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CHECKING THE ROUTE—The United Manitoulin Islands Transit vehicle travelled for the first time along its initial Mindemoya to Manitowaning route this past Monday, July 20, seen here pausing at an intersection in Sheguiandah. Transit co-operative board members gathered in Little Current at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre for a small soft launch ceremony of coffee and cookies and said a larger public open house will soon follow. **SEE STORY ON PAGE 6**

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Nearly 1,300 people on Manitoulin given COVID-19 testing

No active cases indicated as of press time Monday

by Warren Schlote

MANITOULIN—Increasing numbers of Islanders are undertaking COVID-19 tests through Manitoulin health providers, according to statistics on weekly test volume collected by testing centres and shared with The Expositor, reflecting growing numbers as testing criteria have eased and more people undergo precautionary assessments whether or not they are symptomatic.

Some 1,237 tests have been completed at Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC)'s assessment centres at the Little Current and Mindemoya hospital testing sites since the week of March 9 to 15 until the most recent data point, July 9.

While only four tests were conducted in that first week, by the peak week of June 15 to 21, 167 tests were completed, an average of more than 30 tests per weekday.

Testing numbers have since levelled off to 139 in the latest week with full data, June 29 to July 5.

When the pandemic was sweeping through Canada earlier this year, many jurisdictions were caught unprepared and had limited supplies of COVID-19 test kits as well as personal protective equipment for health care workers.

As such, tests were initially limited to people who were presenting with known symptoms of COVID-19 and people who had contact with a known case of the novel coronavirus.

In the time since then, as the situation has stabilized and supply levels have increased, testing requirements have loosened to the point that anyone can now be tested for the virus.

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Seized Michael's Bay properties listed for sale for \$1.5 million

by Warren Schlote

MANITOULIN—The property containing the former Royal Michael's Bay Resort appeared on the real estate market last Wednesday, July 15, including the main property containing the lodge and roughed-in golf course as well as a four-bedroom log home and a 3,600-square-foot heated workshop with attached apartment, and two other related properties.

"We're certainly happy to have the opportunity to sell this proper-

ty," said Chris Bousquet, broker of record at Little Current-based J. James Bousquet Realty Inc. Brokerage.

The main property (MLS: 2087327) is 116 acres in size and contains the former Royal Michael's Bay Resort.

The lodge is roughly 6,000 square feet in size and includes a basement. The 1,500-square-foot log home is 1.5 stories tall and also has a basement and a single garage.

This listing runs just shy of a \$1 million price tag, a price Mr. Bousquet said was determined by government-hired appraisers as well as the opinion of his brokerage.

Also listed with Mr. Bousquet are a pair of Carter Bay lots of approximately one acre (MLS: 2087325). These are located on the waterfront in the Municipality of Central Manitoulin and their zoning does not permit building of any kind.

On Carter Bay Road, a seasonal log home situated on 105 acres (MLS: 2087326) with four bedrooms, three bathrooms and a fin-

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Plastic pollution in Lake Huron

Cigarette butts, laundry microfibres among primary contributors

by Lori Thompson,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter
MANITOULIN—Almost 4,700 kilotonnes of plastics are introduced into the Canadian market annually. That's more than 125 kg

per capita. Only nine percent of plastic waste is recycled and 86 percent ends up as waste in our landfills, according to a report prepared for Environment and Climate Change Canada by

Deloitte LLP. A lot of that plastic waste ends up in our lakes and on our shorelines.

"We actually have a higher density of plastic pollution in the Great Lakes than is found in many of the oceanic gyres (the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, for example)," according to Hannah Cann, coastal stewardship coordinator for the Lake Huron Coastal Conservation Centre (LHCCC). "There's some pretty interesting statistics and the numbers are quite shocking," she said. "A single load of laundry can release thousands of microfibres which then can end up in Lake Huron."

"There are many studies now

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UCCM Tribal Police initiates

'Lighting the Fire Within,' a first for any Canadian force

Will reduce domestic violence risk factors

M'CHIGEENG—The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service is pleased to announce an exciting new project, Lighting the Fire Within. The project is funded through Women and Gender Equality (WAGE) Canada and is the first of its kind to be delivered by any police service in Canada.

"It is a great complement to the already successful Social Navigator Program, another pilot project that was successfully delivered by the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service," said UCCM Chief of Police Faron Whiteye. "The Social Navigator Program is now a permanent program within the organization and is recognized throughout all of Ontario."

Lighting the Fire Within (LTFW) is designed to reduce risk factors associated with domestic

violence and facilitate the creation of safer, stronger and healthier First Nation communi-

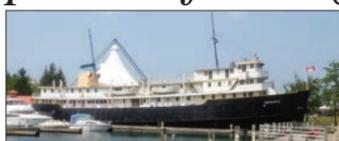
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Soo sells MS Norgoma to Tobermory

Businessmen plan on floating restaurant

by Michael Erskine

SAULT STE. MARIE—The Norgoma, sister ship to the Norisle berthed at Manitowaning, has been sold to interests in Tobermory, where plans to turn it into a quayside restaurant and tourist attraction are in the nascent stage.



MS Norgoma has been at anchor on the St. Mary's River in Sault Ste. Marie since she was retired from service when the Chi-Cheemaun began in 1975.

The Norisle was at one time destined to also travel to Tobermory, where plans were to sink the historic vessel to create a new diving destination. The Norgoma, should plans go to fruition, will remain afloat with a new lease on life.

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Manitoulin municipalities no longer require Official Plan change approvals

by Warren Schlote
 MANITOULIN—The Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) has exempted all townships on Manitoulin Island from needing the ministry's approval before making amendments to their Official Plans, except for five- and 10-year updates to those plans which are made under a different section of the Planning Act.

able levels of government and where they have demonstrated the ability to deliver land use planning in accordance with provincial requirements and objectives, the ministry can empower them to make decisions with less provincial oversight," said Praveen Senthinathan, spokesperson for MMAH, in an email to The Expositor.

The province issued Ontario Regulation 332/20, Exemption from Approval (Official Plan

Amendments), on June 30, expanding the list of communities that do not have to apply to MMAH for Official Plan amendments except for the five- and 10-year major updates to the plans.

Previously, the only Island municipality on the list was the Northeast Town, which received its exemption effective July 1, 2017.

Island townships exempted from ministry pre-approval as of July 1, 2020 include Assiginack, Billings, Burpee and Mills, Central Manitoulin, Tehkummah, Gordon/Barrie Island and Gore Bay, as well as Cockburn Island.

Although Manitoulin municipalities no longer have to receive approval to their plan amendments, they must still follow certain ministry directives when making such changes.

Copies of the proposed changes must be sent to MMAH during the consultation phase, the municipality is required to follow the same procedures of public notification and consultation and provide documentation of this process to the ministry, and

approved changes must also be forwarded to MMAH.

The upshot of this, stated Mr. Senthinathan, is a more efficient local land use planning and development process.

"The province continues to set provincial planning policy, approve new Official Plans and comprehensive updates, and provide strategic advisory services for municipalities. All land use planning decisions, regardless of where approval authority rests, must comply with the requirements of the Planning Act and be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and environmental policies," he wrote.

The ministry notified townships of the proposed exemption in November 2019 and posted it to its regulatory registry for a 45-day public comment period. It received no concerns, said Mr. Senthinathan.

The exemptions were a surprise to the Manitoulin Planning Board, which was not aware of the regulatory change. However, the exemptions apply to specific individual municipalities within

planning boards, rather than the planning boards themselves.

Mr. Senthinathan acknowledged the communications were not targeted to the planning board but said the ministry would work with it to ensure it is informed about the impacts of the change.

"The ministry is following up with the exempted municipalities to answer any further questions about their new authorities and processes, and to establish dates for the ministry to provide associated training and capacity building. The associated planning boards will be included in this communication and invited to participate in the training sessions," he stated.

An email sent to an Island municipality on July 15, which was shared with The Expositor, states that staff from a MMAH's Municipal Services Office in Sudbury would contact Island townships to share information, run formal education sessions on the changes and work with the municipalities to address their training needs.



Bridal Veil Falls is now accessible to the public, except for the staircase from the parking lot down to the falls area which remains closed due to its narrow space.

Bridal Veil Falls trails, except staircase, reopen to the public

BILLINGS—At the Billings Municipal Emergency Control Group weekly meeting last Thursday it was decided to reopen all trails along the lower Kagawong River, including the trail to the base of Bridal Veil Falls.

"The only part of this system that will remain closed is the staircase from the MTO (Ministry of Transportation) parking lot at the top of the falls leading to the base of the falls," said Billings Mayor Ian Anderson. "This narrow staircase makes it impossible to maintain physical distancing and there is no practical way to continuously disinfect the hand rails."

The mayor reminded visitors that ample parking exists at the Park Centre parking lot and it is recommended that the public use this parking location.

Construction has begun in the Small Craft Harbour at the river mouth making parking at the lower bridge area limited and congested.

Jack McQuarrie's ever-popular stories of Island skullduggery return to the printed page

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—There are few individuals who have done more to record and preserve the history and stories of Manitoulin Island and the North Shore than Willis John (Jack) McQuarrie, the prolific author and former publisher of the Recorder. The downside of the popularity of his books is that many have sold out and are now not available outside of a library vault. But thanks to one of Mr. McQuarrie's many fans, Dr. Len Piché of London (who owns property on Manitoulin), his work 'Murders and Mysteries of the Manitoulin District' has been reprinted in a limited edition, complete with a new pull-out map marking the location of each murder and mystery and is once again available for sale.

Mr. McQuarrie is very happy to have his book once more available, said his wife Arlene. "He wouldn't have given Dr. Piché permission if he wasn't," she laughed. "Dr. Piché had a copy of the foldout map that is in the new edition mounted on wood and gave it to him. We had it up on the wall of the old place, but we will be putting it up here at our new place in town."

Dr. Piché noted that he first made the acquaintance of Mr. McQuarrie several years ago, when he had first purchased property on Manitoulin.

"I had bought a copy of 'Manitoulin, Island of the Ottawas' that was published by John Major that had a lot of the information about the Island in it," he recalled. "I had misplaced the book and was trying to find a copy of that book," he said. "I called the Gore Bay Union Public Library, but they had never heard of it. She suggested Jack McQuarrie's books, but would not release it on interlibrary loan."

Dr. Piché contacted Mr. McQuarrie. "He being Mr. Manitoulin," said Dr. Piché.

"That's the first we've heard of this Mr. Mani-



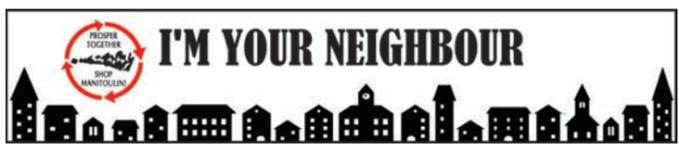
Dr. Len Piché displays the highly popular book, 'Murders and Mysteries of the Manitoulin District,' and a map that is now included in the book that shows the location of each of the featured incidents.

toulin thing," chuckled Ms. McQuarrie.

Mr. McQuarrie had a couple of copies of 'Manitoulin, Island of the Ottawas' and agreed to send Dr. Piché one. The pair soon struck up a great friendship and Dr. Piché would be sure to drop in on the couple whenever he was in the area.

Dr. Piché tried to convince Mr. McQuarrie to reprint the book with a map showing the location of the mysteries and murders chronicled within, but Mr. McQuarrie was on to other projects and suggested Dr. Piché take on the project instead.

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Mason McGregor explores the great outdoors with his kids

M'CHIGEENG—The big smile of Mason McGregor is among the most noticeable sights when one steps inside Paul's General Store in M'Chigeeng (at the intersection of Highways 540 and 551), someone who says he is happy to be meeting more new people passing through town these days as Manitoulin enters stage three of reopening.

"COVID-19 was really unexpected but (M'Chigeeng) took precautions right away with checkpoints here and at the Mindemoya border," says Mr. McGregor.

He had only started at the service centre in November and was just getting into the swing of work when COVID-19 changed the world. Now, as traffic flows freely through M'Chigeeng once more, he says his love for his job has come back in full force.

"The busyness is great. I'm always meeting new people and talking to them about where they're going and what they've been doing," he says. "I used to work in a kitchen so that was not really social at all."

Away from the 'office,' however, Mr. McGregor spends most of his time getting outdoors with children Layla (four) and

Kaison (turning two in August). "I'm always just doing what my kids are into," he says with a laugh, adding that he is lucky he enjoys being outdoors as well.

They often go on hikes and explore new swimming spots from Gore Bay to Mindemoya. Mr. McGregor says the kids are just beginning to show an interest in fishing which is offering many new experiences.



Mason McGregor

Although he might not have as much time with the kids as he once did when the community was more locked-down, Mr. McGregor says he still enjoys every minute they share.

Please remember that when you shop local, you're supporting friends and neighbours like Mason McGregor at Paul's General Store.



From left, AOK band manager Anne Marie Sandford and Shirley Corbiere receive a certificate from Mnaamodzawin Health Services executive director Craig Abotossaway to commemorate the centre's 20th anniversary.

Naandwegamik Health Centre in AOK turns 20

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Naandwegamik Health Centre in Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) First Nation celebrated its 20th anniversary on Wednesday, July 15.

The Naandwegamik Health Centre team held this

event using physical distancing practices by ensuring everyone who attended was given a mask and hand sanitizer before entering the event as well as markings on the ground to ensure people kept a safe

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editorial

Era ends as we bid adieu to Tehk Talk's Pat Hall

'Anyway, we're away tomorrow morning. Take care all. Keep happy, keep healthy and keep up the hand washing.'

With its good advice, that was the final paragraph of Tehk Talk's column from Tehk Talk, that appeared in the July 8 issue of this paper, the last one submitted by Pat.

Pat was 'away tomorrow morning' with her daughter Sherry for surgery scheduled for July 10 in Toronto and last Wednesday afternoon, July 15, we heard the very sad news that Pat had passed away in the Toronto hospital.

On Page 20, there is a posthumous installment of Tehk Talk, submitted by daughter Sherry, who observed that 'Mum was always making notes.' It details part of her trip to Toronto and both Sherry and son Kim have also contributed to this special message.

Pat's Tehk Talk news had a real following, far beyond Manitoulin. This was information that has been often passed on by way of a note or a call, usually when a subscriber was renewing their paper for the next year. Most people wouldn't have known who the writer was, as there was no byline, but there has been a constant reference to the column of Tehk Talk news and how much it was read and enjoyed.

Pat passed away on the first publishing day that her column did not appear and so it will be after this week and ongoing.

This is significant for this old newspaper because Tehk Talk, authored by Pat Hall, was the last rural news column, voluntarily authored, that The Expositor carried and so ends (at least for now) a 141-year tradition.

About 35 years ago, a thick envelope arrived in The Expositor's post office box one Monday morning. The pages it contained were handwritten and there were a lot of them: 10 or 12. There was no covering letter, but a suggested headline was included: Tehk Talk.

It was typeset, proofread and ran in that week's paper under the proposed headline and a little sleuthing determined that the author was Pat Hall from Tehk Talk.

A telephone conversation ensued. At that time, Pat was a Canada Post rural route mail contractor and so her daily drives took her all around the municipality.

It became instantly clear that she not only had a keen eye for observation but that she could also describe her finds for her column in ways that made the readers feel that they had seen these things themselves, and that is a rare gift.

For many years, the Ontario Community Newspapers Association (OCNA), of which The Expositor is a member, included in its annual Better Newspaper Competition a category called 'Champion Country Correspondent.'

We had to enter three representative columns from the given year's body of work and, with Pat, that was no problem: they were all so descriptive.

Pat's column finished in second place three times in a row and she went once to the annual convention in Toronto. (Alicia, then nine and now the paper's editor and publisher, shared a room with Pat at the convention hotel.) We felt it was a matter of time before her work was named the overall winner, but the newspaper association retired the category the next year. She took this news in stride and made a joke about it.

It has always been one of the perks of country correspondents that they get to write about their families' comings and goings and so we

learned much about her beloved, and best friend, 'Mum' (who passed away in her 101st year in late 2017), as well as the comings and goings of her siblings, children and grandchildren.

But what an observer she was of things going by her home in the village of Tehk Talk, right across the road from Ward's Store!

It was clear from reading 30-odd years of handwritten news copy (latterly arriving via fax early Monday afternoons) that writing came quickly and easily to her.

So did poetry, and Tehk Talk often began or ended with one of Pat's wonderful poems. In fact, two collections of her poetry and were published: 'Mind Storms and New Beginnings' in 2016 and 'A Fragile Thread' in 2013.

When Pat spoke to Expositor reporter Michael Erskine about her skills as a poet in 2016, she observed that, "I think in rhyme. I don't often have to adjust my words after I've written them. They just seem to flow out of me."

(Writing poetry is a family trait: Pat, her sister Pauline Martin and their mother Jean McCauley have each been winners of this newspaper's annual Valentine's Poetry contest.)

Pat was not only a keen observer and chronicler of her community, she had the related ability to be a good listener. Someone from another community told this writer last week (when she learned that Pat was undergoing critical surgery) how much Pat had meant to that person's generation of young people. For many years, in the summer months, Pat and her family operated a take-out food business from a building beside her home and this person recalled many young people, with problems on their minds, confiding in Pat when they visited the diner or at her home. This



The inimitable Pat Hall is captured enjoying the music at Manitoulin Country Fest. Music was among her many passions and she rarely missed an opportunity to indulge.

photo by Michael Erskine

person observed that, "Pat has prevented many suicides. She probably doesn't know that." Quite a legacy.

