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HAPPY ENDING—Dave and Pam Gartner of Brechin pose with their snowmobile, safely on its trailer, outside of their lodgings at the Killarney Bay Inn. The couple fell through the ice during a snowmobile outing to Little Current last Friday, their first ever trip to the Island, and were overwhelmed by the generosity and kindness of Islanders during their ordeal.

photos by Todd Corbiere

Inset: The submerged snowmobile in the North Channel, just before it is pulled to shore. Note the pressure crack and the sign, urging snowmobilers to go slow over the pressure crack, which warm temperatures had caused to open up.

Snowmobiling couple's dunking in North Channel waters leads to shelter, help and hospitality

Southern Ontario pair found support 'unbelievable'

by Alicia McCutcheon

NORTH CHANNEL—A snowmobiling trip to Manitoulin for one Brechin, Ontario couple—their first visit to the world's largest freshwater island—didn't go according to plan when they plunged through the ice after almost reaching their destination of Little Current on Friday, but they learned firsthand the caring and hospitable nature of Haweaters in the process, vowing to return...under different circumstances.

On Friday, Northeast Town Fire Chief Darren Bailey received a call for emergency dispatch, alerting him to a 9-1-1 call from two snowmobilers who had plunged into the icy waters of the North Channel and needed assistance. He explained that when the fire crew arrived, they saw a large pressure crack that could be observed from the shore, and a mostly submerged snowmobile in the open water in front of the crack.

The couple, Dave and Pam Gartner of Brechin, a rural community near Orillia, had spent the

week snowmobiling in the Muskokas but warmer weather there made them decide to head for more northerly climes and so the pair trailered their snowma-

chine to Killarney where they got a room at the Killarney Bay Inn. The Gartners took the ice trail to Espanola, stopping to eat before

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Expositor launches virtual shopping mall

ManitoulinMall.com is for buying, selling, trading and more

MANITOULIN—It's launched and is taking off like a rocket.

The beta (testing) version of the new ManitoulinMall.com buy-sell-trade website went live late last week and the number of members joining by press time Monday was already nosing 500.

This is another initiative of The Manitoulin Publishing Co. Ltd.'s Expositor Office, specifically of webmaster Dave Patterson. "We felt strongly that there should be a locally built and administered shopping platform," Mr. Patterson said, "rather than people having to use one of the big inter-

local anyway, so this focus of ManitoulinMall.com will be local: Manitoulin, Espanola and the North Shore. We are also promoting it into Sudbury, the Soo and Elliot Lake."

Mr. Patterson noted that there are "about a half dozen" Manitoulin buy-sell sites, "but they are



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all on Facebook and the item you're posting, or might be interested in if you'd seen it before it went by, is lost in the stream."

Manitoulin Mall is a website, it's free to use for private citizens and retail businesses and it's fully classified "so if

you have an antique door knocker for sale, for example, you simply post it under 'antiques,'" Mr. Patterson said. Items can be posted with up to six photos (each up to seven MBs in size) and can stay live for up to 30 days (after which,

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Canadian Blood Services abandons Island donor clinics

Cites lack of growth potential

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—The news has been officially confirmed, this coming Monday (March 23) will see the last blood donor clinic scheduled to be held on Manitoulin Island in Little Current.

"Yes, it is unfortunately true," confirmed Pamela Mullins, director of donor relations for Manitoulin, Northeastern Ontario, Manitoba and Nunavut.

A number of factors played into the decision, she explained, among them the data that shows blood demand, while always timely and critical, has dropped four percent nationally in the past year.

Ms. Mullins said that Canadian Blood Services, while provincially funded, is a national serv-

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Wiky addictions program deemed success nearing end of year one

by Robin Burridge

WIKWEMIKONG—This spring will mark one year since the opening of the Sunrise Clinic addictions program in Wikwemikong, a partnership between First Step, the operators of the clinic, and the Wikwemikong chief and council. Though the program is only a year old, it has already made a major impact in the community and is establishing itself as a base to not only help battle opiate addiction, but to help change lives through the program's unique model of combining traditional and First Nation medicine with an emphasis on coun-

selling.

"So far the program has been going really well," commented Nahndahweh Tchigehgaming (Wikwemikong Health Centre) Health Service Director Mary Jo Wabano. "We have developed a good process for intake with patients attending the Sunrise Clinic where Dr. Sankey performs a medical assessment and manages their medical treatment plan and then following up

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OPP union scandal implicates former Manitoulin officer

BARRIE—Officers from the RCMP executed a search warrant at the head office of the OPP Association (OPPA) in Barrie on Friday, March 6. The RCMP were conducting a criminal investigation and apparently believed that evidence to support that investigation could be found in the OPPA head office as well as the offices of OPPA President Jim Christie, Vice-President Martin Bain (formerly of Little Current) and CAO Karl Walsh.

In the days that followed, tantalizing revelations of what is suspected has gone on at the OPPA have followed on the heels of the unceremonious termination of Mr. Walsh's employment with the association, a demand for the return of all equipment and vehicles in his possession, along with the suspensions with pay of Mr. ...continued on page 11



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***On the mark***

On March 24, members of the 348 Manitoulin Sea Cadet Marksmanship team attended a marksmanship competition at the Sudbury Armouries, competing against nine other Cadet Corps from the Sudbury area. For the seventh year in a row, the Manitoulin team won first place in the Team category. In addition, Master Seaman Nick Harper won first place in the Junior category and first place in the Open category, making him the top shooter in the entire competition. Master Seaman Miranda Mackay won third place in the Junior category. Next week the team will find out if their score of 1,207 out of a possible 1,600 points will be enough to earn them a chance to represent Northern Ontario in the upcoming provincial competition at Trenton. The Marksmanship team is, from left, Master Seaman Nick Harper, Team Captain Chief Petty Officer Second Class Brandy Sayya, Assistant Team Captain Chief Petty Officer Second Class Logan Murphy, Able Seaman Abby Harper, back row, Master Seaman Miranda Mackay, Assistant Team Coach Naval Cadet Tara Pascoe, Commanding Officer Lieutenant (Navy) Maggie King-Roi and Team Coach Lieutenant (Navy) Denis Blake.

Post office returns to Tehkummaah

by Lori Thompson

TEHKUMMAAH—After an eight-month gap, the post office has reopened in Tehkummaah with a new location and a new postmaster. The old post office was closed in June 2014 after former postmaster Joan McMurray retired.

On Monday, March 9, a cheerful Diana Pyette was busy stocking shelves and dealing with last minute details. A former storage room used by the Tehkummaah library was converted to accommodate the post office. There is a small lobby with numbered lock-boxes and a mail collection box. Inside is a sorting area and a retail counter.

The last day for delivery to the temporary community mailboxes was Friday, March 6. Customers were asked to pick up their mail and return the keys to the new post office on Monday, bringing identification to sign up for their lock box delivery.

As often happens, there was a glitch on opening day. The verifone (a customer display system that accepts debit and credit card payments while offering signature capture for payment and other types of personal receipts) wasn't working and customers weren't able to sign up for their lock boxes. The repairman went to the wrong address and finding no one there, went back to Sudbury.

Postmaster Pyette remained positive, as did the customers.



New Tehkummaah Postmaster Diana Pyette with Reeve Eric Russell in the new post office space.

photo by Lori Thompson

"People were disappointed when they had to use the community mailboxes, but they've been very understanding today," she said. "I think everybody's excited to get their boxes."

Currently residents of Sheguindah are dealing with the closure of their post office as Canada Post seeks a new postmaster. The implementation of community mailboxes at the Howland Seniors' Hall took place late last week.

The post office has a long history in Tehkummaah, dating back to October 1, 1874 when Samuel R.

McKewen was the first appointed postmaster. He also happened to be the reeve of Tehkummaah. The original post office was located at the Smeltzer farm (now the Anstice's). Joan McMurray held the position for 29 years, from June 1985 to June 2014. Ms. Pyette is the 14th postmaster.

Hours for the Tehkummaah Post Office are Monday, 9 am to 12:30 pm and 2:30 PM to 6 pm. Tuesday through Friday hours are 9 am to 12:30 pm and 2:30 until 4 pm. It is located at 456 Hwy 542A, at the Municipal Office. The telephone number is 705-859-2008.

The Expositor welcomes new Wasse Abin correspondent

by Robin Burridge

WIKWEMIKONG—The Expositor is pleased to welcome Aurora Ominika-Enosse to the editorial team. Aurora will be bringing back the Wasse Abin High School column 'Writings on the Wall,' keeping Islanders up-to-date on all the news at the Wikwemikong school.

"I want to be a journalist," shared Aurora. "I love writing. Sometimes when I'm speaking, I can't get all my thoughts out, but with writing my ideas are just able to flow."

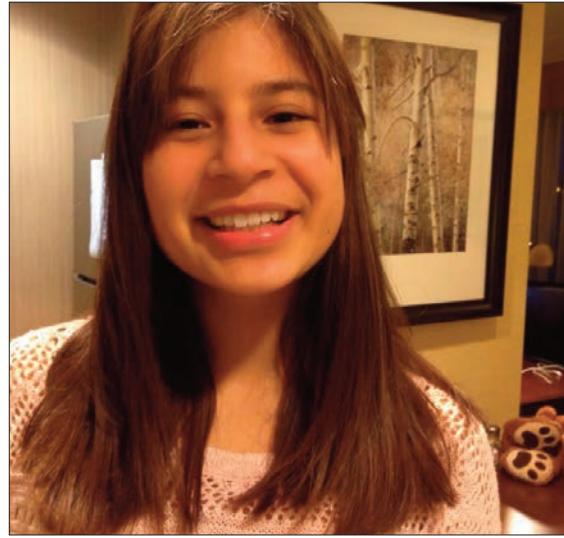
Aurora said she was having a quiet second semester and approached her English teacher about a writing project.

"She suggested I take up 'Writings on the Wall,'" said Aurora. "I was really excited."

When Aurora isn't writing, she likes to read, dance and hang out with her little brother and sister.

"I really want to tell people about what's going on at the school," concluded Aurora. "I want to share everything—keep people informed."

See page 4A for Aurora's first edition of Writings on the Wall.



Aurora Ominika-Enosse is the Expositor's newest member of the editorial team and will be writing the Wasse Abin High School column 'Writings on the Wall.'

