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## Out of the Shadows: An In-depth Look at Manitoulin's Opioid Crisis

An important supplement with this edition.

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### Glen Hare named Assembly of First Nations Ontario Regional Chief

by Michael Erskine

ONTARIO—There were six candidates on the ballot to replace retiring Assembly of First Nations Ontario Regional Chief RoseAnne Archibald of Taykwa Tagamou Nation during the Assembly of First Nations Ontario regional annual general meeting held last week through virtual conferencing—but it was Glen Hare of M'Chigeeng who won the position on the fifth ballot.

The Expositor caught up with the new Ontario regional chief while he was participating in Indigenous Day celebrations in Shesheganing.

"I was a bit nervous," he admitted, "you never know when you go into an election. But I am truly grateful for the confidence placed in me by the chiefs. Miigwetch for the leadership for having the confidence in me."

Regional Chief Hare said that job one for him heading into the next three years of his term will be unity. "Three years goes fast," he said. "But I want to see us standing on common ground."

He went on to note that he wants to meet with the premier and prime minister face to face, not with bureaucratic underlings. "For too long we have had people standing in between and the message is not getting through," he said. "We need to be the ones making the decisions for our people. Right now, they can still do what they want. I don't want that happening anymore."

"I am also honoured to have a seat at the national level representing Ontario at the Assembly of First Nations," said Regional Chief Hare. "I am happy to be representing Ontario at the national level. Let's get things done."



Glen Hare



**NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY PROTEST AT CHURCH**—A small group of protestors gathered for a protest outside Immaculate Conception Church in M'Chigeeng to highlight the church's complicity in the residential school system injustice.

### M'Chigeeng honours residential school survivors, asks questions, on National Indigenous Peoples Day

by Lori Thompson

M'CHIGEENG—M'Chigeeng band members stood together on National Indigenous Peoples Day to honour the 215 children found in an unmarked burial ground on residential school grounds in Kamloops, British Columbia.

M'Chigeeng First Nation Councillor Joseph Hare attended residential school in Spanish over five years. "It bothers me," he addressed those present. "It seems like many of you don't care very much about what happened to our kids. How can you not care about the children that were abused? The children that were killed? The children that were buried? How can you not care about the children that never went home? About the parents, grandparents and families who never saw their child again?"

The residential school system was started by the Canadian gov-

ernment and churches, he said. For M'Chigeeng children it was the Catholic church. "Some of the things you are going to hear were done to them. If you think that's

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### New stewardship group will monitor Mindemoya Lake

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—The Lake Mindemoya Stewardship Body has now been formed and is waiting official recognition by Central Manitoulin council.

The group held its first official meeting last week at the Lions Park in Mindemoya near the government docks. The group's mission statement is to protect and look after the present and future water quality of Lake Mindemoya by addressing and ensuring that this lake water quality will not be compromised as a result of any

additional pollution or development without necessary approvals/permits and due diligence.

Stan Drystek, who has done the legwork to get this association established, told the gathering last week. "I thought it would be worthwhile to provide a little brief on how we got here. I had sent a letter to Central Manitoulin council on November 2, 2020, on my concerns with shoreline modifications without any permits or consent being granted. This then

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### UCCMM Tribal Council requests non-Indigenous communities to curtail July 1 events this year

M'CHIGEENG—The discovery of the 215 children in unmarked graves near the location of a former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia is shocking. At the same time, it is not surprising for Indigenous peoples, including the Anishinaabe of Mnídoo Mnising. It is just one of the many horrors brought on by Canada's colonialist policies,

say the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising (UCCMM).

"Everyone needs to recognize what has happened to Indigenous people over the years," stated Patsy Corbiere, chair of the UCCMM and chief of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, in a statement released by the UCCMM last week.

"Canada Day cannot be a day of celebration for us. It is instead a day of profound sadness for us. We are in mourning for the Indigenous children killed by Canada's system," Chief Corbiere says. "Canada Day is a painful reminder of the harm Canada has done and continues to do to Indigenous peoples and Indigenous children. Even today, Canada continues its colonialist policies, including fighting against the fair and equitable treatment of Indigenous people and by failing to provide Indigenous communities access to safe drinking water."

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### Spotlight on Island's opioid crisis

Research supplement details extent of the issue

MANITOULIN—This week's edition of The Expositor contains a special supplement, 'Out of the Shadows: An In-depth Look at Manitoulin's Opioid Crisis,' the culmination of months of research and interviews by then-Expositor staff writer Warren Schlote.

"This story began in a similar way to my work on the history of Jesuits in Wiikwemkoong, with an issue emerging in the news that was indicative of a larger problem," Mr. Schlote explained of the supplement's origins.

"In the newsroom, we had heard tales of skyrocketing overdose rates on Manitoulin Island, yet there were few official warnings from the powers that be," Mr. Schlote continued. "I admittedly didn't know much about the opioid and overdose crisis, even in general terms. Rather

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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.

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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.\*

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### 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

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### 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.

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### 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\*\*  
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# The Manitoulin *West* Recorder

## Work getting underway at Wagg's Wood

by Michael Erskine  
CENTRAL MANITOULIN—Thanks to a recently-signed easement agreement with a local property owner, Wagg's Wood Trail will soon have a new trailhead and parking lot.

The trail head will start near the corner of Thorn and Forest Streets where, according to Central Manitoulin Councillor Dale Scott, "a business person has donated a piece of property."

"Basically, there will be a culvert installed and crush put down," said Mr. Scott, who sits on the Wagg's Wood Trail committee. "There is a small flat area on the west side of the corner." The parking area will be across the street from the trailhead. "Visitors will be able to walk across the road right into the wood,"

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**Stopover on Western Manitoulin!** This 30,000 Islands Cruise Line vessel, The Island Queen, made a stop over in Meldrum Bay this past Saturday. This vessel was on its way to dry dock inspection in Sault Ste. Marie from its home in Parry Sound.

## Island hunter feels additional deer hunting opportunities should be considered by MNRF

by Tom Sasvari  
MANITOULIN—A local member of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH), who is also an avid hunter, would like to see a potential opportunity for providing additional deer hunting opportunities to hunters on Manitoulin Island considered by filling in deer hunt season gaps that are currently in place.

"There is a week after the regular deer gun hunt ends where there is no hunting. And then the black powder and bow season starts for a week and then closes again. In the rest of Ontario these seasons continue until the end of December," said Bryan Barker, when contacted by The Expositor after a recent OFAH Zone D meeting with a wildlife policy analyst for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF).

"They were proposing to look at trying to line up the opening and closing of the hunting seasons around the wildlife management units (WMUs) in the province," said Mr. Barker. "Deer hunt tag allocations are based on recommendation on how deer fared the previous winter. In my opinion filling the gaps in the seasons on Manitoulin with bow hunting opportunities would not be detrimental on deer populations."

"We have an annual deer management meeting with the ministry (natural resources and forestry) every year where

reports are presented on the hunt, harvest numbers and estimated deer population numbers," said Mr. Barker. "So the total number of deer tag allocations would not increase in an WMU area."

"And don't forget why we hunt, yes, for a food source, but also to experience nature and to spend time outdoors," said Mr. Barker. "And of course harvesting deer is a big part of this."

"But if we are also trying to encourage youth to get involved in hunting having additional opportunities might help," continued Mr. Barker.

Chris Godwin, of the MNRF, who met with the OFAH Zone D members told the Recorder after the meeting, "the MNRF is currently exploring potential opportunities to streamline and simplify deer season types and durations where appropriate across the province."

"MNRF has participated in some early information sharing opportunities with some hunters and stakeholder groups to discuss and explore current deer seasons and potential opportunities and changes," said Mr. Godwin. "While these early information sharing opportunities have been insightful, all hunters and members of the public will have the opportunity to review and provide feedback on any proposed deer season changes through

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## Gore Bay council will allow Starlink internet to be installed at community hall

*However, town refuses to share in the cost*

by Tom Sasvari  
GORE BAY—The Town of Gore Bay will accept Infrastructure Ontario (IO) installing Starlink internet to the community hall if Provincial Offences Act (POA) court cases are considered for this location, but have indicated they will not be sharing in the costs.

"This cost they are presenting seems crazy expensive," stated Councillor Kevin Woestenenk at a council meeting last week. "I don't see why we would want to share that expense."

The town received a letter from an IO property and land management service representative in May. "IO is now leaning toward the hall (community hall rental to hold POA court) and have asked me to inquire. The quickest and best solution is to go with Starlink internet." However, the IO letter continued, "there are a couple of questions we need to respond to before we can move forward. Would the town be

agreeable to allowing us to install a satellite on the roof? In addition to the satellite being installed, we would need to run the cabling from the roof into the building. Are they okay with this? As well, the Ministry of the Attorney General is installing the satellite for their use, however if the town has a need (for this service) would they want to cost share? The one-time cost of the hardware is about \$4,000. The monthly charge is \$650 for commercial use."

"I have no problem with them having Starlink internet installed and set up, if they are willing to spend the money, but I don't think we need to be sharing in the costs," said Mayor Dan Osborne. Council passed a motion that it approves the request to have the internet installed, but the town will not be sharing in the costs.

The Gore Bay community hall is still being considered as an alternative for POA court.

## Western Manitoulin Community Garden amazed at community support for project

by Tom Sasvari  
WESTERN MANITOULIN—The Western Manitoulin Community Garden (WMCG) committee attended the David Suzuki Foundation awards gala on Wednesday June 16 via an online event. Although they did not win the youth prize for their Come Grow and Play project, being outvoted

at the eleventh by a group of computer savvy youth from southern Ontario, WMCG placed a close second and were in the lead in voting throughout the campaign.

"As my husband Chuc said (as did David Suzuki on the Zoom event) 'we are all winners'," said Linda Willson of WMCG. "We were amazed at the projects that

are on the go in Ontario. We have an amazing project as well. We finished in second place but we are overwhelmed by the community support we received."

"We received a total of 1,632 votes, which is incredible for a small community," said Ms. Willson. "Our gratitude goes out to our

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## Little Current's Don Cook named new administrator of Centennial Manor

by Tom Sasvari  
LITTLE CURRENT—The new administrator of the Manitoulin Centennial Manor in Little Current is certainly no stranger to the Manor or the local community, having worked there previously.

"I'm looking forward to it. It's going to be exciting to step into this position," stated Don Cook, of Little Current, when contacted by The Expositor last Friday evening. He will take over the position of administrator of the Manor as of July 12.

Mr. Cook brings a lot of experience to the table.

Currently, "I have been the manager of nutrition and food services



Don Cook

at the North Shore Health Network (NSHN) (located in Blind River) for the past 10 years. They have a 42-bed (long term care) nursing home and 16 acute care beds."

Previous to that Mr. Cook had been the manager of food services at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home for 16 years. "It was also during that time the Manitoulin Centennial Manor was looking for a food services manager. So, I managed both for one year, until I decided it was just too much to do both and continued to work in Wikwemikong," he told The Expositor. He noted, "actually, I

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## Grass fire responded to by Gore Bay Fire Department

by Tom Sasvari  
GORDON/BARRIE ISLAND—Members of the Gore Bay Fire Department responded to a grass fire in a Gordon/Barrie Island location on Thursday of last week.

"We responded to the fire call at 1:54 pm," said Mike Addison, Gore Bay fire chief later that day. "It was a brush fire," he said, noting that the cause of the fire could not be definitely determined but "was an accidental fire."

The fire started on the property owned by Tim MacTaggart at 10156 Highway 540, burning grass and bush in the backyard area of the property. The blaze caused some damage to a shed and some burn barrels, but did not spread to the house on the property. The home owner and others on the scene, "had things under control by the time we got there." They used a number of water buckets to douse the fire and had a tractor with a bucket on it to help knock down the fire. "They did a lot to bring it under control and from spreading."

"One of guys from the Billings (township volunteer fire department) saw the fire and called the (Gore Bay) fire department guys in," said Mr. MacTaggart.

Fortunately, the fire did not spread very far, and didn't go near Mr. MacTaggart's house on the property. No one was injured in the blaze.



Members of the Gore Bay volunteer fire department finish dousing a grass fire that took place at a location in Gordon/Barrie Island last week.

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# One Manitowaning Road

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**editorial**

## We cannot afford to ignore the opioid epidemic

This week's Expositor includes a special supplement focussed on the "other" epidemic currently ravaging our nation, the thousands of individuals across this nation succumbing to opioid overdoses every year—racking up more than 1,000 in the first three months of 2020 alone; by June 2020 the Ontario Chief Coroner had announced a 25 percent increase in suspected drug related deaths between March and May.

Yet despite these frightening numbers, some conservative politicians at all levels of government continue to balk at the efforts of underfunded volunteer, health and non-profit groups to combat overdose deaths—worse, they actively oppose the implementation of proven strategies such as supervised injection sites. Ideology has no place in health sciences, but compassion does.

For too long simple (and relatively inexpensive) means to turn back the tide have been resisted, leaving a rising number of families to mourn the loss of their children, siblings and parents to this pernicious scourge. The roadblocks placed upon those means are cloaked

in righteous proclamations claiming, without any legitimate research, that supervised injection sites encourage and enable drug abuse.

In plain point of fact, backed by solid health research science, supervised injection sites save lives, providing time for those individuals to find their way through management of their addictions and, in many cases, moving on to productive lives.

Counter to social media wisdom, many opioid addicts came by their illness due to pain medication prescribed by doctors who had been convinced by huge pharmaceutical companies that their products were not addictive. Others may have turned to drug addiction due to social issues that have also been too long ignored by our nation's health and social systems.

It is time to get past righteous indignation and ideological pandering to the puritanical and get down to dealing with the issues that underlie the opioid pandemic—too many lives depend upon it.

**letters**

## Tired of bold climate emergency promises followed by inaction

*Canada has missed every greenhouse gas target it has set*

**To the Expositor:**

As a resident on the planet about to be awed by another summer solstice and a 40 year constituent in this federal riding, I'm tired of governments making bold promises to address the climate emergency but taking actions that are too small, unambitious or symbolic to make a difference.

Canada has missed every greenhouse gas target it has set. Canada's Net-Zero Emissions Accountability Act (Bill C-12) is an important tool to ensure we can hold current and future governments to account and put an end to empty promises on climate action.

Time is running out for the House of Commons and Senate to pass

this bill into law before the summer recess. But the climate can't wait! MPs and senators should keep working until they turn the bill into law. MPs and senators have a distinct opportunity to make history by passing this critical climate-accountability legislation in this make-it-or-break-it decade for climate action. We have no time to waste.

The climate emergency is upon us, but so are the solutions if we act with boldness, ambition and urgency. This time, it's up to our MPs and senators to demonstrate their climate ambition with tangible action.

**Harald Simon  
Mindemoya**

## Fighting climate change and pollution will not work

*All that seems to happen is the creation of more waste*

**To the Expositor:**

Fighting climate change and pollution will not work and anybody who is still in the right mind would agree with me. Even with this new technology that is coming out it will do no good, all they are doing is just creating more waste. It is also driving people away from the truth too. When this happens, they will become lost souls.

For me, I love the truth, especially when it comes to our Creator's teachings. I think our Creator's teachings are from the ancient times, where it was very strict. I think I'm living by those teachings. I'm always disciplining myself and it's very hard, especially in this day and age. There are a lot of distractions in this world today. I never let them get to me or take control of me. The truth will always come to me in some way too and what I am seeing happening today. There is a lot of garbage that is floating around in space, then they keep sending more satellites in space, more waste, also rockets. The question is: how much pollution does one rocket cause when it is taking off? I believe God did say something about that fire will rain down from the heavens and I think this is what he was talking about. When all this junk in space comes down it will catch on fire.

I do see that some of our scientists are working very hard on how to discredit our Creator too. People will get caught up in it that's why we're having so many problems in today's society. Like I said before, I try very hard to love by our Creator's teachings and it's very hard to do in today's society. I do not see that some of our Creator's predictions

coming true because there is a lot of lost souls out there. It takes a lot of will power to try and live the right way.

**Ronald Osawabine  
Wiikwemkoong**

## Big Lake School concerns

*Money trumps people it seems*

**To the Expositor:**

I, for one, was very upset when I read the letters in the paper regarding getting rid of the Big Lake School.

The work that the people done. I also helped my sister Carole Midgaugh to raise money. I also donated dishes and I also helped get food for the suppers.

I did pies. One night my sister, myself and daughter Shelly made 70 pies and shells to sell. I also gathered the things for the silent auction.

There was tourists from Michael's Bay who donated a double refrigerator and money.

I guess it doesn't matter about the people, money is more important.

**Moyra (Leeson) Size  
Manitowaning**

## Aundeck Omni Kaning passes Anishinabek Nation governance agreement

**by Michael Erskine**

**AUNDECK OMNI KANING**—The Saturday, May 29 Anishinabek Nation Governance Agreement (ANGA) was the second to be held in the community of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation (AOKFN). The vote was overwhelmingly in favour of ratification of the agreement that would see several powers reclaimed from under the Indian Act by AOKFN.

"The key focus of the ANGA is to provide our community with four law-making powers," said Ogimaa-kwe Patsy Corbiere in a letter to the community on the eve of the vote. "The agreement will not take away funding from our current programs and services and will provide AOKFN with extra funding to a sum of \$1.9 million annually."

The agreement will give AOKFN greater control of our future, notes a release from the band. "This is an historic step away from the Indian Act and will recognize our authority for citizenship, leadership selection, language and culture and management and operations. We only voted on removing those four sections

away from the Indian Act, not the entire Act."

"There are 96 sections in the Indian Act," said Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere. "If we tried to do all of them at once it would have really confused a lot of people. We had enough to do to explain those four. I don't think we will get through all 96 in my lifetime, but this is a start."

"This is critical for the survival of our next seven generations and beyond that we get out from under the Indian Act registry system. "How many children is the Indian Act going to deny membership, health benefits, education services and the list goes on," she said, noting the practice under the Indian Act is discriminatory and designed to keep First Nation children from being registered.

The agreement will begin the process of establishing a made-in-AOK election code that has been requested by band members for some time. "Let us just not talk about it," she said. "Let's do it."

"Together we will be moving forward on a path that will benefit the citizens of AOKFN as we adhere to our motto, "Taking care of our

future, our children," said Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere. "We have families here with six children who are not under the Indian Act. How do we take care of those children, provide health care and education?"

Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere had high praise for the AOKFN ANGA team, the support received from the Anishinabek Nation and the work of former chief Patrick Madahbee and chief negotiator (and AOKFN band member) lawyer Martin Bayer, as well as former Sheshegwaning Ogimaa Joe Endanawas.

