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M'Chigeeng's Glen Hare standing for election as Regional Chief for Ontario

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—Former Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief Glen Hare may have lost his bid to retain his leadership position to Missis-



Glen Hare

sauga Chief Reg Niganobe in the recent election, but after a lifetime dedicated to public service Mr. Hare is not ready to retire just yet. Mr. Hare announced his intention to seek the position of Ontario regional chief.

"I am excited for my next venture," he said. Mr. Hare said he had consulted with his family about a run for the Assembly of First Nations post even before the Anishinabek election. "It was a 'what if' discussion," he said. "First and foremost it is important to have your family's support."

Having secured the nod from his family, Mr. Hare is moving on to the leadership of Ontario's 133 First Nations.

A new Ontario regional chief will be elected in the first-ever virtual traditional ceremony at the 47th Annual All Ontario Chiefs Conference on June 15 to 17, hosted by Grand Council Treaty #3. The theme of this year's conference is 'Healing for Generations to Come.' Current Ontario Regional Chief RoseAnne

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High weekend death toll on Highway 6: one Saturday morning, another Sun. morning

MANITOWANING—It was a tragic weekend on Highway 6 with the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) investigating two fatalities, a single vehicle collision near Manitowaning and a pedestrian struck and killed in Espanola, all in the early morning hours of Saturday and Sunday.

The OPP reports that on Sunday, June 13 at approximately 1:50 am, members of the Manitoulin OPP, with the assistance of Sudbury-Manitoulin paramedic services and the Assiginack fire department, responded to a single

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CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY! The Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) officially kicked off the Mindemoya hospital emergency department renovation and expansion project with a 'shovel in the ground' event on Monday. In photo, left to right, is MHC co-CEO Paula Fields, Dr. Maurianne Reade, Angela Becks MHC fundraising committee chair, MHC board chair Terry Olmstead and Tim Vine, co-CEO of the MHC. See story on Pages 14-15.

photo by Tom Sasvari

Species unique to Manitoulin newly named to 'at risk' list

by Lori Thompson,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter ONTARIO—Three Island species have been added to Ontario's species at risk list by COSSARO, the independent Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario, that considers which plants and animals should be assessed as at risk in Ontario. A total of 15 species were added in the 2019-2020 report, which was released last month. Two lake whitefish sub-species from Como Lake (near Chapleau) were marked as extinct and the red-headed woodpecker was elevated from special concern to endangered. Two additional species were down listed from threatened.

Species at risk in Ontario are classified in one of four categories. A species is assessed as extirpated when it is locally extinct in one area but still lives somewhere else in the world. A species is endangered when it lives in the wild in Ontario but faces imminent extinction or extirpation. A threatened species is found living in the wild and while not endangered, is likely to become endangered if steps are not taken to address threats. Finally, a species is classified as 'special concern' when it is not endangered or threatened but may become so due to a combination of biological traits and identified threats.

Seven species were added to the endangered list. These are shagreen, toothed globe snail, false foxglove sun moth, black ash, white rimmed single lichen, downy yellow false foxglove and Gillman's goldenrod. Two other distinct lake whitefish sub-species (Opeongo Lake small bodied and Opeongo Lake large bodied) were added to the threatened list as were the Carolina mantleslug, hudonia godwit, smooth yellow false foxglove, fern leaved yellow false foxglove and hairy valerian. The red-tailed

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Critics pan use of notwithstanding clause to quash Superior court ruling of third party election advertising as a constitutional abuse

Tories make history with Ontario's first use of "nuclear" option

by Michael Erskine

QUEEN'S PARK—Following Ontario Superior Court Justice Edward Morgan's ruling to throw out the Ford government's revisions to Ontario's Election Act and Election Finances Act, Premier Doug Ford recalled the legislature last weekend for an emergency debate with the intent to

invoke Section 33 of the Canadian Constitution, commonly referred to as the "notwithstanding clause." The debate extended into Monday evening of this week and featured a spirited, though ultimately futile, rearguard action by the province's opposition parties that ultimately failed to derail the bill.

The unconstitutional portion of the legislation, Bill 307, Justice Morgan determined, was a provision to extend the election advertising expenses limit to a full year from the previous six months, while keeping the spending limit at \$630,000. Justice Morgan found that the time extension was far in excess of what was necessary (holding that six months pre-election advertising limit was sufficient) and amounted to an infringement on the rights and freedoms of Canadians under the charter's freedom of expression.

Premier Ford, whose party wishes to keep the full year of pre-election ads, has painted the legislation as necessary to protect Ontario's elections from "outside influences." While the changes to

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Novice kayaker on Kagawong Lake rescued by boater after lucky cell call

by Tom Sasvari

SPRING BAY—A Spring Bay woman is very grateful for the lifesaving action that a local man took in rescuing her after a kayaking incident earlier this month.

"He genuinely saved my life," said Candace Greenwood of the action taken by Dave Pearson of Perivale. "I was so thankful and so grateful for him coming to rescue me, and want to thank him from the bottom of my heart."

Ms. Greenwood explained she had been out kayaking one evening in early June when the incident occurred. "I had been treading water for about 45 minutes when he (Mr. Pearson) thankfully arrived. I had been in Lake Kagawong in my kayak, by myself. I am new to kayaking, and I got a little too brave and went out to Red Rock, which is in the middle of the lake, when several large

waves came out of nowhere and I got flipped out of my kayak. The kayak was taking on water and sinking and I couldn't get it flipped over."

"My husband (Pastor Jamie Greenwood of the Spring Bay

Summer Solstice Festival to feature 200 drones

Part of Indigenous Tourism Ontario's June 19 celebration

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Indigenous Tourism Ontario (ITO) and the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation (AOKFN), in collaboration with the Summer Solstice Indigenous Festival (SSIF), are proud to present Summer Solstice Festival North (SSFN) on Saturday, June 19 at the Manitoulin Country Fest grounds in Little Current.

This event is the Northern Ontario

Summer Solstice event that supports and celebrates National Indigenous People Day activities.

"In 2020, ITO coordinated virtual SSIF culinary and craft experiences with our community," explained Kevin Eshkawogan, president and CEO of ITO. "We thought it was a great idea to embrace technology and offer Indigenous exper-



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INDIGENOUS FESTIVAL

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UPCOMING COURSES 2021

June is Indigenous History Month!



The Anishinaabe Dodemak – First Nation Clans system is one of the oldest tribal governance systems. The Anishinaabek believe this is a system that the Creator gave to the Anishinaabek Nation.

- There are 7 main clans:
 Bear (Makwa)
 Martin (Waabizheshii)
 Deer (Waaawaashkeshiinh)
 Eagle (Migizi)
 Crane (Ajichaak)
 Turtle (Mishiikenh)
 Loon (Maang)



as well as "sub-clans" having equal responsibilities

Each clan is represented by a spirit animal that demonstrates the 7 Grandfather Teachings:

- Love (Zaagidwin)
 Truth (Debwewin)
 Respect (Mnaadendmowin)
 Wisdom (Nbwaakaawin)
 Humility (Dbaadendziwin)
 Honesty (Gwekwaadziwin)
 Bravery (Aakedhewin)



Today, this clan system continues to be used in Anishinaabe ceremonies and is resurging in Anishinaabek self-governance.

All of us as individuals must be willing to do our part to learn and understand the shared history and relationships between Canada and Indigenous people. As an Anishinaabek place of learning, Kenjgewin Teg is one of many places to both begin and continue your journey in understanding!

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ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (AQ) TEACHING FNMI CHILDREN (SCHEDULE C)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

First Nations, Metis, and Inuit (FNMI) children are the fastest growing population in Canada, and therefore, in the Ontario school system. In addition, Canada is in an era of reconciliation in the wake of residential schools, and assimilationist policies. Candidates will learn about: the history of colonization in Canada; decolonization theory; current efforts of grassroots people to decolonize themselves and their nations; and finally, their role as teacher and educator in an era of truth and reconciliation. Participants will reflect individually and collaboratively, with the encouragement to draw on their experiences to scaffold the learning. Main topics will include: origin stories and legends; a revisionist colonial North American history from the perspective of FNMI nations; decolonization versus reconciliation; the teacher's role in today's era of reconciliation; and pathways moving forward. Reflection, investigation, collaboration, experience and student directed learning inform the learning.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The AQ – Teaching FNMI Children course is 125 hours; open to candidates who meet the entry requirements identified in the Teachers' Qualifications Regulation. Successful completion of this course will be recorded on the candidate's Certificate of Qualification and Registration.*

*Additional Qualifications (AQ) courses are intended for holders of a General Certificate of Qualification and Registration (CQR), including individuals who are certified with conditions. Ontario candidates who do not hold a certificate, transitional and temporary certificate holders, and others may be admitted to AQs, when specific requirements and limitations have been followed. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic and the disruption to services, the Ontario College of Teachers has revised its practice of requiring certification with a General CQR before the end of the course as long as all those being admitted/enrolled into AQs have completed their program of professional education prior to enrollment in the course.

SESSION DATES

Location: Remote/On-line Learning
 July 27, 28, 29 (T, W, TR, 8:30am-3:30pm daily)*
 Aug 3, 4, 5 (T, W, TR, 8:30am-3:30pm daily)*
 Aug 10, 11, 12 (T, W, TR, 8:30am-3:30pm daily)*
 *synchronous learning, w/ daily breaks (54 hours)
 + asynchronous learning (71 hours)

Total: 125 hours**
 ** Course will include a combination of synchronous and asynchronous hours to total 125 hours required for the course.

TUITION FEES

\$499.00 per person*
 *Fee includes a Teaching FNMI Resource Kit that may be required for course; will be supplied to registered participants via priority courier.

Important Note: Participants are responsible for their own internet connection, computer hardware, and computer software. For improved learner success to access and participate in online content, participants should have a reliable internet connection and a functioning reliable laptop and hardware. Accessing online content for the course through a mobile device (cell phone) is not recommended.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER

July 2, 2021



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ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (AQ) TEACHING OJIBWE/ ANISHINAABEMOWIN (SCHEDULE C)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Teaching Ojibwe (Anishinaabemowin) is a 125-hour intensive course that focuses on improving teacher fluency in order to improve the quality of Anishinaabemowin education that they provide in their classrooms. Teachers will improve their fluency, as well as learn new hands on, activity-based approaches to language learning and teaching by participating in the activities themselves. Grammar instruction will also be provided to transmit the finer details of a speaker's speech, and to provide a greater depth of language understanding and knowledge. This course stresses that the greatest way to achieve fluency in Anishinaabemowin is to speak it, use it, act it out, and experience it, with the objective that teachers will implement this method of teaching in their respective language classrooms.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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DEADLINE TO REGISTER

June 4, 2021

SESSION DATES

Location: Remote/On-line Learning
 July 5-9 (M-F, 8:30am-4:00pm daily)*
 July 12-16 (M-F, 8:30am-4:00pm daily)*
 July 19-23 (M-F, 8:30am-4:00pm daily)*
 *combination of synchronous and asynchronous learning

Total: 125 hours**
 ** Course will include a combination of synchronous and asynchronous hours to total 125 hours required for the course.

TUITION FEES

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The Manitoulin *West* Recorder

Rainbow Bd. will need over \$1 million in reserve funds to balance budget

by Tom Sasvari

SUDBURY—While it is expected that the Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) will have a balanced budget going into the new school year this fall, the superintendent of business (SBO) for the board says that any time funds have to be taken from the board reserves, it is always a concern.

“I mean as a financial representative for a school board, when we have to draw funds from the board’s reserves there is cause for concern,” Dennis Bazinet, SBO for the board, told The Expositor after a board meeting last week to look at the draft budget (September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022). He pointed out the board is looking at taking \$1.6 million from its reserves. “That is the bottom line,” he stated.

“(Student) enrolment numbers are very much unknown at this point,” said Mr. Bazinet. “We’re within one percent of our operating to comply with the ministry (of education) component, estimating staff numbers and salaries.”

“There are a couple of factors when we are looking at predicted

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RINGING FOR SOLIDARITY—Jan Joyce rings the church bell at St. Andrews Unit-ed Church in Meldrum Bay at a vigil held in memory of the recent discovery of 215 unmarked children’s graves at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. For story, see Page 5.

photo by Tom Sasvari

Robinson Township residents agree with purchase of fire vehicle, added insurance costs

by Tom Sasvari

ROBINSON TOWNSHIP—While there were concerns raised that local residents had no input into the Robinson Township Local Services Board (LSB) purchasing a side-by-side vehicle for firefighters to access locations that their fire truck can’t if a fire occurs, and high insurance costs for this vehicle, local residents have voted in favour of paying these costs due to the purchase allowing for enhanced fire protection to these not easy-to-reach locations.

“When do we want to talk about the elephant in the room?” asked Karen Noble, secretary of the Robinson Township LSB at a public meeting June 6.

Tim Mackinlay, LSB chair, pointed out the LSB had bought a Yamaha side-by-side vehicle at a cost of about \$21,500. “The plan is to pay this off with donations and we are up over \$7,000 so far,” he said, noting there were some other costs involved in the purchase.

“The main issue is insurance,” said Mr. Mackinlay. “In November we proposed that the insurance of the vehicle would cost \$2,000 for a year. But when we got a quote from Able Insurance, the quote was \$1,744 for four months, about \$4,500 for a full year and more than double what we put in our budget. My hope is that we get enough donations that we can pay this.”

The high insurance costs are based on the vehicle being considered a fire fighting vehicle, said Mr. Mackinlay. “If I bought the vehicle for myself and put it in my garage it would probably cost \$500-600 a year for insurance.”

“Here we go again with the costs of insurance and the ongoing costs the township has to go through,” said Mr. Mackinlay. He pointed out, “we are exploring having insurance on the buggy for just the fire season and store away the vehicle in the winter.”

Ms. Noble explained that when she contacted NFP Canada, I asked them to find the best quote for insurance. I got 10 quotes but no one would touch insuring the side-by-side alone. “Today, we need to discuss paying \$1,744 to get us through to the insurance renewal date.”

Robinson fire chief Doug Wismer told the meeting, “there are 130 places, mainly made up of seasonal residences, that we can’t access with the fire trucks. If we have a fire in one of these locations, we have no way of getting to them with the fire trucks and equipment. Basically, they won’t have fire services without the side by side.”

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Township of Billings begins review process for enforcement, animal and trailer bylaws

KAGAWONG—A special council meeting was held June 8 for council members of the Township of Billings to discuss several bylaws currently under review, including an enforcement bylaw, a domestic and exotic animals bylaw and a trailer bylaw.

Arthur Moran, bylaw enforcement officer for Billings, prepared

a presentation for council that included discussion memos, draft bylaws, draft policies and other documents. Mr. Moran explained that he would like council to review and discuss these three bylaws in a special council meeting to ensure there was an opportunity to develop a thorough understanding prior to a first

reading during a regular council meeting.

He suggested council proceed using a process similar to that used by the Town of Gore Bay, where he also performs bylaw duties. In Gore Bay, any new or revised bylaw is discussed and reviewed at a committee level meeting for potential changes or revisions. Following that, they are brought back to the committee for consensus. The bylaw is then brought forward at a regular council meeting for final reading and enactment.

First up for discussion was the enforcement bylaw. This bylaw was brought up to council earlier this year but was focused primari-

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Some events planned for Canada Day

MANITOULIN—We’re only a couple of weeks away from Canada Day, July 1, and there are moves afoot to make this year’s celebration, if not normal, than at least more than only virtual.

In Little Current, the Little Current BIA (representing the down-town business community) is in the process of developing a Canada Day scavenger hunt that can be accomplished either from home from general knowledge or by walking or driving around the town.

The Little Current BIA has decided to make fireworks a “virtual” event downtown this year and is inviting kids—of all ages—to put crayons/colour markers/chalk to paper/cardboard and create their renditions of fireworks exploding over their favourite iconic Island place or community.

These drawings, artwork, or sketches can be dropped off at The Expositor Offices in either Little Current or Gore Bay (the old Recorder office) and they will be displayed on Canada Day in the front windows of the downtown Little Current businesses.

Will there be a reward for these artistic efforts? Of course there will.

Every artist contributing work for this endeavour will receive, for each drawing contributed, a \$2 coupon for that much of a discount off an ice cream cone at either of the two downtown Little Current businesses selling ice

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—After a year of dealing with the previous owners of his company, working to gain back what he’d had previously, Mike Meeker is back in business with his aquaculture and related and fish composting operation and is busier than ever.

The aquaculture business had to shut down for a period as he dealt with former owners Blue Goose. “The problem wasn’t that I had a lot of difficulty in dealing with its former owners, Blue Goose,” Mr. Meeker, owner of Meeker’s Aquaculture, said. “It took a year of negotiating to buy back my composting, fish and Burnt Island operations. It was far more difficult than it



One of the West End cage operations that is back under the Meeker’s Aquaculture banner.

the Burnt Island site from Purvis Fisheries. “They own the land and I own the equipment and fish,” he said. “I’ve always liked working with the Purvis fam-

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Gore Bay Medical Centre committee wants user input on building improvements

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—Users of the Gore Bay Medical Centre are being asked to complete a survey to provide input that will assist in decision making for the changes and updates to the Medical Centre building.

The Gore Bay Medical Centre has served Western Manitoulin communities well since it was first built in the 1980s. The centre

currently offers services of doctors, a dentist, community mental health workers, a massage therapist and an audiologist. It also houses Contact North. A committee has been formed to examine what renovations and infrastructure changes are required and at a meeting last week, discussed the need for public comment.

Respondents will be asked whether they are a building user, how often they use the centre in a normal, non-pandemic year and to rate the importance of various building improvements including the entrance/front door, waiting room, washroom access, lower-level access and parking.

The survey itself is brief, but there is ample room for additional comments where people can share concerns about the exam room or the entrance, for example. The survey is anonymous and takes approximately two minutes to complete.

After committee members expressed concerns about computer access for everyone involved, it was decided that paper copies would also be available through municipal offices, Canada Post offices and other locations. Stasia Carr, clerk for the Town of Gore Bay, noted that the town hasn’t been able to open to the public since the pandemic lockdown began. Committee

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"who dares not offend, cannot be honest"

editorial

Ford government over the line invoking notwithstanding clause

Premier Doug Ford has demonstrated a long history of flirting with authoritarianism, pushing a "my way or the highway" agenda that has too often wandered into blatant bullying during his tenure at the helm in Queen's Park. The draconian police powers Premier Ford tried to put in place in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and was forced to back down on through public outcry being a recent case in point—even the province's police forces balked at that overextension of authority, think about that.

It is hard to believe our erstwhile provincial leader could top himself, but then came the decision to extend the limitations on political advertising by third parties for a year—a clear and transparent attempt to muzzle the voice of unions during the leadup to the next election in 2022.

So odious was that bit of partisan political legislation that the courts tossed the election expense law to the curb. Enter what a Globe and Mail editorial called "the political equivalent of a toddler's screaming fit."

Premier Ford called the legislature back to invoke the notwithstanding clause, an escape clause contained in the Canadian constitution that was intended to deal with competing interests. Ontario has never invoked the clause—Quebec has done so, but in the general spirit of competing interests for which the clause was originally envisioned.

Premier Ford has obviously been itching to swing that club on Ontario's behalf since first taking office—he tried to do so once before, but court decisions went his way on that occasion, depriving him of the opportunity.

One of the challenges with our parliamentary form of government is that a party holding a majority in the legislature holds near dictatorial powers—so tempting for a demagogue who manages to slip that power into their hands.

The majority of seats currently held by the Progressive Conservatives means that Premier Ford's blatant partisan power-washing of the province's election expense laws to prevent any dissent will undoubtedly pass; none of his party cronies are likely to gainsay him as the measures are designed to benefit their own election fortunes.

Mr. Ford's handling of the pandemic, an initial source of political fuel during the earlier days, has since become something of a political albatross for his party. His own popularity with the electorate had been plunging badly even before his COVID-19 missteps began chipping away at the polls. The last thing the Progressive Conservative Party needs heading into the coming months leading up to the 2022 election are constant reminders of what the Tories have been up to under the cover of COVID from the less than friendly teachers' unions.

There is no question that invoking the notwithstanding clause for blatantly partisan reasons lies well beyond the pale in a free and democratic society. The real question is, will the electors' memories be so short that they will have forgotten over the intervening year this and other misuses of power without the constant reminders provided by third party advertising?

One wonders who or what might next find itself the target of Mr. Ford's "notwithstanding our rights and freedoms" agenda. Freedom of the press springs to mind—those pesky journalists are always asking uncomfortable questions after all and they are plainly all out to get him. Fake news, anyone?

When it comes time to mark a ballot in the next election, hopefully in days when we can once again gather with family and friends, remember this day—eight days following the anniversary of the storming of Juno Beach—when Premier Ford made provincial history by trampling on our rights and freedoms for partisan gain.

letters

Government eugenic policies are alive and well

Let us remember the millions of Indigenous who died in previous centuries

To the Expositor:

Undoubtedly, there will be short-term outrage over the recent discovery of unreported bodies of Indigenous children at Canadian residential schools using ground penetrating sonar.

One of the most painful tasks of Canada's seven-year Truth and Reconciliation Commission was an attempt to quantify the sheer number of Indigenous children who died at the many Indian Residential Schools, created by the Canadian government and operated by the Catholic Church, along with other protestant religious groups. The commission ultimately determined at least 3,200 children died while a student at a residential school: one in every 50 students enrolled during the program's nearly 120-year existence. That's a death rate comparable to the number of Canadian POWs who died in the custody of Nazi Germany during the Second World War. (This figure is considered a conservative estimate and most likely should be at least double that number.) The result is that many of Canada's most notorious residential schools sit amid sprawling cemeteries of unmarked children's graves.

However, this does not compare to the over 20,000 deaths of Wendat people from smallpox in the mid-17th century in Wendake (Huron), adjacent the southeast corner of Georgian Bay in Lake Huron. Despite the continued denial by the Pope and the Society of Jesus (a religious order of the Catholic Church), the French Jesuits were responsible for bringing smallpox and other deadly viruses that the First Nations lacked immunity to. In this day of the COVID pandemic, we might remember the millions of Indigenous people who died in previous centuries, throughout North and South America, a genocide perpetuated by ruthless imperialistic cultures. (Estimates of Indigenous death after the arrival of Europeans vary, but circle around 80 percent of over a 100 million.)

Ironically, these various imperialistic governments have attempted to justify reducing the global population, of groups considered racially inferior, through the smug notion of "eugenics." Though this set of beliefs and practices aim to improve the "genetic" quality of the human

population, it briefly fell out of favour due to the bad press received by the white supremacist policies of Nazi Germany. However, ever since the end of WWII and the upswing of economic-liberal policies, the corporate power of multi-national drug companies has resulted in the replacement of the word "eugenics" with "genetics." Should be no surprise that spiritual and holistic medicinal practices have been trivialized or outlawed and replaced by expensive pharmaceutical drugs and surgical procedures often plagued with deadly side-effects. Even the concept of rural self-sufficiency by growing one's own food has been suppressed by the toxic use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

The replacement of a diversity of heirloom seeds with expensive genetically modified seeds has been responsible for the global death of family farms and their replacement with factory farms. Apparently, government eugenic policies are alive and well. Now, poor and even middle class white folk are vulnerable to the predations of paranoid and psychopathic billionaire CEOs and politicians.

Derek Stephen McPhail
Mindemoya

A hope for renewal

Will someone restore Meldrum Bay buildings?

To the Expositor:

I read with interest and appreciation a letter in your newspaper dated May 12, 2021 by Jack Yard, of Timmins. I've lived in Meldrum Bay for 66 years and Mississagi Lighthouse was always a place to go with family and friends. We could go swimming, walk on the rocks and have a delicious meal. Since money is readily available, I sincerely hope someone will care enough to restore the buildings to their original condition and maintain the property and hire a chef.

Sincerely,

Alfreda Wickett
Meldrum Bay

Gordon/Barrie Island passes budget with small tax increase

by Tom Sasvari

GORDON/BARRIE ISLAND—Residents of the municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island will see a small increase in their taxes this year, in large part to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) not having been able to carry out assessments in 2020, due to pandemic.

With the pandemic, "we had no new reassessments (on property values with new development) from MPAC over the last year because assessors were not able to get out into the field," said Gordon/Barrie Island Reeve Lee Hayden after a recent council meeting. "Normally the new extra assessments takes care of most increases in downloaded costs on our municipality."

"But now MPAC is a year behind on carrying out its assessments on new buildings and development," said Reeve Hayden. With this

the municipality has not garnered extra revenues in increased assessments.

"This means on our 2021 budget we have had to make up a shortfall of \$28,000 on the municipal share of the taxes," said Reeve Hayden. This has led to an increase of 2.5 percent on the tax rate. However, he pointed out most taxpayers won't see that much of an increase because the education levy rate has not increased.

Carrie Lewis, clerk/CAO of Gordon/Barrie Island told the Recorder, for an average municipal taxpayer whose property has an assessment of \$160,00 it will mean a \$30 increase over last year.