AOK social worker first Native member of executive committee

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—The executive council of the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers elected its first Anishnaabe member recently, appointing Darren Madahbee to the board that oversees the social work profession in Ontario.

"Crazy eh? I was also the first Native to be even nominated," said Mr. Madahbee, who works as a social service worker for the Naandwehgigamik Health Centre in Aundeck Omni Kaning. "I even had to buy myself a suit," he quipped. But when it comes to the work of the executive council, Mr. Madahbee quickly turned serious.

He explained that the college develops policy to ensure the safety of the public within the social work profession.

The route to sitting on the executive council was an interesting combination of dedication and serendipity, but Mr. Madahbee at first thought he had ended his social work career before it had even started.

He was attending his first meeting of the college in North Bay as a recent graduate. "I arrived quite a bit early, it is a habit of mine," he recalled. "There was this elderly lady sitting by herself in the back. She was dressed kind of like she was ready to go to the bingo. I thought she had just come to drop some-



Darren Madahbee of Aundeck Omni Kaning has been elected as the first Anishnaabe member of the executive council of the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers.

photo by Michael Erskine

body off."

Feeling a little bit like a fish out of water in the room packed with be-suited social workers deep in animated conversation, Mr. Madahbee struck up a conversation with the elderly woman. "She was this tiny Jewish lady originally from Israel," he recalled. "She asked me about myself and I guess I thought, 'Oh well, I will probably never see her again,' so I just let it all out." He spoke of his own struggles with substance abuse, told her about his early battles with alcohol and what it was like to grow up in a single parent family. "I didn't hold anything back," he said ruefully.

A few moments later, when everyone had settled into his or her seat and the formal meeting

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This past weekend may have been one of the last days for snowmobilers to venture out as many trails have now been closed.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Snowmobile ice trails closed for the season

by Alicia McCutcheon

MANITOULIN—In light of the recent news (and the front page article in this paper regarding the Brechin couple that found themselves in the North Channel Friday afternoon during a snowmobile trip), The Expositor contacted Manitoulin Snowdusters media spokesperson Brad Middleton for a trail update. Currently all Snowdusters trails on Manitoulin and area waters are listed as 'closed' or 'limited.'

Mr. Middleton explained that following the Friday incident, the Ontario Provincial Police requested the Manitoulin Snowdusters close all of the ice trails,

which they did.

As of Monday morning, the land trails are listed on the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Club's website as either 'closed' or 'limited.'

"This is not only because there are some big bare patches starting to show, but also because it is getting hard to get in and out of the towns to get gas etc. due to bare roads and streets," Mr. Middleton explained.

"However, if anyone chooses to use the land trails on March Break they still can, technically," he added. "As always, and like the signs say, you are using the trails at your own risk."

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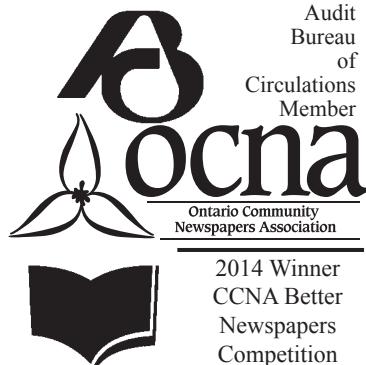
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opinion

editorial

Loss of blood donor clinics an ill-considered move

The so-called "priceless" gift of blood through donations at blood donor clinics does appear to have a price attached to it, or at least a cost, as the Canadian Blood Services organization is reorganizing to lower costs with the prediction that there will be far less "priceless" blood donated as a result of these planned changes. Sometimes large organizations just can't stand success.

A few years ago, Manitoulin's participation in blood donation clinics was declining and the Canadian Blood Services office in Sudbury, which conducts the clinic and collects the product, was growing concerned.

The Doric Masonic Lodge in Little Current stepped up their efforts, (as Masons across the land have done since they adopted blood donations as a central cause during the First World War)

The members of Doric Lodge organized publicity, The Expositor did a series of articles and when the next Manitoulin blood donor clinic came around, the Canadian Blood Services officials were thrilled with the result.

This was several years ago but the Masons have continued in their support of the scheduled blood donor clinics on Manitoulin Island, which have continued to provide representative donations of this "stuff of life" for the common good.

The blood-donating experience on Manitoulin has also been enhanced as during the past couple of years, Island musicians have been recruited to provide entertainment at blood donor clinics for those waiting to donate, for people going through the donation process and for the required post-donation period when donors are asked to sit for a few minutes prior to leaving. The Expositor has continued to promote these clinics when they take place, recognizing their importance.

It's a fine atmosphere and Island people keep on coming, heeding the clever slogan, "it's in you to give."

But Canadian Blood Services, apparently directed from a senior

office in southern Ontario, has given notice that the Manitoulin blood donor clinics are to be discontinued.

They presumably expect that Island blood donors will continue to donate and will do so by attending clinics in Espanola or Sudbury.

Apparently this priceless commodity, blood and its products, does have a price after all: the cost of Canadian Blood Services travelling the additional 50 kilometres from Espanola to Little Current (where the clinics are held at the Recreation Centre where there is no rental fee charged for these events) and of staffing a clinic.

How does this imputed "cost" compare to 50 or 60 blood donors being asked to each spend an additional hour and a half on the road, at the dinner hour, and to collectively spend hundreds of dollars on the fuel they'll burn going to and returning from Espanola?

This is clearly an ill-considered decision. It is an insult to the Island service group, the Masons, who have worked so hard to maintain a high profile for the blood donor clinics and it is predictable that the number of Manitoulin Island blood donors will drop dramatically.

Perhaps, in the eyes of the southern Ontario Canadian Blood Services bean counters, this makes some sense (less blood donated but less cost to CBS) but for those people who need transfusions or other blood products when the blood bank is running low, this will very clearly be seen as false economy.

Keeping the blood donor clinics on Manitoulin Island and other smaller communities in the North must be reconsidered and they must be reinstated.

The next (and, according to Canadian Blood Services, the final) Manitoulin Island blood donor clinic is scheduled for next Monday, March 23 at the recreation centre on Highway 6 in Little Current and its hours are 4 pm to 7 pm.

It would be a fine thing if Manitoulin blood donors attended this event in large numbers, and that they also use this opportunity to register their protests about the clinics' closure.

letters

It is time for 'Republican' Harper to go

Canada was not meant to be just another star on the American flag

To the Expositor:

When Harper stole the reins of the federal Progressive Conservatives—a coup that he managed with the help of one Peter McKay—he rid the party of the "Progressive" part of its name and platform and melded it along with the Reform Party into what is now the Conservative Party of Canada.

The Conservative Party, under Harper, has often been rightly compared to the American Republican party. With two Omnibus bills: the one 425 pages long and the other 457 pages, a total of 1,269 clauses used to amend 133 unrelated laws, and very little Parliamentary debate permitted, Harper's Conservatives showed a clear disdain for and total abandonment of any commitment to Parliamentary democracy as we have known it in Canada. Rule by fiat; might is right have become the dictum of the Harper Conservative party. Ideologically driven, its principle aim is simple: to serve its primary constituency, the very wealthy and the corporate sector leadership. They have done so by dismantling decades of environmental legislation, removing any troublesome research from within government and funding only industry friendly research that these industries previously had to fund themselves. Though these corporations are sitting on larger cash reserves than ever before, we the taxpayers are now funding their research while they still do not spend their reserves on job creation initiatives.

It's called corporate welfare. It's funded by Canadian taxpayers. It has kept Big Oil grinning from ear to ear.

This supposedly sound fiscal manager wiped out the surplus we had when they came into office and has now strapped us with the largest public debt in Canadian history. Claiming we should have joined the US in Iraq when George W. lied as to why we should join the US in inflicting the death and destruction it did, Harper's Conservatives have now committed Canada to war in Iraq and in all likelihood Syria after helping the US bomb Libya and leave it in the chaotic mess it is now in. Send our troops off to war, publicly praise the fallen on Remembrance Day and minimally address the needs of those who return with post-traumatic challenges.

Many in the US claim it is time to go to war in Iran, again others there say it is time to go join the war in the Ukraine. The US has just the other day declared Venezuela a threat off their shores that has to be dealt with. Will Harper simply tell us we have to follow suit?

The public discourse of US Republicans and Harper Conservatives are extremely similar. Corporate taxes are bad. Public initiatives are costly and bad. The market must be left to its own devices. Unions are bad. Marginalise anything public in favour of the privately-run, of self-interest. More deregulation. Less public oversight. More punishment. More prisons. No more annual meetings with provincial Premiers. Chastise our Supreme Court for doing the job our Constitution expects of it when its calls run contrary to our PM's wants.

Mobilize sectors of the population which have always been there but were never mobilized into an organized political force: (i) evangelical Christians, (ii) extreme nationalists, (iii) dyed in the wool partisan Conservatives, (iv) the worried who are too busy trying to make ends meet to keep abreast of what is happening particularly when key legislative changes get no air time in either Parliament or the media and (v) those who have been inspired to fear the ones the government tells them to fear—whoever "that" may happen to be and if you wonder who that is this month, we'll tell you who once either Washington or Tel Aviv tell us who.

Fear. It has been and remains an effective technique used over and over again in the US and increasingly so here under the Conservatives. And right now, under Harper, there is a common strategic concern

underlying it. It is pretty much that which US intelligence analyzes is best for the US and for Israel. Right now we are told we need Bill C-51 to protect us: a Bill that four former prime ministers, ex-premiers, 100 law professors from across Canada and Louise Arbour, a former Justice of the Supreme Court—to name but a few—tell us is not in our best interest. A Bill that the experts have clearly told us can compromise and override our hard won rights and freedoms in our Canadian Charter of Rights if the 'powers-that-be' deem it fitting. The foundations of the Charter of Rights were set in place by John Diefenbaker a "Progressive" Conservative and entrenched by Pierre Trudeau.

Bill C-51's reach extends far beyond the "terrorists" we are told to fear as today's threat "to our way of life": words stolen directly from the US playbook.

With George Orwell's '1984' fast becoming a reality in Canada, we would be well to heed Louise Arbour's warning that while you may not see yourself as the enemy today, depending on the stand you take on certain questions, you may well be the one the state goes after tomorrow. And with your Charter Rights compromised by Bill C-51, who will be there to speak up for you?