Unofficial results posted showed 163 votes were cast, of which 99 were in favour, 62 voted no and there were two spoiled ballots.

The official results will be released jointly by the Anishinabek Nation and AOKFN.

The ANGA vote recently failed to pass in Whitefish River First Nation in its second round. Sagamok First Nation declined to participate as it had withdrawn from the Anishinabek Nation and asserts that the powers involved are already devolved through treaty.

# Obituary

## Jean McLennan: July 21, 1918 - June 17, 2021

*Hers was the very definition of a life well-lived*

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—Throughout her long life, Jean McLennan was nothing short of an irresistible force when it came to building the community she loved—just ask anyone who had the temerity to stand between Ms. McLennan and her goal.

In the end, Ms. McLennan left this world the way she had always lived—on her own terms. Told that she would not be leaving the hospital as she entered her final hours in palliative care, Ms. McLennan insisted that she would end her days at her beloved Lake Manitou cottage. An ambulance transported her to the cottage where she passed peacefully at the age of 102 (103 this coming July 21).

Almost unto her last breath, Ms. McLennan was involved in her community—the very epitome of the community volunteer, a mover and shaker to the end.

“With a broken heart I said ‘until we meet again’ to my beauty, my queen and most often referred to as ‘my boss’ yesterday,” said granddaughter Mel Carr in a post following Ms. McLennan’s passing. “Even in her last hours, she was still the boss and giving order to get things done. She wanted to get back to the place she called home at



Ms. McLennan cuts a rug with Graham Lloyd during her 100th birthday celebrations.

the cottage on Lake Manitou. Like everything she did, she made it happen.”

Ms. McLennan was born on July 21, 1918, while the First World War still rampaged across the globe. Her parents were Elias and Grace (nee Mitchell) Hutchinson. The oldest of six children, Doris, Bettina, Douglas, Mary Louise and Harold, but sadly, Harold, the youngest, died of a streptococcus infection at 15 months. She was also predeceased by her daughter the late Jill Carr.

She described her early days growing up on Manitoulin to Now and Then’s Petra Wall as typical of children in the days before Second World War: “At the end of the day, we had to round up cows and sheep from the farm, a mile away, maneuvering them across the bridge to our barn.” Ms. McLennan also helped to milk cows, feed the calves, plant potatoes and drive the horses at her uncle’s farm, at haying time.

Showing the iron determination that would become the hallmark of her life, Ms. McLennan insisted that she attend school at age four because she said didn’t want to stay home when her older cousin headed out to class. Her parents and the teacher eventually relented. Her pet lamb Pully would dutifully follow Ms. McLennan to the one-room schoolhouse where Ms. McLennan scandalized her cousin by having a nap after lunch. By high school she was organizing badminton clubs and school dances. Ms. McLennan would go on to graduate from business college in Owen Sound.

Not one to fall prey to superstition, Ms. McLennan married her husband Gladdin (Happy) McLennan in 1942 on Friday the 13th. Although the couple had first started courting in high school, it was eight years later that the couple decided to tie the knot while he was serving in the armed forces during the Second World War—Mr. McLennan spent three years serving overseas in



Vital to the last, Jean McLennan was known to all as a centenarian to be reckoned with.

theatres across Europe. Ms. McLennan passed the time waiting for her Happy to return by working in a Toronto munitions plant among other war-effort related occupations.

Upon Mr. McLennan’s return in 1946 the couple returned to Manitoulin.

Ms. McLennan expressed her thoughts on volunteerism to The Expositor when approached during Volunteer Week coverage years past. “Volunteering is rewarding,” she said. “The only reason I volunteer is I’m proud of my community and happy to live in a place we can be proud of. Do what you want to do to make it better.”

“My parents taught us to give that extra effort to the community and that did much to choose my path in life,” she said. “The greatest pleasure comes from doing something worthwhile for others. Ours is a community of volunteers. There are so many here willing to help. I always get a ‘yes’ when I ask,” she insists. “If someone says ‘no’ that means they have a legitimate reason for saying ‘no,’ and no more questions are asked.”

Small wonder Ms. McLennan was named Southeast Manitoulin Lions Club Citizen of the Year in 2007.

Michael’s Bay Historical Society president Ed Sagle recalled a recent phone conversation he had with Ms. McLennan. “I called her to tell her that we had got the property (the Michael’s Bay townsite, a goal Ms. McLennan had pursued along with Mr. Sagle for several years),” he said. “She was very excited. I was just saying to my wife that we should go and visit her at the cottage. She is going to be well-missed, she was a smart lady and she knew everybody.”

No idle boast that. Assiginack Mayor Dave Ham recalled working diligently to put together opening ceremonies for the then new Manitoulin East Municipal Airport.

“I had plenty of lead time and I had been pulling my hair out trying to get some exhibition that would draw people to the airport,” he said. “Me and Bill Ferguson were given the job, but we couldn’t find a soul that would really be a draw.”

A casual conversation with Ms. McLennan, a huge supporter of the airport (“We should have had this years ago,” she said at the time), led to her chastising Mayor Ham.

“She yelled in my ear, ‘David, don’t you remember Mr. Connors?’,” recalled Mayor Ham. “I told her ‘no, I don’t think so.’ She said ‘you silly bugger, John Connors, you used to hang around with him.’”

Mayor Ham said at that point he did remember his friend. “We used to get into all sorts of things,” he said. But he was still puzzled. “Don’t you know that he is the head of (US) Strategic Air Command?” she said. Not only did she know that, she even had his telephone number,” laughed Mayor Ham. “She said ‘I keep in touch with all of my customers.’”

When Mayor Ham called his old friend, he was delighted to hear from him. “He told me, ‘Jean called me just last week.’ In short order, arrangements was made and the

opening crowd of 2,500 people at the airport were treated to the sight of overflying B-52 strategic bombers and massive C-130 transports, and squadrons of jets providing fly-pasts.

“Bill Ferguson was just flabbergasted,” recalled Mayor Ham. “Jim Marchbank (founder of Sudbury’s Science North) was at the opening and he asked me ‘Dave, how did you get all these aircraft in here?’ I told him, ‘It’s not what you know, but who you know,’” laughed Mayor Ham. Turns out he was very lucky to know Jean McLennan.

“She was a tremendous person in the community,” said Mayor Ham. “She was involved in anything and everything. She will be missed.”

Dave Smith on the occasion of a dedica-



Jean McLennan was famed for working the phones. She knew the secret power of picking up the phone, and how to ensure people answered.

tion of a bench in her honour at the Assiginack Museum: “Whenever I made a motion, I could always count on Jean to second it,” said Mr. Smith. “Then somebody would always raise the question ‘where will the money come from?’ but Jean would always say, ‘don’t worry, the money will be there.’”

“It was wonderful that in the 1950s, people like Jean had the foresight to decide to start collecting artifacts because at that time people were beginning to come in and buying up antiques and such,” continued Mr. Smith. “People were even throwing things into the dump, because who wanted that old clock or crock, there was something wonderful and new to replace it.” It was those collections that formed the basis of the museum’s incredibly diverse and representative collection today. “People like her and Roy Fields would go around with a wagon and get people to donate those items to the museum.”

“Jean spearheaded the movement that began in the 1950s and 60s to go to Michael’s Bay to collect the records of the different stores and businesses and ensure their survival to this day,” he said. Thanks to those efforts many of those invaluable historical records of Manitoulin’s early years have been archived and preserved in the museum’s collections.

While helping celebrate Ms. McLennan’s 100th birthday Mr. Smith recounted, “Jean was one of the founding members but she was a mere 37 when the Assiginack Museum was founded in 1955, even then, she was one of the movers and shakers of this community, and for all these years, like (granddaughter) Mel said, we all jump when we get a call from Jean.”

Mr. Smith noted the curling club, golf course, arena, museum and Knox United Church have all been projects that Ms. McLennan has had a major part in.

“I am saddened by the passing of Jean McLennan,” said Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes. “She was a well-respected matriarch and passionate advocate who gained the respect of so many for her hard work and dedication to all that she undertook during her long and fruitful life. Personally I will remember Jean for the lively conversations she engaged me in, including her views around politics. My thoughts are with her family, friends and all those who were fortunate enough to have known her.”

On the occasion of the 2012 presentation

of a Queen’s Diamond Jubilee medal to Ms. McLennan Ms. Hughes cited how Ms. McLennan remained involved in many community activities which have helped define her community, including still holding positions on a number of boards such as president of the Knox United Church Women. “She is not just a resident of Manitoulin, she is Manitoulin,” Ms. Hughes said.

Nephew Blaine Williamson recalled Ms. McLennan’s business acumen. “She was always there,” he said. “She taught me a lot when I was young. She was always busy doing something, whether it was some project in the community, at church, in business or behind the scenes in politics. She was a real go-getter and extremely knowledgeable about what to do and who to call to get things done.”

At the onset of her career, Ms. McLennan worked for Wagg’s Dairy in the summers, but by 1957 she had become an insurance broker working with Milt McConkey. “I bought the business in 1971 and put in a total of 40 years as a broker,” she later related to Ms. Wall. “I also worked with Larry Carr until the business was sold to Jim Bousquet in 1998.” In the ensuing years, Ms. McLennan became involved in several business enterprises in town. “We had a tourist business where the police station is now and a laundromat in town,” she told Ms. Wall. “Our daughter Jill started a ‘tiny tot’ shop next to the laundromat.”

The Expositor has had a long and fruitful relationship with Ms. McLennan, often cov-



A regular in the annual Southeast Manitoulin Lions Summer Fest parade, Jean McLennan was always chauffeured by Harold Clarke.

ering her successes and the grand openings of a project she was involved in. We are especially honoured by the thoughts she expressed on our publication on the occasion of this paper’s 140th anniversary.

“The paper has done a wonderful job of (covering) all the activities on Manitoulin,” Ms. McLennan was quoted in that year’s volume change story. “It gives you all the news that’s going on that you would never know any other way.”

“There is no part of my life I would change if I could go back in time,” said Ms. McLennan on her 100th birthday. “I was truly blessed and have retained my health. The things I did were done because they needed to be done to help the community,” she said. “I was brought up by both parents to help others and to help the church.”

One of Ms. McLennan’s later life’s passions was focused on the refurbishment of the Norisle, another project she shared with Mayor Ham.

Jean McLennan was the very epitome of the phrase “a life well lived.” She will be missed by her family and friends, but also by a community that has been incredibly enriched by her presence. Her mark lies indelibly upon the face of Manitoulin and we are all the more handsome for her tireless efforts.

Ms. Carr spoke for many when she referred to her grandmother as her inspiration and role model. “She was a one in a million that never seen an obstacle too big, always getting things done—one that few could ever say no to. I hope that in the memory of her legacy that everyone will do something for a neighbour or a stranger with no expectations of anything in return. Do something for your community to make it a better place to live, and always remember to never give up on your dreams because with determination and drive, anything is possible.”

# Maamwi Noojmadaa program bringing self-care to Indigenous youth

by Michael Erskine

MNIDOO MNISING—The past year has been extremely difficult for youth across Turtle Island and few more so than Indigenous youth. In response to the increased life challenges facing Indigenous youth, Canadian Youth Exchange has sponsored a self-care package and a virtual gathering of Manitoulin First Nations youth called 'Gathering of the Reserves.'

Program co-leader Brooke Debassige told The Expositor that the program is open to Indigenous youth aged 15 to 29 who are experiencing mental health and/or addictions, single parenthood and/or are survivors of domestic violence, and who live on or identify with one of the six First Nation communities on Manitoulin Island: Sheguiandah, Wiikwemkoong, M'Chigeeng, Sheshegwaning, Aundeck Omni Kaning and Zhiibaahaasing.

The project is funded by a \$25,000 CRE-ation Community Support Grant Program through Canadian Roots Exchange.

"The organization gives Indigenous youth such as myself the opportunity to provide meaningful community-focused, youth-led projects that take place within Indigenous communities across Canada," said Ms. Debassige. Ms. Debassige and her co-organizer, Jocelyn Kagige, are from M'Chigeeng and Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territories respectively and are seeking to support the wellbeing of youth close to home.

Through the program, Ms. Debassige and her colleague are distributing 200 wellness care packages to youth in the six refer-

enced communities who fall into the three main categories: mental health and/or addictions, single parenthood and/or a survivor of domestic violence.

"We will be providing online workshops for those youth who have signed up to participate in a collaborative art project and a final 'Gathering of the Reserves' youth event in the fall."

Ms. Debassige explained that the care packages contain materials for the virtual workshops and items designed to "uplift their spirits." They are jam-packed with awesome gifts, resources, information and tools to help combat any challenges that

youth might be experiencing so they can take the right steps to practice holistic self-care.

The online event will feature cultural performances, wellness workshops and guest speakers.

"The focus is community wellness, empowerment, connection and bringing youth on Manitoulin Island to heal together," said Ms. Debassige. "We believe it is vital to teach Indigenous youth the importance of learning and caring for the emotional, spiritual, physical and mental aspects of ourselves, and to share grant opportunities with them so they too can

become their own leader.

The event will take place between August and November, but the deadline to register for the care packages is July 2. The care packages will be available for curbside pickup and registered participants will be notified of when and where the packages can be picked up.

But packages are limited and youth are encouraged to register as soon as possible.

Inquiries about the program can be sent to valuesandvision101@gmail.com or Jocelyn.kagige@gmail.com.

## MSS plans for virtual graduation and graduation bus tour

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) will be pulling out all stops to provide a great graduation ceremony for all its students, even if it has to be virtual, due to the pandemic. The school is combining both a virtual graduation ceremony, and following up on the success of last June, will be holding a graduation bus tour as it did in 2020.

Jamie Mohamed, MSS principal, told The Expositor, "we have been working on our graduation celebrations for about a month. We will be holding a virtual graduation and will be emailing each graduating student a link to connect to on Monday, June 28 to click in around 6 pm where each student can view and share with friends and family."

Mr. Mohamed noted that, "it is unfortunate that due to COVID-19 we can't have formal graduation photos done."

The virtual graduation will have a presentation by the master of ceremonies for the celebration, with additional comments made by Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) trustees and Mr. Mohamed. "Then one by one a picture of each individual graduating student will come up on the screen and their name will be read." He pointed out MSS will have close to 90 graduating students. "Once this part of the celebration is complete this year's school valedictorian will be introduced and will be making a speech."

As well as the virtual graduation ceremony, "the MSS graduation bus tour '21 will take place," stated Mr. Mohamed. "We will

have four buses travelling in all four directions on the Island, and they will stop at each graduating students home on the Island. And each bus will have teachers and staff who will present a small gift to the student and provide the opportunity for pictures to be taken of them their parents and the teacher." These ceremonies will also take place on June 28, in the early afternoon, and the school will reaching out to the students to provide an approximate time the school bus will be arriving at their home.

"We are living in extreme times," said Mr. Mohamed. He noted last year's virtual graduation was held off until last December, with the graduation bus tour taking place in June 2020.

## OPP requests public information to solve mischief case at Manitoulin Secondary School

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—The Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is seeking the public's assistance in solving a case of mischief that occurred at Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) involving damage done to a couple of portable washrooms located on the school property last week.

During the time period of late evening Sunday, June 13 and the early morning hours of Monday, June 14, the OPP reports that one of the portable washrooms had been demolished at the school (at an approximate cost of \$1,100) when a Polaris Ranger rammed into both the portables, owned by a M'Chigeeng business. Both were knocked over and damaged.

The two portable washrooms, which had not been used,



A security camera provides insight into who the culprits were for a June 14 mischief involving portable toilets.

had been on the school property for about a month, put in place in case students came back to in person learning during the pandemic.

Thanks to video cameras, the OPP was able to get camera footage of the occurrence, and it was found that the vehicle used to destroy the two portables was a dark coloured Polaris Ranger with a light bar on the top windshield. The driver of the vehicle appears to have been a male in his late teens, wearing a light coloured shirt and dark pants.

If any member of the public has any information on this incident and who may have been involved they are asked to contact the Manitoulin OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-900-222-8477 (TIPS) or submit information online at [www.sudburycrimestoppers.com](http://www.sudburycrimestoppers.com).

## Friends and Neighbours

**Kagawong  
Team Fergmeijer**

Monday was National Indigenous Peoples Day. There were a variety of events and celebrations around the Island to recognize, commemorate and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. Here in Billings Township, be sure to check out the Billing Connections Trail. The Anishnaabeg (Odaawaa, Ojibwa and Pottawatomi) occupied what is now Billings Township long before European settlers arrived. Archeological and oral evidence has established at least 10,000 years of Indigenous occupation on Mnídoo Mnísing (Manitoulin Island). To learn more about the history of Billings' original and settler inhabitants, visit the full series of historical plaques around the township, link to the QR codes on each plaque and drop in to the Old Mill Heritage Centre in Kagawong, as well as the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation in M'Chigeeng First Nation.

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Kagawongian-at-heart Stephanie M who turns 29 on Sunday. Enjoy your birthday meal at the end of the literal road! A happy birthday also goes out to Ben T who is not quite 29 but getting closer every year.

This weekend we were just hanging out on the deck and noticed two snails fighting. We'd never seen anything like it; they were really slugging it out.

Start gathering up your hazardous waste items - the annual Island collection day is coming July 3rd. The morning is for NEMI residents only, but the afternoon from 1 pm to 4 pm at the Mindemoya Roads building is open to residents of other townships, including Billings. Check out the Kagawong Facebook page or the township website for more information on what will be accepted.

Team Fergmeijer's Manitoulin Mom went to the doctor the other day. He said she was losing her hearing in one ear. She told us that was really difficult to hear.

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 library is limited to pick-up service only until July, but they have started their summer hours a little early this year! The library is now open Tuesday - Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm (closed for an hour at lunch). Follow the library on Facebook or check out their website

([www.billings-library.com](http://www.billings-library.com)) to see the books and games we have available. Then email or call with your wish list and summer librarian Emily will put together your selections. Starting in July, they will be able to welcome patrons back into the building to browse to your heart's content.

In our quest to improve our eating habits, Team Fergmeijer has been eating more salads. It's not easy, though. Yesterday we bought a package of lettuce from "Mamas and Papas Grocery" down the street. We got home and guess what? All the leaves are brown!

The Kagawong 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](mailto:tgordon@billingstwp.ca)). 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/>.

Do you know our friend, Jack? He says he can communicate with vegetables. Jack and the beans talk. Have a great week!

**Meldrum Bay  
Elaine Bradley**

At the Meldrum Bay Marina, we normally have docked on one side of the main pier a Purvis Fisheries boat and on another side, Jim Noble's boat which he uses to transport people and goods to Cockburn Island. But, on Saturday they had company. The Island Queen from Parry Sound arrived, and she was beautiful. Brilliant white and 132 feet long, she docked perfectly, and Rene and Joe were there to catch the ropes. We were so

glad that we saw her. We are a deep water port so there is plenty of water depth for her to dock here.

