Treatment Quality Management Policies, Protocol for Decentralised Water Wastewater Systems in all communities and Personnel Policies.
- Record and maintain records of operations and maintenance of processes, equipment and department facilities, purchases, treatment effectiveness, and monitoring.
- Under the direction of the Sub Lead, the Jr. Operator will provide oversight, assistance, emergency relief coverage to existing First Nation Operators, as well as administering the Asset Management Program with each community.
- Ensure that all process control decisions with the facility are made with accordance with regulatory requirements, operational manuals, or standard operating procedures with the aim to protect human health and the natural environment.


**REQUIREMENTS**

- Water Treatment qualification O T or Level
- Water Distribution qualification
- Wastewater Treatment qualification
- Wastewater Collection qualification
- Confined Space Entry, W M S
- Valid G or other Driver's Licence Designation
- Three years' experience with a Membrane Treatment Facility
- Three years' experience with a Slow Sand Conventional Facility
- Three years' experience with a Facultative Lagoon Facility
- Knowledge and experience with SCADA computer system
- Knowledge of the Ojibwe culture, traditions and language
- Ability to work non-standard work hours
- Proficient in MS Office, data entry and reporting

**HOW TO APPLY**  
Interested candidates must submit all the following documents: a cover letter addressing qualifications and skills, a resume, a copy of diploma's, certificates, and current operator's licence and three current reference letters. Only applications with all the required documents will be considered for an interview. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All interview candidates must provide a current criminal reference check at time of the interview. The successful candidate must provide proof of vehicle, insurance and drivers abstract. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications.

**Closing date for applications is 1 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023**

**Mail To: Level 2 Jr. Field Water & Wastewater Operator Application  
 United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing  
 P.O Box 275, M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0  
 Attn: Angela Recollet, Chief Executive Officer  
 Or via email to [hrecollet@uccmm.ca](mailto:hrecollet@uccmm.ca)**



### Kagawong River Pedestrian Bridge Re-Tender 2023-01

**Closing Date: 01/18/2023 2:00:00 PM ET**

The project involves the construction of a +/-20 metre pedestrian bridge crossing the Kagawong River in Kagawong, Ontario and the (provisional) removal of an existing failed bridge. Access to the site will be off Henry Drive.

The project includes the supply and installation of the following general works at the specified site

- 19 metre pedestrian bridge abutments (including geotechnical confirmation of site soil conditions)
- Trail connection to existing trail on west side of the Kagawong River
- New Trail Construction with a connection from the new bridge to the existing trail on east side of the Kagawong River (provisional)
- Removal of the existing, failed, pedestrian bridge (provisional)

All materials required to provide a finished product will need to be supplied by the successful contractor.

The full tender document is available on the Township of Billings website <https://billingswp.ca/administration/requests-for-proposals>

# Little Current Yacht Club unfurls return of summer programming for 2023

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—After a pandemic hiatus that curtailed their programs and group events, Little Current Yacht Club (LCYC) is sailing back into action with a vengeance.

“The LCYC, just like a lot of other businesses, clubs and individuals has hibernated during the worst of the COVID years,” noted newly installed LCYC commodore Jeff Marsh, “but it is now preparing for an active rebirth in 2023.”

LCYC held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on September 27 and elected a new commodore and board of directors for the upcoming year. In addition to Mr. Marsh taking on the role of commodore, he is joined by a board that consists of O.H. Rogers, Rod MacLeod, Bruce O’Hare, Steve Cooper, Alastair Stephen and Roy Eaton.

“The new executive provides a mixture of founding and newer members,” said Mr. Marsh, “which should guide the club forward.”

The first focus of the club is to restart the Youth Sailing Program that has been so



Little Current Yacht Club President Jeff Marsh and his first four-footed mate at the helm.

popular in the past, noted Mr. Marsh. “We have the boats and now seek instructors and participants.” In addition to the six boats stored at Low Island in Little Current, LCYC has secured another five vessels that will be moved to the Island once

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

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service is accepting applications for a New Recruit Constable. Applicants will be required to successfully complete any additional training deemed necessary by the Ontario Police College as a condition of employment.

The New Recruit must attend and successfully pass a 13-week Basic Recruit Training course at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, Ontario, May 2023. **All new hires are expected to have a valid and completed ACP certificate and medical forms as per attached ACP link [www.oacpcertificate.ca](http://www.oacpcertificate.ca).**

**Summary:** The New Recruit Police Constable will be responsible to the Chief of Police and will maintain law and order in a community-based setting within and around the Wikwemikong Territory.

