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# The MANITOULIN EXPOSITOR



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**ICE CREAM FOLLIES**—Zuri Hurd, in hearts, took the first place prize in the age four and under ice cream eating contest at the Central Manitoulin Lions Homecoming Weekend. SEE MORE HOMECOMING WEEKEND FUN STARTING ON PAGE 18.

## Rainbow School Board one of two in Canada to be EcoCertified

by Tom Sasvari

**RAINBOW DISTRICT**—The Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) has reached its goal of having all of its schools 100 percent EcoSchools Canada certified by 2022.

"Eco Schools Canada has confirmed that all our schools within the board are certified," stated Bruce Bourget, director of education for RDSB at a board meeting last week. "Our board is only one of two boards in Canada that has received this certification."

"Achieving 100 percent EcoSchools certification is a very significant achievement for a school board," said EcoSchools Canada Program Manager Clara Luke. "Being a certified EcoSchool means that a school is committed to environmental sustainability and climate action. For an entire school board to have this commitment from all of its schools signals that there has been a concerted effort to take environmental action and that the support for this important work spans the school community, and beyond, including students, teachers, school administrators, custodial staff, support staff, school board administrators and trustee leadership."

"We extend a huge congratulations to all Rainbow Schools and all members of their school communities who worked so hard during another challenging year to prioritize climate action and sustainability," said Ms. Luke. Mr. Bourget told board members

that the board had received this good news from EcoSchools Canada on June 22. He noted that, within the RDSB, 11 schools have attained the EcoSchools Canada platinum certification (the highest level that can be achieved), with 11 attaining bronze level, seven silver, 13 achieving gold and one remote virtual school certification in the 2021-2022 school year.

On Manitoulin Island, Manitoulin Secondary School (M'Chigeeng) and Central Manitoulin Public School (Mindemoya) have both attained platinum certification, while Assiginack Public School (Manitowaning) and Charles C. McLean Public School (Gore Bay) have attained gold. Little Current Public School has garnered bronze.

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## Two people arrested in Sheg FN shooting

by Tom Sasvari

**SHEGUIANDAH**—The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has arrested and charged two people as part of the investigation into the June 24 fatal shooting in Sheguiandah First Nation.

As a result of the investigation, Sherry Eadie, 55, from Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands and Darcy Shawanda, 25, from Whitefish River First Nation have both been charged with accessory after the fact to murder and obstruct peace officer.

Both accused have been remanded in custody until their scheduled court appearances on July 20.

An arrest warrant is still in effect for Hanif Duncan, 20, of Hamilton. Mr. Duncan is charged with second degree murder. He is described as Black, between 5'8" and 5'10" tall with a slim build and long dreadlocks.

Investigators believe this was an isolated incident and there is no public safety risk. Members of the public are being reminded that if you see Mr. Duncan, do not approach him. Call 911 or your local police service. The accused is also being encouraged to turn

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## Youth water ambassadors visit Wiikwemkoong, learn about resource from Indigenous perspective

by Lori Thompson,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter  
**WIKWEMKOONG**—Youth ambassadors from Ocean Bridge recently embarked on an immersive cultural and environmental learning journey, in partnership with Wikwemikong Tourism,

Wikwemikong Heritage Organization and Wiikwemkoong's Lands and Resources department. Ocean Bridge, a division of Ocean Wise, connects youth and young professionals across Canada and empowers them to make a difference toward ocean conservation.

The six-month part-time program provides ambassadors with the tools to position themselves as change makers in their communities and beyond, said Rachel Morningstar, Great Lakes manager for Ocean Bridge.

The Great Lakes is one of four regions covered under the program, added Jacqueline Thompson, assistant manager, Great Lakes, Ocean Bridge. "While we focus on the Pacific Ocean, the Arctic and the Atlantic Ocean, when we look at the Great Lakes region we consider it an inland sea," she told The Expositor. "It all goes out to the ocean. It all con-

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## Manitoulin's oldest golf course now in third gen family ownership

by Tom Sasvari

**MINDEMOYA**—It used to be a farm in the Hodgson family, before Jack Seabrook turned it into a golf course. The golf course was later purchased and taken over by the senior Seabrook's son, John. Manitoulin Island's oldest golf course, Brookwood Brae, and the adjoining Pirates Cove Cottages have now been sold but will remain in the family.

Logan Middleton began talks to purchase the businesses from his uncle and aunt, John and Cheryl Seabrook, in January and the deal closed May 1. Mr. Middleton is the son of the late Brad Middleton and Deborah Seabrook. "Nothing needs to change much," he told The Expositor. "We're keeping it in the family."

Mr. Middleton, who was raised

in Sudbury, is now a financial analyst living in Toronto. He's also a golfer and takes his two boys to the driving range every Sunday

## Go back in time at Sheguiandah

Archaeological tour takes visitors back nearly 10,000 years

by Michael Erskine

**SHEGUIANDAH**—It's a beautiful day at the Government Dock in Sheguiandah as Sheguiandah Archaeology Site guide Olivia Fetterly gathers her charges for the ascent up the boardwalk to the famed Indigenous quartzite quarry and Canada Parks-designated National Historic Site worked by the first inhabitants of this land more than 9,500 years ago.

The 10-hectare site was worked by the Anishinabek, as well as the Woodland, Archaic and Paleo-

dian cultures, who used the glassy Bar River quartzite (a razor-sharp unique stone) harvested from the site to create tools and weapons. For more than a decade and a half, the Northeast Town has worked toward the creation of the site, seeking funding from upper tier governments to help make it a reality. Young Canada Works provided funding for the Archaeological Site Assistant this year, Rural Economic Development funded a promotional video

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# The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Left James Killeen, reviewing officer, presents the Lord Strathcona Medal to cadet Rhys Allison at the 348 Manitoulin Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps 18th annual ceremonial review.

## Gayle Payette makes history as first Indigenous person elected to Hockey Federation

by Tom Sasvari  
M'CHIGEENG—Gayle Payette, of M'Chigeeng First Nation, has made history by being elected to the Ontario Hockey Federation (OHF) board of directors.

"I am the first Indigenous person elected to the board," stated Ms. Payette. "Being the first Indigenous person on the board means a lot to me. Two other ladies were recently elected to the board, which shows that the OHF is becoming even more progressive."

Ms. Payette said she had been asked if she would like to be on the OHF board and when she indicated she would, was then nominated. "I think I have a good foundation of grassroots hockey and a good knowledge of how things are run. And to me, it's giving a voice to local minor hockey associations and brings some cultural diversity as well as my knowledge."

"I will be able to share my knowledge and give my all to hockey, especially from a grassroots perspective," said Ms. Payette who was one of four new



Gayle Payette, right, of M'Chigeeng First Nation was elected to the Ontario Hockey Federation board of directors.

directors who were added to the OHF board at the group's annual general meeting in Toronto on June 24.

Ms. Payette has served as the second vice-president of the Northern Ontario Hockey Association (NOHA) since 2020, "I have to officially resign from the NOHA board," she said, explain-

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## Members of the 348 Manitoulin Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps recognized for tremendous efforts

by Tom Sasvari  
M'CHIGEENG—Members of the 348 Manitoulin Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps were recognized for their tremendous efforts in the past couple of years (especially having to endure the pandemic) at the 18th annual ceremonial review held in June at Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS).

Commanding Officer Lieutenant (Navy) Sylvain Boucher stated, "Congratulations on a job well done today, cadets. For those going through your first review, it can be intimidating but all of you handled this very well. I am very proud of you."

"It is nice to see all the cadets here in person," said Mr. Boucher. "Holding meetings virtually has been an experience and one you will always remember, for sure."

"I would like to say congratulations to all the cadets on a great review," said reviewing officer James Killeen, Chief of Police for the UCCM Anishnaabe Police. He said being a member cadet in the

Sea Cadet Corps "teaches you leadership, dedication, honesty, and integrity. And no matter what rank have, you are all in this and work together. You can't do this alone. Congratulations to all of you."

After the opening, including the Ship's Company falls in, the national anthem, a moment of silence was given for all past and current members of the Canadian Forces. "We are honoured to have the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Chief of Police James Killeen as our reviewing officer for today's ceremony," said Naval Cadet Administration Officer Daniel Bussieres.

The Parade then marched off, followed by Naval Cadet Administration Officer Bussieres providing a short history of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps.

The inspection review was conducted, followed by a cadet display of Semaphore led by Chief Petty

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## Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home celebrates 50 years

by Michael Erskine  
WIKWEMKOONG—Gizhi-naamde joined in the festivities for 'We are Family,' the 50th anniversary celebration of the Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home (WNH) on Friday, June 17, but thanks to some very well-placed iron pegs, the large canopy set up over seating for residents, family and friends stayed put for all the wind's flapping protest.

The windy day did absolutely nothing to dampen the mood, however, as WNH residents were joined by the community in celebrating the half-century milestone. One of the high points of the day was a walking parade by school children from nearby Pontiac and Wiikwemkoong Junior schools who marched by waving signs, ringing bells and waving.

The ceremonies began with a prayer by Dorothy Wassegijig-Kennedy and a welcome song performed on the hand drum by brothers Jesse and Adam Kaboni, before Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa Duke Peltier delivered remarks and congratulations on behalf of chief and council.

Ogimaa Peltier relayed the many positive comments he has heard about the staff, food and activities that have become leg-

endary, not only in the Wiikwemkoong communities, but across all of Manitoulin and the province beyond. "Especially from the family and community members," he said. "And the cooks, the cooks are some of the best around."

"It was the vision of many of our council members and community leaders back in the mid-

60s that envisioned to have a home in the community—they set forward on that vision and put a plan in place. Some of the council members envisioned that some of them might live here in the future." Ogimaa Peltier noted his grandfather volunteered his equipment to lay the foundations and infrastructure for the home.

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## Young woman spearheads very successful fundraising campaign for cancer research

by Tom Sasvari  
MINDEMOYA—Young Charleigh Carrick accepted a challenge from a family friend to raise \$400 and, in return, she could dye his hair green. By using social media and encouraging other local men to dye their hair green, what started out as a challenge turned into thousands of dollars being raised for the Northern Cancer Foundation.

Dad Lee Carrick explained, "It was Travis Dewar of Mindemoya who actually got this whole thing started. He and his family hold the maple syrup auction every spring, and the first litre that



Charleigh Carrick started a fundraiser for the Northern Cancer Foundation at the end of March, recruiting several people to have their hair dyed green to raise funds. Back row, left, are Kevin Moulton, Kyle Watson, Adam Smith, Lee Carrick. Front row left, Travis Dewar and Charleigh Carrick. Missing from photo is Ryan Prior.

they harvest is auctioned off, with the funds from the auction going towards cancer research. We were at Travis' place the night that the gentleman who won this year's auction was announced as the winner. Travis and Charleigh (who will be 10 years old in August) were there and she was asking a lot of questions about the syrup auction, why we were doing it, how it worked and where the money raised goes. She had a purple streak in her hair, and Travis said 'if you raise \$400, I will dye my hair'."

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## Manitoulin Lodge resident presented with prestigious 'Making a Difference' award

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of two instalments of coverage of the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home barbecue fundraiser and bake sale event and awards presentations.

by Tom Sasvari  
GORE BAY—There was a fantastic turnout for the Manitoulin Lodge barbecue fundraiser and bake sale event, which included great music, lots of tasty food and baking and a real feeling of everyone being happy to be together again, including residents, lodge employees and volunteers and guests. And it was also an event that provided an opportunity for the Lodge to make the presentation of two special awards, to a deserving employee and resident of the Lodge.

"We would like to welcome everyone here today. There is a great turnout and I hope everyone is enjoying the music so far," stat-

ed Jamie-Lynn Kalmikov, administrator of the Lodge. "It's been great to finally be able to have events like this again (after the pandemic) and it is awesome to see everyone."

"It is great to see everyone again, and be able to get together again," echoed Gloria Hall, events coordinator at the Lodge. "Thank you to 'Family Tradition' for the awesome music and thank you to all our hard-working volunteers and to all of you for coming out

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## Splash N Go waterpark to open in Gore Bay this weekend

by Tom Sasvari  
GORE BAY—Splash N Go Adventure Parks Limited will now be setting up and operating the very large, inflatable waterpark in the bay at Gore Bay this summer after unforeseen circumstances caused a delay in getting started.

"Originally, we had planned to launch (the waterpark) on June 25 in Gore Bay," Mike Lafreniere, owner of the business, told The Expositor Friday. "But when we found out that the town fireworks were going to be held off the breakwall in town (July 1), close to the area (about 50 feet) where we are going to be locating the waterpark, we delayed the opening of the park until July 9. Our park is made up of big inflatable balloons and all it would take is one ember from the fireworks to land on one and it would pop the

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## editorial

### July 1 weekend swing bridge traffic a debacle that should not repeat

Those travelling over the swing bridge at Little Current during the Canada Day long weekend were subjected to lineups that extended through the town, at times essentially blocking at least two intersections and posing considerable delays and frustration for travellers both coming and going. Inquiries about the delays pointed squarely to Ministry of Transportation policy governing the movement of traffic over the bridge.

Apparently, the bridge lights operate on an automated system, except on Fridays and Sundays. As the bulk of the Canada Day long weekend traffic began on Thursday, that policy obviously needs a bit of adjustment, as it well might impact on other long weekends as well.

The recent challenges, with wind damage preventing the swing bridge from properly closing, led to an hours-long delay for travellers a few weeks ago.

It seems that the time for replacement of the Manitoulin swing bridge is fast upon us. Not only is the aging structure likely to continue to face more challenges going forward, but the two-lane replacement will alleviate the bottlenecks caused by, oddly, a lack of the human hand. Automation works wonderfully when things can be categorized into defined slots and timings, but we appear to be some time away from when artificial intelligence can take on some jobs.

To be sure, the human intervention in the past has not been perfect,

but the experienced hands who once manned the cupola above the bridge roadway are largely missing these days—and have been since a new contractor took over the management of the bridge. Those senior operators had years of experience that guided their hands upon the pause button that governs the streetlight timing.

In years past, clearing the Island-side traffic took precedence, for obvious reasons, but judgement that comes from experience helped limit traveller frustration. That experience was lost when older workers with the previous operator were not rehired when the new contract was awarded. While the bridge is staffed during the summer months, the operators job is to swing the structure open to allow for marine traffic to pass through. On Fridays and Sundays, the operator is expected to clear traffic according to need. A penny saved is not always a penny earned it seems, but then again, the people paying the piper are not those collecting payment from the province—it is the hapless tourist and traveller who are paying the price in lost time.

The Ministry of Transportation needs to step up to find a solution to this issue. Anything that discourages people from coming to Manitoulin to enjoy the tourism products our Island has to offer is a serious impediment to our economy. These unnecessary traffic delays cannot continue.

Let's get the new bridge project started.

## letters

### A pox on all things technological

*Citizens should smarten up as the cost of living will continue to rise*

#### To the Expositor:

Today's technology is getting too evil so these high-tech companies should get their damn evil souls off this land. Even with this technology it's not going to save the world. I even see that Indians are getting caught up in it too. I will not use any fancy words when I say Indian because that's who we are. All these high-tech companies are just creating more garbage even with these electric cars that are just garbage. It is just a way of making more money and the government is in on it too with gas skyrocketing. The government is collecting in the billions of

dollars in gas tax revenue and even our food packaging is shrinking but the prices remains the same or just increase because of these damn greedy corporations and the government is not doing anything about it. Citizens should smarten up because I think the high cost of living will just keep increasing. And why? It's because of these greedy corporations and high-tech companies.

Ronald Osawabine  
Wiikwemkoong

## Island storytelling takes centre stage at the Jabbawong Storytelling Festival

by Bonnie Kogos

KAGAWONG—The Jabbawong Storytelling Festival taking place at the Kagawong Park Centre and outside on Saturday, July 9 promises to be such fun! This exciting event is hosted by the Billings Economic Development Committee.

"This is our first summer community activity, and we're delighted," Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack, chair of Economic Development, told me happily on the phone. "Our festival will offer a rich and diverse program to capture the imagination of audiences of all ages as we celebrate traditional and contemporary storytelling. We're devoted to connecting people, reflecting culture and inspiring discovery through the art of storytelling."

"And Bonnie, since you've been writing about Manitoulin for over 30 years, we want you here to tell some stories!"

I said yes, immediately, and I'm already packed to fly to Sudbury, get my car and cross the old swing bridge

So, you are cordially invited Saturday morning at 8 am to come to the Kagawong Park Centre by the Billings committee to be our guest for a continental breakfast. Sharon and the committee have asked me to be here, and to chat, and so this will be "Breakfast with Bonnie."

I look so forward to being here, meeting friends and readers for breakfast. Later, a short time from the podium, I'll tell some secrets and stories about writing the newspaper column for The Sudbury Star and, occasionally, The Manitoulin Expositor. Yup, by driving deep into the frozen rhubarb with my new pick-up truck within one hour! And how my busy Manhattan-Manitoulin heart has developed over these busy, happy years!

Even my cantankerous Unca Mudge, our self-acclaimed smartest nonagenarian on the Island, for years my severest critic, actually relented, with Auntie Em's prodding. "Okay, Bonnie, I'll give ya a little credit. Your columns, over the years, have, indeed endeared you to us!"

"What did that cost ya, Unca Mudge?"

"Too much..." he said, grumping on the phone.

On Saturday morning, July 9, from 8 am, you are cordially invited to be a guest to enjoy

a lovely continental breakfast to be served in the main hall of Kagawong Park Centre. Then I'll chat from the podium about how Manitoulin people, places and events continually inspire me.

From 10 am the guest speakers will be Michael Erskine, our wonderful and deeply appreciated associate editor of The Manitoulin Expositor, who will talk about how the term "Hawewater" came into use.

Following is Mike Strobel, the retired Toronto Sun columnist, and author of 'Small Miracles.'

Kim Fahner, our lovely author and poetess, who held the important designation as the fourth Poet Laureate of the City of Greater Sudbury, will delight us in her talk.

Author Chuc Willson will read from his beautiful new book, 'The Longest Night of the People.'

Mark Seabrook, a well-known Ojibwe artist, poet, writer and performer, will read from his new book, 'The Lottery Ticket.'

For lunch, the Old Mill Heritage Museum will host a hefty, hearty barbecue from 10:30 am until 3 pm outside at the pavilion.

As well, in the outdoor pavilion, local artists and craft makers will display their products, artwork and craft at tables to show their work. Bring money!

On Sunday, July 10, from 11 am to 2 pm, the Economic Development Committee will host amazing story hours. Shaping these stories will be Sharon Jackson, Sharon Alkenbrack and Kerry Lavender, who is well known and appreciated on Island as our merry therapeutic clown.

"We'll engage children to participate in telling and developing stories," Sharon said. "We'll have small buckets with sand. In the sand are story prompts, like a small shovel, a coin, or a piece of paper as story prompt. Each child will pick up something and make a story, learning how to develop stories from these prompts. The stories will be written down and hung up on our Art Tree! Other events are promised to be fun, providing laughter and learning as well."

And Kagawong's corner candy store, Boo Bah Lou, will be giving out candy treats for the children at this event.



### Drawing for FOMOS

The draw for the first 50/50 prize by the Friends of the Mindemoya Old School was held on the weekend on the steps in front of the school. Barry Williamson drew the winning ticket, #0445, purchased by Nancy Foreman. Mrs. Foreman's winnings came to \$1442.50. Friends of the Mindemoya Old School would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets, and the volunteers who sold them. A special thanks also goes to Williamson's Hardware and Kat's Pet Supplies in Mindemoya for selling tickets. Lorene Martell and Jan McQuay were among several people on hand as Barry Williamson drew the winning ticket.

photo by Karen MacKenzie  
FOMOS

# In-person Manitoulin Secondary School grad ceremonies a happy event

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—It was quite apparent by the smiles on everyone's faces and the buzz that accompanied the many people, parents, siblings, grandparents and friends, speakers and especially the Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) students who were gathered for their graduation ceremonies that everyone was very happy to be able to hold these ceremonies in person this year.

"Before we begin this evening, we would like to invite everyone, who has not had the chance previously, to take a look around at this fantastic gymnasium that has been renovated for the 50th anniversary of the school," said MSS teacher Mike Zegil, who was co-master of ceremonies for the evening, along with teacher Yana Bauer.



Piper Paul MacDonald leads the Honour Guard and MSS graduating students at the start of the graduation ceremonies.

The honour guard, along with piper Paul McDonald, led the procession of graduating students into the gymnasium. This was followed by the MSS band, led by Chris Theijsmeijer, in the singing of O Canada, and land acknowledgement provided by vice-principal Neil Debassige.

"We would like to welcome everyone to the MSS 2022 graduation ceremony," said Mr. Zegil. "Graduation is always exciting but this is the first time in three years we



Manitoulin Secondary School graduating student Rachael Orford, centre, receives her graduation diploma. Rachael has been this newspaper's high school correspondent throughout her four years at Manitoulin Secondary School.

have been able to have an in-person gathering like this. We are all here to celebrate and honour an incredible group of people."

Platform guests included MSS principal David Wiwchar, vice-principal Dawn McCann, vice principal Neil Debassige Rainbow District School Board trustees Margaret Stringer and Linda Debassige,



Manitoulin Secondary School graduating student Larissa Abotossaway is presented with her diploma by Rainbow District School Board trustee Linda Debassige and MSS principal David Wiwchar.

photos by Tom Sasvari and RDSB Superintendent Leslie Fisher.

"On behalf of the RDSB and as a trustee, it is a great honour to be here," said Ms. Debassige. "The graduating students are amazing, and I bring my bring utmost gratitude, and pride. It is an honour to be here today." Ms. Debassige represents all of the First Nations communities whose students attend any of the Rainbow District School Board schools.