While 30 percent of all Canadians are happy to see our Conservatives in the same camp as US Republicans, the majority of Canadians, two-thirds of us, take no joy in the comparison.

The Canada that two out of every three Canadians are looking for—whether they be Liberals, New Democrats, Greens or "orphaned Progressive Conservatives" such as Joe Clark (who can't stand Harper)—is the Canada which was built on open and transparent parliamentary dialogue, a healthy balance between the left and the right, a social conscience, a fair distribution of wealth and a belief in a healthy balance between an effective public service and private enterprise and a good one payer public health care system as opposed to one that sees many of its citizens go without.

Canada was not meant to be just another star on the US flag. We were respected around the world as a fair country. We earned that reputation and shouldn't let Harper's ideological bent and dictatorial approach to government render it all meaningless. As Ken Dryden said: "I want my Canada back."

Gary Champagne
Spring Bay

Thanks for Ash education

Why are there so many religions for one God?

To the Expositor:

I would like to thank Mr. Dave Sylvester for the educated response as to the meaning of Ash Wednesday in the March 11, 2015 Expositor.

I am sorry I don't have the Internet and I don't attend a church but I believe in Jesus. The paper is a very useful tool for educating people on all subjects, not just Christianity.

Sorry I am brain dead but who

is St. Patrick? I am sure more people than me could use a reminder of the special days. Can you answer me there are so many religions for only one God?

Once again I appreciate your response and the education is very useful.

Yours truly,

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Dramatic theatre offerings thrill audiences

Gore Bay Theatre rocks 'Agnes of God' as it prepares for QUONTA contest

by Michael Erskine

GORE BAY—Two sold out performances of the Gore Bay Theatre's production of John Pielmeier's 'Agnes of God' took place this weekend and in both instances the audience was treated to riveting performances by three of the Island's top actresses, two longtime veterans of the stage and one newcomer.

The play itself is a powerful and thought provoking work, but it can be a difficult translation unless the actors and direction are of a high caliber. In this instance, both more than made the grade.

Played on a skeletal stage, whose setting is "a metaphor for the skeletons we hide within our homes and within ourselves," as the program put it, the actors' performances must capture the audience's credulity largely bereft of the benefit of props (aside from the subtle role played by the (non-toxic) cigarettes puffed by Tara Bernatchez's Dr. Martha Liv-

ington).

Ms. Bernatchez, a multi-award winning actress whose work is very familiar to the Island theatre going crowd, brought just the right mix of righteous secularism and the naive innocence we most of us still nurture in our deepest subconscious.

Spoiler alert! This isn't a happy ending kind of story—a fact clearly foreshadowed in Ms. Bernatchez's opening scene.

The redoubtable Shannon McMullan rocked her mother superior costume along with her role as Mother Miriam Ruth ("you can call me sister"). Small wonder, considering Ms. McMullan's range of experience before the footlights, both with the Gore Bay Theatre and during her sojourn in more southerly climes, but her performance as a modern religious zealot played in perfect counterpoint to Ms. Bernatchez's secular atheism.

Kayla Greenman, who played the title role of Agnes, projected



Kayla Greenman (Agnes), Tara Bernatchez and Sharon McMullan ponder the mysteries explored by the Gore Bay Theatre production of John Pielmeier's 'Agnes of God.'

photo by Tom Sasvari

the absolute epitome of innocence in her role as a sheltered young woman. In this day and age of social media jade, in suspending audience credulity so completely, her performance was simply a tour de force. For a 15-year-old Island girl with no Catholic history, we must give vocal coach Alex Baran strong kudos for the Latin songs which Ms. Greenman delivered with such amazing grace.

The 90-minute run of the play took place without intermission, but it is no exaggeration to say that the power of this production prevented the audience from noticing the passage of time.

Directors Andea Emmerton and Walter Maskel have brought forth performances that will delight and amaze audiences both here and at this year's QUONTA competition (break a leg), where Agnes of God will be the Gore Bay Theatre's entry into the seminal Northern Ontario theatre showcase.

'The Unplugging' plays to an over-packed house on Debajehmujig stage

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—Extra chairs had to be brought out as the curtain was about to go up on the North Road Theatre production of Yvette Nolan's 'The Unplugging' at Debajehmujig Storyteller's Larry E. Lewis Creation Centre in Manitowaning—always a great sign—and the audience was treated to a performance that proved their attendance on a late winter Saturday night was well worth the effort.

The production, starring Pandora Topp as Bern, Jan Kudelka as Elena and Zachary Smithers as Seamus, had plenty of Island connections, including Marsha Coffey (music performance), Bill Shawanda (costume design and props) and Carla Ritchie (lighting design).

The play, set in a post-apocalyptic world in which all things electric have ceased to function, tells the story of two Anishinaabe women who are banished from

nity, and Elena, a cantankerous and complaining elderly woman who was deemed too old to be of any use. The duo battle the elements and manage to survive by tapping into the traditional knowledge that Elena gleaned from her grandmother, with Elena teaching Bern how to survive in a hostile environment. They are joined by Seamus, a young man purportedly also cast out of the community. Together, the trio travels along a character development line that sees Elena overcome her bitterness to become a true elder, Bern becoming a resourceful and confident survivor "ant" and Seamus on the bridge to redemption.

Each of the actors brought a transcendence of the sparse set keeping their audience riveted to the action going on stage. Ms. Topp, an alumnus of the world premiere of Tomson Highway's 'The (Post) Mistress,' among many other accomplishments,



Jan Kudelka (Elena), Pandora Topp (Bern), musician Marsha Coffey and Zachary Smithers pose following last Saturday's sold out production of Yvette Nolan's 'The Unplugging' at Debajehmujig Storytellers Larry E. Lewis Creation Centre.

photos by Michael Erskine



Musician Marsha Coffey sits surrounded by her 'kit' on the set of 'The Unplugging.'

their village, Bernadette (Bern), the proverbial flighty "grasshopper" who was deemed to be not pulling her weight in the commu-

was outstanding in the role of Bern, bringing the audience along with her as she transforms into a confident Anishinaabe kwe, and

an elder in her own right, while retaining her liveliness and human spirit.

Ms. Kudelka, a member of the cast of 'Hair' (she was Tribe) in its original production at the Royal Alexandra Theatre and a veteran of two seasons at the Stratford Theatre, as well as her own critically acclaimed one woman tour 'Circus Gothic,' channeled beautifully her role as a angry old woman who rediscovers her own worth and value as a human being through the offices of her grandmother's teachings of traditional knowledge.

Certainly not least in this amazing trio, Mr. Smithers' Seamus

was a tour de force of innocence transformed by discovery and enlightenment. It is difficult to believe that this is his first step in professional theatre since graduating from Canadore's Performing Arts program.

The original music was performed by Marsha Coffey, a name very familiar to those lucky enough to have seen the early Debaj work 'Lupi The Great White Wolf' and is a veritable fixture on the Canadian theatre scene. Ms. Coffey, ensconced within a circle of drums, cymbals, chimes and other instruments, was fundamental to setting and creating the atmosphere.

Ms. Ritchie's inspired use of lighting and Ms. Coffey's music were as much a players on the stage as the actors themselves, all working together under the inspired direction of North Road founder and director Bill Lane.

The pacing and cadence of the production has been criticized in previous reviews of this play, but other than the long introductory scene in the wilderness, which this writer would argue is actually critical to the setting of the story, Mr. Lane and his team clearly had no issue keeping their audience enthralled from the wailing opening to the redemptive final curtain.

more letters

There is no safe nuclear storage

One earthquake away from disaster

To the Expositor:

Nuclear waste! How dangerous is it? The Waste Management Committee has been looking for a safe place for the deadly waste for years because really no place is safe because of possible groundwater pollution from earthquake action that has been felt here in the North Shore area and on the Mani-

toulin.

If those thick cement containers ever get cracked open the area becomes inhabitable. In the end the waste disposal site will go to the place that is already heavily polluted.

Lyle Dewar
Providence Bay

Angry tone of letter illicits response

Time to let Arabs rule their own country

To the Expositor:

In response to Gayle Smith of Paisley, ON

When I read her letter I could not believe it. You could almost hear her angry tone. It filled me with disgust and shame. Mr. Fahmy is a journalist not a terrorist. He is a citizen of Canada and as such he should be repatriated with our help and our prime minister's.

I would rather have my tax money spent on this man rather than spend millions or billions of dollars to go and bomb Syria. Why do we

always interfere in the Middle East? By our actions we have increased the number of terrorists.

I do not agree with their actions but we have provoked them for hundreds of years.

It's time we stopped putting our noses in their affairs and let the Arabs rule their own country and solve their own problems.

Danielle Edwards
Little Current



Law & Order

March ice conditions can be deceptive and variable

The Ministry of Natural Resources reminds anglers and snowmobilers that ice conditions can be deceptive at this time of year and to exercise extreme caution when venturing out.

Ice does not freeze at a uniform thickness across most lakes and rivers. This can be hazardous at the start and end of the winter season when near-shore ice is often much thicker and safer than ice further out. Check thickness regularly with a spud bar or auger as you move further out on the ice.

Not all ice is created equal. Ice that has formed over flowing water, springs, pressure cracks, old ice holes or around the mouths of rivers and streams can be weaker than surrounding ice.

Clear blue ice is the strongest. White or opaque ice is much weaker. Ice that has a honeycombed look, common during thaws or in the spring, should be avoided.

Travelling on frozen lakes or rivers with snowmobiles or vehicles can be dangerous and precautions must be taken. At least 20 centimetres (eight inches) of clear blue ice is required for snowmobiles and 30 centimetres (12 inches) or more is needed for most light vehicles. This thickness should be doubled if the ice is white or opaque.

Heavy snow on a frozen lake or river can insulate the ice below and slow the freezing process.

Before venturing out check ice conditions with local ice hut operators or other anglers and let others know where you're planning to fish and when you plan to return. Appropriate clothing and equipment are critical to safety and comfort. Many anglers wear floatation suits and carry a set of ice picks.