Reeve Hayden noted, however, that while there has been a small increase 2021, "by the same token once assessment field work is carried out by MPAC it will mean a surplus and will help to correct the tax rate shortfall, for

2022."

Within the municipal budget for this year, "is a major bridge project to be done on the fourth line," said Reeve Hayden. "Funds have also been set aside, \$250,000, for the purchase of a quality used grader. We have been able to put these items on the budget without having to take any funds out of our reserves. We had money last year that was put into the working reserve that will make up these costs." He said the municipality also has the purchase of a new half ton truck in the budget, which was ordered in October 2020 (that has not been delivered). This purchase was also made with monies that were carried over from last year.

"We have a very healthy reserve," added Reeve Hayden. "We don't normally borrow money, in fact I don't recall ever having to borrow money since I have been on council."

Little Current United holds memorial vigil for residential school children

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—A small crowd gathered on the lawn of Little Current United Church for a COVID-19 protocol gathering recently to honour the memories of the 215 children discovered in unmarked graves near the location of a former Kamloops residential school.

The early evening gathering was facilitated by the new pastor of the Little Current and Sheguiandah United Churches, Reverend Whitney Bruno, who welcomed the gathering by acknowledging the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek, especially the Whitefish River, Sheguiandah and Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nations and following her opening remarks invited those in attendance to step up to the microphone to share their thoughts and memories. “Every Sunday we acknowledge the Odawa, the Potawatomie and Ojibwe as stewards of this land,” she said.

Rev. Bruno spoke of the tragedy that had brought the community together in memorial, and how that tragedy continues onto the present day, but emphasized that “this can’t be the end, we have to continue the conversations, making amends and being a community.”

She then opened with a prayer that spoke of the dream of a present when racism and hatred would be extinguished and a present when the environment would be protected.

Aundeck Omni Kaning Ogimaa-kwe Patsy Corbiere thanked the United Church congregation for the gathering, going on to say that the discovery of the 215 unmarked children’s graves was “unimaginable” and those 215 children never having been returned home to their families was nothing short of a “huge tragedy.”

She noted that the survivors of the residential school system not only lost much of their language and cultural heritage, but also that many went on to suffer the ravages of alcohol and other



Ryland, of Aundeck Omni Kaning, and Selena, of Sheguiandah, play together while the vigil for those 215 Indian residential school students found in an unmarked grave near Kamloops, BC gets underway. The children play in front of a display of shoes and stuffed animals found on the steps of the Little Current United Church.

addictions, facing ridicule and contempt of not only mainstream society but even of their own community members who had little or no understanding of what they had gone through.

“With all these bodies being found, people are being retraumatized,” she said. “They should never have had the power to take kids away from their families.” Indigenous communities must get out from under the Indian Act, she said.

“No other race in Canada has an act to tell them how they are supposed to live,” she said.

But Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere also spoke of her hope for the future, as more and more Indigenous students have gone on to achieve higher education, including at the PhD level.

Retired Manitoulin Publishing co-owner Rick McCutcheon then stepped up to the microphone to recall a conversation with the late

Violet McGregor, herself a former councillor and force to be reckoned with in her community of Whitefish River First Nation, following a lecture series at the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation by Dr. Alan Corbiere.

Ms. McGregor told him of a time when the boat bringing the children back from the school at Spanish was delayed by weather, having to hold up at one of the communities along the way.

Nobody bothered to call the community to let anyone know that the boat and children were safe. “So the parents assumed the worst that the boat had capsized and the children lost,” he said. “She said ‘it never occurred to anyone to call. How disrespectful that was for us all.’”

Former Sheguiandah First Nation Ogimaa Norm Augonie recalled stories from his experiences through the years. He spoke of his experiences with residen-

photo by Michael Erskine
tial school and survivors.

One survivor told him, “I learned two things there, to hate and to steal.” Mr. Augonie told how younger students would be beaten by older students with a strap or they in turn would be beaten. “It was the older boys who delivered the punishment,” he said. He recalled how one former student told him “You know Norman, if I met that guy today I would kill him.” It was a sentiment repeated by another survivor speaking of a fellow community member in Wiikwemkoong who was ready to act on his impulse to murder his tormentor; luckily Mr. Augonie was able to dissuade him. The children were taught to hate not only the white teachers and administrators at the school, but their own people. It was literally a campaign designed to instill self-loathing in a people.

Later, Mr. Augonie advised people to watch the movie ‘Indian Horse.’ “It is painful, but you will learn a lot.”

Former Little Current Public School principal John Hodder spoke of how when first coming to the community he noticed a school bus packed with children down by the then Edgewater Restaurant and learned they were being transported to the residential school in Spanish.

He spoke of his own campaign to include Island Indigenous children at the school. All children at the school were treated the same and received the same education, with some of those children being honoured as the top student at the school.

“We should all be equal,” he said. “Every child matters.”

His comments were later vindicated by former student Lylah Aguonie, the daughter of Norm Augonie, who also spoke at the gathering to share her thoughts. She noted that her experience at Little Current Public School was free from the kinds of oppression and racism experienced at residential schools.

A recent immigrant to Canada who did not identify herself spoke about the disbelief she felt when first hearing about the residential schools about five years ago. “I heard a lot of people, especially on social media, saying ‘at least they received an education.’ That’s not the point,” she said. “They were taken away from their families, the parents sent their children but they did not know if they would be coming back. That’s what you have to remember.”

Garrett, a young man who stepped up to the microphone, spoke of how much he was learning about Indigenous peoples. “I have been learning about the history of Indigenous people, First Nations people. In school we are

taught Canada is a lovely place,” he said, “in reality it has a lot of flaws.” He referenced the poor treatment of Indigenous people even before the implementation of the residential school system. “Anything you can do to spread the word, do it,” he said. “The government will only act if they are forced to do it. So do anything you can to help.”

Ms. Augonie thanked the community for coming together over this issue. She said she has learned that Canada has “been built on many lies.”

“My mom never talked about the residential school, she stayed pretty quiet about it,” she said. “Later, my mom apologized to me for not teaching us the language. In residential school she was taught that our language was the language of the devil.”

The history of residential school was not in her history books. “I learned about Christopher Columbus,” she said. As for her people, they were referenced as savages.

It was not until much later that she learned about that history.

“Even through those eight years that she went through residential school, she didn’t learn to read or write, she was self-taught,” she said. “She learned to survive.”

Once her mother was in residential school she lost her name, she became number seven.

Retired Crown prosecutor Lorraine Ottley spoke of the ongoing trauma that she saw and the post traumatic disorder that came from intergenerational trauma.

“A lot of residential school survivors ended up with PTSD and came home without the ability to raise their own children, how to show love,” she said. “Their children end up in the courts, and then their grandchildren. Criminality is not inheritable, but the results of residential schools are inheritable in my view. When we talk about residential schools, we are not just talking about a group of very elderly people, the effects go on generation after generation.”

A non-Native who identified himself as Steve who married a woman from Birch Island spoke next. “Nobody ever talked about residential school,” he said. “My two daughters don’t see their mother, intergenerational trauma has impacted my family. My ex and I broke up, but we didn’t know why. My kids are traumatized, my grandkids are traumatized.”

He suggested that the RCMP should not be the ones investigating the residential school system as they were part of it.

Kim Kitchikake spoke of her mother’s experience. “Growing up my mother would tell us about residential school. She always spoke humbly about it, she said, ‘don’t blame them’,” she said. Her mother became an alcoholic and dependent on drugs, mostly anti-depressants.

“She never believed she was loved, and she told us over and over again that ‘you don’t love me’,” she said, her voice cracking with emotion. “I spent most of my life watching her suffer from depression. My siblings (she is the youngest of five) growing up in that toxicity, never believing that they could go on to become educated.”

Her mother later began to learn her language, going “full force with my aunt” in her 50s to make up for lost time, but the inability to feel or express love had a huge negative impact on all of her children.

Each of the participants at the vigil were encouraged to place a candle among the shoes displayed on the steps of Little Current United Church and to say a little prayer for the children and those who survived the residential school system and their descendants.

Western Manitoulin United Churches ring bells in remembrance of 215 children

by Tom Sasvari

WESTERN MANITOULIN—Church bells rang out on a sombre day last Wednesday as vigils were held in various communities on Western Manitoulin in remembrance of the recent discovery of 215 unmarked children’s graves on the grounds of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. The United Church Pastoral Charge organized these events in Meldrum Bay, Silver Water and Elizabeth Bay.

“The recent discovery of the remains of 215 unnamed children on the grounds of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School in unmarked graves is, at the very least, disturbing and disheartening,” stated Reverend Janice Frame, one of four people taking part in the Silver Water United Church bell ringing ceremony along with Reverend Mercedes Hughes, Ron Vollick, Donna Coulter and a small group in attendance. “I felt the need to acknowledge the children, and to respond to their deaths with respect. Ringing our church bells seemed appropriate. Choosing a time that coincided with the vigil planned in Little Current meant that from the east end of Manitoulin to the West End, the children were honoured.”

“When you ring the bells for children, it’s very emotional,” said Ms. Coulter.

“I do not regard ringing the church bells on Wednesday as a token feel good gesture whose real purpose was to soothe feelings of guilt among our non-Indigenous population. Rather, I see it as one of what I believe will be many expressions of acknowledgement and regret as we on Manitoulin, and all across Canada, come to terms with our colonial past,” continued Rev. Frame. “It will be a long and difficult path, but I think only when we settler descendants commit to make the journey and take the first step can a new relationship with the First Peoples of these lands begin.”

At the Elizabeth Bay United Church, Erwin Thompson, Molly Ainslie and Joyce Morrell took turns ringing the bell 100 times, followed by a moment of silence for three minutes and 35 seconds, and then ringing the bell an additional 115 times.



Shown are some of the people who gathered on the waterfront area in Meldrum Bay last week to take part in the vigil in memory of the 215 unmarked children’s graves recently discovered at the former Kamloops Indian residential school.

“It’s important to remember the residential schools and the decimation of First Nation people’s culture and language,” said Mr. Thompson. “The United Church was the first church to apologize in 1986. Our moderator made an apology in Sudbury at that time. The Roman Catholic Church has not apologized. That is why it is so important for the Pope to issue an apology.”

“These children were taken from their parents,” said Mr. Thompson. “Just imagine if someone removed you from your family home. How would you or anybody feel? These children were taken from their homes, and lost their language and culture. They lost everything.”

In Meldrum Bay at the St. Andrews United Church, Jan Joyce rang the church bell once, then the approximately 15 people who gathered at the waterfront stood quietly in remembrance for 215 seconds. Then the church bell was rung once more.

“I think it is important that we recognize as humans the nightmare that was experienced by these kids,” said Ms. Joyce. “It is a small gesture but important that we recognize it.”

...Species unique to Manitoulin newly named to 'at risk' list

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leafhopper was assessed as special concern. Spoon leaved moss was downlisted from endangered to threatened and goldenseal was down listed from endangered to special concern.

Many of the species assessed are located in the Carolinian forest region of southern or southwestern Ontario but several have a unique connection with Manitoulin Island. Gillman's goldenrod, for example, is endemic to the Great Lakes. The yellow flowered perennial is only found in open Great Lakes sand dunes with sparse vegetation and patches of bare sand, mostly on the shores of Lake Michigan and northern Lake Huron in Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Ontario. The plant only currently occurs in Ontario on Great Duck Island.

According to the COSSARO report, there once was a sub-population of Gillman's goldenrod at Dean's Bay on Manitoulin Island but it was extirpated before 2000.

Gillman's goldenrod was also added to the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) list in September 2020. COSEWIC is the federal panel that assesses species at risk of extinction. It was first created in 1977 and reports to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada. COSEWIC is currently an independent advisory body



The red-headed woodpecker. Shutterstock

designated under Canada's Species at Risk Act (SARA). Gillman's goldenrod is listed as endangered under COSEWIC. "This perennial plant species is a Great Lakes endemic now found in Canada only on one island off the south shore of Manitoulin Island in Lake Huron. The species is threatened by habitat disturbance caused by invasive plants."

The red-tailed leafhopper is another species whose Ontario population occurs entirely on Manitoulin Island and adjacent islands. Because it feeds exclusively on prairie dropseed and cannot fly, the red-tailed leafhopper has limited habitat options. COSEWIC (2019) recognized two designated units (DU) for this species, one of which is the Manitoulin population, called the Great Lakes Plains DU. According to COSSARO, the Great Lakes Plains DU is "a relic population from a previous expansion of prairie habitat during the Hypsithermal period (5,000 to 8,000 years

ago) and is currently known from 19 locations on Manitoulin and other Lake Huron islands. It is threatened by habitat loss from a variety of causes."

The red-tailed leafhopper has been assessed by COSSARO as being of special concern, "based on the potential of decline of the small range caused by various threats, and Ontario's conservation responsibility for the Great Lakes Plain population." The status is consistent with COSEWIC (2019).

Black ash was assessed as endangered in Ontario based on projected declines in total numbers over the



The Great Duck Island's Gillman's goldenrod has also made the at-risk list.

next 100 years or two generations. Not only is 53 percent of the Ontario range currently considered susceptible to the emerald ash borer, but 78 to nearly 100 percent of the Ontario range could be affected dur-



The red-tailed leafhopper is unique to Manitoulin.

ing that time period due to climate change. COSSARO reports indicate a predicted mortality of black ash exceeding 90 percent in areas affected by the emerald ash borer.

Black ash is a medium-

for berries.

The species is still relatively common throughout Ontario but there have been significant population declines in areas affected by the emerald ash borer. The species was assessed by COSEWIC (2018) as threatened, however, it is considered threatened in Ontario because of Ontario's "significant conservation responsibility and the species' declining status in the broader biologically relevant range."

Ontario's conservation responsibility is deemed to be significant based on the fact that the species is globally at risk (IUCN 2017) and more than 25 percent of the global range is located in Ontario.

The red-headed woodpecker is native to eastern North America. In Ontario, it is mainly found south of the Canadian Shield, with the exception of a small population in the northwestern Ontario area of Rainy River. This woodpecker nests in cavities in standing dead trees and is mainly found in open deciduous forests across its

range. A red-headed woodpecker population previously found on Manitoulin Island disappeared following pesticide use in the mid-twentieth century.

COSSARO submits a report to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks in January of each year. The report includes the classification of each species assessed. The committee may submit a report classifying a species at any time in addition to the annual reporting requirement. Committee decisions are posted on COSSARO's website following presentation to the ministry.

The ministry must amend the Species at Risk in Ontario (SARO) list regulation within 12 months of receipt of the report. Once the regulation has been changed the species is protected based on its classification.

Individuals may submit written information on a species being assessed. The list of plants and animals that will be considered at COSSARO's next meeting is available on its website (cossaroagency.ca) under Upcoming Species Assessments. The public is welcome to observe the species assessment discussions at COSSARO meetings and meetings do include an open session for presentations by interested stakeholders or members of the public on the species to be assessed.

Friends and Neighbours

Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

The weather has been so nice lately that your intrepid reporters have taken a bit of time off of our intrepid reporting to spend some time at the beach. When we first got there, we were so excited, we couldn't decide whether to protect our noses from the sun or run directly into the water. It was a zinc or swim situation!

At the time of writing, Billings Township is still in a full fire ban until further notice. Check the township website (<http://billingstwp.ca>) for the latest details.

The bridge along the river trail is still off limits to foot traffic until it can be repaired or replaced. We contacted the township with our concerns about it being completed in a timely manner. The head of public works was very understanding and said, "Truss me! It will be fixed up very soon. You know I wouldn't keep you in suspension!"

Rumours continue to swirl around the 2021 Kagawong Market. It looks like the market will be back to its regular Wednesday time slot and to its regular location at the pavilion by the tennis courts. With the market back at its old stomping grounds, the cabanas are up for grabs! These 8x12 kiosks are available to rent for the 2021 season. Contact the township office for more information (tgordon@billingstwp.ca).

Kagawong's newest venture to be launched held its grand opening this weekend. Artisans by the Bay offers a variety of arts and crafts items by local artists as well as products carried and/or created by various entrepreneurs. Stop in to explore what they have on offer at the Austin Hunt Marina. A very happy 29th birthday goes out to Audrey, from her fellow psaltery psociety psidekicks. It's no psweet psixteen, but we hope you had a pswell Psaturday!

The government has approved vaccines for youth ages 12 years and up, and they are available on the Island. Book your child's appointment by calling 705-674-2299 or visit <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/>

The recent rain has sent the flower boxes around town into overdrive. The efforts of the Late Bloomers volunteers are quite impressive, especially those tasked with caring for the boxes and gardens in and around the Park Centre. If you peer through the dust of construction, you'll see pops of colour everywhere!

Words of wisdom for this week: never yell into a colander; you'll strain your voice. Have a great week!

Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

Silverwater has their walking group organized by Karen Noble. Good for her and all the ladies who gather to get out every evening to walk. Well, not to leave Silverwater to outdo us, there is a biking group here. The big smiles on the ladies as they speed past match their bright outfits. They are having a great time exploring the back roads and trails.

The poppies are almost our community emblem here in Meldrum Bay, and are out bright and cheerful at the Marina. Tiger lilies are starting to pop up on the roadsides and the Manitoulin Gold flowers are popping up. There are lots of these golden flowers lighting up the road to the dump here in Meldrum and along the road into Sheshewganing. We made a trip into Sheshewganing to try out Randi's new place and it was wonderful. The hamburgers were large, juicy and meaty with wonderful toppings. The French fries were fresh potatoes with the skins on and were hot and crisp. We were delighted. The next night Rick said wistfully, I guess we shouldn't have hamburgers and fries every night. But, it was very tempting. Thank you Randi and Marcus.

Peggy Morrison had a significant birthday. Not significant enough to warrant a drive by celebration but her friends took her out to dinner at the Meldrum Bay Inn which is now open. I understand that they had a wonderful time and the crab cakes and the chocolate cake were highlights of the meal. The Inn has been full up every night since opening, so if you want a meal be sure to phone ahead. Not only are we well fed at the West End but we have good friends too. I put my back out forking chicken compost. My garden was only partly in. Two of my friends came by and worked very hard to dig the beds, add compost and plant the rest of my tomatoes. Thank you so much. Have a great week.

Barrie Island Lillian Greenman

Ashton and Nina Calback became first time great-grandparents to Miles Jordan Daley on June 9, 2021 at 12:15 am. His parents are Natalie and Jared Daley of Whitby, ON. Natalie is the daughter of Tania (Calback) Atwood and Bruce Atwood of Whitby. Tania is the daughter of Ashton and Nina Calback of Barrie Island, ON.

Ashton and Nina Calback and George and Carolyn Calback of Barrie Island received news of the passing of their brother and brother-in-law John Wesley Calback early in the afternoon of June 9, 2021 in Peterborough, ON. He had been suffering from Alzheimers. John was born on Barrie Island to the late John and Margaret Calback of Barrie Island and grew up there. He went to work in Sudbury and in his few later years moved to Peterborough to be cared for by his family.

Silver Water Karen Noble

Albert Meijer saw a fawn on Burnt Island Road last weekend. The lilies are opening this week. The roses are blooming and scenting the whole yard when there is a breeze. The first beans, cucumbers, onions and more are through the ground in the garden. We ate some wild strawberries on Saturday. The tame ones are making good progress and the pick your own farm website says theirs will soon be ready.

Congratulations to Donna Kay McDonald on picking the right scratch ticket recently. Congratulations to Joyce McDonald on the birth of her new great-granddaughter, Ailyah Mae McDonald, parents Troy McDonald and Kamilah Frances, grandparents Glenn and Lorraine McDonald, great-grandmother Beulah Hester and all the other relatives.

Happy birthday to Peggy Morrison on June 15.

Get well, Mike Arbour and Darren Nodecker.

Condolences to the family of Darlene Cada.

Happy Father's Day!

Manitoulin Sporting Life

Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc



Little Current Pickleball Courts now in play!

Starting this week, the portable pickleball nets will be available for use (weather permitting) between the hours of 10 am and 12 noon, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Little Current Recreation Centre. As a club, however, Little Current Pickleball cannot assume the role of coordinating play because it could be perceived as organizing an outside gathering of greater than 10 people. Interested players, though, can show up as a group of players (10 or less) or if games can be informally organized before getting on the courts, all the power to you!

The basic rules are as follows. Once your group is formed you must remain in that group for the duration of play (10 am to 12 pm) that day. All courts can be in play at the same time. You are to remain on the specific court you are playing on for the day. No mingling between courts or groups. The health unit permits "doubles play" but expects players to adhere to the social distancing guidelines of two metres when not playing.

There is a special "Member to Member" contact tab on the Manitoulin Pickleball Club site should you wish to contact other club members. Other than that, bring your own chair, sunscreen and refreshments. For additional questions, they can be directed to **George Ballantyne** at: gmballantyne@gmail.com.

Wiikwemkoong Anglers to host another derby!

Are there any "legends" out there? If so, you and your 55 years-plus are invited to join the Wiikwemkoong Anglers' third tournament of the season this Saturday for their Legends (55+) Pike Derby. What a better way to spend Father's Day weekend but trying to catch the greatest total length of two pike and for only a \$20 entry fee. Cash prizes will be dependent on the number of entries. Registration is a simple electronic money transfer to wikyangler@gmail.com.

Although their first couple of events have been "virtual" derbies with contestants uploading videos of the measuring and releasing of their pike, this one has a measuring station at the northeast coast of Wiikwemkoong at the Prairie Point boat launch. The fun is open to anyone and measuring station at Prairie Point throughout the day (9 am to 3 pm).

It is still a two-pike per angler combined length and yes, a catch and release format. The organizers realize the rigors of transport on fish so they will be adding 10 extra points added to their combined length, per fish that do swim away after measuring and release and then a 10 point loss per fish that don't make it. Of course, no fish will be wasted as non survivors will be filleted right away for a fish fry feast for the elders!

As their poster says, "Mark your calendars, fill your tanks, switch your lines; soon enough it's derby time!"

Accelerated sports rollout

On Monday, Ontario rolled out an accelerated return-to-play framework for professional and elite-amateur sports leagues and events. In a government press release Heritage, Sport and Tourism Minister **Lisa Macleod** explained how this affects 18 leagues in six different sports as well as International and single sports for professional and elite amateur athletes.

"Effectively it would allow our CFL, NBA and Major League Baseball teams all to provide us with proposals with key features of the framework laid out which we believe they can meet that was based on, in part, the NHL and AHL return to play," she said.

Those features would include private screening and testing, assigned cohorts with limited or no interaction between different cohorts, as well as practice, training and competition protocols.

This new pathway does not affect the broader return to play for amateur and recreational sport, which is still on track to resume in small and careful steps throughout the summer. Let's hope that is the next big announcement coming from the minister!

Edmonton Elks it is!

In a thankfully trendy move of sports teams to finally change their derogatory names and mascots, the CFL's (interim) "Edmonton Football Team" (previously the Eskimos) has announced they will now call themselves the Edmonton Elks.

The move is a turn-around on the 2020 announcement that they would be keeping the Eskimos moniker after their year-long research and consultation with Inuit and community leaders across Canada. However, one of their major sponsors said they were rethinking their relationship with the club in light of that decision. Hey, money talked for the right reason, for once!

The change appeared to come about quickly as it was just a week after the discovery of the mass grave at the former Kamloops residential school. It also follows name changes from the National Football League's Washington Football Club and the Major League Baseball's Cleveland team.

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Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic is coming back for July 31 to August 15

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic is back. Anglers can look forward to an abridged version of the popular salmon derby this summer, from July 31 to August 15.

"Following the premier's announcement last week, we decided the timing was right to welcome The Manitoulin Expositor Salmon Classic back," said organizer Dave Patterson, noting that all participants will be expected to adhere to COVID-19 protocols.

This year, prizes will be based on ticket sales. First place will take 40 percent of the ticket sales home, twenty percent for second and 10 percent for third. The remainder of the sales will be used for advertising, payment of weigh station employees, etc.

The Salmon Classic will again feature the live leaderboard at FishManitoulin.com, which helps to encourage live release.

"This year we are limiting our weigh stations to the two most popular spots—Providence Bay and South Baymouth, pending



municipal approval," Mr. Patterson explained. This doesn't mean that anglers are limited to fishing in those areas, however. "You can still fish in the territorial waters of Manitoulin the same as past years."

"We hope for a normal return for next year," Mr. Patterson added. "We know how much this derby means for those on the circuit and for those many businesses who benefit from the increase

in traffic. We appreciate your patience over last year's cancellation. It's been a long year for all of us, but it's time to get back out on the water."

Tickets for the Salmon Classic are \$65 and go on sale this Friday, July 18 at FishManitoulin.com, The Expositor Offices in Little Current and Gore Bay, Moxy's Bait and Tackle in Lively, Up Top Sports in Mindemoya and Ramakko's in Sudbury.



The champions!