Pat enjoyed parties. Some were surprises for her, like the one when she was named Tehk Talk's Citizen of the Year or the one celebrating her 80th birthday, both with standing room only at the spacious Tehk Talk Triangle Club Hall. And then there were the euchre and crib parties at her beloved Tehk Talk Hall.

We saw her evolve from membership in Fairview United Church's Junior United Church Women (UCW) group to becoming a UCW member. She spent time as a member of the municipal council and stood for the reeve's position.

Her world was Tehk Talk, with occasional forays to Manitowaning and Mindemoya. Julia and I were caught in the act of eating pie at Carol's and Earl's South Baymouth restaurant (the incident was recorded in that last column) and it was in conversation that day, the Tuesday of the week she was going to Toronto for surgery, that she told us in her inimitable way, 'I'll either come back or I won't,' said with a shrug and a twinkle in her eye.

That statement, and especially now that we know the outcome, is representative of Pat's profoundness: the same attribute that let her think in the images that translated as good poems, that led to the sharp observations she was able to transcribe in Tehk Talk for her multitude of readers, that gave her insight into some people's anguish (and someone, as already noted, knew this particular gift had intervened positively in many people's lives).

If this is the end of the trail for country correspondence for this paper, Pat's Tehk Talk is a fine one with which to end this tradition.

On behalf of the Expositor Office staff, our condolences to Sherry, Kim, Derek and their families with special mention of granddaughter and next-door neighbour Tara.

—Rick

letters

Traffic on Rockville Road calls for a consistent speed limit

Travelling vehicles new to the route hitting Highway 401 speeds

To the Expositor:

I live on Rockville Road and have noticed the traffic has increased since the road blockades in M'Chigeeng have come down. I suspect a lot of people never used this road to get to Mindemoya or Providence Bay before. The speed limit is posted 40km for a stretch and 50km in another, but we need a consistent speed limit from Camp Mary Anne split to the Rockville Community Centre (Spry's farm).

The travelling cars new to the new way to get to Mindemoya are travelling at 401 Hwy speed! We need more speed limit postings of 40km and 50km throughout the Rockville Rd bypass, as I'm sure it's known now! Please consider speed postings like you've done with bicycle route signs before someone gets killed!

John K. Anderson
Rockville

Kenjgewin Teg takes its 2020 graduation online

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—Spring graduation ceremonies are among the key milestones in a person's life, whether they happen in the early blush of youth or as part of a lifelong learning process. This year, graduations have undergone a radical transformation as the restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic have forced many educational institutions to think outside the box to celebrate their graduates' successes. Kenjgewin Teg moved its graduation ceremonies online this year and the result is a pretty impressive effort in these trying times.

The graduation ceremonies began with an opening greeting in Anishinaabemowin and prayer by elder Gloria Oshkabewisens-McGregor. "This is a celebration that I feel too," said Ms. Oshkabewisens-McGregor, "that you have made it through to where you are today, the struggles you have had to go through, especially this year." She went on to express gratitude to the many teachers, support workers and other helpers who assisted the students on their journey to higher education.

Beverley Roy-Carter, Kenjgewin Teg director of post secondary education and training, brought greetings on behalf of the board and faculty, extolling the extra commitment and effort demonstrated by the students this year. "You will always be a part of the Kenjgewin Teg family," she said.

This year's trades fundamentals graduates included Jesse Aguonia and Timothy



Raine Farquhar followed the Pathways to Success Program to obtain her Ontario Secondary School Diploma at Kenjgewin Teg and was celebrated in the online graduation.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Pitawanakwat-Wemigwans.

Dr. Anna Peltier delivered a heartfelt address to the personal support worker

graduates, welcoming them to the medical field and expressing how it was an honour to be asked to address them on this special occasion. "I am so proud of your hard work and dedication," she said. She went on to note the special qualities, such as patience and integrity, that caring for the most vulnerable requires.

This year's PSW graduates include: Katrina Alston, Rachel Hardy, Delores Denny, Serge Krieger-Woinosky, Stephen Mandamin and Lindsay Owl. The program was delivered in partnership with Canadore College.

The business graduates were addressed by Jason Peltier, business services manager of Waubetek Business Development Corporation. Mr. Peltier sent "a couple of words of encouragement" to the graduates. "It took a lot of hard work to reach this goal," he said, adding that the students will be assured of success as they carry that hard work out to take on the business world.

This year's business graduates include Curtis Fox, Jeanette Pitawanakwat and Andre Secord.

Elder Gordon Waindubence delivered a greeting in Anishinaabemowin that included the words he was gifted with during his own school years, now a lifetime ago, but still relevant today. "They helped me in life," he said. "I am so very proud of you who have finished school in this troubled year. Good, better and best. Never take a

rest until good becomes better and better becomes best."

In addressing those in the Pathways to Higher Education program, Dean Mark Gibeault said that he wished that he could shake each student's hand, adding "miigwetch for sharing your skills with us."

The Ontario Secondary School Diploma students are Shane Michael Cooper, Raine Farquhar, James Fisher, Chris Hogge, Teddi Murphy-Pinnance and Tyler Harvey.

Completion of the Mshiigaade Miikan Program (the path is clearing) 750 hours of Anishinaabe Aadiziwin learning opportunities and which uses an Indigenous wellness framework to assist Anishinabek individuals and their families meet their personal, educational and career goals was celebrated by family stream participants RoseAnn Beaudry, Henry Migwans and Albertine Migwans. The employment stream participants included Margo Turple, Shawn Owl, Rachel Hardy and Dawn McGraw.

The closing address and prayer was delivered by elder Josh Eshkawkogan who highlighted the Seven Directions teachings in his closing.

The complete graduation ceremony can be accessed at KenjgewinTeg.ca/graduation.

Congratulations to the Kenjgewin Teg graduates of 2020.

Part V of a series

Failure to access mental health support spurs fears of post-pandemic mental health crisis

by Lori Thompson,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

MANITOULIN—Calls for mental health-related issues are down and people are not reaching out as much as they were prior to the pandemic, said Sue Tassé, manager of clinical services with Canadian Mental Health Association Sudbury/Manitoulin (CMHA). Mental health professionals are concerned there will be an echo effect in mental health and aren't sure what that will look like.

"Based on poll results, we keep hearing that people are still worried about things," she said. "Fears are very prevalent amongst people for all kinds of issues." There are concerns about what that means for service delivery post pandemic; however, local organizations and healthcare providers are planning now to ensure that all mental health support needs are met.

The poll Ms. Tassé is referring to was conducted by Pollara Strategic Insights on behalf of CMHA, Ontario Division from April 16 to 23. In the poll, only 13 percent of Ontarians who identified as having a mental health condition said they've accessed mental health supports since the outbreak, compared to 39 percent before the pandemic, according to a CMHA media release. Nearly one third (31 percent) of those diagnosed with a mental health condition feel they do not have all the supports they need although 77 percent of those who have accessed mental health services during the outbreak say it has helped them.

Other findings showed the things that are recommended for staying healthy during the pandemic are taking a hit. Thirty-six percent of Ontarians say their diet has gotten worse while 48 percent say exercise habits have worsened. Twenty-three percent of Ontarians are consuming more substances such as alcohol, tobacco or cannabis and among those who are consuming these substances, 29 percent have changed the time of day when they consume.

People are also struggling to follow a daily routine. Fifty-nine percent are finding it hard to be productive while in self-isolation. This is true of those of both those who are currently employed and those not working.

This is the new norm, suggested Ms. Tassé, and people are trying to navigate the shift that's occurring without necessarily looking at the effects on their own mental health. "People are talking about the increase in their substance use and making light of it but that's a significant or telltale sign that their mental health needs to have some priority," she said. "What is the reason for the increase in substance use? Are we using it as a coping mechanism to deal with some of those underlying fears and worries and stress factors?"

The stress factors are universal. "It's personal finance, it's the economy, worrying about the future, the older generation and the younger generation. We're seeing this as a global problem. As we're coming out of this, as things are reopening, as we start to talk about the losses or the changes and the shifts and get used to things like that. That's when that echo piece is going to start hitting, when we are going to see those trauma pieces come out of this. I don't think we have any kind of targeted framework on it, we just know that it's coming. Everyone's talking about it, everybody's getting ready for it because it's like a calm before the storm. We're asking, what is going to be the storm within the mental health landscape? Even before the pandemic we were stretched thin so the question is, what's



going to happen afterwards when this big kind of flood comes through?"

It's important for people to consider mental health and wellness now as we move through these unprecedented times, both their own and those within their families and social circles, said Ms. Tassé.

One reason fewer people are calling for help is because the stigma behind mental health still exists. Everyone has mental health and wellness and it's important to self-reflect on how these stressors are impacting you, said Ms. Tassé. "Are you on a routine or a schedule in taking care of yourself during the day? A lot of us are working from home so we get into these routines of going down to our desk and we don't have those cues that we would normally have before the pandemic. Before the pandemic, you'd get up, go to work, have your lunches, those kinds of things. You've got to be cognizant and build in those cues and remember that life is now a little bit different."

"We've all been encouraging everyone to maintain contact with friends and family and those within our circle. It's really important to ask, 'how are you doing?' and to really mean it, to really listen for cues. Ask what's changed for them and how are they coping with the shift in their home, their work and their recreation. Stop asking politely and really start to help other people reflect. How is the family doing? How are the kids doing? How are your parents dealing with it? These are huge adjustment periods and maintaining those contacts within our circles we can assist our circles and ourselves within those self-reflection pieces."

We need to keep chipping away at the mental health stigma in our society by talking about mental wellness and the tools that each one of us use to either stay mentally well or look towards getting more of a balance to mental wellness, she noted. It's okay not to be okay.

"It doesn't mean that they're not going to be okay forever but people do have stressful times in their life that they may need to reach out and have third parties assist them, even if it's just a conversation to say that what everyone is feeling is normal. These stressors are normal and it's okay

to be worried about the future. It's okay to look at what this means for older generations or younger generations. It's okay to ponder those questions."

We often dismiss these feelings by saying tomorrow's another day, she said, but it becomes more significant when those thoughts are taking over and you can't get away from them. "That's when you need to break the cycle and sometimes it takes that extra reaching out to help someone go through it, to process it, to break it down and to find where the impact is happening. Sometimes it's very deep rooted and you need to bring it to the surface. You need to be cognizant of it to be able to make the shift. That's where mental health professionals come into it. They are able to do that."

Everyone has different responses to stressors and there will be some that have more significant impacts than others, Ms. Tassé said. "For some it may just be certain elements of things and for some this may have huge impacts. We can't brush everything with one common stroke. We have to use the tools that are at our disposal for mental health, connecting with each individual and finding out what it is that they need. Some may need some more intensive services whereas some may just need lower-level assistance."

The Pollara research shows that seven out of 10 Ontarians (69 percent) believe the province is headed for a "serious mental health crisis" as it emerges from this pandemic and nearly eight out of 10 (77 percent) say more mental health supports will be necessary to help society. CMHA has been preparing for the potential increase in need post-COVID-19.

"Prior to the pandemic most services were face-to-face services or through a referral from a care provider followed by recommendations to services such as Bounce-Back or Big White Wall which are the virtual platforms," she said. HERE2HELP is a new online self-referral service that provides access to services through the website for those that want to reach out when they're struggling with something and we're able to get back to them within one business day. CMHA was just starting to expand its reach through virtual platforms whereas now the virtual platforms are the first line, complemented by face-to-face. If anyone needs the support they are definitely still there. Sometimes people are more comfortable asking for help outside of their communities, again due to stigma.

There is no waitlist currently for CMHA Sudbury/Manitoulin services so access can be quick when people are struggling.

The province has promised \$3.8 billion over 10 years for mental health and addictions services but the investment has been slow to materialize, CMHA Sudbury/Manitoulin CEO Patty MacDonald said in the release.

"Any mention that there's increases in funding are welcome messages," added Ms. Tassé. "We struggle and we continue to put the message out that there is a larger need even with the promised money. There will always be a greater need so we continue to advocate to all levels of government that mental health and addictions need to be a priority and welcome any funding or any announcements or any assistance that they can help develop for us."

Contact CMHA Sudbury/Manitoulin at 705-672-7252 or toll free at 1-866-285-2642, or visit the website at sm.cmha.ca.

United Manitoulin Islands Transit vehicle hits road for empty test runs

by Warren Schlote

LITTLE CURRENT—The excitement was palpable at Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current this past Monday morning as the United Manitoulin Islands Transit (UMIT) bus hit the road for the first time and paused for a brief celebration at the hotel after the first trip on its initial route.

“A lot of things we have here on Manitoulin Island only happen because people band together and put their attention in to get things going. This transit service does truly belong to everyone who lives here,” said Joahanna Berti, UMIT executive director, at the small gathering of some UMIT board members and executives to commemorate the first day of its wheels turning.

“After three years, it feels so good to finally have something to at least look at now,” said UMIT president Guy Dumas with a relieved laugh.

As reported in last week’s Expositor, passenger-supporting bus service is still on hold for the time being until the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO)



From left, UMIT treasurer and finance committee lead Val McIntyre, executive director Joahanna Berti and president Guy Dumas pose with their new vehicle at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre after the inaugural test run.

approves its bus stop locations. The vehicle arrived on Manitoulin last week and received its UMIT branding in preparation for its service launch.

UMIT board members expect the service to continue without passengers for the next week or two until approval comes through

and the stops can be put up along the initial trial route from Mindemoya to Manitowaning via Little Current.

Fares will be free at the beginning of service to encourage people to try it out.

“People need to know that the way of getting

more, better service is that we have to use what we have. Then we’ll have the passenger numbers we need to push for an increase in service, add more trips and hopefully cover more of the Island,” said Ms. Berti.

She acknowledged the volunteer board that has

worked for three years to reach this point, as well as UMIT’s supporting agencies.

UMIT treasurer and marketing committee lead Valerie McIntyre was present at the soft launch and said the impacts of the transit service would be wide-reaching.

“The bus is a positive step to making healthier, more robust and connected communities on the Island,” she said.

Mr. Dumas said the operation is structured on an Austrian economic model as opposed to capitalism, where control is shifted away from the person who is in charge of the means of production and instead placed upon the consumers.

“A co-op model under Austrian economics works well; they’re compatible and also based on Indigenous physics. All of these are connected and related to each other and maybe that’s part of the reason why we didn’t give up on it,” he said, adding that the reason past Island transit projects have failed is because of their capitalist models.

Ms. Berti said the first trip was very pleasant and

she encouraged Islanders and businesses to become members of the co-op to help shape the service to become more responsive to their needs.

The bus has a wheelchair lift at its rear and can accommodate two wheelchairs. There is seating for 14 plus a driver.

A fare box and a front-mount bicycle rack are the next two items that crews will install into the vehicle to get it road-ready. There is already space at the front to have hand sanitizer and masks.

The bus is kept in Little Current at the AJ Bus Lines facility.



Doug Mervyn of AJ Bus Lines is the driver of the UMIT service and guided the executives on the first-day run of service.

photos by Warren Schlote

News of cancellation of Kincardine DGR project greeted with caution

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—Ontario Power Generation has formally ended plans to build a low/intermediate level radioactive waste deep geological repository (DGR) on the Bruce Power site near Kincardine. On June 22, OPG formally notified federal regulators it was ending plans for the low/intermediate waste DGR following a vote by Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON) in January 2020 that overwhelmingly voted not to support the project in their traditional territory.

Although Kincardine was a “willing” host, OPG had earlier committed to not going ahead with the plan should the SON reject the project.

But Anishinaabe Nation Grand Council Chief Glen Hare said that while he was relieved that the project was cancelled, he remains concerned, particularly when hearing

news that a large corporation was paying to install gas lines into the Saugeen territory. “Is someone trying to buy votes?” he mused. “I hope not.”

Grand Council Chief Hare pointed out that the plans for another DGR, this one focussed on burying spent fuel rods deep underground, possibly also near the shores of Lake Huron, was still in play.

There are about three million highly radioactive used fuel bundles from reactors currently stored at existing nuclear generating stations in Canada, including at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station. The current storage system is not sustainable, according to nuclear authorities, and Nuclear Waste Management Organization has been searching for a permanent solution—the stated aim is to find a site for their storage by 2023.

“We know that they have to find a place to put this stuff somewhere,” he said. “We have said from the beginning that they should involve us in the process, but to put it beside a huge body of water that supplies drinking water to millions of people... we have seen how hard it is to deal with contaminating a small lake, we would never be able to fix it.”

Grand Council Chief Hare said that engaging with Indigenous communities from the beginning of a process would be in everyone’s best interests. OPG has said that it has spent \$200 million on the cancelled DGR project.

“They should be looking at burying that nuclear waste at least 50 to 100 kilometres away from the lakes,” he said. “It’s good news that they are not going ahead with the one project, but we shouldn’t think it is all over yet.”

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on microplastics which are very, very small manmade fibers, basically lint that comes out of your washing machine, all the way up to 2.5 cm in size and then you get to mega plastic that are very large, like some of the large pieces of foam we’ve found in the Georgian Bay area.”