Routine traffic stop leads to arrest and charges

On Friday, March 6, 2015 at 6:42 pm, the Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) was on routine patrol with moving radar on Highway 6 in the Whitefish River First Nation when a vehicle entered the moving radar at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was pulled over and upon checking the driver he was arrested for impaired driving, while being taken into custody he resisted arrest.

As a result of the investigation the driver, a 31-year-old male of Hastings was charged with the following: impaired operation of a motor vehicle contrary to the Criminal Code (CC); failing to provide a breath sample contrary to the Criminal Code (CC) and resist arrest of a Peace Officer contrary to the Criminal Code (CC).

The accused was released on a Promise to Appear to

attend before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on Monday, April 27 to answer to his charges.

Distracted driving campaign begins

The Province of Ontario has deemed Saturday, March 14 through to Friday, March 20 as Distracted Driving Week. Members of the Manitoulin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) will be stepping up enforcement in support of this initiative.

Distracted driving is any activity that takes a driver's attention away from driving. Some types of distractions include: adjusting the stereo, searching for something in the car, eating or drinking while driving, using a hand-held device, grooming, watching television or other entertainment devices, tending to children in the back seat and more.

The law makes it illegal for drivers to talk, text, type, and dial or email using hand-held cell phones, or other hand-held communications and entertainment devices. 'Hands-free' means that the device is not held during use and the driver is not physically interacting with or manipulating it. Actions such as dialing or scrolling through contacts, or manually programming a GPS device, for example, are illegal.

Text messaging requires:

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- Manual attention - taking your hands off the wheel, and
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Many drivers today tend to view driving as a simple everyday task that requires minimal attention. The reality is that driving is a complex task that requires your full attention. Remember, you are operating a heavy piece of machinery at high speeds, navigating in diverse weather conditions, while calculating speeds and distance plus always responding to other drivers and obstacles.

The dangers of distracted driving are real and the evidence speaks for itself. Drivers who use cell phones are four times more likely to be in a collision than a driver who is focused on the road. The fine for using hand-held phones or entertainment devices while driving is \$280 including the victim surcharge and court fee. Drivers who drive without due care and attention and allow themselves to be distracted by other activities can also be charged with the more serious offence of Careless Driving, depending on the circumstances. All distractions while driving endanger lives. No one should lose their life or suffer serious injury because a driver was not devoting his or her full attention to the road.

Legal Aid Ont. funding expands Gladue services to four new locations

by Michael Erskine

TORONTO—Legal Aid Ontario (LAO) is providing funding to Aboriginal Legal Services of Toronto (ALST) for four additional Gladue report writers. ALST, a leader in Gladue services, will receive \$467,376 enabling the ALST to expand its Gladue report-writing program to Windsor, Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie and North Bay. The additional Gladue writers will bring the ALST complement to a total of 13 writers across the province. Manitoulin Island has its own Gladue writer based at the United Chiefs and Councils of Mnidoo Mniissing (UCCMM).

Gladue writers prepare reports for First Nation, Métis and Inuit accused at the request of defence counsel, Crown attorneys or judges at the sentencing stage of criminal matters. Gladue refers to a right that aboriginal people have under section 718.2 (e) of the Criminal Code and stems from the landmark Supreme Court case *R vs Gladue*, (1999).

Based on the content of the report, the judge considers all alternatives to incarceration including restorative justice programs, youth intervention programs, substance abuse treatment or counselling sessions with elders. This allows judges to formulate sentences that focus on healing and helping offenders within their community, while addressing the over-incarceration of Aboriginal people in Ontario. The Gladue reports are a response to a Supreme Court decision.

"This new investment will help to serve aboriginal clients better," said John McCamus, Legal Aid Ontario chair, in a release. "Improving access to Gladue services is an important aspect of Legal Aid Ontario's aboriginal Justice Strategy. We're very pleased that this funding from LAO will allow us to provide Gladue reports in Sudbury, Windsor, Sault Ste. Marie and North Bay. We know the need for this service is there, because we have heard this from judges, lawyers and aboriginal accused persons themselves. The funding fills a big gap in the provision of Gladue services in Ontario."

"This will help take some of the pressure off the UCCMM Gladue program. It is long overdue," agreed M'Chigeeng Lawyer Susan Hare. "Gladue reports are an immeasurable asset to the judges in making their sentencing decisions."

"It really is great news for the North," said Sudbury LAO lawyer Alain Prevost. "Fortunately, the Island writer

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Island Basketball Championships

The annual Manitoulin Elementary Basketball Championships took place this past week. The girls' tournament went down up in Little Current. There were a series of close games through the day but after all the games were played the Assiginack All-stars prevailed over the second place C.C. McLean Colts. Coach **Becky 'Spark' Stewart** is proud of the efforts of: Karlee Lentir, Skye Setterington, Kadiee Peltier, Mya Otosquaiob, Emma Cassidy, Bella Manitowabi, Sarah Hovingh and Elena Hovingh.

The boys' tournament took place at Lakeview Elementary School on Tuesday. As the round robin format played out through the day, coaches were tallying their teams' results to keep track of where everyone was because of the very close game scores. In the end, Central Manitoulin Public School came out on top with four wins and one tie. Coach, **Tracey Chapman** was very impressed with the attitude and effort put forth by her charges all season long from the start of training to the championships. Congratulations to: **Chris Haner, Matthew Redmond, Sean Orford, Quinn Coker, Alex Dawson, Ethan Smith, Brodie McAllister, Hunter Cranston, C.J. Wilson and J.T. Wright** who, although injured was a valuable cheerleader from his crutches. Congratulations team!

Panthers

The Atom and Bantam Panthers were both putting their skills to the test this weekend for their annual NOHA Tournament of Champions. The Atoms didn't have far to travel as they played as hosts to the best of Northern Ontario at the NEMI Recreation Centre in Little Current. Congratulations to the local lads who made it right to the championship game and came away with the silver medal. Hats off to: **Billy Biedermann, Delaney Bridgeman, Liam Bridgeman, Jesse Burella, Jared Cortes, Damion Debassige, Kal Debassige, Aysia Francis-Debassige, Gabe Hare, Hudson Hare, Riley Lockeyer, Jared Toope, Victoria Trudeau, and Goalies Macie Setterington and Todd Gordon.** Also to Coach **Dean Hare**, Assistants **Sundance Hare, Jay Toope, Mason Graham, Trainer Fawn Bridgeman** and Manager **Stacey Lewis.**

The Bantams travelled to Kirkland Lake to play in the Joe Mavrinac Community Complex for the Bantam "B" title. The team had a great round robin and won a couple of games and narrowly missed advancing to the championship game. Congratulations to: **Jalen Waindubence, Connor Bellmore, Jacob Genereux, Zack Kategiannis, Parker Hall, Alex Ingraham, Caleb Parks, Trenton Bailey, Kyle Debassige, Cole King, Ethan Corbiere, Adam Goodfellow, Ashlyn Hare, Hunter Cranston, Jayden Little and Kennedy Sintal** as well as team staff Coaches **Brad Bailey, Peter Kategiannis, Peter Sintal, Jeremiah Corbiere, Trainers Mason Graham and Nancy Waddell** and Manager **Heather Hall.**

Sudbury Nickel City Barons lead series

In the NOJHL (Junior A) playoffs, Sudbury's Nickel City Barons and Manitoulin sniper **Dylan Callaghan** helped his squad go up two games to nothing in their second game of their series by scoring two goals against the Elliot Lake Wildcats. Despite putting up a losing regular season with the Wildcats, the Barons have dominated the start of the postseason. Good luck, Dylan!

Lady Wolf stars at girls' tournament

Congratulations to Wikwemikong's **Dana Lewis** and her recent performance at the 34th annual Walter Gretzky Girls' Tournament and her Sudbury Lady Wolves Peewee "B" squad. The first game of their campaign was a 2 - 1 win over the Gloucester Cumberland Stars. In game two they put down the Orillia Hawks followed by their victory against the Flamborough Falcons in game three to finish first in their pool. In their semi-final match against the Woodstock Wildcats Dana put in an amazing performance as she shut down the Wildcats for a 3 - 0 shut-out to win the game MVP and advance her team to the championship. As it turned out the Wolves lost to the Ingleside Ice but were proud of their silver medal performance. Way to go, Dana!

To be continued...

It is not the whole story but a brief congratulations to The Wikwemikong Midgets who won this year's Manitoulin Minor Championships. One of the team's snipers **Jonas Aiabens** was very proud to finally have won the MMHA title after years of always falling short. Kudos to the team staff of **Patrick Peltier, Sherman Corbiere and Daniel Lewis** who brought the team from bouncing in and around fourth place all season long to making it count in the end. Good job team!

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A mock meet held recently at Manitoulin Secondary School had six schools practicing their skills on the vault, bars, beam and performing a floor exercise.

photos by Alicia McCutcheon

Mustangs host mock gymnastics meet to hone skills

by Alicia McCutcheon

M'CHIGEENG—The Manitoulin Mustangs held a 'mock meet' recently, inviting gymnasts from five schools—College Notre-Dame, Confederation, Horizon, Marymount and Sudbury Secondary—to Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) to compete, receive feedback and ready themselves for the Northern Ontario Secondary School Athletics (NOSSA) and Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association (OFSAA) meets, the latter to be held in Sudbury.

"Things went very well on the whole," said MSS gymnastics coach Heather Theijssmeijer. "The girls felt that it was like a meet, feeling nerves as though it were an actual competition."

Ms. Theijssmeijer explained that the gymnastics season is a long one, beginning in November and ending with OFSAA at the beginning of May.

There are very few schools that have their own equipment, she explained, noting that all of the Sudbury schools train at a gym-



A special coach was on hand to teach the gymnasts the art of 'the silks.'

nastics centre. Because of this, there are no competitions in the lead up to NOSSA. The gymnasts build their skills for the first two

months, learn their routines then compete. After five months spent learning and perfecting their skills, one bad day at NOSSA can mean the end of competition for an athlete, which is unfortunate, the coach added. Having a mock meet helps the girls on the road to NOSSA.

MSS is the only school in the North Shore Secondary Schools Athletic Association (NSSSA) to have a gymnastics team and this gets them an automatic bye into NOSSA.

OFSAA will be held from May 3 to 5 in Sudbury and as the NOSSA gymnastics committee, of which Ms. Theijssmeijer is a part, is the host. Manitoulin gymnasts will have the opportunity to help their coach with officiating jobs and hopefully to compete as well.