"I can remember being here at MSS about 20 years ago and being scared because I didn't want to be here," said Ms.



Manitoulin Secondary School student Abby Witt, centre, is presented with her graduation diploma.

Debassige. "As graduates, you have all shown tremendous resiliency through COVID. And in the future, you should hold this message with you to never, ever give up, "you have friends and teachers who will be there to help when you need it," she said, explaining that Neil Debassige had been an influence in her future when she had been a student at MSS. "We all respect who taught us and this support helps with moving forward on your educational and career journey."

"Grasp those opportunities that will be available for you in the future," said Ms. Debassige. "Stay positive and be kind to each other. Today is a day to celebrate. Congratulations on your achievements."

Fellow RDSB trustee Margaret Stringer said, "it has been three long years since a graduation ceremony has been celebrated in person. I am thrilled to be here, I can recognize people here from all over the Island, and their smiles show their love and pride they have for their graduates."

Ms. Stringer encouraged the students in their futures, "don't be afraid of hard

work, trust in yourself, be patient and confident."

"I hope all of you have a life that you will be proud of," said Ms. Stringer. "Congratulations."

MSS Principal Dave Wiwchar said, "Good evening graduates, parents, family, friends, community members and colleagues. As principal of Manitoulin Secondary School, I would like to welcome you to our 2022 graduation ceremony. We are pleased that you are here to share in this celebration with us. Mr. Gurney, Mrs. Addison, Mr. Harfield, Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Betsy Debassige, Neil Debassige and Karlene Scott will be leaving MSS and heading on to enjoy their next endeavours and we thank



Manitoulin Secondary School graduating student Ceara Aelick, centre, is presented with her diploma at the graduating ceremonies.

them all for their kindness, inspiration and connections with so many of our students over the years."

"Graduates, the best way you could demonstrate your appreciation, to Karlene in particular, would be to respond to the letters from us asking about your chosen field of study or apprenticeship in the fall," said Mr. Wiwchar. "Other graduation ceremonies fit awards into the evening of grad, but we have so many donors here that a full additional awards ceremony is needed in December each year. Karlene has served Manitoulin schools for over 40 years and we look forward to her continued enjoyment of the December awards ceremony held annually here at MSS and we also look forward to seeing you back with us one evening of the last week of school before



Manitoulin Secondary School graduating student Mary Hore, centre, is presented with her diploma by Manitoulin Secondary School vice-principal Dawn Noble McCann and RDSB trustee Margaret Stringer.



Manitoulin Secondary School graduating student Sophie Hietkamp, centre, was presented with her graduation diploma.

Christmas. Come enjoy the generosity of Island donors who are always keen to support our graduates at a critical time financially for those pursuing apprenticeship, university or college programs each year. Their generosity, I suspect, has very much to do with Karlene's sway with them as she looks out for each and every one of you as she has every single day of her 40 years of dedicated service to education."

"We would like to thank parents, family members and friends of our graduates for all of the support you have given students and our school over the years," continued Mr. Wiwchar. "Of course, I would like to extend a special welcome to our very own Mustangs who will be receiving their Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)," stated Mr. Wiwchar. "We hope that you enjoy your graduation and look back on tonight with fond memories."

Mr. Wiwchar said, "this year, in case you



Manitoulin Secondary School graduating student Laura Orford, centre, is presented with her diploma.

don't remember, when we arrived in September we couldn't convene in an assembly, be spectators at athletics or even let students eat on the same side of the plexiglass as their friends in the cafeteria. You have been so patient and accommodating of all of the protocols asked of you."

"It was a real joy to run the late busses at 5 pm again and see our students return to co-curriculars with enthusiasm and see provincial level successes in OFSSA cross country with our junior girls winning gold, most recently in archery, with a second and third in virtual competition and, earlier in the spring, in robotics," said Mr. Wiwchar.

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## Manitoulin Secondary School valedictorian Eliza Ermilova's speech

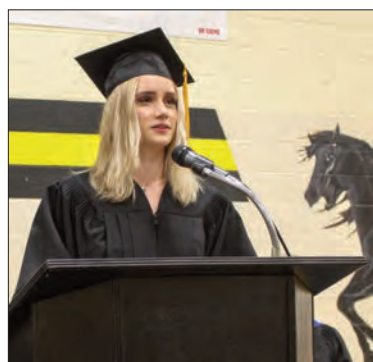
EDITOR'S NOTE: Below is the speech that Manitoulin Secondary School valedictorian Eliza Ermilova presented at the class of 2022 graduation held June 28.

Good evening parents, guardians, friends, staff, teachers, the baby that might end up screaming during my speech, and most importantly, graduates. My name is Eliza Ermilova and it is my pleasure to be delivering the valedictorian speech for the graduating class of 2022.

These past four years have been anything but ordinary but we can proudly say that we made it and survived high school. We are now ready for the 'real world' our parents have always talked about. We can solve logarithmic equations, name every part of the plant cell, and recite Shakespeare lines, you know, the things adults do on a daily basis.

Graduating seems exciting but at the same time really scary. As children, we all looked forward to the question, 'what do you want to be when you grow up?'

Many of us wanted to be astronauts, veterinarians, teachers,



Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) valedictorian Eliza Ermilova delivers her speech at the graduation ceremonies held June 28.

photo by Tom Sasvari

doctors or maybe a princess riding a white horse into a castle; spoiler alert: my dreams were crushed. We were so small with such big dreams. Now, that exact same question is nerve-wracking. Some of us know what we want to be; others might not have a clue at all. Although every single one of our paths differs, the majority of us began our exciting new adventures when we walked through those front doors.

We came into MSS four years ago as scared young teenagers, unsure of what to expect. The first weeks as little Grade 9s, it was emphasized that under no circumstances can you sit at the back caf tables. I mean it. Imagine how terrifying it is to see a grumpy huge Grade 12 glaring because you're sitting in their seat. I know some of us, you guys know exactly who I'm talking about, somehow ended up in the trash cans or even locked inside the lockers simply because we were 'minor niners' and an easy target to pick on. On the good side, we went to our first high school sports games and cheered on our friends on the packed bleachers. Some of us participated in our first provincial sports meets, musicals, band performances, robotics competitions and attended events like the winter formal.

Grades 10 and 11 quickly crept up on us, and a lot of the things we took for granted were taken away from us. I promised I wouldn't talk about COVID for more than a minute, but it did take half of our high school years away from us.

What seemed to be endless lockdown announcements, crashed Google meets, and teachers realizing their mics had been muted for 5 minutes into a lesson soon started taking over our 'high school experience' that we all dreamed about for so long.

Despite the pandemic, the teachers at MSS never stopped pushing us to our full potential even if it meant motivational talks over Google meets. I have asked my peers what they will miss most about MSS, and the most common answer was some particular teacher's name. I have yet to meet a teacher at MSS who isn't prepared to sacrifice their own time, lunches, and, frankly, their own sanity to make sure that a student receives the guidance and support they need. So, on behalf of the graduating class, I would like to thank every single one of our teachers. You are heroes. Thank you for looking after us. Thank you for pushing us and believing in us even in the most challenging times. And thank you for never failing to put a smile on our faces, whether that was laugh-

ing at Mr. Becks for spelling cubic with a q, the line that goes through Mr. Doane's forehead when he's mad, or the one and only famous 'bread and sugar is evil' speech from Mr. Balfe.

I would also like to thank all of the staff and guidance team at MSS and all the siblings, parents, friends, and guardians who have supported us along the way, whether that was helping us choose our classes for the next year, giving us a ride to a sports game, or even being our personal therapist. We couldn't have done this without your support.

With the help of our staff, admin, and student body, our Grade 12 year was one of the most memorable years yet. Our lives started going back to the 'normal': normal periods, lockers, packed bleachers, sports games, the talent show and the MSS annual powwow. Our school reintroduced Spymaster, leaving us afraid to eat in the caf and running through the halls with the fear of being tagged.

Doing laps in the halls was no

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## ...makes history as first Indigenous person elected to Hockey Federation

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ing she had one more year remaining in that three-year position.

Ms. Payette had original-

ly been nominated to the OHF board in 2021 and it was recently that she had been asked if she still wanted her name to stand for nomination. She then had

to undertake an interview.

As has been reported previously, Ms. Payette became involved with the sport back in 1994 as the secretary of the Manitoulin

Minor Hockey Association.

One area in which Ms. Payette is looking to make a contribution as a OHF board member is in the recruiting and retention of

officials, players and volunteers. "It seems the number of officials and volunteers, especially in hockey throughout Ontario, has declined over the past few

years and not just because of COVID. And sometimes it is hard to enhance our officiating program. We are doing all of this for the players. If you keep them on the ice, you keep them out of trouble and they develop and gain more friends." She wants to investigate why numbers seem to be declining provincially.

"We oversee every development program, taking part in various OHF-sanctioned hockey development programs and assisting with provincial championships, for rep levels, A, AA, and provide scholarship bursaries. Board members are also expected to sit on some OHF committees and take part in special initiatives," said Ms. Payette. She will serve a two-year term on the OHF board.

## ...Splash N Go waterpark to open in Gore Bay this weekend

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balloons. Everyone is just excited about getting things going."

"So we decided to push the opening back a little bit," said Mr. Lafreniere. "As soon as we had set the new date for July 9, we sent emails to everyone who had purchased tickets, informing them that they had the options of rescheduling or receiving a refund."

Mr. Lafreniere had explained previously that at the centre unit of the water park is a really cool obstacle, basically a big rolling log, which connects both ends of the park. In a location in Europe, they held a contest with a similar water-

park with 60 people trying out the obstacle with only four people making it across the rolling log. It can be as much fun watching those trying to get through the waterpark as those who are using it.

"We will be in Gore Bay daily from July 9-31," Mr. Lafreniere told The Expositor. There is an option to remain for the entire summer (end of August) at the company's discretion as well.

Splash N'Go will be providing lifeguards with the Lifesaving Society of Canada to supervise the waterpark at all times and be responsible for security and securing the park.



The Splash N Go waterpark opens Saturday in Gore Bay.

Each session open to the public is for 1.5 hours. "That doesn't sound like much time, but keep in mind those using the waterpark are constantly running, jumping and climbing. It is like going non-stop at

the gym," said Mr. Lafreniere.

The Gore Bay waterpark is a brand-new custom-designed park with features exclusive to the area, offering a different set of challenges and obstacles than the Chelmsford location, a release explains. The waterpark is suitable for ages five and over and this floating obstacle course is perfect for the whole family to enjoy.

During operation, the park will be hosting four, 1.5 hour sessions throughout the day. Passes are available for purchase via the Splash N Go Adventure parks website.

## Friends and Neighbours

### Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

For those who only read for the jokes and puns, just skip right down to the end. It's a busy time in Billings and we had to cut something!

The Jabbawong Storytelling Festival is this weekend in Kagawong! Celebrating traditional and contemporary storytelling, the two-day festival will offer a rich and diverse program to capture the imagination of all ages. The Festival kicks off July 9th at 8 am with a breakfast with the authors (come and meet the storytellers!), followed by an artist art market at the Park Centre from 10 am to 3 pm, a Museum BBQ mid-day and storytellers at the Park Centre throughout the day. On July 10th, the focus shifts to the kids with the Children's Jabbawong Storytelling Festival from 11 am to 2 pm. For more information, check out the event flyer and schedule on the Billings Township Facebook page.

Happy belated birthday goes out to Karen C who celebrated her 29th birthday last week. You don't look anywhere near your age. Of course, you rarely act your age either, so... many happy returns!

Congratulations go out to Christy C and her team at Buttercup Ice Creamery on their successful opening week! If the line out the door was anything to go by, the goodies were very well received.

It's been confirmed that there is no giant hogweed on the Kagawong River Trail. We can also confirm that there are no Saguaro cacti. While looking for giant hogweed and the Saguaro, we managed to wander into a patch of poison ivy, so our advice is to enjoy the River Trail but be sure to stay on the path.

Craving some exercise? The Manitoulin Tennis Club runs every Wednesday (6:30 pm) and Sunday (10 am) at the Manitoulin Secondary School tennis courts. Players of all abilities are welcome! Lessons can be available for beginners as well, just stop in. But if the ballfield is more your style, grab your glove and head to the Ice Lake Ball Field (274 Pleasant Valley Road) Sundays at 7:30 pm! Ages 10 to adults are welcome for a weekly community ball game. Don't forget Rover! The off-leash dog park on Carter Crescent is open throughout the summer so the pooches can get some exercise too.

Billings Library is bringing back the annual book sale in a big way! Saturday, July 23, from 11 am to 3 pm, you can browse 3-years' worth of book sale books at the market pavilion. Don't forget to grab some Burt Farm smokies and hotdogs hot off the BBQ. All proceeds go to support the library.

What's that you say? The library should kick off the return of the sale with a concert with local musicians? Way ahead of you! Musicians will be performing at the pavilion on the evening of Friday, July 22. We will have more details soon, and also keep your eyes peeled to the Kagawong Facebook page.

But wait, there's more! The wildly popular 'Blind Date With a Book' fundraiser kicks off today! Newly published books are wrapped in plain wrapping, with only the barest of information about the genre and general feel of the story. For the bargain price of \$25, your date will take you on untold adventures, and like any good date, brings you chocolate (generously donated by Manitoulin Chocolate Works). Blind date books are only available at the library's table at the market on Wednesdays and only while supplies last. Last year the books sold out in three market days, so don't wait or you'll find yourself alone and chocolate-less, just like your mother warned you!

Speaking of the market, today there are around 70 vendors set up in the downtown market area! Our little market is exploding with all sorts of amazing, creative, delicious, and practical things. Be sure to check it out (Wednesdays 10

am to 3 pm).

Manitoulin's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be on Saturday, July 23, from 1 pm to 4 pm. Collection depot for our township will be the Mindemoya Roads Building (7 Lakeshore Road off highway 542/551 in Mindemoya). For a complete listing of what the collection will accept, visit the township website at <http://billingstwp.ca>.

Team Aelick is 'Strolling for Liver' again this year and would like to thank everyone who came out to support the fundraising yard sale they held last weekend. You can still support the Canadian Liver Foundation by donating online or by joining Team Aelick on Sunday, August 28 for the 5 km stroll through the village.

There's been so much on the go in Kagawong this week that we haven't been able to squeeze in a pun or two. That's a shame, because we know that seven days without a pun makes one weak. Have a good one!

### Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

The First of July Weekend had lovely weather and lots of celebrations. It was wonderful.

We were away in the Sault last week visiting my Aunt and came home on July first. The lineup of cars waiting to get across the bridge was amazing. We spent half an hour in stop and go traffic inching our way down the highway and across the bridge. If the bridge had swung we would have been there longer.

Passing through Little Current, it looked like there were masses of people in the downtown. We did not stop because we really wanted to get home.

It was wonderful to arrive back home. The closer we got to Meldrum the bigger our smiles grew.

Last week I reported fireworks were to be put on by the Meldrum Bay store for Canada Day, but they actually did the fireworks Saturday night instead. Thanks to the store for their contribution to the community. In the store parking lot, they were busy serving up food each day.

There were some boats at the docks but the masses of colourful tents and trailers at the campground added to the festive feeling.

Several of the people from Meldrum went to Silver Water to enjoy their festivities and everyone said that they had a great time.

Barb and Mort were up for a visit. I had not seen them since they sold their cottage on Water Street.

At church this morning it was announced that next week there will be strawberry shortcake at the hall with church to follow. I am looking forward to it. For next week, church will be at a different time, in the evening instead of the morning.

Rick and I stopped in at Seven 2 One Studio on Mississagi Lighthouse Road and looked over their items that they had on display. We had a long chat and they said that they have been quite busy this year. There was a variety of nice stuff to both look at and to buy. There was also a table and chairs to sit at under the trees.

Our condolences go out to the family in Zhiibaahaasing who lost their home in an overnight fire. The only good news was that nobody was hurt.

Euchre was cancelled for the July 1st weekend but will be back to normal next week at 7 pm Friday night in the hall. See you there.

### Barrie Island Lillian Greenman

Sandy and Jim Miller from Ottawa are here for a few

weeks and visiting family.

Carolyn Lane-Rock was part of a group of athletes inducted into the University of Guelph Sports Hall of Fame on June 25th. She played on the girls' hockey team from 1967-1971 and said it was a great evening and good to reconnect with old friends.

Lorne and Dawn Calback and boys from Garson visited on the weekend with his parents George and Carolyn.

### Silver Water Karen Noble

Art Harper's funeral was held at the Silver Water Cemetery on June 29, 2022.

Friday, we went into Gore Bay to visit all the vendor booths and check out the sidewalk sales from the local businesses.

Friday evening, Anne Boyd, Albert and I went to Meldrum Bay for the fireworks, but they didn't happen until Saturday night. We had a visit with some of the locals and fed many mosquitoes.

Donna Kay McDonald, Lorna Cambria and many other ladies and gentlemen worked very hard to organize the fabulous festivities held on July 2, 2022. The parade winners are as follows: Best Float for costumes and theme in first place was 'Circus Animals on Parade' including Linda Thiessen's painting and several children, second place was the UCW 'Under the Big Top' with ringmaster Marie Leeney, Tightrope Walker Kay Everett and Fortune Teller Lois Wismer. Best Float with music was first place Lisa and Lindsay Addison's 'Under the Big Top', and second place was April and Alan Bois' 'The Lion's Cage' with the dog lion. Best Entry in the walking category was first place Myra Duncanson in the clown costume and second place Erwin Thompson in his kilt regalia. Best Entry for comedy was first place Mike Wilkers on his Honda dirt bike and second place Donna Kay McDonald dressed as a clown riding on her ATV. Best entry for children was Brooklyn Watson on her Crazy Circus Bike. Best entry for antiques was Gene Cada. The fire trucks and fire department Yamaha side-by-side were all in the parade driven by Kit McEvoy, Doug Wismer, Colin Frame, and Eric Thiessen. Jane Wismer did the announcing for the parade. There were two baseball games that helped draw a very big crowd. Many thanks to Paul Sheppard and Lisa Corbiere Addison and everyone else who helped get them organized. Thirteen donated pies were sold by the slice. All the children who participated in the games were seen carrying lots of prizes afterwards. The men were kept very busy cooking sausages and hot dogs. The ladies scooped a lot of ice cream and sold cups of coffee all day. The best part of the event was seeing the many generations of each family come out together and enjoy all the activities. I estimate at least 50 children attended.

Sunday morning, we went to Sheshewaning to check out their market, but it was not on. We had a visit with Randi and had a wonderful lunch at the Snak Shack.

Doug and Brenda Carter spent the weekend camping in southern Ontario with their motorcycle club.

There will be an ice cream party on July 6 at 7 pm at Linda Thiessen's home. The party will move to the community hall if the weather is bad. The UCW invites all the ladies to attend, bringing an ice cream topping and a chair. There will be discussion of a theme for July 1, 2023.

The big bin clean-up day for the residents of Robinson Township has been changed to Saturday, July 16th to avoid the long weekend celebrations. No solid metal items will be accepted.

Condolences to the family of Bernadette Walker.

# Manitowaning woman helping to organize July 17 Roe vs. Wade protest

SUDBURY—Like so many nationwide, Manitowaning's Cassie Kuntsi was distressed by the United States Supreme Court overturning of Roe vs. Wade, the historic 1973 Supreme Court case which ruled that the restrictive state regulation of abortion is unconstitutional.

On June 24 of this year, that same court overturned the ruling, stating that the United States Constitution "makes no reference to abortion, and no such right is implicitly protected by any constitutional provision..."

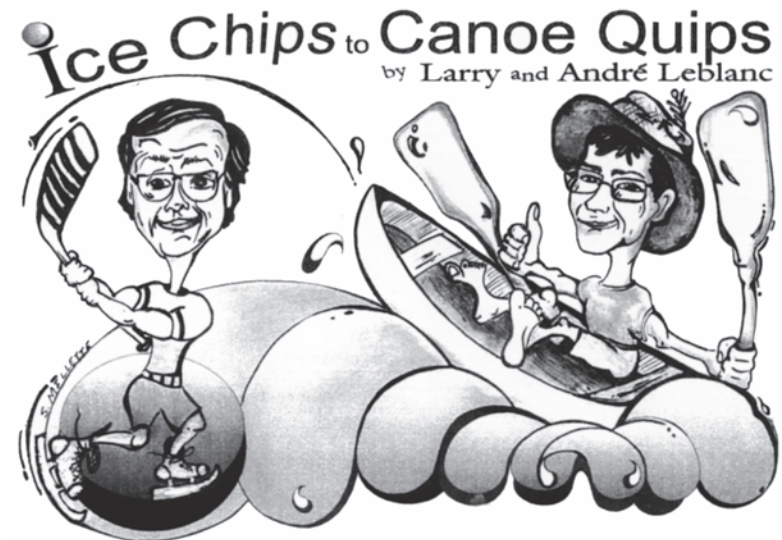
Protestors immediately took to the streets which moved Ms. Kuntsi to action. On Sunday, July 17, Ms. Kuntsi is helping to organize a Roe vs. Wade protest in Sudbury.

"This is an important cause to me as a woman, a daughter, a sister and a future mother because I believe that while humans have fought, protested and died for this cause almost 50 years ago, the Supreme Court of the United States has taken the free will that was earned and thrown it away," Ms. Kuntsi told The Expositor. "This has created an understanding across the world that women in America are not worthy of their own lives; women in America are meant to be incubators without regard of their own safety or wellbeing; women in America do not deserve to make choices about their own bodies. The issue with this is that criminalizing abortions will not erase abortions. It makes abortions less safe for mothers who have to make what is a very difficult choice. It means that countless women will die trying to maintain their own bodily autonomy. This cannot be acceptable. We have grown as a civilization to become open minded, loving and accepting."