A group of the ladies got together and cleaned St. Andrew's Church and had a planning meeting about how to proceed when things open up more. We enthusiastically talked about future community and church projects.

Father's Day on Sunday was celebrated by several couples from here, who went on a drive cross Island to eat dinner in South Baymouth. I'm sure that they had a great time. I hope that everyone had a great Father's Day.

**Silver Water  
Karen Noble**

There was a small outdoor anniversary party for Arthur and Jean Addison at his sister, Kay Everett's house last week. Two of the original wedding party were in attendance, Kay and Tom Rumley. We purchased a few extra tomato, pepper and herb plants at Kit and Sarah McEvoy's seedling sale last week. They were very happy with all their shoppers and asked that the community be thanked for the support. We look forward to their vegetable sales in the coming months from what they have planted on their own. Our garden has a few little plants coming up. We ate the first strawberries and are hoping for a ground soaking rain to keep them growing. Silver Lake is getting lots of use from swimmers, boaters, and people after fish. Stop 540 was busy on Father's Day. The recycle bins will be open on Saturday, June 26.

We are collecting empty liquor containers to help cover the cost of the fire department's new side by side.

There is a Canada Day yard and house decorating contest in Robinson Township. The judging will take place the morning of July 1 with cash prizes awarded to the best three entries.

# Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

## Manitoulin Sporting Life

### Mills memories

As I write on National Indigenous Peoples Day, I am reminded of one of my brief brushes with fame. When I was 19 my family attended the 100th anniversary of the St. Francis Mission (Rosebud Educational Society) in South Dakota some 30 plus years ago. My father, who was the principal of the high school there when I was but a wee lad, was invited to the event. Although I honestly did not fully understand the significance of the occasion I got to meet **Billy Mills (Tamakoce Te'Hila)**, still the only 10,000 metre Olympic gold medal winner from all of the Americas. Mills was a super humble person then as he was in his super dramatic upset of the 10 Kilometer, 1964 Olympics in Tokyo.

### Morningstar recognized!

Congratulations to **Halli Morningstar** (daughter of M'Chigeeng's **Tanya Debassige**) who was the winner of the Indigenous sport and wellness Future Heroes award. Playing sports grounded her in confidence, leadership, self-esteem and helped her make friends from diverse backgrounds. Halli started playing hockey as a player, but during the Little NHL tournament she volunteered to be a goalie, and has been playing goalie since.

Halli is a team leader and is always cheering on her teammates. She is enthusiastic. Halli works with school-age children in the after school program and participates in additional courses like CPR, Mental Health First Aid and Suicide Prevention.

During the pandemic, Halli and some of her colleagues used their own money to purchase Christmas gifts for their students. Halli has also volunteered for scorekeeping at school events.

Halli doesn't have a specific sports hero, but she looks up to her grandfather, whom she calls papa. Her papa is retired and continues to play hockey at the age of 72 (**Adam Debassige**, a former captain of the Manitowaning Federals). Her papa has always supported Halli by watching her play sports.

"From a coach's perspective, Halli is a hardworking, dedicated, and positive team leader. Halli was always eager to get onto the field and help her team to victory. Halli was a team captain that her teammates looked to for support and encouragement." – Coach

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## David Nawegahbow receives Justice Award from Advocates Society

by Michael Erskine

ORILLIA—Lawyer David Nawegahbow has been on the front lines of the legal system fighting for Indigenous and treaty rights for his entire career. His name is likely familiar to many due to his most recent case as lead counsel on the Huron Robinson Annuities case. On Thursday, June 17 Mr. Nawegahbow was honoured with a Justice Award from the prestigious Advocates Society.

"My Anishinaabe name is Giiz-ganaang, which means Daystar and Maahiingan n'dodem, my clan is Wolf Clan," he introduced himself in his acceptance remarks.

"I'm honoured to be receiving the Award of Justice from the Advocates Society and I want to acknowledge the executive and the board of the society for their work in promoting excellence in advocacy and a strong and independent bar," he said. "I want say miigwetch to my law partner, Dianne Corbiere, for nominating me and to Brian Gover and Harry La Forme for supporting my nomination. I also want to thank the selection committee for choosing me."

In accepting the award, Mr. Nawegahbow said he was mindful of former recipients of the award. "Including Joe Arvay, who passed away recently. I had occasion to work with Joe most recently on the Robinson Huron Treaty case. I am humbled to be in the company of great advocates like Joe Arvay and other former recipients."

"I am especially grateful because the award recognizes the causes I have advocated," he said. "According to the criteria, it is given to advocates representing causes that may be 'politically or socially unpopular.' Thankfully, Indigenous causes have become less unpopular in the 40 years I have been a lawyer and I believe it is in large part due to the efforts of advocates who have brought forward issues like abo-



David Nawegahbow

iginal and treaty rights, the impact of Residential Schools and systemic discrimination in child welfare."

Mr. Nawegahbow went on to acknowledge the role of the Advocates Society in advancing reconciliation, "particularly in publishing a 'Guide for Lawyers Working with Indigenous People' done in partnership with the Indigenous Bar Association and the Law Society of Ontario." Mr. Nawegahbow served on the board of the Advocates Society for a number of years and helped to produce that guiding document.

"In closing, I want to say miigwetch to the lawyers and staff at Nahwegahbow Corbiere for working so hard to advance the rights of First Nations," he said. "Last, and most importantly, I want to thank my wife, Lois, and my kids, Alexandra and Nicholas, for their undying love and patience throughout the years, which has allowed me to pursue the cause of justice for First Nations. Miigwetch, miigwetch, miigwetch."

## 13-year-old local golfer garners first hole in one

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—A 13-year-old Mindemoya youngster recently attained the dream of every golfer, a hole in one!

"It happened on Saturday, June 12," said Noah Thorpe of his first ever ace. "I was golfing with my friend Carter Moggy and we were playing best ball. We weren't having the best round until the 150-yard fourth hole (at Brookwood Brae Golf course in Mindemoya)."

"I called it," stated Mr. Thorpe. "I stepped up to the tee with my six iron and said, 'this is going in' to Carter." He explained the pin was in what is famously known to the employees of the golf course as the 'hole in one spot,' just below a mound on the right side of the green. So, when I stepped up to the ball I did my normal routine and then hit it."

"I didn't hit it as well as I could have and it didn't look like it was going in at all," said Mr. Thorpe. "It was heading straight for the mound and landed straight on top of it; it slowly rolled down the hill and disappeared. I was pretty calm at first but when it disappeared I said, 'that just went in' to Carter and he said 'no way!' He thought I was messing with him until we got up to the



Noah Thorpe proudly shows his 'Hole in One' medal.

green and there was a ball in the hole."

"The smile on his face says it all for this awesome kid," said Sarah Seabrook after her son's feat. "I am so proud of him today and every day." She explained Noah has been playing on his grandparents' (John and Cheryl

Seabrook's) golf course since he was two years old. He competes with himself and pushes himself to keep perfecting his game.

Many people play their entire lives and never have the achievement of getting a hole in one and Noah has accomplished that at 13 years old."

## NHL Hall of Famer to play in local golf tournament

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—Doug Gilmour, the former National Hockey League (NHL) superstar, will be trading in his hockey stick for golf clubs as he participates in the first Cancom Security charity golf tournament being held in August at the Rainbow Ridge Golf Course in Manitowaning.

"Cancom Security is holding their first charity golf tournament and will have several guests from Barrie, along with Doug Gilmour and probably another couple of former hockey players," said John Dube, manager of Rainbow Ridge, last week.

"Save the date and join me at the Cancom Security charity golf tournament on Saturday, August 21 at the Rainbow Ridge Golf Course on Manitoulin Island," said Mr. Gilmour on a Facebook post. "Play 18 holes on this championship golf course and support Wiikwemkoong Minor Hockey and Anishinaabemowin Education. Let's make every child matter through sport and education the foundation for our youth. I'll see you there!"

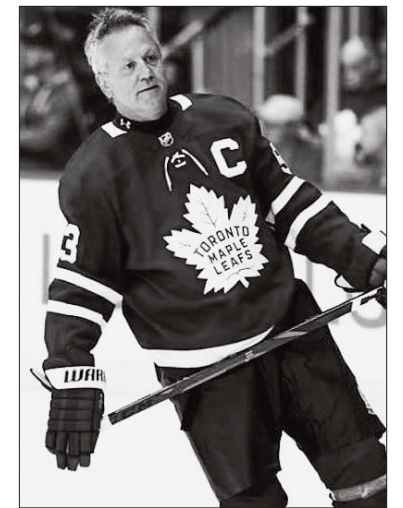
Doug Gilmour played 20 seasons in the NHL for several different teams. He was a seventh-

round draft selection, 134th overall, of the St. Louis Blues at the 1982 NHL entry draft and recorded 1,414 points in 1,474 games in the NHL between 1983 and 2003. A two-time all-star, he was a member of Calgary's 1989 Stanley Cup championship team and won the Frank J. Selke Trophy as the NHL's best defensive forward in 1992-1993. Internationally, he represented Canada three times during his career and was a member of the nation's 1987 Canada Cup championship team.

Mr. Gilmour was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame and the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame in 2011. His uniform number 93 is retired by the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Mr. Dube told the Recorder, "there will be a limit on the number of teams in the tournament. At this point we are planning a shotgun start, if restrictions are lessened by the province. If not, we will go with tee times. We are still working out all the details, with all the uncertainties with the pandemic. Right now, there is a limit of 36 teams but if we can go to tee times there will be more teams allowed."

All participants will have to register for the tournament,



Doug Gilmour will be at Rainbow Ridge in August.

with teams (of four) to pay an entry fee of \$800. There will be a scramble format, with teams in ladies' and co-ed divisions. A dinner is being planned, but will probably be held off-site of the golf course, although final details are to be worked out.

Mr. Dube said that there is already a lot of interest being shown by those interested in taking part in the tournament. "We are receiving calls from people in Toronto, Windsor and other locations asking about playing in the tournament."

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## ...UCCMM Tribal Council requests curtail July 1 events

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"Despite the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which investigated the residential school system and its impacts, a large majority of Canadians say they were mostly unaware of the harm caused by Canada's residential schools until the discovery in Kamloops. This must change," the UCCMM release continues.

"We, the Anishinaabe of Mnidoo Mnising, ask that Canadians use Canada Day to educate themselves about the residential school system and its impacts. We encourage them to start by reading the report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and thinking about how they can work to implement the commission's calls to action," the release says. "We ask our neighbours not to celebrate Canada Day. Instead, we ask them to educate themselves on the true history of Canada and to support us in our mourning by wearing an orange shirt to commemorate the lives of all our children. We also encourage you all to stand together with us in holding the government responsible and addressing the historical injustice.

"As chiefs, we don't want to scare off people that they shouldn't celebrate Canada Day," Chief Corbiere told the The Expositor. "But what we would like people to do is become aware of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission calls to action and to educate themselves on this."

"First Nations people are mourning

across the country for these kids. Even if these 215 children had died of disease, the proper thing that should have taken place is that they should have been taken home to their family where they could be buried, you don't just throw them in a hole," said Chief Corbiere.

Chief Corbiere continued, "Premier Doug Ford and his government announced that \$10 million is being provided to investigate all residential schools in Ontario, but this will take time, and the Catholic church is not releasing the names of these (215) children. These children are from the Creator, and they shouldn't have been discarded. This shouldn't happen to any child regardless of race or nationality."

Chief Corbiere said at the Chiefs of Ontario annual general meeting last week, which takes in 144 chiefs, and a meeting of the Lake Huron chiefs, which takes in another 21, "the chiefs agreed we need to take our issue to the Assembly of First Nations in two weeks. We will be putting together a resolution calling for a hearing on what took place at the residential school in Kamloops and for the government to conduct an inquiry and take action and responsibility."

"An investigation needs to be taken of every residential school," continued Chief Corbiere. "And an inquiry should take place. No doubt there was a lot of abuse at the residential schools. And even now with survivors or family members of those who were in these schools, you see the sadness

in these people. The impacts and the hurt continues. People have to think, 'what if the government took my children, to destroy their culture, language and traditions'."

Chief Corbiere pointed out, "we as First Nations people celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day, but we don't celebrate Canada Day. We are not saying non-Native people shouldn't celebrate Canada Day, this is not an issue of hatred or racism on Manitoulin Island, but people should recognize and educate themselves on what has happened to First Nations people over the years."

In response to the request to not hold Canada Day celebrations, "the Little Current BIA (Business Improvement Area) has decided to cancel all activities that were planned for July 1," said Aline Taillefer, BIA president. "We will instead be supporting our friends, family and neighbours here on Mnidoo Mnising and all First Nations communities by wearing orange shirts on July 1 to commemorate the lives of children lost or impacted by residential schools. We ask you all to do the same."

A statement by the Township of Assinack this past Monday read, "Mayor and council have decided to cancel Canada Day events in Assinack this year out of respect for the request made by the Indigenous communities on Manitoulin Island."

The Town of Gore Bay will be discussing the request at its general government committee meeting on Wednesday.

## ...New stewardship group will monitor Mindemoya Lake

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resulted in a request from municipal council to take the lead in forming a stewardship body."

"Council then passed a motion in December. They felt a local property owner association should be formed, and asked that I take the lead on this," said Mr. Drystek. He pointed out municipal councillors Dale Scott and Al Tribinevicius have also indicated they would like to attend the stewardship body and take part.

Current members of the stewardship body include Mr. Drystek, Bill Blackwood, Dan Colton, Al Holroyd, Jeff Mackenzie, Jean Marc Pitre, Dale Scott, Al Tribinevicius, Jeff Wahl and Paul Whelan. The group agreed with the composition for the association being that the body will consist of volunteer Lake Mindemoya property owners as well as one or two Central Manitoulin council members.

As for focus areas, Mr. Drystek outlined, "the water quality of any lakes as well as the lake experience for waterfront property owners as well as local residents and tourists must be preserved. To this end, focus areas for this body will include such issues as excessive shoreline erosion due to high water levels as well as excessive fluctuations in lake level controls."

A second focus will be addressing unauthorized (without permits and approval) shoreline modification that encroach on the waterfront easement land that surrounds the lake as per Bylaw 2003-15 and 2015-10.

Increased water testing to confirm that all high-density developments, referring to trailer parks

around the lake are compliant with water quality standards are another focus of the group. Preservation of current fish populations by increased enforcement of fish quotas, fishing seasons and support of any fish restocking programs is also part of the list of six focus areas.

Another focus includes supporting and encouraging the enhanced development of several public beach locations on the lake to ensure that local residents and visiting tourists have an opportunity to enjoy the waters of Lake Mindemoya.

As well, the group will also focus on promoting information on responsible land/water use by both local residents and tourists to minimize the "ecological footprint" that their actions and activities have on Lake Mindemoya.

The group had the opportunity to choose between

two options for the organizational structure. They agreed that the organization will be composed of a chairperson who shall be responsible for calling and organizing all meetings, request the formation of ad-hoc committees as needs arise, and acting as a delegate at relevant council committee meetings to report finding and recommendations based on research from various ad-hoc committee. A secretary will record all relevant discussion at meetings, organize and keep files on all ad-hoc committee recommendations as well as to and from correspondence and responses with outside agencies.

The group will also include voluntary members willing to serve on ad-hoc committees to research various issues/concerns brought to the attention of the stewardship body, with one individual willing to

act as chairperson and others to act as support for necessary research and recommendations.

"So we need a chair and secretary at this point," pointed out Mr. Drystek.

Mr. Wahl noted, "the initial set up of the group is important. My vote is to have you (Mr. Drystek) stay on as chair. You've already done a fantastic job in getting this association set up."

Mr. Drystek agreed to be the chair of the stewardship body for at least the first year of its existence.

At this point no volunteer has come forward to take on the position of secretary.

Mr. Drystek said the group needs official recognition as a body, and this request will be made to Central Manitoulin council.

Manitoulin Secondary School



# PLAYER PROFILE

by Zoe Redmond  
Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association



**AUTUMN DESCHENES**

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Autumn Deschenes is a Mustang who has certainly accomplished a lot when it comes to athletics and work skills. She is a Grade 11 student, who constantly keeps herself busy. When she isn't busy with school, she can be found swimming, outside, painting, hanging out with friends, fishing and reading.

During her years at Little Current Public School she participated in every sport she could. Autumn did volleyball, basketball, baseball, track, cross country, flag football, soccer, etc. Throughout Autumn'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 basketball, baseball, and in previous years she did competitive gymnastics.

She continued to play sports in high school and in Grade 9 and 10, she played both basketball and volleyball. For volleyball she played the position of setter and in basketball she was point guard for the starting line up. When Autumn was younger she played hockey for the Little Current Flyers, now in the winter time she can be found skating on a homemade ice rink with her brothers and friends. Autumn's motivation comes from her mom, she definitely inspires Autumn because she is so strong and has been a really great role model her whole life. Her mom has always encouraged Autumn to do her best and go after what she wants. Autumn's mom is a great supporter, but she also has great friends who also inspire her because they are all so kind and are really supportive.

Autumn has continuously bettered herself over the years with her broad range of skills. She constantly is able to impress friends, peers, family and coaches with her dedication and drive. She has accomplished so much over the years with not just school but sports as well. In Grades 9 and 10 she and her team placed second at NOSSA for basketball putting up a good fight for the win. In Grade 9 she was able to place third at NOSSA for track in both the 100m and 200m, she represented her school well with her great showing of effort and training. These are some great accomplishments, however, the accomplishment that resonates with her the most is placing first at the Jr. NOSSA champs. This was a great accomplishment as it took a lot of skill for her and her team to win this, as well as the experience with her teammates was certainly one to remember.

Her kindness and determination always reflect on her great character. She is consistently able to uplift her teammates and provide a great show of influence among her teammates. Autumn's favourite sport would have to be volleyball, this is a sport she has been playing for a really long time both in school and out. She loves how volleyball is always a team effort and everyone is always supporting each other to improve. Autumn likes playing sports because for her when you play sports you are a part of a team and are able to make friends. Also in sports there is a great network of people, everyone is supporting you to do your best and improve.

In school, Autumn's favourite class is gym. Autumn likes gym class because this class is always fun. In gym class she is able to play some sports with friends who may not usually play that sport. Gym is also enjoyable for her as it allows her to get some exercise throughout the day and breaks up her more difficult classes. Gym also helps to wake her up and feel energized, with a long school day having to be alert in gym class allows her to keep on her toes. After high school Autumn is thinking about going into something business related, but she really wants to spend some time travelling. She is hoping that COVID-19 will end soon so she can get back to playing volleyball and basketball with her teammates and creating memories on long bus trips.