The team of Kathryn Corbiere, left, and Justice Corbiere took the Manitoulin Golf annual mixed tournament this past weekend. The Corbiere team posted a very impressive 12 over par score over the two day, 36 hole tournament. Several other prizes were handed out, including the longest drive prizes with James Beaudin winning this prize for both days in the men's division, Justice Corbiere and Warren Corbiere winning men's closest to the pin prizes. Norma Ense won the ladies' longest drive prize both days, while the ladies' closest to the pin prizes were won by Char Beaudin and Rachelle in the ladies' division.

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...Bd. will need over \$1 million in reserve funds

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enrolment,” said Mr. Bazinet. “At this time we are projecting a decrease of 86 students at the elementary school level, and an increase of 70 students in the secondary school panel. Any decrease in student enrolment directly affects our funding allotments.” He pointed out that an 86 student decrease on the elementary school level basically means a loss of \$860,000 in funds provided to the board.

“In terms of the number of schools and buildings we will be operating, this will be the same number as last year,” Mr. Bazinet told The Expositor. He pointed out the RDSB is slated to receive additional funding from the province outside Grants for Students Needs (GSN) funding, of \$1.2 million.

“The ministry has announced COVID-19 supports above GSN for the board at just under \$4 million, which is very good news,” continued Mr. Bazinet. He noted as well the

board has projected that there will be an overall increase in spending on special education and mental health in the upcoming budget.

In the area of revenues, a grant stabilization of \$754,000, that the government had provided because of changing enrolment numbers, will be a loss for the next year, which is a significant loss, said Mr. Bazinet.

“Our capital school condition improvement funding is going down by \$2 million in the upcoming budget. The government will be allocating less,” said Mr. Bazinet. However, the board will receive \$11 million.

Mr. Bazinet also clarified, “when we say the board will be drawing from its reserves, it means as of August 22, the end of the fiscal year, there will still be \$5.3 million remaining in reserve.”

The draft budget will be brought back to the school board on June 29 for their approval.

...Some events planned for Canada Day on Manitoulin

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cream cones: The Island Jar and D&N Variety. (The coupon can also be redeemed for a \$2 discount off a slushy at D&N Variety.)

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All artists are encouraged to bring family and friends to downtown Little Current that day to find and show off their works.

This year, the signature Canada Day cake giveaway in downtown Little Current will be replaced by Canada Day cupcakes which you can get in the individual shops, courtesy of the BIA.

Also in the planning stage is an opportunity for children to pick up art canvasses, take virtual art lessons and then bring the

completed work back to the downtown for Canada Day display. Watch for more details.

Also in Little Current, Country 103, Great Lakes Country, in partnership with Horizon Drive-In, will be hosting a drive-in live music event for Canada Day at the Flat Rock Entertainment Centre (Manitoulin Country Fest grounds). Music lovers can expect three great country music acts—Lemon Cash, River Town Saints and Jason McCoy—that can be enjoyed from the comfort and safety of their vehicles. Tickets for 250 vehicles will be sold and some camping spots are available too. Snacks will be on offer. Fireworks will finish off the evening.

For more information, visit the radio station's Facebook page or website, country103fm.ca, or call 705-368-1998.

There's also live music to be had in Assiginack, thanks to hometown favourites Rural Roots,

which will be performing live on the Assiginack Township Facebook page at 7 pm on Canada Day.

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is also hoping to continue its Canada Day tradition of hosting a fireworks display on the Providence Bay beach. Fire bans permitting, a stay-in-your-car fireworks display will be held at dusk in Providence Bay.

Gore Bay hopes to have the usual big fireworks display, organized by the fire department, but this will be contingent on the status of any fire bans then in effect and other regulations specific to the pandemic, the municipal office stated, so please watch this newspaper for details as they unfold.

What will happen as usual in Gore Bay is the usual colouring contest for children.

Kagawong/Billings is putting Canada Day activities on hold this year to comply with pandemic restrictions.

The Silver Water Canada Day community picnic, organized by St. Andrew's United Church UCW group, is also taking another hiatus this year and hoping for better times in 2022. As of press time Monday, these were the only confirmed community events but as June unfolds, there may be others added to the list and The Expositor will report them.

In South Baymouth, events are still uncertain but businessman Gary Brown and friends will organize the traditional parade and the firefighters will put on the town's usual fireworks display, so long as the municipality and public health officials give the go-ahead.

The Ice Lake Community Picnic and ball game is still up in the air.

If your community is hosting any community events, please let us know! Email editor@manitoulin.com.

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member Marian Hester noted that municipal offices should be reopening after June 11.

“We're going to basically compile the information we receive from the public before we dive into anything,” said committee chair Perry Patterson, referring to architectural drawings for the work to be completed.

Brian Dittmar suggested the search for an architect begin while public input is being collected and compiled. Ms. Carr said she had found a Toronto architect who specializes in drawings for health centres.

“There are a number of firms in Northern Ontario that have designed medical centres, including the North Bay hospital,” said Dave Rogalsky. “It would be nice to contact a few of those for a proposal.”

The committee also discussed grant opportunities for the project. “First of all, it depends on the information and input we get from the public,” said Mr. Patterson, who pointed out they do have working capital of \$150,000. Anything beyond that would require additional funding.

“We need to know what we want and what the total will be in terms of dollar amounts,” said Mr. Dittmar.

“Are we dreaming about expanding the footprint of

the building?” Sharon Jackson asked. “Or will this stay within the confines of the square footage we already have for the building?”

“We will hold off on all of this until the survey results come back,” Mr. Patterson responded. He noted that the required entranceway changes would probably necessitate this being an expansion project.

“Maybe an architect would be able to come up with a wonderful way of doing all of this without

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JACEY VAREY

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Jacey Varey is a Mustang who has certainly accomplished a lot when it comes to athletics and work skills. She is a Grade 12 student, who constantly keeps herself busy. When she isn't busy with school, she can be found running her business.

During her years at Little Current Public School she participated in every sport she could. Jacey did volleyball, basketball, baseball, track, cross country, flag football, soccer, etc. Throughout Jacey's sports' experience she has learned a lot, and is especially well rounded when it comes to both sports and life skills. Outside of school she can be found playing golf or baseball and in winter seasons curling and hockey. She continued to play sports in highschool and in Grades 10 and 11, she played the position of both centre and winger for the M.S.S. girls' hockey team where her team placed second in their division both years. Her skating experience didn't just start there, Jacey has played many seasons with the Little Current Flyers where she and her team dominated the ice.


Jacey's motivation comes from her mom, her mom inspires her as she is always so hardworking and Jacey believes that is where she gets it from. When it comes to games and practices Jacey always tries her best but makes sure that she has fun as well, she always looks forward to both practices and games. She specifically enjoys scrimmaging in practice, Jacey finds that this is a great way to prepare for games as well as take a break from some of the harder drills. With scrimmaging you also get the chance to play against your own teammates and learn their skills/strengths as well as your own.

She has accomplished so much over the years with school, sports and her own business. Jacey's achievements have a very broad and impressive range, she continuously works to make her teammates feel included and supported throughout games and practices. In her earlier years she received the Athletic Award for her Grade and this was well deserved with the great range of sports she took part in and the ribbons/medals she won. However, when it comes to accomplishments, Jacey holds one accomplishment over her medals/trophies. The accomplishment that resonates with her is being a good teammate, being a good teammate is a great skill to have and is certainly important to have as it is a transferable skill. No matter the situation and stress of a game, she is always able to keep her authenticity and remain confident.

Her leadership and drive always reflects on her great sports' abilities, and gives the people around her a great showing of motivation. Jacey's favourite sport at the moment would probably have to be golf. She has really gotten into golf lately, she finds that golf is definitely something that is a learning process! However, golf is a sport that she can enjoy with friends while outside. Golf can be competitive but it is also a great sport for someone to learn, as it is a slower paced game. Jacey likes playing sports because she likes being active and outside, so playing sports allows her to do both. Sports are her favourite because it's something to look forward to, especially being able to travel to tournaments or the anticipation of a game. Sports also have the great aspect of friendships, when Jacey plays on teams she loves that she is able to make a whole bunch of new friends who are her teammates.

In school Jacey's favourite class is gym. Jacey likes gym because it's a great class to destress in and it helps her take her mind off other things. In gym class she also gets to practice and play some of her favourite sports with friends in friendly competition, where she doesn't have to worry about the intensity of a real game situation. After highschool Jacey will be taking nursing at Cambrian. She is hoping that COVID-19 will end soon so she can get back to playing hockey and doing some curling. These are both winter sports that sadly she has not been able to play in a while and really misses the adrenaline and fun of both sports.

Jacey is one of many great Mustangs, and with her passion, genuineness, and hardworking attitude, she is sure to represent MSS well. Have an outstanding year, and keep up the super work Jacey!!!




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...review process for enforcement, animal and trailer bylaws

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ly on supporting the bylaw enforcement officer in executing his duties, Mr. Moran said. There currently isn't a bylaw that provides the authority to enter onto a property for all township employees to carry out their required duties, thus inhibiting these employees from performing their duties effectively, he said. This includes the building inspector, bylaw officer, fire chief or public works.

The proposed bylaw is consistent with bylaws used by other Ontario municipalities. Since a big concern of Billings residents is personal rights and protection of privacy, Mr. Moran discussed what steps he follows when following up on identified bylaw complaints. Complaints are filed on a complaint form online or at the township office or there is a telephone conversation or email communication. A bylaw violation may also be witnessed through bylaw compliance patrols and observations.

Once a bylaw concern has been identified, contact information regarding the property owners will be obtained from the municipal office. There will be a check to determine if there are previous complaints on

record. Property owners will then be contacted by phone or letter regarding the concern and a courtesy visit would be scheduled. The issue would then be discussed with the property owners and a plan developed if there has been an infraction. A follow up letter is sent out detailing the contact, what action may be required and timeline for action, if required. If the matter is resolved in a timely matter, it would be considered closed. If there is no compliance, there is further discussion with the township CAO to determine whether follow-up education or enforcement is warranted. These measures would be then be taken. All actions are recorded and filed with the township in that property file. Appropriate health and safety measures are observed and all Charter of Rights and Freedoms are strictly observed, said Mr. Moran.

It is only in rare cases that enforcement actions, such as orders and fines, are taken. In the majority of cases, the property visit is educational rather than for enforcement and most visits would take place outside of a residence. The bylaw is not a general power to enter a residence, Mr. Moran explained.

A bylaw officer, fire chief, public works employee or other authorized person may require the production of documents, information or other things relevant to the inspection, subject to the Township of Billings Power of Entry and Enforcement Policy or the provisions of section 438 of the Municipal Act.

Councillor Sharon Jackson questioned the use of the word 'required,' opting for the less harsh 'requested.' Councillor Bryan Barker explained that the wording would be a legal requirement and was referenced directly from the Municipal Act.

Discussion moved to the revised domestic/exotic animal bylaw to regulate the keeping and feeding of animals other than cats or dogs. As a keeper of bees, Councillor Barker declared a pecuniary interest and removed himself from the discussion. Bees are considered an exotic animal.

This bylaw would replace

the existing bylaw 2015-03. This type of bylaw is standard among many cities and towns across the province, although his research found that not all bylaws are the same, noted Mr. Moran. Changing attitudes towards the various types of animals being kept as pets and which may be defined as domestic or exotic animals or domestic fowl, required a review and repeal of 2015-03.

Mr. Moran also pointed out the changing population demographics and growth of new residences in various subdivisions throughout Billings would indicate a need for review. Both Councillor Jackson and Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack indicated they approved of this step towards modernization of animal bylaws.

There will be continued discussion of the proposed bylaws at a future special council meeting. The date has not yet been set.

...residents agree with purchase

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"If the fire department felt there was a need for this equipment, even with insurance costs being insurance costs, I put faith in the fire department. Safety first," said Dave Watts.

David Solomon asked if the insurance on the side-by-side is affected by the driving experience of fire fighter drivers.

"We asked Able Insurance about this," said Ms. Noble. "He didn't actually say it will drop, but we can ask him. And I asked him if we can do a deductible but this would only save us \$25. He said this is the cheapest rate possible. All we can do is keep our (firefighters) driving records clean and maybe at some point the insurance costs will decrease."

"We sent a number of questions to the insurance company, and they said the main reason for this quote is that as the vehicle is used by the fire department, it is a fire vehicle. Although we've never had a claim, our fire team is compared to other firefighting teams, like the fire department for downtown Mississauga," said Ms. Noble.

Local resident Paul Sorbara said, "I feel this issue is getting close to a vote being taken. In my opinion, that with the purchase of the vehicle and insurance, the public was not consulted. And, we don't have a cost on what effects this would be on the taxpayers. I want it on record that I will be voting against paying these costs."

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expanding the building," suggested Ms. Hester. "That's why we need to look for a company now." She said that fundraising should begin even though a fundraising target would be premature without knowing the details. "People know it (the project) is out there. It will take a while to get going anyway."

Suggestions included donation boxes, e-transfers and 50/50 draws. Karen Noble pointed to Sudbury's Health Sciences North 50/50 raffles as an example, with a jackpot of over \$900,000 being paid out for May 2021. "If we get everyone in the area to buy a ticket, we would probably have enough for the project in just one month. It wouldn't take long to fundraise," she said.

It was suggested that the Rotary Club or other service club could apply for a lottery licence to do this. "Maybe the Mindemoya hospital and even the Little Current hospital would like to split the proceeds. It could be one-third of the amount raised to each facility," Ms. Noble said.

"This is a wonderful idea," agreed Ms. Hester. "It's an easy way to raise a large amount of money."

Mr. Patterson said there would be more information on this at the next committee meeting.

The public is encouraged to complete the survey online through [surveymonkey.com/r/YRQK92J](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YRQK92J) by July 15. Paper copies are available at municipal offices in Billings, Gore Bay, Gordon/Barrie Island and Burpee Mills as well as at local Canada Post offices, Sheshegwaning Health Centre and band office, the bulletin board in Silver Water and the Meldrum Bay marina. Paper copies of the survey should be returned to municipal offices, the drop box at the Gore Bay Union Public Library or to Karen Noble, by July 15.

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...Glen Hare standing for election

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Archibald has announced that she would not be running for re-election.

After serving as chief of M'Chigeeng First Nation, Mr. Hare was elected by the chiefs of the Anishinabek Nation in 2006 to wear the deputy grand chief headdress, serving under former Aundeck Omni Kaning Chief Patrick Madahbee until Mr. Madahbee retired in 2018. Mr. Hare then ran and secured the position of grand council chief, a position he has held for the past three years.

Mr. Hare said he was proud of his accomplishments while working in leadership positions within the Anishinabek Nation, but one key portfolio really stands out for him. "Child welfare," he said. "That's the big one." Mr. Hare has been a strong advocate for the care of children for over two decades. "We were doing it in a big way for the last 20 years, even more so now," he said, adding "no more removals."

He asserted that implementation of the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) remain prerequisites for reconciliation—"action not words."

"I don't want to see more studies," he said. "We have been studied enough. Legal opinions? We have them."

Mr. Hare noted the recent announcement by the federal government on child welfare is a step forward, just one of the many "huge steps that have taken place over the past 10 years" as Indigenous communities have taken ever increasing child welfare roles over their children.

As for the repatriation of sovereign powers to the First Nations, moving First Nation communities out from under the Indian Act, Mr. Hare notes that this has been a goal of First Nation leadership since even before he got involved in politics.

"The government is moving in the right direction where we were hoping it would," he said. "They are starting to give us what we have been asking for, let's jump on it."

He noted that the current First Nation

Governance Agreement (FNGA) is a win-win for communities. "If communities don't want it, that's their choice," he said, but he pointed out that the FNGA is approved in five-year increments, with the ability for a community to withdraw should they decide it is not for them. "You still have that option," he said. "You don't lose nothing."

The benefit is that First Nations will be able to implement "laws, not bylaws," he said. "If there is one thing I have learned from my years in leadership, it is that bylaws don't mean nothing."

Education is another area where Mr. Hare is proud of his legacy. "It's another big one," he said, noting that advanced education is the key to future success. "It is hope," he said.

When it comes to dealing with the past, Mr. Hare said that Canada must come to reconcile itself with the truth. "I know horror stories," he said, "but they have to be shared."

When it comes to deciding the future course for Indigenous communities and the greater diaspora that is the urban Indigenous population, Mr. Hare is adamant. "We have to be part of the process," he said, reiterating that process must be focussed on concrete action. "No more studies," he said. "Let's not go there. We want to do something. We have been through hell and we are still here."

When it comes to Canada's part, Mr. Hare was conciliatory, to a point, but only to a point. "You inherited it," he said. "But just because you inherited it, doesn't mean you are not responsible." The nation has benefited hugely from its inheritance and the heirs have an obligation that stems from those continued benefits.

Mr. Hare noted that the position of leadership calls for a lot of travel. "You must go to all of the communities, let people know who is responsible," he said. Travel holds no fears for the veteran Anishinaabe leader. "I'm not scared to travel," he laughs. "I have been travelling most of my life."

For Mr. Hare, the journey is far from over. "There is too much left to do," he said.

...High weekend death toll on Highway 6

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motor vehicle collision on Highway 6 in Assiginack township.

A pick-up truck traveling southbound left the roadway which resulted in a rollover. The driver of the vehicle, 18-year-old Aidan Joncas of Atikameksheng First Nation, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The Northeast Region Traffic Incident Management and Enforcement Team (TIME), and the technical collision investigators, are continuing the investigation.

In tributes pouring in online, Mr. Joncas is described as a happy, kind-hearted person who was funny, outgoing and caring and will be missed by many family and friends.

One day before the Manitowaning tragedy, on Saturday, June 12, police responded to a pedestrian that had been struck and killed in Espanola.

At approximately 12:49 am on Saturday night, officers received a report of a pedestrian walking on the roadway on Highway 6, north of the bridge in Espanola. When officers responded they found a deceased person on the south lane of Highway 6. The OPP's TIME team, including a technical collision investigator and a reconstructionist, are assisting with this investigation under the direction of the OPP's Criminal Investigation Branch. The Office of the Chief Coroner, Ontario Forensic Pathology Service, is also assisting. The name of the

victim had not been released as of press time Monday.

Police are seeking the public's assistance with this investigation. Any person with information regarding this incident should immediately contact the Manitoulin OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or submit information online at www.sudburycrimestoppers.com, where you may

be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

Police and fire also responded to a single vehicle collision on Highway 542 at Silver Bay Road in Central Manitoulin on Saturday. The driver was extricated from the upturned vehicle and was taken to the Mindemoya hospital with minor injuries. As a result, police have charged Pierino Fellin, age 60, of Mindemoya with impaired driving.

GORE BAY MEDICAL CENTRE RENOVATIONS

The public is invited to complete an online survey to assist in decisions regarding renovations to the Gore Bay Medical Centre building.

The survey may be accessed at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YRQK92J>.

The survey is anonymous and takes less than two minutes to complete.

The survey closes on July 15, 2021.

The public is encouraged to complete the survey online, however, paper copies are available at municipal offices – Billings, Gore Bay, Gordon/Barrie Island, Burpee Mills, local Canada Post offices, Sheshegwaning Health Centre and Band Office, the bulletin board in Silver Water, and the Meldrum Bay Marina. Paper copies of the survey should be returned to municipal offices, the drop box at the Gore Bay Union Public Library or to Karen Noble by July 15th.



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You are invited to join us on June 17th, 2021, at 6:00pm, via ZOOM.

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...Critics pan use of notwithstanding clause

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the rules governing political advertising by interest groups would impact unions and organizations such as 'Ontario Proud,' most observers believe the actual target is the union advocacy group 'Working Families' whose hard-hitting advertisements have been anything but Tory-friendly—although former Premier Kathleen Wynne also found herself taking flack from the same advocacy group during her time at the helm.

"It's undemocratic and dictatorial, and likely illegal, for Doug Ford to invoke the notwithstanding clause to impose his arbitrary and unconstitutional spending restrictions on advertising by interest groups for the year before the election," Duff Conacher, co-founder of Democracy Watch and chairperson of the Money in Politics Coalition told The Expositor. "Restricting massive ad campaigns by

wealthy interest groups and individuals in the months leading up to an election is a good, democratic idea, as the Supreme Court of Canada has ruled, as is prohibiting huge ad campaigns by wealthy individuals and lobby groups all the time, but the reasonable, democratic way to set reasonable, democratic spending limits is through an independent, multi-partisan commission that will study the actual costs of reaching voters and other key factors," Mr. Conacher explained.

"The Ford government's Bill 254 also doubled the annual donation limit, which will allow wealthy donors to buy even more unethical influence over parties and politicians and will likely benefit Ford's PC Party the most," continued Mr. Conacher. "Democracy Watch's analysis of 2020 party donations shows the PCs received almost 50 percent of their donations of more than \$100 from only 20



Premier Doug Ford has entered the history books as the first Ontario premier to invoke the notwithstanding clause in order to pass legislation.

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percent of their donors who donated \$1,000 or more. The other main parties' top donors also provided a disproportionate amount of funding."

As Mr. Conacher notes, in addition to extending the time limit on political advertising by third parties (ie, not one of the registered political parties), the legislative changes put forward by Premier Ford

included doubling the maximum annual donation that an individual can make to a political party, boosting it to \$3,300 effective this year and a plan to extend the \$13 million annual taxpayer-funded subsidy provided to the major political parties based on the number of votes each received in the 2018 election.

Those changes come despite Premier Ford promising to scrap the subsidy to parties based on their success in the last election campaign (and these subsidies were due to expire at the end of this year in any event). Instead, the legislation would actually increase those subsidies, to an annual amount as follows: \$5.92 million to the Progressive Conservatives, \$4.91 million to the NDP, \$2.86 million to the Ontario Liberal Party and \$673,000 to the Green Party.

Those portions of the legislation were not struck down by the superior court's ruling, however, the only actual offending clause was the extension of the time limit on advertising to 12 months.

The official opposition NDP introduced 134 unanimous consent motions in an attempt to stall the passage of Bill 307, but ultimately the Progressive Conservative legislative majority ruled the roost and the bill was passed Monday afternoon following a marathon session that saw the NDP leader Andrea Horwath call out the Speaker for circumventing longstanding parliamentary tradition in order to move the bill forward.

This marks the first time the notwithstanding clause has been invoked in Ontario history, allowing the bill to go forward despite a judge ruling it as unconstitutional.

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...Summer Solstice Festival featuring 200 drones

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riences in this safe manner. With SSFN being able to include a COVID safe drive-in event in addition to the great culinary and craft experiences in our historic territory."

"AOKFN was pleased to be the host First Nation for this inaugural event," states AOKFN Chief Patsy Corbiere. "ITO staff have worked quickly and efficiently with all partners and health authorities to ensure this is a COVID safe event and there is limited capacity of only 250 vehicles permitted to attend."

Once vehicles are carefully marshalled into the Country Fest grounds and parked three metres apart (with participants staying in their vehicles with excursions permitted to pick up pre-ordered picnic boxes carefully prepared by chef Hiawatha Osawamick), the event will begin with words from Chief Corbiere followed by a livestream of Summer Solstice Indigenous Festival's Musical Showcase titled 'Giiwewizh (to carry home),' which will feature Indigenous artists from around Ontario and across the country.

Produced by Jennifer Podemski and directed by Sarain Fox, each artist will

tell a visual story of their work. These special works will be streamed from the SSIF for a Northern Ontario audience. Included in Saturday's streaming will be world renowned hoop dancer Nimkii, from Wiikwemkoonging Unceded Territory.

Over the years, Nimkii has collaborated with and performed on stage with award winning artists. He is now blazing his own path, blending traditional singing drumming and dancing styles with contemporary music and dance.

This amazing show will be followed by an exciting and innovative drone show with a local story—that of AOKFN's own Herbie Barnes—lighting up the sky with 200 drones.

Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin shared, "We are very pleased that Indigenous Tourism Ontario has chosen Little Current and Manitoulin for the world premiere of their drone show and this inaugural Northern Ontario event. Celebrating alongside our friends is long overdue and we look forward to doing so at this well planned COVID safe event."

Tickets are \$25 per vehicle. For purchase, and for

more information, visit indigenousexperienceontario.ca/listing/summer-solsticefestival-north.

Sheguiandah First Nation also has Indigenous Peoples Day festivities planned for its members. A community wellness walk, followed by a take-out meal (consisting of traditional foods like moose stew, smoked fish and more) will start the Monday, June 21 event followed by some family activities in the afternoon such as an obstacle course, a Scrabble and crokinole tournament and a drive-in movie. The community will be following strict COVID-19 protocols and events are open to Sheguiandah First Nation community members only.

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...Meeker's Aquaculture is back and 'busier than ever'

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ily, especially George and Irene. If ever things go wrong, I make a call and we figure it out quickly."

Mr. Meeker attributes his success in large part to the people he has working for him, including Jamie Matthews and Bruce Third at Burnt Island. "We are busier than ever before, working 16 hours a day and with probably close to 19 people." Maie and Matt Gibson are back working at the cages in Evansville and Blaine Osterkruger has been working full time at the compost plant all year. Anna Armstrong covers office duties at least two or three days a week.

"They've all worked for me for a long time. I appreciate that they know how I like the operations to go."