Plastic pollution is divided into different size categories and researchers study plastic generally based on those categories.

There is, however, a lot of statistical research conducted through beach cleanups all across Canada that are conducted through different environmental non-governmental organizations such as LHCCC. The data is combined through the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup that is based out of the Ocean Wise Centre out of the Vancouver Aquarium and they’ve been collecting data for over 10 years.

“We know how many cleanups are happening, for example,” said Ms. Cann, “and what are the top 10 offenders that we’re seeing across the coastlines. The most common items that are washing up, actually 70 to 80 percent of the shoreline litter that is collected, are actually composed of plastic.”

That can be anything from a fishing net or fishing line to disintegrating children’s beach toys to cigarette butts. “These are all commonly found plastics along Lake Huron’s beach coast,” she said. “The filters of cigarette butts are actually composed of very small fibers of plastic.” Cigarette butt filters are one of the most if not the most found items across the country for shoreline pollution; cigar mouth tips and lighters are also common.

Cigarette butts can cause serious contamination, Ms. Cann added. “It’s amazing how these small items of plastic will solar degrade because of the plastic and then will also become a magnet for different substances, whether that’s chemicals, nutri-

ents and other things that wash into the lake from other sources.”

When these plastics are consumed by animals or when they bioaccumulate in different coastal environments they actually increase the toxicity of water in that environment as well. They are hazardous to wildlife not only for the consumption effect but entanglement is another huge concern followed by the bioaccumulation of toxic chemicals in systems of fish and wildlife. They can be hazardous to humans who are simply walking along the shoreline.

July is Plastic Free July on a global scale, noted Ms. Cann. “This is a good opportunity for us to analyze how much plastic we’re purchasing, whether that is goods or packaging or grocery bags.” The first step is to reduce the amount of plastic that we buy, whether by encouraging producers to move away from packaging materials in plastic or to consume less.

The next step is reducing the potential for introduction into our environment. That can be reusing items more frequently or repurposing items once their lifespan is done and then going through the recycling process. We can ensure that receptacles all across our coastal areas are efficient enough to contain the garbage or we can encourage people to utilize the “pack in, pack out” principle: when you go to a provincial park or protected area or even just your local shoreline, expect to carry your garbage back out.

Those kind of societal changes come with time, said Ms. Cann, but can be very effective. The third step is clean it up from the environment. This is the most expensive of the three methods and also the most resource intensive both from a physical and a financial perspective. She pointed to a study from 2015 that calculated it would cost \$400 million annually to completely eradicate plastic pollution from the Great Lakes.

“The least costly method is changing the way we shop, changing the items that we buy and then the most expensive is cleaning it up out of the environment. What people can do to reduce microplastics in the environment is to go out and participate in a shoreline cleanup or hold your own, submitting your data to the GCSC website or just by changing the way we buy things, by understanding that higher quality items might have a higher price tag up front but they will hopefully last longer and will be more efficient in our recycling system in the long run.”

It’s important to remember that the Great Lakes basin extends about three times the size of the actual Great Lakes themselves and anything that happens in that basin ends up affecting the lakes. What happens in inland communities such as Mount Forest or Listowel affects the Great Lakes as well. “It’s not just our shoreline communities to blame or to encourage to make these changes,” Ms. Cann said. “It’s really all of our responsibility to protect the Great Lakes. We have this immense responsibility on our heads not only for plastic pollution but for water quality as well. I think that growing up on the Great Lakes, we take them for granted. It’s only 30 minutes or two hours to get to an amazing, beautiful beach that’s almost oceanic so we often forget that with great beauty comes great responsibility.”

She hasn’t seen any decrease in the amount of garbage LHCCC and its volunteers collect. In fact, she says there’s actually more garbage year over year and it can be disheartening.

“We saw a movement where a lot of companies were moving away from offering single use plastic items such as plastic straws. Some businesses were offering paper straws or no straws, but we’re still seeing a lot of companies that haven’t made those changes so that can be frustrating.”

Balloons are another big problem. Many of LHCCC’s coast watch volunteers send pictures of balloons that have washed up on the shore. “There is this dichotomy of seeing people use something they know is a single use item,” says Ms. Cann. “Then there are people who are concerned when they’re seeing 10 balloons wash up on their shore in one night. They’re know this needs to be stopped and they don’t know how to go about that. Is it education, is it making a bylaw, is it preventing the selling of these items? It’s a challenging thing for us for change consumer habits.”

A positive thing she’s seen is an increase in the number of volunteers who want to get involved in a shoreline cleanup, or in the youth program the organization has recently launched, and that’s a good sign. “From a professional standpoint, you hope that the work that you’re doing is making a change in the world. Some days it doesn’t seem that it matters, that what you’re doing isn’t getting any traction, and other days, people come into our office doing amazing work or businesses approach us for partnerships.” She prefers not to focus on the negative when there’s so much positive out there.

“From using your recyclable bags at the grocery store (another study showed that single use plastic bags are used for only 15 minutes before ending up in our landfills or waterways for potentially hundreds of years), to doing thousand pound cleanups in two hours, understand that it’s all these little changes that add up to the greater good,” says Ms. Cann. “The changes we make might seem small but when we set the precedent for others and show that changes are possible, it can be an amazing thing. We can all win, people, the environment and the wildlife that this affects.”



Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre senior support and volunteer unit co-ordinator Carol Gilmore led an afternoon-long anti-fraud discussion at the symposium.

Seniors armed against a host of fraud at March safety symposium

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—The Northeast Town held a seniors' safety symposium earlier this year in what was one of the last public gatherings to take place before COVID-19 restrictions took hold.

The morning session on March 11 brought information on seniors driving from the Ministry of Transportation and the afternoon presentation was titled 'anti-fraud discussion,' featuring Carol Gilmore of the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre.

Ms. Gilmore, a senior support and volunteer unit co-ordinator for the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre pointed out that today's fraudsters largely seek to "steal a small amount from a great number of people," but went on to note that some types of fraud, especially the so-called romance scam, can wind up taking everything—and it can strike anyone.

"Even those of us in law enforcement are not immune," she said, going on to show a short video that demonstrated a confidence scam perpetrated on a police officer.

One of the more challenging aspects of dealing with senior fraud is the embarrassment that comes along with being conned. "Not only have they lost money, but they have been duped," said Ms. Gilmore. "They think they are the only one." They are not. The various types of schemes in play these days are taking in huge sums from a vast array of people.

The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre depends on reports of frauds taking place in the wild in order to triangulate in on the fraudsters to provide the operational support to shut them down.

"We centralize information to share with law enforcement agencies who have jurisdiction," explained Ms. Gilmore. "The more we can show patterns of deception the better our chances of shutting them down."

"So please recognize it, take a few moments to call," she said. "Obviously seniors are targeted and that is of particular concern because they are not able to replenish their resources the way younger people can."

Key scams include phoney contractors who try to get more information from seniors. Data is gold these days and scammers can resell information to other con artists. Similarly, there is the government agency scam where they claim to be updating the database in order to get people to reveal personal information.

Another personal information scam is the phishing scam where a link in the email sends the reader to another site that looks for information. "Even clicking on the link can lead to losses as they may load malware onto your computer or phone that can track what you enter on your computer."

The aforementioned romance scam is a particularly vicious bit of business in that the victims often refuse to believe that they are being duped, wanting desperately to believe they have found true love. "Victims end up mortgaging homes, losing everything because they want so much to believe it is real."

Other scams targeting seniors are those that fall into the realm of extortion. "It's 'do this or else'," said Ms. Gilmore. Often this involves a supposed issue with your computer such as a virus. "This is your lucky day, we are here to help you," they say; it would be nice, but it's not real."

Another common scam is a call from someone claiming to be offering to lower the victim's credit card rates. "Just call your bank," she said. "Tell them you have been a good customer for x number of years and you want a better rate. The banks won't call you."

Duct cleaning calls are another venue to get into seniors' homes to case them for valuables. "There are legitimate companies, but many of these callers are just looking to get in your home or to charge you for standard services," said Ms. Gilmore.

One interesting new twist is the game where the caller advises the victim to call the number on the back of your credit card. "What scammers have learned is that it takes time for a call to hang up, so when you dial the number the scammers are still on the line. You think you are talking to the credit card company, but it is just one of the scammers."

A key message Ms. Gilmore emphasized is to "take five breaths, wait five minutes and call someone. Verify, verify, verify. Call a number you have researched, not one the person on the phone gave you. No government agency will ever call you to verify your information."

Share the information with two people, she advised, no matter what the person on the phone tries to convince you. With the grandparent scam, the fraudsters are extremely sophisticated and quite often do their homework, scanning Facebook posts and profiles to glean the information they need to reel you in.

"Whatever the situation they are in, if your grandchild is in jail, they will still be in jail tomorrow," she said. "Don't be panicked into letting your guard down."

If you do (or suspect that you have) become a victim of fraud, Ms. Gilmore urged seniors to take the time to call the fraud centre to report the incident. "That is how we are able to shut these criminals down."

The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre can be reached 10 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday toll free at 1-888-495-8501. "If it is after hours or on a weekend, call your local police service," advised Ms. Gilmore.

Manitoulin Salmon Shootout on August 15-16

by Dave Patterson

MANITOULIN—It seems like a lifetime since we went into lockdown at The Expositor Office. March turned into April and then blurred into May. Tough decisions had to be made and with no possible avenue to hold what has become one of Ontario's premier fishing competitions, The Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic (MESC) was cancelled for 2021.

The cancellation was not an easy decision and was one of the hardest choices I have ever made. The Classic has become my vision and passion come to life.

I fielded hundreds, if not thousands of texts, emails and calls from anglers since the cancellation was announced. Most were understanding and offered encouragement during these difficult times. I thank everyone who has reached out and continue to do so. It means more than you know.

Fast forward to the middle of June. Aaron 'Bone' Case and I were out fishing South Bay for salmon, and he mentions how terrible it was not to have The Classic this year. "Why don't we host one? The Ontario Fishing Guys?" he pondered.

With this quick remark, The Manitoulin Shootout was born. Bone and I have tossed around this idea in the past. We are both very competitive and jump at any opportunity to pit ourselves against good anglers. Now, this is not a replacement for MESC. It is merely a stop-gap, and who knows, if all goes well this might lead to more weekend tournaments that Bone and I host.

We know that The Shootout will not have the angler numbers that MESC boasts nor the considerable prize money. However, it will be stiff competition. The who's who of the Northern Ontario salmon world have already confirmed they are coming. This is what we are after. We want the best on the water for bragging rights.

You don't have a month of trolling every day to

hook into a big fish, just a day and a half. This derby is where the rubber meets the road.

Let's go over some of the ground rules.

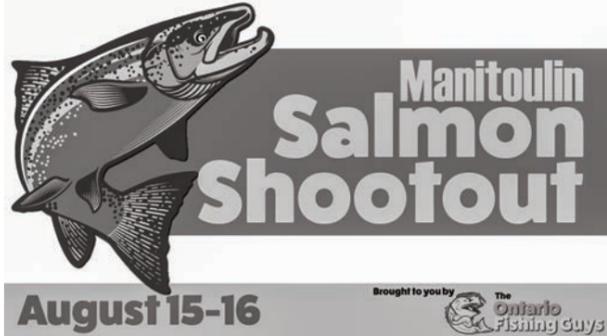
The Shootout takes place on August 15 and 16 and tickets are \$50 per angler. The start time is 12:01 am on Saturday, August 15 and scales close at 2 pm on Sunday, August 16.

The Shootout is a salmon-only derby. No trout will qualify, and the heaviest salmon will take the bragging rights.

Much is the same as MESC; you may fish anywhere within the territorial waters of Manitoulin. However, there will only be two weigh-in stations—one at South Bay and one at Providence Bay. The scale hours have yet to be determined, but they will be open late on Saturday night to accommodate the sunset bite.

The prize money has the potential to be substantial.

The prize money breakdown is 1st place, 50 percent of ticket sales; 2nd place, 20 percent of ticket sales; and 3rd place, 10 percent of ticket sales. The remaining 20 percent will be divided evenly between Manitoulin Streams, Little Current Fish and



Game Club and Gore Bay Fish and Game Club.

Tickets will go on sale July 28 and will be available only at The Manitoulin Expositor Office in Little Current, Moxy's Bait and Tackle in Lively and Up Top Sports in Mindemoya. All ticket sales are cash only.

We are hoping to attract 300 anglers; This will make the prize money respectable with a potential \$7,500 for first place and give our local fish and game clubs and Manitoulin Streams a bit of much-needed cash for their coffers.

Tell your friends, fishing buddies and everyone you know. Let's give everyone a little something to look forward to.

In this day and age, we can all use a little bit of fun. For more information, contact Mr. Patterson at 705-368-2744.

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This has coincided with a growing list of symptoms. The virus began with a short list of respiratory symptoms as well as a fever and exhaustion, but has now grown to include rashes, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, diarrhea or pink eye, among other possible signs.

MHC was not the only place to offer COVID-19 testing in the District of Manitoulin. Paramedics from the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) have been partnering with health centres throughout the board's catchment area to offer at-home testing for those with mobility issues or those who are at a higher risk of contracting COVID-19.

The DSB organized testing through MHC's assessment centres; screening staff at the assessment centres would determine if it would be better for a patient to receive a home test and referred them to the DSB to co-ordinate an appointment.

As such, the paramedic testing figures are reflected within MHC's totals. Based

on total figures from the DSB, which could not break down the figures to a weekly level by press time Monday, paramedics tested 196 people in the District of Manitoulin as of July 16.

Of note, the DSB paramedics have fully taken over the staffing of MHC's two assessment centres effective Friday, July 3. The contract for those services extends until July 25 but may be extended at that time.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre has conducted two rounds of asymptomatic employee testing in partnership with Mnaamodzaw in Health Services. In its first round, it tested 43 individuals. Executive director Danielle Wilson said there were plans in development to run precautionary employee tests every month.

Both the Northeastern Manitoulin Family Health Team (NEFHT) and Assinack Family Health Team (ASSFHT) have offered testing clinics for people in their communities for various reasons.

Anyone travelling to Health Sciences North in Sudbury for a specialist

appointment or any other medical procedure is required to have completed a COVID-19 test before presenting at the hospital. Family health teams on the Island have been offering those tests.

Gore Bay Medical Centre and the Manitoulin Central Family Health Team have been largely sending their testing requests to the Mindemoya MHC assessment centre.

ASSFHT has offered in-office testing for asymptomatic patients who have to travel for a medical appointment, as well as Tuesday testing clinics in the past three weeks. On its first Tuesday, the clinic conducted 15 tests, which grew to 28 the next week.

When The Expositor spoke with ASSFHT executive director Sandra Pennie this past Monday morning, there were 12 appointments booked for the July 21 testing Tuesday, with more expected to sign up.

In addition to the 43 Tuesday tests, the family health team has conducted 19 other tests for other purposes for a total of 62 tests.

NEFHT executive director Judy Miller told The

Expositor that the health team was only testing its own staff until two weeks ago, when it shifted to testing asymptomatic patients within its practice.

Ms. Miller has set up four COVID nurse roles—two physicians' assistants and two nurse practitioners. Her focus was initially on the health care workers in the health team or at the adjacent MHC Little Current site but soon found there were many asymptomatic people seeking tests before they attended Sudbury specialist appointments or visited loved ones at long-term care facilities.

To take some of the burden off the main testing centres, NEFHT opened a regular testing clinic for its patients.

It has since expanded its offerings to adjacent communities such as Wiikwemkoong and Whitefish River First Nation, helping to train their staff to run their own testing centres.

About 50 people got swabbed in Whitefish River First Nation and Wiikwemkoong in the first week of testing. Nine got tested in the clinic's first week and seven were

booked for this past Thursday, July 16.

The family health team offers asymptomatic testing within its space and directs anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 to get tested at

the assessment centre. Ms. Miller said this was to ensure the family health team clients were not exposed to unnecessary risk.

...Seized Michael's Bay properties listed for sale for \$1.5 million

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ished two-bay garage is the third and final piece of property within of this collection. It is listed at \$445,000.

Mr. Bousquet said the government contacted a few local brokers to submit a proposal to list the property and his brokerage was the successful bidder.

Stephen Rolston of J. A. Rolston Ltd. Real Estate Brokerage, also of Little

Current, said he had not heard from the government regarding the bid process for becoming the listing agent.

Mr. Bousquet predicted strong interest in the main property given the low inventory of places for sale and the strong demand from people looking to move away from the city, especially as more businesses shift to a work-from-home model and commute

times become less of a barrier.

The resort property is zoned as rural and is taxed in the residential and commercial categories, according to Tehkummah Township clerk-administrator Silvio Berti.

He added that there are adjacent properties to the east that are zoned shoreline residential or planned development. These are registered as such within

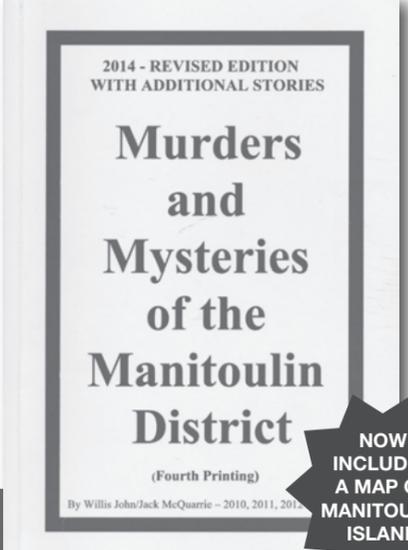
the District of Manitoulin's official plan, schedule B7—Tehkummah Township land use, as maintained by the Manitoulin Planning Board.