Autumn is one of many amazing Mustangs, and with her athletic ability, kindness, and constant energy, she is most definitely sure to represent MSS well. Have a great year, and keep up the terrific work Autumn!!!!

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# National Indigenous Peoples Day inaugural celebration held at MHC

MINDEMOYA—National Indigenous Peoples Day is an opportune time to celebrate Indigenous culture and raise awareness at the same time, said Tim Vine, vice-president corporate support services and chief financial officer for Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC). The MHC's inaugural celebration was held on Monday at both Little Current and Mindemoya sites.

Mr. Vine opened the celebration by acknowledging "Robinson-Huron Treaty territory and the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Mnidoo Mnising, specifically the communities of Aundeck Omni Kaning, M'Chigeeng, Sheshegwaning, Zhiibaahaasing, Sheguiandah, Wiikwemkoong and Whitefish River. We recognize and deeply appreciate their historic connection to this place," he said. "As settlers, this recognition of the contributions and historic importance of Indigenous peoples must also be clearly and overtly connected to our collective commitment to make the promise and the challenge of Truth and Reconciliation real in our communities and in particular to bring justice for murdered women across our country."

He thanked Noojmowin Teg Health Centre and M'Chigeeng Health Centre for their support and thanked Geraldine Ense-McGregor, Thecla Neganegijig, Blain Corbiere and Phoenix McGregor as well as MHC's Cultural Safety, Inclusion and Engagement Committee.

The committee was formed less than a year ago; there was a similar committee in the past but it wasn't as active. "We've reformed it as part of our plan to embed First Nations culture in our hospital practices," said Mr. Vine. "They make recommendations for making the hospital more inclusive, so that there's space for everybody."

"This day provides an opportunity for us to advance reconciliation, which is important as 40 to 50 percent of the Island's population is Indigenous and so are 50 percent of our patients," he said. "We recognize that it is important to celebrate Indigenous contributions to Canada and the rich and diverse cultures of Indigenous peoples. National Indigenous Peoples Day offers everyone an opportunity to deepen their understanding and awareness of the unique adversities that Indigenous peoples face and have overcome. MHC is excited to celebrate its first inaugural acknowledgement and celebration of this day."

Ms. Neganegijig, Ms. Ense-McGregor and her granddaughter Skyana Behm offered a prayer song. Guests enjoyed cedar tea and strawberries before elders Ms. Neganegijig and Ms. Ense-McGregor provided a teaching on traditional food offerings and making birch bark spirit plates for the offering. Traditional foods of strawberry, wild rice, fish, corn and ban-



Elders Geraldine Ense McGregor and Thecla Neganegijig provide food teachings. Ms. Ense McGregor, left, demonstrates a birch bark offering basket.



Manitoulin Health Centre co-CEO Paula Fields, right, joins a women's hand drum group from Whitefish River First Nation at the hospital's inaugural Indigenous Peoples Day celebrations held at the Little Current site. Celebrations were held at both Mindemoya and Little Current hospital sites.

nock or scone (more modern than traditional) were prepared by MHC staff, who made enough to provide a traditional meal for patients to share in the celebration. Ms. Ense-McGregor demonstrated making tiny birch bark baskets without pins or fasteners and Ms. Neganegijig explained the origins of the traditional foods offered.

"We offer the food today when we are remembering our loved ones, for the children found buried at the Kamloops Residential School, for those already found and those not yet found at other residential

schools across the country," Ms. Ense-McGregor said. "Anybody can make an offering. Everyone has a spirit. Our family members. The patients who have passed on from the hospital here. They all pass through the western doorway and can help us in this realm."

The singers again offered prayers to thank the spirits for their help and closed the doorways to end the 2021 event.

Mr. Vine was pleased with this first annual celebration at MHC. "Just to see the amount of interconnectedness here on the

Island is really remarkable," he said. "It's great to have a place that is so strongly and predominantly influenced by Indigenous heritage. That's really wonderful."

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# ...M'Chigeeng honours residential school survivors, asks questions

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okay you can stay home and tell your children it doesn't matter. But it does matter. As Anishnaabe people, we care."

"We're here today to honour, praise and remember the children that are buried across the country," Councillor Hare continued. "There are thousands. We have to stand up for each other. When your family is

people who went to residential school. Councillor Hare urged people to look at them. "I want to remind you that today is in support of those young people who died many years ago, who were not respected and who never had a chance to say goodbye. We need to tell the Church we are not happy with the way our children were treated."

This is a day set by the

only been around for the last 25 years. We've been around much longer than that. We're resilient."

"The government says this is a day of learning. It's supposed to be a day of celebration, but it has been overshadowed by the findings of the last few weeks. Over the last three weeks I have had many conversations with people from across Canada and locally.

These are not the easiest conversations to have. To move forward we have to remember where we came from. We have to recognize our intergenerational trauma and make our community better."

Susan Hare was a residential school adjudicator for seven years. At the end of that seven years she had to seek treatment. "I am not a residential school sur-

vivor," she said. "I thought hearing the stories wouldn't bother me."

"As an adjudicator, I learned about churches and their different spheres of authority. I learned how they operated and how the schools were different or the same. The Roman Catholic church has fought the hardest against residential school survivors. They used every legal motion the

law allowed them. They fought it to the bitter end."

Survivor payments were split between Canada and the Church. "The Church reserved the right to review our decisions," continued Ms. Hare. "Survivors would only get their government cheque right away. To this day, I don't know if all of the survivors received their money from the Church."

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Pipe carriers spoke of their prayers during a pipe ceremony.

suffering, I suffer. What the church did, it was wrong. Some people believe otherwise. I urge everyone to stand up, to stand your ground. That's what this is all about."

"I heard a story," Councillor Hare said. "A young girl was sent to a residential girls' school. As the girls were being walking into the school, one little girl was slower than the others and fell behind. The nuns slapped that girl on the side of her head. The girl fell down. She fell down and the nun kicked that girl down the stairway. That girl was never seen again."

A table was set up at the Church of the Immaculate Conception grounds with pictures of M'Chigeeng



Residential school survivor Councillor Joe Hare addresses the assembly.

government to recognize Indigenous peoples, said Ogimaa-kwe Linda Debassige. "This day has

These findings have brought on additional trauma. There's a lot of hurt but a lot of anger, too.

## ...Don Cook named new Manor administrator

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was a part-time food service at the Little Current hospital for a year before that."

Mr. Cook is also a chef. "I have been cooking for 40 years and went into the health care field 27 years ago, and have spent the last 26 years in long term care management. I actually started out as a trained chef in the private sector for 15 years before I started to work in health care. So, I've spent the past 40 years all in food service and private and in health care."

"I first got into the health care field after taking a food service nutrition management program for the health care side of cooking. I've been a member of the Canadian Association of Nutritional Management for the past 26 years and as part of that, did further training to certified as a nutrition manager," continued Mr. Cook. Over the years he also has done some teaching in long-term care (LTC) food service at Cambrian College, which he did for a few years. "Recently Canadore College was looking for an instructor in food service, and last year I continued as an instructor and teaching PSWs (personal support workers) in terms of working with patients with dementia, and health care issues in LTC."

"I feel I have a good knowledge of all of this that has provided me a lot of experience in food service and with the management part," said Mr. Cook. "It's exciting to be able to continue at the Manor with all the experience I have and to be able to step into the administrator's role and to learn

more as we go from here."


"I'm very excited but confident and comfortable working with staff, residents and families at the Manor, working together to provide quality care for everyone," Mr. Cook told The Expositor. "And yes, I'm very much looking forward to working at the Manor, in Little Current. I have worked out of Little Current for a long time."

"I am very happy to be able to inform the (Manor) board that after job interviews were conducted with candidates a full-time administrator has been hired for the Manor," stated Pat MacDonald, chair of the Manor board at a meeting last week. Board member Dawn Orr, Tracy Lami-rande, acting administrator for the Manor with Extendicare along with Keith Clement of Extendicare and Ms. MacDonald carried out the interviews.

"It was pretty well unanimous among us that Don Cook be hired for the position of administrator," said Ms. MacDonald. "He comes to us with a lot of experience," she said.

"Don is from Little Current," said Ms. MacDonald. "From our interviews with him Don he is a very warm, caring person and he seems to be a perfect fit in the ambience we've created and like to maintain in the Manor."

The Manor board passed a motion to officially hire Mr. Cook as the new administrator of the Manor. He takes over the position that had been left vacant since former administrator Tamara Beam had resigned last month.



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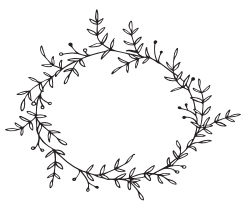
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# ...additional deer hunting opportunities

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Ontario's environmental registry should the MNRF pursue them."

Mr. Barker noted that concerns were raised at the meeting that farmers don't like hunting seasons to be taking place at the same time that cattle are on the range.

"I thought about the concerns with livestock and hunting that were raised at the meeting," said Mr. Barker. "Manitoulin Island is basically all private property ownership. If a farmer doesn't want hunters on their property, all they have to do is decline any hunters permission to hunt on these properties in these situations. And, keep in mind hunters go through stringent hunter training and target identification. Hunters go through hunter education and firearm safety courses, with the key to these courses being safety and target identification, which is critical. And since land on Manitoulin is all private property, a hunter needs written permission from a property owner to hunt on this property. The farmer or land owner has control on who they allow to hunt on their property."

Mr. Godwin told the OFAH meeting that currently around the province, hunting seasons vary depending on the WMU area. "We are meeting with groups to see if small changes could be made that would improve the hunting season consistency around the province."

"Are there small tweaks that can be made?" asked Mr. Godwin, who pointed out it has been over a decade since the deer hunt seasons were reviewed throughout the province.

"One of the problems is most people are not interested in having the black powder bow hunt season go further into November due to the weather conditions and there is a lack of interest in this," said one OFAH member.

Mr. Godwin noted Manitoulin is not the only place that sees gaps in its hunt seasons. He added that if any proposal is made by a club, and considered by the MNRF, "if any deer season changes were proposed they would require public consultation on Ontario's Environmental Registry where these proposals would be posted."

# ...Garden amazed at community support for project

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community of family, friends and supporters who voted for and promoted this worthwhile project. Thank you to the David Suzuki Foundation and Desjardins Group for providing this wonderful opportunity. And most important of all, we are thankful to the media in helping us promote the project."

"With this award we would have been in a position to create an atmosphere in our community garden where young families will feel welcome to come grow and play while learning about growing their own food and taking care of Mother Earth. We are still hopeful to find a supporter of funding to help carry it forward," said Ms. Willson.

Sarah Earley, project manager, summed up her experience by saying, "thank you! We had had an overwhelming response in support of our vision to create a natural play area in the Western Manitoulin Community Garden. For the past two weeks, we have been working hard to gather as much support as we could in hopes of winning the Future Ground Prize offered by the David Suzuki Foundation."

"Although we didn't win, in the end we realized that this contest was not so much about winning, we are all winners anyway with the great projects that were created. It was about sharing our work and what we are up to," said Ms. Earley. "It has been about reaching out and connecting with family and friends, and even strangers that want to support our effort. It has been about gathering support and creating new partnerships from our community and all around the world. It is about planting seeds rooted in hope and resilience for future generations. I'd like to express a per-

sonal shout out to Dad and Jill, our community and our northern neighbours."

The virtual celebration was hosted by singer-songwriter and performance activist Elle Barbara and included a special musical performance by Hannah Georgas. The three winners presented their projects to David Suzuki and each was awarded prize money from Desjardins.

Mr. Suzuki addressed the gathering by saying, "I welcome everyone to this event. I am so honoured to have the opportunity to help recognize and celebrate the first David Suzuki Foundation Future Ground Prize contest in Ontario."

"All of you are winners," stated Mr. Suzuki. "We are learning through the projects you are all doing. And the work that all of you are doing all is creating a better place for everyone in the world. We have to think and act globally. And it is groups like all yours that are making the changes that are needed in the world. What you are doing locally is benefitting everyone."

The youth prize of \$2,500 was awarded to the Movers and Shakers program in Guelph. Their profile reads, "the COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted the lives of youth, and our Movers and Shakers program was created as a direct response to this. Movers and Shakers is a virtual program led by Shape Up the Establishment, in which youth around Ontario can learn about, engage, with and take action on the climate crisis. This year's program will run from June to September and showcase free curated workshops and activities on topics such as the future of work, creating safe spaces, and mobilizing virtually."

The grand prize was awarded to Indigenous Seeds of Hope-Planting Our Future, in Milton, chosen by this year's jury of renowned influencers. As well, the People's Choice prize was awarded Ohneganos Let's Talk Water, in Ohsweken.

# ...Work at Wagg's Wood

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said Mr. Scott.

"Things are moving along finally," said Marcel Beneteau, president of the Manitoulin Nature Club and chair of the Wagg's Wood Trail committee. "I will be excited when the shovels hit the ground. The municipality has allocated some funding for the work."

At present, much of that work consists of making the existing trail accessible, with a new parking lot and trailhead. The existing trailhead, while open to the public, provides some challenges when it comes to accessibility.

Future plans include some form of interpretive signage that will inform visitors what they can expect to see while navigating the trail. What form that signage may take has not yet been fully determined. Mr. Beneteau noted that plants can move location from year to year, so placing signs beside existing flora might not suit the bill.

The trail has benefited from significant effort from local volunteers in recent years and the committee hopes to add to the trail system, creating a loop that visitors can follow. But all this does not mean that people can't visit Wagg's Wood Trail now.

"The trail is open and people can visit now," said Mr. Beneteau, who stressed that the trail, while not as accessible as the committee desires, is safe for pedestrian traffic.

# Concerns raised to integrity commissioner will cost Billings Township over \$20,000

by Tom Sasvari

KAGAWONG—While the investigation is not yet complete and the final costs involved haven't been totalled up yet, Township of Billings taxpayers will be faced with a cost of well over \$20,000 due to an investigation carried out by the integrity commissioner on a complaint made by a group of local residents.

At a recent council meeting Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack questioned one of the items on the township accounts for payment list from May 13-27. "I have a question for Kathy. Number 6759, the account for payment is for \$19,969.93 to E4m. Is this from the claims made by four people to the (Ontario) integrity officer? And is this the final cost?"

Kathy McDonald township clerk said, "it is part of the costs. But it is not complete. There will be a further invoice coming to the township."

"This is a shame," stated Councillor Alkenbrack. "This is a shame. With a letter to you or the mayor all of this could have been resolved."

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## ...Spotlight on Manitoulin Island's opioid crisis

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than completing weeks of research for my own understanding alone, I thought it would be useful to turn this assignment into a document that explores some, though not all, of the factors that may have driven the current crisis. An exhaustive understanding could undoubtedly fill several books and last for years."

Mr. Schlote said he also turned to Island leadership, care providers and people who had lived experience with the cycles of addiction and mental illness to round out the story. "Most of my requests went unanswered, leaving some parts of the story as yet untold, and I am eternally grateful to those who shared with me their time, their knowledge and their hope that better health is possible," he said.

Some of those interviewed asked that The Expositor withhold their names because of the sensitive nature of this topic, the risk of potential safety threats or the reluctance to speak to such a complex and widespread issue. Those who went on the record, especially the people whose personal lives have changed forever because of this epidemic, have deliv-

ered the urgency and magnitude of the problem in a way that reports and statements simply cannot.

"The research phase made it evident that there are still countless people who struggle to see this crisis for what it is—a public health tragedy and a social problem," Mr. Schlote continued.

This project is the culmination of months of evenings and weekends spent researching, writing and speaking with Islanders and health providers—the weekly news assignments don't ease for a small publication like The Manitoulin Expositor and there's little time during the day for large undertakings like this.

"Out of the Shadows' could never be an exhaustive, comprehensive look at the opioid crisis on Manitoulin Island, but it's a way of starting the process to improvements," Mr. Schlote added. "I urge all Islanders to suspend their existing conceptions of opioids and read this story openly. There must be discussions with friends, neighbours and family members about the realities of this epidemic, and the willingness to work together to bring it to an end. That is what I hope this feature

accomplishes: inviting people to challenge their beliefs and empowering them with knowledge they can use to be part of the solutions."

While Mr. Schlote's time on Manitoulin has come to an end, The Expositor team, and especially Local Journalism Initiative Reporter Lori Thompson, whose renewed mandate for the coming year includes reporting on the opioid crisis, will continue to celebrate successes, grieve with the community and hold decision makers to account as we continue to hold a lens to the crisis.

Islanders have seen positive results through working together, having successfully kept the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic off Manitoulin Island despite surging cases nearby. With that same energy and dedication, we may find the power to change the future.

An extra 2,000 copies of 'Out of the Shadows' is available for any organizations, schools or individuals who would like an extra copy or copies and are available at The Expositor Offices in Little Current and Gore Bay. The document is also downloadable from Manitoulin.com.

## ...M'Chigeeng honours residential school survivorors

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"I learned about childhood trauma, loneliness and poor nourishment," she added. "I learned how stress affects the health of children. Another thing I learned is that our bodies are different. Our ears, for example, are made differently. They are easily infected. We were told we were dirty. It also affected our children who were slapped by hand or by ruler on the side of the head. This damaged our children's heads more than it did white people's."

"I learned about pedophiles and how they operate. I learned how they are generally charming and fun, how they know how to act around children and how to charm parents. I learned through adjudication and history that pedophiles could be moved from school to school," she said. "I learned about power imbalances and how the Church was given authority over us."

Ms. Hare completed around 100 adjudications. Several continue to haunt her, she said. One story sounds like a funny story, in the beginning. "There was a little boy. He was an old man when I heard his story. All the boys' hair was red."

"Within a couple months, the boy's hair started to turn red too. It was just the children whose hair was red, not the priests or nuns or other staff. When the boy was home over the summer his hair turned black again. This happened with the other kids. When they returned to school all their hair was black. Within a few months all their hair was red again," Ms. Hare continued.

"The water was bad. There was too much iron in the water and it was turning the kids' hair red. Eventually, the boy got to work in the kitchen. He served the priests in the dining room where they had a big container on the wall. The container was filled with pure water, just like the boy had at home."

"This was documented," Ms. Hare said. In the



Signs of shame in front of M'Chigeeng's Catholic church.

file of an inspection agent for residential schools there was a note. The note said the Church had asked Canada for money to fix the water supply. Canada said the Church owned the land, the building and the water. They refused the request. The Church did fix the water the priests would drink, but not the water supply for the children."