Meeker's has net pens at Burnt Island where he is growing rainbow trout, 100 to 200 grams in size. "Buyers want bigger fish in the spring," he explained. "I put them in the water in the spring and by fall they are two to three pounds. So there are fingerlings in the net pens, which is great, and all my fish are sold for the next two or three years."

He sells them to a fish processing plant near Montreal, Quebec called Simmer International. Mr. Meeker has worked with them for the past 15 years. "What's important to me is that my dealings with them have been good for years, and once the plant goes into production, they need more fish."

Mr. Meeker plans to develop a hatchery at Burnt Island also. "We want to include the whole aquaculture business, have full vertical integration," he said. "Raising brood stock, hatching our own eggs and providing sellable fish. We might get involved in the processing part at some point." He's in no rush to expand and will proceed slowly, in order to get it right, he added.

He's been in talks with distributors in various countries like Ireland, Scotland and the United States which is "very bureaucratic and frustratingly slow," he said. "Canada has a reputation for having the most bureaucracy, not only in the aquaculture industry but in mining, forestry and other

...residents agree with purchase

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Ms. Noble noted the LSB budget had been sent in November and included \$2,000, for instance, and a building to store the side-by-side after it was purchased.

"I will be voting against this motion," said Mr. Sorbara. "This is the biggest expenditure I've seen since I've lived here. There was no consultation on this, and the rest of the public should have had a say on it."

Mr. Mackinlay said it is hoped that most of the costs will be raised in donations. "But there is someone going to cover the costs until donations come in and until we complete fundraising one way or another."

"The services board won't have to pay the costs of the purchase," said Mr. Wismer. "It will be paid for." He noted firefighters will be asked to help with construction of the building to store the side-by-side vehicle.

"The costs of the purchase will be paid through donations," said Mr. Mackinlay. "We are grateful for the donations that are coming in. And on the insurance cost, we shouldn't be fundraising for this, this should be borne by the tax base. If it costs \$4,500 year it will lead to a \$15 increase on each person's annual fees."

Without insurance on the side-by-side vehicle, it can't be taken off the property and it would mean that 130 residents would not get good fire coverage as it would mean the firefighters wouldn't be able access these properties. "It would take the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNF) fire teams a minimum of two hours to respond to a fire here and if they send the ground crew it could take as much as four hours," said Mr. Wismer.

"Without a fire department my (home camp) and

industries too. Everywhere I go people tell me, 'no, it's too slow, it's cumbersome and it's expensive.' It's the truth. We'd better smarten up or we're going to lose all of this."

Talks with regulators from the US Gulf of Mexico and Florida are going well at this stage, although slowly, said Mr. Meeker. "I think our new storm-safe nets will be installed there. I'm lucky to have good guys in the right places." He's hoping the COVID rules will relax and he can go to the US with his cages and a crew soon. It will take a lot of his time once that happens, he said.

"Sharon (Meeker, Mike's spouse) keeps asking me, 'when are you going to retire?'" Mr. Meeker laughed. "I tell her 'when I'm dead.' I love the diving and working hard to stay in shape. I love what I'm doing."

For the month of June, all COVID-19 vaccination clinics to take place at the NEMI rec centre in Little Current

LITTLE CURRENT—All Public Health Sudbury and Districts (PHSD) mass vaccination clinics will take place at the NEMI Recreation Centre in Little Current for the month of June.

For the month of June, all clinics will continue to be held at the recreation centre. None are being held at MSS or at the Mindemoya Missionary Church.

Yesterday, Tuesday, June 15, the first walk-in clinic at the rec centre was held for anyone eligible to receive their first or second dose of vaccine. Up to 180 doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine was available.

A reminder for those who had a previously scheduled appointment at the Mindemoya Missionary Church, it will now take place in Little Current. Dates and times of scheduled appointments are not affected by the location change unless you are called and you receive confirmation of a new appointment time. This applies to first and second dose appointments. For questions, please call 1-800-708-2505 between 8 am and 8 pm, seven days a week.

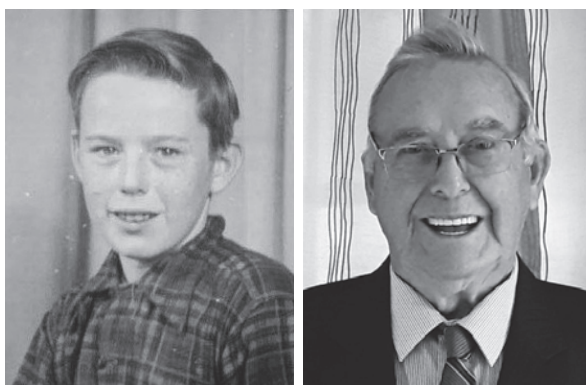
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...kayaker rescued after lucky cell call

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 Pentecostal Church) was in a meeting at the time. I should have called him but I didn't at first. But after 45 minutes of treading water I was getting very cold, and I did call him to come and help me. He drove over here, (but in a rush) he did-



Candace Greenwood of Spring Bay is grateful for the lifesaving action of a local man in rescuing her from a kayaking incident earlier this month.

n't bring his kayak but he met (Mr. Pearson) at the government dock who was putting his boat in the water, and asked him if he could help."

Mr. Pearson drove his boat out to the location where Ms. Greenwood was stranded, "and pulled me and my kayak out of the lake." While she was treading in the water, "I was trying to keep my cell phone above water by holding it in my mouth, and I held onto my kayak and paddle, and tried to swim to the shore."

Mr. Pearson said that it is imperative that people

check the current and predicted weather and wind conditions prior to venturing out on the lake. "I'm just glad the lady is okay," he stated. "She was basically trapped in the middle of the lake, with her kayak overturned," he told The Expositor, noting the water temperature was about 56°C at the time.

Mr. Pearson explained, "I had taken my boat out to go fishing around 8 pm," and when he got to the dock at the lake, "her husband (Mr. Greenwood), who was on the dock, explained what had happened and asked if I could help out. Luckily, she had a life jacket on, and when I got out to her she was in the water holding onto her kayak, a paddle and her cellphone. She definitely looked tired and cold."

"The kayak was heavy with water but I was able to pull (Ms. Greenwood) and her kayak up on my boat," said Mr. Pearson. "It was a pretty crazy situation."

Mr. Pearson explained the incident, "took place in the lake between Fred's Camp and Red Rock and she was out in the water a couple of miles. When we reached the docks, her husband was in the truck which was running, and she got out of the boat and thanked me. But I didn't even ask her for her name."

As I got out in the water

(originally) someone else had been going by in a boat but they didn't see her, but they were certainly concerned," continued Mr. Pearson.

"I was really, really cold when he rescued me," said Ms. Greenwood. "It took a long time to warm up, in fact a couple of days later I



Dave Pearson, standing with his daughter, has been credited by a Spring Bay woman for saving her life in a kayaking incident earlier in June.

had to go to the hospital to get checked out because I was not feeling well." She pointed out when Mr. Pearson dropped her off at the docks, she got into her husband's vehicle and "we went to the home of some friends of ours that were close, and they put blankets and towels around me and gave me hot chocolate to warm up."

"It was scary," stated Ms. Greenwood who noted, "I am very, very grateful to Mr. Pearson and what he did. I can't believe how fantastic he was in his action and coming out to get me. I definitely needed help. He saved my life and I thank him."

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Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha noted that, due to the Progressive Conservative's majority, the outcome was "already predetermined, but sometimes you have to take a strong position to preserve Canadian democracy."

Mr. Mantha pointed out that there were many other options open to the Ford government that did not require the nuclear option of the notwithstanding clause. "There were many options: he could have appealed the ruling (generally considered an unlikely route to success that would have taken considerable time), they could have worked with the other parties to find a solution that worked. We all agree that third party advertising has to be regulated, but that's the point of government. You roll up your sleeves and set the rules so that everyone knows what they are and can work within those rules. This government chose to not go those routes and instead decided to open the Pandora's Box of the notwithstanding clause. Once you use it, the next time it becomes easier and easier."

Mr. Mantha said he expects that voters will not forget the assault on their rights and freedoms by the forced passage of an unconstitutional law.

At least one of his opponents in the next election agrees.

"Blatant partisan interest is really the only reason to use the notwithstanding clause in this case," said Algoma-Manitoulin provincial Liberal candidate Tim Vine. "We can all agree there needs to be reasonable limits to third party participation in elections to protect our democracy. The courts found the previous Liberal government's restriction are effective in providing that reasonable limit. This is another example of Ford's PCs running over Ontarian's rights to benefit their narrow political interest. Free speech is too precious a right to be infringed without a highly compelling public interest argument, but Ford's lawyers presented no such argument. Ontarians deserve a government that will respect our rights and our democracy."

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Mindemoya hospital renovation-expansion project initiated

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—The Mindemoya Hospital emergency department renovation and expansion project officially kicked off this past Monday.

“This special gathering today acknowledges that tenders have been accepted. Work crews are engaged. Today is June 14, 2021 and it is time to put shovels in the ground,” stated Angela Becks, chair of the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) fundraising committee.

Tim Vine and Paula Fields, co-chief executive officers (CEOs) of the MHC welcomed all those to the event held on the hospital grounds.

Geraldine Ense performed a prayer and smudging ceremony, “asking the Creator to protect everyone who is helping guide us, working here and those present at the groundbreaking ceremony.”

“It’s been a very difficult and different year,” said Terry Olmstead, chair of the MHC board of directors. “And the world of health care has changed dramatically. We (MHC) had changes in our own group. As a board we appreciate that Tim (Vine) and Paula (Fields) have stepped up and done a fabulous job.”

“We are here today to celebrate this building,” continued Mr. Olmstead, “but it is those on the inside that have been the



Tim Vine and Paula Fields, co-chief executive officers of the MHC, shared opening remarks at the groundbreaking ceremony on Monday.

real heroes of the year, the staff. It has been unique, tough and scary, but our staff members have shown courage here (Mindemoya) and at the Little Current hospital as well.”

Mr. Olmstead said the MHC board, “first started thinking about the renovations, probably what seems like 100 years ago. Now we have a hole in the wall (at the back of the hospital) and by the time everyone comes back the wall will all be gone. The board has helped to make it an extremely good job. Of getting things in order and getting this project underway.”

Mr. Olmstead then intro-

duced some of the people who did the work to get this started. “Angela Becks, fundraising chair, has helped us get to within \$400,000 of our goal of raising \$2.5 million.” He noted as well the Smith Family Foundation kickstarted the campaign with a donation of \$1 million toward the campaign.

“Good morning friends and members of the MHC community. Welcome to the Mindemoya site,” said Ms. Becks. “This building project will target the much-needed renovation and expansion of the Mindemoya site emergency department. Highlights of what it will provide

include a clean line of sight to patient areas from the nursing station, greater confidentiality during a visit, a dedicated mental health observation area, a larger chemotherapy suite and an infectious disease suite, complete with an anteroom.”

“The work plan for this project has been in process for two years,” said Ms. Becks. “Timelines and goals for both the quiet and active phase have been supported through a capital fundraising campaign. This, being the start of the final year, leaves us with an expected project completion date in the year 2022, maybe July of next

year.”

Ms. Becks explained, “the total projected cost is estimated to be \$5 million. MHC is funding one-half of the cost from its own resources. We are reaching out to friends of MHC for assistance with the other half—\$2.5 million. We hope to avoid external financing. MHC has been prudent to steward its public funds.”

“Let’s emerg together,” is the catch phrase used to launch this campaign,” continued Ms. Becks. “It came from a suggestion made by a fundraising committee member, a former nurse. She explained that staff would never

refer to the emergency department. Rather, they would just say, ‘emerg.’ Her contribution was welcomed. It implies an invitation to board members, MHC staff, physicians, auxiliaries, and people who come for care to participate and support this huge project.”

“The pandemic has required restrictions that have been challenging for us all,” said Ms. Becks. “The auxiliary, which so faithfully supports patient care, has cancelled their activities. It was disappointing, but safety is the priority. When things are safe, their luncheons and ticket sales will return.”

Ms. Becks explained the fundraising committee has prepared materials, both paper and digital, to share with friends of MHC who wish to learn more about the current campaign at the Mindemoya site.

“We hope you will agree to meet with myself or Judy MacKenzie, who is the president of the Mindemoya site auxiliary,” said Ms. Becks. “Approach us. We will be pleased to help you learn more about the current campaign. The MHC website also provides ways of contributing to the campaign.”

Generous donations have been received from individuals, businesses, the Mindemoya site auxiliary, service groups, family foundations and First Nations, Ms. Becks added.

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Others have also committed funds. “We are grateful for all their support.” She also pointed out the Trees of Life at both hospital sites are used to acknowledge these gifts of \$1,000 and more.

“A gap remains. The fundraising committee must continue in its efforts in this public phase to reach our goal,” said Ms. Becks.

“Why am I so passionate about this project?” said Ms. Becks. “Like many individuals on Manitoulin Island, I have a history with this site. I recently became aware that my father was a member of the work crew that built the original hospital on this site in 1972. It was sobering to know that when investigated by engineers, the integrity of the

structure was adequate for an expansion and renovation. Yes, it will need some renewal as part of the present project, but don’t we all need a bit of patching after 49 years?”

“Healthy communities need hospitals to maintain their wellness. The two rural hospitals on Manitoulin Island respond to emergencies just as urban areas do. Critical and acute care resources need to be available so that doctors and nurses can give the best care in the best space.”

“For the Mindemoya site, this is a new beginning, a time to start again. Patients and staff will face noise, dust, and yes, parking issues, even on Manitoulin Island. There will be challenges for patients and visitors, and most of all, for staff. Plans are already

in place at every stage for patient and staff safety,” said Ms. Becks. “Please be ready to be patient, to be resilient, and show the grit you have inside you, to withstand all the inconvenience and chaos.”

“When complete, this emergency department will be a space which is larger, safer and more comfortable and welcoming for you, and the doctors and nurses who give you care. Please, let’s emerge together.”

Dr. Maurianne Reade told the gathering, “thank you and I am delighted to be able to say a few words today on behalf of my colleagues, physicians and nurses.”

“I really value the comments Angela made and why it is important to proceed,” said Dr. Reade. “There are 10,000 other

reasons, as 10,000 patients come here every year for emergency and chemotherapy need, and the need is there to provide more space, easier passionate care by staff and make things more safe. Every year we have 10,000 opportunities to interact as humans. These renovations and expansion will be wonderful for patients and for use as providers.”

Ms. Becks told the gathering as well, “as part of the fundraising campaign a discussion around a thermometer to display progress took place in October 2020. Requests from members of the committee included: that Manitoulin Island be represented, that the structures be free standing, and that the MHC logo and the blue and white colours be integral to the structures, that in the interest of being financially responsible, the structures be adaptable to future use, that the structures be identical and reflect MHC at both sites, Little Current and Mindemoya, and that the structures be substantial in mass.”

Three suggestions came forward and after discussion the committee agreed it was looking for something special, something unique, said Ms. Becks. “They wished to pursue the concept with Kathryn Corbiere of One Kwe, the fabrication of (MHC’s) fundraising display.”

Ms. Corbiere accepted



Angela Becks, Manitoulin Health Centre fundraising committee chair, left in photo and Kathryn Corbiere, display the ‘Let’s Emerg Together’ fundraising campaign thermometer. The thermometer structures, one each for the Mindemoya and Little Current hospitals, were created by Ms. Corbiere.

the committee’s ideas in January. “After some time, she put her thinking into drawings and sketches and communicated those concepts to the committee. The structures were fabricated and delivered in April.”

Ms. Corbiere was present for the official unveiling on Monday morning.

“Kathryn, the fundraising committee is grateful for your vision and contribution. We admire you. MHC is proud to honour your work as the progress

of this fundraising campaign is displayed. We want everyone to know about and appreciate your vision. Thank you for your contribution to MHC’s, ‘Let’s Emerg Together’ campaign.

Work has started on the major renovation-expansion (approximately 2,300 square foot) project of the emergency department at the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) Mindemoya site, with the contractor, Northern Construction Technology, on-site.



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Residential schools were established to take the 'Indian out of the child,' says Rainbow Board trustee

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—Indian residential schools were established by Canada to assimilate Indigenous children and adolescents into European culture, to take the 'Indian out of the child,' a First Nation trustee with the Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) stated in a presentation last week.

"I have the honour of sharing words prepared for tonight, that many people contributed towards," said Trustee Linda Debassige, who is also chief of M'Chigeeng First Nation, at a meeting last week. "The last week and a half has been very sombre with the finding of 215 First Nation children's unmarked graves at a residential school in British Columbia."

"Flags are flying at half-mast at all Rainbow schools and facilities in memory and honour of the 215 First Nations children buried in unmarked graves at the Kamloops Indian Residential School in British Columbia," said Trustee Debassige.

"First Nations leaders, residential school survivors and their families have stated for many years that these graves existed," said Trustee Debassige. "The devastating discovery has now confirmed their statements and has now provided the long-awaited proof."

"We must not only acknowledge, but we must atone for this darkest chapter in Canadian history," stated Trustee Debassige. She explained, "residential schools were established with one purpose in mind, not to educate, not to protect, not to preserve, but to intentionally and systematically assimilate Indigenous children and adolescents into European culture, 'to take the Indian out of child' and to remove and isolate children from their influence of their home, families, traditions, languages and culture, all

based on racist assumptions that First Nations cultures were inferior."

"Children and adolescents were brazenly and forcibly removed from their homes, ripped from the arms of their loving families and taken to residential schools far away from their home," continued Trustee Debassige. The children were not allowed to be raised by their mothers and fathers, with their siblings and loving support from grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, elders or their community. "Imagine you not being allowed to raise your children?"

They were not allowed to speak their language, practice their culture, dress in their own clothes or wear their hair as they chose. "They were not allowed to be who they were. They were deliberately and recklessly robbed of the joys of childhood and adolescence, and their right to grow up with family, to play, to learn and practice their teachings and language. They were robbed of their way of life enjoyed by their ancestors," Trustee Debassige continued. "Worse yet, children suffered abuse at the hands of the adults who were responsible for caring for them, for protecting them, for keeping them safe. They were physically and sexually assaulted. They were malnourished and neglected. They died of disease. They died of broken hearts. They died alone. They were murdered."

"And now we know that these children were in fact discarded in mass graves, nameless, never to be returned to their families and their communities for a proper, respectful burial. The indignities to their fragile and helpless little bodies cannot be ignored," stated Trustee Debassige. She pointed out the cycle repeated itself for several generations.

More than 150,000 Indigenous children were placed in residential schools between 1863 and 1998, 135 years. "This is



Linda Debassige, RDSB First Nation trustee, pictured on the right.

not the distant past. This was happening less than 25 years ago," Trustee Debassige added.

"More than 4,100 deaths in school have been documented by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's missing children's project, but the total number could be more, maybe many more, possible as high as 20,000, according to commission leader Murray Sinclair. This does not include the babies born at residential schools who were cremated shortly after birth or drowned at nearby lakes," said Trustee Debassige.

"No parent sends their child to school to die," stated Trustee Debassige. "But then again, First Nations parents did not send their children anywhere. First Nation parents and families had no choice in this matter, they were forced."

Trustee Debassige said in her presentation to the board that residential schools were not schools. They were institutions that committed what has since been described as an act of cultural genocide, crimes against humanity.

And the inter-generational trauma created by these institutions continues to

this day. "It is manifested in high rates of suicide, incarceration, foster care and homelessness," said Trustee Debassige, who said it is reflected in lower graduation rates among First Nation students.

"It is the sad outcome of what our government leaders and policymakers of the day chose to do to First Nations people in this country, over and over and over again," continued Trustee Debassige. "We must build our knowledge of what happened then in order to build our understanding of what is happening now. We cannot ignore or cover up the truth found in the darkest chapter of Canadian history."

"Most importantly, we must recommit to being part of the solution," said Trustee Debassige who added, "this shared history affects all of us."

Trustee Debassige said teachers and administrators "must be mindful of how this latest discovery has impacted First Nations communities, our students and their families. With guidance from First Nations peoples and communities, our board, our staff, our educators and our allies must continue to be intentional with our work surrounding residential schools as we join together to seek understanding, acknowledge the truth, and recommit to meaningful consultation."

"Let us join together with our First Nations communities. We remember and honour the missing children. We apologize for the atrocities suffered. We recommit to uncovering the truth so we can build toward meaningful reconciliation."

The board trustees all joined fellow Trustee Debassige in a moment of silence for the 215 children.

RDSB chair Doreen Dewar noted that flags at all Rainbow schools and facilities would remain at half-staff for the remainder of the week.

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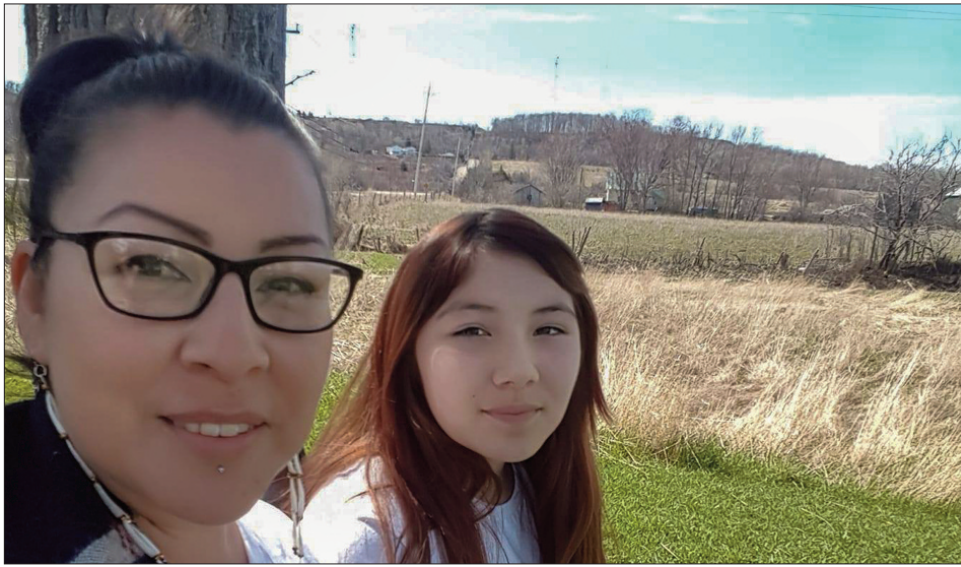


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Mother-daughter duo, Sophie Pheasant and Kallan Pheasant-Jones, of GNAAJWI self-care products.

Island youth finds self-care business with mom

by Michael Erskine
MNIIDOO MNISING—A new home-based business has been started by a 14-year-old Anishinaabe-kwe entrepreneur and her mother, focussing on an introductory line of “self care” and “self love” products.

The Little Current residents, Sophie Pheasant and Kallan Pheasant-Jones are members of Wiik-wemkoong Unceded Territories and are offering curbside pickup, local delivery, mailout and retail at Dreamer’s Cove in Little Current.

The products are hand-crafted by Kallan (mom Sophie is in charge of labels and marketing) and include skincare and beauty blends.

“The overall vision is to offer a safe, affordable and all-natural ingredient product that is mindful of the environment,” explained Ms. Pheasant. “We also make every effort to reduce packaging and the jars and

bottles are refillable at a reduced cost.”

Ms. Pheasant explains that the business was the brainchild of her daughter Kallan, and with its burgeoning success, her daughter brought mom on board to help with the mundane chores. “It was her idea,” said Ms. Pheasant, who noted the business had a soft launch on Kallan’s 13th birthday, but has grown considerably thanks to features in two publications, including ‘Owlkids.’ “She told me ‘I don’t do labels,’” laughed Ms. Pheasant.

The company name, GNAAJWI, translates to “be/being beautiful,” explained Ms. Pheasant. “That includes mind, heart and spirit, to live with kindness, confidence and to walk harmoniously with the earth.”

Products include essential oil roll-ons and body bars/balms created with “unique essential oil blends

of Niimi (to dance), an energizing blend, Nwebi (to rest) our calming blend and G’Chi Nokoomis (great grandmother), our nurturing blend.” The company also offers up lip balms and makeup remover (made with plant oils, vitamin E and lavender essential oil) and “confidently crafted GNAAJWI Divinity Gems for activating inner wisdom.”

GNAAJWI sustainably harvests seasonal blends, but stays clear of commercializing any of the sacred medicines. “We do trade with other Indigenous harvesters for some of the medicines we need, but we don’t incorporate them into our business model,” explained Ms. Pheasant.

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Island filmmaker wants to bring people together

by Mike Brock

MANITOULIN—This is the story of a young woman who has a lot of stories left to tell. And that is a great thing for everyone else.

Savannah Nahwegahbow is a rising voice who wants to make a difference. As we enter into the most serious and important conversation this country has ever had, Ms. Nahwegahbow feels fortunate to have an opportunity to help frame a positive path forward.

As soon as she's done napping, that is.

About an hour after our scheduled phone call was supposed to start, she texted me from Sudbury, where she had been working on the show 'Letterkenny.' "I'm so sorry, but I had a really long day yesterday, and I just woke up from a nap. I'm free the rest of the day, though, and have no plans for anymore naps."