Mr. Bousquet said given the tax and zoning classifications, a prospective buyer may have to apply to the

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Phrag Week assignment: spot that phrag!

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—The battle to defend Manitoulin's shores from the clogging foreign menace that is phragmites had great success last year and the silver lining of this year's high water is that a lot of what has been accomplished through the efforts of the past few years are being consolidated—but the battle is far from over and this year's bywords are vigilance and reporting.

According to project coordinator Judith Jones of Winter Spider Eco-Consulting, the Manitoulin Phragmites Project saw its funding cut by half this year and the organization has not heard back on about a third of the funding that is still outstanding, leaving the organization scrambling to make do with private donations. A fundraising campaign is seeing some success and a few more white knights could put those efforts over the top.

"We have just enough to pay our workers," said Ms. Jones. "We won't be getting the Truxors this season." Truxors are massive barge-mounted cutting machines that can manifold expand the effectiveness of the workers, but are expensive. "They are very cost-effective," she notes, "so when you take that into account they are not at all expensive." Still, outside the range of this year's somewhat truncated budget.

"Wiikwemkoong will be bringing in the Truxors for their own shoreline," noted Ms. Jones.

The project hopes to have the regional phragmites invasion well under control by 2022, but they need the assistance of Island residents to expand their reach.

"We can't be everywhere and we can't see everything," said Ms. Jones. "That is part of what Phrag



Dense stands of phragmites can block endangered species from being able to lay eggs or spawn.

Week is all about. We want people to check their shorelines and report any stands of phragmites that may be trying to establish a foothold." That information will prove invaluable to the effort.

Manitoulin Phragmites Project works in partnership with Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association and together with an army of volunteers and paid workers, the project has accomplished incredible strides towards controlling the invasive reed on Manitoulin's shoreline.

Phragmites stands are incredibly thick banks of reeds that not only drive out native reeds and other plants, but also hinder the reproductive cycles of many endangered species such as turtles trying to make their way ashore to lay eggs and fish seeking spawning grounds.

For example, there were

14 hectares of phragmites in Michael's Bay last year; this year that patch has been cut back to less than four. The work has been ongoing this year, having begun at the beginning of July. "We are tidying up last year," said Ms. Jones.

The third week of July has traditionally been the time to spot any phragmites stands. "They have grown up to be bigger and taller than anything else on the shoreline," she said. "If you are not certain, give us a call and we will come out to whatever place it has been found."

The objective for 2020 is to establish a steward for each of the stands that have been tackled to date in order to ensure the invasive reed does not re-establish itself.

"We want to make sure that phragmites awareness does not dwindle," said Ms. Jones. "If people can control it on their own land,

we will be closer to our goal of region-wide control by the end of 2022."

A how-to video has been produced and is available online at YouTube. "The video was made by the folks at Fuel the Fire TV," Ms. Jones explained, referencing Neil and Diane Debassige's outdoor sports TV series.

Report phragmites sightings at Manitoulin-Phrag@yahoo.com.

The Gosling Foundation has offered to match the first \$2,000 in donations raised with an additional \$2,000.

Donors who give \$25 or more will receive a tax receipt. Money can be sent by electronic mail transfer to streams@amtelecom.net or by cheque or mail (with a note that the money is for the Manitoulin Phragmites Project) to Manitoulin Streams, 25B Spragge St., Box 238, Manitowaning, ON, P0P 1N0.

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Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to have the property re-classified for their intended use. He added that commercial use may require township and planning board approval, depending on the circumstances.

Royal Michael's Bay Resort has been under the stewardship of the government of Canada after the Belgian government determined its citizens had bought the land using proceeds of crime.

The Belgians said Claire and Walter Vandroemme had been selling bovine growth hormone (an illegal substance in Canada and the European Union) and that they bought Michael's Bay with those funds.

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...McQuarrie's 'Murders and Mysteries of the Manitoulin District' enters print again

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of a map of Cockburn Island led Dr. Piché to The Expositor, and its production manager Dave Patterson.

"Dave told me he had a map that I could use for the project," said Dr. Piché. "Then I hired a young lady to (Nicky Newman) to help me put together a list of where the

murders and mysteries had taken place."

A series of back and forth discussions with Ms. Newman and Mr. McQuarrie ensued to ensure the markers were in the correct positions.

The pullout map is a great addition to the work, with red stars marking the murders and yellow stars showing where the mysteries occurred. There are a total of 14 murders and 64 mysteries listed in the book and they make for great summer reading fare. Some presented challenges in the mapping

process, such as the Danny Dodge story, as a monument on Maple Point in Kagawong may commemorate the tale, but his death occurred in the bay.

The new copies of 'Murders and Mysteries of the Manitoulin District' are available at The Expositor's Print Shop Books in Little Current and in Gore Bay at the Manitoulin West Recorder. The book retails for \$24.95 plus HST.



Shirley Corbiere holds a red maple tree as elder Georgina Nahwegahbow places soil around it as part of the 20th anniversary celebrations for Naandwegamik Health Centre.

...AOK health centre celebrates 20 years

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distance from each other.

The event was very successful thanks to the Naandwegamik Health Centre staff who worked together to ensure our community had an enjoyable time while keeping everyone safe. The event started with a prayer from elder Georgina Nahwegahbow followed by opening remarks from Chief Patsy Corbiere and community health representative Shirley Corbiere followed by a song by the Mushkway Gaabo Drum.

Craig Abotossaway, executive director of Mnaamodzawin Health Services, presented a certificate to Anne Marie Sandford, AOK band manager, and Ms. Corbiere. A red maple tree was planted to commemorate the anniversary with Nicole Howard singing a hand drum song.

"We would like to thank everyone who attended for making this day a special day we will always remember," a representative said.



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...Sault Ste. Marie sells MS Norgoma to Tobermory business interests for restaurant

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Mike Goman, co-owner of Tobermory's The Coffee Shop, said the idea to bring the Norgoma to the tip of the peninsula came out when he and his partner Dr. George Harpur wanted to expand that business while at the same time preserving a significant part of Georgian Bay history.

"The captain's quarters and the first and second mate's quarters and the bridge and wheelhouse are in good shape and kids don't get an opportunity to see that kind of thing anymore," Mr. Goman told the Owen Sound Times. "I think it would be really cool to be able to open it up and let people go on it and see it."

Other plans include enlisting volunteers to talk about the history of the ship and the role it played in the early transportation grid for a significant portion of Northern Ontario.

Built in the 1950s in

Collingwood, the 188-foot Norgoma began life as a package freighter and passenger ferry operated by the Owen Sound Transportation Company. The ship spent 13 years servicing the "Turkey Trail" between Owen Sound and Sault Ste. Marie.

Improvements to Ontario's highways made the route redundant, so in 1964 the Norgoma joined the Manitoulin ferry run along with the Norisle. In 1974 both ships were replaced by the Chi-Cheemaun, which still does the run today.

The City of Sault Ste. Marie bought the Norgoma for a dollar from the Ontario government in 1975 and the Norgoma was operated there as a museum. The ship received significant subsidies from the city, but a couple of years ago the municipality finally pulled the plug on what had become somewhat of a perennial request for "last

time" donations. Last year, the city took ownership of the ship and it was moved from the city's Roberta Bondar Marina to the Purvis docks near Algoma Steel in June 2019—going up for

sale shortly after.

Both the Norgoma and the Norisle have proven controversial investments by the municipalities who hoped the vessels would entice tourism in their com-

munities, but the cost of maintaining and refitting the vessels has proven beyond their reach. The Norisle was slated to move to Tobermory a couple of years ago to become a dive

location, but the new council put those plans back on hold following an expensive court challenge and settlement.



Tobermory's crowded waterfront has led to some innovative concepts by local businessmen.

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Aundeck Omni Kaning opens \$1.4 million six-plex with lake view

by Warren Schlote
AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Members of Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) joined Ogimaa-kwe Patsy Corbiere and band councillors in a brief ceremony to commemorate the opening of a six-plex housing development in the northwest part of the reserve last Thursday, July 16, marking the first build in a new area that already has a long list of interested prospective

modate accessibility needs. Sudbury's Third Line Studio prepared the design and oversaw the construction, which began late last summer. The project has faced challenges with torrential rains, heavy snow and the COVID-19 pandemic; however, it stayed on schedule and on budget, said Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere. Indigenous Services Canada offered some funds toward the project's \$1.4-

million price tag and AOK-based contractor Jason Abotossaway handled the build. Half of his crew were community members. The build began with a ceremony by Elder Georgina Nahwegahbow, who blessed the grounds and thanked the Creator for allowing use of the land. The units have a utility room and small closet near the front entrance, as well as a door to the first bedroom. Continuing forward is a spacious bathroom with hookups for a washer and dryer (not provided), and

opening and said the build was a welcome challenge given the untouched land without any nearby utility connections. His firm previously designed the Four Directions Complex and worked on phases one and two of Noojmowin Teg Health Centre. "I need to give a big thank

you to the chief and council for their support of our firm; we really value working with them," said Mr. Ladyk.

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An intimate group of Aundeck Omni Kaning community members, chief and council representatives, new tenants of the property and members of the project team gathered for a ceremony to mark the opening of the six-plex on Thursday, August 16. Designer Mike Ladyk, right, oversaw the project and worked closely with the build team.

tenants. "It was a great day to see the families settling into their rental units, as some of the tenants have been on the housing list as far back as 2013," said Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere. Four of the six units have been leased since July 1 and the remaining two were to be allocated at a band council meeting this past Monday, July 20. The units are each 1,026 square feet in size. Five of them are two-bedroom spaces while the sixth is a barrier-free unit to accom-

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Northern Ontario Theatre icon Sharon Sproule turns 90

by Michael Erskine
SUNSITE ESTATES—During any normal time, the occasion of Sharon Sproule's 90th birthday celebration on July 10 would have attracted a large crowd of well-wishers, friends and family, but instead the milestone in Northern Ontario's Grand Dame of theatre was a more sedate affair held with a handful of invited guests at Ms. Sproule's daughter's home in Sunsite Estates.

Ms. Sproule's list of accomplishments fills several pages, as a teacher, community builder, in local community and children's theatre, onto the international and regional theatre stage as well as movie and television screens—through her nine decades she has been a force to be reckoned with.

Ms. Sproule moved to Espanola with her husband the late Bob Sproule in the early '50s, and she still lives atop the home they purchased to this day. Together the couple built a family, raising Lynne Dee (at whose home the birthday celebration was held), Joe and Jim, but they also set about imprinting their indelible mark upon their chosen community, a mark that extended beyond the borders of Espanola onto Manitoulin Island, across the North Shore and beyond.

Ms. Sproule is a co-founder of the Espanola Little Theatre company (1958) and that company's

first production hit the stage the following year. 'High Ground' set the bar high for the company, which has graced the awards podium for outstanding theatre most years since.

Espanola Little Theatre company travelled to the international stage, picking up two of three jury awards in Estonia, including best actress for Ms. Sproule as well as the ensemble award.



Sharon Sproule, seated right, celebrated her 90th birthday in Sunsite Estates last week.

photo by Michael Erskine

Ms. Sproule established a theatre arts program at Espanola High School, where she also taught.

Her personal curriculum vitae in the theatre includes being the lead or supporting actor in over 40 productions, directing 15 plays and filling (or backfilling) just about every backstage gig going.

In personal awards, she has received five regional awards as best actress, best supporting actress three times, three provincial best actress awards and one best supporting actress accolade.

Under her tenure, the

With an eye to the future of theatre in the North, Ms. Sproule established the Espanola Little Theatre's Young Company, enlisting youth from Grades 5 to 8 and eventually developing into Espanola Youth Theatre, expanding to include students up to Grade 12.

Ms. Sproule is immortalized on Espanola's wall of fame for her contributions to that community's culture, recognized as citizen of the year and been awarded a lifetime volunteer award.

She received the Ministry of Citizenship's Volunteer Service Award and

the Governor General's Canada 125 medal.

Theatre Ontario's Michael Spence Award sits upon her mantle and she was recognized by Chateleine Magazine as one of Canada's 100 remarkable women.

In the early days of the Gore Bay Summer Theatre, Ms. Sproule oversaw one season as artistic director.

But her most cherished awards are the many youths, and adults, in whose hearts she has instilled a passion for live theatre. Throughout her career she has focussed on one very important facet as

a cornerstone of everything she has done. "Truth," she said, maintaining that authenticity shines through everything and its absence would be a fundamental betrayal of an audience.

It is that underlying virtue that helped Ms. Sproule pry hundreds of thousands of dollars in donations for her theatre programs and projects down through the years. Few could resist her impassioned pitches, whether in the corporate boardroom or over the phone to countless individual patrons of the arts.

But don't count this incredible storyteller down or out just yet. In her 90th year Ms. Sproule remains just as feisty and indomitable as ever—still exhibiting that drive and determination that sets her apart in a field known for its remarkable characters.

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...AOK six-plex with lake view

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(Re-)Visiting Ontario's Island Retreat?

Misery Bay trails a runner's paradise as Wiikwemkoong

by Isobel Harry

MISERY BAY—When former elite long distance runner Mark Peltier would drive by Misery Bay Provincial Park as part of his job as co-ordinator of the Healthy Living Youth Program with Noojmowin Teg, he had no idea there were trails in there. Born in Wiikwemkoong 42 years ago, he won the elementary school Island cross-country championship as a young lad and, after moving to North Bay for high school, went to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) for cross-country and track (the 2,000 metre steeplechase), and in college won back-to-back Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) gold

medals for cross-country. "My 16-year-old daughter, Sierra Pangowish, has my genes," says Mark, "and is an elite distance runner herself. She is Wiky High School's first athlete to attend OFSAA cross-country."

For 12 years with Noojmowin Teg, Mark often drove past the park, sometimes hosting the summer Olympics for youth in Zhibaaahasing First Nation, but it was "not until recently" that he discovered that his favourite pastime, running, was possible on Misery Bay Provincial Park's trails. He had pretty much explored most Island trails, he thought, including "intense workouts on the Providence Bay sand, on trails at the Cup and Saucer, Kagawong, and

at Sheguiandah, even ran the once-popular relay event from Espanola to Little Current and got to run the final leg of that race over the bridge." But, until now, never Misery Bay.

With thoughts of perhaps recapturing the passion that was never really lost, only set aside momentarily, Mark Peltier sat down and wrote to The Expositor's Staycation summer feature editor outlining his desire to run in Misery Bay. As part of the prize for his winning Staycation story, the newspaper threw in an eco-tour of the park with Marcel Beneteau and Peter Barnett, both members of the

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Mark Peltier and Peter Barnett survey the high water levels that have almost completely submerged the usually expansive sand beach in Misery Bay.

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board of the Friends of Misery Bay and avid nature lovers (Marcel is also president of the Manitoulin Nature Club), and experts in the rare flora and ancient geology of the park, both retired from demanding careers and volunteering their time.



Mark Peltier, a former elite runner in school, arrives at the Interpretive Centre in Misery Bay Provincial Park for his "dream run" on the trails.

Everyone arrives at once at the Interpretive Centre (closed this season during the pandemic), introductions are made and immediately an orientation to the wonders of the park begins as the striated alvars directly under the raised verandah of the centre are examined and explained.

Misery Bay Provincial Park is famous for its alvars, sprawling limestone pavements that host rare vegetation in deep fissures and tiny cracks. Ten thousand years ago, the glaciers of Lake Nipissing retreated northward and left huge boulders and rocks on this moonscape of alvars that still bear the scrapes and gouges of the kilometres-thick

moving ice sheets.

Globally rare, alvars only can be found off the coast of Sweden, in the eastern European Baltic region, the United Kingdom and Ireland. In North America, almost 75 percent of these alvars are located in Ontario, according to the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC). Misery Bay's massive alvar swaths stretch out as far as the eye can see; they carpet parts of the forest floor and play host to countless rare and endangered species of plants (last count was 470).

Peter Barnett provides the commentary on geology –

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Inspecting the alvars at Misery Bay, limestone pavements scraped and gouged by retreating glaciers ten thousand years ago.

photo by Isobel Harry

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noting the ancient water levels and beaches of prehistory; we stare at some choppy, wavelike striations called “chatterings” or “chatter marks” left by rocks dragged along by the massive lumbering ice. Marcel Beneteau, stooping every few feet to examine the tiniest little flowers and plants you’ve ever seen, points to some low calamint and narrow-leaf vervain by the side of the groomed trails; further discoveries of harebells, wild basil and cow wheat underline the richness of the globally significant species and communities here, “the greatest richness of any ecological district within the Canadian portion of the Great Lakes Basin,” according to the NCC. The rare, very fragile and sometimes endangered flora of the park (agrimony, spotted coal root, lance-leaved coreopsis!) thrive in the harsh alvar environment, weathering lake level fluctuations, ice and drought over millennia.