The equipment at Manitoulin Secondary (vault, bars, and beam) are on loan to the school, provided it continues to have a gymnastics team. MSS has had a team for nine years under Ms. Theijssmeijer's coaching direction.

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Atom winners

The Gore Bay Bruins were the Atom division winners. The champs are, front row, from left, Damien Hore, Georgia Croft, Jordan Bailey, Goalie, Lucas Wright, Caylee Little, Hayden Lloyd, second row, Nate Cooper, Amelia Lewis, Ryland Little, Mason Leighton, Colton Chevrette, Trent Bell, Caleb McGlaughlin, Jamison McQuarrie and coaches Brad Bailey, Tyler McQuarrie and Darryl Leighton. Missing from photo is Ben Morrow.

Peewee winners

The Gore Bay Bruins Peewee team are the Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association A division champions. In photo, back row left to right, is trainer Connie Hester, coach Rob Dearing, Chase Hester, Madison Swihart, Austin Purvis and assistant coach Dewayne Middaugh, middle row, Abby Smith, Malia Leighton, Rory Dearing, Jacob Kennedy, front row, Kyle Greenman, Bailey Yaschuk-Middaugh, Kyle Wood, Michael Bailey, Jake Morrow, front centre, goalie Nathan Temple and Nick Purvis. Missing from photo is manager Patti Purvis and assistant coach Daryl Leighton.



Providence Bay Wins 2015 Esso Bonspiel

Two teams from Providence Bay Curling Club took the Esso Trophy at the one-day bonspiel hosted by the Mindemoya Club on Friday, March 6. From left are May Bowerman, Bob Caddle, Nancy Leeson, John Novak, Carl Lewis, Lorene Lewis, Judy Mackenzie and Garry Gray won the trophy for their club, along with individual Esso gift certificates. The Esso Bonspiel has a long history. It's been running annually since 1963, rotating between the three clubs of Manitowaning, Mindemoya and Providence Bay. Unlike most bonspiels, the Esso is one day only, with two teams playing for each club using a point system for scoring. Each team plays two 8-end games, then their scores are added to determine which club gets the trophy. A delicious ham dinner capped off the day.

photo by Chris Yanke



Glenda Campbell Memorial

The Providence Bay Curling Club played host to the 23rd annual Glenda Campbell Memorial Ladies Curling bonspiel in February. After a weekend of hard fought curling matches and a lot of fun, the rink led by Ellen Holroyd won the first event. In photo, Nancy Head presents the championship trophy to the winning rink, including Ellen Holroyd, Linda Allen, Donna Whalen and Judy MacKenzie.

photo by Jeff Anning



Getting the mail in Sheg

The community mailbox compartments in Sheguiandah are now installed and in operation in the parking lot of the Howland Seniors' Hall (corner of Highway 6 and Townline Road). The compartments come following the sudden closure of the Sheguiandah Post Office. Canada Post says it is currently looking to fill the position of postmaster in Sheguiandah and that these compartments are an interim solution.

Manitoulin Secondary School Player Profile

by Kieran Cooper

Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association



Tyler King

Player Profile this week is a long standing athlete at Manitoulin Secondary School, Tyler King. Tyler is in his fourth year of high school and has been in sports for all four. Of course he didn't just start doing sports in high school. He has been playing every sport he could for a long time. Starting in public school he played every sport available in the school. Of course he also played hockey throughout this time too. Tyler first laced up skates at age two and hasn't stopped since. Tyler started playing for his hometown house league team Mindemoya Thunder and then quickly moved on to the Manitoulin Panthers, playing there for seven years in the center position until his grade 11 year of high school when he began playing for the high school team, the Manitoulin Mustangs. Tyler has kept playing for so long because it's by far his favourite sport; he loves the expression of people through hockey and the comradery between teammates.

Tyler's other major sports in high school have been volleyball in grades nine through ten, Basketball in grade nine and Badminton nine through eleven with hopes of playing again this year. Outside of school he also plays baseball at a high level and hockey recreationally. Tyler's favourite thing about all sports is that in his own words "no matter what it is and who you are, if you really love it when you step out on the ice, court, or whatever it is like an escape from reality. You can just focus on doing what you love to do and not worry about the little things". With all these years in sports Tyler has racked up quite a few awards. This year in hockey he got the top scorer and was voted onto the hockey all-star team for SDSSAA.

In school Tyler enjoys gym and hanging out with friends. His hobbies outside of school include hunting, fishing, playing guitar and of course as much lawn darts as possible. After high school Tyler hopes to go to school to become a Paramedic. Well good luck Tyler in your future academics and athletics!

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Area youth learn the tricks of the trades through Cambrian mobile learning centre

by Robin Burridge

WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION—Since earlier this year, 14 youth from Manitoulin to Espanola have been learning plumbing, electrical, welding and carpentry skills through Cambrian College's Youth Exposure to Skills Trades Program based in Whitefish River First Nation as part of the school's mobile trades training trailer.

Cambrian was able to bring the program to the area thanks to funding from the province's Youth Skills Connections Program.

Though the hands on portion of the program began in January at the mobile trailer, students started the program last September with a 30 week in-class component at the community centre working on upgrading, acquiring their Grade 12 or taking college level courses, explained Valita Loyd, the program's assistant training coordinator.

"The program taught those with multiple barriers to employment introductory skills in carpentry, electrical, plumbing and welding, and will conclude with a two-week job trial/work placement and graduation ceremony," notes a press release from Cambrian.

For 22-year-old Dean Fox the program was the opportunity he had been waiting for.

"I was waking up every day, not sure what I wanted to do," Mr. Fox explained to The Expositor. "I wanted to better myself so when I saw the ad (in The Expositor) I jumped on it."

"I knew it was going to be tough," continued Mr. Fox, who is from Aundeck Omni Kaning, "but I was so happy I was able to finish. I really need to thank Rick (Richard Jodouin, the course instructor). We start our placement on March 23 and I'm going to the Welding Academy in Sudbury. I would really like to go on to complete a welding program and become an industrial



Fourteen youth from across Manitoulin, Whitefish River First Nation, Sagamok First Nation and Espanola participating in Cambrian College's Youth Exposure to Skills Trades Program based in Whitefish River First Nation at the school's mobile trades training trailer, pose for a group photo during the program's open house recently. The sleds were created by the students utilizing the welding, electrical and carpentry skills they have learned through the program.

welder and work on skyscrapers."

Classmate Brad Bourcier from Espanola shared a similar story about the program helping him find his path.

"The program gave me the opportunity to get my Grade 12," shared the 23-year-old. "I have tried before, but the program really helped. I've always been interested in the trades too so it was a win-win. I also hope to get into (a) welding (program)."

Other students who shared their experience also commented on teacher Mr. Jodouin and his commitment to the students. "He was able to get on my level," said one student.

"It was my first time teaching through the mobile trailer," said Mr. Jodouin. "The students were really nice and very hard working. It was great teaching them the hands on elements."

At an open house for the trailer and program last week, the students were able to show off sleds they had created utilizing the electrical, welding and

carpentry skills they had learned. They also shared their experience with members of the community and the media, while representatives from Cambrian College demonstrated how the trailer works.

The mobile trades training lab is a 53-foot trailer that deploys in minutes to nearly 1,000 square feet of instructional space. The Expositor learned during the open house. Diesel generators supply power to operate equipment, lighting, heating and air conditioning for more remote deployments. The lab is the first initiative of its kind in Northern Ontario and was designed to accommodate a variety of skilled trades including welding, electrical, millwright and heavy equipment.

The program was made possible thanks to a partnership between Whitefish River First Nation, the Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure and Vale.

Island students attend zone public speaking competition

ONAPING FALLS—Several Manitoulin students attended the Royal Canadian Legion Zone H-3 Public Speaking Competition last month in Onaping Falls including Amber Walh, Alexis French, Alexandra Wilson-Zegil, TJ Green, Owen Duncanson, Mason Leighton and April Torkopoulos.

Amber, a student at Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS), placed first in the Grade 7-9 intermediate division representing the Little Cur-

rent Branch 177, as did Grade 11 Manitoulin Secondary School student Alexis in the senior division. Both will be moving on to the district competition on March 28 in Blind River.

Alexandra of Gore Bay, who attends Charles C. McLean Public School and represented the Gore Bay Legion Branch 514, won a silver in the Grade 1-3 division while T.J. Green of Little Current participated on behalf of the RCL in Little Current.

Owen Duncanson of CMPS, repre-

senting the RCL Branch 177 Little Current, competed in the Grade 4-6 junior division and won a silver medal, while Mason Leighton of Gore Bay (C.C. McLean), representing the RCL Branch 514 Western Manitoulin, also participated.

As well, April Torkopoulos of Gore Bay (C.C. McLean) won a silver medal in the Grade 7-9 intermediate division.

...AOK social worker first Native member of executive committee

...continued from page 3 began, Mr. Madahbee made a shocking discovery. "They asked for the president to come forward," he said. As you might have guessed at this point, the nice lady to whom he had opened up his soul made her way to the podium.

"I thought I had blown my career as a social worker before it had even started," he laughed.

But apparently his candor had not been misplaced.

A short time later an invitation to apply to the council arrived and Mr. Madahbee indicated that he was interested. "They whittled it down and had an election," he said. Mr. Madahbee was chosen as the winning candidate and found himself appointed to the council.

The council is the 21-member governing body and board of directors that manages and administers college affairs. The council

is composed of seven social workers who are members of the college and who are elected by the members of the college in accordance with the bylaws; seven social service workers who are members of the college and who are elected by the members of the college in accordance with the bylaws; and seven persons who are appointed by the Ontario Government.

According to the college's website, the college's primary duty is to serve and protect the public interest while promoting high standards of practice for the professions. At the same time the college "encourages a robust interactive relationship with members, stakeholders and the public. To steer and guide these processes, council's primary governance function is policy development. The policies developed by council provide direction to the college and to staff."

Mr. Madahbee's first action as a council member is to inaugurate a cultural awareness program that will be part of every college and university course of study in the province—to start. "I am in conversations to see about setting it up in Quebec as well."