Honesty. It is the greatest asset a storyteller can have, but when I tell Ms. Nahwegahbow that she says her mother, Irene, is always telling her she is too honest with everybody. Not a fault—being true to yourself and your voice is the only way that you can authentically connect with your audience as a filmmaker. The human side of the storyteller—the stuff that you learn before you decide to be a storyteller—is just as important as the script, the camera and the actors.

There isn't a textbook that can show you everything you need in order to tell a good story, and with that in mind, Ms. Nahwegahbow decided to attend film school at Fanshawe College in London, Ontario. It was there that she learned the tools of the trade, and medium of film.

"Yeah, we didn't have any textbooks in the program, but there was a lot of hands-on learning," she explains. "Cameras, editing. I love being behind the camera, even though I'm not very good at it." She adds, laughing, "And I wasn't all that keen on editing in the beginning, but I love editing, too. To be able to put all the pieces together, and finally put what's in my head down onto the screen."

While in college, she also spent time at Weengushk Film Institute in M'Chigeeng at a time when they were working on 'Moose River Crossing.' While she was able to learn a lot, and make some great connections, she's hoping that she can help build the Manitoulin film community because she knows how many great storytellers there are on the Island.

Putting the pieces together is what a good storyteller does, whether you are writing a novel, making a movie or telling a joke at a cocktail party. One of the pieces that brought Ms. Nahwegahbow to her career is growing up with a family that loved watching movies together and quoting lines to each other. It was in the family room, enjoying movies that made her realize the power of film to transport the audience to a different place.

"I think the way I always looked at it was, movies took me out of my head and into my own little world," Ms. Nahwegahbow says. "From there, I thought 'wouldn't it be so cool to work on these things that take people outside of their own little world even just for a few hours?'"

As far as films can take you out of your own world, the process of making a film is often inseparable from the journey of the filmmaker. The stories they tell inform how, and often why, they tell their next stories. Ms. Nahwegahbow's most personal piece so far is a beautiful slice of humanity, borne out of a horrible tragedy. In 2011, her cousin Gabriel Abotossaway was involved in a devastating car accident that left the then 20-year-old a quadriplegic. In the documentary 'Gabriel: By God's Grace,' the young filmmaker tells a story of the human spirit, the strength of family, and the resilience of Gabe's soul when his body doesn't work like it used to. Gabe and Savannah are more like siblings than cousins, and she's come to realize that Gabe's story was a traumatic experience for her, too. She understands that this trauma is a part of what makes her who she is. Putting the pieces together, like good a storyteller does. Her humanity and honesty will help her tell stories the way they should be told.

"I'm someone who has a really open mind," Ms. Nahwegahbow continues. "I am able to see things from different perspectives when I make decisions. I remember seeing people who work in film being interviewed, and they were upset that they were always getting asked about their background, and people of non-race weren't. I understand that, but at the same time, for



Savannah Nahwegahbow and her cousin Gabriel Abotossaway.

me, I look at it as I have a chance to educate—they could be asking because they aren't educated. This is a chance to educate."

When you understand that ignorance is not the fact that you don't know something, it's that you don't want to know something, then you can be open to educating those who want to be. And that has never been more important than it is in Canada, right now.

Born in Sudbury, with early years spent Sault Ste. Marie and Walpole Island First Nation before moving to Aundeck Omni Kaning in grade school, Ms. Nahwegahbow has seen, and knows, that there are other important stories that need to be told. She wants to use her platform to humanize the marginalized. Not just the First Nations community, but all people of colour, or anyone that lives in a community on the edge. She whole-heartedly believes that an audience has the capacity to be transformed, and is hopeful that teaching will be the legacy her films leave behind.

This is not the first time The Expositor has featured Ms. Nahwegahbow—proof that she has some stories to tell. In 2004, she was featured in a story about her time as a second-generation legislative page at Queen's Park, 20 years after her mom had the same role. Three years later, she was one of five students selected from all over Ontario to attend a Nation Science Camp. As this latest article is being written, she is back in Sudbury, after finishing some work on the popular series 'Letterkenny,' and will spend the next few months working on a movie directed by Atikameksheng Anishnawbeck filmmaker Darlene Naponse called 'Stellar.' But, when she returns to the Island this summer, she hopes to rekindle the video production outfit that she started a few years ago, Sakena Media. She has already produced some videos for the Chiefs of Ontario, Ontario First Nations Young People's Council and wants to do more to help promote and market Manitoulin small businesses and organizations.

While she's trying to grow her own business every chance she gets, she is pragmatic about her career, and takes work in the industry whenever she can. Two years ago, Ms. Nahwegahbow had the opportunity to work on the latest re-boot of the 'Resident Evil' franchise. "In film school, the dream was to go to Hollywood, but I feel like did reach my dream because I did work on a Hollywood movie, it was just here, in Canada." It was another chapter in a book that is just getting started.

Most of the time, the most interesting person in the room is the most interested person in the room. With eyes wide open, you not only see, you are able to reflect. As a young artist who wants to connect with audiences, Ms. Nahwegahbow is present and energetic, "I'm told that I get very enthusiastic when I'm passionate about something!"

Storytelling is more than humanity's oldest pastime, it is the vehicle by which we teach, the vessel by which we share ideas and traditions. The job of a storyteller is to share—their story, our story, someone else's story. It is that act of sharing, though, that moves us all forward. The human connection made with a well-told story cannot be imitated, and we are all going to need authentic, passionate storytellers if we are to grow in a positive direction. That's why we are so lucky to have Ms. Nahwegahbow, and young storytellers like her, who will continue to share their talents, their perspective and their voice. Especially at a time like this.

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Young entrepreneur launches green cut flower business

by Michael Erskine
 SPRING BAY—Emily Edwards and her boyfriend Isaac Sloss have launched an innovative cut flower business, Blooms Flower Farm, in Spring Bay.

“I have always had a huge passion for it,” laughs Ms. Edwards when asked why she got into the business of cut flowers, but there is also a deeper reason behind her decision. “I have personally experienced the impact of anxiety and depression,” she said, “and I have experienced the impact that flowers can have. I started Blooms to create happiness and health through flowers. My passion for flowers has shown me the strength of flowers on the wellbeing and mental health of myself and others. It is important to us that we provide fresh, local pesticide-free flowers to our community that have a smaller environmental impact on the planet.”

Ms. Edwards comes from a strong land-based arts background, her mother is 4elements Living Arts co-founder Sophie Edwards.

Ms. Edwards and her partner have purchased a small commercial greenhouse, 10 by 20 feet, with a round roof. “The round roof really helps with the headspace,” she said. “In more ways than one.” The round roof will prove very helpful when the snow begins to fly as Ms. Edwards said that they plan to keep the green-



Emily Edwards and Isaac Sloss pose in front of a greenhouse at their new business in Spring Bay.

house up through all four seasons.

Her planting style involves a very dense and tall form of flower cultivation which allows for a very high output in a small space, which also helps to, literally, reduce the cultivation footprint. Ms. Edwards took a six-week course at Floret Flower Farm (located in the Skagit Valley, just 90 miles north of Seattle), one of the top cut flower operations in the world.

“In that six weeks they covered everything you need to know, with textbooks and video presentations on how to start up your own business,” she said. In addition, Ms. Edwards connected with

the NOW program that assists female entrepreneurs navigate the world of small start-up business ventures. She received a grant from LAMBAC to get her business off the ground. She also partook in an eight-week course with Women of Ontario Social Enterprise Network (WOSEN) that helped with the creation of her business plan.

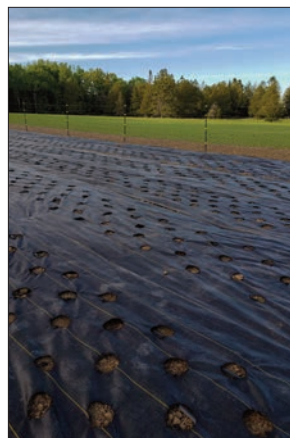
But it hasn't all been book learning. Ms. Edwards spent the past six years working on various farms during the summer—she could regularly be found assisting with the alpaca shearing efforts at Lobo Loco Alpacas each late spring. “I finally decided to take the leap

and start my dream farm, Blooms Flower Farm.”

The flower farm is just the tip of the tulip when it comes to her future plans, however, as she envisions creating a safe space where she can offer workshops.

When it comes to flowers, though, Ms. Edwards is taking a page from many food box subscription programs and grafting it onto the flower business. “I will be at the Kagawong Farmers' Market, once that is again possible,” she said. “But the subscriptions will be weekly, bi-weekly and monthly delivery of in-season flower bouquets. People can also order special occasion bouquets and I can do custom orders as well.”

Bloom Flower Farm will feature some innovative security features as well—guard ducks. The ducks, which Ms. Edwards describes as “great foragers,” will be charged



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New Grain Artisan Bakery and Kitchen opens in Gore Bay

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The New Grain Artisan Bakery and Kitchen is a love story born out of pandemic restrictions.

Andrew Toman and his partner Genevieve Sartor have recently opened their kitchen and location in Gore Bay but Islanders fell in love with their delicious sourdough bread, focaccia and other delights last summer.

“We arrived in Canada and a week later, COVID hit,” said Mr. Toman. They began selling their tasty fare at the farmers’ market in Little Current during the summer of 2020 and are now celebrating their one-year anniversary. “We were offering what people wanted (at the market) and had built up a good customer base by Christmas.”

They’ve started to sell out and quickly outgrew their usual kitchen space. “We were looking for a place to set up an actual



Genevieve Sartor and Andrew Toman of New Grain Artisan Bakery and Kitchen.

business location and found this space in Gore Bay,” she continued. “We’ll be able to provide a bigger offering and can be a part of the community.”

“The bread would sell out quickly at the market and we would deliver twice a week,” Ms. Sartor said.

They have a loyal customer base and deliver about 100 loaves of bread Island-wide each week, “even for just a couple of loaves.” On December 24 of last year (Christmas Eve), the couple delivered bread and dark chocolate cakes along with other treats to customers across Manitoulin until 8:30 pm that night. They also put together a special Valentine’s Day menu and then a special Easter brunch menu that they delivered to customers.

New Grain can boast of being the only sourdough bread business on the Island. “One of the cornerstones of the business is our artisan style, natural ingredient oven-baked sourdough as well as other breads,” said Mr. Toman. “We avoid using chemicals

in our bread. Most if not all of our products are natural and are not only tasty but can be a benefit to people’s health.”

“We are using locally sourced ingredients as much as possible,” added Ms. Sartor. “We’re working with local farms and producers.” These include Grandview Farms for its beef products and Three Forks Farms for its vegetables. New Grain will also cater dinner parties and is developing collaborations with other businesses such as Split Rail Brewery.

The inspiration for the bakery name comes from Ireland’s ancient New Grange site, where a long passage that leads to a quartz-filled chamber was built to line up with the sunrise on the shortest day of the year. In a Facebook

post Mr. Toman wrote, “Having visited this site in the past, I’ve come away with a sense of respect for these ancient Irish people, aligning with the stars and laying down a foundation that has stood the test of time. I aim to bring this ethos to my business in my new home on Manitoulin.”

Mr. Toman hails from Northern Ireland and he met Ms. Sartor, who is originally from Guelph, in Dublin, Ireland. She was studying for her Ph.D. at Trinity College at the time. They were introduced by a friend and continued to live in Ireland for another two years before moving to Canada.

Ms. Sartor had a job lined up in Montreal before the pandemic struck. “I’d been away from Canada for the past five years, living in Ireland and Australia. It’s been really exciting coming back to Canada and I’ve found a new appreciation for the country.”

“I really enjoy being here,” agreed Mr. Toman. He formerly made his living as a musician and had some previous experience in breadmaking. “I’ve been taking an online course and doing research but my bread making skills are very much self learned.”

In their first nights at their new location, they spent time testing the oven and new environment. “Dough is a living culture,” explained Mr. Toman. “It takes time and

seasons. There is a lot of precision to making sourdough bread. It’s a learning process.” Bread dough contains live cultures like beer and wine do. “Our breads are made of natural ingredients and go through a natural fermentation process.” There’s also no waste; they don’t throw anything out.

The couple said the business is starting slowly but they do have lots of plans, including some they will roll out this summer. One thing that won’t change is that New Grain will continue to deliver all over the Island. “There are so many elders and others that require that support,” they said. They also supply their goods to businesses, for example sweet treats to Loco Beans and bread to The Island Jar. “Now customers can come in and see the operation but they need to be prepared to wait. It takes two days for the bread to be ready.”

“Because of the pandemic, Manitoulin Island has been such a relief for us,” shared Mr. Toman. “It’s the place we want to live in and spend our lives in. We want to really become part of the community. The response so far has been incredible.”

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New online thrift store motivated by environmental impacts of fashion industry

by Lori Thompson, LJI Reporter

GORE BAY—A love of fashion and concerns about its environmental impact has inspired the development of a new local thrift shop. With clothing stores deemed non-essential during the pandemic, the business is strictly online at this time. Bec Company was recently launched by Manitoulin Island's Rebecca Deeg and she's thrilled with the initial positive response from fellow Islanders.

Ms. Deeg was a "typical girly girl!" growing up and being in the fashion world was her dream. She remembers being nine years old and doodling outfits in school notebooks. After her grandmother taught her to sew, she began making her own clothes. As a teenager, Ms. Deeg and her best friend frequented the consignment store then open in Gore Bay. "We'd find so many treasures and everything was at a very reasonable price, so it was like hitting the jackpot," she said. "We were devastated when it closed a couple of years ago."

That led to thoughts of opening her own store and following graduation from Algonquin College with a business diploma, she drafted a business plan. "Starting a business can be scary," Ms. Deeg said. "Change can be scary." Shortly after that the global pandemic hit.

According to Statistics Canada, there were 19,021 clothing stores in Canada in 2019, mostly selling new clothing. Even though e-commerce increased by 70.5 percent during the pandemic, sales fell 23.6 percent in 2020 for Canadian retail apparel sales.

"Our entire world flipped upside down," she continued. "So many people have lost their jobs. Prices have skyrocketed and people are struggling. Somehow, amongst all of that, we are spending more money than ever spent in the history of humanity. But why, if you don't have to? Why not opt for something in excellent condition that is far more affordable?"

Ms. Deeg went ahead with her plan. A lot of businesses have been deemed non-essential in the midst of all this chaos, she said. That's where the idea of an online platform germinated. "With the current shipping transit times because of increased online shipping, why not have a local retailer that you can purchase from online then pick up your order or have it delivered in less than a few business days? It all just made sense that

the time was now."

The multi-talented Ms. Deeg maintains the e-commerce site herself, using photos she has taken and edited after new items are sorted, cleaned and tagged. She designed the logo and creates her own marketing materials.

Bec Co is not just about the fashion. As she researched the fashion industry for her business plan she realized just how detrimental the sector is. Ms. Deeg is someone who loves and advocates for the environment and she brings those values forward in her business model. "The fashion industry makes up 10 percent of all of humanity's carbon emissions," she shared. "This is a form of pollution caused after human activity causes carbon dioxide to enter the air, significantly affecting our atmosphere and climate. It is second to the oil industry for pollution. The fashion industry is also the second largest consumer of the world's water supply. These are mainly the effects from production only. The ending doesn't get any better."

"Roughly 85 percent of all textiles end up in landfills, the equivalent of nearly one garbage truck of clothing dumped every second," she continued. "Not to mention the microplastics that pollute the oceans through the process of production and during care and upkeep. This was extremely heartbreaking for me."

In a 2015 study conducted in Ontario, nine percent of participants declared they throw all of their unwanted clothes into the garbage and never considered doing something else with them. In context, that's roughly 1.3 million Ontarians whose unwanted clothing end up in landfills. Few Canadian municipalities have a textile diversion program and don't know how much textile waste is in their waste stream. In Ontario, municipalities



Rebecca Deeg of Bec Company.

are not currently required to divert textiles or track the volume of their textile waste. The most conservative percentage of textiles that end up in Ontario's waste stream is 4.43 percent, or 176,343 tonnes. That extrapolates to a total amount of 480,576 tonnes across Canada for clothing, home textiles, footwear, textiles, accessories, soft toys and other residential textiles.

Most people aren't even aware of the connection between textiles and plastics.

When most people think of plastics, they think of packaging, containers, straws and cutlery but seven percent of all plastics in Canadian landfills are textiles. Waste plastics from textiles accounted for 235,000 tonnes of waste across Canada in 2017.

As someone who loves the fashion industry, Ms. Deeg can't help but be concerned. "We're reaching record high heats, record lows for the arctic ice surface and losing a vast amount of our forests," she said. "I don't understand how the effects of climate change could not be a concern. Do humans not see the planet suffering? It's the air we breathe, the soil that grows our food and the water we drink. We need this place and we need to do better, if not for us then for our children and grandchildren who will inherit this planet from us."

The environmental impacts of this industry actually became Ms. Deeg's largest motivator to get the business up and running. She took it upon herself to not only spread awareness but also to do something about it. She wanted to be a changemaker. "That's why all of our products are preloved," she said. "They are not newly fabricated. If we do have new products, more will be sourced from an overstock."

Ms. Deeg will accept clothing donations

(message through Facebook page or email through website). Although she prefers donations to be in excellent condition, those that are not saleable will be donated unless they are cotton. She has another project up her sleeve, this one involving reusing cotton textiles. There will be an announcement on that soon, she said.

Bec Co will also "recycle" all leftover product through rehoming or other means, she added. "I am very attentive and observant when sorting the clothing to ensure it's in superb condition, because I myself wouldn't want to purchase anything less. This does mean some items don't make the cut. Items that are still in good condition will be donated to our most vulnerable citizens." Ms. Deeg has contacted a few local organizations but storage does seem to be an issue. This is completely understandable, she notes, and proves her point regarding "the absurd amount of clothing production and the wasted amounts dumped in landfill."

You can shop for women's and men's clothing, accessories and footwear at the online shop. Ms. Deeg did not originally plan to source products through contribution but after she announced the opening, "there were so many people who messaged me asking if I would take their items," she said. "People were grateful that they didn't have to drive off-island to rehome their perfectly good items. They were happy to support a local small business at the same time. The interest was understandable considering the difficulty in finding somewhere that is accepting clothing drop offs right now, largely due to shelters not being currently open but storage also seems to be a factor for many places. Unfortunately, there is an abundance of clothing floating around and the majority of it will go into landfills."

Many people have already reached out to praise or thank her for offering an affordable, convenient, reliable and environmentally friendly option for the community, she said. "But I want to thank them. The support and encouragement I've been receiving is extremely motivating and inspiring. I wouldn't have been able to do this without all of you."

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Quentis Wood says farewell to cadet corps, hello to navy

by Alicia McCutcheon
LITTLE CURRENT—At the tender age of 12, Quentis Wood of Little Current enrolled with the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps (RCSCC) 348 Manitoulin. Six years later, his rank now boatswain (“bosun” in Navy parlance) with the corps, Quentis aged out of the program and two days later, was sworn in as a member of the Royal Canadian Navy.



Just days after he aged out of cadets, Quentis Wood was sworn into the navy.

Quentis said he first heard of the Sea Cadets through his parents, who had seen their good deeds in the community. He also had a few friends from school who had joined the cadet ranks.

“I joined and I guess you could say I fell in love with it,” he tells The Expositor.

During RCSCC 348’s annual review held over Zoom on May 31, Boatswain Wood was gifted with the official aging out (cadets ‘age out’ at age 18) gift of the corps—a pewter mug. As was explained by past commanding officer Lt (N) Denis Blake, the mug is meant to give the cadets one of their first tastes of adulthood in that their first official legal drink at 19 should come from this special mug.

“Cadets gave me the opportunity to travel and offered me lessons and courses in things I liked doing,” Quentis shares, noting that he received his pleasure craft operator’s licence for free, while in Kingston—all perks of being a cadet. “You get paid

Plus, the young man loves being on the water—a fitting thing for a Hawater.

Quentis applied to the navy in December and by February had an aptitude test. A few weeks later he had an interview and medical at the Sudbury recruitment centre. In the last month, he was offered the role of boatswain.

For the uninitiated, boatswains are “seaman-ship specialists” and are truly the professional sailor. According to the Government of Canada’s website, boatswains: operate and maintain shipboard equipment associated with cargo handling and inter-ship transfers of personnel, fuel, and materiel while at sea; operate and maintain the ship’s equipment for such tasks as anchoring, towing, launching and recovering boats, and surface rescue operations; operate and navigate small craft in all waters; perform required tasks with ship’s rigging and lifesaving equipment; organize the storage, training, and use of small arms, demolitions and ammunition; plan, organize and conduct drill and ceremonies; assist and supervise deck crews in maintaining the ship and its equipment; and coordinate watch keeping duties at sea and in harbour.

“We’re pretty much jack-of-all-trades,” Quentis sums it up.

Once he completes his basic training, he moves on to environmental train-

ing, then occupation training. After that, it’s time to be posted.

“I’m going to get through my four-year enlistment and see where it takes me,” he explains, be it a further career as a boatswain, a naval officer “or maybe something entirely different.”

His experience as a cadet will give him a bit of a leg up as he heads to BC. He knows the rules around dress and deportment, terminology and even how to properly iron a uniform.

“Cadets isn’t for everyone, but I encourage people to try it, even for just a little

while,” Quentis says. “It (cadets) covers a lot of stuff—there’s instruments for the band, drills if you’re into that, seamanship if you love the water like I do, or even sailing—it’s really fun going out on the water.”

Ever pragmatic, Quentis is looking forward to the perks of his new job—travelling the world while earning a paycheque. Meanwhile, he’s preparing for what he anticipates to be a grueling few weeks of basic training, running five kilometre stretches, hitting the gym, and taking all the advice he can get from those who have enlisted

before him.

May you have fair winds and following seas, Quentis.

The formal (via Zoom lately) weekly parade nights for Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps 348 wound up for the summer with a virtual Annual Review on Monday night, May 31. For any young person, or their family, interested in entering the Island’s Sea Cadets program in September, you can contact the Corps Commanding Officer, Lieutenant (N) Sylvain Boucher at 348rcsc@gmail.com to make enquiries.

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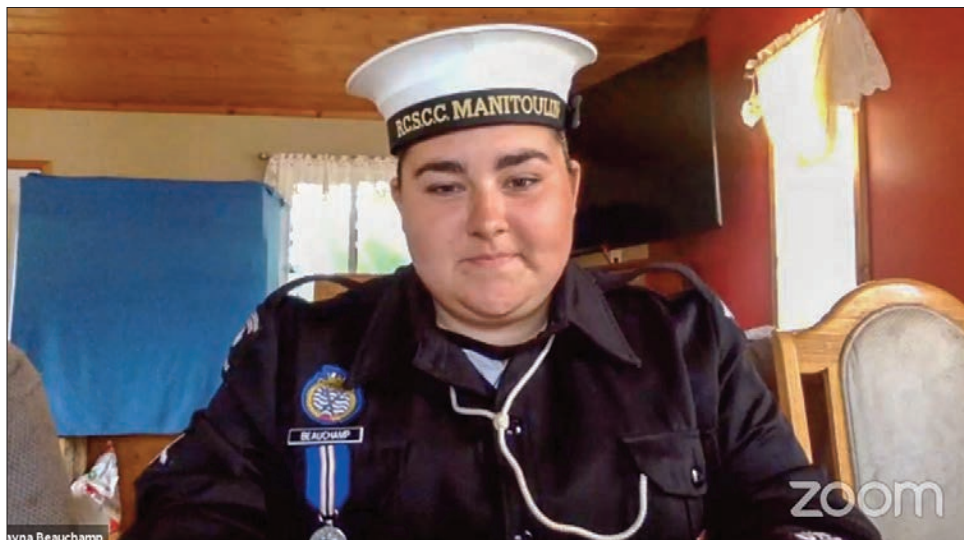
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Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps' annual review goes virtual

MANITOULIN—On Monday, May 31, Royal Canadian Sea Cadets Corps (RSCCC) Manitoulin held its 17th annual Ceremonial Review. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the event was held virtually via the Zoom platform.

"This year has been a very trying year for all of us, but the Manitoulin Sea Cadets have shown that even in these unknown waters we managed to navigate our way through together and hopefully smoother sailing is in the near future," said Lt(N) Sylvain Boucher, commanding officer with RSCCC 348 Manitoulin. "The Corps was able to do a great deal of training in the short time face to face and virtually. When we were able to be face to face, our numbers grew and there were several nights with 100 percent attendance. Since going back to the virtual format it has not been easy, but we are very thankful to all the cadets that attended so faithfully and the parents and caregivers that made sure they could access all the different training opportunities that were



Chief Petty Officer Second Class Dayna Beauchamp was sworn in as the corps coxswain during the annual review.

provided not just by ourselves, but other corps as well."

"The training staff looks forward to getting back in person with hands-on learning, but we also look forward to implementing extra virtual training to give cadets experiences that we are not able to provide in person," CO Boucher continued. "Overall, the 2020/2021 training year has been a learning experience for staff and cadets, and we

are looking forward to seeing what the 2021/2022 training year will hold."