**Key Duties/Responsibilities:**

- Preserve the peace, prevent crimes, other offences, provide assistance and encouragement to other persons in their prevention.
- Assist victims of crime.
- Apprehend criminals, other offenders and others who may lawfully be taken into custody.
- Lay charges and participate in prosecutions.
- Execute warrants and perform related duties.
- Perform the lawful duties that the Chief of Police assigns.
- Respond to calls for service.
- Successfully complete prescribed training.
- Commitment to Community-Based Policing principles and practices.
- Display cultural competence when interacting with members of the community.
- Perform 12-hour shifts (days and nights) including weekends and holidays.
- Participate in community events and cultural gatherings.
- Assist in the development and implementation of projects, acting as a resource to team members and other Units.
- Undertake assignments, including traffic point duty and crowd control, as required.

**Basic Requirements:**

- Must be 18 years of age or older.
- Copy of OSSD and transcripts.
- Diploma in Police Foundations or Degree in Law and Criminal justice an asset.
- Copy of OACP certificate, include all accompanied documents such as hearing/vision assessments, two-week fitness log, and OACP waivers.
- Copy of valid class G Ontario Drivers’ Licence, Birth Certificate, and Canadian Citizenship.
- Copy of current First Aid/CPR Level C Certificates.
- Basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Outlook and Office.
- Must have awareness of First Nation culture and traditions.
- Be physically and mentally able to perform the duties of the position.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality a MUST.
- Be prepared to take an Oath/Affirmation of Office and Secrecy.
- Be of good moral character and habits.
- Pass a detailed background check that includes security clearance checks, credit and reference checks.
- Documentation showing you are fully vaccinated against Covid-19 as approved by the Ministry of Health or have valid exemption pursuant to the Human Rights code.
- Any relevant certificates related to the position being applied for.
- Candidates with a strong application may be asked to attend the fitness pin test, by invitation only.

Employment packages are available for pick up at the WTPS office or can be emailed to those interested. Interested applicants are to forward their completed electronic employment package, letter of interest/cover letter, detailed resume, copies of relevant diploma/certificates, and three work-related references to:

**Attn Acting Chief of Police, cott Cooper**  
**scott.cooper@wtps.ca**  
**Posting eadline anuary 27, 2023 at 4 00 PM**

Please note, applications will be screened and only those selected will be contacted for an interview.



## Employment Opportunity Wellness Facilitator

**Summary**

The Wellness Facilitator will address addictions and mental health through an innovative approach in collaboration with various community programs as well as Natural Helpers/ Knowledge Keepers. This will include and is not limited to a culturally appropriate community-based case management system which is inclusive of the First Nations Mental Wellness Continuum Framework. The Wellness Facilitator will be responsible for engaging the community in addressing Prescription Drug Abuse. This highly motivated and energetic facilitator will ensure effective collaboration meets the needs of the participants.

**Responsibilities**

1. Promote individual and family empowerment for well-being;
2. Manage, deliver, supervise and coordinate with agencies high-quality hands-on initiatives which promotes resilience and well-being through delivery of educational and prevention services to meet the community needs;
3. Provide micro-counselling and motivational interviewing;
4. Engage community in organized initiatives;
5. Develop and implement communication strategy;
6. Coordinate an active community relations campaign;
7. Host regular sessions throughout the community as well as satellite communities to ensure awareness is achieved;
8. Coordinate and facilitate showcase of community members achievements;
9. Ensure that there is compliance with all reporting requirements.

**ualifications**

- Degree / Diploma in one of the helping disciplines;
- Experience in developing and delivering programming;
- Experience in conflict resolution, life skills and motivational interviewing
- Experience in working with Aboriginal populations;
- Experience in delivering culturally safe practices with a strong knowledge and appreciation of Indigenous Culture;
- Anishinaabemowin is an asset;
- Willing to obtain, ASIST Training and Mental Health First Aid Canada;
- A strong community development advocate.

Interested applicants MUST submit: 1) A cover letter; 2) Updated resume; 3) Photocopy of certificates diploma degree from a post-secondary institution and contact information (email, phone number) of two work-related references.

Attention: Melissa Roy  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Posted: September 27, 2022 Deadline: Open Until Position is Filled

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered and we appreciate your interest. Preference will be given to Indigenous People.

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- works well in a team environment
- can help manage Manitoulin’s busiest website and accompanying social media
- has good command of the English language (grammar, spelling, punctuation)
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**Brea Addison, Production Manager**  
expositor@manitoulin.com

*We thank all applicants, however, only those considered for this position will be contacted.*

# Assiginack council discusses committee of the whole merits

*Decide to continue committee of the whole process for six months and revisit*

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—Despite concerns that decisions are taking too long to be made, with a committee of the whole meeting replacing one of the two regular council meetings every month, Assiginack Township council will maintain the current meeting structure for the next few months.