Mr. Madahbee, RSSW, is a Mental Health Community Worker for the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Health Centre. Educated in social service work and psychology that incorporates Anishinabek culture, he is also an expert in suicide intervention and prevention. Mr. Madahbee is licenced with LivingWorks and is a SafeTALK trainer/instructor.

Mr. Madahbee enjoys and frequently gives back to his community through coaching and mentoring children and fundraising. Additionally, he runs and operates a Brazilian jiu-jitsu club and was a coach

and competitor in archery for Team Ontario at the North American Aboriginal Games.



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...Blood Services abandons Island donor clinics

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 ice regulated federally. "We are a national system and when we see that drop we have to make challenging decisions," she said. "We essentially work for the government and we have to make the best use of taxpayers dollars."

Among the factors the CBS looked at are the demand for blood being presented by hospitals in the region, the cost of collection, the cost of providing the staff for the clinics and, most damaging for the Manitoulin clinic, the potential for donor growth within each market.

"Because we are a not-for-profit and government run we have a responsibility to taxpayers to run efficiently," she said, but adding that safety of the blood supply remains the paramount concern.

"The one thing I want to make sure people understand is that we are a national blood supply system, so if people have a need for blood locally it will be there for them," she said. "When people hear that the donor clinic is not operating in their community that is the first concern that we hear. I want to assure people that the blood supply will be there at the local hospital."

A group of data analysts at CBS were charged with finding the key number determining the minimum efficiency. That number is

82 units of blood per clinic. Local volunteer organizer Bob MacDonald had been hearing rumblings through the grapevine for several weeks that the blood donor clinics on Manitoulin would be ceasing, although clinics in Espanola will apparently continue to be held.

"I should have received my schedule for the rest of the year by now," admitted Mr. MacDonald of Maniwawing.

"They are expecting people from the Island will travel to Espanola," he said. "We know that just isn't going to happen." Mr. MacDonald pointed out that the distance from Gore Bay to Espanola would run to more than three hours of travel, often in less than ideal weather, and that just being the travel time, let alone the time it takes to give blood.

Ms. Mullins, however, said that part of the issue is that some people who were donating blood in Espanola previously were choosing to donate in Little Current instead. "We were robbing Peter to pay Paul," she said.

"It's really disheartening," Mr. MacDonald admitted. The Manitoulin clinic was asked for 58 units of blood, but the last two clinics had far exceeded that request. "We got 69 units the time before last and 65 units at the last one," he said. "That doesn't count the 10 people

who came out but were unable to give blood."

Two local subscribers who popped into The Expositor offices on Monday just happened to be two who were turned away, one due to her veins collapsing and the other because they had travelled to a proscribed destination in Mexico.

Mr. MacDonald is a member of the Masons, a fraternal organization with a long association with blood donation having become intricately involved during the First World War when blood donations first became common and expanding through the years until the 1960s, when each Lodge was instructed to set up a local committee to encourage local donations.

The W. J. Noble memorial trophy was established to honour the Lodge with the most members to donate blood each year. "I remember he would get up at functions every time and say 'I want to get a pick in for CBS,'" recalled Mr. MacDonald. Mr. Noble was a tireless advocate for blood donations, as has been Mr. MacDonald and his group of volunteers.

The Doric Lodge in Little Current has secured that trophy at least three times, he noted. "The last two years we won it hands down."

"I know it is unfortunate," said Ms. Mullins,

who admitted that the decision was not hers to make. "We run into this conversation in every community where we have to make this decision. I know that for everyone out there it means so much to the community and so many people work hard to make the local clinics a success."

At the end of the day, the decision has been based on where the CBS believes it can return the best supply for each tax dollar spent and invests where they believe the greatest potential for growth of that supply lies.



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Special thanks to Manitoulin Funeral Home, Pastor Weston Leeson, Dawn Dawson and those who shared memories and sang at the memorial service and those who travelled to be with us.

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...Wiky addictions program deemed success

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with Tim Ominika, our wellness case manager (also located at the clinic), who assesses clients holistically and develops and manages their individual wellness plan."

"We have also recently hired an addiction clinician through the Mental Health Clinic who works closely with Tim, Sunrise Clinic and support services," continued Ms. Wabano. "It is all about creating a circle of care for the clients. We leave it up to them who they want to include in their wellness plan, they can give consent to bring in other agencies, family or knowledge keepers."

The knowledge keepers (elders) are available one morning a week at the clinic to provide guidance and share teachings through individual or group sessions.

"The program is great," added Dr. Sankey. "The community has been very supportive. I am very happy to see even individuals who were less informed (about opiate addiction treatment) become opened minded. We had a great turnout for our health day gathering recently and people who may have had doubts before were pleased to see the great results."

"Of the 90 individuals who have come forward for treatment, a 50-50 blend of men and women, 80 are still in treatment," said Dr. Sankey. "In other areas of medicine you want to treat patients and send them on their way, but with opiate addiction it isn't so easy. Take diabetes as an example; in an ideal world all people with diabetes would get off insulin through weight-loss, diet and exercise, but in the real world a lot of people can't. Chronic opiate addiction is similar—in an ideal world all people would be able to get off opiate replacement (methadone or Suboxone), but there are some real limitations. If they come off too soon or without addressing underlying issues, they could relapse. With methadone or Suboxone we are trying to help patients get off drug use, address underlying issues such as trauma, depression, physical or mental

abuse through counselling and then achieve stability. They can then begin to reintegrate with their community and then we can try to reduce their dosage. The goal is to get the patient off and I have had many who have tapered off, but it needs to be gradual and when patients are ready."

Dr. Sankey was proud to share that 43 percent of the clinic's patients were drug free within the first 30 days.

"By drug free, that means all drugs, not just opiates and alcohol," explained Dr. Sankey.

He credits the program's success to the full time band counselling and integrated patient care.

"Counselling is so important," stressed Dr. Sankey. "Imagine someone in the middle of a lake treading water. If you can get a boat out to them, they can climb out of the water (treating a patient with methadone or Suboxone), but they still need to paddle to shore. It's a long hard paddle, but they can't get to shore without paddling. Sitting in the boat is better than drowning, but it's still just sitting. Counselling is the paddling. Only the patient can do the paddling—we can provide them with an oar, resources to help them, but the real work can only be done by the individual."

Dr. Sankey said that many patients at the Sunrise Clinic have been 'paddling,' and that through their hard work and resources provided by the partnership of First Step and Wikwemikong, many have made successful changes in their lives and will continue to do so moving forward.

To learn more about the Sunrise Clinic call 705-859-2225.

When the Water Street Clinic closed in Little Current, patients began travelling to Espanola and Sudbury. Wikwemikong began exploring a partnership with First Step (which also operates several other clinics in Ontario including ones in Belleville, Peterborough, Oshawa and Scarborough) with the end result being the creation of the Sunrise Clinic last May.

...dunking in North Channel waters leads to shelter, help and hospitality

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they began their return trip to Killarney, using a different route that had been recommended to them down to the North Channel, which brought them to Little Current. They were reassured by many people, as well as by a groomer operator they met along the way that the ice was in good condition but to be wary of pressure cracks, Mr. Gartner told The Expositor in a Monday morning interview.

They said that following the ice trail to Little Current they encountered one pressure crack where a groomer had obviously been by but, nearing their final destination, not far from shore, another pressure crack appeared, this time with a sign urging drivers to go slow.

"We went slow and that was it—it was all open water on the other side," he said of their dunking experience.

The Gartners managed to get out of the frigid waters, thanks to a second shelf of ice that acted as a step, but not without a struggle. During the ordeal, Ms. Gartner said her husband told her he didn't think he was going to make it, feeling the current beginning to pull him down. But the couple persisted, and made it onto safe ice where they walked along the pressure crack until they found an area that looked to be safe for crossing.

They noticed a cottage on a hill, located along North Channel Drive (west of the town of Little Current), and made that their destination. Trying all the doors, the couple found one unlocked and made their way inside, taking off their wet snowmobile suits and putting on dry, warm clothes they found inside. After repeated attempts at contacting emergency services with cell phones that were cold and wet, the Gartners found a phone that came complete with a note from the cottage's owner for just such an occasion, listing the 9-1-1 address and the home number. The note indicated that anyone in distress was welcome to use the facility.

"If the cottage had been any farther, that would have been it," Mr. Gartner said.

Soon the Northeast Town Fire Department could be seen walking the shore, searching for the couple. The Gartners called out to them, alerting them to their presence.

Mr. Gartner was effusive in his praise for the fire department, noting how they took the couple to the fire hall, giving them coffee and warming them up, even taking their clothes to their various homes to work on getting them dry. Before the crew left North Channel Drive, however, another snowmobile came along the trail with a young child on

the back. The firefighters quickly began to yell out, warning of what lay ahead. The snowmobilers took a path back to land via Narrow Island.

After learning of the pressure crack, the Manitoulin Snowdusters promptly closed the ice trail that leads to Whitefish Falls.

"Constable Dave Millette too was outstanding," Mr. Gartner said. "He organized the VCARS (Victims Crisis Assistance and Referral Service) for us, who took us back to the Killarney Bay Inn."

The Killarney Bay Inn kept in constant contact with the couple too, even offering to send someone to Little Current to bring them back to their room. When the Gartners arrived back at the Killarney Bay Inn, their room was stocked with food, goodies and drink.

Todd Corbiere, who is well-known on Manitoulin for his rescue of several sunken sleds, also enters this story after he was contacted to pull the snowmobile from the channel. After towing it out of the water, Mr. Corbiere worked on the sled at his garage, TC Auto and Marine, until 11 pm that night, keeping in contact with the Gartners too via text message. The next morning, Saturday, he offered to drive it directly to the Killarney Bay Inn with a posse including Rob Little, Larry Disley and Frank Zelinsky.

"If you look at it from a tourist point of view, we made a lot of mistakes," Ms. Gartner told The Expositor, "but nobody threw it in our face. Our mistake was not stopping, observing and making a choice (when they encountered the second pressure crack)."

"We didn't make a plan or tell anyone our route," she added. "We would go back sledding again, and we would do it differently. Locals know where they're going, but tourists need to know where they're going, plan it out, especially on the big water."

She noted that she normally carries ice picks around her neck, but had lost them on their last trip and didn't replace them—something she won't go without again. "And I would never wear mitts again," Ms. Gartner added, noting that she found gripping the ice to pull herself up difficult wearing mittens instead of gloves.