As we listen, look and learn, Mark’s snapping photos on his cellphone and eagerly discussing his idea of hosting a cross-country race for youth in the park. Classified as a nature reserve by Ontario Parks, with over 21 kilometres of marked trails, the 1,100-hectare tract of protected land is a runner’s dream.

We reach the beach, normally a sandy expanse beckoning swimmers into the water, with broad stretches of alvar pavements on the shore, but this year it’s a few

feet underwater. Where the gazebo once stood (it had to be moved far from the lapping waves), some hikers are enjoying a cooling dip.

It’s time for Mark to explore the park trails – his all-time favourite thing to do – and off he jogs northwards. We gaze after him in admiration – he has not run “for probably two years” and his determination to run now is palpable as we watch him along the groomed trail, his receding form melting into the forest.

Later, Mark recounts his “rejuvenating” six kilometre run that “brought back memories of feeling free. In the total peace of the park, you’re at one with your surroundings. I’ve never seen trails this well maintained.” As for the orientation tour, “I’ve always been a bit of a scientist, very interested in geology and plants. To learn from Marcel and Peter’s knowledge was fantastic.”

To cap off his Staycation experience, the happy runner was treated to a meal courtesy of Manitoulin Golf in Gore Bay. “I finished my run then drove to the restaurant and got there 10 minutes before closing. I ordered everything for take-out and had it at home. It was excellent! And I definitely see a round of golf there in my future!”

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*When change comes
When a new path is taken
Fond memories do not get left behind
They are carried like treasures, close to the heart.*
- Lynne Gerard, Ravenseyrie, Manitoulin

The Saying by Lynne Says It All

The Garden's Gate Restaurant is taking a new path with new owners. To all of you who have supported our venture for the past 28 years, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. You will not be forgotten-but will be fond memories. You have not been just clients, but you and your families have become dear friends and acquaintances. Our success would not have been possible without your help.

A special thanks to all of our wonderful staff, who over all the years, let us work with them in this adventure. The same to all those Manitoulin producers who supplied us with a variety of products from Manitoulin (thank you for your behind the scenes support).

We welcome **Sheina Haddad** and **Kevin Hemstreet** and family as the new owners of the Garden's Gate Restaurant. We wish them every success in their new venture, and we just know, that you will all support them like you did us, as they create their own magic.

**'IT WAS ALL FABULOUS.
THANK YOU FOR THE MEMORIES!'**
*Rose and John Diebolt
and a very supportive family*

Tehk Talk: the final chapter

SHERRY'S NOTE—This was my mother's last "Tehk Talk." To all her faithful followers, we would like to say Mom appreciated all of those who touched bases and followed her column. As a byline to her column, I have added some verses of two songs that I had written about her.

-Sherry

MOTHER'S LIFE

She's a very special lady,
Somehow, she makes life work:
Giving time to community
Writing, friends and church.
Always time to say 'hello'
Or comfort a sick friend;
More time to say 'goodbye'
Or 'until we meet again.'

Chorus

And as we look to the future,
And hope that the season
Will bring a new season song,
As the years fade softly
It helps me remember
The Island is where I belong.

TEHK TALK

Begins her morning at the break of dawn,
Keeps on moving 'til the sun goes down.
There are places to go and people to meet,
Talking with a neighbour in the middle of the street.

Chorus

Begins with pen and paper, sitting in an easy chair,
The stories of when and why and maybe sometimes where.
For anyone who's reading, that column means a lot,
You know what I mean if you read it, it's good old Tehk Talk.

Now Bobby had an accident, Judy's got the flu,
David's in the hospital, met Mary down there too.
The card game at the local hall, the scores all make the news.
The politics of small towns, she always has a view.

Tehk Talk is an institution, a story on its own,
A weekly gift in writing, keeps us all in touch with home.
Small-town correspondents, spreading small-town news,
Reality in writing, no TV and no reviews!

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is Pat Hall's final Tehk Talk, penned as Pat and daughter Sherry made their way to Pat's surgical appointment in Toronto, via son Kim's home in Meaford. Pat passed away in hospital there, following a surgical procedure she elected to try as a way of improving her long-term quality of life. Pat passed away last Wednesday, July 15, 2020. We will miss her musings and keen observations.

Day one: It was a little more difficult than I anticipated, but then again it seems like I manage to bring problems with me. Sherry has spent hours trying to find a place to stay without stairs or expensive parking. And then, to make matters worse, going for the Sudbury test T.E.E. Didn't I have dirty socks? Now it's not really my fault as I'm old and I'm sure my clean socks are still on the arm of the chair at home. There was so much to do in the morning, we were to leave at 5:45 am and I ran out of time (and memory?) I was going to put foot cream on, clean socks and brush off my shoes. I just didn't look down, I was embarrassed. Anyway, the nice technician (Alicia?) covered my feet with a blanket? Oh yeah, the test was awful: first the gargling with like jello. Virtually impossible, then the mouth throat. It was one of those big expanding Kodak cameras (I think). The pain?

The extra-warm trip to Meaford: we got there about 4:30 pm, drinking only sips, not really eating though I did down some fresh tender garden peas out of Kim's lovely garden.

We sat on their deck and watched the sun go down in every imaginable lovely colour, pastels and roses, lavender to turquoise. They have a beautiful spot.

Day two: Finally, a game of cribbage. I've been starved of playing since COVID-19. Kathy and I barely won. Second game with Kim, his last hand a "24".

The air is cooling off tonight and we sat outside playing cribbage 'til dark. Kathy and I won all three games, but Kim and Sherry were pushing us.

We had a delicious Chinese food dinner. The yard is alive with every kind of bird, and the bunnies seem to be quite brave and everywhere. Kim hasn't had any in his gardens yet. I think Toolin keeps them out. Today I'm just reading and eating.

KIM'S NOTE—I believe my mother would agree that she had a pretty good run. From our family, we would like to say, a big "Thank You All" for the kind words and support. As mother might say: Life is an amazing journey, with the people that you meet along the way. She will be missed.

-Kim

One thousand dollars to be won while recycling your Expositor

MANITOULIN—Hey you! Yes, you! Is this newspaper headed for the recycling bin once you've finished reading it with your morning cup of coffee? Chances are you have answered 'yes,' totally unaware that these folded sheets of community news are useful beyond your leisurely reading. This paper is a surprisingly versatile material that has the potential to be repurposed into something amazing. Clothing, art, furniture—the possibilities are endless!

Your local community newspapers, The Manitoulin Expositor and Manitoulin West Recorder, and the Ontario Community Newspapers Association (OCNA) encourage you to participate in the "This Old Newspaper?!" reader contest and recycle your leftover newspaper into something new.

Are you up for the challenge? Put your creativity hat on and enter for your chance to win the OCNA provincial prize of \$1,000.

There are three categories: open; junior under 12; and family.

The rules are simple: Participants must repurpose newspaper into something creative and/or functional (anything goes: ball gown, basket, lampshade) and submit it to either The Expositor or Manitoulin West Recorder office. (While a piece creat-



Isla Williams, a 12-year-old newspaper carrier who works for The Standard in Uxbridge, turned her leftover newspapers into this ornate outfit. Bring your entries to the Expositor Office or the Recorder office by August 31 to enter.

ed 100 percent of newspaper is ideal, we recognize that other materials may be necessary for framework and stability. Therefore, a piece must consist of at least 70 percent recycled newspaper. Of course, it must also be appropriate for the public to admire.)

In addition to a brief description about the participant's creation, they must submit a series of photos or videos taken during the construction process to show how the piece was developed.

The local community newspaper will submit each participant's work to the OCNA by September 1 for consideration in the provincial contest.

The provincial contest will then go live virtually for readers across Ontario to view and vote for their favourite. The piece with the most votes will win.

Getting creative with leftover newspapers is a great activity for families to do with kids while spending more time at home this summer, and a challenge for adults who find themselves (as the viral TikTok song says) "bored in the house." So, stop tossing those newspapers in the recycling bin and repurpose them so you can proudly say "This Old Newspaper?!" when showing your creation off to others.

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

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; Administration 705-368-3400. Tfn

Is alcohol a problem? AA may be able to help. Meetings 7 days a week - visit www.area84aa.org/manitoulin or call 705-674-6217 for more info. Tfn

Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. To receive adult or youth/parent information on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis, more commonly known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, or to volunteer with our Association, please contact: The Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Association of Ontario. Tel: 416-222-8820 or 1-877-632-6682 (outside GTA) or write to: Ste. 402, 170 Donway West, Toronto, ON M3C 2G3. Please visit our web site at: www.meao.ca. tfn

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

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. Tfn

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

Codependents Anonymous 12-Step Meeting for healthy relationships. Every Tuesday, 7 pm to 8:15 pm at the Elders' Centre, Sheguiandah, 11108A Hwy 6. For more info visit coda.org, email codamanitoulin@gmail.com. Facebook @codamanitoulin. tfn

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Estate/Yard and Garage Sale, rain or shine began on Friday, July 17 from 9:30 am to 6:30 pm and is ongoing until everything is gone. Right here and now is your opportunity to purchase not only modern day but also rare vintage circa 1920s and 1940s home furnishings. Also included are my great-grandfather's ice and hand saws that date back to the 1890s. Plus a rustic solid Manitoulin Island cedar handcrafted in Manitowaning dining room table and chairs from 1976, bed, bedroom suits, reclining sofa with matching chair, pots, dishes, lamps, etc. Follow the signs off Hwy 542 down Silver Bay Road to Mill Road to 51 Oak Cliff south. See you there. 9-10c

Found: keychain with small multitool, guitar pick holder. Found at Honora ski hill property on access road halfway up hill. Call 705-368-2744 to claim. tfn

Manitoulin Sea Cadets Corps weekly parade is temporarily suspended due to COVID-19. For enquiries, please contact 705-805-0350. tfn

Deadline for text ads, like this, as well as boxed ads is Friday at 4 pm.

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coming events

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coming events

The Little Shoppe Around the Corner at Knox United Church in Manitowaning is open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Social distancing rules will apply. 8-11p

Rummage Sale at Knox United Church Hall, 25 Napier Street, Manitowaning. For the month of July: Mondays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Social distancing must be observed. 8tfn

White Family Reunion. We regret to inform you all that we have decided to cancel the family reunion this year in the interest of safety for everyone. We look forward to seeing everyone next year, July 2021! Stay safe and take care. Please join the White Family Reunion Facebook page to keep up to date on with family events and happenings. 10c

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The MHC Auxiliary continues to fundraise and provide services to enhance patient care. Due to the pandemic, events have been cancelled or postponed. Among them are the regular auxiliary meetings, celebration of our 75th anniversary, the casserole dinner, the tuck cart/lottery ticket sales, the tuck cart service to patients, participation in Hawater Weekend activities and any planning for future events.

According to statistics, volunteer groups are facing a 50 percent decline in contributions.

So what is the MHC Aux-



Auxiliary News

iliary doing and how are we coping with the drastic decline in revenue? Donations to the In Memoriam Fund and the sale of some tuck cart items from the Showcase are ongoing. Book sales continue at the Farmers' Market on Saturdays from 9 am to 12 pm. Also, some have made donations because they realize the importance of the auxiliary in enhancing patient care. Thank you for your generosity. Donations can

be sent to Marilee Hore, RR1 Little Current or dropped off at admitting. Cheques should be made out to the MHC Auxiliary.

Care bags and dental bags continue to be made and distributed. Headsets are also provided. Thank you to staff at MHC for helping out while areas are closed to members. Providing masks became a necessary service, so members, friends, Menonite ladies and the Quilters Guild met the chal-

lenge. Thanks to all!

Our sympathy to the Sell-en family on the passing of Yvonne, a dedicated auxiliary member.

Thank you to our president, Dawn Orr, for her diligence in keeping members informed, keeping in touch with administration and for her support wherever help is needed.

The MHC Auxiliary appreciates your support. Working together, we can overcome the challenges COVID-19 has presented. Stay safe! Wash hands, stay two metres apart and wear a mask.



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News from the Mindemoya Library Book Mice

by Claire Cline

Claire's Top 5 Picks

'The Mortal Instruments' – Six-book series by Cassandra Clare

'The Network' by L.C. Shaw

'Someone is Lying' by Jenny Blackhurst

'The Rhythm Section' by Mark Bur-

nell

'The Last Trial' by Scott Turow.

'The Mortal Instruments' – City of Bones: Ashes, Glass, Fallen Angels and City of Lost Souls. This is not a genre I normally read but I thoroughly enjoyed it, maybe I was getting tired of

mysteries etc. but this fantasy series was excellent – full of angels, demons werewolves and vampires. And great characters such as Jace, Clary, Simon, Lizzy, Valentine and Sebastian. A great read – kept me reading well into ...continued on page 28



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

FULL-TIME CHILD & YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION COUNSELLOR

Salary: \$45,000 - \$60,000/year (depending on education and experience)

The **Mental Health & Addictions Child and Youth Counsellor** will provide one-on-one and group mental health and addiction counselling services to children and youth ages six to under 18. In addition, will target culturally relevant prevention programming (i.e. strengthening families, Triple P, Safe Talk, and etc.). Mental and addiction counselling services will be implemented using a holistic approach with the children, youth and their families consistent with Anishinabek values. The counsellor is also responsible for the coordination of integrated services delivery from the point of take to discharge and referrals for all assigned children, youth and their families.

The services will be both community- and school-based. Within the elementary and high schools in Espanola, the counsellor will be available to WRFN students as a priority and also to other Indigenous students within the schools as a culturally relevant mental health and addictions counselling support.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Complete a comprehensive process from intake, clinical assessments and interventions, treatment plans, one-on-one and group treatment and counselling, referrals and discharge, specifically with Anishinabek children and youth under the age of 18 years;
- Work within the Whitefish River community health centre participating in a circle of care with internal and external multiple disciplinary professionals;
- Work within elementary and secondary school environments with school partners;
- Consult with parents of children and youth;
- Demonstrate sound knowledge of area children, youth and family services;
- Develop and implement community-based and culturally relevant mental health prevention and promotion
- Programming to engage children and youth within their community; and
- Chart and communicate with in an electronic health environment.

*A detailed job description can be requested upon request.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Social Services Diploma, Bachelors of Social Work (BSW) or related post-secondary designation in a related field and five years' relevant, preferably in a First Nation community or Indigenous organization;
- Currently registered with Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers;
- Demonstrated ability to follow direction and work with little or no supervision;
- Knowledge of Health and Safety and Child and Family Services Legislation;
- Knowledge and understanding of Indigenous culture, language and healing practices, in addition to experience working with Indigenous families;
- Excellent communication and negotiation skills along with the ability to effectively maintain solution focused dialogue;
- Ability to develop collaborative relationships with families, service providers and stakeholders and broader community;
- Knowledge of unique needs of WRFN children and families, or the willingness to learn;
- Ability to support self-advocacy with families;
- Excellent group facilitation, verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills;
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- Ability to travel and to work flexible hours according to the needs of WRFN families.

Applications will be accepted via email, fax, and mail or in person to the attention of:

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Andrea McGregor, Human Resources Manager

Whitefish River First Nation; 17-A Rainbow Ridge Road; P.O. Box 188; Birch Island; ON P0P1A0

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Applications must be submitted by **July 24th, 2020 by 4:30 p.m.** and must include the following: Cover letter, current resume, copies of certificates (Degrees or Diplomas) and 3 current (1 from most recent employment) reference letters.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

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The Community Wellness Worker (CWW) will develop, provide, facilitate and/or coordinate a variety of support services and education that are culturally sensitive to aid and improve healing and well-being of Whitefish River First Nation members. The CWW is a resource to clients in achieving their wellness goals and will uphold client confidentiality at all times. Key Position Objectives:

- To improve physical, mental and emotional health of members of WRFN;
- To address violence in the WRFN community; and
- To educate and create awareness on the following issues:
 - 1) Domestic Violence, 2) Diabetes, 3) HIV, 4) FASD, and 5) Addictions (such as gambling).

GENERAL AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY INCLUDE:

Client-based activities:

- Peer counselling;
- Assisting clients to access services or receive referral services; and
- Crisis intervention.

Participant-based activities:

- Increasing awareness of specific issues, risks or concerns in the community or group;
- Providing education and information to reduce and prevent community or group risk factors;
- Promoting positive change in values, attitudes and behaviours; and
- Fostering healing and enabling individuals, families and communities to achieve and enjoy a health and balanced life.

Activities include:

- Workshops, public presentations, public awareness and education campaigns, community and cultural events/fairs, circles, support groups and fitness and recreational activities.
- Traditional workshops such as regalia making, drum making and quilt making.
- Traditional Ceremonies, land-based activities, powwows, feasts, healing circles, cultural teachings.

Finance and Administration

- Document and maintain cases thoroughly in confidential files;
- Prepare reports and maintain records as required by work plan and the Health Manager;
- Add and maintain data and provide monthly reports; and use electronic medical records system for charting;
- Works within the established budget for the program; and
- Follow the Community Wellness Worker Plan for 2020/2021.