After more actual residential school stories, Ms. Hare announced there was a petition started for people to sign. The petition asks the Roman Catholic Church and the Jesuits to release their records of the Span-

ish Industrial Residential School for M'Chigeeng First Nation members. The petition requests the Church repay M'Chigeeng First Nation for the loss of their language, their culture and their way of life that was taken from them. When enough signatures are received the petition will be taken before council, she said. "We want to take some of that money the Church owes us and use that money to help us heal."

"I never understand why we can take the side against our kids," Councillor Hare said. "I left the churches a long time ago. I don't need

that church. I have my own religion and my own beliefs. It doesn't bother me and it doesn't hurt me to believe in my own people. It doesn't hurt me to not believe what I was told when I went to residential school."

The day also included a pipe ceremony, an honour song was sung, as was a song about thunderbirds. The pipe carriers talked about the prayers they offered. A sacred fire was kept throughout the day and there were opportunities for anyone to share words at the microphone. Ogimaa-kwe Debassige and Councillor Hare had closing remarks.

The day should have been a day of celebration. The colour orange was prevalent and reminded everyone there is still trauma to heal within the community; there are still difficult conversations to have and the Church still owes Indigenous communities answers and accountability.



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Jaime-Lynn Kalmikov, Manitoulin Lodge administrator, right, presents Debbie Wright with gifts at her retirement party in Gore Bay.

## A bittersweet send off after 40 years of service

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—Colleagues, family and friends all participated in wishing Debbie Wright a very happy retirement as an employee with the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home in Gore Bay.

“This is a bittersweet day for Deb and us all, the Manitoulin Lodge and Jarlette Health Services,” Judy Maltais, director of people, engagement and culture for Jarlette Health Services told The Expositor. “Deb has definitely left her footprint on the Lodge and everyone who works and lives here, and she will always have a spot in all of our hearts,” said Ms. Maltais. “She has definitely made a significant difference in the lives of residents, staff and family.”

Several presentations and gifts were presented to Ms. Wright in the morning, along with best wishes, video calls from administration of the Lodge, the Jarlette family and others, prior to a drive by parade with at least 25 vehicles full of friends, family, present and former colleagues honking horns, waving and wishing Ms. Wright the best on her retirement.

One of those wishing Ms. Wright happy retirement was Jaime Kalmikov, administrator of the Lodge. “Thank you everyone for joining us this morning to celebrate Debbie!”

“For those of you that don’t know, Debbie has worked at Manitoulin Lodge for the last past 43 years,” said Ms. Kalmikov. “I am not alone when I say you have been the go-to person in this building for every and all issues that arise on a daily basis.”

“You have set a high standard of care for our residents and I know over the last 43 years you have con-

tinuously added value and made a positive impact on our staff, residents and community,” continued Ms. Kalmikov. “You truly are the most engaged, dedicated employee I have worked with; your guidance and encouragement has helped me personally and I am sure so many other employees thrive in our home.”

“We are all going to miss you like crazy,” stated Ms. Kalmikov. “Morning report on Monday will not be the same without you,” she continued, adding, “we wish you all the best, and truly hope you enjoy every moment of retirement. Living the lake life.”

Sue Farren, director of resident care told The Expositor, “Debbie is going to be sorely missed at the Lodge. She is a very hard worker and she is leaving big shoes to fill. She is a high-energy person who gets things done quickly.”

“Debbie is a role model and has been sort of like a mother for staff, and she has supported each and every staff member that she has worked with,” continued Ms. Farren. “And when someone has been with an organization as long as Debbie has, it is hard for them to leave, and hard to fill their shoes.”

A barbecue lunch was held for everyone on hand.

“I am truly overwhelmed by everything,” said Ms. Wright. “Absolutely everything, from the car parade, video calls from administration, administration at other nursing homes, and from David Jarlette and the Jarlette family. It has been incredible.”

As was reported in a recent edition of The Expositor, Ms. Wright has seen and been a part of just about everything

involving the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home in Gore Bay, having been employed there for the past 43 years.

The Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home opened in May 1977 and Ms. Wright began her career as a nurse at the Lodge in October 1978. She started as a registered practical nurse. During her career, always at Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home she was a restorative care and volunteer services coordinator, administrator for five and a half years, staff education coordinator, and most currently, as co-director of care.



Well-wishers participated in a parade to celebrate Ms. Wright's retirement.

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# Weengushk Film Institute's new digs plan featured at International festival

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—Weengushk Film Institute (WFI) has come a long way since it was first envisioned by its founder, famed Indigenous actor, director, producer and Brock University Chancellor Shirley Cheechoo. WFI has long since settled into its current home, a building on the outskirts of M'Chigeeng First Nation. Now plans are underway to build a new facility to increase WFI's capacity as seats in the popular school are currently way oversubscribed.

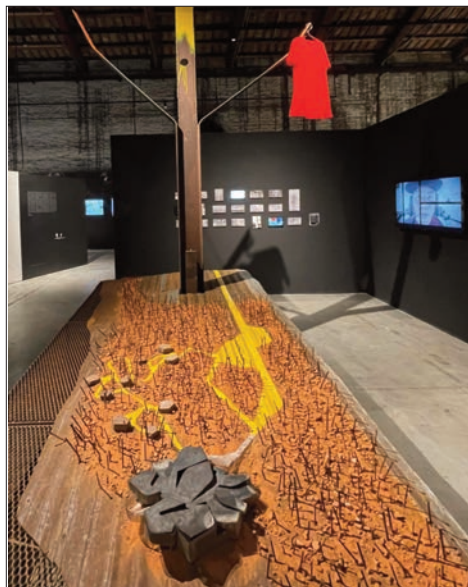
"We are trying to expand institutional capacity right now," said WFI senior manager Nano Debassige. "We are about to wrap up our strategic plan, hopefully by September. Then we can move on to the next phase."

Italian architect Stefano Pujatti, principal at architectural firm Elastico Farm, has been commissioned to design WFI's new building and an art installation featuring the preliminary design is being featured at a prestigious biennial European architecture conference.

"Elastico Farm and (Toronto-based) KFA Architects and Planners have been asked to design the new home for WFI, a non-profit, artist-focused film and television training centre dedicated to unlocking the creative potential of Indigenous youth based on Manitoulin Island on Lake Huron, Canada," reads a citation at the Aasarchitecture webpage.

"It's a project that celebrates the rich aboriginal culture of the place, its traditions and myths, as well as its magnificent natural setting. The project is presented in world premiere at the 17th International Architecture Exhibition—La Biennale di Venezia. Elastico Farm, in collaboration with StudioErrante Architetture and Davide Tommaso Ferrando, conceived an iconic installation within the Italian Pavilion, a large 3.5 metre by 1.5 metre metal-mesh model signaled by a tall totem-like element."

The imposing structure of the art installation consists of "a salvaged beam whose wings were partially detached and the core,



The installation in Italy.

left free, was then flame-carved. The process alludes to the soon-to-be iconic edifice has a strong material feel to it."

"A red dress hangs from the structure, a dramatic symbol for many First Nation women who are missing and murdered each year in North America."

The significance of the turtle, the large model that is placed at the foot of the totem, is "the metaphorical reference the client held as a pre-requisite for the project. Native American oral histories tell stories of a turtle that holds the world on its back, and Turtle Island is the name used by some Indigenous people to indicate North America. The turtle evoked by this terracotta model, whose dark color was obtained by firing it in the absence of oxygen, has a deep symbolic value: it is an icon of life itself, a marker of identity, culture, autonomy and a deeply-held respect for the environment."

The design for the new facility has captured the imagination and spirit of WFI, noted Mr. Debassige. "We are pretty focussed on the strategic plan right now," he said, "but yeah, it is pretty exciting."



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# Government pledges to expedite reclamation of traditional names

by Michael Erskine

OTTAWA—Citing an individual's name as "being fundamental to who they are," and that "Indigenous names are endowed with deep cultural meaning and speak to Indigenous peoples' presence on this land since time immemorial," the federal government announced that not only would it be moving to implement Action 17 of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, it would put in place the means to enable residential school survivors and their families to reclaim and use their Indigenous names on all government documents—free of charge.

The announcement, made by the Honourable Marco E. L. Mendicino, minister of immigration, refugees and citizenship, the Honourable Carolyn Bennett, minister of Crown-Indigenous relations, and the Honourable Marc Miller, minister of Indigenous services, goes a step further than Action 17 (which specifically referenced passports) to include travel documents, citizenship certificates and permanent resident cards, not only for residential school survivors and their families, but for all Indigenous peoples.

The aim of the move, noted the government, is to overturn the impact of colonialism that has prevented the recognition of Indigenous names.

According to a government press release, in order to facilitate the reclamation of Indigenous names, the government has streamlined the process of reclamation to be faster and more efficient for applicants. This service will be provided free of charge for five years.

The release notes that in 2015, the prime minister made a commitment to implement all of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's recommendations involving the Government of Canada—and asserts that over the past few years, the government has been hard at work to make that happen.

"Supporting First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in reclaiming and using their Indigenous names is an integral part of the shared journey of reconciliation," said Minister Mendicino. "Traditional names are deeply connected to Indigenous languages and cultures and an individuals' identity and dignity. This change means that Indigenous peoples can proudly reclaim their name, dismantling the legacy of colonialism and reflecting their true identity to the world."

"Today's announcement represents an important step in reversing colonial policies and restoring dignity and pride in the identity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people," said Minister Bennett. "Supporting Indigenous peoples in reclaiming their Indigenous names is vital to achieving meaningful and lasting reconciliation as we work to implement the TRC's Calls to Action."

"For far too long, Canada's colonial legacy has disrupt-



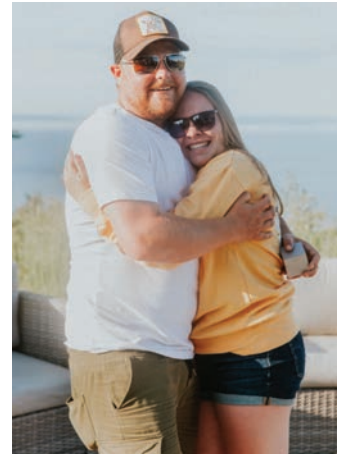
Dr. Alan Corbiere has spent a lifetime researching the history and names of the Anishinaabeg. Travelling the world to catalogue and repatriate artifacts.

ed Indigenous peoples' Indigenous naming practices and family connections from being recognized," said Minister Miller. "Today's announcement creates the space for all First Nations, Inuit and Métis to reclaim their traditional identity and the dignity of their Indigenous names on sta-

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## Engagement Announcement

Richard & Colleen Vander Weerden, Bill & Paula Fields and Chris & Kristina Gauthier would like to announce the engagement of their children Brett Gauthier & Haley Vander Weerden



Both raised on Manitoulin Island and graduates of Cambrian College. Haley recently graduated from the Registered Practical Nursing Program and is employed with Manitoulin Health Centre. Brett graduated from the Powerline Program and is completing his apprenticeship with Hydro One.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Harry & Betty Vander Weerden and Al & Dianne (predeceased) Clark. The groom-to-be is the grandson of Marcel & Wendy Gauthier, Ila & Graham Lloyd, Les & Delmer Fields and Carl & Janis (predeceased) Annett.

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## ...reclamation of traditional names

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tus cards, Canadian passports and other immigration documents, including travel documents, citizenship certificates and permanent resident cards. We will continue to implement the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action and renew our nation-to-nation Inuit-Crown, and government-to-government relationship with Indigenous peoples in Canada."

While lauding the move as long overdue, Anishinaabe historian Dr. Alan Corbiere said that it isn't that simple, noting that it may take more than a little effort to reclaim an Indigenous name.

Dr. Corbiere noted that researching one's historical name is confounded in part by cultural differences. "We did not have surnames as they are practiced along patrilineal lines in Western European traditions," he said. "Each person would have their own given name at birth, but their surname would be their clan."

Literal translations of Anishinaabe names also presents challenges, he pointed out. A lot of people get their names in English, then those names are translated into Anishinaabemowin producing unwieldy and long appellations. In the actual tradition, those names actually were much shorter, almost like a nickname—but with a significant difference.

One example would be White-eyed Crow Woman, an unwieldy name when translated back into Anishinaabemowin, "but if you knew the spirit that name references, it would have its own name," he said, and those shorter names brought with them a lot of spiritual attachments that would be well-known to everyone in the community.

Another complicating factor is that translations can be very misleading or downright nonsensical. Dr. Corbiere used the name Buffalo Sky as an example. "I don't know what that means," he said. "If it was buffalo shaped cloud then you could understand, but buffalo and sky don't go together," he said.



The dodems (clans) of the Anishinaabeg are laid out in at the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation in M'Chigeeng.

Also making research a challenge is that changes in names usually came about during an initial baptism, and as such they carry

marks relevant to the particular Christian denomination in which the family forebearer was christened.

"The word Ojibwe is spelt four different ways," he pointed out. "The 'e' ending is Catholic, while the 'a' ending is Anglican, 'ay' is Methodist, if I remember correctly off the top of my head."

Making a policy decision might seem simple, but like everything involving the impact of colonialism, the details can be devilish.

The implementation will not be as simple as it might seem from high atop Parliament Hill, according to Dr. Corbiere. Simply making it possible (and even free) to change the name printed on government documents belies the time and expense involved in reclaiming a traditional name, he noted. Still, Dr. Corbiere said that the move was definitely being made in the right direction.

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# Small group ensures Island observance of Decoration Day

by Michael Erskine  
MINDEMOYA—The pandemic has curtailed most gatherings, forcing many veteran organizations to postpone or severely truncate Remembrance ceremonies, so it is with the Island's Decoration Day ceremonies.

“Our traditional Decoration Day ceremony has been postponed until Sunday, September 19,” confirmed Roy Eaton, who usually serves as master of ceremonies for the event.

But members of Island Royal Canadian Legions and the Manitoulin and North Shore Navy Veterans, along with a member of the Doric Lodge, decided to hold a small ceremony at the Island memorials. “Six of us ensured the service where our departed Manitoulin veterans are remembered and honoured would take place, even if it was just with a few of us in attendance,” said Mr. Roy. “Branch President Ruth Eadie of (Royal Canadian Legion) Branch 177 Little Current and Jim Woods, past president of (Royal Canadian Legion) 514 Western Manitoulin laid wreaths at the main memorial (located at Monument Corner in Spring Bay).”

Mr. Eaton, as vice president of the Manitoulin and

North Shore Navy Veterans laid a wreath at the Merchant Marine memorial, while Linda Bowerman, past president of Branch 177 Ladies' Auxiliary laid a wreath at the Women's Memorial and Mike Terry, master of Doric Lodge 455 laid a wreath at the Youth Memorial.

“Dave Beaton, piper, poignantly played different laments at each station,” said Mr. Eaton. “We also appreciated the unexpected but welcomed attendance of a few members of the public.”

Decoration Day has long been celebrated on Manitoulin Island, despite being superseded in most Canadian communities by the country's official day to remember our nation's war-fallen, Remembrance Day.

Decoration Day's provenance extends much further back in time to the days following the Fenian Raids, when Irish nationalists fresh from participation in the US Civil War sought to seize British North America in order to exchange the territory for Ireland.

The Fenians were members of a secret Irish nationalist society that was outlawed in Great Britain, where they were

known as the Irish Republican Brotherhood. Following the 1865 British successes in crushing the movement in Ireland, many Irish Americans (including many well-armed and trained veterans of the recent US Civil War) were sympathetic to the Fenian cause. Even a few thousand Irish Canadians were members of the movement.

In response to the threat posed by the Fenians, 10,000 Canadian volunteers were called up for active duty—a number that was later increased to 14,000. A number of Island residents joined the effort and the Fenian threat was eventually defeated.

In what might be seen as an odd turn of events considering what followed a few years later, it was Metis leader Louis Riel who repulsed the last Fenian incursion into British territory in North America. The Fenian leader and hero of the Fenian victory at Ridgeway (near Fort Erie), John O'Neill, slipped into Canada in October 1870 expecting support from Mr. Riel. With the Metis rallying to defend the territory from the Fenians instead, the would be con-

querors of Canada fled back to the US where they were arrested—finally ending the threat from south of the border.

Canada later hung Mr. Riel as a traitor following the ill-fated North West Rebellion.

The first Decoration Day began on June 1890. Originally, the celebration was actually a form of protest, as veterans of the Battle of Ridgeway felt that their contribution to the protection of Canada during the Fenian Raids was being ignored by the government. The Fenian Raid

veterans and their supporters placed decorations at the Canadian Volunteers Monument near Queen's Park in Toronto on the 24th anniversary of the battle. The following year the crowds attending the accompanying parade had swelled to 30,000, with some 50,000 watching the parade.

As years went by and subsequent wars increased the number of Canadian veterans, Decoration Day grew to include veterans of the North-West Rebellion, the Second Boer War

and the First World War. In 1931, the Armistice Remembrance Day Act established November 11, Remembrance Day, as the official day commemorating military service in Canada.

But Manitoulin remembers, and Decoration Day has been observed on the Island since its inception—a day in which to remember those who have fallen in service to their country and often observed through the decoration of veteran's graves and memorials.



Piper Dave Beaton joined Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 Little Current President Ruth Eadie Little, Jim Woods, past president of Legion Branch 514 Western Manitoulin, Roy Eaton, vice president of the Manitoulin and North Shore Navy Veterans, Linda Bowerman, past president of Branch 177 Ladies Auxiliary and Mike Terry, master of Doric Lodge 455, at the main cenotaph memorial following wreath-laying ceremonies.