The Gartners were overwhelmed by the caring nature of the local people they met, all within less than 24 hours.

"The community was definitely amazing," Ms. Gartner said.

"You guys are awesome, just unbelievable," Mr. Gartner said. "From Pam and I both, it's just overwhelming how awesome everyone is."

The couple plans to return, paying a special visit to

...OPP union scandal implicates former Manitoulin officer

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Christie and Mr. Bain. None of the above had been charged with any crime and no allegations have been proven in court.

Constable Bain was an officer with the Manitoulin OPP detachment for several years.

The sequence of revelations appearing in the media has provided a cascade of information and a flurry of press releases from the organizations impacted by the raid, which included homes and vehicles.

A press release from the OPPA indicated that they cooperated with the RCMP investigation by providing them with the items identified in their search warrant. Those items were not identified in that release.

According to the release, "in the best interests of the association and its membership, effective immediately, President Jim Christie and Vice-President Martin Bain have taken voluntary leaves of absence from the OPPA. In addition, CAO Karl Walsh has been placed on administrative leave by the board of directors."

The release goes on to state "these actions should not be considered admissions or implications of wrongdoing or liability by anyone or by the association. The association has no knowledge of any charges being laid against any persons at this time."

All lawful authority of the OPPA is now vested with acting-President Doug Lewis, Acting Vice-President Todd Provost, the board of directors and acting CAO Michael Briscoe.

CAO, Michael Briscoe."

Media reports indicate that RCMP Const. Jean Juneau has said the search warrant was ordered sealed by an Ontario Superior Court judge, ensuring details of evidence sought by the RCMP are not available to the public. Constable Juneau was adamant that no charges were imminent in the recently begun investigation.

The release goes on to add, "Acting President Lewis and the board of directors would like to thank the staff of the association for their dedication during this difficult time. They wish to reassure members of the association that the high level of professional service they have received in the past will continue."

The association notes in the release that it "is in the process of obtaining specialized independent legal advice with respect to this matter."

Due to the ongoing investigation, the press release adds that the OPP Association will not be commenting further at this time.

But comment they did. With a new release to members, the OPPA indicated that the search warrant stated there were "reasonable grounds for believing that the following offenses have been committed: Section 322 Theft Criminal Code; Section 336 Criminal Breach of Trust Criminal Code; Section 380 (1) Fraud Criminal Code; Section 462.31 Laundering the Proceeds of Crime Criminal Code; and Section 341 Fraudulent Concealment Criminal Code." In addition, continues the notice to members, "an internal investigation is being conducted by the independent legal firm of Stikeman Elliott. Counsel from Stikeman Elliott is conducting the investigation under the oversight of the Acting

of Mr. Christie and Mr. Bain and a subsequent release from the OPPA provided a link to a statement by the Ontario Pensions Board. The linked statement reads: "Effective immediately, the OPPA has withdrawn Karl Walsh's nomination to the Ontario Pension Board (OPB)

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everyone who helped them to safety last Friday afternoon, and may be exploring Manitoulin via rubber tire as the Gartners are also avid Harley Davidson enthusiasts.

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Family violence on First Nations focus of youth conference

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—Whitefish River First Nation, Sheguiandah First Nation, Wikwemikong and Zhiibaahassing First Nation joined forces to organize the 'Our History, Our Family, Our Connections, Building Strong Relationships' youth conference last week at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre.

"We felt that family violence is something that is prevalent in many First Nation communities and wanted to address this problem," explained Whitefish River First Nation Health and Social Service Manager Leslie McGregor, who helped organize the conference. "There is a lot of reasons that it exists, but we wanted to come from a direction of building strength and targeting youth between the ages of 12-18 because we think they are going to be the change makers. If we start with youth, they can break the cycle of abuse and build families and communities back up, from the ground up."

Bringing in the Great Lakes Cultural Camp as facilitators, organizers wanted to

strengthen youth through passing on cultural knowledge.

The one-day cultural education program was a highly interactive and experiential session with youth, which focussed on teaching Anishinabek history with regards to how children were raised to become healthy citizens of their families and communities.

"Students will have simulated 'living experience' of each of the ceremonies that helped tribal citizens move from birth through end-of-life by the use of ceremonies that marked their progress of life in becoming healthy citizens," explained the pro-



Area First Nation youths learn about berry fasting at the 'Our History, Our Family, Our Connections, Building Strong Relationships' youth conference last week at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre.

photo by Robin Burridge

gram from the Great Lakes Cultural Camps. "Teachings from each ceremony were shared and youth will identify how these teachings can create a 'cultural kindness and goodwill' in today's family and community. Students will have an opportunity to state one commitment they can make to their family/community to create a better and safer place to live."

"The day went really well," said Ms. McGregor. "We had 56 youth attend the conference and received a lot of positive feedback. We really hope that it will make a difference and help end the silence and stop the violence."

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Central Manitoulin Council Notes

March 12 meeting

Bradley McAllister Memorial declared a community festival

Council passed a motion at its March 12 meeting, moved by Councillor Derek Stephens and seconded by Councillor Ted Taylor, declaring the annual Bradley McAllister 4 on 4 Hockey tournament a community festival. "This is an annual event, I believe, I think it is a good thing to remember this lad," said Councillor Taylor.

"It is not just children," agreed Councillor Pat MacDonald. "It is for all ages."

"It is simply a great event," said Councillor Stephens. "It is a great opportunity to see some fast-paced hockey."

CAO and maintenance supervisor authorized for arena decisions

Council authorized the CAO and maintenance supervisor to make decisions regarding the ice surfaces as called for by the season bookings. Moved by Councillor Councillor Ted Taylor and seconded by Councillor Alex Baran, the motion is intended to allow flexibility in case local teams make it to the finals of their tournaments. "If any of the teams make the playoffs in their leagues, it only makes sense to have the decisions made by those persons," said Councillor Taylor.

Financial reports passed

The year-to-date financial reports from the Property Committee, dated February 28, were passed on a motion made by Councillor Alex Baran and seconded by Councillor Ted Taylor.

Council to lobby MTO for traffic flow study

Council passed a motion, moved by Councillor Linda Farquhar and seconded by Councillor Ted Taylor, requesting that the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) return to the municipality during the peak summer season to study the intersections of Highway 542 and 551, as previously suggested by the MTO itself last year.

"This has been an ongoing issue for eight years now," said Councillor Derek Stephens. "Is there any indication that the highway work will get done this year?"

"My understanding is that it will," said CAO Ruth Frawley.

"Are pedestrian lines part of that?" asked Councillor Dale Scott. "That is my understanding," replied Ms. Frawley.

"I was at CPAC (Community Policing Advisory Committee) and there was a fair bit of discussion on parking at that intersection," said Councillor Scott. "The police will be told to be watching the regulations on parking. Sergeant (Kevin) Webb said they will be making note." Councillor Scott pointed out that the issuing of tickets by the OPP is more difficult as they actually have to wait for the driver to return to the vehicle to issue a ticket to the driver, not simply place a ticket on the windshield, as a bylaw officer would be able to do.

Councillor Scott noted parking at that intersection was particularly problematic when school buses are travelling to and from Central Manitoulin Public School. "It is going to be addressed by the police," said Councillor Scott, "but it

is not as easy as if they could just put a ticket on."

"When they are speeding on photo radar they can just send the driver a ticket," said Councillor Patricia MacDonald. "It doesn't make sense that they can't do parking violations the same way."

Council supports MSS students' bid to have crosswalk installed

A motion put forward by Councillor Alex Baran and seconded by Councillor Patricia MacDonald supporting lobbying efforts by the Manitoulin Secondary School Native Studies and Language class to have signage for a school zone and crosswalk with amber lights in all directions installed at the intersections of Highways 551 and 540 and further that the motion of support be forwarded to both the Ministry of Transportation and MSS teacher Stewart Roy.

"Are they asking to put in a light?" asked Councillor Ted Taylor.

"At that intersection, so people coming from all directions can see it," said Mayor Richard Stephens, who had attended a Manitoulin Municipal Association meeting where the students and Mr. Roy gave a presentation on their project.

Councillor MacDonald indicated that she had seen signs in that area that students were present.

"I think it is a great idea," said Councillor Derek Stephens. "I would be hoping that they would be looking at realignment of that intersection as well. It does not line up properly. I am hoping this will encourage them to look at that as well."

"That was discussed at the MMA meeting," agreed Mayor Stephens.

Council divided on speed limit debate

A motion to respond to the Ministry of Transportation consultation request on Ontario's proposed changes to the default speed limit within municipalities, indicating the municipality would prefer that the default be set at 40 kilometres per hour, but that the MTO set the rate not the municipality, and that further, signs be placed further out of the village of Mindemoya due to the developed area having expanded east and west on Highway 542 and north on Highway 542, was moved by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Linda Farquhar.

Councillor Patricia MacDonald announced that she was not in favour of the motion. "I think the default should be 50," she said. "People who are going 50 will still go 50, people who speed will still speed. This will just encourage people to break the law. I never see anyone pulled over, I think this is trying to solve a problem with a law that could be solved by enforcement."

"I am with Pat," said Councillor Derek Stephens. "I don't think 40 will solve the problem."

"I would like to see the signs further out," said Councillor Ted Taylor. "I think they should be out by Home Hardware. There are a lot of people along that road and there are a lot of people walking."

Councillor Baran noted that there is no evidence to support what people are thinking when they are driving. He noted that people tend to drive slightly over the posted limit.

...funding expands Gladue services to new locations

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was able to assist with requests from Sudbury." Mr. Prevost said that having the writers based across the North will greatly facilitate meeting demand with local knowledge.

Mr. Prevost noted that the contract postings are "for at least a year," but that it is hoped the funding will be available to continue the program beyond that initial year. Mr. Prevost added that the specialized writers will be a great improvement on lawyers writing reports on their clients behalf. "They may not be aware of resources that are available in the community," he said.

Ms. Hare explained that the Gladue reports highlight the systemic factors that may have brought an aboriginal person before the court. Some of those factors include impacts of residential school, child welfare involvement, dislocation, substance abuse and discrimination. The reports also provide information about available community-based rehabilitation that may be culturally appropriate. Each report is unique, as it reflects that aboriginal person's life experience.