This world, where the overturning of Roe v. Wade decision is allowed to go unanswered, a world where women do not have the basic human right to choose, this is not a world that I want to live in," an emotional Ms. Kuntsi continued. "So I am standing in solidarity as part of a strong group of people so that women in America who are affected by this decision know that they are not alone in this fight."

The Sudbury Roe vs. Wade protest will take place at Sudbury's Bell Park on Sunday, July 17 beginning at 1 pm.

For more information, please contact northernnonprochoice-protests@gmail.com. There will also be a protest in North Bay on July 24 at the court house, also at 1 pm.



## View from the bow seat

It was with great pleasure that I had a chance to be in the Current to Killarney Canoe Fest race this past Saturday. The canoe-ish event, which has not been able to run since its 2019 inaugural iteration, took place on Saturday under threatening wind forecasts. Organizers from Manitoulin Brewing Company were waiting with bated breath until a half hour before the 8 am mass start before deciding that the race would happen.

Their no-go wind speed was 25 kilometers per hour at race time and it was touch and go at the Spider Bay Marina on Saturday morning. With the wind whipping up the North Channel so much so that there were whitecaps waiting for their decision. As it turned out the race was on and despite the crazy winds at least they would be behind the paddlers.

The 16 boats queued up on the start line, readying themselves to turn east for their 34 kilometre wavy challenge across the traditional trading route. In 2019 the race was nearly in jeopardy because of crazy winds but from the east, a super nasty headwind. This time, with following seas, there were different difficulties but they were just faster! In fact, finishing times were around one to two hours faster!

The huge tailwind sped things up but there were times (like every seventh wave) when we would put our paddle down and there was no water to pull against thanks to the three foot swells. Amazingly, there was not a single dunking, not that we all were dry!

One of the inspiring teams were the Thunder Sisters who were based out of Birch Island. The team was well trained and handled the waves with expertise. Congratulations to members including: Hunter Shawanda, Anita McGregor, Toni Kitchimokman, Kiana Peltier, Caitlin Pitawanakwat, Crystal Clark-McGregor, Melanie Manitowabi, Kathleen Megwanebi, Sydney Megwanebi, KC Megwanebi, Jo-anne Esquimaux, Nala Toulouse, Taylor McGregor and Angela Vaillancourt.

## Duathlon doer!

Lorrilee McGregor has been one of the most active participants in all manners of sporting events, all over Ontario, for the last number of years. Lorrilee who is a super-versatile athlete, is not nervous to try anything for fitness. For instance a couple of weeks ago she participated in the Guelph Lake Duathlon and she came third in her age group. She had planned on doing the triathlon but it was unseasonably cool and windy and was still up for the adjusted format. Way to go Lorrilee, keep on keeping on!

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# ...Manitoulin's oldest golf course

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these days. "My wife, Emily Thiang and I used to golf every weekend before our sons were born," he said.

The business purchase was "kind of spontaneous," Mr. Middleton explained. "Cheryl emailed me in the winter and asked if I would change my week staying at Pirate's Cove. She said the deal they had expected fell through. John had previously told me the golf course and cottages were up for sale." He talked it over with his wife and she agreed with the purchase, as the Middleton family stays there every summer and there is a family connection.

Jack and Marian Seabrook built Brookwood Brae in 1964. "Dad sold Massey Harris tractors and was a machinist," recalls John. "He would get trade-ins for his work all the time, like sheep, and he would keep the animals on the farm until the fall."

The farm had belonged to Ben Becks, Mr. Seabrook added. "He was married to my aunt Priscilla, my grandfather Joe Hodgson's sister. Eventually, my grandfather inherited the farm and my dad bought Pirate's Cove Cottages, which were built in the 1950s."

"The joke was always that Brookwood Brae was built as a golf course because my dad didn't think there would be much work to it," Mr. Seabrook said. "My dad had a bad back and no one knew anything about golf."

The original clubhouse was made from a box off a dump truck with a wood structure built on that. There were about six golf carts. "The fridge was in the middle of the clubhouse and for 25 cents, you could buy a chocolate bar and a pop," said Mr. Seabrook. That clubhouse was located in the middle of the existing parking lot. "Then dad built the old clubhouse, and I built the first part of the new clubhouse in 1983," he said. There have been a couple of additions since then. In 1992, he tore down the old building and rebuilt it, and purchased Pirate's Cove Cottages.

In 1993, Mr. Seabrook moved the barn behind the first green and built both bridges. All of the greens on the current course were originally in different locations and the golf course only had eight holes initially.

"There are a zillion stories about the course," said Mr. Seabrook. "A guy did an article on me in a golf magazine years ago. I was a 21-year-old kid who owned a golf course. And I didn't know a thing about it. But all kinds of people pitched in and helped out."

In those early days, green fees



John Seabrook, left, and his wife Cheryl recently sold the Brookwood Brae Golf Course and Pirate's Cove Cottage to Toronto resident Logan Middleton, right, Mr. Seabrook's nephew.

were two dollars. "We couldn't go to three bucks or we would have no one to play," he noted. "Dad had maybe 50 members when he opened the course. I remember the first year, membership fees were \$50 for the year. I had people from Mindemoya pay for a membership every year, who never played golf. This business has been super well supported by members of the community: people like Pick Wass, who owned Wagg's store, and Martin Taylor paid for years and never played the course."

Pirate's Cove Cottages ownership came to John Seabrook's great uncle and aunt, Alma and the late Allan Tustian, and eventually John Seabrook purchased it from them, restoring the entire original farm back to single ownership.

Mr. Middleton doesn't have any current plans to move to the Island or to make any changes with what the Seabrooks have been doing with the course, or current employees. "My plan is to do nothing and change nothing," he quipped. "If it makes money, I'll keep investing in the course and the cottages to make them better every year."

There is a general manager in place. "Charlie Hopton basically uprooted his family in Sudbury to move to Manitoulin Island. He will be the general manager and his wife Kristina has experience working at restaurants in Sudbury, so she will work in the clubhouse. Laurie Beaudin basically handles men's and ladies' nights and the weekends. She basically handles all the important stuff when Steve (Shaffer) is not there."

"John has kept the course in great shape for so long," Mr. Mid-

dleton said. "We have Blair Kalmikov, who will take over from John whenever he wants to retire. Something tells me he will stay on a lot longer than the one year he has been talking about, and I hope that is the case. He has done a fantastic job with the course."

Mr. Seabrook said he will continue running the business like it is his own for a year, and wife Cheryl is helping out too in the clubhouse.

"Logan told me that I still get to do any improvements that I want. But we are looking for people to help with the grounds," said Mr. Seabrook. "We have a good core staff, just not enough to do all the work involved."

Because they're short staffed they, "can't do the fun stuff," said Mr. Seabrook. Once school gets out, there will be two summer students working there.

The golf course is very busy. "COVID-19 was the best thing to hit golf," said Mr. Seabrook. There were 102 golfers out on Wednesday night men's night, last week and 45 ladies out for ladies' night.

"Logan had called me and said I think I can buy the business," said Mr. Seabrook. "I was talking to someone else at the time but I sold it to Logan and I can't imagine a better deal. It would only be better if (Logan) bought it to work here. So far, he's bought it to have someone else run it. No, I'm not going to quit. I won't work every day, but I love doing projects. I've quit cutting the grass. But I'll be there, as long as I can do it."

"Logan has always wanted a piece of Manitoulin Island," Mr. Seabrook added. "He's got a good piece of it now."

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## ...Youth water ambassadors visit Wiikwemkoong, learn about resource

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nects to the ocean, whether that's two of the three breaths that we take, whether that's the water that we drink or it's the freshwater that's affected by ocean pollution, climate change and ocean plastics."

The 10-day learning journey is usually co-delivered with Indigenous partners "who know the land the best, its history, and also to help us better understand complexity of interconnection of the underlying threats of our aquatic habitats," explained Ms. Morningstar. "Our hopes were that our Great Lakes ambassadors could learn traditional land and water protection and knowledge of the Great Lakes from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory, and then also be inspired to lead environmental service projects in their local communities that are focused on addressing ocean and freshwater conservation across Canada," she continued.

The Expositor reached out to Luke Wassegijig at Wikwemikong Tourism and Doris Peltier at Wikwemikong Heritage Organization. Ocean Bridge's goal aligned with group programming offered by Wikwemikong Tourism, noted Luke Wassegijig, Wikwemikong Tourism manager. He gave credit to Naomi Mishibinijima, who "connected the dots" and helped build the itinerary with the Ocean Bridge team. The collaborative effort, with the Heritage Organization and Lands Department, "was a great opportunity for us to share, to educate, to have the group here on our territories," he said. "Wiikwemkoong covers a vast area throughout the islands and throughout Killarney so it was a good opportunity for them to see everything."

The Ocean Bridge cohorts visited Wiikwemkoong from May 27 to June 5 and from June 17 to 26. "We were introduced to sustainable fishing. We were introduced to a water walking ceremony with a ceremony leader. We celebrated National Indigenous Peoples Day where our ambassadors volunteered, taking data of people who were attending," Mr. Wassegijig said. The group also went on a Baie Fine cruise, visited Lake Topaz, and worked with Water Rangers testing kits.

Ambassador Nicole Doray teaches climate science and human-centered design in Toronto. "Where I'm really passionate is bridging climate science with traditional ways of



Ocean Bridge youth worked alongside Wiikwemkoong species-at-risk staff to build bat houses at the Prairie Point Marsh.

knowing and reconciliation is incredibly important to me," she said. "This is an opportunity for me to learn and the community has been so overwhelmingly generous with their knowledge and their time. I got into it looking for a learning opportunity and to build new relationships. We had Doris and Norma take us on a water walk and that was so powerful and so moving, just an experience that I think most of us, myself included, will hold close to our hearts for a very long time. Their generosity, their kindness, it's an overwhelming feeling coming into a community looking to learn and with the hope of building relationships and find that you're so well received."

"From what they've shared, after attending the water walk, it's really helped to raise the importance of water and why we need to protect it," Ms. Morningstar said. "It was a very grounding experience for them. One of those important things is we need to protect the medicines in and around the water and if the water's polluted, this affects the medicine. This was just an example of what we learned about why we need to also protect the water."

The water walk was led by water walkers Norma Peltier and family, as well as relatives Mark Shigwaja, Michelle Roy, May Roy and Shauna Pitawanakwat.

For most of the ambassadors, attending the powwow was another first. "We were just there and very open to receiving the experience and hoping to be a positive presence there and a positive energy as spectators," Ms. Doray said. "Stitch (Manitowabi) came over to our group and said 'every-one, get up and dance and

participate.' I think we were very conscious of our positionality as non-Indigenous folks coming into the community and we wanted to be very respectful. I think we needed permission to participate in that way. We all got up and danced around the circle and it was such an energizing, community-building experience. Again, I just feel so overwhelmed by their generosity of time. That was just a big moment for me personally and I think for most of us."

Ambassador Joanna Tucci holds both bachelors and masters degrees in environmental biology. She's always been passionate about animals and the environment and wanted to help in some way. When she saw a friend's social media posts from the 2021 Ocean Bridge program, she couldn't wait to apply. "I wanted to gain more knowledge and experience in the environmental biology field and to come out of it with something and help my career a bit," she said.

Ms. Tucci works in conservation biology for the Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), teaching different programs to school groups. After this trip she's starting a new job within TRCA, an eight-week research contract doing research on wetlands. "My thesis was on using native non-invasive plants in wetlands so that's why I'm really excited for today at the marsh," she said.

Both groups spent their first day in Wiikwemkoong with Species at Risk coordinator Theodore Flamand and his team, ending up at Meshkoodayang Shkoo sii (Prairie Point marsh) outdoor learning environment, where they cleared an area for tree planting by school

children and built bat houses, while also learning about species at risk, native species and ecosystem survival.

"This is pretty life changing, to be honest," Ms. Tucci said.

"You talk about being impactful," said Mr. Wassegijig. He noted that for Wikwemikong Tourism's Noah Manitowabi, the experience reminded him how important their work is. "This is exactly why he's doing what he's doing. It's impactful. He actually felt that there was a connection that was made. I think that's the importance of the work we do here. It's not only about Indigenous tourism. It's also about connecting and sharing stories of the land with the people."

When reminded of how



Ocean Bridge ambassador preparing area for manoomin (wild rice) dancing, part of the preparation of wild rice that includes gathering, roasting, dancing and winnowing. Earlier in the day, species at risk coordinator Theodore Flamand gave a presentation on the history and culture surrounding manoomin.

the experience had impacted Ms. Doray's understanding of reconciliation, Mr. Wassegijig pointed out that's where the heart of our programming from Wikwemikong Tourism comes from. "Before we start with any group, the first thing is understanding the people," he explained. "Understanding the connection to the land. Fostering that piece of reconciliation. Reconciliation starts with knowing the history of the land, so we start all

of our experiences with our unceded journey. Although we did a modified version of it with Ocean Bridge, it gives them an opportunity, as soon as they're engaged with us, to learn the history because that's where it starts. That's where reconciliation starts. It starts with knowing the people and the place and the connection to the people and the place."

## Thank you! Miigwetch!

We would like to give a **BIG THANKS**

to all those who helped to make the Canada Day live auction for Ukraine a big success.

Thanks to the kindness of all those businesses, groups and individuals who donated items and to those who came out and made charitable bids.

We would like to thank Ivan Wheale for the generous donation of one of his world-famous works of art, 'Grassy Shore,' and offer our congratulations to the proud new owner.

A chi-miigwetch to our auctioneer, Norm Morrell, for offering his considerable talents under a blazing hot sun. We really appreciate your help, Norm!

And many thanks to those people who made the auction happen: Debbie Bailey, Marilyn Harasym, Liberty Mainprize, Evan Roy, Michael Erskine and Gary Desilets.

**Together we raised over a whopping \$12,000 for the people of Ukraine!**

All of the monies raised will be sent to the charity AMURT this week.

Again, thank you, thank you, thank you!

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George Kopylov,  
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The Manitoulin Expositor

## ...Two people arrested in Sheguiandah FN shooting

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himself into the police. As was reported in last week's edition of The Expositor, a 32-year-old Sheguiandah First Nation man, Cheyenne Roy, was fatally injured in a Friday, June 24 shooting that took place in the community that evening. On Monday morning, June 27, Mr. Roy succumbed to his injuries at Health Sciences North in Sudbury.

Police reported that the suspect in the shooting, Mr. Duncan, fled prior to police arriving on the scene.

A member of Mr. Roy's family blamed the hard drugs that have infiltrated the community, and all Island communities, for this tragedy. "It was only a matter of time (before drug violence came to Sheguiandah)," the family member told The Expositor in a previous interview.

On June 24, at approximately 11:45 pm, the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Anishnaabe Police were called regarding a weapons complaint at an address on Wiingush Miikan, Sheguiandah First Nation. When police arrived on the scene, they located Mr. Roy who had sustained gunshot injuries. He was transported by ambulance to hospital where he later died.

If anyone has further information regarding this incident, or knows the whereabouts of the suspect, contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or your nearest police service. Should you wish to remain anonymous you can call the Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit your tip online at [www.sudburycrimestoppers.com](http://www.sudburycrimestoppers.com).



# ...Members of the 348 Sea Cadet Corps recognized for tremendous efforts

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 Officer (CPO1) Dayna Beauchamp who would display the letter that the sea cadets would display. Semaphore is a method of visual signalling, usually by means of flags or lights, to help signal between distant points or between ships. Using flags, the ship's company spelled out, "Have a Great Summer."

The top junior cadet award, presented by NDCT Daniel Bussieres, was presented to Ordinary Cadet Lordes Taukei and Ordinary Cadet Austin Flikweert. "This junior cadet has shown dedication to achieving high level of drill, deployment, dress and discipline," said Mr. Bussieres.

The top senior cadet, to demonstrating proficiency in physical fitness and marksmanship, as well as dedication to the program and their country; for demonstrating the qualities of Lord Strathcona and lending their own personal legacy at this corps and within the community through their service, for performance, example and excellence as a cadet."

dent Bob Jewell said, "I would like to thank everyone for coming out here today. It is nice to see all the parents and their children here. Congratulation to the cadets who had to go through the pandemic. You had to stick with your training, mostly virtual, and demonstrated true perseverance and commitment."

they do, they value your children and that's why they are doing what they do."

LtN Boucher said, "I

would like to thank the Legion branch for everything you do for this program. And our staff, which

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The Top Junior Cadet Award to Ordinary Cadet Austin Flikweert and Lourdes Taukei.



The Fred Nesbitt Award for Most Improved Cadet was presented to PO2 Landon Aelick, right, by Naval Cadet Administration Officer Daniel Bussieres.



The Ed Kift Esprit De Corps award was presented by Lieutenant Navy Commanding Officer Sylvain Boucher, left to PO1 Lydia Pennings.



Left, Lieutenant Navy Commanding Officer Sylvain Boucher presents the Most Outstanding Cadet Award to Coxswain CPO1 Dayna Beauchamp.

The cadet awards and presentations were then made.

Manitoulin Navy League Branch president Bob Jewell presented cadet service medals to Petty Officer 1 Rhys Allison, Petty Officer 1 Savannah Crack, and Petty Officer 1 Lydia Pennings. The medals are presented to a cadet who has dedicated four or more years of service to The Royal Canadian Sea Cadets. Lt(N) Boucher, presented the most outstanding cadet award to Chief Petty Officer 1 Dayna Beauchamp. "The award is presented to the cadet who best exemplifies the cadet movement. The cadet chosen has excelled in drill, dress, deportment, and leadership skills and is the most outstanding Sea Cadet in the Manitoulin Corps."

The recruiting award, a \$50 cash award, was presented by Naval President Jewell, to Ordinary Cadet Zach Peltier.

the cadet who has shown dedication to achieving high level of drill, deportment, dress and discipline was presented by Acting Sub-Lieutenant (ASLT) Tina Davidson to Petty Officer first class 1 Rhys Allison.

Reviewing officer Killeen presented the Lord Strathcona Medal to PO 1 Rhys Allison. Mr. Bussieres explained, "the Lord Strathcona Medal is one of the highest awards that can be granted to a cadet. It demonstrates all that Lord Strathcona himself personified: hard work, dedication, service to Canada, excellence in all pursuits, vision, perseverance, and intelligence and a focus on stewardship of our country, it's health and vibrancy and that of its youth."

"The recipient today has been singled out amongst his peers for outstanding performance as a cadet," said NCdt Bussieres. "For

The Fred Nesbitt Award for most improved cadet was presented to Petty Officer Landon Aelick, by NCdt Daniel Bussieres. "This cadet has shown the most overall improvement in drill, deportment, dress and discipline."

The George Bury Memorial Award Fidus Amicus (A True Friend Award) was presented by retired Chief Petty Officer Lauren MacKay to PO 1 Rhys Allison. The selection is made by secret ballot by the cadets themselves.

The Ed Kift Esprit De Corps Award was presented to PO Lydia Pennings. The award is presented to a cadet who significantly contributes to the feeling of pride, fellowship and loyalty shared by the cadets.

The Jeff Marshall Outstanding citizenship award was presented by ASlt Tina Davidson to PO1 Savannah Crack. "This award is given to the cadet who exemplifies the cadet program's commitment to volunteering within our communities."

The Top Marksmanship Award was presented by Lieutenant Navy (retired) Denis Blake to PO1 Rhys Allison. The award is presented to the cadet who consistently achieves the top score in both practice and competition.

Manitoulin Naval Presi-

## ...campaign for cancer research

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"From there, the whole thing snowballed," said Mr. Carrick. "Charleigh took to social media online and she kept adding guys to the list who said they would get their hair dyed green if people donated to this cause."

"Five of us, Kevin Moulton, Adam Smith, Kyle Watson, Travis Dewar, Ryan Prior and myself joined in," said Mr. Carrick. "We all met at Travis' house and our wives were there as well. We all had our hair bleached and coloured green, with Charleigh doing the touch-ups. A total of \$4,100 was raised."

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# ...one of two in Canada to be EcoCertified

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According to EcoSchools Canada, any level of certification is an achievement to be proud of. It indicates that a school is taking action on climate change while empowering students to make climate-conscious decisions in their daily lives, and to share these learnings with their families and communities.

The significance of the certification, however, is best reflected in the overall impact these environmental efforts have on the planet by supporting the United Nations sustainable development goals; 815 kilograms of waste diverted from landfill and 41 tons of CO2 emissions reduced from school ground greening activities, Mr. Bourget told the board. "In addition, 13 schools participated in actions related to water conservation, 281 classrooms had their energy efficiency optimized and 1,828 waste-free lunches were packed and taken to school." Rainbow schools promoted responsible consumption and production, climate action, clean water and sanitization, affordable and clean energy and sustainable cities and communities.

The top 10 environment actions that occurred in Rainbow Schools (in reverse order), include indoor gardening and greenhouses, pollinator gardens, National Sweater Day, Take Me Outside Day, switch off lights and devices, Earth Day, community clean-up, waste-free lunch, good on one side paper and, ranked number one, create your own action. Schools went beyond traditional environmental practices and found creative ways to make a difference.

When RDSB declared a climate change emergency in 2018, a commitment was made to have all of its schools EcoSchools Canada Certified by 2022.

"On behalf of the board, I commend all schools for their outstanding achievement," said board chair Bob Clement. "The board made the commitment, schools embraced the challenge and student and staff worked with purpose and with passion to achieve



Manitoulin Secondary School boasts a greenhouse to hone students' green thumbs.