“Now there is only one meeting during the month when council is really doing anything, making decisions,” said Councillor Janice Bowerman, at a committee of the whole meeting last week. “I feel it is a little bit of a waste of time.”

“I agree,” stated Councillor Dwayne Elliott.

Mayor Brenda Reid said, “except (in the committee of the whole meetings) we are getting information or requesting information from staff to bring to our regular council before we are making decisions.”

“This can be done at regular council meetings as well,” said Councillor Elliott. He agreed that going to a committee of the whole meeting instead of a regular council meeting every month slows down progress and decisions being made by council.

“I would like to give the committee of the whole meeting process six months and then discuss it then,” said Mayor Reid.

“I agree,” said Councillor Jennifer Hooper. “I agree we can revisit it in six months to see how effective meetings are.”

“I’m willing to give it time as well,” said Councillor Rob Maguire. “It is all part of being an effective council.”

Council agreed to continue with the committee of the whole meetings for six months with the current structure and review the matter at that time.

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estate law to register us as legal owners of 1 Water Street.”

The property has been in Ms. Pinkerton’s family since the 1970s, she said, and they did not make the error regarding the 0.6 acres. “I’m sorry these individuals feel they’ve been put in the middle of it,” she said.

She added there was no warning from the police before they were charged for harassment. “I didn’t know this was even a problem,” she said.

The Pinkertons requested an absolute discharge.

Justice Buttazoni referred to the “very complicated and contentious civil proceeding background to this matter” in his decision. He said it was clear the litigation is something that’s front and centre to the Pinkerton’s and the property is something that’s important to them, but he did not feel an absolute discharge was appropriate in this case.

“This is a case that requires, at least from the victim’s perspective, that there be a court order in place that there be no further communication,” he said.

He concluded the Pinkertons “are otherwise law abiding and productive members of society but for these events that have brought them into court.”

Laura Pinkerton and Andrew Pinkerton each received a conditional discharge with two years probation. They are prohibited from communicating directly or indirectly with employees of MPI, Cliff Barnes or Michael Lockhart, and are not to attend within 50 metres of 1 Water Street in Gore Bay.

## ...cannabis operation explosion

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face and torso.

Justice Buttazoni was asked to consider a joint submission of three years of probation and a suspended sentence, which he agreed to. Mr. Wood is also prohibited from possessing any incendiary devices and must not be in possession of any butane canisters or equipment used to alter the properties of cannabis.

An incendiary device includes any “object, device, instrument, or substance designed to start a fire or to emit smoke, sparks, or fire; including, but not limited to, gasoline and other accelerants, matches, butane lighters, fireworks, firecrackers, smoke bombs and bombs.

Mr. Wood was originally charged with intentionally or recklessly causing damage by a explosion to a structure which was inhabited or occupied, contrary to section 433(a) of the CC. Arson is a difficult trial to proceed on, the court heard. A finding of guilt at trial would have resulted in a “much stiffer sentence,” Justice Buttazoni said.

In this case there was “willfulness and negligence,” but a mitigating factor was that Mr. Wood did seek help for the victim, who does not hold him at fault for what happened.

## Manitoulin Resort Employment Opportunity

Manitoulin Resort, located in Manitowaning, is now hiring a seasonal “**Grounds Maintenance Person**”. Hours can range from 30-40 hours a week depending on personal expertise. The qualified person may have some general knowledge of plumbing, electrical, chainsaw usage and general maintenance. In addition, with proper training, they will be required to pump out units twice a week using a “honey wagon”. They will operate a tractor, chainsaw, wood splitter and a side-by-side. Even though a job is to be done, we are lucky to have fantastic clientele, staff that like to have fun and bring a smile in everything we do.

**Email resumes to [info@manitoulinresort.com](mailto:info@manitoulinresort.com) or mail 152 Holiday Haven Road, Manitowaning, ON, P0P 1N0 as we do not check Facebook often. You are easily guaranteed enough hours to qualify for EI. The job will commence mid April and complete end of September.**

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### Part-time Arena Position

The Township of Assiginack is looking to hire an Arena part-time person.

The Township requires a self-starter to work with the Plant Manager and operate equipment and maintain the ice surface at the Manitowaning Arena on a part-time basis.

A detailed job description and pay grid can be found at [assiginack.ca](http://assiginack.ca).