Education, Skills and Experience Requirements:

- Minimum diploma in health or social services field from and accredited University or College.
- 1-2 years' experience working in a community setting, social service field or health field required.
- Working knowledge and experience of Excel, Word and PowerPoint programs and applications.
- Ability to travel and access to own reliable vehicle.
- Ability to work various hours, weekends and possibly overtime required.
- First Aid and CPR certification.
- Strong critical thinking skills, conflict resolution skills, organizational skills and ability to work both independently and within a team setting.
- Strong interpersonal skills, verbal skills and ability to communicate effectively.
- Knowledge of health care and addictions services and offices in the region.
- Proven ability to establish trusting relationships with a high degree of confidentiality.
- Ability to be resourceful and proactive in dealing with issues that may arise.
- Knowledge of First Nation's culture, customs, beliefs, traditional lifestyles and health issues.

Other Requirements:

- Must provide a Vulnerable Sector Check upon hire.
- Must possess a valid Ontario driver's licence, access to a dependable vehicle and valid automobile insurance.

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their cover letter, resume, three current work related (current) reference letters to the attention of:

Confidential: Community Wellness Worker

Whitefish River First Nation; 17-A Rainbow Ridge Road; P.O. Box 188; Birch Island; ON P0P1A0

Email: andream@whitefishriver.ca Fax: (705)285-4532

Applications must be submitted by **July 27th, 2020 by 4:30 p.m.**

We thank all who apply, however only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



**Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Board Vacancy
Off-Reserve Representative**

The Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Board of Directors seeks applications to fill one Board vacancy specific to First Nation/Indigenous members living off-reserve. Noojmowin Teg is comprised of a multi-disciplinary team of health professionals who provide community-based, integrated, and on-site and off-site services including: primary care; allied health; mental health; traditional; and health promotion; to the seven First Nation and off-reserve Anishinabek populations living within the Manitoulin Island District. The Board oversees the direction and accountability of the organization.

The successful candidate will have: health related work and/or volunteer experience, an understanding of the protocols and traditional ways of the Anishinabek; live off-reserve within the Manitoulin Island District; a clear criminal records check; and a commitment to the mission and values of the Organization. Previous familiarity with funding and reporting requirements and experience in reviewing budgets, an asset. Applicants of First Nation and/or aboriginal ancestry will be prioritized.

The length of each term is four (4) years. The successful applicant must commit to attending monthly regularly scheduled board meetings, and other special meetings (annual general meeting, strategic planning, etc.) throughout the year, participating in up to 15-16 meetings per year.

The successful board candidate will be provided with an orientation and ongoing professional development to ensure his/her success as a full informed and participating member of the Board.

For more information about the organization, please see our web-site at: www.noojmowin-teg.ca.

Pre-requisites:

- Cover Letter (outlining reasons for your interest, and what strengths you bring to the board)
- Resume or description of experiences relevant to the position
- Three (3) relevant references with contact information
- Current and clear Criminal Reference Check

Send "Confidential" to:

Attn: Ryan Corbiere, Board Chair
c/o Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd., Postal Bag 2002,
Little Current, ON POP1K0
Ph.: 705-368-2182 ext. 204 Fax: 705-368-2229
Or email: danielle.wilson@noojmowin-teg.ca

Deadline: Posting is open until filled

**Miigwetch/Thank you to those who express interest and submit an application.
Only those under consideration will be contacted.**

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: (2nd Posting)
Lighting the Fire Within Coordinator
(Formerly Service Navigator)**

**SALARY: Salary Range (\$50,000 – \$55,000) with Benefits
TERM: Four Year Contract**

The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service has an exciting opportunity to create a blueprint for communities to initiate a health and wellness strategy for those experiencing and involved in domestic violence with funding for the project being provided by Women and Gender Equality Canada.

The police service is seeking a dynamic, self-driven, and experienced professional to fulfill the responsibilities of the Lighting Fire Within Coordinator (LFWC) position, and to ensure the successful delivery of the project implementation plan for the Lighting the Fire Within project. The LFWC will ensure gender-based violence survivors are supported across service sectors, and will facilitate the creation of safer, stronger, and healthier UCCMM communities. This will be achieved through capacity building within the police service to provide culturally safe and trauma-informed services to survivors and their families of domestic violence; the delivering of an early intervention pre-charge program targeting non-criminal domestic dispute offenders; and developing and delivering an interest-based domestic violence education program targeted towards children and youth.

The position will work under the Social Navigator and will be required to work with the Police Senior Leadership Team, and the Project's external evaluators to meet the goals and objectives of the project. As the position will be working with First Nation Communities, the individual must demonstrate cultural awareness and sensitivity of Anishnaabe customs, culture and language and demonstrate a willingness to learn and build upon existing awareness.

Education and Experience

- Minimum of an Undergraduate Degree in either Applied or Health Sciences with 1 year of experience; or a College Diploma in a related field with 3 years of experience in the operational field.
- Experience and knowledge of project and case management.
- Previous work experience in a social, health, and/or judicial setting, a definite asset.

Skills (Includes but are not limited to):

- Excellent human relations and interpersonal skills to maintain professionalism and courteousness to members of the public and external partners.
- Experience in policy development.
- Knowledge of Federal, Provincial, and First Nation Government systems and processes.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Knowledge of social, education, and healthcare organizations that case manage at-risk individuals.
- Ability to analyze and solve complex problems and issues effectively.
- Knowledge of applicable legislation and various Acts that affect the success of the project.
- Proficiency in Records Management and Microsoft Office software applications.
- Word processing skills of 40 words per minute, with a high level of accuracy.
- Ability to multi-task in a stress and time driven environment.

Duties (Includes but are not limited to):

- Work with the Social Navigator and Police Senior Leadership Team to develop goals and objectives to ensure the success of the Lighting the Fire Within Project;
- Review the project workplan in conjunction with the Social Navigator to determine if the project goals are being met, based on the Project's logic model;
- Ensure that the culturally safe and trauma-informed capacity building framework is being met within the police service, and conduct periodic reviews as required;
- Work with external service providers to create an early intervention pre-charge program targeting non-criminal domestic dispute offenders, and ensure delivery of the program through a case management delivery;
- Create an interest-based violence education program that is targeted towards children and youth, and ensure participation and delivery of the program to the UCCMM communities;
- In conjunction with the evaluators, gather, record and collate information in a prescribed format to demonstrate the impact of the Lighting the Fire Within project;
- Provide case management for individuals who are clients of the Lighting the Fire Within project.

Other Important Information

- A thorough background check will be completed, and the background check must be clear before an offer for employment will be given.
- A valid Class G driver's license is required.

Apply for this position by submitting your cover letter, resume, and 3 work related references
by **Friday, August 14th, at 4:00 PM** to:

CONFIDENTIAL
"Employment Opportunity: Lighting the Fire Within Coordinator"
Human Resources
U.C.C.M. Anishnaabe Police Service
5926 Hwy 540, Box 332
M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0

Individuals of Anishnaabe ancestry are encouraged to apply.
Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

For questions about this employment opportunity and a detailed job description, please contact
HR & Finance Coordinator, Evelyn Aguonia at 705.377.7135, or visit our website at www.uccmpolice.com



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Job Title: Intake Worker

Salary Range: 40K – 47K

Reports to: Wii-ni n'guch-tood LMS Operations Supervisor

Description:

The Intake Worker will work in a professional manner and will operate within Quality Assurance standards to ensure the employment and training services meet the expectations of clients. This is achieved by providing services in a timely and efficient manner to clients, and by assisting the Employment and Training Officers.

Duties:

- Ensure proper initial client intake and referral processes take place with prospective recipients of WLMS program funding;
- Ensure proper recipient documentation and registration;
- Explain priorities and objectives of WLMS programs to potential applicants;
- Assist with the statistical information gathering process and upload to ESDC;
- Assist clients with Employment Insurance applications, reporting, queries;
- Ensure ongoing file data management processes and data entry is maintained and completed for each recipient;
- Assist clients with occupation research, career action plans, job search activities and job maintenance issues using resources, internet, labour market information;
- Assist clients with preparation of applications for WLMS program applications;
- Maintaining current Job Board information;
- Promote the mission and vision of Wii-ni n'guch-tood LMS.

Qualifications:

- Post-Secondary graduate in human services or office administration
- Previous employment/career facilitation experience
- Two years experience in general office administration or human services
- Interest in Career Development and Job Searching Techniques
- Class "G" driver's licence and access to a vehicle
- Ability to work flexible hours (evenings and weekends) when need arises
- Ability to respond to criticisms and complaints from clients, community
- Ability to inform and explain rejections, contract compliance with recipients

Please submit cover letter, resume, copies of diploma/degree/pertinent certificates and three (3) most-recent work-related references. The successful applicant must submit a Criminal Reference Check, to be followed by ESDC Security screening.

Please submit application to:

Manager, Wii-ni n'guch-tood LMS
2102 Wikwemikong Way
Wikwemikong, ON
POP 2J0

Please note "Intake Worker" and "Confidential" on the outside of your envelope. We thank all applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. There will be no return of submissions.

Closing date: July 29, 2020 @ 3:00 pm



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKERS (CASUAL/ON-CALL/SUPPLY)

Department: Health Services, Wellness Centre
Classification/Level: Community Services (CS-1)
Employment Status: Casual - On-Call - Supply

Reporting Relationship: Works under the direction of the Home Care Program Manager

Position Summary: The incumbent assists clients with daily personal care needs as they cope with the effects of aging, injury or illness by providing support services and personal care to the residents of the M'Chigeeng First Nation Wellness Centre and within the community. Services are done in accordance with the long-term care policies and procedures, will assist clients with daily living activities, provide support resources needed to maintain healthy lifestyles while ensuring complete confidentiality; and works with the nursing staff by reporting required changes in care.

QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum: Health Care Aide Certificate supported with additional training

Preferred: Personal Support Worker Certificate with two years related work experience

Other:

- Knowledge of Ojibwe culture and traditions and willing to learn the Ojibwe language (Per Anishinabe Language Declaration, BCR #3839)
- Must demonstrate continuing education (Gerontology)
- Must have empathy for and understanding the needs of the elderly, injured and sick
- Experience working with the elderly
- Must have current First Aid/CPR certification
- Must have initiative, good judgement and assessment skills
- Must be able to work independently with minimal supervision
- Demonstrated ability to work within a team environment
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence
- Willing and able to work shifts and flexible hours
- CRC/VSS requirement, must be thirty (30) days current, original or certified copy

It is mandatory for successful candidate to submit a current thirty (30) days VSS record; offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of a satisfactory VSS record.

Please submit your cover letter and resume and three (3) references to:

PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKERS (Casual/On-Call/Supply)

Attn: Marlene Debassige, Office Administrator
M'Chigeeng First Nation
M'CHIGEENG, ON PO Box 333 POP 1G0
Fax 705-377-4980 or E-mail marlened@mchigeeng.ca

Preference will be given to Anishinaabek.
For complete job description send request via email to marlened@mchigeeng.ca.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Department: Education - Lakeview School
Classification Level: Salary Grid 8
Pension: Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan
Employment Status: Term Full Time – Ending June 2021

Are you a caring, friendly and enthusiastic qualified teacher who supports Ojibwe language immersion, has a great rapport and enjoys working with children in a classroom setting? Do you believe in a team approach, have excellent communication and interpersonal skills? Then you may be a great fit for this term position.

Position Summary

The Special Education Teacher will work with students who have a wide range of special needs and challenges. Will create and apply appropriate curriculum and assign activities that are specific to students' abilities and needs. The Special Education Teacher is involved in each students' academic, social and behavioural development. This position is subject to M'Chigeeng First Nation personnel and administrative policies, relevant education department policies and procedures, and relevant laws and regulations.

Reporting Relationship

The Special Education Teacher reports directly to the school principal.

Qualifications and Requirements

Preferred, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Education, Program of Teacher Education, Special Education Specialist, Reading Specialist, other additional qualifications, teaching experience;
Minimum, Valid Ontario College of Teachers Certificate and Undergraduate Degree;
Strong oral and written communication and interpersonal skills;
Knowledge and experience with the culture, traditions, history and customs of the Anishinabek;
Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin is a strong asset; or must be willing to learn the language

Other

Patience, understanding and dedicated to giving each individual student the tools and guidance needed to help them maximize success.

It is mandatory for the successful candidate to submit a current 30-Day VSS; offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of successful VSS record.

Interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES (2 from direct supervisor/manager, 1 character/co-worker) & EDUCATION CERTIFICATION by FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020 3 PM to:

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Mr. Guy Morin, Director of Education
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333 M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
guym@mchigeeng.ca Fax (705) 377-4980

LATE OR INCOMPLETE applications will not be considered.

Miigwetch your interest is appreciated, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Preference will be given to the Anishinabek people. www.mchigeeng.ca

For complete Job Description, please contact the Guy Morin, Director of Education, at 705-377-5362 Ext. 236
guym@mchigeeng.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY TEACHERS (GENERAL)

Department: Education - Lakeview School
Classification Level: Salary Grid 7(a) Teaching Staff
Pension: Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan
Employment Status: Term Full Time – Ending June 2021

Are you a caring, friendly and enthusiastic qualified teacher, who supports Ojibwe language immersion, has a great rapport and enjoys working with children in a classroom setting? Do you believe in a team approach, have excellent communication and interpersonal skills? Then you may be a great fit for this term position.

Position Summary

Teachers report to the Lakeview School Principal and are responsible for the provision of classroom support and instruction. Evaluate and identify children's learning styles and needs; meet with parents; and may supervise teacher assistants and student teachers. Prepare lessons per approved curriculum, prepare and administer tests; teaches and leads students in activities to promote their physical, mental and social development and their school readiness.

Qualifications & Requirements

- Preferred, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Education with teaching experience;
- Minimum, Valid Ontario College of Teachers Certificate and Undergraduate Degree;
- Strong oral and written communication and interpersonal skills;
- Knowledge and experience with the culture, traditions, history and customs of the Anishinabek;
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin is a strong asset; or must be willing to learn the language

It is mandatory for the successful candidate to submit a current 30-Day VSS; offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of successful VSS record.

Interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES (2 from direct supervisor/manager, 1 character/co-worker) & EDUCATION CERTIFICATION by FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020 3 PM to:

TEACHERS (GENERAL)

Mr. Guy Morin, Director of Education
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333 M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
guym@mchigeeng.ca Fax (705) 377-4980

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



CONTRACT OPPORTUNITY: RESEARCH PROJECT ASSISTANT
Duration: To March 31, 2021

PRIMARY FUNCTION:

Will assist with the coordination and delivery of a community-based framework to cannabis awareness and substance use: education and regulation. The focal point being health and wellness using the lens of trauma-informed and culturally appropriate interventions. Report writing based on engagement activates, providing evidence-informed decisions, and recommendations for policy and program development is an important aspect of this position.

CONTRACT OPPORTUNITY: PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT & EVALUATION SPECIALIST
Duration: To March 31, 2021

SALARY: Based on contract fee (includes expenses for rent and utilities, office supplies, travel and accommodations for at least one face-to-face meeting).

PRIMARY FUNCTION:

Assist the project lead with collecting, evaluating and analyzing data related to project activities including conferences, focus groups, individual interviews, surveys, etc. This will include developing data collection tools such as surveys, feedback forms and final reports.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist with creating performance measurement and evaluation approaches/methodologies to measure the outcomes of the project and including baseline and follow-up data collection (e.g., surveys).
- Collecting and analyzing data, report writing, and supporting knowledge transfer activities.
- Creating pre-and-post evaluation for conference, focus groups/round tables and final evaluation report assistance will be enlisted by a professional evaluator or a professional with expertise in evaluation to ensure that the project is evaluated properly.
- Assisting with a final report that will include quantitative and qualitative data

**ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (with high possibility of extension):
MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR**

Salary: \$30,000 - \$45,000/year (depending on education and experience)

The Medical Transportation Coordinator will work under the direction and supervision of the Health Manager and will have the responsibility for the effective coordination of medical transportation for the members living on the Whitefish River First Nation (WRFN), using Non-Insured Health Benefits policies and procedures.

The Medical Transportation Coordinator will also be responsible for occasional office reception, clerical duties, expected to maintain strict confidentiality and to be courteous and professional at all times.

Please visit www.whitefishriver.ca and Whitefish River First Nation Facebook for full details and application deadlines. For additional information, please email andream@whitefishriver.ca.



THE TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS

JOB OPPORTUNITY
CASUAL PART-TIME AIRPORT ATTENDANT

The Manitoulin East Municipal Airport is accepting resumes for future employment as a Casual Part-Time Airport Attendant.

Duties include but are not limited to; aircraft refuelling, terminal cleaning, minor building maintenance, minor equipment maintenance, grounds keeping, recording of daily airport data sheets, serving the airport customers as required, fuel system and nav-aid inspections and daily logging, air radio communications.

The ideal applicant should be a self-motivated, mature individual capable of working on their own. The applicant should have good mathematical abilities and should be familiar with computer spread sheets for recording data. The applicant should be physically fit and have good interpersonal skills. When on duty the applicant must be able to assume the responsibility for the airport and provide airport services to the public.

Preference may be given to those with some formal experience in the aviation sector. Some mechanical ability, an air radio licence and a D-Z drivers licence would also be an asset.

The work is scheduled on a weekly basis but there is some flexibility in days worked. This position is well suited to a retired or semi-retired person.

Interested persons may apply no later than August 7, 2020 to:

Manitoulin East Municipal Airport
c/o Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands
Attention Airport Manager
PO Box 608
Little Current ON
POP 1K0

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**Jake's Home Centre
in Mindemoya is hiring!**

We are looking for an enthusiastic individual to join our team as a **delivery professional**.