Manitoulin Secondary School students make seed balls in honour of Earth Day.

their goals."

"As we celebrate the happy outcome, we can all be proud that we have made a difference. More importantly, we have instilled in students and the school communities that we serve eco-friendly practices that will last a lifetime," said Mr. Clement.

"I would like to congratulate all our schools, staff members, administration and students," said Mr. Bourget. "The (RDSB) made a commitment and the schools, staff and, especially the students, made it happen."

"With our ongoing focus on sustainability, our

schools have reduced their carbon footprints," said Mr. Bourget who praised the board's environmental education committee for its leadership and all schools for their stewardship.

"Our schools have demonstrated that the smallest of changes can have profound impacts," said Mr. Bourget. "Students are adopting the values and behaviours required to achieve sustainability, transferring what they are learning in the classroom into their homes and into their communities. This generation is leading the way, paving

the path forward for those who will follow in their footsteps."

The EcoSchools commitment is the cornerstone of the board's climate change action plan. Guided by five key principles: promotion of global stewardship through EcoSchools Canada certification practices, inclusive of Indigenous perspectives, evidence based and data driven initiatives, supporting educators with knowledge and resources, (and working closely with community parents-the plan aims to raise student, educator, staff and parent awareness of environmentally responsible practices), embed eco policies within the board's strategic planning supporting, supporting sustainability and establishing environmental leadership groups to empower others to act as responsible environmental citizens.

Certification recognizes achievement in six key areas: ecological literacy, energy conservation, environmental stewardship, school ground greening, teamwork and leadership, and waste minimization. The certification standards align directly with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, making the program an excellent tool for tracking progress. It was estimated that having all Rainbow schools certified has the potential to save 916 tonnes of CO2 emissions in this school year alone.

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# Weengushk International Film Festival returns this weekend with a mission

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—It has been a challenging couple of years for the arts, with many events moving online with mixed results, but this year Weengushk International Film Festival (WIFF) will return with 40 live showings. The festival will feature a very special guest at the Closing Night Gala, Tom Cochrane! The legendary musician best known for 'Life is a Highway' and his work with Red Rider will be closing WIFF 2022 with a live performance at Four Directions Complex in Aundeck Omni Kaning.

The theme of this year's event is 'Write from the Womb' and showcases women, two-spirit and non-binary Indigenous filmmakers, changemakers, musicians and creatives. WIFF founder, director, actor and writer, Dr. Shirley Cheechoo, chose the theme to help amplify and recognize the voices of women.

The festival will bring together film industry veterans as well as new and emerging independent filmmakers. Opening night will showcase important changemakers and keynote speakers, along with a screening of the film 'This Changes Everything'—a deep delve into gender disparity in Hollywood as seen through the eyes of actresses and female filmmakers. The film will be followed by an all-female panel of filmmakers, including globally acclaimed award winning director and Officer of The Order of Canada Alanis Obomsawin, established creator, creative director and producer Denise Bolduc, founder/executive of Reel World Film Festival, actress, producer, director and activist Tonya Lee Williams (Dr. Olivia Barber Winters from 'The Young and the Restless') and the panel will be moderated by award-winning director, producer and filmmaker Phyllis Ellis. The night will wrap with musical performances by Six Nations of the Grand River's blues and singer-songwriter Lacey Hill and international artist Iranian contemporary folk music Rastak.

On Saturday, participants will be able to access film screenings of both feature and shorts films across 10 programs at both locations, Four Directions Complex and AOK Band Office in Aundeck Omni Kaning. There will also be workshops held at Weengushk Film Institute (WFI) all day with industry-led professionals such as Tina Keeper, Ben Cheechoo, Elaine Bomberry, Sara Alfaro and more. The day will conclude with a free youth horror night screening of Nyla Innuksuk's sci-fi/horror film 'Slash/Back.' The film follows Maika and her ragtag

friends who discover an alien invasion in their tiny arctic hamlet, it's up to them to save the day. Utilizing their makeshift weapons and horror movie knowledge, the aliens realize you don't mess with girls from Pang.

WIFF's closing film will be a special screening of Bretten Hannam's 'Wildhood,' a feature length drama that follows two brothers who embark on a journey to find their birth mother and reconnecting with their Indigenous heritage along the way.

The WIFF 2022 will close with a red carpet gala and award show that will include dinner, awards, keynote speakers and entertainment—including George Leach, Rastak and more.

WIFF aims to amplify marginalized voices and stories that have historically been silenced. The festival has created space for young Indigenous artists and filmmakers to take control of their own narratives, showcasing stories that are unique to their communities, strengths and challenges. Free workshops will be held at the Weengushk Film Institute in M'Chigeeng First Nations. Screenings and concerts will be held at Four Directions Complex and AOK administration office in Aundeck Omni Kaning on Manitoulin Island.

"It has always been our mission to support Indigenous and emerging voices that have historically been marginalized. We are proud to be able to continue to host our festival and come together in-person this year," said artistic director Dr. Shirley Cheechoo C.M in a release.

WIFF remains committed to our core philosophy to present valuable films that emphasize Indigenous voices and educate audiences on human rights, social issues, and the environment, while providing entertainment and an escape during these times of uncertainty. The full lineup of films and in-person events will be announced in the coming week on the Weengushk International Film Festival website.

WIFF 2022 will close with a Red Carpet Gala and Award Show starting at 5 pm on Sunday, July 10. The Closing Night Gala pass is \$145 plus HST and the evening will include dinner, awards, keynote speakers and entertainment, including R&B, soul, blues and rock musician and actor from Lillooet, BC, George Leach and Iranian contemporary folk music ensemble Rastak alongside Tom Cochrane!

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# ...Sheguiandah archaeological tour takes visitors back nearly 10,000 years

...continued from page 1 and on-line booking software last year with a grant of \$9,325 and in 2017 Canadian Heritage funded trail development to the tune of \$33,100.

It is anticipated the site will become a signature educational tourism draw to Manitoulin Island.

"It is nice to see the signage, stairs and walkways

for much of its existence as the ice-age glaciers retreated and was located along the course of a major trade route.

The Northeast Town is currently working on establishing a partnership with nearby Sheguiandah First Nation to better tell the Indigenous story through an Indigenous lens.

The site was rediscovered

with an earlier culture, but each culture utilized the unique stone to create tools and weapons that were traded as far away as the east coast, south beyond Florida and to the west across major pre-contact trade routes.

Ms. Fetterly describes the flora and fauna of the region, noting some of the medicinal plants and the

fact that Indigenous people had a use for nearly every plant.

The view from the top of the site is outstanding,

overlooking the countryside including a portion of Highway 6 and the forests and fields of Sheguiandah and well-worth the tour. It

also provides a wealth of information about this region's history, plants, paleontology, anthropology and geology.



The view from the top of the Sheguiandah Archaeological site is well worth the tour, but is just one of the many fascinating sights to be seen along the boardwalk.

photos by Michael Erskine



Tour guide Olivia Fetterly provides a knowledgeable interpretation of the many facets that encompass the Sheguiandah Archaeological site. The ancient quarry is designated as a National Historic Site.

in place," said Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin, who noted several municipal councillors shared his delight in the ease of access for the site when they had a tour before the official opening. "We had been on some previous tours where you had to weave your way up the hill through the bush. It was quite challenging back then."

"The walkway also helps to protect the site," said Mayor MacNevin.

Among the flora lining the walkway lies a natural security system against any pilferage of artifacts (a federal crime), plentiful amounts of poison ivy. "It does help to keep people from straying off the path," admitted Ms. Fetterly.

Along with numerous educational signs at key stops along the tour, metal silhouette cut-outs invoke the people, cultures and history of the site with graphic representations.

Ms. Fetterly explained that the site was also a habitation site, yielding pottery shards and domestic tools associated with habitation and has been used for many years as a spiritual centre by the Anishinabek, with sweat lodges, meditation and vision quests taking place. The site would have been surrounded by water

by Dr. Thomas Lee of the National Museum of Canada in 1954 while he was visiting Manitoulin in 1954. The site was re-investigated in 1991 by a team led by Dr. Patrick Julig (of Sheguiandah) and Dr. Peter Storck of the Royal Ontario Museum. The site has been a source of controversy due to Dr. Lee's assessment that the site was roughly 20,000 years old. While that cannot be completely ruled out, the later study concluded that Dr. Lee had based his assessment on sediments that most likely were taken to lower levels through the action of the roots of fallen trees and the churning of waves upon an ancient beach.

Tiny teeth of a prehistoric creature, similar to a lamprey eel, also played a role in helping to determine the age of the site—had artifacts been pre-glacial, those tiny teeth would have been crushed by the weight of the subsequent ice.

The tour follows a fairly accessible boardwalk constructed by the Northeast Town across a series of "steps," plateaus created by a succession of beaches down through millennia. Each of those steps rising up the hill are associated

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# Marina in Assiginack renamed in honour of PC Marc Hovingh

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—In a touching ceremony attended by a large crowd of community members, the Township of Assiginack renamed its Bay Street Marina to River Road Marina in tribute to one of its favourite residents, Provincial Constable (PC) Marc Hovingh who was slain in the line of duty in November of 2020.

PC Hovingh was an avid sailor and River Road was the name of his boat, a vessel upon which he and his family and friends

and the church. Marc was a constant figure in the community and had a friendly comment for everyone and was known for a great sense of humour.”

Ms. White noted that PC Hovingh loved being on the water on his sailboat River Road. “As the kids got older, you would often see Marc and Lianne heading out for a sail in the summer evenings.”

Assiginack Mayor Dave Ham delivered remarks on behalf of the citizens of Assiginack. “I am honoured to be able to perform this ceremony in honour of Marc Hovingh,” he said. “Marc was an incredible person and gave so much to this community and the Island as a whole and, in the end, gave his life to protect others.” Mayor Ham cited PC Hovingh’s many acts of kindness over the 23 years the family lived in the community.

PC Hovingh’s close friend and colleague,



PC Marc Hovingh’s wife Leanne thanks the many people and organizations who have helped her and her family through their darkest days.

created many happy memories.

PC Hovingh’s wife Lianne and their children, Laura, Nathan, Elena and Sarah attended the ceremony. “These are healing tears,” said Ms. Hovingh following the dedication and unveiling of a new sign identifying the marina.

PC Hovingh and his family immersed themselves in the community, noted events coordinator Jackie White. “Not only in Manitowaning, but on the Island as a whole,” Ms. White said. “Marc coached for Manitowaning Wolves hockey teams, the family was active in the elementary school




The Hovingh family listen as tributes are offered for slain PC Marc Hovingh during the dedication of River Road Marina in his memory.

retired Provincial Constable Julian Tonge, delivered a humorous and sensitive address in memory of his friend. “This is something that does not happen every day, nor should it,” said Mr. Tonge.

“I soon realized I was partnered with a very intelligent, gentle and hilarious

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- Homecoming Rib Cookoff Judge John Bisailon
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...continued from page 14 man," recalled Mr. Tonge. "Hard work and a deep friendship emerged" over the following 15 years.

He recalled sailing with PC Hovingh and the many conversations they had both at work and on the water.

Mr. Tonge recalled a humorous story of a trip to Heywood Island with a group of fellow officers.

"The sand beach was beautiful and stretched out in the clear water north for a long way," he said, describing how the group, anchored 200 yards from shore, set out for the beach in Mr. Tonge's small but robust one-person dingy. "It



Retired OPP colleague and close friend of PC Marc Hovingh, Julian Tonge, had the audience in stitches and tears as he recalled stories of his friend from their times together.

photos by Michael Erskine

only assume was knitted by his grandmother from some kind of rope and wearing jeans."

"We poor souls were seated in a vessel that had, maybe, a half an inch of freeboard, we were hanging onto the surface by a thread," said Mr. Tonge, as PC Hovingh descended into the skiff to join them. "Instantly we shot to the bottom of the lake."

"Maybe it was the sweater, maybe it was a displacement issue," said Mr. Tonge, but PC Hovingh patiently remained on the bottom despite the many feet bouncing on his face and body until the rest had cleared. "Feet, feet and more feet," said Mr. Tonge. Until the dingy landed on him. Mr. Hovingh then clambered ashore struggling to remove the sweater.

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Marina staff member Caitlyn Lentir wears a T-shirt bearing the new name of the marina during the Canada Day celebrations which followed the dedication ceremony.

was soon overloaded with heavy police officers," he said, along with barbecue

and supplies. "Marc, I should mention, was wearing a heavy-knit white woolen sweater that I can

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“Like a very drowned large rat he walked ashore. ‘Is the barbecue ready yet?’” recalled Mr. Tonge. “Nothing, nothing could phase that man.”

After another humorous story, slightly more risqué, that illustrated PC Hovingh’s dedication to duty, Mr. Tonge summed up what many in the audience were feeling. “My close, close partner is so sadly missed, but his memory will live on with his family and today’s lovely dedication.”

A poem by Henry Vandyke, an American writer, was then read out by Rhonda Bondi.

*“I am standing upon the seashore.  
A ship, at my side,  
spreads her white sails to the moving breeze  
and starts  
for the blue ocean.  
She is an object of beauty and strength.  
I stand and watch her until, at length,  
she hangs like a speck  
of white cloud just where the sea and sky  
come to mingle with each other.  
Then, someone at my side says, ‘  
There, she is gone.’  
Gone where?  
Gone from my sight. That is all.  
She is just as large in mast,  
hull and spar as she was  
when she left my side.  
And, she is just as able to bear her load  
of living freight to her destined port.  
Her diminished size is in me—not in her.  
And, just at the moment when someone  
says, ‘There, she is gone,’  
there are other eyes watching her coming,  
and other voices  
ready to take up the glad shout,  
‘Here she comes!’  
And that is dying...”*

The sign bearing the marina’s new name was then unveiled by Assiginack town staff to the applause of the audience.

“The ceremony for the renaming of the marina was quite touching. I congratulate the Township of Assiginack, as well as Lianne and her family for all the work they did in realizing this project,” said Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hugh-



Assiginack town staff unveil the new sign denoting the marina in Manitowaning as the River Road Marina. River Road was PC Hovingh’s beloved sailboat.

es following the ceremony. “Like a river that flows endlessly, the River Road Marina forever enshrines the legacy of Constable Marc Hovingh.”

PC Hovingh’s wife Lianne then addressed the crowd. “A perfect way to remember Marc,” she said. “I want to take a few moments to say thank you to the people and organizations who have lifted us up during our darkest time. Thank you to each and every one who mourned with us,” she said, citing the many blue hearts across the Island, the 500 cards that the family received and PC Marie Ford who set up a GoFundMe account for the children and a host of others.

“Thank you for all your thanks and prayers, I know they were heard by a loving God,” she said, thanking her church for the support, the officers and EMS who responded in November 2020, “not knowing if they would return to their families.”

Ms. Hovingh singled out PC Marie Ford, PC Bob Manley and Derek Needham for their tireless efforts on behalf of her family.

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- Chuc Willson, local author and organic grower will read from his newest book, The Longest Night of the People.
- Mark Seabook well-known Ojibwe artist, poet, playwright and performer will read from and discuss his new book, The Lottery Ticket.

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### July 9 & 10



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Fifteen month-old Xaden Chatwell, who along with his parents attended the Canada Day celebrations in Gore Bay, had to be one of the youngest taking part.



A host of junior cyclists, festooned with red and white, were in the Canada Day parade in Gore Bay.



Fireworks light up the Gore Bay skyline on Canada Day.



Not to be outdone, the fireworks in Providence Bay were great too.



Crowds lined the South Baymouth streets for the July 2 parade.



Ice Lake has cookies! Arlo Soligo definitely enjoyed his chocolate chip cookie at the Ice Lake Picnic.



Liberty Mainprize and George Kopylov hold an oil painting by Ivan Wheale, right, who congratulates auction winner Gary Trevisiol on his successful bid of \$5,250. A bargain of a catch. Auctioneer Norm Morrell can be seen between Mr. Trevisiol and Mr. Wheale. The charity auction in downtown Little Current on Canada Day during the Canada Day Summer Fair raised over \$12,000 for victims of the Russian invasion of Ukraine.



In the Silver Water Canada Day picnic parade, Erwin Thompson and Myra Duncanson took the first place prize for best entry walking.



Can't get more Canada Day than hot dogs on a hot day. There were plenty on hand at the Assiginack Canada Day celebrations.



An intrepid paddler was boasting about her journey to the South Baymouth Canada Day parade.



These two ladies were all decked out for Canada Day celebrations in Gore Bay.



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# Thousands attend annual Homecoming Weekend, Ribfest celebrations

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—By partnering with Ribfest and with no COVID to hamper attendance, the 45th annual Central Manitoulin Lions Club Homecoming Weekend was the most successful of all time, at least in terms of numbers of people in attendance.



The Pistolettes were one of the many live bands on hand during the Homecoming weekend celebrations.



Jorge Gonzalez of Go Gonzalez BBQ was on hand at his booth at Ribfest held as part of the Homecoming celebrations.

photos by Tom Sasvari

“I think we had a very good weekend,” stated Dale Scott, president of the Lions Club. “And working with Ribfest was certainly a good thing. The events brought in thousands of people. When I was helping to sell 50/50 tickets for a while, I would say 80 percent of the people who were buying the tickets I didn’t know, they were visitors to the Island. And on Saturday there were more children at the (Lions) pavilion than we have ever seen before, taking part in all the activities.”

“It was an amazing weekend,” stated Lions Club member Marcus Mohr. “It certainly did exceed my expectations. We’re already in discussions for next year.”

Daniel Duval of Manitoulin Events Group which put on Ribfest stated, “It was an awesome weekend and show. I walked around the community and saw people moving

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If we decrease stigma and increase our knowledge, together we can all play a role in wellness and recovery of our loved ones. The Centre for Addictions and Mental Health offers a **FREE** online course we invite individuals to take;

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URL: <https://moodle8.camhx.ca/moodle/course/view.php?id=11>

### Addiction: We need to talk about it

Sometimes people don't recognize the negative impacts of their substance use. Start the conversation with your friend, family member or neighbour to show you care.

- Show concern
- Keep an open dialogue
- Listen
- Don't stigmatize
- Be patient
- Make a list of the good things in their life

Let's work together to decrease stigma by changing the language we use.

TOPIC	INSTEAD OF	USE
People who use drugs	Addicts Junkies Users Drug Abusers Recreational Drug Users	People who use drugs People with a substance use disorder People with lived/living experience People who occasionally use drugs
People who have used drugs	Former drug addict Referring to a person as being "clean"	People who have used drugs People with lived/living experience People in recovery
Drug use	Substance/drug use Substance/drug misuse	Substance/drug use Substance use disorder/opiod use disorder Problematic [drug] use [drug] dependence

### Many things can play a part in your loved one experiencing addiction:

- Genetic factors
- Mental health issues
- How drugs interact with the brain
- Coping with thoughts and feelings
- Environment

More than 50% of people with substance use disorders also struggle with mental health problems, including trauma and grief. It's important to treat both to create balance of our Mind, Emotions, Body and Spirit.

### Sources:

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<https://cpsa.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Changing-how-we-talk-about-substance-use.pdf>  
<https://www.camh.ca/en/health-info/mental-illness-and-addiction-index/addiction>

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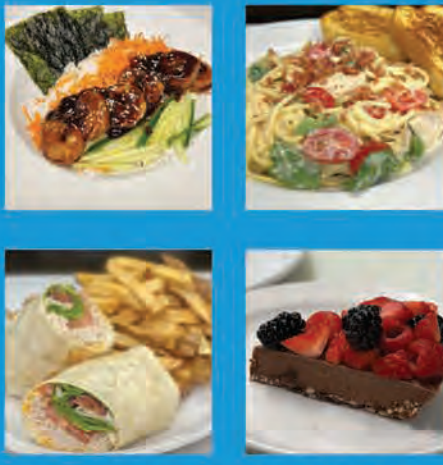
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# Summer PAGES



This year marks The Rain Barrel's second season at its new location across from the Little Current waterfront, but its 27th year in business.

"The Rain Barrel is so much more than gifts and souvenirs," explains

owner Kim Marshall. "We offer essentials for your everyday life." The store boasts a wide selection of kitchen and dining tools and accessories from top brands like OXO, Good Grips and Joseph. Some of The Rain Barrel's top sellers include their touch lighting, their exclusive Manitoulin Afghan and mugs, and Sterling Silver Manitoulin charm. You can also find gardening accessories like wind charms and solar lights.

There are gifts for any occasion such as wedding, new baby, birthday, christening, and both Canadian and Manitoulin Souvenirs. Please visit us at our new location at the waterfront.



35 Water Street East, Little Current  
705-368-1503 or 705-849-6029

Monday to Saturday 9:30 am to 5 pm, Sunday 11 am to 4 pm  
therainbarrelgifts.com



A must stop on Manitoulin is The Silo & Patio at Manitoulin Brewing Co. (MBC) in Little Current. Started by three guys from the North: Blair, Nishin and Joet, MBC draws inspiration from the Island with the branding behind their products based on Manitoulin

landmarks. With 18 different products, there is something for everyone. Products include but not limited to: Killarney Cream Ale, Swing Bridge Blonde Ale, Cup and Saucer English Ale, Haw Eaters' Brew, Bridal Vale Pale Ale, Ten Mile Point Pilsner, Endless Summer Pineapple Sour, Lemon Weiss, Haw Raz Jam Sour, Norisle Oatmeal Stout and Haw Pop.

Be sure to check out the MBC farm silo which has been retrofitted into a wicked draft dispensing bar. There is also a food truck on hand, The Brewgers, serving up delicious food to pair with your flight. Wednesday evenings head for the patio for live music throughout the month of July.