**Submit resume or letter of application to: [jwhite@assiginack.ca](mailto:jwhite@assiginack.ca) or mail to:**

**Township of Assiginack  
C/O Jackie White  
Box 238, Manitowaning, ON P0P1N0**

**Deadline is Monday, January 16, 2023**

## Death Notices

**HELEN CRAWFORD  
January 20, 1937 - December 20, 2022**



Helen began her journey to the Spirit World on December 20, 2022 at the Mindemoya Hospital with her family lovingly by her side. Helen is the daughter of Andrew and Rose

(nee Migwans) Debassige, both predeceased. Helen is predeceased by her husband Ivan. They have nine children together. Glen (predeceased), Joseph (predeceased), Jeffrey (predeceased), Ronald Pat, Edward (predeceased), Alfred, Darlene, Adam (Meredith), and Gayle (Mike). Helen was also a mother figure to many friends of her children. Helen is survived by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be especially missed by Mitchal (Shonagh), Ian (Liz), Kristen (Keith), and Beau (Kayla). Helen was also surrounded with love from all her siblings and spouses. Noel (predeceased) (Mary), Bertha, Justin (Jean), Levina (predeceased) (Jack predeceased), Edward (Tammy), Tim (predeceased) (Eleanor), Nellie (predeceased), Elaine, Christopher (predeceased) (Amelia), Earl (Debbie), Sally (Glen), Christy (Ivan). Helen is also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews. Helen is also predeceased by her best friend, Corene Addison. Helen will be lovingly missed by many great friends. Helen’s favourite past time was spending time with family and friends, playing bingo, and watching the Toronto Maple Leafs and Toronto Blue Jays. Helen will always be remembered for her resiliency, strength and unconditional love. Visitation was held at the Wellness Centre, M’Chigeeng, on Tuesday December 27, 2022 from 2 pm followed by a wake service at 7 pm. Funeral Service was on Wednesday December 28, 2022 at 11 am. Burial in M’Chigeeng Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, memorial donations may be made to the Angel Bus, Box 457 Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0 or <http://www.manitoulinauxiliary.org>.

## in memory



**CYWINK**—Alexander Lee Stephen Cynick “Zeek”, January 12, 2022. “In loving remembrance of a life well lived.”

Alex attended Espanola High School in 1979 and went on to obtain an Electronic Engineering Technician diploma from George Brown College. Alex initially

worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway before acknowledging his passion for research and writing. One of his most notable projects was an Indian history film created with the Canadian Plains Research Centre at the University of Regina. Alex moved to Toronto where he worked on numerous film sets, movies and commercials, including Shaun of the Dead. He was respected and earned his reputation within the Toronto film industry which kept him in high demand. In addition to his film work, Alex worked for StreetHelp Outreach Services (street patrol) with the Native Men’s Residence (Na-Me-Res) in Toronto, and distributed food to individuals in need on behalf of Anishnaabe Health. He provided essential frontline care work for community members and was a skilled and compassionate outreach worker. Alex was a prolific storyteller and knowledge keeper who always had a story to tell. He shared stories of his family, his life in Toronto, and his philosophies on life - always with his quick wit and unmistakable humour. Alex’ wisdom was such that he always knew when to make you reflect deeply, when to provide a compassionate ear, and when to engage you in laughter. He was a man of many talents. Alex enjoyed attending powwows and traditional cultural events. He loved visiting family and friends, being outdoors, and cooking. He also liked reading, philosophy, media, film, photography, and debating. His love for debates and challenging others to do better was evident when he presented at the Royal Commission on Aboriginal People and replied at the end with, “I would normally say “Megwetch,” but I’m not satisfied yet.” Alex lived his life as a strong believer in anishnabeaadzaawind, always protecting his sisters - he was devoted to seeking justice for his sister Sonya (baa). He was a founding member and executive producer of an interactive exhibit, Shades of Our Sisters, which celebrates the lives of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. Alex’s profound words opened the documentary for his sister, saying: “The things that we can learn is much. So, what do I want people to learn? I want them to learn much. And I would like them to learn some truth. That our sister is a human being, not a statistic. That our sister had a life and a loving home. I want them to know our sister, and the many like her. Their lives, not their death, their lives.” In the summer of 2021, Alex returned to Birch Island to advocate and honour Sonya (baa), and all missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. May his strength, passion, and fierceness live on.