A few cadets who over the past year have shown exceptional dedication not just to in-person training, but virtual training as well, were also promoted.

The following cadets were promoted in rank: Yashua Marsland and Samuel Pennings now hold the rank of Leading Cadet; Landon Aelick and Breaden Bond are now Master Cadets; Savannah Crack, Rhys Allison, Benjamin Pangowish and Lydia Pennings now hold the Petty Officer Second Class (PO2) rank.

PO2 Pennings was also the recipient of the Ed Kift Esprit de Corps Award for the cadet that has shown true dedication, leadership and the sheer joy of being a cadet.

"This cadet has gone above and beyond this year

participating in virtually every in-person, virtual and cadet activity program opportunity," CO Boucher said of PO2 Pennings. "This cadet's attendance record is above 90 percent and she even achieved a gold standing in the March break cap training. PO2 Lydia Pennings' enthusiasm is infectious and encourages the entire corps."

"It is always a very bitter-sweet time when our senior cadets age out and move on to the next chapters of their lives," the commanding officer continued. "This year we said goodbye to three of our senior cadets."

The following cadets are turning 19 soon or moving on to post-secondary education:

CPO2 Lauren MacKay, a guardsman with the corps,

will be studying business and attending Sault College in September.

CPO2 Quentis Wood, the corps boatswain, was sworn into the Canadian Armed Forces on Tuesday, June 2 and is joining the Royal Canadian Navy. He starts his basic military qualifications course June 10.

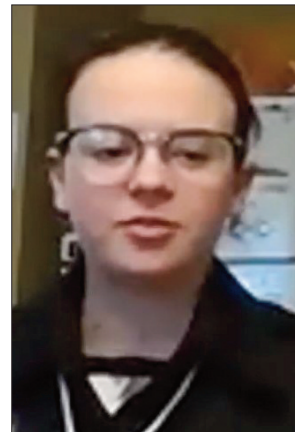
CPO1 Abigail Harper, the corps bugler and outgoing coxswain, will also be attending Sault College in September and has been accepted into the nursing program.

"These cadets have been with us since 2014 and we wish them all the best," CO Boucher said. "Each cadet was presented with the traditional pewter mug engraved with the last rank they held, position, years of service and corps logo."

During the evening, CO Boucher was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant (Navy) by Lieutenant Com-

mander Rodney Turcotte, commanding officer of RCSU Central-Northern Ontario area.

The evening concluded with the swearing in of the corps new coxswain. Chief Petty Officer Second Class Dayna Beauchamp was selected and took over the position of Corps Coxswain for 2021-2022.



Petty Officer Second Class Lauren MacKay has officially aged out of the corps.



Commanding Officer Sylvain Boucher, who is now officially a naval lieutenant, also acted as the master of ceremonies.



The ugly sweater party was a highlight of the cadet calendar.

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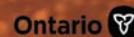
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by Heather Marshall
While it doesn't have the same mystique that it did during the 1970s and 80s, hitchhiking remains a rite of passage for many young people and an affordable way of travelling. They live out of their backpacks while exploring the world, learning about the people and the land around them. Few, however, could match the mileage or extraordinary adventures of Anastasia Eranosova and George Kopylov. Hitchhiking propelled them across several

Argentina. Total strangers picked them up in cars, boats and 18-wheelers and then safely deposited them at their next stop along the roughly 12,000 km long multinational route.

"We learned Spanish on the road," explains George. "We didn't know a word when we first crossed the US-Mexican border," adds Anastasia, "but we were



NEW-ish to Manitoulin

hosting international travellers who stayed with them through the Couchsurfing website. It connects travellers with hosts who are willing to share their homes without any money in exchange.

"One of the people who stayed with us was a Ger-

man woman, a "wanderlust" traditional Tudor-era English timber framing. The couple spent a total of five years travelling the Americas, working throughout the UK and touring around France and Germany. However, the novelty of their nomadic life no longer had the same allure as they found themselves thinking about settling down.

In 2015 they returned to Canada, looking for a place to put down roots. They knew they wanted to live in the countryside and initially explored small communities in the Kawarthas and Muskoka regions.

Concluding that both were too expensive and too busy, a chance conversation with a stonemason friend made them aware of potential work on Manitoulin.

An introduction was made to Madonna and Roland Aeschlimann in February 2016. A follow-up visit to Tehkummah later that spring resulted in a carpentry job with Roland for George and gardening at JD's Garden Centre for Anastasia. After renting a guest cabin from the Aeschlimanns for the summer, they purchased the house, and the Aeschlimanns moved to their new home on a nearby farm.

The couple also launched their own businesses. The Island Gardener, Anastasia's ecological gardening company, helps people design, install, and maintain gardens in an ecologically sound way. Manitoulin Timber Frames, George's specialty form of carpentry, focuses on hand-crafted traditional timber framing.

They also started the Tehkummah Seed

Exchange in 2017, an annual event held mid-February when people exchange seeds and their love of gardening with each other. The 2020 pre-pandemic seed exchange featured live music, vendors, delicious vegetarian food, children's activities, lots of free seeds and over 120 attendees. Apart from starting their own businesses and doing community work, the couple has been kept busy and happy with the birth of their 18-month-old toddler,

Vasily. "Everything fell into place for us here," says George. "We feel that life has been generous to us. We experienced awesome things in our travels, but nothing like this. Here it is one good thing after another."

Anastasia sums it up by observing that, "Living here has made me aware we live on Indigenous land. We see ourselves as guests and caretakers of our small plot, growing our own food and being kind to the Earth. Now, with a family of our own, this is the best place to be and the best of times."



George Kopylov and Anastasia Eranosova with their toddler Vasily.

continents before they eventually made Tehkummah their family's long-term home.

George's parents emigrated from Moscow, Russia to Canada in 2001 and settled in Toronto when he was in his late teens. Anastasia joined them a few years later. Once the duo spent several years in Ontario, where they mastered English, they moved on to Montreal to learn French. They stayed in the city long enough to become fluent in their third language. Both found jobs in their respective fields—Anastasia pursuing her passion for organic gardening and George working as a Red Seal Journeyman carpenter for a high-end residential building company.

Even though life was good in Montreal, the travel bug bit before long and Anastasia and George were once again sticking out their thumbs. They started an action-packed journey that would see them travel from Montreal to Ushuaia, the southern-most city in

pretty much fluent by the time we got to Peru."

In all, it took two years to make it to Argentina's Tierra del Fuego and back. Along the way, Anastasia and George were met with kindness and hospitality by local people. They generously shared their vehicles, knowledge of their area and, often, a meal or a place to stay for a night.

"Hitchhiking is such a special way to see the world. You are quite literally taken along for the ride by the local people. In the process, you learn about the area's economy, environment and social issues and see first-hand how people live and work. The amazing thing is that you only meet kind, open-hearted people because the ones that don't want to talk to you just don't stop!"

By 2010 they had returned to Montreal, where they quickly fell into the same routines they had left behind: doing similar work, buying a car and renting an apartment. They maintained their interest in globetrotting by

man woman, a "wanderlust" person, a cabinet maker," says Anastasia. "She encouraged us to go to Europe where we could use our trades and learn new techniques."

Still young and footloose, wanderlust led them on their next great adventure. This time, they travelled to England after getting work and travel visas. As always, they hitchhiked through the countryside until they found timber-framing companies and English gardens where they could work and nurture new skills.

Anastasia found her dream job working in the gardens of the Gravetye Manor House Hotel, a 16th-century house and gardens nestled in the Sussex countryside where the legendary gardener, William Robinson, had started the English cottage gardens movement. The Manor's Michelin-star restaurant includes a two-acre stone-walled oval kitchen garden. Meanwhile, George landed a position as a carpenter where he worked in



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Location update: June COVID-19 vaccination clinics previously scheduled at the Mindemoya Missionary Church will now take place at the NEMI Recreation Centre (Little Current) on Manitoulin Island.

A reminder that if you had a previously scheduled appointment at the Mindemoya Missionary Church, it will now take place at the NEMI Recreation Centre (Little Current). Dates and times of scheduled appointments are not affected by the location change unless you are called and you receive confirmation of a new appointment time. This applies to first and second dose appointments. If you have any questions about your appointment, please call 705.674.2299 (toll-free: 1.800.708.2505), between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., seven days a week.

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Qualified Level Salary Range: \$52,076 – 57,862 – 63,649
Advanced Qualifications Salary Range: \$58,846 – 65,384 – 71,922

Position Objective: The Trades, Apprenticeship and Skills Program Coordinator, under the direction of the Director of Post-Secondary Education and Training, is primarily responsible for conducting research, planning and implementing trades and apprenticeship readiness, transitions-type, and post-secondary training opportunities as needed to meet the projected industry needs for a mobile trades and apprenticeship Aboriginal workforce in the voluntary and non-voluntary construction, industrial, motive power, and service trades. The Trades, Apprenticeship and Skills Program Coordinator will provide exceptional leadership and guidance to the senior management team selecting and ensuring a high quality of educational and student readiness in the organization and delivery of programs.

Responsibilities:

Program Research and Strategy Development:

- Research local market needs in the trades and apprenticeship sectors through network, and development of working relationships with organizations, First Nations, unions, businesses and educational institutions that have knowledge and expertise in the trades/apprenticeship industry that will enhance training delivery needs for students
- Develop and oversee all aspects of program delivery and participate as a committee member through the planning, design and construction phase of any current and future infrastructure projects
- Lead the development, procurement and set up of student learning spaces within any new facilities that align with trades and skills programming

Implementation of Trades, Apprenticeship and Skills Program:

- Liaise with local and regional external partners and create/participate in the development of new networks that will enhance training delivery needs for students
- Develop, implement and monitor trades, apprenticeship and skills training programs as identified for delivery by the organization
- Manage project activities throughout life cycle, including the allocation of adequate resources, procurement and proposal writing, scheduling, documentation, budget, and other factors necessary for success
- Identify and assess current and future training and development needs of rural Northern Ontario, including workforce data trends and emerging workforce development areas
- Work with senior management and instructional staff as appropriate to determine training gaps in existing training services and make necessary adjustments/amendments for program and student success

Supervision and Program Planning:

- Provide leadership for employee relations through effective communications, coaching, training and development, lead regular meetings to ensure effective communication and planning; collaborate with PSE team members in a recruitment strategy for PSE programs
- Participate in annual planning of student orientation session prior to academic year and/or as new intake of new students occurs; lead and monitor the administration of the Instructor and Student Satisfaction Surveys
- Completion and submission of administrative and quarterly reports, and ensuring financial reports are submitted to funding agencies in a timely fashion; assist with funding proposals
- Ensure the design and delivery of programs and services are inclusive of culturally relevant curriculum
- Network with post-secondary institution faculties, departments, schools, service providers, First Nation organizations, government and private sectors to develop positive and productive relationships to achieve organizational goals
- May be assigned instructional/teaching role(s) pending subject expertise
- Participate and contribute to other organizational events, activities and teams as part of organizational and community engagement and learning

Job Skills:

- Excellent negotiation, communication skills - written and verbal, conflict resolution and management skills, exceptional organizational, report writing and data management skills
- Ability to supervise and motivate a team to achieve their goals, ability to delegate, set expectations and monitor progress of all instructional and administrative staff direct reports

Qualifications:

- Minimum of two (2) years of experience in a management role
- Minimum of two (2) years of work experience in the Trades sector
- Program management and budgetary experience
- Experience in writing proposals and reporting
- Must be computer literate to write necessary reports and correspondence, and be proficient with Microsoft Office, use of Internet, electronic mail, etc.
- Knowledge of trades and apprenticeship programs – implementation and delivery
- Cultural knowledge of the Ojibwe Nation
- Kendmoowin; Anishnabemowin miinwaa Anishnaabe bimaadziwin

Application Deadline: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 12 noon

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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.

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Kenjgewin Teg
"Trades, Apprenticeships and Skills Program Coordinator"
c/o Director of Operations
374A Hwy. 551, P.O. Box 328, M'Chigeeng First Nation, ON POP 1G0
Tel: 705-377-4342 Fax: 705-377-4379

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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.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

KENJGEWIN TEG IS SEEKING A COMMITTED TEAM MEMBER INTERESTED IN BEING PART OF AN ORGANIZATION WITH AMAZING TEAM MEMBERS!

HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAM COORDINATOR CONTRACT POSITION: JULY 2021 TO DECEMBER 2022

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Consider joining our team to make a difference! Lifelong learning together . . . Anishinabek learning excellence for all!

Health and Wellness Program Coordinator:
Classification: Program Services PSC3 Team Leader Operational Support/Salary Grade Band F

Qualified Level Salary Range:
\$47,248 – 52,498 – 57,748

Position Objective: Under the direction of the Dean of Post-Secondary Education and Training, the Programs Coordinator Health and Wellness ensures lifelong learning programs of Kenjgewin Teg are designed for health professionals include Anishnaabe traditional knowledge and are delivered in accordance with the organization's quality assurance standards and procedures. As a critical position supporting growth of Kenjgewin Teg as an Indigenous Institute in Ontario, appreciation and/or practice of Kendmoowin – Anishnabemowin miinwaa Anishnaabe bimaadziwin in health and wellness perspectives is critical.

Responsibilities:

- Coordinate and implement health and wellness programs, courses and additional learning opportunities on an annual basis by developing and overseeing all aspects of program delivery in a new organizational framework for a Health and Wellness Programs strategy with the post-secondary education and training team
- Conduct labour-market research, plan and lead the coordination and implementation of health and wellness programs in readiness, transitions-type, and post-secondary training opportunities to meet projected needs for an Indigenous workforce in this sector
- Plan and coordinate annual health and wellness programs for delivery with the post-secondary team as approved by the Dean of Post-Secondary Education and Training
- Lead, implement, monitor and oversee health and wellness program activities through each program's academic year lifecycle, including monitoring and providing support to faculty/instructors for course materials and equipment, textbooks, classroom bookings, accommodation and meals where required
- Assist with research and development of articulation agreements with potential industry, government and post-secondary partners in collaboration with the Dean of PSE and Training
- Network and develop working relationships with health sector organizations
- Secure instructors, faculty and other resource/knowledge holders related to delivery of health and wellness programs; lead the development and preparation of instructional/faculty contracts with final contract approval submission to the Corporate Services team
- Contribute and provide content for health and wellness programs for organizational marketing, recruitment and student enrollment, plan and participate in direct recruitment/student enrollment activities and events
- Create program delivery schedules based on student needs, faculty/instructors, community and available resources; liaise with community partners for delivery of community-based programs in additional locations as planned
- Liaise and work closely with faculty/instructors and the Registrar in use of the student information and learning management systems for student admissions, attendance, grades and other quality assurance processes
- Prepare draft budgets and program costs, submit and prepare expenses for approval by the Dean of PSE and Training
- Completion and submission of administration reports and other related reporting requirements
- Participate and contribute to other organizational events, activities and teams as part of organizational and community engagement and learning

Job Skills:

- Knowledge of First Nation health and wellness perspectives of Mnidoo Mnising and the Anishinabek Nation
- Appreciation and/or practice of traditional knowledge; appreciation and/or practice: Kendmoowin – Anishnabemowin miinwaa Anishnaabe bimaadziwin
- Highly motivated and self-directed individual capable of multi-tasking; able to work as a team player and a self-starter, ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Excellent time management and coordination skills
- Ability to build and maintain good quality relationships with organizational teams
- Excellent communication skills to liaise with external stakeholders
- Attention to detail, problem identification and conflict resolution skills relating to delivery of health and wellness programs

Qualifications:

- Diploma within the health and wellness sector, or proven work-related experience in a coordinator capacity
- Minimum of two (2) years of program coordination experience
- Program management and/or program budget planning experience
- High level of proficiency with the Microsoft Office suite of software, and
- Preference given to applicants demonstrating Anishinabek traditional knowledge; Kendmoowin – Anishnabemowin miinwaa Anishnaabe bimaadziwin

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P.O. Box 81
58 Pitawanakwat Street
Wkwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0

(Rainbow Lodge)

Telephone: 705-859-2324
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Website: www.ngwaagan.ca

Employment Opportunity: Full-time Contract Counsellor Position(s)

Located on the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory on Manitoulin Island, Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. provides community-based addictions services to the community of Wkwemikong as well as addictions treatment for First Nations persons in Ontario.

Position:

Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc is offering community-based counsellor contract position(s) within a unique and exciting opportunity to help implement a new holistic counselling program in the healing lodge. We provide trauma-informed addictions services to individuals and family members. Our programs use both Western therapeutic techniques and Anishinaabe cultural perspectives and practices. Extensive training in intrafamilial sexual abuse will be provided.

Qualifications:

- Degree in Human Services or Diploma in addictions or related field
- Experience providing individual, group and family support and/or counselling
- Knowledgeable and sensitive to the Anishinaabe culture, language, community experiences, with an understanding of the dynamics of intergenerational abuse and past trauma
- Education and experience working in the addictions field
- Excellent computer skills
- Excellent oral communication skills, verbal, written and time management skills
- A clear criminal and vulnerable sectors check
- A valid Ontario driver's licence and a willingness to provide a driver's abstract
- Must be willing to participate in extensive training in family violence, specific to intrafamilial sexual abuse

An immediate or negotiable start date with competitive NGRC salary grid and benefits

Please email your detailed resumes to the attention of Tony Martens CEO tony@tonymartens.ca.

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NGRC Inc. has contracted with Tony Martens of Martens & Associates to conduct the recruitment, screening, background and reference checks. Selected persons will be recommended to the Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. for final selection.

Contact Person:

Tony Martens Office Phone: 1-604-583-6612
Cell/Text 1-604-916-8564: email tony@tonymartens.ca

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMUNICATIVE DISORDER ASSISTANT (CDA)

Job Summary

The CDA will report to SHSS Manager and work under the direction and clinical supervision of the contracted Speech Language Pathologist (SLP).

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

Responsibilities

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

Qualifications

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

All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copies of credentials and two work-related reference contacts, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

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

Deadline: July 5, 2021 at 4:00 pm

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

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

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KINA Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services Location: Manitoulin/Sudbury

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

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST (2) FULL-TIME POSITIONS - PERMANENT LOCATION: MANITOULIN/SUDBURY

JOB OVERVIEW:

Under the supervision of the Information Technology Administrator, the incumbent is responsible for updating, developing, and maintaining the Agency's databases, networks, internet security systems and telephone system. The incumbent will provide orientation and training as part of onboarding process as well as offboarding of employees. This position will also provide administrative support to track, order and set up IT equipment to meet the needs of Agency. All KGCS employees are expected to participate and respect the Anishinaabe culture and be committed to helping First Nation families strengthen and achieve a healthy level of well-being as part of adhering to the agency's mission statement, vision statement, and service principals.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education:

- University degree, college diploma or certificates equivalent, specializing in Computer Science or a related field.

Experience

- Minimum one to three years of experience in database administration, information technology, database architecture or a related field.
- The employer reserves the right to waive the required qualifications in the event of other exceptional qualifications or experience.

Duties:

- Assist with and maintains the database system and security software utilized on the network (e.g. Microsoft Azure, Office 365, Windows 10, cloud printing, and Solar Winds) by adding new users, maintaining E-mail lists, and establishing appropriate rights and privileges.
- Maintain and support Remote Access, Internet security and Virtual Private Networks.
- Assist with the regular backup of files stored on the network and coordinate recovery efforts as required.
- Assist in research and evaluation of software and hardware that are fiscally responsible and promote enhanced functioning of the system in terms of financial, service, and human resources departments.
- Assist IT administrator in procuring quotes for any hardware/software required for agency.
- Prepare invoices and electronic filing system on behalf of the IT administrator.
- Maintain, configure, and support telephone systems working in collaboration with appropriate vendors.
- Maintain and complete agency inventory.
- Responsible for the systematic control and care of all agency IT assets.
- Attend training hosted by the supervisor, follow the procedure manuals, and advise supervisor of any changes to the manuals that need to be completed.
- Participate in OACAS, ITNG, ANCFSAO forums as required.
- Attend regular IT team meetings, providing input on issues and concerns.
- On-boarding and off-boarding.
- Prepare and provide orientation and training for Agency personnel on the use of designated software and services and case management programs (e.g. Microsoft programs, Frontline, etc.)
- Ensure staff follow agency terms set out in the agency and IT policy.

Deadline: Open Recruitment until Position Filled

Applicants are encouraged to visit our website at www.kgcs.org/employment to review the full job description.

KGCS offers competitive wages, a generous benefit package and OMERS pension plan.

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

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

Human Resources – Confidential
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST
Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Main Office - 98 Pottawatomi Avenue,
Wkwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0
Fax: (705) 859-2195
Email: hr@kgcs.org

KGCS services is based on a highly specialized approach to the delivery of child welfare in our area. Preference will be given to Anishinaabe Candidates (please self-identify). Miigwetch for your application, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. As a condition of employment, the successful candidate will be required to submit the following: satisfactory Criminal Reference Check (within three months of application date), Vulnerable Sector Check and Driver's Abstract.



Conseil des Services du District de
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District Services Board

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The Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board is a municipal service management organization created by the provincial government to oversee the local planning, coordination and delivery of a range of services and programs divested to the municipal order of government. The specific programs our DSB is responsible for are: Ontario Works, 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.

Case Manager - Espanola Temporary Full-Time

Competition #2021-13-ISS
Closing date: June 29, 2021

For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at
www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers

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



by Peggy Brown
At the Western Manitoulin Community Garden things happened in May that gladden gardening hearts and exercise green thumbs. The hummingbirds have definitely arrived. Seeds from Local Food Manitoulin arrived as well as from others who donated earlier. On May 20 a load of Meeker's Mix compost

arrived with help from a couple in the Evansville area. The tilling of the large unused area was completed and looked great. The work of raking and making the rows in the Good Food Box Garden and spreading the compost was done with help from some young hardworking volunteers. On May 25 volunteers

again came to help for a few hours and during that time planted sunflowers, radishes, nasturtiums, and a clover bed on the west side of the garden. A walking pathway around it was raked and there was mulching around the wind-break trees. Their help was most appreciated and that night it rained, always **...continued on page 34**



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Employment Opportunity: Programs and Services Coordinator Position

Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. (NGRC Inc.) is a not-for-profit organization looking for a Programs and Services Coordinator to work in a dynamic addictions treatment and community-based programs facility located in the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory. The successful candidate will carry out their duties in accordance with the Policies and Procedures and Vision and Mission of NGRC Inc.

Job Summary
Reporting to the NGRC Inc. Executive Director or their delegate, the Programs and Services Coordinator provides administrative support and program management of the day-to-day operations of the residential treatment program. The Programs and Services Coordinator is a member of the leadership team within NGRC. The Programs and Services Coordinator will always maintain the highest quality of service and professionalism.

The Program and Services Coordinator will perform the following specific duties, functions and/or activities:

- To provide support planning and coordination of programs
- Management and supervision of employees of the treatment program including scheduling and support of the team, review and approvals of applications for treatment programming and regularly review treatment client progress
- To ensure the highest of standards are maintained from the program development through its implementation
- Seek both start-up and long-term program funding
- Maintain budget and track expenditures/transactions
- Help build positive relations within the team and community
- Schedule and organize workshops, information sessions, meetings and maintain agenda
- Report regularly on progress of work plan implementation
- Assist with implementation of quality assurance processes and health and safety requirements
- Maintain inventory of supplies and ordering
- Keep updated records and create reports and/or proposals
- Support growth and program development

Requirements:

- Degree in Human Services related field is preferred
- Have proven experience as a program coordinator, management or relevant position
- Knowledgeable in program management and development procedures
- Knowledgeable of the Anishnaabe culture, language, community experiences, with an understanding of the dynamics of intergenerational abuse and past trauma
- Have knowledge of budgeting, bookkeeping and reporting
- Tech savvy, proficient in Office 365, Excel, Outlook, etc.
- Ability to work with diversity and multi-disciplinary teams
- Excellent time-management and organizational skills
- Outstanding verbal and written communication skills
- Detail-oriented and efficient
- Able to follow direction
- Must be willing to participate in extensive training in family violence, specific to intrafamilial sexual abuse
- A clear criminal and vulnerable sectors check
- A valid Ontario driver's licence and a willingness to provide a driver's abstract

Skills and Abilities:

- Self-motivated, patient, professional and flexible
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Knowledge of Anishnaabemowin an asset
- Ability to research and analyze data for project development and planning
- Ability to support cohesive team relations and foster positive working relationships
- Ability to communicate professionally and effectively with diverse stakeholders
- Ability to handle multiple demands and competing priorities
- Ability to work flexible hours
- Skilled in the use of computers, MS Office software and other technology

Salary Range: \$65,000 - 70,000/year

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ONE YEAR CONTRACT: JULY 2021 – JULY 2022**

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Anishinaabe Aadziwin Manager:
Classification: Manager M3 Department Head/Salary Grade Band I

Under Hire Level Salary Range: \$51,146 – 56,829 – 62,512	Qualified Level Salary Range: \$58,789 – 65,321 – 71,854	Advanced Qualifications Salary Range: \$66,432 – 73,813 – 81,194
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Position Objective: The Anishnaabe Aadziwin Manager is an integral and key position in implementation of Kenjgewin Teg's organizational philosophies in Anishinabemowin and Anishnaabe Aadziwin. In addition to its supervisory role, this position also works cross-functionally with different internal teams in the organization. Using the organization's approved Anishinabek philosophies and Anishinabek standards, the Anishnaabe Aadziwin Manager supervises and implements activities and related initiatives relating to learner and employee engagement in language and cultural learning. This position also plays a key and central role in mobilizing and engaging community resources in Anishinabek language, culture and knowledge to bring community into lifelong learning and learner experiences as part of the organization's program, services and continuous institutional development.