43 Manitowaning Road (HWY 6), Little Current  
705-370-5633

Mon-Thurs & Sun 11 am - 8 pm, Fri & Sat 11 am - 9 pm  
manitoulinbrewing.com



My Ol' Blues is a small apparel company which designs, manufactures and wholesales retail quality clothing for a casual lifestyle.

Founded by owner and designer

Kathryn Antonio in November 1993, all designs are patterned, cut, sewn and packaged in-house at the 2,000 square-foot production facility and store front in Gore Bay by a talented team that serves local customers year-round, in addition to seasonal and first-time visitors to Manitoulin.

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



7 Phipps St., Gore Bay  
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myolblues.com



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

Shop your favourite brands like Jag, Viking, Charlie Page, Soya Concept and Beta's Choice (new this summer), to name a few. "We always tell customers the truth," says owner Cindy Wright. "Since I opened the store 16 years ago, it has always been our policy to tell customers if something doesn't look good on them and help them find pieces that they will look and feel good in."

Cindy's Fashions also carries Fusion Mineral Paint, professional paint for the everyday DIY'er. With over 50 gorgeous colours to choose from, you can tackle any project small or large.



6143 King Street, Mindemoya  
705-377-4551

Tues-Fri 10 am-4 pm, Sat 10 am-3 pm  
cindys-fashions.com



In addition to the breathtaking lookout, Ten Mile Point Trading Post and Gallery in Sheguiandah has a unique and beautifully cultivated offering of Indigenous art, crafts, books, accessories and home décor. The gallery has been a family run business over 51 years and features prominent area artists such as Ivan Shawana, Duncan

Pheasant, Stan Panamick and Leland Bell.

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



12164 Highway 6, Sheguiandah  
705-368-2377

Monday to Sunday 10 am - 5 pm



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

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

downtown Little Current store features Ms. McCue's upcycled furniture pieces through the line 'Dorothy Rose Redesign, Upcycled By Connie McCue.'

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

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



15 Water Street East, Downtown Little Current  
Mon-Fri 10 am-5 pm, Sat 10 am-2 pm, CLOSED Sundays



North Channel Tours offers a variety of maritime services on the water around Manitoulin. From the Killarney region to the western reaches of the North Channel, their events program is comprised of regularly scheduled adventures offered to the public. The public events calendar is then carefully woven in with a busy private charter and motor coach agenda. North Channel Tours has two boats in its fleet, The Grand Heron, a

100-passenger capacity ship which departs from Little Current and the Le Petit OisEau with a capacity up to 12 passengers and departs from Little Current and Killarney.

There are a wide variety of tours which can be viewed and booked through their website.

Upcoming Tours - Voyage to Killarney: July 11, 18, 25; Baie Fine Fjord: July 6, 10, 20, 24; Sunset Cruise: July 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28; Benjamin Islands: July 13, 17, 27, 31; and Haweater Weekend: July 29, 30 and 31.



1 Water Street West, Little Current  
1-800-268-8222

Book online or view our full schedule at:  
northchanneltours.com



Island General Merchandise is located in downtown Gore Bay. "You don't need to drive to Sudbury or shop online - Island General Merchandise offers high-quality items in your own backyard," says Lyn Osborne who owns the business with her husband Dan. "Online shopping has its perks, but most of the time you're disappointed when it arrives in the mail. When you shop with us, you can feel the

product, and try it before you buy!"

Whether you are visiting Manitoulin or a year-round resident, Island General Merchandise has you covered with ladies' wear, men's wear, childing clothing, shoes, and accessories.

Brands include French Dressing Jeans, Lois, Joybees, Viking, Skechers, and Taos to name a few. Looking for Manitoulin gear? Island Promotional Products is your one-stop printing store.

Be sure to stop in for their summer sale on now!



37 Meredith Street, Gore Bay  
705-282-2629

Mon-Fri 9:30 am - 5:30 pm, Sat 9:30 am - 4 pm  
June, July and August: Open Thursday nights until 8 pm





# Manitoulin Island Stops and Shops Guide



Nestled along the side of Highway 6 in Sheguiandah is Ferguson's Cottage Supply Co., the brainchild of Lee-Anne Ferguson and her husband Jim Jr. Lee-Anne and Jim Jr. have curated a store with beautiful home décor, drinkware, and clothing. Store clothing features the Manitoulin Deer

Gear logos, available exclusively at Ferguson's. There is a wide variety of drinkware from BruMate and Corkicle which can be custom engraved on site.

"I try to carry Ontario brands such as KT Inspired, Old Soul Soap Company, Declan and Riggs and HilBrand Co.," explained Lee-Anne. "We also carry a lot of Canadian brands such as Chilly Moose coolers."

Ferguson's is a proud official dealer of Old Hickory Buildings, as well as Island Pads inflatable islands.



10741 HWY 6, Sheguiandah  
705-368-3346

Wed-Fri 10:30 am - 4:30 pm & Sat 10 am - 2 pm  
manitoulindeergear.ca



With locations in Little Current, Mindemoya and Manitowaning, your Family of Island Guardian Pharmacies are here to serve you whether you are visiting Manitoulin or a year-round resident.

Our three locations pride themselves on providing you and your family with the personal care you've come to expect from an independent community pharmacy. We provide expert and up-to-date advice and health care knowledge with personalized patient care.

Not only do our pharmacies offer traditional professional services and products, we also carry hair and beauty products and boast unique gift sections with home décor items, drinkware, toys, cards, gift wrapping and much more!



41 Meredith Street East, Little Current; 11 Young Street, Mindemoya; and 147 Arthur Street, Manitowaning  
Little Current and Mindemoya: Mon to Thurs & Sat, 9 am to 5:30 pm, Sun 10 am to 2 pm. Manitowaning closed Sundays.  
guardian-ida-remedysrx.ca



Island Home Outfitters is the lifelong dream of Ashleigh and Jennifer Moffat. Their inspiration and love for decorating comes from their mother Mitch. The sisters wanted to encourage people to explore Central Manitoulin, offering a place to shop for the perfect gift, Manitoulin gear or home/cottage décor.

The store features many local and Canadian makers. In addition to handmade goods, you can also find drinkware from Swig, luxury lifestyle line Business and Pleasure Co., PopUp Docks, Sun Bum products and Pura Vida jewellery, to name just a few. Ashleigh and Jennifer bring rustic décor and modern apparel to both their neighbours and visitors of Manitoulin Island.

Visit them at the heart of the Island in downtown Mindemoya.



6130 King Street, Mindemoya  
705-377-4433

Mon-Fri 10 am to 5:30 pm, Sat 10 am to 3 pm, Closed Sundays  
islandhomeoutfitters.ca



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

"I wanted to create a space where people can feel relaxed and pampered," Ms. Harasym explains.

Island Oasis offers a full list of services including manicures, pedicures, Apres Gel X Nail Extensions, nail designs, waxing and eyebrow tinting. The salon's nail tech, Joey Nahwegahbow, brings his artistic skills to the team whipping up unique and intricate nail designs. The salon also has two additional staff members, Holly and Krista. If you are an area resident, or visiting Manitoulin, be sure to make an appointment to enjoy one of Island Oasis' amazing services.



35 Water Street East, Little Current  
705-603-0770

Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm, Saturday 9 am to 4 pm  
Visit Island Oasis on Facebook for full list of services



Manitoulin Chocolate Works is a family-owned and run artisan chocolatier kitchen and chocolate retail store operating in Kagawong, just off the trails of the Bridal Veil Falls. All of our chocolates are made from the

highest quality ingredients - locally sourced when possible - in small batches in our kitchen.

The store carries handmade chocolates, confections, fresh roasted coffee and a delicious variety of sweet and savoury, gourmet items from around the country, and the world.

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610 Main Street, Kagawong  
705-282-0961

Wednesday to Sunday 10 am to 5:30 pm  
manitoulinchocolateworks.ca



A little bit of magic in Gore Bay's Harbour Centre overlooking the beautiful waters of bay.

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carry metaphysical, New Age and Special treasures. Check out our wind chimes and a large selection of tumbled stones and crystals. Sandra Tuffin is the owner and can be found on occasions to be making essential oil charm mixes for your spells and incantations, to body spray and ritual bath salts. She is also the crafter of the Mala beads, bracelets and most jewelry. Sandra has been in business for 5 years and is studying to become a certified crystal practitioner. She welcomes you to stop by for a visit.

During July and August, she will be helping out with her husband's food trailer at events, so she urges you to call ahead to make sure she will be there.



705-210-0565

Monday to Saturday 10 am to 4 pm  
"You never know what you'll find in a Raven Nest."



Kat's Pet Supplies in Mindemoya offers pet supplies for dogs, cats, birds, small animals and aquatic species.

"I started the store 10 years ago because I wanted to open a business and I saw a need for quality pet food and supplies on the Island," explains owner Kathy Jewell. Over the past 10 years the store has earned the reputation of being your #1 stop for your furry, scaled or feathered friends on Manitoulin. Kat's carries trusted brands like Blue Buffalo, Nutram, Royal Canin, Fromm, Natural Balance, RC Pets, Canada Pooch, Doggie Q, and KONG (among many others). Repeat customers can also take advantage of the locality programs available for a variety of pet food.

If you're visiting the Island and want a souvenir for your furry friend, Kat's carries Manitoulin bandanas, in addition to the large selection of collars, leashes, harnesses, life jacket and toys. You and your fur-ever friend won't want to miss this shop on your Manitoulin adventure!



2222 Highway 551, Mindemoya  
705-377-4744

Monday to Saturday 9 am - 5 pm  
Visit Kat's Pet Supplies on Facebook



The Fish Store is located behind the Beer Store in Little Current. The Fish Store carries local catches from the Manitoulin area.

You can find both fresh and frozen fish including perch, pickerel, whitefish and rainbow trout. Please keep in mind that availability varies on stock and season.

Looking for something special? The Fish Store often has special offerings such as frozen pickerel cheeks and frozen freshwater smelts.

Have you tried Purvis Fisheries Smoked Fish Dip?! If not, be sure to pop in and pick up some, just be careful because you might be back for more the next day.



54 Vankoughnet Street East, Little Current  
705-368-3755

Summer Hours (until September 3)  
Tues-Thurs 9 am-3 pm, Fri 10 am-5 pm and Sat 10 am-2 pm  
Visit the Manitoulin Trout Farms - The Fish Store on Facebook



# ...Thousands attend annual Homecoming Weekend, Ribfest celebrations

...continued from page 18 around, and shopping in local stores, which is exactly what we wanted to see happen. Everyone did extremely well, and everyone seems to be happy with the way the weekend went. And everyone is excited about next year."

"We couldn't have done all this without Marcus (Mohr) and the Lions Club and all the volunteers, everyone helped out," said Mr. Duval.

Mr. Scott said Daniel Duval of Manitoulin Events Group, which put on the Ribfest, "wants to come



The Hot Wheels race winners are all smiles at the awards presentation.



The leader of the pack! Spencer Johnston of Providence Bay is in the lead and finished in first place at the soap box derby race.

blues, country, roots and rockabilly, ragtime blues and more, a comedy show, a whole bevy of kids games and activities and along with the featured ribbers, other food vendors on hand. There was also a licenced dance Saturday evening with DJ Crash, the Brant Mathews fire eater show, and much more.

On Saturday, there were many different kids' games held, including an ice cream eating competition, hot wheels races, and prizes handed out for each of the events.

About 20 youngsters took part in the soap box derby,

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photos by Tom Sasvari

reporter that it took in some cases as long as two and a half hours to get through the lines to buy ribs or chicken. Mark Scarlett, one of the ribbers from the Brickyard BBQ group said, "this is the first time we have been here. For the weekend we expect to sell about 4,500 full racks of ribs."

Mr. Scott said that the Lions were only able to work with the Ribfest organizers for about three weeks prior to the weekend. "Unfortunately there wasn't enough time to plan everything to the hilt. We had the area for the beer garden, one ballfield and the booth for the licenced area fenced off but people just moved the fence and walked over it to get by. Little things like this will need to be planned better next year."

There was certainly a lot of things to take part in

over the four day weekend. There was fantastic live music provided throughout

the weekend, including blues, Americana, folk, rock, pop, soul, rhythm and



The Home Hardware crew were well-decked in Canadian flags as they made their way through the street.

back again next year. He contracts out the vendors and he definitely wants to work with us again next year. If we have a full day Saturday, he suggested working together on holding the dance Saturday night, with a couple of really good live bands." With

the two groups working together, "it made the weekend a really big festival."

The lines for everything taking place on the weekend were long, but not as long as the lines for the Ribfest vendors, which featured ribbers Go Gonzalez BBQ and Brickyard BBQ. People reported to this

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# ...Central Manitoulin Lions Homecoming

...continued from page 22 held on Duke Street in Mindemoya. After many preliminary heats and qualifying races, Spencer Johnston of Providence Bay won the final championship race which included three other competitors.

Prior to the soap box derby races, Pastor Jamie Greenwood of the Spring Bay Pentecostal Church asked everyone to join in a moment of silence. Three of the cars held the names and badge numbers of the late OPP Constable Marc Hovingh, the late OPP Constable Vu Pham (the son of former Pastor Dan Thompson and his wife Terry of Providence Bay), who both died in the line of duty, and



This youngster was all smiles as he comes down a slide at one of the kids games at the Central Manitoulin Lions Club 45th annual Homecoming weekend celebrations.

Owen McKelvie a little boy who was fatally injured in a farming accident a few years ago.

The Lions hosted a rib cook-off contest with eight local residents taking part. John Bisaillon, a member of the Swine Fellows team which won the



Brianna Legree presents the winner of the Our Lady of Canada Roman Catholic Church draw, Rick McCutcheon, with the first prize quilt.

Jack Daniels International Barbecue Invitational Barbecue competition several years ago, judged the entries. There ended up being a two-way tie between Rob Sheppard and Wayne Legge for best ribs. After a coin flip, Mr. Sheppard won the \$500 first prize and the championship trophy.

Mr. Sheppard told The Expositor, "I was taught by a (former) National Hockey League player and Stanley Cup winning coach, Randy

Carlyle, how to make barbecue ribs. No, I can't tell you what the secret is."

Everywhere you could go to take in an event on the weekend, everyone was talking about the huge crowds on hand. "It's called decoviding," stated weekend volunteer Wes Newburn. "Everyone is just excited about getting out and doing things after two years of the pandemic and they have been looking forward to events like this."



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<p><b>FRIDAY, JULY 22ND</b></p> <p>9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Meredith Street Vendors Market</p> <p>11 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Splash N Go</p> <p>12 p.m. River Tube Race/Games</p> <p>3-4 p.m. Children's Entertainment</p> <p>7-30 p.m. Gore Bay Theatre – Molly Sweeney</p> <p>7 p.m. – 1 a.m. Beer Gardens</p> <p>7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Manitoulin Swing Band</p> <p>9:00 p.m. – 1 a.m. Boat Light It Up Contest</p> <p>Friday Night</p>	<p><b>SATURDAY, JULY 23RD</b></p> <p>8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Gore Bay Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast</p> <p>11 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Splash N Go</p> <p>10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Face Painting by Chantal</p> <p>10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Book Sale at the Harbour Centre</p> <p>10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Amaze N Fun</p> <p>11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Beef on a Bun and Beverages.</p> <p>11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Pony Rides &amp; Petting Zoo</p>	<p><b>SATURDAY, JULY 23RD CONTINUED</b></p> <p>11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Game On Express</p> <p>11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Walk Around Magic Show by Stefano Prezzenza</p> <p>11:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. Beer Gardens</p> <p>11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Missy's Groovy Little Band</p> <p>2:30 p.m. – 3 p.m. Magic Show</p> <p>3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. Chicks with Picks</p> <p>3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. 9th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta</p> <p>1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Gore Bay &amp; Gordon/Barrie Island Fire Department</p> <p>1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Classic Car Show</p> <p>2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Hot dogs &amp; Beverages</p> <p>2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Dunk Tank</p> <p>2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Washer Toss Tournament</p> <p>2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Magic Show – Stefano Prezzenza</p> <p>5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Gore Bay Rotary Club Fish Fry</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Gore Bay Theatre – Molly Sweeney</p> <p>8 p.m. – 1 a.m. Harbour Days Dance "Margaritaville Theme"</p>	<p><b>SUNDAY, JULY 24</b></p> <p>11 a.m. Ecumenical Church Service</p>
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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT HARBOUR DAYS, PLEASE CONTACT THE GORE BAY MUNICIPAL OFFICE AT 705-282-2420

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## First Gore Bay street market a huge success

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—From vendors who took part, to business owners on Meredith Street in Gore Bay, everyone seems to feel that the street market, which made its debut last Friday, was successful and will become even more of a success over the summer.

"I think this street market is going to take off," stated Michelle Biggins, of Far Out Farm whose locally produced wares include tie-dye clothing, felt, knitting, leather work and upcycled goods. "The community is very supportive," she said, noting that she also regularly has a booth at the weekly summer market in Kagawong.

"These types of markets are becoming more popular everywhere," said Ms. Biggins. "More people seem to be moving up from the city to small towns, opening their own business and participating in markets." She has experience with markets in the past, having a booth at the Owen Sound market for over 25 years.

The Gore Bay Street Market opened with almost 20 vendors filling Meredith Street in downtown Gore Bay. There was everything from baking, customs signs and children accessories, art, crafts, face painting along with some local organizations manning booths and much more. The street market café was open in the community hall with coffee, tea and tasty treats.

Annette Schulze of Nettie's Goodies and Crafts of Gore Bay said, "this is my first time here at the market. Oh yeah, it's been great. I plan on coming back every Friday."

Krista Smith of KMS

Kreations custom signs and children's accessories of Allenford and Gore Bay said, "this is the first time I have (manned) a booth here in Gore Bay. We have a summer camp just outside of Gore Bay."

"It's been great here today," said Ms. Schulze. "I'm happy the market started up here and that it is open to crafters and other vendors."

Gore Bay Mayor Dan Osborne, who owns Island General Merchandise said, "this had a good start for the first time holding a street market in the downtown area. I think it is only going to get better and it is nice to see so many people around. It helps everyone." "Our town is becoming more of a destination place to visit, with our restaurants and shops and businesses like Split Rail Brewing, Finnia Chocolate and many other attractions we have to bring people here,"

added Mayor Osborne.

The original idea for a street market had been brought to town council (where it was given full support and approval) by three local residents, Carrie Lewis, Ashley Whyte and Jeff Hietkamp.

Mr. Hietkamp told The Expositor, "I thought it was a great start, and there was a nice atmosphere. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. With events going on all over the Island on Canada Day, this probably thinned the number of vendors out a little. I expect there will be even more vendors on hand next Friday."

"I'm very pleased with the way things went for this the opening day of the market," added Mr. Hietkamp.

The Gore Bay Street Market will be held from 9 am to 12 noon every Friday during the summer.



Michelle Biggins, right, of Far Out Farm, sells one of her tie-dye shirts to a customer at the street market.

photo by Tom Sasvari

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# ...Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home celebrates 50 years

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In later years, his grandfather came to live at WNH and was very happy to be living there. "He didn't want to go out to visit anymore," said Ogimaa Peltier. "That is a testament to this residence."

WNH history speaks to what a dedicated servant of the community can accomplish. It was then Wiikwemkoong welfare administrator Boniface George who took the reins and accomplished something of a first for a First Nation community.

In 1968 a number of elders from Wiikwemkoong were about to be discharged from hospital, but there was nowhere suitable for them to go, as the elders had significant daily health and living needs. In those days there were no social workers as we know of today, or local health staff, so Mr. George took it upon himself to find a solution.

That solution came in the form of the old Murray Hill school building. Following light renovations, a pair of housekeepers were retained and the half-dozen residents of what we now call a group home were settled in. There was no funding for staff for such a facility in the late '60s and early '70s, but a little creative effort by Mr. George and his colleagues resulted in volunteers and paid staff being put in place.

In the absence of a staff nurse, arrangements were made to have the community health resource and clin-

ic nurses pop in to check on medications and perform light treatments.

Within a few months the ad hoc arrangement proved so successful that other folks began applying for lodging and the process was repeated with the old elementary school/convent. By 1969 Wiikwemkoong had a 12-bed group home.

But the waiting list

began to swell, with inquiries coming in from other area First Nations. Two main types of applicants were soon identified, those with chronic illnesses that needed regular nursing care and others that were living in very substandard conditions—most without running water or indoor plumbing. It was clearly time for a full-blown nursing home.

But, of course, there was no funding from Indian Affairs available for such a facility.

Nursing homes were private businesses back in the day, and getting a loan to start such a business was nigh onto impossible for First Nations—largely due to the reluctance of financial institutions to front the money with a lack of assignable assets.

But thanks to perseverance, and a whole lot of determined lobbying, in 1971 a 50-year \$250,000 mortgage was secured through Canada Housing and Mortgage Corporation,

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Elizabeth Debassige, Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home's oldest resident at 100, poses for a picture with her great grandson, six-month-old Jase Smith.



The staff of Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home poses for a group photo before cutting the cake in honour of the 50th anniversary celebrations.



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Leading up to September 30th – Orange Shirt Day and The National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – Noojmowin Teg Health Centre will be highlighting each of the Calls to Action. Noojmowin Teg Health Centre affirms its dedication to supporting former residential school students, their families, and communities of Mniidoo Mnising. **Kina Binoojiinh K'chipiitendaagozi, Every Child Matters.**

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- Investigation into missing and murdered Aboriginal women and girls.
- Links to the intergenerational legacy of residential schools.

### CALL TO ACTION #43

We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to fully adopt and implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as the framework for reconciliation.