Forever loved and missed by sisters Naomi and Margaret

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**NEVILLS**—Today marks the third anniversary of my mother, Marion J. Nevills, passing. I remember her last few days like it was yesterday. The profound sense of loss mixed with an outpouring of affection. She was surrounded by those that loved her and she was very well taken care of by the Mindemoya hospital and staff. We had many visitors to the house afterwards with everyone sharing their memories and stories of their time and experiences with her. I would much rather remember how she lived and not how she died. Looking through all the home movies, videos and pictures that we have of her tells the story of a life well lived. She was a farm girl with some tomboy and rebel thrown in for good measure. She was just as comfortable modeling fashions as she was cruising the streets of Swift Current on a motorcycle with a cigarette hanging from her mouth. She did many jobs during the course of her life. A printing house, hunting lodge, worm business, toy store, cabinet store, Radio Shack franchise and several hotels. She was strong, determined and fearless in whatever she set her mind to. If you were to ask her though she would tell you that her favourite and most important job was being a mom. There are many pictures of birthdays and holidays with her front and centre. She handled them with grace and ease. She would always prepare the food herself and her recipes for turkey dinner, spaghetti sauce and many desserts still get used every year when those events occur. I still have friends today that maintain her Kool Aid was the best they have ever had. She knew exactly what we wanted and always insured that we were never disappointed. She made certain that our close friends were always present and took care of them all like they were her own. She was also a seamstress and taxi driver. There are dozens of images of costumes that Karla and I wore for Halloween, school plays and other functions. She would work for days over her Singer sewing machine creating anything that my sister and I dreamed up. Many of the images also show the various cars that she used to ferry us to figure skating, hockey, swimming lessons, movies and shopping. There is a VW Bug, Chevy Super Sport, Torino Fast Back, Chevy Chevelle convertible and even a Toyota Corolla! She also wasn’t the drop off type. She would stay and watch over us enjoying these activities almost as much as us even when they occurred at 5:30 am. She was always there no matter what. She had our backs regardless of the odds but would still kick our asses when we got out of line. As I got older, I came to appreciate the person that she was, kind, wise and understanding on one hand as well as mischievous, sarcastic and funny on the other. I would come to learn that there was no problem too big that couldn’t be solved over some food, whiskey and a few cigarettes. Tim and I are lucky to have the movies, videos and pictures of her as well as all our fond memories. It is very much on her own terms. She was a rebel from the time that she was young and did not accept being told how a woman in those days was supposed to act and behave. She was strong willed and very determined to make her own path in the world. While we are sad and carry the pain that she is no longer with us we are thankful of the time that we shared with her and know that she lives on in our thoughts as well as many other people’s memories.

We miss you and love you, Mom.

# Death Notices

## MARIAN ELEANOR MURRAY October 20, 1946 - December 31, 2022



Marian (Mame) Eleanor Murray (née Bailey) of Tehkummah, passed away on December 31, 2022, at the age of 76. Beloved wife of the late James (Jim) Murray and mother of Michael and Adrian, Mame was born in Willowdale, North York in 1946 when it was still the countryside. Daughter of the late Wilson and Margaret Ann, she was an exceptionally well-behaved child, though she did get into the occasional bit of trouble with her friends in the fields, forests and creeks that spread out behind her home. Although a talented artist in a variety of mediums, Mame did the practical thing and started working in the bank after high school, a job she would move in and out of over the course of her life. Mame met Jim in summer 1966. On a trip to Manitoulin shortly thereafter, he proposed on the beach in Providence Bay, where her father had grown up. After slowing Jim down a bit, they were later engaged and married on April 6th, 1968. Jim was swept off his feet not only by Mame but also by Manitoulin, where she had always dreamed of living. Spending summers in trailers and rented homes on the beach in Providence Bay and in the woods in various places for a couple of years, they purchased land on the shore of South Bay in the early 1970s and built a fantastical off-grid home. After many years of this 'back-to-the-land/hippie' life, during which time they found and created community with many wonderful, like-minded people on and off the Island, they welcomed two children, Michael and Adrian, in 1982 and 1985 respectively. Mame raised her sons full-time, working outside of the home on-and-off in all manner of jobs, from agricultural projects to art galleries and volunteering with Haven House. Later, she returned to work at the bank full-time, at first with branches all over the Island and later in Manitowaning where she remained for several years until her retirement in the late 1990s. Mame was a kind and loving partner and mother, utterly committed to her husband and sons. Although she had no grandchildren of her own, she took great joy in those new faces brought into the world by friends and extended family. Struggling with illness, and Jim's 2009 passing, she led a more private life in recent years, continuing to live off-grid on the shores of South Bay. Hewing wood, drawingwater, caring for her garden and animals, she continued to delight in the beauty of her chosen home of Manitoulin until her passing. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy (<https://escarpment.ca>) to protect the land she loved so much. Service and internment will be held in the Spring of 2023.