Duties include but are not limited to:

- Delivering of furniture and appliances
- Operating our delivery truck
- Receiving and offloading of shipments

This is a full-time position based out of Mindemoya. General knowledge of Manitoulin geography is a bonus. Valid driver's licence and driver's abstract required.

Jake's is also looking for **part-time in-store assistance:**

- Approx. 30 hours/week
- Valid driver's licence required

Please forward resumes, including references to, or for further information please contact Adam at: info@jakes.ca


**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
PRINCIPAL**

Department: Education - Lakeview School
Classification Level: Salary Grid 8 with Principal's Allowance
Pension: Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan
Employment Status: Regular Full-Time

**Are you a passionate leader, have great rapport and enjoy working with children?
Have required education and direct school principal experience?
Have excellent communication and interpersonal skills and believe in a team approach?
Then you may be a great fit for this term position.**

Position Summary The Principal will be responsible for the instructional leadership, organization, management and administration of the local band operated elementary school. She/he shall report directly to the Director of Education. M'Chigeeng First Nation requires an experienced Principal to manage school operations and provide strong leadership to our teachers and staff members. The ideal candidate is active in the Anishinabek community and makes themselves available for parent consultations, taking parent suggestions and discussing educational needs of individual students. Our Principal will also be responsible for arranging major and minor building maintenance programs, while ensuring that educators have the resources they need to meet the local Anishinabek priorities and provincial curriculum requirements. The Principal will be a school leader who is well respected with a proven record. She/he is community and student focused and can strategically foster growth, development, and opportunities for students in the elementary educational system. She/he will cultivate strong relationships to support the involvement of a 'system'; and will work in collaboration with the Director of Education, Chief and Council and the M'Chigeeng First Nation Community at large.

Qualifications and Requirements
Minimum, Master's Degree in Education;
5+ years experience as a Principal or in a school leadership role with an Ontario Principal Certification: PQP I and PQP II

- Knowledge, understanding and application of Anishinabek Language, practices, values and history
- Active, visible and participates willingly in community activities and events outside of school hours
- Commitment to creating a safe, productive and positive educational experience for all students.
- Valid Ontario provincial teaching certification
- Proven history in leading educators in student success; proven history in improving teacher performance
- Superior verbal and written communication skills
- Lifelong learner
- Proven successful educational leadership experience (either at the school level or central administration)
- Knowledge of current key issues in First Nations education and supportive of Anishinabek

Preferred candidate will have:

- Bachelor of Education; Master's Degree in Education/Provincial Principal's qualification I & II and seven (7) years' experience
- A visionary with several years of proven educational leadership experience and able to inspire and engage others across the system to achieve the vision, mission and strategic goals and directions of M'Chigeeng's educational system.
- Fluent in Anishinabemowin language and cultural practices.

It is mandatory for the successful candidate to submit a **current 30-Day VSS**; offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of successful VSS record.

Interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES from direct supervisor/manager and EDUCATION CERTIFICATION by **MONDAY, JULY 27, 2020 4 PM** to:

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
Mr. Guy Morin
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333 M'CHIGEENG, ON P0P 1G0
guym@mchigeeng.ca Fax (705) 377-4980

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For complete Job Description, please contact the Director of Education, Guy Morin at 705-377-5362 Ext. 236 or guym@mchigeeng.ca


KINA Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Employment Opportunity - Sudbury Location

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services (KGCFs) is a designated Child Welfare Service delivering Child Protection Services within seven member First Nations in the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin. KGCFs honours and supports our families' and community's inherent authority to care for their children based on unity, traditions, values, beliefs and customs.

We invite applications consisting of a resume detailing education, work experience, cultural participation and volunteerism for the position of:

AFTER HOURS WORKER (3) POSITIONS
LOCATION: SUDBURY
SALARY: \$50,000

The incumbent provides after hour, weekend, and statutory holiday coverage for all protection services of the Agency. It is an emergency service designed to meet urgent service needs and crises that require immediate attention. The After-Hours Worker will respond to all allegations of children/youth in need of protection and to urgent issues related to children/youth in care.

Minimum Education

- Must possess an accredited college diploma in a related field of study. Preference is a Bachelor of Social Work Honours Degree, or in a related field of study.

Minimum Experience:

- At least two (2) years of work experience in the delivery of direct, frontline, social service programming targeting children, youth and families, preferably within an Anishinaabe community/organization.
- Must possess knowledge of respect and sensitivity to the Anishinaabe culture as well as being committed to helping First Nation families strengthen and achieve a healthy level of well-being.
- The ability to speak the Anishinaabe language is a definite asset.

**Deadline: OPEN RECRUITMENT
until positions have been filled**

Applicants are encouraged to visit our website at www.kgcf.org/employment to review the full job description. KGCFs offers competitive wages, a generous benefit package and OMERS pension plan.

Please submit your application marked "Confidential –After Hours Worker – Sudbury". Include in your application a cover letter, resume and three (3) reference letters - two (2) employment related from recent employers.

Please also detail in your application: education, employment experience and cultural participation. Applications are accepted and in the following order of preference: by email, fax or in person at

Human Resources – Confidential
AFTER HOURS WORKER – Sudbury
Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Main Office - 98 Pottawatomi Avenue,
Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0
Fax: (705) 859-2195

Email: hr@kgcf.org

KGCFs services is based on a highly specialized approach to the delivery of child welfare in our area. Preference will be given to Anishinaabe Candidates (please self-identify).

Miigwetch for your application, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. As a condition of employment, the successful candidate will be required to submit the following: satisfactory Criminal Reference Check (within 3 months of application date), Vulnerable Sector Check and Driver's Abstract.

Manitoulin Indigenous culinary experience gets a feature in World's 50 Best auction

MANITOULIN—Indigenous Culinary of Associated Nations (ICAN) has partnered with the Culinary Tourism Alliance (CTA) to bring awareness to the wealth of Indigenous culinary tourism experiences available in Canada to a global audience, including on Manitoulin Island.

"We believe this partnership will help to shine a light on the Indigenous foodways woven throughout our country. There is so much depth and beauty to Indigenous food in Canada," says Rebecca Mackenzie, president and CEO of the Culinary Tourism Alliance.

As part of the evolving partnership, ICAN will be hosting two Indigenous culinary sessions during the 2020 Virtual Terroir Symposium—Canada's leading forum on food, tourism and hospitality managed by the CTA. The first session will explore Indigenous culinary traditions with Wiikwemkoong's Joseph Shawana, chef and chair of ICAN. The second will feature Chef Jenni Lessard in conversation with Dr. Ernest G. Walker, both of Wanuskewin Heritage Park. They will discuss the impact of their Han Wi Moon Dinner series and share their successes with bringing back bison to the land.

To further bring awareness to Canadian Indigenous culinary experiences, the partners have curated an Ontario Indigenous experience to be donated to the World's 50 Best Recovery Auction featuring an

overnight experience with Chef Joseph Shawana on Manitoulin Island. The experience includes four nights of Island foraging, meeting with locals, meals, sleeping in log cabins and teepees, a stay at Feast On-certified Langdon Hall in Cambridge and dinner at Alo Restaurant in Toronto.

"We are so proud to present our Indigenous food story to a global gastronomy audience for a deep connection to our land and the ancient ways of our People," says Chef Shawana. "We are particularly pleased to support the World's 50 Best auction to raise funds for independently owned restaurants to apply for much needed financial support that will help our community get back to doing what we love most."

The partnership has also been highlighted through the CTA's Affiliate Membership with the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO).

ICAN and the CTA look forward to sharing more Indigenous food stories in the near future to further celebrate the unique wealth of experiences Canada has to offer.

Chef Joseph Shawana is the former executive chef at Ku-Kum Kitchen and Indigenous culinary advisor to Centennial College. Chef Joseph won best world cuisine in Ontario for 2019 beating out over 33,000 restaurants. He was named among the top 10 chefs in Ontario and has been widely reviewed.

...Mindemoya Library Book Mice

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'The Network' – A shadowy group is manipulating society and they've only just begun. Taking readers on a thrill ride from the back halls of Congress to the high-rise offices of Madison Avenue and a remote Greek Island, this pulse-pounding novel asks the question: who is really in charge?

'Someone Is Lying' – It's been a year since Erica dies in a tragic accident at a party, and the community where she lived has moved on with their lives. But someone thinks it wasn't an accident. Someone thinks it was murder.

'The Rhythm Section' – An innocent woman goes deep undercover to hunt down those responsible for her family's death in this action packed thriller. But as her missions become more brutal, and the stakes continue to climb, she begins to question whether revenge will be worth the price she has to pay. And, if it isn't, will those who created her ever let her go. Soon to be a motion picture.

'The Last Trial' – Two formidable men collide: a celebrated criminal defense lawyer at the end of his career and his lifelong friend, a renowned doctor accused of murder. A legal thriller that unfolds in page turning suspense and questions how we measure a life. A good read.

We are now open on Tuesdays and Thursdays 11 am to 4 pm. It is still considered curbside service but the front doors of the building are open and you can come in and the books you have ordered will be in a white bag on top of the return box with your name on the bag. For return books please bring them back in the white bag you had if possible and during the library's open hours, there will be a tote for you to put them in, otherwise if you come in when the library is not open, just drop them in the

return box. Please continue to phone 705-377-5334 if you would like to order up to five books or CDs or DVDs or email mindemoyalibrary@gmail.com or bookworm@amtelecom.net.

Providence Bay library remains closed at this time.

Those who have library books for Mindemoya or Providence Bay libraries please return them to the Mindemoya site as soon as possible. The municipal building is open Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm for you to just drop books in the return box. There will be no fines charged during this pandemic.

Thank you for your patience and hopefully we will soon be open for patrons to use their library to the fullest.

Stay safe, stay cool and be kind,
Claire.

notice

Food Cupboard--The Gore Bay United Church is continuing this service during the COVID-19 outbreak with some changes. They will be open noon to 3 pm on Thursdays. Come to the side door (facing McQuarrie Motors) and knock. Food will be packed and passed outside to you. If you have questions, call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily.

Tfn

Grace Bible Church has reopened! Join us online or in person Sundays at 11 am. Social distancing in place, face masks required and attendance limited to 30 percent. To pre-register call 705-368-3588.

Tfn

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The Corporation of the Township of Tehkummah

NOTIFICATION OF REQUEST FOR TENDER 2020-04

Supply and Stockpile of Winter Sand Salt to be supplied by the Township

CLOSING DATE: Friday, July 31, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Documents can be obtained from the municipal office located at 456 Highway 542A, Tehkummah, ON P0P 2C0, on the website www.tehkummah.ca, by calling 705-859-3293 or email to clerk.administrator@tehkummah.ca

LOWEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (with high possibility of extension): BAND REPRESENTATIVE
Salary Range: \$55,000 - 65,000/year (based on qualifications)

The role of the Band Representative is critical in serving the children and families of Whitefish River First Nation (WRFN). Under the Family Well-Being Department, the Band Representative will work in partnership with other team members. The Band Representatives will provide support to families with legal and court matters, linking services with external child welfare agencies and providing support and information to prevention team members of the Family Well-Being Program.

ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (with high possibility of extension): CULTURAL COORDINATOR / ELDER
Salary: \$50,000 - 60,000/year (depending on education and experience)

WRFN wants to ensure that all services provided to our children and youth are culturally-appropriate and nurture their identity and belonging. In doing so, the Cultural Coordinator/Elder will provide mentorship, personal consultation and an Indigenous perspective to the Family Well-Being staff, the children and families they serve.

ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (with the high possibility of extension): KINSHIP - CASE MANAGER SUPPORT WORKER
Salary: \$40,000 - 55,000/year (depending on education and experience)

Under the direction of the Family Well-Being Manager, the Kinship - Case Manager Support Worker is responsible for supporting Kinship Care homes and working collaboratively with families. The role of the Kinship - Case Support Worker is to recruit, engage and screen identified family for emotional, customary and legal permanency options for children and youth of WRFN. The Kinship-Case Manager Support Worker will connect children and youth with their families.

ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (with high possibility of extension): ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT CLERK
Salary Range: \$30,000 - \$36,000/year (based on experience and qualifications)

The Administrative Support Clerk will provide professional administrative support to the Band Rep team. This is an often-demanding position requiring the highest level of confidentiality. The Administrative Support Clerk will be responsible to manage multiple projects to completion, including gathering, analyzing and formulating information necessary to maintain an adequate and accurate set of files, documents and records.

Please visit www.whitefishriver.ca and Whitefish River First Nation Facebook for full details and application deadlines. For additional information, please email andream@whitefishriver.ca.

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We are seeking applications from women (18+) to join the advisory committee for "Lighting the Fire Within"

The Lighting the Fire Within Advisory Committee is a multi-sectoral collaborative that will include Police Officer & Civilian Personnel, Domestic/Sexual Violence & Child Welfare Providers and Women (18+) with knowledge and insights from lived experiences of gender-based violence.



Generally, the advisory committee will be responsible for ensuring women have a strong voice in the project. Further, that we are meeting the safety needs of the community and that we have meaningful relationships with the young people, youth and children in our communities. The work of the advisory committee will be guided by a Terms of Reference and the Project Implementation Plan (PIP).

Six positions to fill. Kweok (18yrs+) of Mniidoo Mnsing are encouraged to apply by submitting a three-part application:

1. Completed application form
2. Letter of interest
3. On a separate paper provide the name and contact information of two character references.

Applications can be found on our website at www.uccmplice.com and must be received by **August 14, 2020 at noon** - by email, mail or dropped off in person at:

UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service
PO Box 332, 5926 Highway 540, M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0
Email: daughness.migwans@uccmplice.com
(Mark **Confidential - LTFW Advisory Committee Application)



For more details or an application please contact:
Daughness Migwans, Social Navigator at 705-377-7135 ext. 203

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...UCCM Tribal Police initiates 'Lighting the Fire Within,' a first for any Canadian force

...continued from page 1 ties. LTFW is a four-year project that will allow the police service to meet three goals: provide training to the employees of the UCCM

Anishnaabe Police Service that is focused on creating a trauma and culturally responsive approach to victims of domestic violence; deliver a culturally responsive pre-charge diversion

program to individuals who are perpetrators of non-criminal code domestic disputes; and create an interest-based program for youth to develop and foster a relationship of trust with

the police and to promote healthy relationships.

The three goals were developed to further improve the trust between the community and the police, reduce violence against Indigenous women and assist in providing support to offenders through a pre-charge diversion program with our partner organizations.

With the announcement of this project, the police service is recruiting for a

new employee to lead the initiatives of the project and to work with an external evaluator to assess the success of the project. The LTFW co-ordinator will assist the police service in meeting the project objectives identified in the project implementation plan.

In addition to the recruiting for this new position, the police service is also recruiting for members of an advisory committee. The LTFW Advisory Committee

will provide feedback regarding the development of program objectives, which are created to meet the project goals. The feedback of the advisory committee is key to the success and effectiveness of the project.

"LTFW is an important project within our service, and we appreciate the confidence that WAGE has in our capacity to meet the project's goals," Police Chief Whiteye concluded.



Law & Order

Manitoulin OPP investigate theft and charge two

On July 13 at approximately 7:36 pm, officers from the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a theft in progress from a business on Yonge Street in Mindemoya.

Investigation revealed that one of the individuals assaulted a citizen who was attempting to stop the theft. As a result of the investigation a 39-year-old male of no fixed address has been charged with theft under \$5,000, shoplifting.

A 52-year-old male, also of no fixed address, has been charged with theft under \$5,000, shoplifting and assault.

The accused are scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on September 16.

The Manitoulin OPP would like to thank the Mindemoya Neighbourhood Watch for its assistance.

Manitoulin OPP lays charges for assault

On July 17 at approximately 11:56 pm, members

of the Manitoulin detachment of the OPP responded to a report of an assault in Assiginack Township.

As a result of the investigation, a 20-year-old of Sudbury was arrested and charged with assault and mischief under \$5,000.

The accused was released on an undertaking and is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on September 30.

Manitoulin OPP lays charges for domestic assault

On July 16 at approximately 6:41 pm, members of the Manitoulin detachment of the OPP responded to a domestic dispute at a residence in Billings Township.

Officers arrested and charged a 46-year-old from M'Chigeeng First Nation with assault, spousal and overcome resistance by attempting to choke, suffocate or strangle another person.

The accused was

released on an undertaking and is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay.

in memoriam

PAISLEY—In loving memory of Willis Paisley. Sadly missed, Willard, Gloria and Wayne, nephews and nieces

10p

PAISLEY—In loving memory of Rachel (Peggy) Paisley. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, But love leaves a memory no one can steal. Love always, Willard, Gloria and Wayne, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

10p

CORBIERE—In loving memory of our daughter Vicky Lynn Corbiere. The gates of memory will never close. We miss you more than anyone knows, With tender love and deep regret, We who loved you will never forget. Loving you always, Mom, Dad and Roxy Boo



HEISE—In loving memory of Boyne Heise who passed away July 19, 1999. Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day... Unseen, unheard but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear. Always in our hearts, Verna and family

10p

in memoriam

BOWERMAN—In loving memory of a dear father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, William (Bill), who left us suddenly on July 23, 2002.