### CALL TO ACTION #42

We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments to commit to the recognition and implementation of Aboriginal justice systems in a manner consistent with the Treaty and Aboriginal rights of Aboriginal peoples, the Constitution Act, 1982, and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, endorsed by Canada in November 2012.

### CALL TO ACTION #44

We call upon the Government of Canada to develop a national action plan, strategies, and other concrete measures to achieve the goals of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.



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6-7p

**Neighbourhood Yard Sale,** multi-family sale, Elizabeth Bay on July 9 from 8:30 am to 2 pm. Turn onto Elizabeth Road off Hwy 540 and then onto Beach Road. Tools, camping equipment, hunting and fishing equipment, cottage dishes and bedding, games, lawn furniture and much more. Something for everyone!

6-7c

**Multi-Family Yard Sale,** Saturday, July 23 starting at 7:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Rockville Hall. Something for everyone!

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**Legion Events**

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7-16p

**coming events**

**Silent Art Auction.** Here's your chance to bid on a fabulous selection of art in our silent auction. FOMOS will have pieces available for viewing and bidding at the St. Francis Church Book Sale on July 16 from 9 am to 1 pm, 6201 Hwy 542 in Mindemoya. Artists with Manitoulin roots and connections like Len Harfield and Gord Drysdale have donated pieces. Watch for more chances to bid throughout the summer at "Pop Up" events that will take place at the Mindemoya Old School and throughout the community. The final day for bidding will be at our Birthday Picnic on August 13. All proceeds go to the revitalization of this historic landmark. Licence #M769576.

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**coming events**

**Finally!** Central Manitoulin Historical Society is having a meeting. It's been a while! CMHS invites you to attend an "in person" meeting on Wednesday, July 13 at 1:30 pm in the Central Manitoulin Council Chambers. Come and enjoy a visit with others who share an interest in the history of the area.

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**Mini Farmers' Market** beginning Friday, July 1 from 9 am to ? at Beard's Farm, 39 Townline Road, Tehkummah (off Hwy 542). Weekly on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays (or whenever we are home). Organic produce in season. Also yard sale items and crafts. Everyone welcome! 705-859-2604.

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**Marine Service Kagawong** is back again, please come and join us at St. John's Church on the Bay in Kagawong at 9 am on Sunday, July 17. We will go over to the dock to Bless the Boats. Please stay for food and fellowship afterwards.

7-8p

**coming events**

**During the Charity Auction** for victims in Ukraine held last Saturday in downtown Little Current, a clear plastic bag filled with cushions and two plaques was inadvertently removed before the buyer could claim it after having paid the cashier for the winning bid. If you mistakenly removed this item, please contact Debbie at 705-368-2744 or by email at [services@manitoulin.com](mailto:services@manitoulin.com) and arrangements will be made to pick it up and take it to the winning bidder. Thank you very much.

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Heritage Display for Assiginack 150 (Class 53)

A Heritage Display (booth) to represent a typical Assiginack Homestead. The era should be between 1870s and 1940s.

The display could include buildings of log, stone, brick, or a tipi. Try to use natural materials where possible. Miniature people and/or animals may be used. NO LEGO please.

Size of space: 4 ft x 4 ft. A table can be provided, if needed.

Prizes will be awarded to all displays worthy of prizes. Judge's decision will be final.

**1st Prize .... \$300.**  
**2nd Prize .... \$200.**  
**3rd Prize .... \$100.**  
**And more prizes.**

Prizes donated by Assiginack 150 Committee

**Must preregister by Aug. 20, 2022, so space can be allocated.**

Contact Alice at [alispenn@amtelecom.net](mailto:alispenn@amtelecom.net)

**coming events**

**Sheguiandah Seniors' Cold Turkey and Strawberry Dinner.** Wednesday, July 13 at the Sheguiandah Seniors' Hall from 5 to 7 pm. \$25 for adults; \$15 for 12 and under. Serving turkey, dressing, cranberries, potato salad, coleslaw, sliced tomatoes, cucumber, rolls, pickles and strawberry dessert. Take-out only, delivery available in Little Current. For tickets call 705-368-3638, 705-368-3746, 705-368-2589 or 705-368-2855.

6-7p

**coming events**

**Knox Rummage Sale** in Manitowaning will be closing on July 9th until the end of July. "Bag Week" will begin the week of July 27th. Large bags, \$5; small bags, \$3. Open Mondays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.

6-7p

**Book Sale at St. Francis Anglican Church,** 6201 Hwy 542 West, Mindemoya on Saturday, July 16 from 9 am to 1 pm.

6-8p

**coming events**

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**help wanted**

**MANITOULIN HEALTH CENTRE  
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER  
TEMPORARY FULL-TIME**

**POSITION SUMMARY:**

The Human Resources Officer is responsible for processing the bi-weekly payroll, the administration of employee benefits, related human resources and accounting functions, and providing administrative support to the Director of Human Resources and Occupational Health/Infection Control Nurse.

**QUALIFICATIONS** (Education, Certifications, Experience, Licensure):**Required:**

- College diploma in a related field
- Two (2) years' experience in a hospital payroll and/or human resources department

**Preferred:**

- Certified Human Resources Professional (CHRP) and/or Certified Payroll Manager (CPM)

**COMPETENCIES/BEHAVIOURAL:**

- Teamwork and Collaboration
- Service and Quality Orientation
- Creativity and Innovation:

**COMPETENCIES/TECHNICAL:**

- Advanced proficiency in computer software applications: Microsoft Office, Meditech Payroll, Surge Learning, Parklane
- Knowledge of relevant payroll legislation and regulations including WSIB, CPP, EI, ROEs, T4s
- Experience with collective agreement interpretation
- Knowledge of employee pension and benefit plans
- Proficiency in fit testing for N95 masks
- Knowledge of Occupational Health and Safety Act

**SELECTION PROCESS:**

Please email a cover letter and resume to Human Resources at [recruitment@mhc.on.ca](mailto:recruitment@mhc.on.ca). Thank you to all whom apply; only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

**Closing Date: June 29, 2022**

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

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

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

**Integrated Program Assistant - Espanola**

**Temporary Full-Time**

Competition #2022-13-ISS

Closing date: July 12, 2022

For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at [www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers](http://www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers)

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

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

We are now accepting applications for the following positions:

**FULL-TIME Position in Sudbury or Manitoulin Island:**  
Child Well-Being Worker Screener (closes July 12th, 2022)

**CONTRACT Positions located in Sudbury:**  
Services Supervisor (Open until filled)  
Specialized Services Supervisor (Open until filled)  
Customary Care Coordinator 3rd posting (Closes July 12, 2022)  
Youth Advisory Council Coordinator 3rd posting (Closes July 13, 2022)

**CASUAL Position: Manitoulin Island:**  
Receptionist

Apply to: Human Resources at [hr@kgcfs.org](mailto:hr@kgcfs.org) and quote the position title in the subject line.

For additional position details and detailed job description, visit Employment Opportunities on our website at: <https://www.kgcfs.org/employment-opportunities>

*At KGCF we are committed to providing a barrier-free work environment following the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code. Accommodations are available upon request for candidates taking part in the recruitment process. KGCF services are 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).*

**Manitouslin Centennial Manor  
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
COOK FULL TIME**

Candidates are invited to apply for the above position to work at Manitouslin Centennial Manor, a 60-bed long-term care facility, located in Little Current, ON.

Reporting to the Dietary Manager, follows established policies, procedures and standards, prepares and serves food for the residents (dinner, sauces, desserts, etc.), cleans production area and equipment.

**Qualifications:**

- Safe Food Handlers Certificate

**Additional Qualifications include:**

- Food Service Worker certification preferred
- Experience in institutional kitchen preferred
- Ability to work safely, following established safety practices and procedures
- Proven ability to work as part of a team within a busy environment

Interested applicants may forward their resume to the attention of:

Kim McFarlane  
[kimcfarlane@extendicare.com](mailto:kimcfarlane@extendicare.com)

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**We can't wait to hear from you!**

# ...MSS grad ceremonies engendered joy

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“In Northern Ontario Secondary School Athletics (NOSSA) our girls’ basketball team made it to finals; both junior and senior girls’ volleyball were North Shore champions. In badminton we were junior NOSSA champs, for tennis our junior girls and senior boys were NOSSA champs. In track and field NSSSA and NOSSA, records were broken by our athletes, with nine of our athletes going to OFSSA where they all set personal bests. It was an impressive year of athletics.”

“You graduates have had an enormous impact on the culture of sport within our school. You and those before you have dedicated many hours to practice within this gym to help contribute to the winning legacy proudly displayed on our walls and in the lives of each of our athletes as they worked for personal bests!”

“As I reflect on the year, some great moments come to mind,” said Mr. Wiwchar. “One was Sean McCann singing in September with Nimkeehns Wemigwans, a powerful story of struggle and recovery with music that lifted and strengthened each of us for our individual challenges this year. May you take with you their message of hope and counsel to talk to someone when things are ever hard in the years ahead.”

“Another great moment was to see group after group of students arrive to our spring formal, our first in a few years,” said Mr. Wiwchar. “The cafeteria was beautiful and over 140 students stayed and danced right to the end. The next, of course, was a massive capture the flag game on the sunniest of afternoons a few weeks ago and now there is tonight.”

“Graduates, thank you for your re-emergence from isolation and virtual interactions to make the most of the year we have enjoyed,” continued Mr. Wiwchar. “I’ve noted a bit of a shift of your attention up and out of your phone screens to enjoy more face-to-face conversations this year. It’s been really good to see and I am sure your summer employers will appreciate your setting phones aside to make the best of the gift it truly is to talk face-to-face with

people. Thank you for persevering through the struggles you have managed and making it through it all to this stage tonight.”

“You truly make our days here at MSS, and it is so good to be with you this evening,” Mr. Wiwchar told the graduates. “Congratulations on your years of hard work and growth here at MSS and take with you our best wishes for the future.”

An Honour Song was presented by the M’Chigeeng Ladies Hand Drum Group.

The presentation of Ontario Secondary School diplomas were made by Principal Wiwchar, trustee Debassige, vice-principal McCann and trustee Stringer.

The class valedictorian Eliza Ermilova then presented a speech on behalf of the graduating class.

The list of graduates includes: Larissa Abotossaway, Ceara Aelick, Emily Agonie, Declan Allison, Guadalupe Anaya, Ryleigh Auger, Jordan Bailey, Alexis Bedard, Trinity Behm, Trent Bell, Jessica Boyle, Liam Bridgeman, Derek Browatzke, Alex Carrick, Leah Carrick, Judah Catanus, Annie Cooper, Cameron Corbiere, Wyatt Corbiere, Jared Cortes, Jorja Croft, Anthony Dearing, Jonathon Deremo, Autumn Deschenes, Whittier Dwyer-Gauthier, Jaylyn Ense, Eliza Ermilova, Jayce Esquimaux, Zara Farquhar, Ava Ferguson, Joshua Foster, Alex Fowlie, Leah Gale, Ryan Goddard, Todd Gordon, Gabe Hare, Hudson Hare, Sophie Hietkamp, Alex Hore, Mary Hore, Cord Hughson, Paiden Hughson, Sydney Latva-Aro, Brady Lavallee, Kasch Lentir, Amelia Lewis, Riley Lockyer, Aiden McCarthy, Jordan McLean, Damien Merrylees, Cindy Middleton, Aleynah Moffatt, Carter Moggy, Laura Orford, Rachael Orford, Patricia Patterson, Chloe Peltier, Lane Phillips, Zoe Redmond, Brie Rose, Kingsley Roy, Journey Ruyter, Lindsay Sheppard, Madison Skippen, Kyle Smith, Fiona Stephens, Jake Stevens, Jenna Taylor, Cassandra Temple, Bryce Thibault, Drake Trudeau, Sage Van Deyl, Julian Wemigwans, Christopher White, Jacob Wilson, Abby Witty and Darwin Wood. Certificate of accomplishment: Quentin Jacko



## Frontline Shelter Worker Casual/Relief

Manitoulin Family Resources requires casual Violence Against Women Shelter Workers to support women and children in our emergency residence/shelter program. The Frontline Shelter Worker provides supportive counselling, crisis intervention, and advocacy to women and children residing at the shelter, as well as telephone counselling and support through crisis line coverage. As a single-staff model of operation in a residential environment, responsibilities pertaining to health and safety in a fast-paced atmosphere and household duties such as cooking and cleaning are required in addition to the provision of individual counselling, in-house client workshops, safety assessments, and linkages to other services.

The successful candidate will have

- Relevant post-secondary education (degree or diploma), and training/experience working with victims of woman abuse
- Familiarity with provision of client-led, trauma informed services and harm reduction philosophy
- Excellent interpersonal, planning, and communication skills
- Experience with data entry and computer skills
- Demonstrated commitment to diversity, cultural competency, and anti-racist/anti-oppressive frameworks
- Current CPR/First Aid certification, Food Handler’s Safety certificate, valid driver’s licence, clear Vulnerable Sector Screening, and proof of education
- Registration with the college of Social Workers and Social Service Workers is an asset, as is second language fluency in Ojibway and/or French.

This position is a bargaining unit position. Flexibility in scheduling will be required to meet the needs of the shelter including, though not exclusive to, nights and weekends. Shifts will be pre-scheduled, though occasional call-ins will occur as needed, per the Collective Agreement.

### Deadline for applications: Ongoing

Start dates in July and August, with possible advancement to other positions

Please forward applications to:

Tara Bailey  
Shelter Supervisor  
Manitoulin Family Resources  
tbailey@mfresources.net

Manitoulin Family Resources welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

We thank all applicants for their submissions, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

## Noojmowin Teg

= Health Centre

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## Employment Opportunities

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

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

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

**Available Positions:**

- \*\*\*New Beginnings FASD Coordinator (Full-time)
- \*\*\*Finance Clerk (Full-time)
- \*\*\*Cultural Support Worker (Full-time)
- \*\*\*Geriatric Social Worker (Full-time)
- \*\*\*Psychologist (Full-time)

We are also hiring for:

- Mental Health & Addictions System Navigator (Full-time)
- Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (2-year contract)
- Foot Care Nurse (Full-time)
- Anishinaabek Services Coordinator (Full-time Contract)
- Transitional Care Coordinator (Full-time Contract)
- Traditional Knowledge Keeper (Full-time)
- Aging at Home Van Drivers (Casual)

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

**Submission Pre-Requisites:**

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

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

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

To learn more about employment opportunities, call (705) 368-2182 ext. 235.  
**Chi-miigwetch/Thank you for your interest in Noojmowin Teg Health Centre. “A place of healing”**

## eHealth Integration Project Coordinator

Full Time – 2 year Contract (with possible extension)

**About GHL**

Giiwednong Health Link (GHL) is a health and information project management office that serves the First Nations health organizations on Manitoulin Island and North Shore. GHL is focused on developing and implementing e-health initiatives to improve health information, decision making, outcomes within the member communities.

**About this Opportunity**

GHL is seeking applications from progressive and results-oriented individuals who can excel in the role of “eHealth Integration Project Coordinator”. Reporting to the IT Project Manager, the eHealth Integration Project Coordinator will oversee all the activities related to the One Client, One Record (OCOR) project development and implementation for the successful execution and support of eHealth initiatives on behalf of the GHL.

**Summary of Key Qualifications**

1. Bachelor’s Degree in Business, Information Systems, Health Administration, or a related discipline.
2. Minimum of two years of work experience in Health, Program Administration and/or related field of work.
3. Proven experience with Project Management is preferred.

**Benefits**

GHL offers a highly competitive salary and benefits compensation package with annual professional development opportunities.

**Location**

This employment opportunity will be based out of either the Aundeck Omni Kaning or Sudbury office.

**How to Apply**

All candidates are strongly encouraged to request the full job description which provides the complete qualifications and position responsibilities.

This can be requested by emailing: [hr@giiwednonghealth.ca](mailto:hr@giiwednonghealth.ca).

The deadline for submission is **July 14, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.** We thank all those who apply, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please submit your confidential cover letter, resume and two references when applying by email to: [hr@giiwednonghealth.ca](mailto:hr@giiwednonghealth.ca)

**1300 Highway 540, Unit 3, Aundeck Omni Kaning, ON POP 1K0**



### AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY BAND MANAGER

The Band Manager is responsible for the overall efficient and effective administrative and financial management of the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Band government, its infrastructure, program areas and services, and for keeping Chief and Council informed on all matters relating to the business of the First Nation.

#### JOB DUTIES:

- Provide leadership, supervision, and direction to all Program Coordinators for the effective and efficient administration of the programs and services of the First Nation, to ensure achievement of annual goals and objectives and compliance with program budgets.
- Maintain direct verbal and written contact with Chief and Council. Provide monthly written reports and financial statements to Chief and Council on Band operations, programs and services.
- Communicate effectively with Chief and Council, Program Coordinators, Council Committees and community members to identify, plan and provide for the current and future needs of the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation.
- Ensure that adequate financial controls, policies and procedures are in place and followed to enable reliable and accurate financial reporting and effective and secure management of Band funds and resources.
- Oversee and direct the infrastructure resources and systems of the First Nation. Ensure the annual preparation of a five-year capital plan and budget for review and approval by Chief and Council.
- Be informed and able to communicate regarding the First Nation's programs and services, government policies and regulations.
- Implement Council decisions and policy; ensure Council motions, directions and resolutions are carried out in a timely, efficient, and professional manner. Provide follow up reports to Council.

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- University degree or college diploma in public administration, business administration or a related field.
- Minimum of five (5) years' work experience in administration at a senior management level, with leadership experience.
- Experience working for a First Nation government or organization.

#### APPLICATION TO INCLUDE:

1. Cover letter with contact information.
2. Resume listing education and work experience.
3. At least two (2) work-related letters of reference with contact information.

Please forward applications marked CONFIDENTIAL to:  
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation  
c/o Chief Patsy Corbiere  
13 Hill Street  
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

Complete job description is available at the Band Office reception desk. Deadline for applications is **July 22, 2022 @ 12:00 NOON**. The successful candidate must provide an acceptable Police Record Check (C.P.I.C.).



help wanted



help wanted



help wanted



### FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES MANAGER

Salary: \$74,016 - \$90,264/year

(depending on education and experience)

The Infrastructure and Emergency Services Manager will perform/assist/delegate operations and maintenance activities for the processes and facilities under which their duties encompass. The Infrastructure and Emergency Services Manager will oversee and coordinate operations and maintenance activities with respect to the following facilities and processes:

1. The WRFN Water Utilities
2. Emergency Preparedness Services

#### SOME KEY JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Oversee the operations and monitoring of computerized control systems and related equipment in the water treatment plant to regulate the treatment and distribution of water
- Manage and provide leadership for two or more staff in the Water Treatment Plant while promoting a team environment
- Ensure proper protocols and procedures are adhered to with the daily functions and duties of the water plant operations to make sure it is operating normally
- Read flow meters, gauges and other recording instruments to measure water output and consumption levels, bacterial content, chlorine levels, etc.
- Provide oversight for process control changes to waterworks system to ensure water produced meets standardized quality requirements
- Ensure appropriate staff respond to public enquires regarding water quality issues and emergencies in a timely manner
- Ensure protocols are followed when major maintenance required or help and oversee with installation and repair of plant machinery
- Update emergency preparedness plan as required
- Liaison with WRFN Fire Department and WRFN Axillary Coast Guard
- Work in conjunction with the Public Works Department to oversee facility operations and maintenance
- Work on site specific safety plans and procedures
- Work with appropriate departments in creating and completing safety plans
- Provide reports to Band Manager when required

#### 1) Adherence to those policies, procedures as stated in:

- The WRFN First Nation Personal Policy
- The WRFN First Nation Water Treatment Quality Management Policy
- Protocol for Decentralized Water and Wastewater Systems in WRFN

#### 2) Assist, perform, delegate and evaluate all operational and maintenance aspects of facilities, including:

- Budgets for facilities, equipment and operators
- Projects for approvals to maintain and upgrade facilities and processes under the department's purview
- Develop and maintain the departments Maintenance Management System and Quality Management System
- Maintain certifications and licencing of facilities and all operators
- Ensure proper operation and maintenance of facilities and sub-systems in accordance with applicable OEM Manuals
- Ensure compliance with all required government reporting for the water system
- Maintain effective and efficient communications between the department and applicable parties
- Operations and maintenance of processes, equipment and department facilities
- Purchases of O&M and other related items
- Results of treatment effectiveness
- Applicable and relevant third-party monitoring
- Attend job related training seminars and workshops as required
- All necessary planning and tasks in respect to emergency preparedness

#### QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- As a Minimum, Certified as a Level II Water Treatment and Class 1 Water Distribution Operator
- Three (3) years' work-related experience or Post-Secondary Diploma in related field with three (3) years' work-related experience preferably in a management role
- Confined Space Entry Certification
- CPR, First Aid & WHMIS Certification
- Good Understanding of Water Treatment plant operations
- Proficient with Safe Drinking Water Act, Health and Safety, WSIB and other related legislation
- Working knowledge and practice of the operation and maintenance of First Nations drinking water and wastewater infrastructure; safety related legislation/regulations/guidelines; First Nations and local government functions/responsibilities and equipment operations and maintenance procedures
- General Knowledge of SCADA is considered an asset to the position
- Proficient in Microsoft Office - Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and work order/work management systems
- "G" level driver's licence in good standing
- Independent - Self Starter
- Respectful to membership and coworkers
- Must be available to work non-standard hours
- Proficiency in computer software
- Research information as needed
- Job task planning and organizing
- Critical thinking, decision making and problem-solving skills
- Work well with others and can work independently
- Effective oral and writing communication skills
- CRC requirement must be thirty (30) days current original or certified copy

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

#### CONFIDENTIAL:

Tricia Podlatis, Human Resources Manager  
Whitefish River First Nation, 17-A Rainbow Ridge Road, P.O. Box 188, Birch Island, ON POP 1A0  
Email: applications@whitefishriver.ca; Fax: (705) 285-4532

Applications must be submitted by July 8, 2022 by 4:30 p.m. and must include the following:  
Cover letter, current resume, copies of Degrees/Diplomas, and three reference letters (with contact information).