## TAMMI-LEE SMITH (nee Palmaruk)

March 21, 1968-December 30, 2022



Tammi-Lee Smith (Palmaruk) ended her journey and left this Earth in the early morning hours of Friday, December 30, 2022. She fought a valiant and graceful battle against a brutal and merciless enemy, yet passed onto whatever comes next surrounded by many loved ones and wonderful medical attention at the Mindemoya Health Centre. She is survived by her husband, Will Smith. Her daughters Brittany Borton (Digger Wyman) and Stephanie Borton. Her brother Dean Palmaruk (Kathy) and her niece Julie. Her sister Lynn Zula (Mike) and her sister Jani Borton (Barry). Her grandson Greyson Wyman, her best friend Lila Sloss (Richard Bayer) and her fur-child Franklin Dakota Smith. She is predeceased by her sister Jodie Palmaruk, her parents Bill and June Palmaruk, her brother Nick Palmaruk, and her adopted companion, Hurley Chihuahua Smith. Tammi loved life and loved living on Manitoulin Island. She was a proud Canadian and very proud of her family. She fell in love with fishing 12 years ago and became quite good at it. She's been in love with music her entire life, especially the band Rush. The nature around her was sacred and appreciated. The friends she had in life were equally so. Godspeed, baby. We will all be together again. Friends and Family gathered at Simpson Funeral Home on Saturday January 7, 2023 from 1-3pm. Donations in Tammi-Lee's name can be mailed to Pet Save Manitoulin, 2256 Union Road, Evansville, Ontario POP 1E0.

## DR. ANAHITA (ANI) ARIANA March 21, 1974 – December 26, 2022



Ani Ariana, 48, died peacefully at home with her beloved family after an unyielding journey with cancer as she did everything with grit, courage, hope, and heart. Calm, intuitive, and deeply empathetic, Ani is and was an earth angel who cast a sweeping wake of lasting love that endures in her life partner and best friend Anthony Minniti, and her cherished daughters Beata and Ava Ariana-Minniti — the lights of her life. Ani was fiercely loved and held close by her beloved sister Proochista Ariana (Ernest Guevarra) and nephew Kaveh; her treasured father Manoucher Ariana, who died this past September; and in-laws Domenic and Ida Minniti, and sister-in-law Joanna Minniti (Nick). An incomparable mother, partner and friend, Ani is a comet blazing forever brightly in the memories of all who loved her. Born in Tehran, Iran, Ani grew up in Pacific Northwest. Ani earned an undergrad degree from Reed College; a Masters from OHSU; and a Masters in Social Work & MD from Illinois before completing her Residency in Family Medicine at the University of Ottawa. She settled in Sudbury and Little Current as a rural family physician until 2009. Ani and Anthony moved to Victoria, BC with a growing family and a new job in medical advisory at WorkSafeBC. Both as a doctor and a researcher, Ani was treasured for her calm, compassionate care, her meticulous attention to detail and her willingness to explore and push for new knowledge. Ever curious, always learning, Ani savored life's tastes, sounds, and stories (from sci-fi to classics to Lord of the Rings), her favored themes were friendship, courage, love, and righteousness. A movie lover, inexhaustible researcher, lifelong musician, and passionate cook, on a typical night she might create a robust Persian dish, play violin with her girls, and end the evening watching a Japanese Anime with her family. Ani was a force, a bit of an absolutist, and she was exceptional at love. Ani unwaveringly supported our dreams. A heartfelt thank you to Proochista and Ani's dear friends Necia, Ashley, Sandi, Judy, Christina, Anne, Angie, and Janice. As well as all the friends and family who provided comfort and support during her illness. Additional thanks to her colleagues at WorkSafeBC and the staff of CGI Constructors. Many thanks to the BC Cancer team. Also, VIHA Community Nurses and the Palliative Care Team. Thanks to Dr. Burton for her kindness and dedication. In lieu of flowers, anyone inclined may contribute, with our deepest gratitude, to the education fund set up for Ani's daughters, Beata and Ava on <https://gofund.me/ed4aca04>. Condolences may be offered to the family at [www.mccallgardens.com](http://www.mccallgardens.com)

## DOROTHY MARIE CHAPMAN December 16, 1951 - January 3, 2023



Dorothy passed away peacefully at Health Sciences North, Sudbury on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at the age of 71. Beloved wife of Wayne "Chipper" Chapman. Loving mother of Darcy (Lisa) Chapman and Catherine (Patrick) O'Donnell. She will be forever missed by her grandchildren Avery, Chloe, Jack and Ruby as well as many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and many friends. Predeceased by parents Lorne and Olive Armstrong. Also predeceased by brothers James (Linda) Armstrong and Fredrick Armstrong. Survived by sister-in-law Shelia Armstrong. Dorothy was well-known in the community for her helping nature and loved her time as a paramedic. She volunteered for many organizations, loved crafts and especially jewelry making. She enjoyed camp life and time spent with friends, family and especially grandkids. The family would like to thank Dr. Bedard and all the medical staff that helped her through her disease. Family and friends gathered at Island Funeral Home on Thursday, January 5, 2023 from 1-3 pm. Funeral Service followed on Friday, January 6, 2023 at 11 am with Rev. June McDougall officiating. Memorial donations may be made in Dorothy's honour to The Lung Association or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at [www.IslandFuneralHome.ca](http://www.IslandFuneralHome.ca).