Responsibilities:

Planning, Implementing and Reporting: Anishnaabe Aadziwin Learning:

- Develop and create annual plans for implementation of Aadziwin activities, including key dates, events and learning opportunities for employees, learners and community
- Lead, create and supervise engaging Aadziwin campus life experiences for learners, based on cross-functional collaboration with PSE, Pathways, Trades and other internal teams supporting learners
- Participate in other cross-functional teams as needed; i.e. lead, create and supervise engaging Aadziwin employee learning experiences based on cross-functional collaboration with Corporate Services and/or other internal teams
- Create new and monitor processes, including regular reporting, on learner and employee participation and engagement, and create new, other qualitative or quantitative measures relating to organizational Aadziwin goals and objectives specific to learners, employees and community and work with Deans to ensure alignment with Aadziwin goals and objectives

Engaging Community Resources:

- Leadership role in coordinating internal and external committees and groups such as the Anishnaabe Aadziwin Committee, and other/new groups or committees as appropriate
- Establish processes for new invitations, enhancing current and new engagement, and the overall success of community resources and provide leadership and support for short term Aadziwin-related special projects and/or teams as needed
- Create database or other similar tool(s) to create inventory of Aadziwin community resources for cross-functional teams to access and help plan program delivery
- Establish and report on annual results and success measures relating to community engagement and community mobilization in lifelong learning

Organizational Development:

- Build respectful and responsive relationships with organizational teams to support employee Anishnaabe Aadziwin learning objectives and Anishinabemowin fluency goals established by the organization
- Identify and support opportunities and funding proposals as applicable supporting the goals of Anishnaabe Aadziwin team and cross-functional teams
- Contribute to advancing both academic research and community practice by participating in Anishnaabe Aadziwin and Anishnaabemowin academic and community writing, attending conferences and events, and other audiences

Management and Supervision Responsibilities:

- Ensure organizational requirements are met regarding management, supervision and performance management for Aadziwin team members and/or other assigned staff (workplans, quarterly reports, performance reviews, other similar)
- Promote communicative and team relationships amongst many stakeholders and provide leadership, guidance to team members in implementation of activities and events
- Annual planning, budgeting of activities

Administrative Duties:

- Completion of mandatory reporting and communication practices applicable to all employees, including but not limited to quarterly reporting, annual work-plan development and completion, year end reporting, timesheet administration, and other strategic and administrative reporting areas
- Participate and contribute to other organizational events, activities and teams as part of organizational and community engagement and learning

Qualifications:

- Anishinabemowin use and understanding assessed internally using organizationally developed Dbishgaademgak tool/instrument
- Possess an undergraduate degree in any field and minimum of three (3) years of related experience in similar work
- Minimum of two (2) years' management and supervisory experience
- Demonstrated experience in program development and implementation
- Working knowledge and willingness to learn software applications preferably in a Microsoft environment
- Ability to work in a remote work environment as needed or assigned
- Able to travel as required to support, maintain and establish program and service delivery in community locations

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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 either through email to humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca or mail to:

Kenjgewin Teg
"Anishnaabe Aadziwin Manager"
c/o Director of Operations
374A Hwy. 551, P.O. Box 328, M'Chigeeng First Nation, ON POP 1G0
Tel: 705-377-4342 Fax: 705-377-4379

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

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: Late applications will not be considered. While we thank all applicants, only those applicants 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.



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Successful applicants must be capable of writing both news and feature stories. Some stories will be assigned, others may be self-generated in consultation with the paper's editor. Photos to illustrate news and feature stories are an expectation.

Preference will be given to applicants who:

- Have had experience in journalism
- Can demonstrate the ability to work to a firm deadline
- Can demonstrate a good knowledge of Manitoulin Island, or at least the area of it in which they live
- Have a class G driver's licence and access to a vehicle

If you feel you meet these minimum requirements and would like to join a team of professionals dedicated to telling the interesting stories of this unique place, please send your resume, including writing samples to: editor@manitoulin.com.

PLEASE NOTE: Only applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.



**WHITEFISH RIVER HEALTH CENTRE
MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS WORKER**

Summary: The role of the Mental Health and Addictions Worker is to provide and promote vital prevention strategies and programs, interventions, aftercare services and referrals focusing on addictions and substance-free lifestyles. The Mental Health and Addictions Worker has a responsibility to remain aware of and adhere to all policies and procedures, including those that relate to client and staff safety, quality improvement, confidentiality, and risk management. Services delivered and evaluated will be community-based with concentration on culturally relevant mental health and addictions supports that address the wholistic well-being of community members affected by addictions.

Qualifications: The Mental Health and Addictions Worker will have a diploma or degree and at least five years' experience providing service to indigenous people. This is complemented by knowledge and appreciation for Indigenous culture, language and healing practices. As a helper, excellent communication and mediation skills are essential, combined with the ability to relate and connect to people as individuals and within groups. A clear drivers abstract is important, along with access to a vehicle. Assets to have in the position include mental health first aid, CPR, ASIST certification and Critical Incident Stress Management. The ability to work flexible hours.

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

Whitefish River First Nation, P.O. Box 188, Birch Island, ON P0P 1A0
Email questions and packages to: jobapplications@whitefishriver.ca
Applications should be submitted by **Friday, June 18th at 12 pm** and must include the following:
Cover letter, current resume, copies of certificates (Degrees or Diplomas),
and three current reference contacts.

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.



WIKWEMIKONG TRIBAL POLICE SERVICE

**Experienced Police Officer and/or New Recruit
Full-time - Permanent**

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

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service is accepting applications from a police officer who has served or is currently serving with a Canadian police agency. Experienced applicants must have completed a probationary period. Applicants may also be required to successfully complete any additional training deemed necessary by the Ontario Police College as a condition of employment.

New Recruit must attend the 13-week Basic Recruit Training course at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, scheduled for September 2021 and receive a certificate of graduation.

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

Key Duties/Responsibilities:

- Ability to work shift work, comprised of day, evening and weekend.
- Preserving the peace.
- Participate in community events and cultural gatherings.
- Assist WTPS Officers with community policing and safety concerns.
- Respond to routine and emergency calls, assisting crime or accident investigations with WTPS officers.
- Assist with vehicle patrol operations as directed.
- Assist with the containment and preservation of crime scenes as directed, and assisting with the determination of the extent of personal injuries, identifying victims, witnesses and the extent of damage, documenting evidence; assisting to ensure that the safety of officers and the public is maintained at all times.
- Assist WTPS members in the development and implementation of projects, acting as a resource to team members and other Units.
- Undertake assignments, including traffic point duty and crowd control, as required.
- Such other duties, not inconsistent with the above, as the Police Chief should direct.

Basic Requirements:

- Ontario Police College Certificate or equivalent as recognized by the Ontario Police College.
- Diploma in Police Foundations or Degree in Law and Criminal Justice an asset.
- Must possess a valid class G Ontario Driver's Licence.
- Possess current First Aid/CPR Certificates.
- Basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Outlook and Office.
- Must have awareness of First Nation culture and traditions.
- Be physically able to perform the duties of the position, and proof of current fitness test.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality a MUST.
- Be prepared to take an Oath/Affirmation of Office and Secrecy.
- Be of good moral character, no criminal record and must pass background check.
- Must provide a signed WTPS Consent to Security Clearance Investigation Form.
- Employment application packages are available and can be picked up at WTPS office.
- Salary and merit level are open for discussion.

Interested applicants are to forward their completed employment package, letter of interest/cover letter, detailed resume, copies of relevant diploma/certificates, and three work-related references to:

Attn: Acting Chief of Police, Gregory Mishibinjima
Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service
2074 Wikwemikong Way, P.O. Box 27
Wikwemikong, Ontario
POP 2J0

Posting Deadline: July 16, 2021 at 2:00 PM

Please note, applications will be screened. Interviews will be scheduled and at that time a decision will be made to consider an experienced officer for hire. The candidate will also be required to successfully complete psychological, medical, vision and hearing examinations. The best qualified candidate(s) will be subject to a comprehensive background investigation. The candidate will be notified before any contact is made with their current police service.

Members of the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service participate in the Ontario Pension Board (OPS) pension plan. It is compulsory for members to contribute to the plan. Experienced officers who have contributed to another pension plan may contact their current plan administrator to determine if their plan is transferable.



**Mnaamodzawin Health Services
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
CUSTODIAN
PERMANENT PART-TIME**

Responsibilities:

- Perform general preventative facility maintenance and repair duties
- General cleaning of facility
- Maintain inventory of maintenance, cleaning supplies and equipment
- Seasonal Maintenance i.e. shovelling & clearing entrance and walkways, watering plants & vegetable gardens
- Reporting equipment deficiencies to supervisor
- Ordering supplies as required

Qualifications:

- One to three years' general maintenance and cleaning experience, preferably in a healthcare setting.
- Knowledge of WHMIS with certification (or option to obtain within three months)
- Knowledge of Occupational Health and Safety
- Current Ontario Driver's Licence (and vehicle)
- Current CPR, First Aid Certification (or option to obtain within three months)
- Knowledge of Anishinaabe language and/or culture considered an asset.


Deadline: Friday, June 18, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

Send resume, cover letter, CPIC, and three current work-related reference letters marked 'Confidential' by mail or email to:

Human Resources
Mnaamodzawin Health Services
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy 540
48 Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0
Phone: 705-368-2182 ext. 271
Fax: 705-368-2229
hr@mnaamodzawin.com

We thank all for applying, however, only those under considerations will be contacted.



Manitoulin Hotel  Conference Centre

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**Various Full-Service Hotel Positions Available Both Full & Part Time.
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Credentials (certificates, licences, memberships, courses, etc.)
Smart Serve (Restaurant)
Safe Food Handlers (Kitchen)

Security and Safety
Bondable

Essential Skills
Communication, Working with Others, Problem Solving

Education
Completion of high school

Manitoulin Hotel & Conference Centre
66 Meredith St E
Little Current, ON
POP 1K0
Or Email to: gm@manitoulinhotel.com

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**EMPLOYMENT
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FINANCE AND IT COORDINATOR
SALARY: \$69,216 / year plus benefits
TERM: Permanent Full-Time

UCCM Anishnaabe Police is looking for a full-time Finance and IT Coordinator to join our team. The successful candidate will provide financial and information technology support through compiling data, analyzing information, preparing reports, and handling IT servicing requests and supporting improvements to the IT infrastructure of the organization. The individual also applies accounting control procedures that ensures the accuracy and integrity of the accounting system. This position requires interaction with approximately 25-30 personnel, external stakeholders, and other agency partners.

Education and Experience:

1. University or College Degree/Diploma in Business or Finance, or combination of equivalent experience;
2. Minimum of 2-3 years of recent work-related financial and IT experience in a business environment;
3. Experience processing financial and payroll transactions;
4. Excellent written and verbal communication skills
5. Knowledge of IT infrastructures, software, hardware, and ability to troubleshoot minor issues; and
6. Experience interpreting and applying financial policies and guidelines.

Skills:

- Knowledge of accounting functions and principles: payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, chart of accounts, etc;
- Experience in financial management and financial file maintenance;
- Knowledge of IT infrastructures, software, hardware, and ability to troubleshoot minor issues;
- Ability to handle multiple projects, meet multiple deadlines; and problem solve;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Ability to learn very quickly in a fast paced environment;
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office software applications, financial accounting software, records management, systems, time management software, and general computer skills; and
- Ability to exercise professional judgment and reasonableness in a variety of situations.

Other Important Information

- A background check will be completed prior to start date;
- A valid Class G driver's license is required; and


The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service offers many employee benefits including: employee and employer matching 9% pension contributions, 100% employer paid health benefits, life insurance, EFAP, and many other benefits.

DEADLINE: Friday, June 25th, at 4:00 pm
Please apply for this position by submitting your cover letter, resume, and 3 **work** related references to:

CONFIDENTIAL
"Employment Opportunity: Finance and IT Coordinator"
Human Resources
U.C.C.M. Anishnaabe Police Service
5926 Hwy 540, Box 332
M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0

Individuals of Anishnaabe ancestry are encouraged to apply.

For questions about this employment opportunity and a detailed job description, please contact:
Taylor Sayers at taylor.sayers@uccmpolice.com.



**UCCM
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POLICE**

**EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY**

HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR
SALARY: \$72, 215/year plus benefits
TERM: Permanent Full-Time

The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service is looking for an experienced HR Administrator who is dynamic and self-driven! The HR Administrator will report to the Director of Corporate Services and will be required to work closely with the Police Senior Leadership Team. This business administrative professional will provide human resources guidance and expertise to all levels of staff within the organization and will be handling sensitive information. This position requires interaction with approximately 25-30 personnel, external HR stakeholders, and other agency partners.

Education and Experience:

- Diploma/Degree in Human Resources Management, Business Administration or related field or equivalent education.
- 3+ years of experience working in an HR or Business field.
- Knowledge of Human Resource principles and/or previous experience in human resources is required.
- Membership in the Human Resources Professionals Association is preferred; however, eligibility to be a member is required.

Skills (Includes but are not limited to):

- Human resource management and HR file maintenance
- Ability to handle multiple projects, meet multiple deadlines
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to learn very quickly in a fast-paced environment
- Ability to exercise professional judgment and reasonableness in a variety of situations

Duties (Includes but are not limited to):

- Provides general human resources support and ensures compliance with all applicable labour and employment laws.
- Provides direction, expertise, and support to management on employee relations and performance management issues.
- Assists in the administration of compensation and monitoring the performance appraisal process.
- Champions the hiring process by coordinating job postings, reviewing, and selecting resumes, scheduling interviews and coordinates interviews and the hiring and onboarding process.
- Establishes, coordinates, and monitors health and safety programs.
- Manages pension and benefits, WSIB claims, and short-term and long-term disability claims.
- Assists Senior Management/Leadership with training requests and yearly allocations with training services.
- Manages uniform and equipment ordering and maintenance.
- Plans, develops, and implements, appropriate in-house programs, specific skill-based training, and sessions.

Other Important Information

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

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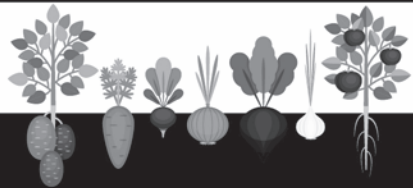
DEADLINE: Friday, June 25th, at 4:00 pm
Please apply for this position by submitting your cover letter, resume, and 3 **work** related references to:

CONFIDENTIAL
"Employment Opportunity: HR Administrator"
Human Resources
U.C.C.M. Anishnaabe Police Service
5926 Hwy 540, Box 332
M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0

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The Garden Thymes



...continued from page 31 nice thing after planting. And sometime when I blinked onions and beets were sown.

Another volunteer workday June 8 and the Kids Can Grow Garden plants that many people have kindly donated in the absence of the children, hoping that kids will be able to return to the garden in the fall, were planted with help from one of those kids. As well, some more beds in the good food box garden were prepared and planted including flowers, beans, squash and pumpkins.

Unfortunately, the rain that fell after our planting on May 25 was the last real rain that our area saw until early morning June 11. We

are in Canada where weather happens and is very changeable. It is what we love about this area and what we worry about. I do not plant tender things like tomatoes until sometime after the last full moon in May, which was Wednesday, May 26. That night was not too bad, but Thursday and Friday there was frost in a few areas. Linda sent out a warning by email to many folks.

It is hard, but many of us are trying to garden with our fingers crossed as we compete for a grant for the kids play area. Last month before submission of Garden Thymes we had not yet been shortlisted, but word went out as soon as possible to get friends and family to vote. Quickly our

Come, Grow and Play project with the David Suzuki Foundation was in the lead of the voting! Voting will end June 15 after I wrote this, we do not know the result. Many thanks to all of you who voted!

Our volunteer who usually does the mowing and weed trimming has a bad foot infection, so we are wondering if there is someone else out there who may be willing to fill in for him until he is well again. Does anyone have a roller that we could use to compact our pathway? If you can offer either of these please call Chuc Willson at 705-282-0274. Any questions? Want to join us? Contact Sarah at earleysarah-jane@gmail.com or 705-210-0422.



Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) Seeks Applicants – Board of Directors

The Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors, as the committee responsible for bringing forward suitable candidates to the Board, is seeking applications from persons within the District of Manitoulin who are interested in serving as Directors. While the Committee encourages applicants from all geographical areas of the Manitoulin Region, there is a current need/desire to recruit candidates from the Central Manitoulin, South Baymouth, Tehkummah, Assiginack, Sheguiandah, Aundeck Omni Kaning, Sheshegwaning and Zhiibaahaasing communities.

MHC is a two-site hospital corporation, with locations in Mindemoya and Little Current, whose Mission is "To contribute to the health and well-being of all who come to us in need." The Board governs the organization, and is responsible for issues such as strategic direction, capacity, quality, collaborative ventures, risk management and fiscal soundness of the organization. Towards these activities, Directors act in the best interest of the hospital corporation, ensuring through appropriate governance endeavours that the hospital fulfills its mission.

MHC selects Directors based on an identified need from within MHC's Board of Directors Skills Matrix. Consideration is given to individuals having the following experience or background:

- Business/Finance/Accounting/Insurance;
- Human Resources/Labour Relations;
- Law/Justice;
- Marketing/Fundraising/Public & Government Relations;
- Public Sector Administration/Education/Health Sector;
- CEO/Senior Executive/Management;
- Community-Based Organization and Engagement;
- Other relevant skills desirable to the Board.

Diversity of skills, knowledge and viewpoints is desirable for a high-performing Board, and so the Board encourages applications from suitable individuals with an interest in serving in this capacity. Manitoulin Health Centre is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal people, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

Interested persons are asked to submit:

- A cover letter indicating the reason(s) why they wish to sit as a Director;
- A resume outlining skills and qualities they will bring to the Board;
- A description of any past experiences in serving other non-profit associations, organizations or community groups; and
- Three (3) references

by 12:00 pm (noon) on Wednesday, June 30, 2021
addressed to Chair, Nominating Committee, Board of Directors,
by email to lmastelko@mhc.on.ca.



KINA Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services Location: Manitoulin/Sudbury

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

FINANCE CLERK (1) FULL-TIME POSITION - PERMANENT LOCATION: MANITOULIN/SUDBURY

JOB OVERVIEW:

The Finance Clerk is responsible for performing financial, administrative, and clerical services for the agency's day-to-day operations under the direct supervision of the Finance Supervisor. The Finance Clerk will be trained to perform various tasks within Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Payroll, Benefits and Electronic Filing Systems. All KGCF employees are expected to participate and respect the Anishinaabe culture and be committed to helping First Nation families strengthen and achieve a healthy level of well-being as part of adhering to the agency's mission statement, vision statement, and service principals.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education:

- A combination of any 3 or more of the following:
 - Bachelor's in Business Administration in Accounting
 - Business Administration Accounting Diploma from recognized/accredited College
 - 3 Year Business Administration/Accounting Diploma: Office Administration & Management from recognized/accredited College
 - 2 Year Accounting Diploma from recognized/accredited College
 - Office and Payroll Administrator Diploma (non-accredited College)

Certificates:

- Business Administration Certificate
- Canadian Payroll Association Training: Payroll I & II, Employment Standards, Year-End Procedures and Terminations
- Computerized Accounting Software Training: Accounts Payable, Payroll and Purchase Orders
- Microsoft Office Training - Word, Excel, and Access

Experience

- A combination of any 3 or more of the following:
 - Minimum 6 years' AR/AP Clerk experience
 - Minimum 1 year Finance/Accounting Clerk/ Finance Assistant experience
 - Minimum 3 years' Payroll Clerk experience
 - Minimum 2 years' Office Management/ Business Purchasing experience
 - Minimum 3 years' Receptionist experience
 - Minimum 3.5 years' KGCF experience
 - Minimum 1 year Bookkeeping experience

Deadline: Open Recruitment until Position Filled

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

Please submit your application marked "Confidential – Finance Clerk." Include in your application a cover letter, resume, and (3) three reference letters - two (2) employment related from recent employers. Please also detail in your application: education, employment experience, and cultural participation. Applications are accepted and in the following order of preference: by email, fax or in person, at

Human Resources – Confidential
FINANCE CLERK
Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Main Office - 98 Pottawatomi Avenue,
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0
Fax: (705) 859-2195
Email: hr@kgcf.org

KGCF services is based on a highly specialized approach to the delivery of child welfare in our area. Preference will be given to Anishinaabe Candidates (please self-identify). Miigwetch for your application, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. As a condition of employment, the successful candidate will be required to submit the following: satisfactory Criminal Reference Check (within three months of application date), Vulnerable Sector Check and Driver's Abstract.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA SERVICES

Summary

The Communications and Media Services will be responsible for overseeing the creation of a positive image of the organization to the media, clients, shareholders, and the general public.

Responsibilities

- Create and oversee the implementation of an overall strategy for media services and communications with the goal of creating a strong, coherent image of Wikwemikong Health Centre.
- Oversee the production of a monthly newsletter.
- Plan and oversee the consistent message and image of the organization's website.
- Plan and oversee the preparation of the production of publicity brochures, handouts, direct mail leaflets, promotional videos, photographs, films and multimedia programs.
- Produce or oversee the production and maintenance of external media communications.
- Analyze the effectiveness of our communications strategy.
- Build community relations by attending events as needed.
- Oversee the production of press releases.
- Oversee the planning of and participation in events to foster better community relations.
- Devise and coordinate media photo opportunities.

Qualifications

- Diploma in Communications, Public Relations or Journalism or related discipline.
- Minimum of two years of direct work experience in a communications or public relations capacity.
- Proven ability to prepare and implement communications strategies in a variety of media.
- Excellent oral, written and interpersonal communication with strong writing and editorial abilities.
- Highly effective skills in project management, prioritization, multi-tasking and time management.
- Ability to plan, organize and effectively present ideas and concepts to groups. Ability to assimilate information from a variety of sources.
- Ability to analyze information, and recommend courses of action to be taken.
- Thorough knowledge of the principles of effective communications and mass media, publicity, advertising, policies, education, community relations, demonstration, organization structure, social service, and government relations, as they relate to our organization.

Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid.

All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copy of accreditations and contact information of two work-related references marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

Communications and Media Services
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: July 5, 2021 @4:00pm

Copies of the following will be requested from the SUCCESSFUL candidate:
CPIC/VSS, Driver's Licence & Abstract. DO NOT INCLUDE IN PACKAGE.
We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.
Incomplete submissions will not be accepted. No return of submissions.

Death Notices

JOHN WESLEY CALBACK



John Wesley Calback (long time miner with Inco) passed away peacefully at Extendicare Peterborough on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 in his 86th year. John, loving and devoted father of Mervin Calback (Barbara), Linda Migwans, Diane Calback (Brian), Todd Calback and Martha Ladouceur (Rick). Cherished grandfather of Angie Blanchard (Steve), Kyle Calback, Keegan Calback, Kelly Ladouceur (Rachel), Joel Ladouceur, Paige Ladouceur, Jake Calback, Joy Siemens, Paul Siemens, and great-grandfather of Halie Blanchard, Hayden Blanchard, Hudson Blanchard, Jordan Calback, Reese Calback, Aleena Calback, Nathan Ladouceur, Taylor Ladouceur, Raina Ladouceur, Malaikah Siemens, and Tobias Siemens. Dear brother of the late Edith (George), William Ashton Calback (Nina), George Calback (Carolyn) and the late Corrine (Hort). Lovingly remembered by his many nieces and nephews. Son of the late John Calback and Margaret Badgerow. Special thanks to the nurses, PSWs and all the staff at Peterborough Extendicare for the excellent care, love and support they provided. In keeping with John's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private family gathering will take place in the future. In his memory, donations to the Alzheimer Society would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences may be expressed at HighlandParkFuneralcentre.com.