Successful candidates must submit an original/current copy of their Vulnerable Sector Screening Check prior to employment. We thank all who apply, however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



### 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;
- Maintain 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 11, 2022**

# ...Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home celebrates 50 years

...continued from page 25 a first for a First Nation community.

But there was no resting on laurels for the community, as the mortgage only covered the construction costs. There was still the matter of furnishing the facility. What followed was a scramble of fundraising and scrounging of discarded hospital beds and other

on great things.”

Ms. Osawabine-Peltier explained that the home’s licence expires in June 2025 and that the current building does not meet standards. “So, we applied to Ministry of Health and Long-term Care for a new facility and received approval for a new 96-bed home,” she said. “The new home will be more of a home than an institution.”

nered a fair measure of fame thanks to his many media interviews over the last couple of years on behalf of WNH and as a bingo caller for the residents and he spoke at length about how comfortable and engaging the WNH community is, especially when it comes to fun and games. The WNH social media feeds are filled with hilarity and laughter as tes-

tament to his talk.

Mr. Francis referenced WNH’s oldest resident, Elizabeth Debassige of M’Chigeeng, who has reached the century mark, noting that at 100, Ms. Debassige took part in a recent watersliding event. Ms. Debassige was in attendance at the 50th with granddaughter Robin and great-grandchild Jase. “I’m the second-oldest,”

asserted Ms. Debassige with a smile.

A cake-cutting followed along with photographs before those in attendance joined in a light lunch and listened to the musical

stylings of Robbie Shawana and friends fiddler Doug Hore, bassist Urban Mejaki, keyboardist Maurice Labelle and drummer Daniel Wassengesio.



A student parade marched past the Wiikwemkoong Nursing Home to wish all the residents and staff well on the important occasion.

equipment from health centres from Manitoulin to southern Ontario. That original 30-bed facility was filled in no time, and a second 12-bed facility was built in 1978 for those just needing a roof over their heads. In 1980 a further 30-bed extension was added to WNH, this time with financing from the Bank of Montreal.

Ogimaa Peltier noted that a new residence for the community is in the works and that fundraising is well underway. “In a few short years we hope to have you moving into that new home,” he said.

“Chi-miigwetch for coming today,” said Cheryl Osawabine-Peltier, WNH administrator. Ms. Osawabine-Peltier reiterated the words of Ogimaa Peltier, noting that WNH has a reputation for having the best food, the best care and the best activities on the Island. “That is a huge testament to all of the staff,” she said, pointing to the staff who were wearing yellow T-shirts. “We continue to embark

Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha greeted the assembly and said how eager he is to step through the doors of a new facility. “None of this is possible without their help,” he said, referencing the staff, chief and council and community before reading a joint statement from himself and Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes wishing great success in the years to come.

WNH resident James (Jett) Francis has gar-



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Town of Gore Bay is seeking applications for the position of

#### BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Hours: Approximately 10 hours/week  
Salary: \$20.00/ Hour

Please submit your application to the undersigned no later than 4:00 p.m., July 15, 2022.

Stasia Carr, CAO/Clerk  
Town of Gore Bay  
PO Box 590, 15 Water Street  
Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0  
705-282-2420 ext. 1  
scarr@gorebay.ca

All applicants are thanked for their interest. Only the candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose of candidate selection.

*The Town of Gore Bay is committed to an inclusive, barrier-free environment. Accommodation will be provided in all steps of the hiring process. Please advise the Town of Gore Bay if you require any accommodations to ensure that you can participate fully and equally during the recruitment and selection process.*



We are looking for motivated & reliable individuals to join our team!

Must have the ability to lift 60+ pounds and be willing to do manual labour. Milling experience is a plus, but training will be provided. Mechanical experience is helpful. Forklift or loader experience is also a benefit. Job duties include assisting in the manufacturing and production of pallet stock. Helping with various saws, stacking, moving logs, and production pieces. Cleaning & general maintenance are also involved.

The position is full-time, 44 hours per week.  
Monday - Thursday 7-5  
Friday 7-4  
March-December yearly.

A significant bonus structure is in place, as well as benefits. Hourly wage is negotiable based on experience, starting at \$18/hr.

Please submit your resume to:  
applications@cooperenterprises.ca and our team will contact you!

Sawmill is located at:  
20 Mill Rd., Mindemoya, ON POP 1S0

## The Flower Hutch

### HELP WANTED

#### Part-Time Floral Designer

The Flower Hutch in downtown Gore Bay is looking for a part-time floral designer to start immediately. Experience required.

Please send resume to:  
theflowerhutch@outlook.com.

## MUNICIPALITY OF ASSIGINACK



### THE TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK requires a LIBRARIAN

The township requires a self starter to act as Librarian under the Public Libraries Act and other legislation. This is a year-round part-time (26 hours per week) position.

A detailed job description is available from the undersigned.  
Applications will be accepted until 4:00 pm, Friday, July 15, 2022.

Township of Assiginack  
PO Box 238  
Manitowaning, ON  
POP 1N0  
www.assiginack.ca

*Information collected for employment is done under authority of Section 29(2) of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, for the purpose of assessing eligibility for employment.*

*The Township of Assiginack is committed to an inclusive, barrier-free environment. Accommodation will be provided in all steps of the hiring process. Please advise the Township of Assiginack if you require any accommodations to ensure you can participate fully and equally during the recruitment and selection process.*

*We thank all applicants and advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Manitoulin Group of Companies with their Head Office in Gore Bay, Ontario is looking to fill a variety of positions including Customer Service, Dispatch, Pricing, Billing, and more!

We have opportunities for both In-Office and Remote work, and we are accepting applications from all across Ontario!

### QUALIFICATIONS:

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

In exchange for your efforts, we offer a competitive salary, opportunities for growth and development, a comprehensive benefits program and profit sharing.

Please email your credentials to [apply@monarchr.ca](mailto:apply@monarchr.ca) or visit our website at [manitoulintransport.com/careers](http://manitoulintransport.com/careers).

# Storied La Cloche Art Show returns to much audience delight

by Michael Erskine  
WHITEFISH FALLS—This year's edition of the La Cloche Art Show is very much a family affair, with Little Current artist Cliff Jewell not only taking home Best of Show and a first place in the oil category, but his granddaughter Georgia Roy secured a second in the elementary category and grandson Joey also had a piece in the juried show—quite the family accomplishment.

For artist emeritus Ivan Wheale, co-founder of the La Cloche Art Show, the annual event is something of a homecoming where he

gets to meet up with many old friends and make new ones. This year was especially poignant given the show has been on hiatus for the past two years due to the pandemic.

"I look around now and see all of the artists here and realize it was a good thing that we did," said Mr. Wheale of the founding of the La Cloche Art Show with the late Peg Forbes.

Mr. Wheale announced the winner of the Ivan Wheale Award to Linda Finn for her mixed media work 'Ark Types' and the Peg Forbes Award to Michelle Fleming for her

oil painting 'Near Birch Island.'

Best of Show, presented by La Cloche Art Show volunteer Amy Collins, went to Cliff Jewell of Little Current for his acrylic painting 'No Harbour Now.'

The La Cloche Art Show Committee Choice Award was also presented by Ms. Collins to Karen Ylitalo for her mixed media work 'Peak Rewards.'

Art show patron Patricia L. Meehan, an Ontario Legal Aid lawyer who specializes in child protection and family law, presented the Patricia L. Meehan Award to Lily Simon of Lit-

tle Current Public School for her paperwork 'Dream.' Ms. Meehan noted that she was honoured to be allowed to pick the recipient of the award that she sponsors personally.

She also presented the elementary school awards. With first place going to Hunter Ball of A.B. Ellis Public School for 'Indigenous Lives Matter,' second place going to Georgia Roy of Little Current Public School for 'Strawberry Island' and honourable mentions going to Autumn Shawanda of Shawanosowe School (Whitefish River) for 'House' and Zachary Pulsifier of Little Current Public School for 'Giraffe Diamond.'

"We would like to thank students and teachers of A.B. Ellis Public School in Espanola, Sacred Heart Catholic School in

Espanola, Shawanosowe School in Birch Island and Little Current Public School for the creative art work," said Ms. Miron. "La Cloche Art Show delights in encouraging young artists and provides a showcase for well-known artists and lesser-known artists."

The list of this year's award recipients included: acrylic: first, Cliff Jewell for 'Chute in Fall.' Second to Beth Bouffard for 'Cypripedium' and honourable mentions went to Beth Bouffard for 'Timing is Everything.' Drawing: 1st, Astrid Colton for 'Fox Kit,' second place went to Susan Lampinen for 'Whiskers' and honourable mention to Martin Kotyluk for 'Dad's old tools.'

In mixed media, first place went to Gig Laurin for 'Rowdy Rudy,' second

place to Donna Montgomery for 'Autumn Dance' and honourable mention went to Brigitte Bere for 'Old Timer.'

In oil, first place went to Laurel Price for 'Bent but not broken,' while second place went to Mark Hope for 'The Blossoms' and honourable mention was made of Michelle Fleming's 'Iroquois Bay toward Baldy.'

In pastel, Beth Bouffard took first place for 'The Golden Hour,' while second place went to Donna Kanerva for 'View to Manitou' and honourable mention when to Sally Assinewai for 'Waiting for breakfast.'

In photography, first place went to Rita Vanderhoof for 'Exploring,' second place went to Debbie Anzinger McKay for 'Snowy Owl in tree' and honourable mention went ...continued on page 35

## KENJGEWIN TEG

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

KENJGEWIN TEG IS RECRUITING AN INDIVIDUAL INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN PLANNING, DESIGNING, AND IMPLEMENTING A PLACE OF LEARNING THAT SUPPORTS STUDENTS THROUGH LIFELONG LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES.

#### Dean of Student Enrolment and Wellness - Full Time Position

As an accredited Indigenous Institute in the province of Ontario and being a part of the third pillar in the Post-Secondary Education sector, the organization is seeking to recruit an individual who has the skills and knowledge to contribute to the rapid growth and participate in building a place of learning that reflects our Anishinaabe philosophy of education for adult learners through the Post-Secondary Education and Training Programs.

The Dean of Student Enrolment and Wellness will lead the planning of strategic initiatives, aligned with the Student Services department activities, as identified in Kenjgewin Teg's approved Strategic Plan 2021-2026.

#### DEAN OF STUDENT ENROLMENT AND WELLNESS

Classification: Manager M3 Program Head/Salary Grade Band K

**Position Objective:** The Dean of Student Enrolment and Wellness is intended to implement a student experience from recruitment and admissions through graduation that is responsive to student needs and Kenjgewin Teg values. The Dean is responsible to provide leadership and direction to team members responsible for admissions and records as well as the emotional, spiritual, and social needs of the student population at Kenjgewin Teg. This position's focus is to ensure student needs are identified early and supports and services are provided to ensure the personal well-being of students to support student success.

#### Qualifications:

- Diploma in Social Services or related background in Education
- Minimum 3 years' experience in a management role

#### Job Knowledge and Skills:

- Experience in facilitation and small group presentation skills
- Possess conflict management skills
- Proficiency with data management tools
- Ability to write and format moderately complex correspondence, including memos, letters, proposals, and reports
- Experience in writing proposals and reports
- Strong knowledge of general office procedures involving procurement, travel arrangements, and budget management
- Strong time management skills, multi-tasking skills, and the ability to prioritize tasks with minimal supervision
- Intermediate – Advanced knowledge of Microsoft Office/Office 365 (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Teams, SharePoint)
- Facilitation experience is an asset
- Ability to maintain filing systems and databases
- Must possess a valid driver's licence, have access to a vehicle, and be willing to travel as required
- Must have an appreciation of the Anishinabek culture, principles, values, language, history and customs; and be supportive of Anishinabek practices, language revitalization and protocols

**Application Deadline: Monday, July 11, 2022 at 12 Noon**

Interested individuals are strongly encouraged to review the detailed job description, for a copy please contact the Director of Human Resources at: 705-377-4342, ext. 206 or by email at [humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca](mailto:humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca)

Interested individuals can send a complete application package that consists of: Cover letter, a detailed resume, three (3) current (within one year) letters of reference, two of which must be professional on organizational letterhead and authored by direct supervisor, and written permission to contact references. Please note that the successful candidate will be required to provide a current Vulnerable Sector Check.

Applications can be received marked confidential through email at:

[humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca](mailto:humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca), or by mail to:

Kenjgewin Teg

"HR – Dean of Student Enrolment and Wellness"

c/o Director of Human Resources

374A Hwy. 551, P.O. Box 328, M'Chigeeng First Nation, ON POP 1G0

Tel: 705-377-4342

**Please note:** Kenjgewin Teg's Fitness for Duty Program is implemented which is designed to promote the development and maintenance of the highest possible levels of worker health and safety in an efficient and productive workplace.

**Please note:** Kenjgewin Teg has taken steps to ensure that the organization is inclusive within the school community. This includes the shared practice of First Nation tradition of smudging.

*Late applications will not be considered. While we thank all applicants, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information contained in applications will be used for recruitment purposes and collected as per Freedom Of Information (F.O.I.) And Protection Of Privacy Act, 1987.*



## AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EDUCATION COUNSELLOR

#### POSITION SUMMARY:

Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation (AOKFN) is now accepting applications for a full time Education Counsellor. Reporting to AOKFN Band Manager, the Education Counsellor will be responsible for delivering the AOKFN Post-Secondary Program including activities that will enhance educational opportunities for students. The Education Counsellor will collaborate in organizational planning to facilitate access to a full array of education and career opportunities for AOKFN community members and will guide students in developing action plans to attain career and educational goals. The Education Counsellor will also support elementary and secondary students in their educational pathways and will work closely with other educational organizations to promote student success and well-being for all students.

#### SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

- Serve students and broader community members by responding to phone, email and in person inquiries, providing general information and referring inquiries to appropriate sources, addressing complaints, and confirming training, workshop, conference and class schedules and times;
- Prepare all post-secondary and secondary student allowance payments for deposit for approval on a monthly basis and as required;
- Prepare, gather, and relay confidential information and material (as per policy) as required, and maintain confidentiality, tact, and respect in all interactions;
- Prepare all invoices received for payment pertaining to elementary/secondary and post secondary education as per approved financial policy and procedures;
- Maintain comprehensive records on budget expenditures for the AOKFN Post- Secondary Sponsorship Program;
- Maintain a comprehensive database and filing system for the Post- Secondary Sponsorship Program in accordance with identified records management systems;
- Complete program reports in a timely fashion as required;
- Organize and schedule meetings, events, and training sessions, including contacting participants, booking rooms, ordering and picking up refreshments;
- Maintain the image of AOKFN by ensuring that all correspondence prepared is of professional standard;
- Liaise with other First Nations, program agencies, and related organizations/institutions to network effectively for the benefit of AOKFN, Chief and Council, and the AOKFN community;
- Attend appropriate workshops, seminars, and training sessions as required and assigned to remain current and up-to-date on topics of concern to the position;
- Counsel students regarding educational issues such as course selection, timetables and scheduling, school adjustments, attendance issues and study skills;
- Counsel students regarding career or vocational issues including career exploration and planning, resume preparation, job search strategies and interview skills as well as to make available a wide range of educational and occupational information;
- Counsel students and/or facilitate referrals to support services with regard to personal and social issues such as substance abuse, anxiety, self-esteem, relationship and interpersonal skills;
- Counsel students in crisis situations such as dealing with the death of a friend or family member, or abuse situations;
- Consult with teachers, parents, faculty, and other professionals such as psychologists and social workers regarding various issues and concerns as well as administrators and community agencies regarding programs and referrals;
- Coordinate co-op and school-to-work transition programs, and the provision of counselling and information services to students, parents, teachers, faculty and staff such as career information services, professional development sessions and interactions with other educational institutions;
- Supervise peer counselling programs in school settings;
- Develop and coordinate study skills groups or workshops on topics such as note taking, time management skills, test or examination preparation strategies;
- Coordinate or participate in student orientation programs for colleges or universities;
- Arrange for employers to recruit graduating students, and students for co-op work terms;
- Visit post-secondary institutions and secondary schools to provide academic information to prospective students, their parents and education counsellors;
- Other duties/tasks/responsibilities as required and as assigned.

#### SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS and EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

- College Diploma or Bachelors Degree in a related field (i.e. Social Sciences, Counselling, Education);
- Must have a proficient level of communication skills, verbal and written;
- Proficient computer skills;
- Excellent conflict resolution skills;
- Must possess a current and valid Driver's Licence and dependable vehicle;
- Knowledge of Anishinaabe customs and traditions and a good understanding of First Nation educational issues;
- Must provide a clear CPIC (Vulnerable Sector) prior to commencing position.

#### APPLICATION TO INCLUDE:

1. Cover letter with contact information
2. Resume listing education and work experience
3. At least three (3) work-related letters of reference with contact information

Please forward applications marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation

c/o Chief Patsy Corbiere

13 Hill Street

Little Current, ON POP 1K0

**Deadline for applications is July 22, 2022 at 12:00 noon.**



# ...Manitoulin Secondary School valedictorian Eliza Ermilova's speech

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longer a crime, though; you may have spent your lunches looking through old sports team photos, just to realize Gurney probably wasn't known as the old Phys-ed teacher at MSS 40 years ago. Don't worry, Gurney, your energy and enthusiasm is as young as it gets. We instantly knew that the moment you heard Mr. Balfe's voice on the PA, it was going to be an amazing soup day! The soup was killer, but surprisingly didn't give Balfe enough strength to keep himself on his feet once the epic tug of war rope snapped. If anyone wants to see a video of Balfe flying to the ground, I may or may not have it.

None of us believed it when others told us how fast time would fly in high school. But here we are, the huge grumpy Grade 12s we used to be scared of, about to leave through those doors to start a new chapter in our books. The experience might have been different from what we expected because the more we grew up, the more we realized that life isn't as easy as we thought. The hardships we might have faced, failed tests, first heartbreaks and the utter feeling of discouragement do not define us. We are, after all, human. Well, at least I think most of us are. I want to revisit the question, 'What do you want to be when you grow up?' Our success shouldn't be measured with high grades, popularity, or money. I challenge all of

us to start asking ourselves 'who do you want to be, rather than what you want to be.'

Who is the person you want to be as you enter adulthood? Take your strengths that you have learned within the last four years and use them to shape yourself into someone 'little you' would look up to. Your pride, kindness, and resilience will undoubtedly leave an impact on others and the world.

Graduates, I am incredibly proud of each of you for enduring through the last few chaotic years. You have

worked hard. You have earned the right to celebrate your accomplishments. Whatever your next adventure may be, pursue what makes you truly happy. From the bottom of my heart, I wish you all best of luck along the way. Peace out MSS; it's been a wild ride. "And we made it!"

**MONUMENT CLEANING**

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Serving Northeastern Manitoulin  
Norris Valiquette  
Phone: 705-368-1717 for details



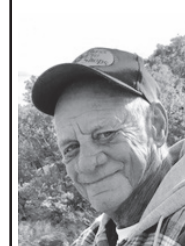

*Before* *After*

## Celebration of Life

### GERALD "GERRY" BAXTER

Friends and family are invited to a graveside gathering at Hilly Grove Cemetery, Manitoulin Island, on July 13, 2022 at 1:30 pm. A Celebration of Life will follow at Timberlane Lodge "Elm" cottage, 249 Mill Road, Mindemoya.

### HOWARD NEVINGER



Please join us for a Celebration of Howard Nevinger's Life, husband to Susan Allan nee Laidley. There will be an outdoor service, July 16, 2022 at 11:30 am. Light luncheon to follow. Please bring a lawn chair to 430 White's Point Road. Everyone welcome.

### AUGUST (GUS) KRUGER

1928 - 2022

### ANNE KRUGER

(nee Lowes)

1933 - 2016



Interment on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 1 pm at the Gordon Cemetery. Celebration of Life for August and Anne Kruger will follow on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 2 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion, Gore Bay.

### ELIZABETH JEAN MCQUAY

(Betty)

August 30, 1955 - May 6, 2021

We invite friends and relatives to a Celebration of Life for Betty McQuay on Saturday, July 9, 2022 at 2 pm. There will be an informal gathering at the Mindemoya Cemetery on Ketchankookem Trail, followed by refreshments at the Lions Pavilion (behind the Mindemoya Old School, Hwy 542 in Mindemoya), weather permitting, or at the Mindemoya Curling Club in the case of inclement weather.