## SHIRLEY CHRISTINE DICKER (Newman)



Our family is saddened to announce the passing of Shirley Dicker on December 26, 2022 at Country Village LTC home in Woodslee, Ontario at the age of 87. Born in Windsor on July 29, 1935 she was predeceased by her parents Robert and Christina Newman, as well as by two brothers – Robert (Pat) and Gordon (Lorraine). She is survived by her daughter Leslie Grabb (Chris) and son Joe, as well as by her grandsons Kevin, his partner Yeonju and her daughter Dain, and Ian, his wife Jennifer and their sons Wilder and Nash. She is also survived by two brothers – Darrell (Sharon) and Wayne (Betty-Lou) – and will be fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews, extended family members, former students and fellow teachers. Shirley was an elementary school teacher for 35 years beginning her career in an eight grade one-room school, later focusing mainly on the primary grades but also acting as librarian and principal on occasion. Teaching children (especially to read) was a great passion for her but so was helping others, fighting for the rights of women teachers through her involvement with the FWTAO and the ECWTA. She was fortunate to retire young which afforded her more opportunities to help in the community, joining the Friends of Point Pelee and the RTO board as well as being a member of the RWTO Goodwill committee, where she was known as the "Card Lady," a position she held for over 20 years. Retirement meant she was also able to spend more time with her grandsons, and travel extensively – always at least once a year to Manitoulin Island where she discovered new family and many friends. The family would like to thank Country Village for the care and kindness shown to Shirley in the last 10 months, the executive and membership of the RWTO and RTO, and in particular the Community of Christ congregation in Providence Bay. Cremation has taken place and a Celebration of Shirley's Life will take place in the spring.

## RAYMOND ALEXANDER ROY October 26, 1949 - December 27, 2022



Raymond passed away peacefully at home in Wikwemikong at the age of 73. Predeceased by parents Rose Roy (nee Shigwadja) and Eli Lewis. Beloved dad of Vanessa, Ramona, Jordan, Justin, Orien, Arien and Jason. Doting grandpa of 30 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Brother of Rosemary (predeceased), George, Gloria, Janice, Susan, Almer (predeceased), Barbara (predeceased), Marilyn (predeceased), Boniface, Alan (predeceased), Joanne, Lyda (predeceased), Robert, Ronnie (predeceased), Tony, Marilyn and Elaine. Raymond will also be missed by many nieces, nephews and friends. Family and friends gathered at St. Ignatius Church, Buzwah on Thursday December 29, 2022 from 2:30 pm. Funeral Mass was at Holy Cross Mission Church on Saturday, December 31, 2022 at 11 am. Burial followed in Wikwemikong Upper Cemetery.

## LORNE BRUCE HAYCOCK (CD, AICB, BA)



Lorne Bruce Haycock (CD, AICB, LBA) sadly passed away unexpectedly in hospital at 72 on December 20th, 2022. Lorne spent many years in the 90s and early 2000s enjoying the Island with his family before a decline in health. Later his children continued the tradition of enjoying the Island he loved so much. Left to mourn and celebrate his memory are his devoted wife, the love of his life of 35 years, Kathleen Richards-Haycock; his children Gayle (Paul Hutton), Bruce, Mark and Travis-James/TJ (True); his grandchildren Elizabeth, Jonathan, Zachary, Ryan and Troy; his brothers Ken and Rick (Lori), as well as many relatives and friends. A Celebration of Life will be held according to his wishes later in the spring at his home. Anyone who wishes to contact the family may email [Travis.Haycock@me.com](mailto:Travis.Haycock@me.com).

# ...LCYC unfurls programs

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 the program is up and running again. Mr. Marsh has also offered up his own vessel to provide an opportunity for newer sailors to learn on a larger sailboat.

"We will be posting information and contact numbers for early enrollment and some pre-launch instruction on our website, LCYC.ca where people can find more information on the programs as it becomes available," said Mr. Marsh. "LCYC will be looking at two or three locations to run the program as they have done in the past, for example, Gore Bay, Kaga-wong, Lake Manitou or any community that has the interest and the students. LCYC will also be looking into adult lessons as well."

The plan at present is to offer the two-week program in Little Current, as was done in the past, with one-week courses in the other locations.

The biggest challenge right now is finding instructors. The two years of lost programming across the province has hurt succession where new instructors are developed, noted Mr. Marsh, but he added that he remains hopeful that instructors will be found. Anyone with a sound base of experience in sailing is eligible for training, free of charge from Sail Ontario.

"LCYC has not been com-

pletely dormant through the pandemic, as the LCYC Cruiser's Net has never stopped operation under the guiding hand of Roy Eaton and is celebrating 20 years of continuous broadcasting and boat assistance which has been its forte," said Mr. Marsh.