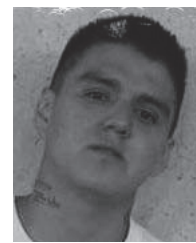
DARLENE CADA



Darlene Cada of Sheshegwaning First Nation passed away at her residence on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, in her 62nd year. Beloved mother of Adam Bush (Gloria Debassige) and Gregory Sampson. Dear sister of Winnifred Panamick and Robert Endanawas (Christine Peltier). Darlene will be sadly missed by her aunts Martha Hanrahan, Christine Endanawas, Cecilia Endanawas, uncle Joe Endanawas, sisters-in-law Carmelita Genereux, Linda Antoine, Diane John, brother-in-law Gino Cada, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Predeceased by her husband Sam Cada, son Eugene "Junior", parents Thomas and Rita (Pitawanakwat) Endanawas, sisters Kathleen Fisher, Laurenda Yellowhorse, Cynthia Bush, Margaret Bush, brothers Wayne Bush, Richard Bush, sisters-in-law Beatrice Sampson, Caroline Danvel, Jean Simon, Lorda Cada, Vivian Cada, and brother-in-law Rodger Cada. Darlene enjoyed doing arts and crafts, gardening and shopping on the shopping channel as well as listening to music, singing and visiting her friends with her pink buggy. Visitation was held at the Sheshegwaning Community Complex on Saturday, June 12, 2021 from 12 noon until time of the funeral service on Monday, June 14, 2021 at 11 am. Memorial donations may be made to the Lung Association or the Cancer Society as expressions of sympathy and may be made through SimpsonFuneralHome.ca.

AARON LEWIS JOSEPH BEBONING

Sunrise October 12, 1989 - Sunset June 8, 2021



Aaron Lewis Joseph Beboning, 31, of M'Chigeeng First Nation, began his journey to the spirit world on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at Health Sciences North with his family by his side. Dear grandson of grandma Ann Panamick, grandpa Joseph Anwhatin (Nana Laura Jean) and Mary Ann Beboning-Hare (baa) and Joseph Sr. Beboning (baa). Dear son of Lewis Beboning (Iris Corbiere) and Annette Anwhatin. Beloved father of son Adonis Beboning and daughter Aniika Beboning. Loving brother of Adrienne Anwhatin (Joseph Gough), Ashleigh Anwhatin (Adam Dahl) and Maverick Anwhatin. Beloved uncle to Audrey Dahl and Owen Dahl. Beloved nephew to Paula Anwhatin, Josie Anwhatin, Jeff Anwhatin, Steven Corbiere, Joseph Jr. Beboning, Jimi Beboning (Sara), Sally Hare, Walter Beboning (Lorraine). Predeceased by Danny Corbiere. Aaron enjoyed playing pool and snowmobiling. His interest in carpentry and renovation work allowed him to travel all over. In his younger days, he was known as Beetlejuice. He will be missed by many friends and family. Family gathered at James Beboning's residence at 29 Beboning Street, M'Chigeeng First Nation for visitation on Saturday, June 12, 2021 from 3 pm. Celebration of Life was on Monday, June 14, 2021 at 11 am. Due to COVID-19 there will be a limit on the number of people allowed inside at any given time. Masks and social distancing are required. Interment followed in the M'Chigeeng Cemetery. To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Aaron Lewis Joseph Beboning, please visit our floral store, Island Funeral Home.

TREVOR HENRY LEWIS

Giizhiigeh Waasogeh Nini, Sturgeon Clan

Sunrise February 25, 1976 - Sunset June 6, 2021



The only way you can be free is to know that you are worthwhile as a distinct human being - Russell Means

Trevor passed on suddenly and began his journey to the Spirit World on Sunday, June 6, 2021, at his residence. Loving husband of Carla McLeod-Lewis. Proud father of Emily Anongoohns Otowadjiwan (Curtis) and Farrah Lewis. Cherished son of Lynda (nee McLeod) and Henry Bemaasige Lewi (baa). Beloved brother of Cindy (Blair) Peltier. Loved son-in-law of Debbie (nee Bertrand) and Toby McLeod. Dear brother-in-law of Natalie McLeod, "sista" Krystal McLeod (Phil) and Patrick McLeod. Uncle and best friend to Colin Animkii-Aanimad Peltier, Lexa Fisher, John Fisher and Kiera Becker. Godson to Martha Gabow and Ronald "Fleo" Lewis (baa). Trevor was known to his family and friends as Chee Chee and Tricky Trev. He will be fondly remembered for his unique laugh and sense of humour. He was known for his comedic play on words and ideas such as "Words on the Streets." Trevor was known for his skills in carpentry, masonry and helper (taste-tester and pester) in Carla's Kitchen. His other interests included sports, Anishinaabe philosophy, Indigenous political activism, playing cards and kayaking. Tricky Trev enjoyed fun times with family and friends of both his home communities of Wiikwemkoong and Ktigaaning. Trevor will be missed by his many friends and cousins, aunts and uncles from both sides of the family and the three communities he spent time in while following his life path. Trevor's life was celebrated in ceremonies by his family and friends from Wiikwemkoong, Wasauksing and Ktigaaning. Arrangements entrusted to Theoret Bourgeois Funeral Home, Sturgeon Falls, www.theoretbourgeois.com.

JOHN WAYNE SIMON

December 2, 1954 - May 31, 2021

In loving memory of John Wayne Simon, who passed away suddenly at the Manitoulin Health Centre on Monday, May 31, 2021 at the age of 66. Son of Sylvester Mishibinjima and Rose (nee Ogemah). Devoted husband of Isabelle, first wife Beatrice (baa). Loving stepfather to Barry (Cheryl), Cindy, Keannu, Rosanne (baa) and Dillan (baa). Special brother to Ed (Rose baa) Mishibinjima, Barbara Simon and Shirley (Fred) Pullon (baa). Special uncle to Ed, Elliot, Elvis, Kevin, Eugene (Moose) (baa), Mary Lou, Shirley Ann, Chantal (baa) and Kim (baa). Grandson of David Ogemah and Catherine (nee Misinishketewe). Brother-in-law to Patsy (Wally), Jeanne (Randy), Loretta (Clifford), Tish (Stan), Ted (Shirley), Kim (Brian), Jennifer (Peter), Harry (baa) and Bill (baa). Devoted papa to his grandchildren who he loved taking on quad rides and spending time with. John was Keannu's biggest supporter with his hockey and schooling. John graduated highschool at Ottawa Technical in 1973. He had a wide variety of summer jobs including tree planting up north, tobacco picking down in Tillsonburg and general labour and home construction locally. John spent a brief period of time for INCO in Manitoba. He did yard maintenance at Green Acres for a couple of years. He owned and operated a convenience store in Little Current for a couple of years or so. He then moved on to be a PSW at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home then on to building maintenance for quite a while. He finished his working career with Sheguiandah Operation and Maintenance Team. Over the years he self taught and learned many new skills. There weren't many machines that he couldn't troubleshoot and fix. His greatest passion was helping family and friends in anyway he could. John enjoyed playing broomball, hockey, going to the casino, travelling, working, spending time with family, campfires, music and working on his yard. He was also an amazing cook. John was the family patriarch even though he was the youngest in the family. Full of knowledge, wisdom, love and compassion. He had great love for his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He gave countless rides to his nephews for hockey games. John's best time of year was spring and his favourite day was the summer solstice and he always looked forward to the full moon. John has left so many jobs and projects unfinished. Family and friends gathered at the Sheguiandah Round House for visitation on Saturday, June 5, 2021 from 11am. Funeral Service was Monday, June 7, 2021 at 11am. Burial followed in the Sheguiandah First Nation Cemetery.

† in memoriam



JOHNSON—Father's Day remembrance for Robert Johnson, January 9, 1924 to November 14, 2018. Predeceased by seven sisters and one infant brother in England. Life's companion Maureen for 70 years. Loving father of Clive and Marilyn, Tove Shere and Jerry, David and Kim Johnson. Proud grandfather of Sean, Melissa, Tobin and great-grandfather to Kamber, Kaylee and Rhys. Bob cared about everybody, especially his students, friends, Amish neighbours and, of course, his Labrador retriever, Pete. His interests were very varied and included archery, competing in Las Vegas, walking the entire south side of Manitoulin from Meldrum Bay to South Baymouth with a bunch of students from MSS, track and field events, competing and winning high jump, pole vault and representing the British Grenadier guards in Germany. We miss him so much and feel so fortunate to share our lives with him. His spirit lives on in our hearts.

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PEEVER—In loving memory of Bain Peever, January 28, 1937 to June 23, 2020.

God of grace and glory, we thank you for Bain, who was so near and dear to us who died June 23, 2020.

We thank you for the friendship Bain gave and for the strength and peace Bain brought Lynda and family.

We thank you for the love Bain offered and received while Bain was with us on earth.

We pray that nothing good in this man's life will be lost but will be of benefit to the world; that all that was important to him will be respected by those who follow, and that everything in which he was great will continue to mean much to us now that he is dead.

We ask you that he may go on living in his children, his family and his friends in their hearts and minds, in their courage and their consciences.

We ask you that we who were close to him may now, because of his death, be even closer to each other, and that we may, in peace and friendship here on earth, always be deeply conscious of your promise to be faithful to us in death.

We pray for ourselves, who are severely tested by this death, that we do not try to minimize this loss, or seek refuge from it in words alone, and also that we do not brood over it, so that it overwhelms us and isolates us from others.

We ask this in the name of the risen Lord. Amen. (BAS p.602).

Bain's love, laughter and smiles are deeply missed by Lynda and families.

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† in memoriam



MCDERMID—In loving memory of Michelle (Cadieux) McDerimid, May 17, 2010 and Ernie McDerimid, June 17, 2018.

You left us before we were ready to let you go. Life just isn't the same without you. You live on in our hearts and precious memories.

Forever loved, forever missed, Cody, Rachele and granddaughter Sarah, Kyle, Mom, Ed, Linda, Fran, Kate (predeceased 2020), Karen and families.

† thank you

Mason, Jessie and I would like to express our sincere thank you to the nurses, doctors and staff at the Mindemoya Hospital and Health Sciences North for the excellent care given to Blair while he was there. We would also like to thank family and friends for the kindness shown to us during this difficult time. For the visits, cards, calls, flowers, food and donations made in Blair's memory. They have meant so much to all of us.

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On behalf of John and myself, we would like to send a big thank you to our friends and community. We have both been overwhelmed by all the help, support and care that we are receiving while I go through my cancer treatments. Thank you all so much for the food, goodies, fresh eggs, cards, emails and letters, phone calls, errands, shopping, chauffeuring; and so many nice other things you are all doing to show that you care. We are so very grateful for you all and so glad that we live here in paradise on Manitoulin. Mary Buie

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Assiginack Public Library Feature

by Debbie Robinson

William Barents was a Dutch explorer who made three treacherous expeditions by ship into the polar seas (he even has a northern sea named after him). All three journeys took place between 1594 and 1597. The voyages carried Barents and his crew farther north than any other European exploration enterprise. 'Icebound: Shipwrecked at the Edge of the World' by author Andrea Pitzer is the captivating story of one of the world's most remarkable navigators. These amazing journeys of exploration have gripped the imagination of millions for over 427 years. The writer went to great lengths to understand what these intrepid explorers struggled through. She made three Arctic expeditions herself to retrace their footsteps and give us a thrilling opportunity to be part of the adventure from our favourite chair. I really enjoyed this book!

Fareed Zakaria is the host of a CNN international affairs show. He is also a weekly columnist for the Washington Post and the author of two previous bestselling books. His latest book 'Ten Lessons for a Post-Pandemic World' is a truly incredible work. His arguments are based in historic fact and his remarkable knowledge of political

principles. Zakaria predicted the perils of a worldwide pandemic on his show three years before it occurred—citing densely populated cities, natural disasters and international travel as some of the stepping stones for tiny, undetectable and catastrophic pathogens—be they natural in origin or synthetic. This is a well-researched and exactly documented commentary on the situation that is currently holding the population of the world hostage. There is also his concerns on what has taken place, as well as what should and will happen in the future. This is a compelling, articulate and very relevant read!

'The Children's Train' is a novel by Italian writer Viola Ardone that is based on true facts and events of WWII. It is the story of a group of children sent away from the destruction and ruin of the devastated city of Naples. This beautifully detailed chronicle focuses on the particular experiences of one of these poor, homesick little ones. This is a memorable, meaningful and thoroughly engaging book.

'The Sea Gate' by British novelist and historian Jane Johnson is a fast moving tale of family secrets finally uncovered. It is a story of love, heroism, need and suspense in the heart of

Cornwall, England. This book will keep the reader intrigued, hopeful and fully immersed from beginning to end. A very enjoyable read!

Young Adult Read: 'Where She Fell' by Kaitlin Ward. Eliza knows that people can disappear in the swamp, then she herself is lost and struggles to find her way back.

DVD Pick: 'Deep Blue Sea 3' starring Tanya Raymonde and Nathaniel Buzolic—a team of marine scientists who are overseeing the health of a thriving underwater nursery become targeted by a trio of genetically enhanced bull sharks. Recommended as adult entertainment—some scary content.

The library is continuing to provide curbside pickup service. You can access the library's book and DVD collection on the Township of Assiginack homepage under library. The instructions on how to use the curbside service is there too. Or you can call the library on Tuesdays or Saturdays (705-859-2110) between 10 am and 3 pm for help or assistance. The library wireless internet is always on and can be accessed outside the building and from the parking lot. The password is on the front door of the library. Stay safe and well!

Try the following recipe and don't get scared off by using the sweet potato. The brownie is really dense and moist and not sweet. They are gluten free and if they need to be dairy free buy the dairy free chocolate chips.



Sweet Potato Brownies

I made this recipe three times and each time changed a few things. I cooked the sweet potato (skin on) in a pot in a steamer instead of the oven. I switched the regular chocolate chips to a brand using stevia as a sweetener. The natural almond butter I switched to a nut butter with coconut.

- 1 large sweet potato
- 1 cup natural almond butter or your own choice of a natural nut or seed butter
- 1/2 cup raw agave syrup or maple syrup
- 1 cup unsweetened apple sauce
- 4 tsp chia seeds
- 1 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2/3 cup chocolate chips
- 2 tsp baking soda 3/4 tsp sea salt
- Preheat oven to 350°F
- Pierce the sweet potato

all over with a fork. Place in a baking dish, uncovered in the oven and roast the potato for 45 minutes or until tender. Remove from the oven and let it cool until you can remove the skin. Mash the potato.

Reduce the heat to 325°F. Line a 9 x 9-inch baking pan with parchment paper with some overhang so you can lift the whole brownie when cold out of the pan for easier cutting.

In a large bowl, cream together the mashed sweet potato, almond butter, agave and applesauce. Make sure there are no lumps.

Add all the dry ingredi-

ents on top. Combine with a rubber spatula gently but quickly. If you mix too much, the baking soda will activate early and the brownies won't rise. (It doesn't matter how quickly you mix the mixture the baking soda has started to work. It doesn't seem to effect the end result.)

Bake for 30 minutes or until the middle is firm to the touch. Remove from the oven and let cool.

DO NOT CUT!!! Either place them in the fridge until cold or the freezer for about an hour.

To cut them use a wet knife. They are delicate to handle but they are so good.

*Serve them with yogurt or fresh fruit.



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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Naandwechige-Gamig Wikwemikong Health Centre (WHC), Wiikwemkoong, ON, is seeking qualified individuals and organizations to submit proposals for consulting services related to the updating of the existing clinical policy and procedure manual and creation of new/updated clinical polices and procedures for the Nadmadwin Mental Health Clinic.

Services offered at Nadmadwin Mental Health Clinic include: mental health counselling and therapy, visiting psychiatrist, community development and public education services, opiate replacement therapy support services, crisis response, coordination with other agencies to ensure continuity of care, and support and advocacy.

The consultant will have expertise in social, health, mental health and/or community services operational policy and procedures development. The successful proponent will undertake an organization needs assessment/gap analysis and develop/update a comprehensive policy manual that includes updated clinical policies and procedures related to the provision of mental health services to Wiikwemkoong community members.

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The proponent shall provide the following services:

- Undertake an organization needs assessment or gap analysis
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- Update or develop a comprehensive clinical policy and procedures manual

SCHEDULE AND TIMING OF PROJECT
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All claims against the Estate of Margaret Patrick, late of Little Current who died on October 28, 2020, must be filed with the undersigned by June 15, 2021 after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to claim of which notice has been received.

First issue date June 2, 2021.

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Solicitor of the Estate

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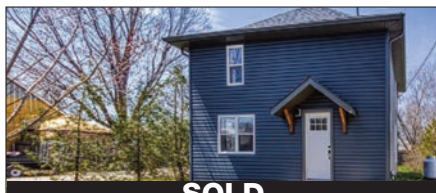
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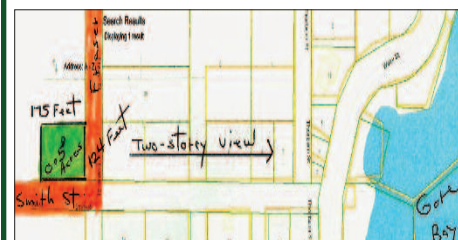


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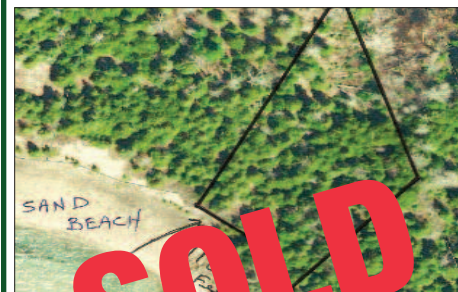
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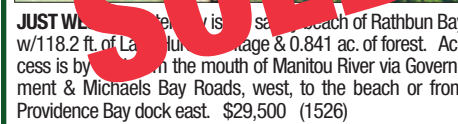
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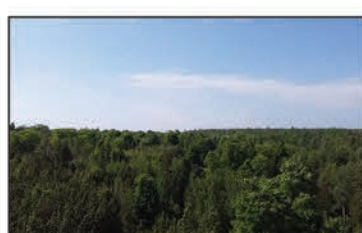
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896 FT OF LAKE MANITOU WATERFRONT

Built in the 1920's, Maple Rocks Lodge is now for sale by its owners of over 30 yrs. This family compound boasts a main lodge with a lounge area, stone fireplace, dining room & large kitchen overlooking the lake. There is a total of 16 structures on the property all have new steel roofs, 8 of which are sleep camps with pressurized water, flush toilets & showers. The property is located off of the Bidwell Rd on a private seasonal laneway approx. 1.5km off the road & surrounded by untouched bush. This property would make an amazing hands-on family retreat, where the work & play of going to camp can live on in your family memories. MLS#2095694



ONLY A MINUTE FROM THE BEACH!!! - Here's your chance to build your dream home in this quaint little beach town on Manitoulin Island. With almost 2 acres you will have lots of room to roam. Providence Bay boasts 3 kms of white sandy beach and is close to all amenities the Island has to offer. Don't miss your chance to own a little piece of paradise. MLS#2095194



SOUTHERN FACING BUILDING LOT ON SOUTH BAY - LAKE HURON - Lot is on a seasonal road with only a handful of off-grid neighbours. Waterfront is a mix of small stone and flat rock. The lot is level and dry and an acre in size. The options here are numerous, build, park, swim and enjoy the view. MLS#2095770



COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND !! - 31 ft travel trailer with large add on plus a 1 bdrm cottage with open concept and covered porch located in Lloydsville on the north end of Lake Mindemoya. A very short walk to beautiful kid-friendly sand beach on Manitoulin's 3rd largest lake with great fishing for walleye, bass, perch and whitefish. The lease is expected to be \$1500 per year, much cheaper than taxes or a site in a local trailer park. Reduced to \$70,000. MLS#2094728



ESCAPE TO THE COUNTRY! - Located in the coveted Central Manitoulin area, this 4 bdrm, 2 bath farmhouse is just perfect for a growing family. With 250 acres of pasture land, forest & even a pond, this property offers some of the best country vistas around. Apple & Pear trees right in your front yard! Livestock barn, implement shed & several outbuildings complete the homestead. Leave the city behind & make the move to beautiful Manitoulin Island - Call today! MLS#2095556



LAKE MINDEMOYA WATERFRONT - Exceptional waterfront property located a short drive from the Town of Mindemoya offers a landscaped building site ready for your home or cottage. Outstanding views to the north and east and sandy gradual sloping lake is perfect for swimming! This is an outstanding area to keep your fishing boat and a highly sought-after central Manitoulin location. MLS#2094216



RUSTIC MODERN - This beautiful Kagawong home has been taken down to the studs & rebuilt! New Subfloors, & new flooring that is durable and easy to clean after a day at the beach. All trim, counters & shelving are hand made with local Manitoulin lumber that has been charred, & finishes are made with metal. A clean & minimalist design throughout, the home boasts a large kitchen/entertaining space, 2 good size bdrms & a large bathroom with claw foot soaker tub! Two decks offer the perfect place to sit overlooking the trees & Mudge Bay. There is also a bunkie on the property which has a beautiful footprint to make your own. Call today before this one is snapped up fast! MLS#2095840



ENJOY STUNNING SUNSETS - from this waterfront lot on the North Channel. Tamarack Lane, year round road, nicely treed 150 feet waterfront lot with some mature cedars, a 10 x 10 bunkie, and hydro at the lot line. Waterfront was cleared of large stones and boulders years ago. 15 minutes from Little Current. A Must See !!! MLS#2095837



THE BEST OF BOTH RURAL & URBAN LIVING - A residential building lot located on the west edge of Mindemoya, ready to build your dream home in a secluded setting but with all the amenities of urban living at your doorstep. The lot has municipal water and sewer, Hydro & cable at the lot line. The town has recently installed a culvert to access the property. This is a flat & dry lot with a mix of ironwood, maple & balsam ready for building, property lines are marked & clearly visible. Asking \$65,000. MLS#2095764



CAN'T FIND SOMETHING YOU LOVE? - Why not build your own dream home!! This great town lot on Hayward Street is close to everything Little Current has to offer. Municipal Water and Sewer at lot line. Only \$69,500. MLS#2095062



62 ACRES - with over 1400 ft of waterfront on Martin Lake, just minutes south of Mindemoya, east of Young Street. It is a shallow lake with soft bottom with only a handful of properties on the lake. The property is a mix of cedars in the first growth from the water & transitions into hardwoods as the topography rises. The property is currently landlocked, access is not opened along the west to east & then south to north road allowances. Access could be created by an agreement with the neighbouring landowners but is the sole responsibility of any potential Buyer to determine or negotiate. MLS#2095773



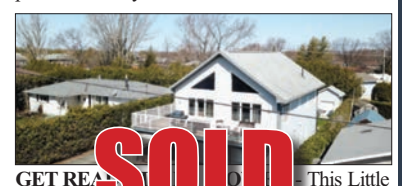
AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE OVER AN ESTABLISHED EGG GRADING OPERATION - The house has a small orchard out front & has seen continuous upgrades including Geothermal. Two drilled wells provide good potable water. Pasture 70 acres, bush 28 acres, several outbuildings. Owner is prepared to assist in the transition of licence. Properties are separately deeded, farm & chattels can be purchased separately. MLS#2092616



950 SQ. FT. 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!!!! - This cottage located in a park setting at the north end of Mindemoya Lake is just a short walk to the nice sand bottom waterfront access which is very kid-friendly. The cottage features a large deck, a forced-air electric furnace as well as a propane free standing metal stove for heating. Reduced to \$110,000. MLS#2085649



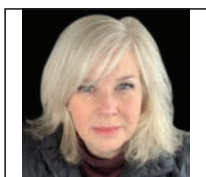
4 PLUS 1 BDRM, 4 BATH BUNGALOW WATERFRONT HOME ON LAKE WOLSELEY!! - This 30 year old 2400 sq. ft home with full mostly finished basement giving 4800 sq. ft. of living space. This is quality built with extra thick walls & many upgrades. The large 2 acre lot is beautifully manicured & comes adorned with a sand beach, a large new deck with gazebo & a circular driveway. The house is adorned with hardwood & tile floors, a roughed in basement apartment, an attached double garage, master bedroom with walkout to deck, walk-in closet & en-suite with heart shaped jet tub and much, much more. Listed at \$899,000. Book your appointment today! MLS#2095791



GET READY TO MOVE! This Little Current home is your morning coffee on the wrap around veranda, while breakfast is cooking in the chef-worthy kitchen. With 3 bdrms & 2 baths, your family will have lots of room to grow. Cathedral ceilings in the living room give a feeling of grander. Superior, worry free construction & in-floor heating. Once the kids are asleep, you can retreat to the hot tub for some relaxation after a hard day of exploring the Island. Don't wait, call today to book your viewing...before it's gone!! MLS#2094485



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The Bousquet Realty team is growing! Introducing our newest sales representative, Winfred Pasveer.

Winfred has become an experienced Realtor since starting in 1982. He chose Manitoulin because of the way of life on the Island: the fresh air, water, fishing and peacefulness all said home to him.

Winfred is looking forward to the opportunity in meeting new clients and helping them to fulfill their lifelong dream to find the perfect property, first-home, retirement home or home-away-from-home on the Island.

After researching all the real estate companies on the island, it was clear to Winfred that Bousquet Realty was the team he wanted to join.

Welcome to the team, Winfred! We are excited to have you!



Winfred Pasveer, Salesperson, 289-213-4503

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