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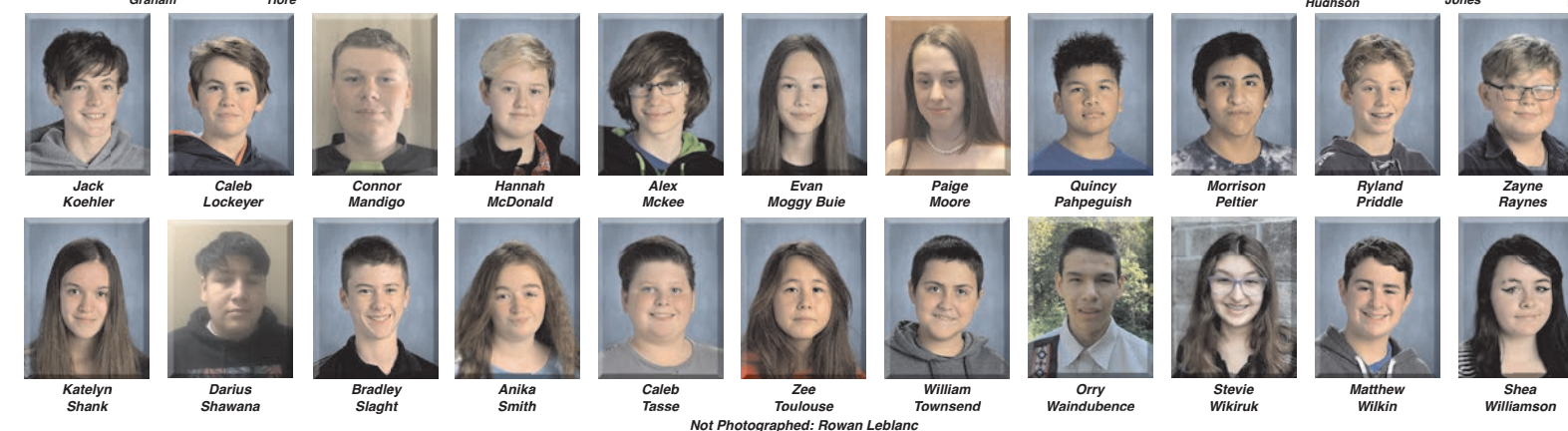


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# Herbie Barnes' drone storytelling closes Summer Solstice Festival

by Michael Erskine

**LITTLE CURRENT**—The evening of June 19 was filled with music and light, as an outstanding lineup of Indigenous musicians was featured in a series of mini-doc/performance at 'Giiwewizh,' the Summer Solstice Indigenous Festival, with the night being closed off with a unique storytelling session written and narrated by Aundeck Omni Kaning's Herbie Barnes and illustrated by a swarm of 200 rugged multi-coloured drones that took to the night sky.

The drive-in virtual event celebrating the summer solstice was attended non-virtual who's who of Indigenous leadership, including newly-elected Assembly of First Nations Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare, host community Aundeck Omni Kaning's Ogimaa-kwe Patsy Corbiere, power couple Dawn Madahbee Leach and Reggie Leach, (sort of retired) long-time Anishinaabe leader Patrick Madahbee, and United Chiefs and Council executive director Hazel Fox, to name a few.

Also attending the festival was Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha, who rode in for the event from Elliot Lake by motorcycle.

Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere began the evening by thanking the organizers, Indigenous Tourism Ontario (ITO) and the hosts in Ottawa, thanking and welcoming the audience to the traditional lands of the Anishinabek peoples of Mnidoo Mnising. She acknowledged and congratulated Regional Chief Hare.

Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere then referenced the genocide of her people and the victims of colonization all around the world before calling for a moment of silence. She went on to say that it was her "absolute honour and privilege to see so many of you here to enjoy this COVID-safe event."

Ogimaa-kwe Corbiere also acknowledged the event caterer Hiawatha and her team from Wiikwemkoong, who provided the individual snack boxes featuring a delicious selection of Indigenous foods. In addition to the individual snack boxes, participants were provided with individual self-care kits with hand sanitizer and masks inside.

She went on to note that the evening would not only be filled with amazing music and how inspiring it was to witness a "one-of-a-kind ITO drone show, inspired and narrated by our own Aundeck Omni Kaning member Herbie

Barnes. We are incredibly proud of you, Herbie, you are an inspiration to your fellow Indigenous members and youth."

"I wrote the story and the drone company put together a drone show to go with it," Mr. Barnes told The Expositor. "They said this is the first time they have done this with a story, usually they are doing it to music."

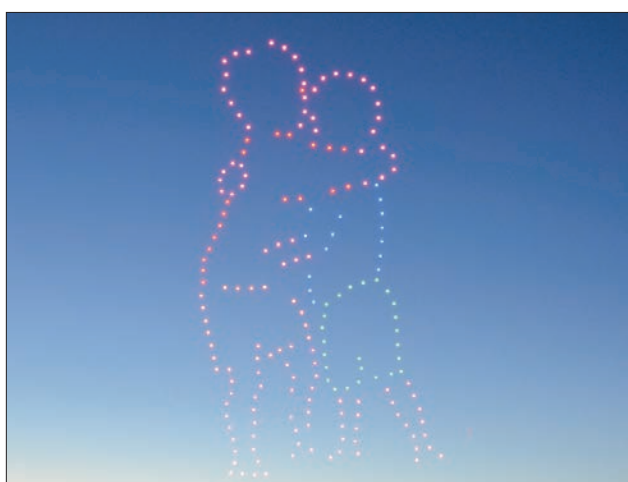
As for the story, Mr. Barnes explained "I created a new legend based on the Twins, equal part light and equal part dark. The motif is a foundational concept in Anishinaabe storytelling and fable and delivers a powerful message of living in balance."

As the mini-documentaries got underway, Ottawa host ELMNT FM radio in Ottawa introduced each of the 16 Indigenous artists from across Canada showcased in short documentaries produced by Jennifer Podemski and directed by Sarain Fox. Each artist told a visual story of their work, highlighting perspectives and meditations in connection to land/place, identity and their creative process.

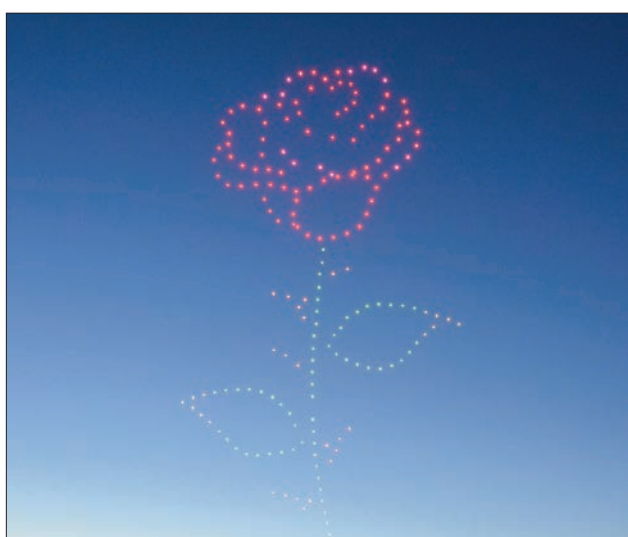
The hosts noted that storytelling is an important part of ...continued on page 23



Dawn Madahbee Leach, Reggie Leach and Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare pose for a photo.



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One of the many incredible displays put on by Herbie Barnes of Aundeck Omni Kaning.



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By Gord Siple

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Herbie Barnes of Aundeck Omni Kaning at the Summer Solstice Indigenous Festival on Saturday at the Flat Rock Entertainment Centre in Little Current.

## ...Herbie Barnes' drone storytelling closes Solstice Festival

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Indigenous cultures around the world and that narrative sovereignty lies at the heart of the Giiwewizh project. "Indigenous people continue to advocate for the reclamation of their cultures, voices and narratives. Giiwewizh celebrates artistic excellence in the Indigenous music community, the invaluable contributions to the mainstream music scene, and the resilience of Indigenous voices."

The first artist to be featured was Kanen, from the Innu community of Uashat mak Mani-Utenam, who unveiled her sensitive folk universe "reminiscent of humour and gentle melancholy." Kanen delivered an "intimate and touching show marked by her mature voice, accompanied by ukulele, contrabass, guitar and energetic percussions."

Next on virtual stage was Logan Staats, accompanied by his sister Leila. "Once in a red moon, an artist emerges on the scene as if fully formed," noted his citation. Born on the Six Nations Reserve and raised in Brantford, Logan Staats started writing and performing music in his early teens. "His haunting and distinct voice has earned him multiple opportunities to share the stage with acts like Buffy Sainte-Marie, Keith Secola, Mumford and Sons," just to name a few. Still a young man, Mr. Staats is now regarded as an accomplished, multi-nominated and an award winning artist himself. Forever a student of great music, Mr. Staats sincerely enjoys jamming, collaborating and learning from his contemporaries and other recording artists that inspire him.

Mamarudegyal MTHC (born Diana Hellson in Calgary) is a professional hip hop and R and B artist, founder of Vancouver-based Indigenous Hip Hop and Multimedia Group Rudegang Entertainment.

Morgan Toney kicked the vibe up a notch as the Mi'kmaq fiddler blended the fiddle with Mi'kmaq songs, including the 'Mi'kmaq honour song' and the 'Ko'jua.'

Closer to home, Nimkii from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territories is a world renowned hoop dancer, champion dancer and singer. Nimkii has collaborated with and performed on stage with award winning artists but is now blazing his own path, "blending traditional singing drumming and dancing styles with contemporary music and dance."

Artist Shawnee Kish makes her mark using music as medicine, utilizing a big soul voice to bring an empowering message. CBC named the two-spirit singer as its 2020 Searchlight winner and Billboard named Shawnee as one of their 'Artists You Should Know.' MTV put her on their list of their Top Gender Bending Artists. Shawnee's songs like 'Mirror Me' and 'Warrior Heart' have become anthems of hope and strength and were performed at this past New York City 50th Stonewall with global artists Lady Gaga and Madonna, as well as performing at the 2020 Canada Day for the prime minister's event in Ottawa.

Snotty Nose Rez Kids (SNRK) is a Canadian hip hop duo of Haisla (Indigenous) descent from Kitimat, composed of rappers Yung Trybez and Young D. Formed in 2016, SNRK released their first self-titled album in January 2017 and followed up that same year with their second full-length, 'The Average Savage,' in September 2017. The latter secured them Best Hip Hop Artist at the Western Canadian Music Awards, and cemented the duo on 2018's Top 10 list of the coveted Polaris Music Prize and a 2019 Juno Nomination for best Indigenous Music Album.

The North Sound's Alt-country sound hit the scene in 2014. Started by Forrest Eaglespeaker and supported by his partner Nevada Freistadt, The North Sound was created as a way to share stories in keeping true to Forrest's Blackfoot identity and traditions from Treaty 7 Territory.

Following the musical mini-docs and performances the vehicles containing the audience processed out into a nearby field where they were lined up for the spectacular drone show produced in collaboration between Mr. Barnes and North Star Fireworks.

The Little Current BIA has decided to cancel all activities that were planned for July 1st.

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## Gore Bay: Life's a hidden gem of a beach

by Isobel Harry

Gore Bay really comes into its own in summer. Suddenly, (or so it seems) the waterfront comes alive with happy outdoor activity. Complementing the bustling main street vibe of shops, restaurants and services, a whole other dimension unfolds down on the bay at this time of year.

Water Street runs the length of the v-shaped bay held within two bluffs—an old-fashioned wooden boardwalk meanders from one end of the bay to the other. From the Inn at Gore Bay with its guest rooms and 1890 Restaurant beneath the East Bluff at the south end, to the far side of the marina at the north, the boardwalk weaves along the shoreline, a distance of perhaps two kilometres. Walk along here to discover the marshlands of Bickell's Creek, the new children's playground with tall water-



The shallow, and therefore a little warmer, water at the beach in Gore Bay brings out swimmers in June.

photo by Isobel Harry

spout for surprise sprinklings, the tennis courts, the Red Roof Pavilion, now home to Purvis Fish and Chips (opening in July). The marina is chock-full of gleaming white boats at anchor, masts tinkling in the breeze; the marina store is stocked with smoked fish and soft ice cream, maps and boating

supplies and Canadian Yacht Charters (CYC) is in full swing for the season.

Here, across the street, is Gore Bay's oldest standing hotel, the Queen's Inn (1888), charmingly restored and prettily situated on a small rise that is the beginning of the slope of the West Bluff. At the time of Gore Bay's incorporation in 1890, this area was the hub of commercial activity centering around busy shipping docks and fishing operations, and Borron Street to the south of the Queen's Inn led to the

large homes of the town's founders. A walk up this hill reveals many of this era's homes in leafy grounds and a little further up, the limestone courthouse built when Gore Bay became the judicial seat of the Island in 1889, sided by the old jailer's home, now an award-winning museum of settler artifacts and modern gallery for contemporary art exhibitions.

Carrying on along Water Street past the boat yards and CYC's sprawling marina headquarters, the vista opens up wide into the

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Along the boardwalk on Gore Bay's waterfront, the Marina building (left) offers boater services and supplies and houses the rental operations of Canadian Yacht Charters. The 'Purvis' tug on the right has been fishing the North Channel and Georgian Bay for many years.

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North Channel of Lake Huron and the quartzite hills of LaCloche on the far north shore.

This part of the waterfront offers much of interest, but let's take a beach break first, right here at Gore Bay's little sandy getaway on the edge of all the goings-on. Take a right at the end of the marina's boat slips to a little sign behind Buoy's Eatery with patio serving craft pizzas and beers under sail-shaped awnings. The Gore Bay Rotary Beach sign points up to a deck that overlooks the beach, where you can get the lay of the land and gaze at the deeply forested heights of the East Bluff and the gliding sailboats below while planning your dip.

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**Knox United Church Rummage Sale** in Manitowaning has re-opened and will be ongoing Mondays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Social distancing and masks required.  
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**Are you concerned about someone's drinking?** Al-Anon has one purpose: Welcoming, giving hope and comfort to help family and friends of alcoholics. Changed attitudes can aid recovery. Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group: Thursdays at 7 pm in the library room at the Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya, 705-377-4892/705-377-5138. Espanola Al-Anon, Tuesdays at 7 pm, Anglican Church, 213 Tudhope Street, Espanola, 705-869-6595.  
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**notice**

**Food Cupboard**—The Gore Bay United Church is continuing this service during the COVID-19 outbreak with some changes. They will be open noon to 3 pm on Thursdays. Come to the side door (facing McQuarrie Motors) and knock. Food will be packed and passed outside to you. If you have questions, call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily.  
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**Good dry hay** and also seeking hayfield in Tehkummah. Call Nethan at 226-792-5240.  
4-7c

**Legion Events**

**Royal Canadian Legion** Branch 177 Wing Night, Thursday, July 1, 4 to 8 pm. Wings, \$1 each (sauces for wings: salt and pepper, sweet chili, sweet and sour, honey garlic, first, second and third degree, parmesan cheese and pepper and Cajun); cheese balls, two for \$1; Jalapeno poppers, \$1 each; cheese sticks, \$1 each; mushroom caps, nine for \$3. Take-out only, pick up at the Legion. To pre-order call or text 705-348-0123. Delivery within town limits, Little Current.  
6-7p

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**Questions or concerns about diabetes?** We can help. Please contact the MHC Diabetes Training and Care Centre. Individual and group appointments available with a registered nurse or dietitian certified in diabetes education. Clinics in Little Current, Mindemoya, Silver Water, Gore Bay and Manitowaning. Please call 705-368-2300 ext. 2415 for more information. Self-referrals accepted.  
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**Wanted, battery operated** scooter for a senior or wheelchair that can be used indoors. Also looking for 510 John Deere backhoe 86 for parts. Call Leo, 705-348-2045.  
5-6p

**Wanting to purchase** George Whyte Manitoulin Island Hearsay and Recollection, Volume One and Volume Two, 2012 history books. Phone 705-377-4645 in the evenings.  
6-7c

**Codependents Anonymous Manitoulin** for information, email codamanitoulin@gmail.com or visit Facebook codamanitoulin. No meetings running at present.  
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**Deadline** for text ads, like this, as well as boxed ads is Friday at 4 pm.

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

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

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

**Is alcohol a problem?** AA may be able to help. Meetings 7 days a week - visit www.area84aa.org/manitoulin or call 705-674-6217 for more info.  
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**Parkinson's Disease Support Group.** For those affected by the disease and their caregivers, meetings will be the third Thursday of every month, 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Mindemoya Public Library (at the Municipal office building), Mindemoya. Call Marilyn at 705-368-0756, Ext 238 if there are any questions. All welcome.  
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**Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.** To receive adult or youth/parent information on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis, more commonly known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, or to volunteer with our Association, please contact: The Myalgic Encephalomyelitis Association of Ontario. Tel: 416-222-8820 or 1-877-632-6682 (outside GTA) or write to: Ste. 402, 170 Donway West, Toronto, ON M3C 2G3. Please visit our web site at: www.meao.ca.  
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**Manitoulin Family Resources** offers programs to support and promote positive family relationships on Manitoulin and the North Shore. Violence against Women Prevention Services: Haven House Shelter, Outreach Counseling Crisis Line 705-377-5160; Toll Free Crisis Line 800-465-6788; Children's Services: Early ON Child and Family Centre, Little Current Child Care, Mindemoya Child Care 705-368-3400; Help Centre: Thrift Shop & Food Bank 705-368-3400; Administration 705-368-3400.  
Tfn

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**2003 Ford Windstar van**, as is, \$500. Call 705-282-7247  
5-6c

**Hardwood, \$100/cord;** softwood, \$75/cord. No delivery available. Call Manuel Kuepfer, 705-282-0689.  
5-8c

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6-7c

**Two FROTH-PAK 200** Sealant kits, best before August 7, 2021, \$350 each or \$600 for both. Call Bob 705-282-0540.  
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### Attractive commercial space for lease in Downtown Little Current

Bright, modern commercial space available for lease in downtown little current. The 800 sq ft (approx.) space has for more than 30 years been occupied as the local credit union office and can be available for a new tenancy by mid-June. The property is part of The Expositor office building, has large front windows with a waterfront view and has been recently renovated. There is ample on-street customer parking.

The property is appropriate for commercial offices or for a retail enterprise.

For more information or to make an appointment to view, please contact **(705) 968-1879** or email **editor@manitoulin.com**.  
Serious inquiries only, please.



Nip under the archway at the Harbour Centre and the beach awaits a few feet away.

photo by Isobel Harry

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Enjoy the respite, have a cooling swim, maybe take a walk out into the middle of the bay on the long, limestone boulder-lined break-wall to the right of the beach at the marina. Shore up a little energy, though, for a stroll through the huge treasure box that is the Harbour Centre's artists' studios, galleries and shops, next to the beach.

Here, on the spacious ground and second floors, fine artists and all manner of creative makers work year round to offer their paintings, watercolours, pottery, jewellery and leather, knitted and quilted pieces, handmade cards, soaps and salves in their welcoming individual studios and shops.

In the third floor airy and temperature-controlled William Purvis Marine Centre, aficionados of marine history and lore of the Great Lakes will be amazed by the Town of Gore Bay's vast collection of fascinating nautical memorabilia gathered over many years by historian and curator G. I. 'Buck' Longhurst.

A little detour down Lighthouse Road just beyond the Harbour Centre rewards with the sight of the Janet Head Lighthouse at the very end. Built in 1879 in the 'Georgian Bay style,' it has the keeper's home on the second floor and the lantern light on the top floor, reached from inside by a steep ladder up the 40-foot light tower. The beacon still turns its now-auto-

mated beam across the water in a unique sequence of flashes that identifies its location for navigation. Although the lighthouse keeper's home has been unlivid-in for years, it's been spiffed up for guided tours of the inside (pending pandemic rules).