"The club is also looking at reinvigorating the Saturday race program that was so popular and which will end up awarding the Boat of the Year trophy," said Mr. Marsh. "No race is over if there is not a party and flag presentation at the end and, LCYC is known for theirs."

## thank you

**The Hughson family** would like to thank all who came and hope you enjoyed the meal. We would like to thank the following people for assisting with the Christmas Dinner. The Manitoulin Expositor, the Little Current United Church, Darlene Bie, Ken Lippold, Morley Runnalls, Ivan and Betty Edwards, Charlene MacNevin, Beverly Morphet, Christina Jones, Linda Bowerman, Monique Lumley and Linda Bailey. Thank you and Happy New Year! From the Hughson family, Gage, Cole, Cord, Tyler, Jason, Tanya, Lynn and Norma

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## in memory

**CULGIN**—In loving and fond memory of Ted Culgin, January 8, 1953 - January 14, 2017.

Holding you forever in our hearts.  
 Ride in Paradise CRC.  
 Love you always,  
 Barb, Andy, Dawn and Willow

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**MCMURRAY**—In loving memory of our dear son, brother, brother-in-law, daddy and uncle, Wade McMurray, who passed away January 8, 2009.

Don't remember me with sadness,  
 Don't remember me with tears.  
 Remember all the laughter,  
 We've shared throughout the years.

Now I am contented  
 That my life was worthwhile,  
 Knowing that as I passed  
 people along the way  
 I made somebody smile.

When you are walking down the street  
 And you've got me on your mind,  
 I'm walking in your footsteps  
 Only half a step behind.  
 So please don't be unhappy  
 Just because I'm out of sight,  
 Remember that I'm with you  
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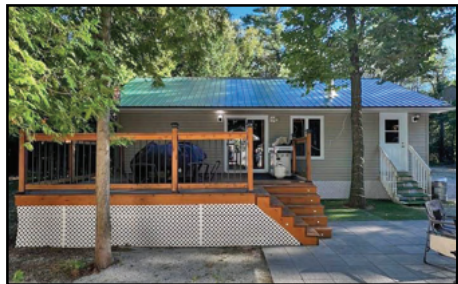
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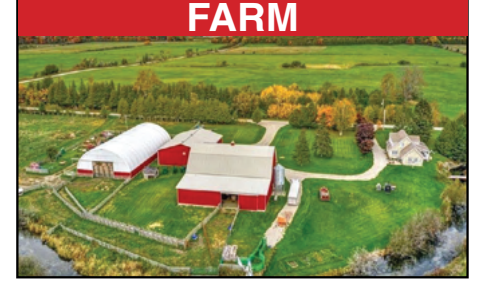
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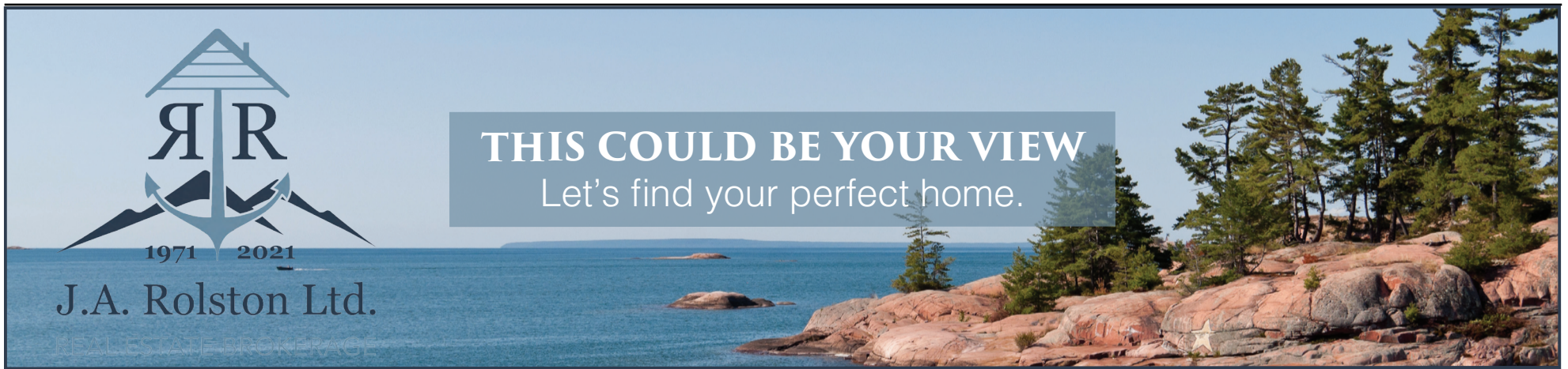
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