Memories of Dad... We do not need a special day to bring you to our minds;

The days we do not think of you are very hard to find. Each morning when we awake we know that you are gone,

And no one knows the heartache as we try to carry on. Our hearts still ache with sadness, and secret tears still flow.

What it meant to lose you, no one will ever know. Our thoughts are always with you, your place no one can fill.

In life we loved you dearly; in death we love you still. There will always be a heartache, and often a silent tear,

But always a precious memory of the days when you were here. If tears would make a staircase, and heartaches make a lane,

We'd walk the path to heaven and bring you home again. We hold you close within our hearts, and there you will remain;

To walk with us throughout our lives until we meet again. Our family chain is broken now, and nothing seems the same, But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again. Lovingly remembered by your daughter Marilyn, son-in-law Jim, grandchildren Marilee, Mallory and Mitchell, and great-grandchildren Landen and Hailee

Death Notices

RHEA MARILYN STACK (NEE ARMSDEN)



In loving memory of Rhea Marilyn (nee Armsden) Stack, 84 years, who passed away Friday, July 10, 2020 at Health Sciences North. Beloved wife of John Stack (predeceased 2010). Loving mother of Marilyn (husband Mike Legault) and Chris; special mother to Bart "Ron". Cherished grandmother of several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Dear daughter of Jack and Frieda (Schaus) Armsden (both predeceased). Memorial Service was held in the R. J. Barnard Chapel, Jackson and Barnard Funeral Home, 233 Larch Street, Sudbury on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 2 pm. Friends gathered after 1:45 pm on Thursday. Cremation with interment in the family plot at Park Lawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Diabetes Canada or Northern Cancer Foundation would be appreciated. For donations and messages of condolence, www.lougheed.org. Due to COVID-19 Directives, 80 people or fewer may attend the service. All others may view it at: <https://www.oneroomstreaming.com/view/authorise.php?k=159476537867583>.

LINA MADELINE CONDIE (NEE PATTISON) July 14, 1929 - July 11, 2020



In loving memory of Lina (Pattison) Condie who passed away at the age of 90. Beloved daughter of Grace and Al Pattison (predeceased). Beloved wife of Ray Condie (predeceased). Loving mother of Linda Senior (husband Colin predeceased) and Richard Condie (wife Nancy). Loving grandmother of grandsons James Senior (predeceased), Troy Condie, Terry Condie (wife Vanessa) and Todd Condie; granddaughter Cathy Joyce (Senior). Loving great-grandmother of David, Sara, Tommy and Joshua Joyce. Dear sister of James (predeceased), Bruce (predeceased), Mary McDonald (predeceased) and Marilyn Moggy. Lina will be missed by many cousins, nephews and nieces. Lina loved to play cards and was involved in the Royal Canadian Legion Auxiliary. Internment will be at Mountain View Cemetery at 2 pm on Friday, July 24, 2020.

IVAN HARTLEY



After a courageous battle with cancer, Ivan Hartley passed away peacefully at Health Sciences North, with his children at his side. Beloved father of Vicki (Ryan), Tara, Krista (Erik), Natalie, Kenneth (Gabrielle), Jesse (Jasmine) and Rebecca (Zack). Ivan will be sadly missed by his grandchildren Ayden, Ava, June and Sundra, as well as his sisters Mary (Rick) Block, Helen (David) Kew, Gayle Dion and Patty Watson. Ivan was born and raised in Spring Bay. He worked as a miner, drilling and blasting his whole career. He enjoyed fishing and hunting and had a great love for horses and being on the farm. He leaves behind many friends, co-workers and family who will all miss him dearly. Predeceased by his parents Albert and Stella (Lewis) Hartley, and sisters Donna, Shirley and Shelva. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at the Spring Bay Pentecostal Church at 11 am. Due to the situation with COVID-19, Ivan's Celebration of Life is limited to 50 people by family invite only. Masks must be worn. Arrangements entrusted to the Simpson Funeral Home, Gore Bay.

PATRICIA "PAT" JEAN HALL (NEE McCAULEY)

December 31, 1936 - July 15, 2020



In loving memory of Patricia "Pat" Jean Hall, Pat passed away peacefully in Toronto at the age of 83. Beloved wife of Seward James Hall (predeceased Aug 2000). Loving mother of Derek Hall (Jodi), Kim Hall (Kathy) and Sherry Case (Dave). Cherished grandmother of Tory Hall (Amelia), Tristen Hall (Allison), Kristopher Hall, Kirby Hall, Tara Reckahn (Ray) and Tavis Case (Alisha). Loving great-grandmother of Jacob, Skylar, Desmond, Decland and Derek. Daughter of Pete and Jean McCauley (both predeceased). Sister of Frederick Peter McCauley (predeceased), Peggy Lumis (Glen), Pauline Martin (Wayne), Nancy Miller (predeceased) (Charlie), Mollie McCauley, Peter McCauley (predeceased) and Susan McCauley (Simon Girouard). She will be dearly missed by her cat Ginger, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends. Pat was born in Duncan B.C. and moved to Manitoulin as a young child. She loved the natural beauty of the Island and would always take the time to look and listen to everything around her. She was a kind and giving soul with a smile and a kind word for everyone she met. She was a strong voice and volunteer for her beloved community of Tehkummah. She wrote the Tehkummah Talk and Times in the Manitoulin Expositor for over 30 years and was a published poet. She owned and operated a restaurant where she was known to make the best burgers around. She drove a mail route where she acknowledged birthdays with a muffin, a note for someone ill, giving cookies to the dogs, while spreading flower seeds along the road. She had unwavering faith in her Lord, but her greatest love and joy was her family and her gift of music. Due to COVID restrictions services will be by invitation only. Donations in Pat's memory can be made to the Tehkummah Fairview United Church 310B Highway 542A, Tehkummah, ON P0P 1H0; Mindemoya Hospital Auxillary, 2120A Hyw-551, Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0; Tehkummah Library, 456 Hwy 542A P.O. Box 24 Tehkummah, ON P0P 2C0.

MY PRAYER

Dear God,

Grant me the power that I

In my humble worth,

Do only good for others

As I spend time on this earth.

Make me see the good in all

So that my heart is pure,

As I walk along this

path with you

My footsteps most secure.

Let me enjoy the beauty here

In this great land of ours,

And wonder at your wisdom,

As you balance life

and powers.

And when it comes my time to leave

And find that other shore,

May only kind words echo back

As I walk through that door.

-Pat Hall



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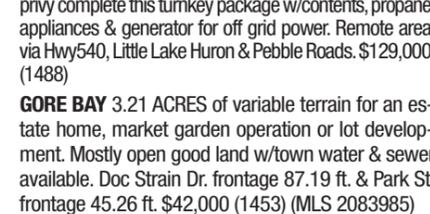
GORE BAY RURAL 3 acres w/hydro, municipal water, sewer & year round access via Smith & Fraser Streets w/panoramic view in all directions. Mostly cleared arable land, on west side of Town, for mini farm, market garden & other rural uses. Two separate lots to accommodate two residences for the larger family. \$43,500 plus tax (1420) (MLS 2062357)



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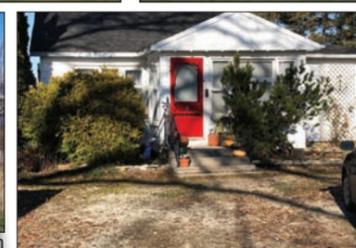
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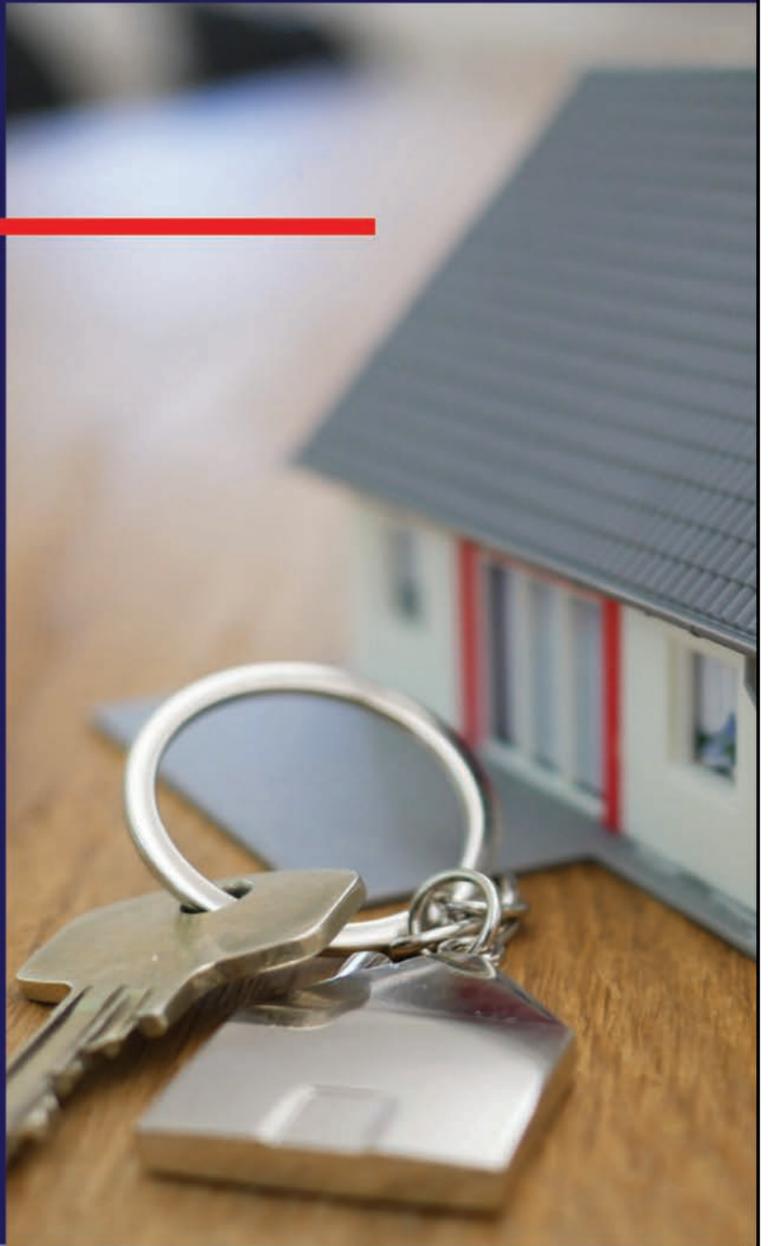


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8 YEAR OLD 2 BEDROOM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!!!! - Located at the North end of Lake Mindemoya, this modern looking camp with a new roof comes adorned with a vaulted ceiling in the open concept kitchen/living room, in-door flush toilet, water drawn from the lake, a huge L-shaped deck, several outbuildings, a large portable garage and a very large beautifully landscaped lot. The waterfront (a short walk from the cottage) consists of a kid friendly, sand bottom great for swimming. The lake features great fishing for walleye, perch, bass, pike and whitefish. The amenities of the town of Mindemoya only 10 minutes away. Asking \$85,000. MLS#2087341

VISTA WITH A WOW!!
Reminiscent of a fjord in Norway or the rugged British Columbia coast line, this property sits 450 ft above the town of Gore Bay; overlooking the town & harbour from the top of the East Bluff at the mouth of the bay & facing directly west for beautiful Caribbean style sunsets & the famous La Cloche Mountains in the distance across Lake Huron's North Channel. This one acre property is located on a site that has one of Ontario's prettiest cliff views. This nicely manicured acre of property comes with a magnificent 4 bdrm executive-style manufactured log home accented with a centerpiece stone fireplace, granite counter tops with matching table, in-floor heating, highest of quality built-in appliances, great flooring & a 5 piece ensuite with a Jacuzzi and a large steambath/shower. The double garage which is fed with 200 amps of hydro & comes with an attached ATV garage & an exercise room with a bathroom & sauna & the floors in this building are also heated. This property has a layout which would be very conducive to a high-end bed & breakfast. A steal of a deal at \$799,000! MLS#2077446



LACLOCHE MOUNTAIN RESORT ON CHARLTON LAKE IN WHITEFISH FALLS!! - Settled in the Majestic Mountain Range of white quartz of Willisville where they filmed the series Rainbow Country, these spectacular mountains and waterways were made famous in paintings by the group of seven. This resort known as Bearskin Lodge and Outfitters comes turnkey with 9 rustic two and three bedroom log cabins as well as an owners' residence and another cabin they allow friends and workers to stay. The housekeeping cottages each have their own hydro panels and each have their own bathrooms and appliances that are relatively new with upgraded wiring. Charlton Lake is really one of many lakes accessible in the area and is renowned for its great walleye and bass fishing. Asking \$975,000. MLS#2077603



1080 SQ. FT. 2 BDRM COTTAGE WITH MANY UPGRADES OVERLOOKING LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - Located at the north end of this very good walleye fishing lake, this beautiful cottage with its spectacular kitchen comes fully furnished and also includes a large storage shed, riding lawn-mower, dockage, waterfront deck and small aluminum boat. The 20 year lease is assumable and has another 15 years left before a new one needs to be negotiated. Asking \$199,000. MLS#2085673



2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!! - This property has a nice sand bottom waterfront with a dockage and a composting toilet. The property also includes a 3 sided aluminum boat trailer (which sleeps 3 or 4) is covered with a steel roof and has a flush toilet connected into the same septic tank as the cottage bathroom and has a nice covered deck as well. The cottage has an enclosed sun room leading to an open deck on the waterfront side. This property comes fully furnished and includes a dock on wheels that is easily taken in and out of Lake Mindemoya which features good fishing for perch, bass, walleye and pike. Very affordable asking only \$159,000. MLS#2085631



AFFORDABLE TURNKEY 4 SEASON COTTAGE!!!! - This affordable turnkey 3 bedroom cottage on leased land is located at the north end of beautiful Lake Mindemoya. The cottage is fully insulated and less than 10 years old can be used year round. A very nice open concept kitchen and living room with unique vaulted ceilings. Two nicely finished bedrooms are upstairs that share a balcony and the master bedroom on the main floor shares en-suite privileges. The very large corner lot comes with large decks, many storage sheds and 2 driveways. Access to the sand bottom lake is a very short walk. Golfing, shopping, and hospital are just 10 minutes away with the rest of the amenities in the town of Mindemoya. Almost all contents including pullout couch, quality furnishings, dishes, etc. are included at a price of only \$139,000!!!! MLS#2087348



SOUTH-FACING COTTAGE WITH LARGE DECK!! - This beautiful home with its hardwood floors & vaulted ceilings comes with a magnificent kitchen with cherry stained maple cabinets, 3 baths including the en-suite in the huge 600 sq ft master bedroom found at the top of a spectacular oak stair case. The manicured lot comes adorned with a variety of mature trees which nicely outline the property, amazing concrete driveway & huge sidewalks leading to 2 large decks of which one is a covered verandah. Also on the lot is a 10 X 12 storage shed & a heated completely finished and insulated double size garage. Asking \$299,000!!!! MLS#2077447



SUCCESSFUL AUTO REPAIR AND BODY SHOP BUSINESS IN DOWNTOWN GORE BAY!! - Known as Jewell's Collision, the large 7200 square foot building is newly renovated and maintenance free. The building is currently housing an auto repair shop in the back half of the building and an auto body shop in the front half. The business has grown every year for the 19 years it has existed and continues to grow with plenty of opportunity to expand and grow especially with spin-off type business such as used car sales/rentals, small motor repairs, car detailing and the list goes on and on. The seller is willing to undergo an environmental audit and had a clean bill of health on one that was done when the seller took over the building. The building could be converted into other uses as well, also rent to own may be a possibility. Asking just \$489,000. MLS#2080433



950 SQ. FT. 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!! - This Lake Mindemoya cottage is fully insulated with water drawn from the lake and a septic system located in a park setting at the north end of the lake. The cottage is on the first street just a short walk to the nice sand bottom waterfront access which is very kid-friendly. This cottage features a large deck, a forced-air electric furnace as well as a propane free standing metal stove for heating. The amenities of the Town of Mindemoya & M'Chigeeng are close by this great walleye fishing lake. Asking \$115,000. MLS#2085649



NEWLY RENOVATED KAGAWONG AREA HOME! - This 960 sq. ft. 2 + 2 bedroom and 2 bathroom home is situated between Kagawong and Mindemoya on a 2 acre lot. This home comes with an attached garage as well as a detached garage and large workshop that could easily be converted to a rental unit. The house has a fully finished basement and the workshop comes with a full basement as well. Amenities such as shopping, golf, fishing and hospital are all close by. Asking \$339,000.00!!!! MLS#2085942



EXTREMELY HIGH QUALITY 3 BDRM HOME WITH NICE VIEW OVER LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - This beautiful home with its hardwood floors & vaulted ceilings comes with a magnificent kitchen with cherry stained maple cabinets, 3 baths including the en-suite in the huge 600 sq ft master bedroom found at the top of a spectacular oak stair case. The manicured lot comes adorned with a variety of mature trees which nicely outline the property, amazing concrete driveway & huge sidewalks leading to 2 large decks of which one is a covered verandah. Also on the lot is a 10 X 12 storage shed & a heated completely finished and insulated double size garage. Asking \$299,000!!!! MLS#2085240