Back across the road from the Harbour Centre, enjoy the craft beers of Split Rail Brewing Company, made with locally sourced ingredients like oats and hawberries, under their patio umbrellas; amble around the side to Finnia Chocolate and Cacao for a local, handmade, award-winning chocolate "bean to bar" experience that includes truffles and fudgesicles.

For those who like their beach with all possible amenities close at hand, Gore Bay's beach is hard to beat—a hidden gem tucked amidst the town's bounty of summer leisure activities, the best of both worlds.

### help wanted

## Help Wanted

Brookwood Brae is hiring full-time or part-time clubhouse staff for the season. Please apply to:

[pirates@amtelecom.net](mailto:pirates@amtelecom.net)



### help wanted



## The Corporation of the Township of Burpee and Mills

8 Bailey Line Rd., Evansville, ON P0P 1E0  
Phone & Fax 705-282-0624  
Email: [burpeemills@vianet.ca](mailto:burpeemills@vianet.ca)  
[www.burpeemills.com](http://www.burpeemills.com)

The Township of Burpee and Mills has a job opportunity for a By-law Enforcement Officer. The position is part-time (approximately 20 hours per week). The By-law Enforcement Officer is responsible for conducting investigations into alleged violations of the Municipality's by-laws, follow-up with negotiation and education and enforcement of those by-laws.

Please see the website for a copy of the job description. Deadline for submissions is Thursday, July 22, 2021, 4 pm. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. We appreciate your interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

### help wanted



## KENJGEWIN TEG

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[WWW.KENJGEWINTEG.CA](http://WWW.KENJGEWINTEG.CA)  
705-377-4342

### help wanted



## Jakes Home Centre is hiring!

We are looking for a diverse individual to join our team here at Jakes! This is a full-time position that will involve working primarily in our Little Current location. We offer a competitive wage and a benefit package. Sales will be the primary focus, however, other duties will include product assembly, product receiving, and other duties as required. Sales experience is a bonus.

For more information or to submit a resume, please contact us by email at – [info@jakes.ca](mailto:info@jakes.ca).

### help wanted




## DENTAL ASSISTANT

Temporary full time  
Email resume to [info@cassondentistry.com](mailto:info@cassondentistry.com)  
[www.cassondentistry.com](http://www.cassondentistry.com)

### help wanted

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL-BASED BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTION WORKER

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre – Aasgaabwitwindwaa Binoojinik Wiin ni gshkiwewiwaat Program is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker. Staff are based in following communities: M'Chigeeng, Sagamok, Whitefish River and Wikwemkoong, therefore, travel may be required or office base may be flexible.

**Summary**  
The School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker will work with students who are identified as having needs for behaviour intervention or school-based mental health intervention.

**Responsibilities**

1. Provide services in different partner communities, travelling independently
2. Establish positive relationships with school staff in all partner communities
3. Meet with care coordinators to review cases and develop understanding of referrals
4. Meet with children at their school
5. Meet with parents and teachers as needed to ensure adequate assessment for each child
6. Write comprehensive assessment and treatment plans that include clear recommendations for teachers, school staff and parents, and also recommendations for individual clinical interventions following best practice standards
7. Assist families in understanding reports and in implementing the strategies at home
8. Provide information and support to school staff to assist them in developing competencies in behaviour intervention and children's mental health
9. Be responsive to school staff when they identify training needs and report these to program manager
10. Participate in school staff training events

**Qualifications**

- Masters level degree in Social Work or equivalent preferred, but all interested applicants encouraged to apply
- Must be registered or be eligible to register with the College of Social Workers or as a Psychotherapist
- Social work experience; experience in children's mental health or child and family therapy preferred
- Two years' recent post-masters experience in an educational setting preferred
- Experience working with children/youth experiencing social/emotional difficulties
- Demonstrated ability to work with a multi-disciplinary team
- Committed to community-based services

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

**School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker**  
Attention: **Melissa Roy**  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: [mroy@wikyhealth.ca](mailto: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 Abstract, Accreditations and Driver's Licence. 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.

## coming events

**The Little Shoppe Around the Corner** at Knox United Church in Manitowaning has re-opened for the season; Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.  
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**Cole's Art Show and Sale**, Saturday, July 10 (weather permitting), 1 pm to 4 pm at 7 Campbell St, East. Little Current. Over 40 paintings.  
705-968-0383.  
6-8c

**Mini Farmers' Market** beginning Friday, June 25, 9 am to ?, at Beard's farm, 39 Townline Road, Tehkummah (off Hwy 542). Weekly on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays (or whenever we are home). Organic produce in season, also yard sale table. Something for everyone. Everyone welcome.  
705-859-2604.  
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# KENJGEWIN TEG

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### TRADES, APPRENTICESHIPS AND SKILLS PROGRAM COORDINATOR FULL-TIME POSITION

Kenjgewin Teg is a lifelong place of learning asserting its Anishinabek educational autonomy by using a community-driven and community-based approach in its programs and services. In exercising this autonomy, Kenjgewin Teg champions the teachings of Anishnaabe Aadziwin and the Ojibwe language, Anishinabemowin.

Kenjgewin Teg respects, acknowledges and supports the individuality, personal connectedness, and uniqueness in each of its valued Indigenous and non-Indigenous employees in learning more or being introduced to Anishnaabe Aadziwin and Anishinabemowin.

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

**Trades, Apprenticeships and Skills Coordinator:**  
**Classification: PSC3 Team Leader Operational Support/Salary Grade Band G**

**Underhire Level Salary Range:** \$45,306 – 50,341 – 55,375  
**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**

For a complete job description or to learn more about this employment opportunity, please email [humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca](mailto:humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca).

**Interested individuals can send a complete application package that consists of:**

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

Applications can be received marked confidential either through email to [humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca](mailto:humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca) or mail to:

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 P0P 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.

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# KENJGEWIN TEG

## 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

Kenjgewin Teg is a lifelong place of learning asserting its Anishinabek educational autonomy by using a community-driven and community-based approach in its programs and services. In exercising this autonomy, Kenjgewin Teg champions the teachings of Anishnaabe Aadziwin and the Ojibwe language, Anishinabemowin.

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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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Kenjgewin Teg  
"Health and Wellness Program Coordinator"  
c/o Director of Operations  
374A Hwy. 551, P.O. Box 328, M'Chigeeng First Nation, ON P0P 1G0  
Tel: 705-377-4342 Fax: 705-377-4379

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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 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 Wikwemikong Health Centre

P.O. Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive

Wikwemikong, 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.



## 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.**

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## 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.

## 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 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:

- 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.kgcf.org/employment](http://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 – 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,

Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0

Fax: (705) 859-2195

Email: [hr@kgcf.org](mailto: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.



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## Qualified Freelance Reporters

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](mailto:editor@manitoulin.com).

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



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY NOOKOMISNAANG SHELTER CASUAL COUNSELLORS

### Summary

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

### Responsibilities

- Plan and facilitate safe therapeutic counselling to individuals and/or families by providing:
  - Accurate and complete intake packages
  - Orientation to the environment and counselling process
  - Complete comprehensive assessments, circle of life self-assessment and healing journey plan of care
- In accordance to the minimal standards, ensure case management responsibilities are current and accurate by:
  - Submitting documentation for feedback, revision and approval
  - Updating client contact sheets and case management tracking sheets
  - Identifying and developing safety plans for high risk situations
- Prepare, conduct and maintain administrative duties by:
  - Adhering to and abiding by the contents of the Shelter Service Operations Manual
  - Complete and submitting weekly time sheets and appropriate leave forms
  - Complete and submitting monthly reports
- Promote a supportive, respectful and harmonious team environment by:
  - Working cooperatively and in coordination with all staff members
  - Communicating concerns will all staff members in a sensitive and direct manner to promote understanding and resolution
  - Providing compassion/nurturance to those involved with the Shelter who are experiencing death/tragedy e.g. cooking

### Qualifications

- Post-Secondary graduate in Social Work or relevant discipline or a minimum of three years' equivalent combination of work and volunteer experience in the provision of services regarding violence and other relevant disciplines
- Understanding of the impact of family violence on the individual family, clan, nation and community

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

**Casual Counsellor  
Attention: Melissa Roy**

NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0

Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

**Posted: June 20, 2021**

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

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**ALL INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.**



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT 1 YEAR CONTRACT - MATERNITY LEAVE

NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre requires a motivated, energetic and career-minded Occupational Therapy Assistant in our Aasgaabwitwindwaa Binoojiinik Program serving the communities of Wikwemikong, M'Chigeeng, Whitefish River First Nation and Sagamok Anishnawbek.

### Summary

The Occupational Therapy Assistant will act as a team player operating in a collaborative and interdisciplinary environment, with a focus on enabling occupational performance in the areas of self-care and productivity within the school environment. As an effective communicator, the Occupational Therapy Assistant will have demonstrated skills in group settings and one-on-one situations, and work well both independently and in collaboration with others. He/she will provide occupational therapy treatment to students and complete associated documentation.

### Responsibilities

- Utilize specialized occupational therapy knowledge and skills to encourage/facilitate activity of daily living skills and productivity;
- Provide individualized intervention, consultation and education as part of an interdisciplinary team either in-person or through virtual means (telephone, email, videoconferencing);
- Consult to define, monitor and adapt the appropriate plan of action of the specific individual's case;
- Provide on-going monitoring of individual's progress towards identified goals;
- Document pertinent information as it relates to the delivery of occupational therapy services;
- Understand and comply with the legal requirements of licensure, legislation, scope of practice, and policies and procedures of the program;
- Respect the individual's beliefs and values and protect their right to confidentiality, privacy and dignity.

### Qualifications

- Diploma from a college-level Occupational Therapy Assistant and Physiotherapy Assistant program preferred. Other college-level diplomas and university degrees in combination with relevant experience will be considered;
- Employment or fieldwork placement experience in pediatric occupational therapy settings preferred, with school health experience considered an asset;
- Ability to function within an interdisciplinary team (including education and health care professionals);
- Demonstrated ability to work independently;
- Ability to adapt to and work effectively within a variety of situations, and with various individuals or groups;
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with pediatric clients and their families and with colleagues using a variety of formats;
- Ability to recognize individual learning styles and adapt communication and therapeutic approach accordingly;
- Demonstrated ability in problem-solving and critical thinking.

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

**Occupational Therapy Assistant  
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant**

NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16 A Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0

Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

**Deadline: July 5, 2021 @ 4:00pm**

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# KENJGEWIN TEG



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**KENJGEWIN TEG IS SEEKING A COMMITTED TEAM MEMBER INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR ORGANIZATION WITH AMAZING TEAM MEMBERS!**

### ANISHINAABE AADZIWIN MANAGER ONE YEAR CONTRACT: JULY 2021 – JULY 2022

Kenjgewin Teg is a lifelong place of learning asserting its Anishinabek educational autonomy by using a community-driven and community-based approach in its programs and services. In exercising this autonomy, Kenjgewin Teg champions the teachings of Anishnaabe Aadziwin and the Ojibwe language, Anishinabemowin.

Kenjgewin Teg respects, acknowledges and supports the individuality, personal connectedness, and uniqueness in each of its valued Indigenous and non-Indigenous employees in learning more or being introduced to Anishnaabe Aadziwin and Anishinabemowin.

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

### Anishinaabe Aadziwin Manager:

**Classification: Manager M3 Department Head/Salary Grade Band I**

Under Hire Level Salary Range:	Qualified Level Salary Range:	Advanced Qualifications Salary Range:
\$51,146 – 56,829 – 62,512	\$58,789 – 65,321 – 71,854	\$66,432 – 73,813 – 81,194

**Position Objective:** The Anishinaabe 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 Anishinaabe 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: Anishinaabe 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 Anishinaabe 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 Anishinabemowin 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

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

For a complete job description or to learn more about this employment opportunity, please email [humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca](mailto:humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca).

#### Interested individuals can send a complete application package that consists of:

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

Applications can be received marked confidential either through email to [humanresources@kenjgewinteg.ca](mailto: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.



M.S.S. Kids in the Halls Rachael Orford

I hope every dad, uncle, grandpa, stepdad and everyone else had a wonderful Father's Day weekend! Of course, a dad joke is needed right now. For those that don't know, a dad joke is a joke that is supposed to be a roll your eyes kind of funny.

Why is Peter Pan always flying? Because he Neverlands.

Classes are officially over for 2020-2021. Where did time go? Monday, June 21 was the last day of Week 1 classes, and Tuesday, June 22 was the last day of Week 2 classes. Today, Wednesday, June 23 through Monday, June 28, there will be individual conferences with students who require further support.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, drop-off times must be arranged to return textbooks, library books and school Chromebooks. Drop off is this week, Monday June 21 to Friday, June 25. If you have not already set up a time, please call the school at 705-368-7000 to do so.

Want to keep learning this summer? The deadline to sign up for summer e-learning courses is this Friday, June 25. Available courses run from July 5 - August 4. Students can sign up for a new course that they wish to take, or they can

sign up for an 'update' course as a way to improve their course knowledge or as credit recovery for a course previously failed. To meet curriculum expectations, students must be available to attend the full duration of the course. Timelines and due dates will not be adjusted to accommodate vacations. Speak to your guidance counsellor if you have questions or wish to sign up. There are information sheets on courses available and sign up forms in the "2020-2021 Manitoulin SS" Google Classroom.

I am pleased to announce this year's MSS valedictorian is a very well deserving student who has demonstrated generosity, leadership and academic success over her four years at MSS. Congratulations, Darci Debassige! Darci will be attending McMaster University in the fall for social science.

Monday, June 28 will be an exciting day for this year's graduates! Although it is not the ideal situation for graduation, there will be a link sent to graduates on Monday through an email with the 2021 MSS Virtual Graduation ceremony. The link will come in the form of a video ...continued on page 36

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Manitoulin Hotel - Conference Centre JOB POSTINGS

Various Full-Service Hotel Positions Available Both Full & Part Time. Must be available days, evenings, weekends & holidays

We currently have openings for Housekeeping, Laundry, Kitchen & Restaurant Staff Housekeepers, laundry attendants and restaurant servers.

Work Setting Full-Service Hotel

Specific Skills

Job description varies by position and are available on Indeed. Greeting guests in a professional manner. Able to communicate well with a wide variety of people in person, take pride in your appearance, take pride in the presentation, can complete multiple tasks, and have a sense of urgency and are attentive to detail. Provide information on hotel facilities and services; Provide general information about points of interest in the area; Provide information about services available in the community; Arrange services required for guests with special needs; Customer service oriented.

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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UCCM ANISHNAABE 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.

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

Individuals of Anishnaabe ancestry are encouraged to apply.

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

UCCM ANISHNAABE POLICE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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:

- University or College Degree/Diploma in Business or Finance, or combination of equivalent experience; Minimum of 2-3 years of recent work-related financial and IT experience in a business environment; Experience processing financial and payroll transactions; Excellent written and verbal communication skills Knowledge of IT infrastructures, software, hardware, and ability to troubleshoot minor issues; and 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 POP 1G0

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# Nature Conservancy getting closer to reaching fundraising goal for Vidal Bay

by Tom Sasvavi

**VIDAL BAY**—The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) has raised 91 percent of its fundraising goal toward the purchase of the Vidal Bay forests and shoreline property on Western Manitoulin.

"We are inching closer and closer to our goal," stated Pia Kaukoranta Vahabi, acting director of development and communications with NCC, when contacted by The Expositor recently. "We are on the last stretch and we are turning over every stone, and will be posting this news on Facebook and our website to let anyone who may have not heard about our plans and the purchase of the property; and who would be interested in making a donation to the fundraising campaign."

Ms. Kaukoranta Vahabi noted, "we are at 91 percent of the funding we had hoped to raised. The initial goal was to raise \$16 million. We have \$1.4 million more to raise, so we have a ways to go."

"This is one of the largest projects the NCC has taken on in Ontario to date. This is a rare opportunity to protect such a large tract of ecologically significant land," an NCC release stated.

In acquiring the 7,608 hectares (18,800 acres) on Manitoulin Island at Vidal Bay, "when combined with nearby and adjacent conservation lands that we have already conserved, this will become a protected area complex of 250 square kilometres (24,860 hectares/61,435 acres), the largest of its kind south of the Canadian shield in Ontario. It will help us protect and care for the Vidal Bay forests and shoreline forever," the release continues.

"The Vidal Bay forestry and shoreline property features coastal cliffs, undeveloped Lake Huron shorelines, inland lakes and wetlands, intact forests and alvars. Protecting large swaths of high-

quality habitat is essential for the ongoing survival of the millions of migratory birds that visit from southern Ontario every spring and fall. The wetlands and shoreline are important habitat for breeding and migrating waterfowl, including ducks, loons and grebes," the NCC notes.

"Manitoulin Island is and always has been a priority for conservation for its undeveloped Great Lakes shorelines, globally rare alvars and meadow marsh. The Island is home to globally rare and at-risk plants, such as Lakeside Daisy, Hill's thistle, as well as the endangered mottled duskywing butterfly. It plays host to at-risk bird and reptiles and supports healthy populations of white-tailed deer, black bear and gray wolf," the release says.

"But the Island faces many challenges. Each year, the quiet beaches, soaring and clear turquoise water bring more people to visit Manitoulin Island. Ever growing development pressures for cottages and second homes pose a significant threat and, like most Great Lake shorelines, the opportunities for conservation

have become few and far between," the release continues.

"When it comes to conserving Canada's most important natural areas, buying land is just the beginning. Stewardship

managing the land for the long term is at the heart of what we do. Every property we protect is monitored and managed so that the ecosystems are maintained and species thrive, even if that means leaving it be," the

release adds.

"We're doing what we can in the meantime, before we officially complete the fundraising campaign and get on the property," said Ms. Kaukoranta Vahabi. "Our biologists are itching

to be able to do the baseline work needed. We hope to be able to get people on the property soon and have consultations with community members and First Nations. "We are getting closer."