## Burial Notice

### MARGARET LOUISA WALKER

(Smith)



A service of interment for Margaret Louisa Walker (Smith) will take place at Hilly Grove Cemetery (Manitoulin Island) on Friday, July 15, 2022 at 1:30 pm. A short reception with refreshments at the Garden's Gate Restaurant on Hwy. 542 will follow the interment. Margaret passed away in peace and comfort at the age of 92 on Saturday, December 25, 2021 in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. She joined her beloved late husband, Douglas Walker for Christmas Day. Cherished mother of Brenda Arrowsmith (Donald) and Bruce Walker (Lorraine). Proud grandmother of Jamie Arrowsmith (Katie Schell) and Dana Arrowsmith; great-grandmother of her precious Elizabeth and Douglas Arrowsmith. Predeceased by much loved siblings and their spouses Grenville Smith, Mervyn Smith and Muriel Talcott (Smith). Survived by brothers Harold Smith and Lawrence Smith (Sandy) and sister-in-law Deanna Walker (late David Walker). Predeceased by parents Chester and Florence Smith. A special aunt to several nieces and nephews and two generations of great-nieces and great-nephews. Margaret was born on the family farm near Manitowaning on Manitoulin Island in December 1929. She met her life-long sweetheart, Douglas, while working in Little Current. Married in 1950, they reached their 70th wedding anniversary in 2020. The young couple moved to the Sault in 1951, although 'The Island' remained dear to her heart. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.arthurfuneralhome.com](http://www.arthurfuneralhome.com) for the Walker family.

## Death Notices

### GILBERT "GIB" PYETTE

December 15, 1933 - March 21, 2022



It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Gilbert "Gib" Pyette on Monday, March 21, 2022 at Manitoulin Health Centre, Mindemoya. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 63 years Florence (McLennan). Gib was the beloved father of Rod (Rosa) of Port Elgin and Anita Critchlow (Jeff) of Bracebridge. Proud grandfather of Cale (Kayla), Rochelle, Joseph (Megan), Faith (Austin) and Anna (Will); great-grandfather of Nicolas and Jovie. Dear brother of Donna, Cal (Edith predeceased), Lyle (Shirley) and Karen (John). Gib was predeceased by brothers Bud-George, Lester and Sherman (Eileen predeceased). He will be missed by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Gib was born in Tehkummah, son of the late Reuben and Winnifred (Luscombe) Pyette. Like many family members before him, Gib sailed the Great Lakes in his 20s. In 1967, Gib, Florence and Rod left the Island as Gib had secured employment with INCO in Sudbury. Upon his retirement in 1997 Gib and Florence returned to the Island enjoying time with family and friends. The family would like to thank the care providers from Bayshore who helped Gib while he was home. Special thanks to Palliative Care nurse Ruth whose guidance during this journey was priceless. Also, many thanks to the doctors and nurses at Manitoulin Health Centre for the care they provided especially during his stay in hospice. As per Gib's wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be no formal funeral. A graveside committal service will be held Saturday, July 23, 2022 at 2 pm at Hilly Grove Cemetery.

### SHAWN RYAN SEGUIN



It is with broken hearts that we announce that on Monday, June 27, 2022, Shawn Ryan Seguin, at the age of 41, passed away from a devastating accident that was beyond his control. His soulmate Summer was by his side, right where she has always been. Shawn will live through the two lights of his life, his sons Landon Shawn and Evan Shane and his fur-baby, Nash. He is survived by his adoring parents Emily and Jacques, mother and father-in-law Melanie and Bill, his proud sisters Richelle and Courtney and brothers Kevin and Tom; many devoted aunts, uncles, cousins, dear friends and his five amazing nephews, Ryder, Cannon, Hudson, Emerson and Jax. Whatever Shawn set his mind to, he accomplished. He was the proud owner of Landon Mechanical Inc., a licenced pilot, a member of the 'Island Brothers' Motorcycle Club, and the very best husband and dad his beautiful family could have ever dreamed of. For Shawn, the best memories made were at the cottage in Parry Sound, all his time spent on Manitoulin Island and whenever an adventure called. Shawn loved travelling, collecting antique cars, hunting, seadooring, hiking and had a passion for good food and better company. He was a problemsolver, a protector, a provider, a mentor and everyone's most loyal friend. But most of all, he would want to be remembered as the ultimate family man who loved with every part of his heart and soul. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Brantford Flying Club would be appreciated.

### WILLIAM EDWARD 'TED' LINLEY

1939 - 2022



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of William Edward "Ted" Linley. He peacefully passed away at his residence with his loving family at his side. Ted Linley of Iron Bridge, in his 83rd year of life. Beloved husband of 47 years to the late Jane Linley. Predeceased by his parents: William and Marguerite Linley. Loving father of Sara Jane Linley of Iron Bridge, Janice Morningstar (Jim) of Blind River and Teddy Linley (Paulette) of Sault Ste. Marie. A special Poppi and Poppa to Wesley Morningstar (Melissa), Michael Linley, Tommy Morningstar (Kyle) and Trevor Linley (Cory-Lynne). He's also an extra special-great-Poppa to sweet little Charlotte Elizabeth MacLaren Linley. Dear brother of the late Albert Linley (late Jean), late Arthur Linley (late Lottie), Evelyn Hamilton (late Jack and late Harold Tweedle), Howard Linley (Lois), late Lois Orford (late Delbert), late Janice Linley (age 3), late Lyle Linley (June) and Judy Linley (late Coy Fogal). Dear brother-in-law to the late Joyce Sengstock (late Lloyd) and the late George Lambroff (late Nancy). Ted is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Ted was born in Gordon Township on Manitoulin Island. He was a small-town farmer/gardener, a long-time teacher/principal, an avid antique collector/dealer, an entrepreneur and a great community leader. He was a kind and gentle soul who inspired each person he met. Gone to be with the love of his life. We love you Poppi/Poppa. Family and friends were invited to visit at Beggs Funeral Home, 175 Main Street, Thessalon on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 from 6 pm to 9 pm. A second visitation was held at Iron Bridge Lions Hall, 10 Clarissa Street, Iron Bridge on Thursday, June 30, 2022 beginning at 11 am until time of service at 1 pm. Burial at Carlyle Cemetery followed funeral services. Marilyn Billings officiated. If desired, memorial donations can be made in honour of Ted Linley directly to the North Shore Health Network at [www.nshn.ca](http://www.nshn.ca) or by mailing a cheque to 525 Causley Street, Blind River, ON P0R1B0.

### LYNA MADELINE HOLMES

October 21, 1941 - July 1, 2022



In loving memory of Lyna Madeline Holmes who passed away peacefully with her family by her side at the Manitoulin Health Centre at the age of 80. Daughter of George and Florence (nee Martin) (both predeceased). Sister of Wilfred (Susan) and predeceased by siblings Jim (Margery), Joan (Grant Moody) and Georgena (partner Bernard)(predeceased). Beloved aunt, great-aunt and great-great-aunt of several nieces, nephews and will be missed by many friends. Family and friends will gather on Friday, July 8, 2022 from 11 am to 1 pm at Island Funeral Home. Funeral Service at 1 pm. Burial to follow in Hilly Grove Cemetery. Donations in memory of Lyna can be made out to St. Paul's Church, 198 Arthur Street, Manitowaning, Ontario P0P 1N0 or the Manitoulin Health Centre Auxiliary, Box 640, 11 Meredith Street East, Little Current, Ontario P0P1K0.

# ...Sea Cadets recognized for efforts

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is small but puts in many hours and lots of commitment so there may be a cadet program on Manitoulin Island.”

“Every year, we always have to say good-bye to at least one cadet. Our Coxswain Dayna Beauchamp has been with us six years,” said LtN Boucher. “We are very proud of you as you move on in world and in life.” He and Mr. Jewell presented Coxswain CPO1 Beauchamp with a shadow box and pewter mug, indicative of her accomplishments as a cadet and her retirement.

“We would also like to acknowledge the help here today of our review officer,” said Mr. Boucher in presenting Mr. Killeen with a beautiful paddle.



Left, Tina Davidson, acting sub-lieutenant of 348 Manitoulin Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps presents top senior cadet award to PO1 Rhys Allison.

## notice

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

Tfn

**50/50 winner!** Friends of the Mindemoya Old School, FOMOS would like to congratulate Nancy F., the winner of the 50/50 raffle. Nancy took home over \$1,400 in our very first raffle. Licence #M769576. Stay tuned for more exciting things happening throughout the year from FOMOS.

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH**

**NOTIFICATION OF REQUEST FOR TENDER  
TENDER 2022-02**

**Supply Tailgate Spread of 2000 cubic metres of  
3/4 Granular A Gravel**

**CLOSING DATE: July 11th, 2022 at 3:00 pm EST.**

Documents can be obtained on the Township's website [www.tehkumma.ca](http://www.tehkumma.ca) or by calling 705-859-3293 or sending email to: [clerk.administrator@tehkumma.ca](mailto:clerk.administrator@tehkumma.ca)

**LOWEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED.**

**FORM 6**  
**SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER**  
Municipal Act, 2001  
Ontario Regulation 181/03, Municipal Tax Sale Rules

**SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER**  
**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN**

**Take Notice** that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on July 27, 2022, at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya.

**Description of Lands:**

- Roll No. 51 04 010 001 38610 0000; Perivale Rd. W/S; PIN 47113-0200 (LT); PT LT 10 CON 10 CAMPBELL PT 1, 31R2544; CENTRAL MANITOULIN; File No. 19-09  
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$393,000  
**Minimum tender amount: \$57,470.30**
- Roll No. 51 04 020 003 69400 0000; PIN 47115-0804 (LT); PCL 1133 SEC MANITOULIN; PT BROKEN LT 21 CON 18 CARNARVON PT 5 MR24; T/W FIRSTLY: PT 109 & 110 MR24 AS IN LT1870, SECONDLY: PT 164 MR26 AS IN LT1870; CENTRAL MANITOULIN; File No. 19-18  
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$18,300  
**Minimum tender amount: \$8,292.16**
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# ...Storyed La Cloche Art Show returns to much audience delight

...continued from page 32 to regular Expositor contributor Professor Joe Shorthouse for 'First pond ice of winter.'

Distinguished Artists for the 2022 season were Penny Bois and Sharon Preen. Ms. Bois' 'Emotion' and Ms. Preen's 'A Little Bit of Magic' are being raffled to raise funds for the show. Both artists gave workshops prior to the Thursday evening opening reception of the show. Sadly, the traditional wine and cheese get-together had to be forgone this year due to caution induced by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

This year's La Cloche Art Show committee members were Sue Miron, Amy Collins, Judith Mosher, Sue Cairns, Judy Boyd, Heather Nicholson, Irene Kivikink, Rachele Newton and Gail Meehan.

The selection jury consisted of Sharon Preen (Fine Art), Penny Bois (Fine Art), Helen Siksek (Fine Art) and Jeff St. Pierre (Photography).

Sponsors for this year's show include: Hugh McMullan, Carol Hughes, Caisses Desjardins, Ontario Credit Union, Espanola Clinic Pharmacy, Trail Side Sports, Espanola Coffee Roasters, Northern Ford, Tanner's Independent Grocers, Orr's Valumart in Little Current, Farquhar Dairy, Hilly Acres, Bay Villa Lodge, Laidley Stationary and Office Supplies, Anchor Inn and Espanola Lions Club.

Best of Show and Oil

winner, Mr. Jewell, who took up painting following his retirement from the Rainbow District School

ed in the jury process (rumour has it he wanted other artists to have a crack at the awards). Mr. Wheale

has held over 94 solo exhibitions including three touring exhibitions circulating in Ontario, including a 50-

year retrospective held at the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah. His work has been included in over 75 group exhibitions.

This year's Ivan Wheale pieces on display at the show are: 'Lichen in

McGregor,' 'The Mighty Pine' and 'Rocky Shore.'

The La Cloche Art Show runs until July 9 and is open from 11 am to 5 pm daily.



A family affair. From left, Georgia and Joey Roy pose with their Best in Show award-winning grandfather Cliff Jewell and his top honours piece 'No Harbour Now' during the opening reception of the La Cloche Art Show. Georgia took second place in the elementary category while Joey also has a piece in the prestigious show. Mr. Jewell also took home top honours in the acrylic category.

Board, said he was especially overjoyed this year when his grandchildren also had pieces accepted for the show, Georgia and Joey Roy.

In 2007, to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the La Cloche Art Show, Ivan Wheale, co-founder of the art show, was honoured with the title "Artist Emeritus." His art is the highlight of the show each year and but is not includ-

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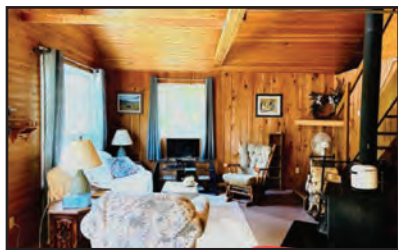
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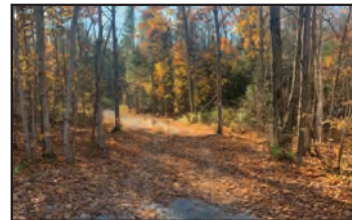
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# Spirit Island, paintings from artist Cathy Boyd, opens July 9 at Perivale Gallery

PERIVALE—Spirit Island, an exhibition and sale of the newest works of Cathy Boyd, will open on Saturday, July 9 at Perivale Gallery and will continue until the gallery's seasonal closing on September 18.

Cathy Boyd will be in attendance at Perivale Gallery to welcome visitors to her show on Saturday, July 9 from 1 to 5 pm. Masking and the following of COVID protocols is encouraged.

The title of this show is a loose translation of the meaning of Manitoulin,

"Island of the Great Spirit."

Ms. Boyd's oil paintings celebrate the Northern Ontario landscape with emphasis on the diverse topography from Midland, where she lives, to Manitoulin Island. This show features numerous "plein air" studies from her recent outdoor painting trips to the Island.

Ms. Boyd's artistic career began in her early 20s when she accepted a teaching position that required her to teach art to the senior elementary students in Orillia. Not having any pre-

vious art instruction, she enrolled in some summer art classes at the Toronto School of Art. Ms. Boyd discovered she had some ability, and became immersed in learning how to paint, taking classes with some local professionals. Her style has evolved over the years and can be described as impressionistic, with some of her landscapes leaning towards abstraction. Her use of colour is unapologetic, as she pushes colour to invoke excitement. Most recently, the artist has been experimenting with acrylic mark-



The works of Cathy Boyd will be on display at Perivale Gallery in a special show starting Saturday, July 9.

ers which are perfect for quick plein air studies where painting outdoors requires completing small pieces in a short time frame.

Ms. Boyd is very prolific, painting approximately 100 paintings per year. Her work has been shown throughout Ontario, New York City, Romania and the British Virgin Islands. Her paintings have been collected globally. She has been showing at Perivale Gallery for more than 10 years and returns to the Island yearly to teach and show at the gallery.

Perivale Gallery is open daily from 10 am to 5 pm until September 18.

# ...Lodge resident presented with prestigious 'Making a Difference' award

...continued from page 3 here today."

Ms. Hall explained, "every year we are asked to choose and nominate a resident for the 'Making A Difference in the Lives of Others Award.' This year, after much thought, we decided to nominate a very special lady who is originally from London, England."

"Betty Maureen Johnson was born in London, England on April 29, 1929," said Ms. Hall. She explained, "her teen years were spent in the throes of World War Two, doing homework in the bomb shelters or being sent on a train into the countryside with all the other kids when London was being bombed. Can you even imagine that?"

Post-war, "she met and married Bob Johnson, Maureen's lifelong partner of nearly 70 years," continued Ms. Hall. "Together they struggled to carve out an existence in the post-war Europe."

In 1957, the Johnsons reduced their belongings to fit into one steamer trunk, took their two children by the hand, (ages and seven and four and a half), boarded the Empress of England and sailed for Canada, explained Ms. Hall. "It is an understatement to say that these were not easy times. The only family they had in Canada were two of Bob's sisters. They basically had to start their lives from scratch."

However, "Maureen has always faced struggles head on and with remarkable resiliency and bravery," said Ms. Hall. "This has engendered profound respect from anyone who has ever known her. She



Maureen Johnson, a resident at the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home in Gore Bay, was presented with the Lodge 'Making a Difference in the Lives of Others' Award. From left are Jamie-Lynn Kalmikov, Lodge administrator, Maureen Johnson and Gloria Hall, Lodge activities coordinator.

always worked outside the home, found time, and still managed to always be there for all of her family's needs."

"About 10 years after arriving in Canada, the Johnsons' second son David was born, making the family complete, with Clive, Tove and David," said Ms. Hall. "Her deeply compassionate nature and extraordinary clarity and intelligence made her a leader, no matter where she went. Maureen has always cared about her community and those that are in need of assistance can always count on her to champion their cause."

After overcoming cancer herself, Ms. Johnson worked tirelessly to raise funds for cancer research and was the driving force behind 'Hope in a Boat,' which competed in the Dragon Boat races in Sudbury, explained Ms. Hall. "The team was one of the top fund-raisers for the event."

"Once Manitoulin

became home, there was nowhere else Maureen wanted to be," said Ms. Hall. "She loves this land and the people on it. I know that many of you have been touched by her beautiful spirit."

Ms. Johnson volunteered for many causes, one of them the Anglican Church, serving in many offices. "Maureen has been blessed with three children, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren," said Ms. Hall.

Ms. Hall said, "Maureen joined a new family at Manitoulin Lodge in May 2019. She continues to be a resident advocate, participating in resident council and food committee meetings. She brings concerns of others to these meetings, promoting the best life for residents. And, once things started to open up after the COVID lockdowns, she advocated for residents being able to attend community church and go on outings." "Maureen enjoys many

of the activities at Manitoulin Lodge, especially the bingos, music, special events and pastoral care," said Ms. Hall. "She is always concerned for others if they are feeling under the weather. This also goes for staff as well as residents."

"One of the staff members recalls how she and Bob helped to push her out when she inadvertently

went into the ditch one stormy night," said Ms. Hall.

"It gives me great pleasure to present this 'Making a Difference Award' to a very deserving person who makes a difference in the lives of everyone she meets. Congratulations Maureen," added Ms. Hall.

"Thank you so much," stated Ms. Johnson. "I was so surprised and I am prob-

ably not the most deserving resident for this award," adding, "staff work very hard for residents."

The event was sponsored by the Manitoulin Lodge volunteer program, with all proceeds raised going to resident program and activities.



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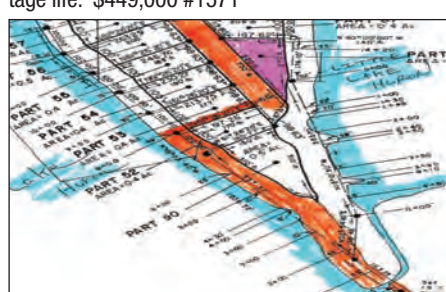
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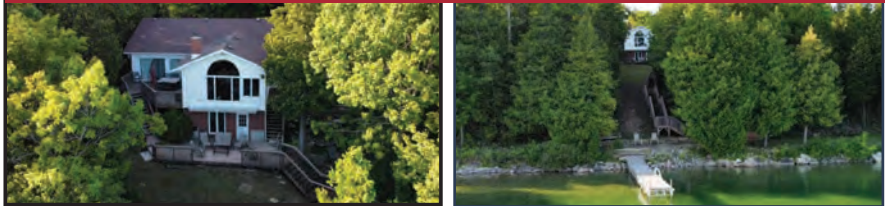
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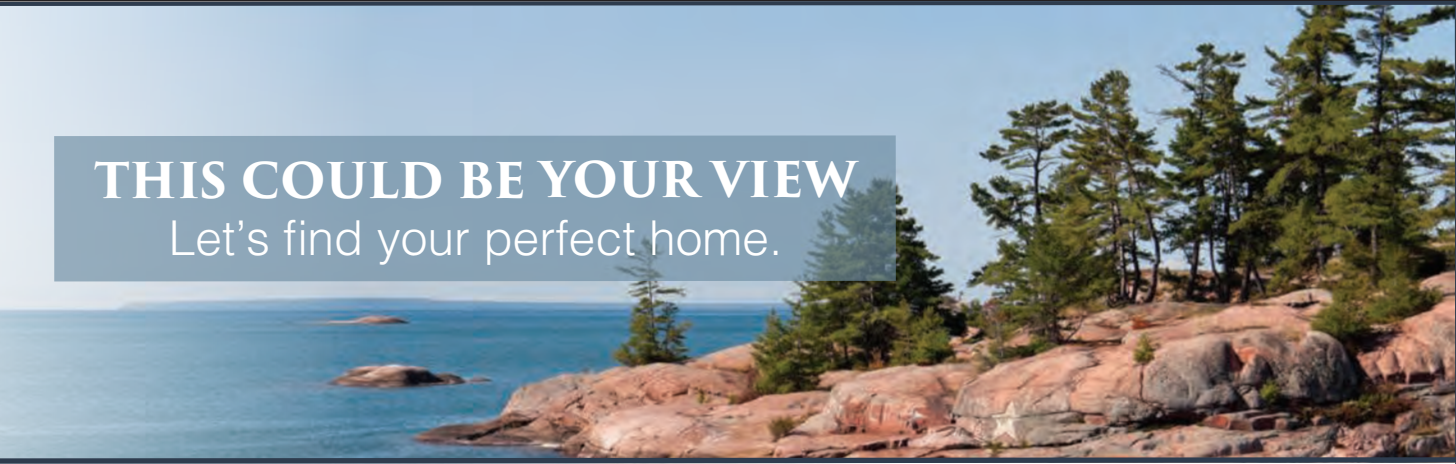
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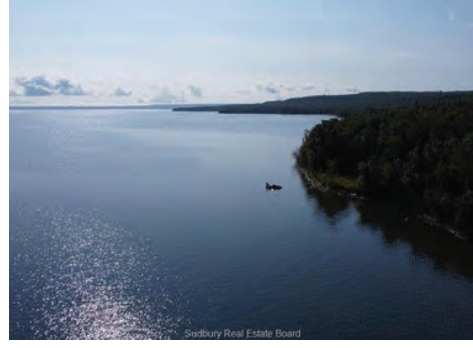
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