## Death Notices

### JEAN ELIZABETH MCLENNAN (HUTCHINSON)

July 21, 1918 - June 17, 2021



Jean passed away peacefully where she wanted to be, at her cottage on Lake Manitou in Manitowaning with her loving granddaughter Melanie (Carr) by her side. Even in her last days, she was still the 'boss' and making things happen. We all were honoured to do our part to make her last wish successful. Beloved wife of Gladdin (Happy) McLennan (predeceased December 1991). Loving mother to Jill (Carr - Larry) (both predeceased). Eldest daughter of Elias and Grace (Mitchell) Hutchinson (both predeceased). Loving sister of Doris Williamson (Orion 'Bus' - both predeceased), Bettina (Betty) McGregor (George - both predeceased), Douglas Hutchinson (Mary) of Sandfield, Mary Lou Lohead (Alex) of Melbourne, Ontario and Harold Hutchinson (predeceased infant). Family was always #1 in her life and she would do anything she could to help each and every one of them out. Aunt Jean was adored by many nieces and nephews by both blood and by heart. There are many words to describe Jean from amazing, to being an ambassador, to being the Matriarch of the family. Her memory was like no other, from dates to names to events of what happened in the past. We all wish we had her gift. Jean loved people and to be around them to have a good laugh, tell stories, and was always up to having a good party at which she could dance at. She had the love of community and making it a better place to be. Born in Sandfield, she attended Manitowaning High School and eventually went on to attend Owen Sound Business College. She took over the insurance business from Milt McConkey and made it her own, McLennan Insurance for 40 years until she retired at the age of 80 in 1998. But many would say she never retired at all. Jean made contributions to the success of almost every organization in Manitowaning from the early days of the skating club, the museum, the arena, the curling rink and the golf course to name a few. With her drive and determination she was successful in every grant applied for, and always for the betterment of the community. She has been the president of the UCW for many years right up to her last day. Jean never said no to a challenge and always seemed to find a way to make it happen. If there was a way, she would find it. Jean always loved dressing up for a dance, a parade or a good halloween party. Her love of parades found her riding in style in the last years in her favourite red convertible with her favorite chauffeur. Today may Jean be dancing in heaven with her beloved 'Happy' smiling down on each and every one of us. May her legacy be, do something nice for someone with no expectations in return. Do something for your community to make it a better place to live. Jean's Lifetime endeavours; Drama Club, swimming program, skating club, Museum, Manitowaning Historical Society, Michael's Bay Historical Society, arena, Agricultural Society, horse races, Norisle, Golf Course, Curling Club, Knox United Church.

*Jean was: 'Manitowaning's Grand Dame,' 'she was strong in her views but respected by all,' 'if you ever need an example of "giving back," look to Jean!,' 'she was an inspiration to everyone who knew her, and lived life to the fullest right to the very end,' 'she was larger than life, a true icon,' 'she was a wonderful lady, a community-minded person, a business-minded person who loved to have fun,' 'loving, strong, remarkable lady but one of a kind,' 'she was a force to be reckoned with and also an inspiring and determined woman,' 'she made an immeasurable contribution to her community and others.'*

Visitation will be by appointment only. Please visit Island-FuneralHome.ca to book a time slot. Visitation is Wednesday, June 23, 2021 from 2:15 pm to 5:45 pm at Island Funeral Home. Graveside service by invitation only. All COVID protocols must be followed including face mask, hand sanitizing and social distancing. In lieu of flowers donations in memory of Jean can be made to the Knox United Church, c/o Bob Purdy, 25 Napier Street, Manitowaning, Ontario P0P 1N0 or the Assiginack Curling Club, 26A Clover Valley Road, Manitowaning, Ontario P0P 1N0.

### MAXWELL LLOYD WAGG

May 2, 1934 - June 14, 2021



Max Wagg passed away peacefully on Monday, June 14, 2021 at the Georgian Bay Hospital surrounded by loved ones following a brief illness. He was 87 years old. He will be dearly missed by his beloved wife of 62 years Jean Wagg, now residing at the Villa Long Term Care Centre in Midland. He is also survived

by his brother Jim and his wife Linda. Also grieving are his children and grandchildren: Larry Wagg and his wife Carrie Wyse, Brian Wagg and his wife Ursula Aust and their children Max, Leo and Ben, Kevin Wagg and his wife Cheryl McMurray and their children Matthew and Tricia, Nancy Marion and her husband Dean Marion and their son Kyle. Max grew up on Manitoulin Island and remained close with many friends and family members from that area. He raised his family in the Midland/Penetang area where he worked as the head of the science department at Penetanguishene Secondary School for 20 years. In retirement he kept extremely busy driving tour buses and enjoying an endless stream of projects including wood cutting, making maple syrup, gardening and building/fixing just about anything you can imagine. He was always generous with his friends and eager to help others. He was a member of several community organizations and an active member of his church. Max was loved by many and left this world a better place than he found it. The family has chosen to postpone Max's memorial service to a time when COVID restrictions have been eased. There will be another announcement when the date has been determined. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre or to Saint Paul's United Church in Midland.

### MORLEY EDWARD PURVIS

(Mort)

1939-2021



Mort passed away at home on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 surrounded by his loving family at the age of 82. Beloved husband of Marie. Proud father of Mike (Kyu) and Christine (Cliff). Doting grandfather of Neve. Brother of Jack (Ellen) and the late Jim, Harry and Rene. Brother-in-law of Bob Hughes (Glenda) and Doug Hughes (Simone). Uncle to nieces and nephews in Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury and Alberta. Born to Ivan and Nell Purvis on June 4, 1939, Mort was raised on Manitoulin Island and later made Sault Ste. Marie his home. He was a graduate of Laurentian University and worked for many years at the MNR as a fisheries technician. He was a loyal blood donor, a member of the Algoma Model Engineering Society and spent many hours tinkering on small engines, piston pumps and clocks in his garage. Mort enjoyed spending time with family at camp on Michipicoten Island and Manitoulin Island. He loved fishing, boating and making people smile. A private graveside service has been held at Greenwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Sault Area Hospital Cancer Care Fund or the Alzheimer Society of Sault Ste. Marie. Special thanks to Kim Timmerman, Leslie Gowlett, Dr. Rassouli and Dr. Booth for their care and attention in recent months and years. Arrangements entrusted to Northwood Funeral Home Cremation and Reception Centre (942 Great Northern Rd, Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6B 0B6, 705-945-7758), NorthWoodFuneral.com.

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

### + in memoriam



**MISHIBINIJIMA**—In loving memory of Rose Violet Mishibinijima, March 22, 1949 to June 23, 2017.

A limb fell from the family tree, Yet a voice keeps saying "Grieve not for me." Remember the good times, Remember the laughter and the song, Remember the times I was strong.

My mind is at ease And my soul is at rest, I feel I am truly blessed. I miss you all dearly, So keep up your chin, Until the time we are together again. With much love, Ed, sons and family 6p

**CASE**—In loving memory of our wife, mother and grandmother, Margaret Case. He Only Takes The Best God saw she was her happiest

And someone would not let that be, So He put His arms around her And whispered "Come with me." With tear-filled eyes we watched her Suffer and fade away, Although we loved her deeply We could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating, Hardworking hands put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best. Lovingly remembered by husband Bill Case and family 6c

### thank you

Thank you to all the nurses and doctors at the Mindemoya hospital and St. Joseph's hospital in Sudbury for all your kindness and help. Also thank you to our family and friends for all the support after the passing of my husband, Richard Rusk. Thank you all, Viv Rusk 6c

I am deeply humbled and very thankful for the many good wishes on the occasion of my 75th birthday. Thank you to all those who organized and attended the surprise drive-by of over 50 vehicles - fire truck, transport, tractor and boat, bicycles and cars. Jim Smith playing the saxophone birthday song, many emails (122), cards (40), gifts and phone calls. A special thank you to Tammi, Jeff, Ellen and Gerry, Spencer and Jesse for the delicious birthday dinner. I am truly blessed by wonderful friends and neighbours. Thank you one and all! Erwin Thompson 6c

**M.S.S. Kids in the Halls**



**Rachael Orford**

...continued from page 34 which will allow students and their family to watch it at their convenience.

Also, on Monday, June 28, Manitoulin Secondary School staff will be hopping on a bus for the second annual (hopefully not annual after this year) graduation bus tour. Staff will be visiting every graduate at their home or work to personally congratulate them on this important milestone. Congratulations to the MSS graduating class of 2021! I wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavors.

With distance learning, some projects this semester became extra creative. Classes created Rube Goldberg machines and virtual performances were put together, just to name a few. For a music project, my classmate, Jocelyn Kuntsi and I put together a virtual saxophone quartet. We performed the song 'Hip Dudes.' I, Rachael, played Alto Sax 1 and 2, and Jocelyn played a tenor sax part as well as her baritone sax part. Check it out on YouTube at youtube.com/watch?v=rSbANsqnzM and share it with fellow music lovers!

A music joke for you: What musical key do cows sing in? Beef flat.

As the school year comes to a close, staff and students will not only be saying farewell and good luck to the graduating class, but also a sincere thank you and best wishes to MSS Principal Jamie Mohammed who will be moving to C.C. McLean Public School in Gore Bay as the new principal. We all welcome Ms. Christy Case, who will be leaving Little Current Public School to become the new principal of MSS as of August 23. Best of luck, Mr. Mohammed and wel-

come to Ms. Case!  
Joke of the week: What did the little corn say to the mama corn? Where is pop corn?  
Upcoming events

include summer break!  
Until next September, "Dream and Believe. Learn and Achieve!"

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
All claims against the estate of Mary Ahsmann of McKerrow who died on November 10, 2020 must be filed with the undersigned by July 2, 2021.  
  
Patricia Ackroyd  
63 Michon Rd. West  
McKerrow Ontario  
POP 1M0

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
  
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.**  
  
Larry S. Humenik  
19 Argyle St. N  
Caledonia, ON N3W 2G6  
Solicitor of the Estate


**Notice to Creditors**  
  
All claims against the Estate of James Murray McDermid late of Providence Bay who died September 28, 2015.  
  
And all claims against the Estate of Audrey Leola McDermid late of Providence Bay who died September 8, 2020, must be filed with the undersigned by July 21, 2021 after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to claim of which notice has been received June 15, 2021.  
  
Jamie McDermid, estate trustee  
Box 16  
Providence Bay, ON  
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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**  
**FOR: Creation and Updates of Policies & Procedures**  
**NAD MADWIN MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC, WIIKWEMKOONG, ON**  
16A Complex Drive, Box 101, Wiikwemkoong, ON, P0P 2J0 Phone: 705-859-3164

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 policies 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.


**SERVICES**  
The proponent shall provide the following services:  

- Undertake an organization needs assessment or gap analysis
- Undertake research to identify best practices in similar organizations
- Update or develop a comprehensive clinical policy and procedures manual

**SCHEDULE AND TIMING OF PROJECT**  
**Proposals must be received by July 16, 2021 @ 4:00pm EST**  
It is expected that the project will begin during the week of August 2, 2021. The completion date is likely to be on October 29, 2021. Alternative timelines could be considered.

All enquiries related to this RFP posting including requests for the **RFP FULL PACKAGE information**, questions and clarification, are to be directed to:  
**Melissa Roy, Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca**

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**The Corporation of The Township of Assiginack**

**Request for Proposals (RFP)**  
2021-01 Shingle Assiginack Heritage "Museum Roof" (2:00PM)  
2021-02 Install Napier Street "Sidewalks" (1:00PM)  
2021-03 Replace "Old Mill Siding" (3:00PM)  
2021-04 Purchase and install "Security Cameras" (3:30PM)


**RFP WALK THROUGHS ARE REQUIRED:**  
Friday, June 25, 2021 (TIMES ABOVE)

**Request for Tenders (RFT)**  
2021-05 To Provide Aggregate  
2021-06 Surface Treatment  
2021-07 Winter Sand

**Timelines for all RFPs & RFTs**  
ALL FORMS WITH DIRECTIVES ARE AVAILABLE AT [www.assiginack.ca](http://www.assiginack.ca)  
**ISSUE DATE:** Friday, June 18, 2021  
**QUESTIONS REQUIRED BY:** Monday, June 28, 2021 (Noon)  
**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** Friday, July 2, 2021 (4:00 pm)  
**SUBMISSION TO:**  
The Township of Assiginack  
156 Arthur Street  
P.O. Box 238  
Manitowaning, ON P0P 1N0  
ATTN: Ron Cooper, Public Works Superintendent

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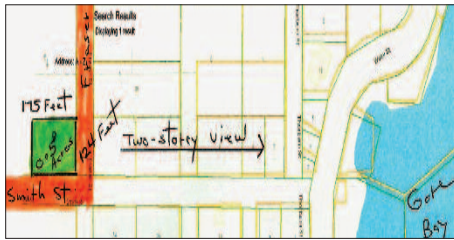


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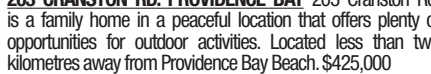
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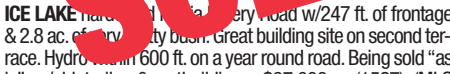
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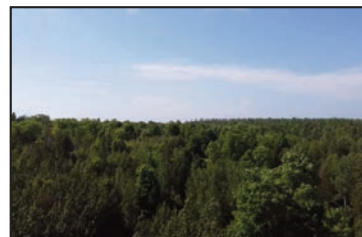
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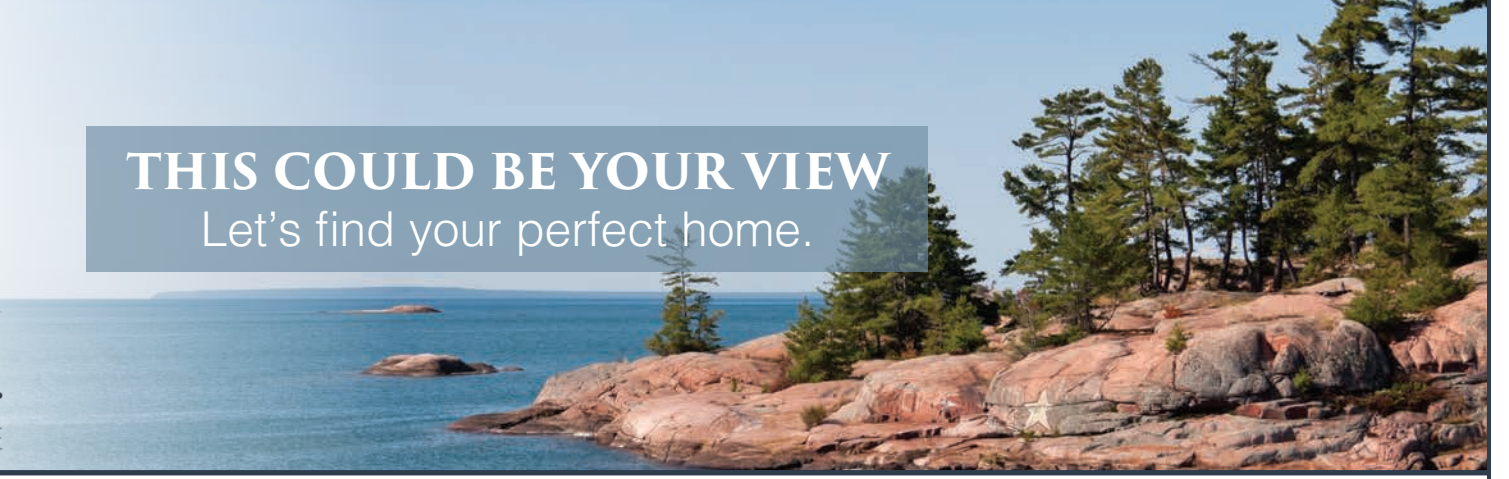
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**SPECTACULAR COUNTRY HOME** - Situated on over 44 acres with exceptional north and west views overlooking the North Channel of Lake Huron. Very well maintained and upgraded raised bungalow features large spacious layout, full finished basement, propane & wood burning fireplaces, huge deck, pool, sauna, hot tub, detached garage, workshop, etc. Several trails through the property to access both forested and open areas and enjoy to the fullest. This home has it all! MLS#2095516

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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



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**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



**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



**LACLOCHE MOUNTAIN RESORT ON CHARLTON LAKE IN WHITEFISH FALLS!!!!** - This resort known as Bearskin Lodge and Outfitters comes turnkey with 9 rustic 2 & 3 bdrm log cabins as well as an owners' residence & another cabin, they allow friends & workers to stay. The housekeeping cottages each have their own hydro panels & each have their own bathrooms & appliances that are relatively new with upgraded wiring. Asking \$975,000. MLS#2077603



**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



**FOUR SEASON COTTAGE ON SOUTH BAY!!** - This 3 bdrm cottage is just 5 mins from the amenities of Manitowaning, is turn-key & includes beds, T.V., new sectional, new kitchen table, chairs & all appliances including a stackable washer & dryer. The lot is about 2 1/2 acres in size & comes with an additional 100 ft x 100 ft lot on opposite side of road. The land is mainly treed & flat with 100 ft of sandy beach shoreline. Also, there is a detached single car garage on the lot & a large plastic storage shed which houses the water treatment system. Both buildings have metal roofs & are low maintenance. This 720 sq. ft. beauty is waiting for you but may not be around long so book your viewing today. Asking \$379,000. MLS#2095872



**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



**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



**AFFORDABLE TURNKEY 4 SEASON COTTAGE!!!!** - This affordable turnkey 3 bdrm cottage on leased land is fully insulated, less than 10 years old & can be used year-round. The very large corner lot comes with large decks, many storage sheds & 2 driveways. Access to the sand bottom lake is a very short walk. Almost all contents including pullout couch, quality furnishings, dishes, etc. are included at a price of only \$139,000!!!! MLS#2087348



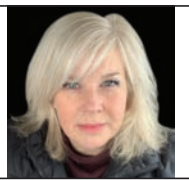
**896 FT OF LAKE MANITOU WATERFRONT** - Built in the 1920's, Maple Rocks Lodge is now for sale by its owners of over 30 yrs. This family compound boasts a main lodge with a lounge area, stone fireplace, dining room & large kitchen overlooking the lake. There is a total of 16 structures on the property 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



**CHARMING 1 BDRM + LOFT HOME ON CARDWELL STREET IN MANITOWANING** - The water view home has a vaulted wood ceiling in the kitchen/dining room area, with modern contemporary fixtures & lighting, including a farm sink & an electric fireplace, & wood trim that speak volumes. Features include a high-efficiency oil furnace, septic system, & a holding tank for water. This 1.15 acre lot has mature cedar trees & the home comes furnished so view all the inclusions. Call Now! MLS#2096938



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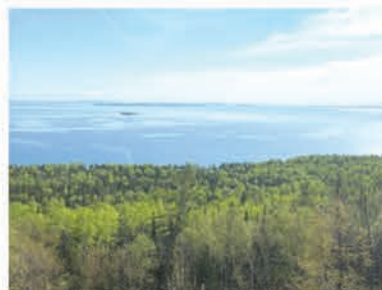
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