"They provide perspec-

tive to a person's life," said Ms. Hare. Among the examples she provided was the all too common situation where an aboriginal person is facing incarceration due to ignoring court orders. "That person may have faced abuse at the hands of people who were in authority over them, leaving them with a lack of respect for people in authority—those are the people who abused them."

Jonathan Rudin of the ALST in Toronto is probably Canada's foremost expert on Gladue reports, having set up and designed the first reports following the Supreme Court decision that recognized the need for the reports. "We operate as a friend of the court," said Mr. Rudin, noting that neither the prosecution nor the defense gets to look at the reports first. "We have to have the respect of both sides in order to be effective."

According to the employment advertisement on the ALST website, successful applicants to become one of the new Gladue writers will have "excellent writing skills, be able to interview people easily and be prepared to present information to the court under oath. The Caseworker must

be able to work independently and to work on a number of files and reports simultaneously. Knowledge of how the criminal justice system operates is an important aspect of this work. Knowledge of the programs and services available to aboriginal people in the community is a great asset. Familiarity with word processing is essential."

Mr. Rudin noted, however, that there is really no set profile for a Gladue report writer. "What is most important is a good ability to talk to a wide range of people," he said. The Gladue reports delve into very touchy subjects, including sexual and physical abuse, family circumstances and upbringing. Getting people who have been mistreated and abused, often by people in authority, takes a great deal of empathy and patience.

Applications with a cover letter can be submitted by Friday, March 20, 2015 by 4 pm to

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it and that consequently a lower posted limit would likely have the effect of slowing people down."

The municipality currently has a speed limit of 40 kilometres within the municipal roads in the built up villages. The debate centred around speed limits on provincial highways running through the villages within the municipality.

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"I would like to congratulate McDougall Energy and its entire workforce. Achieving this standard of excellence takes a united effort from a dedicated team," said Peter Brown, national co-leader of Canada's Best Managed Companies Program and Senior Practice Partner, Deloitte.

Now in its third generation of family ownership, McDougall Energy has grown to become one of the largest integrated distributors of Esso and Mobil products in

Canada. The 70-year-old energy company operates in various regions across Canada serving Business, Residential and Retail customers.

"For a family business that started in Northern Ontario over 70 years ago, we have come a long way. We are incredibly honoured to be recognized as a Gold Standard winner by Canada's Best Managed Companies judges, coaches and sponsors. Every team member at McDougall Energy has contributed to this award in some way," said Darren McDougall, president of McDougall Energy.

Established in 1993, Canada's Best Managed Companies is one of the country's leading business awards programs that recognizes Canadian companies that have implemented world-class business practices and created value in innovative ways. Applicants are evaluated by an independent judging panel on how they address various business challenges, including new technologies, globalization, brand management, leadership, leveraging and developing core competencies, designing information systems, and

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Road committee financial reports accepted

A motion to accept the year-to-date financial reports of the Road Committee ending February 28, moved by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Ted Taylor, was carried.

February 26 meeting Sewer and water budget approved

Council approved the 2015 water and sewer budget with a 2.96 overall increase in the rate on a motion by Councillor Ted Taylor and seconded by Councillor Derek Stephens. The bylaw setting the rates in place was given three readings and passed on a motion made by Councillor Alex Baran, also seconded by Councillor Stephens.

"I think it will be good," said Councillor Baran. "Our decision (to increase rates) was based on the rate of depletion of our reserves." Councillor Baran noted that there were a number of expensive replacements that would be coming in the future. "Last year we drew down our reserves, so we were not in a positive drawback this year. At least we are relieving the amount of reserves that are being depleted."

Councillor Patricia MacDonald noted that the municipality is depleting its reserves for water and sewer this year by about \$14,000. The depletion last year was closer to \$40,000.

Four-year lease of Lake Mindemoya Pavilion approved

A motion by Councillor Dale Scott and seconded by Councillor Derek Stephens to approve the municipality entering into a four year lease, at the nominal amount of one dollar a year, with the United Fish and Game Clubs of Manitoulin (UFGCM) for the Lake Mindemoya Pavilion was approved. The motion had a caveat added that the lease was contingent on the club utilizing the site for a new fish hatchery as indicated in their request.

Councillor Ted Taylor, who had attended a recent meeting between the UFGCM and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), noted that the presentation made to ministry officials was essentially the same as that delivered to a public meeting held in the council

chambers earlier in February.

The MNRF had indicated they were not opposed to the prospect of a new hatchery, but were not ready to commit to the provision of eggs to the facility until the completion of the analysis of fish populations was completed, likely at the end of this coming summer.

"There seems to be a lot of enthusiasm for the hatchery from the public," noted Councillor Alex Baran, who also attended the MNRF meeting.

Councillor Taylor noted that the large number of invasive rainbow smelt in the lake appear to be eating the walleye fry. "Once the fry are larger, the tables seem to turn," he said. "Then the walleye are eating the smelts."

"The fish hatchery does seem to be a win-win for everybody," noted Mayor Richard Stephens.

Councillor Baran suggested the addition to the motion indicating the lease of the pavilion would be contingent on the success of the project.

"We don't want to just lease out the property for a dollar for just anything," he said.

Discussion emphasized that the public use of the property, washrooms and parking would not be hampered by the fish hatchery.

"People will still be able to access the beach and everything," noted Mayor Stephens.

Municipality to have presence at 2015 Manitoulin Trade Fair

A motion passed at council to purchase a \$300 booth at the 2015 Manitoulin Trade fair was moved by Councillor Derek Stephens and seconded by Councillor Ted Taylor.

Council to request proposals for financial services

The municipality will be issuing a request for proposals (RFP) for the provision of financial services.

"This had to do with a representation to committee," explained CAO Ruth Frawley, who explained that it is normal municipal policy to seek RFPs for services provided to the municipality.

"What is involved, payroll?" asked Councillor Alex Baran.

Ms. Frawley replied that the RFP process involved all of the financial services, including the regular audit.

Councillor Baran asked if the RFP was for a bundle of all financial services, or if the municipality might select a number of suppliers for each.

"I don't know, it would depend," explained Ms. Frawley.

Councillor Derek Stephens noted that many services set a base cost for services, but that the actual cost can vary depending on the number and amount of services actually accessed.

Council approves physician recruitment proposal

A proposal that the municipality take part in a joint physician recruitment program involving Manitoulin and the North Shore was approved by council to extend for this term of council (approximately four years), to be reviewed annually for effectiveness.

"I think the presentation that the hospital made was very good," said Councillor Derek Stephens. Councillor Stephens offered up that the present coordinator appears to be "doing a fantastic job."

"It (physician recruitment) is a pretty important issue to us," continued Councillor Stephens.

Councillor Patricia MacDonald noted the request for the committee was for \$6,000 a year and that the municipality has supported the construction of a new family health team building.

Councillor Linda Farquhar suggested that a time limit be placed on the commitment and that council should "look at how effective it has been."

Councillor Dale Scott said that he agreed that the hospital is very important to the community. "The only reservation I have is how the Island will benefit," he said. "I am not sure it was talked about what kind of priority we get."

"It is not just Manitoulin, it is all of the region," agreed Mayor Richard Stephens.

"It is totally up to the doctors where they will go," noted Councillor Stephens, cautioning the council that the committee will not have the power to dictate to doctors attract to the region where they want to set up practice.

"I share Dale's concern," said Councillor Alex Baran, pointing out that there were no "iron clad assurances. It is on a regional basis," he said. But that being said, he

agreed that physicians coming to the region would be a "benefit to everyone." Councillor Baran suggested that the agreement be reviewed each year and that an entrepreneur be induced to build a locum facility in the community, which is what the recruiter had indicated was the biggest challenge in attracting prospective doctors to the area.

There was some discussion of who would be the municipal representative on the recruitment committee, with Councillor Derek Stephens indicating he would be interested in the challenge.

Mayor Stephens suggested the appointment be deferred until details of travel and meeting frequency were clarified.

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Kids in the Halls

The Mustangs are officially on March Break! Students are relaxing at home, teachers are catching up on sleep, and everyone is super happy with the weather. On Friday, March 13, the school had a Winter Carnival and everyone participated in one of the many activities.

wear.

The winner of the huge skittles jar was Karissa Merrylees, and she was very proud of herself. The winner of the green skittles jar was Courtney Oswald, the purple jar was Kendra Jordison, the yellow jar was Skyler Danville, the orange

Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test on March 26. Months of practice and tips from teachers will conclude with final tutorials after March Break. Because the literacy test is a graduation requirement, students will put forward their best effort in order to pass the test on



**Sandy
Kuntzi**



Mason Golder, Laura Brown, Grace Duncanson, Tyler Hore and Denver Leeson roast marshmallows at the bonfire.

photos by Sandy Kuntzi



Bissy van Kesteran and Jessica Jordison chilling out on the ice.

Out on the lake students were sitting on cushions relaxing in the partial sun. In the music room, the teachers sang Uptown Funk for all of the students watching. Sisters Jessica and Kenra Jordison won matching Mustang shirts for singing so beautifully. There was a free hot dog for everybody, and also marshmallows that students could roast at the bonfire. There was a road hockey tournament in the parking lot. There weren't any fish caught in the ice fishing derby, but everyone had fun and that is what matters. Participants could win coupons for MSS spirit

jar was Jade Danville, and the red jar was Jordan Moore. These lucky guessers got lots and lots of candy! The colourful clothing brightened both the school's halls and the students' moods.

Thursday, March 26 is a Parent/Guardian Night at MSS from 7-9 pm. Parents will have the opportunity to speak with their child's teachers. There is going to be a bake sale during the evening so that parents can enjoy a snack while they wait their turn for a conference.

Over 120 students, mostly Grade 10s, are certainly anxious to write the annual

their first attempt. Students need at least Level 3 to pass the test, and they will not receive their results until June.

Spymaster sign up is done! All of this generation's spies have chosen their names, taken their target pictures, and are now preparing for the major hunt down by researching explicit techniques and strategies.

Friday was the last day for awesome First Nation's counsellor Mrs. Gordon as she moves onto a new position. She will be missed by a lot of students and I am sure she will visit. It was also Mrs. Debassige's last

day of her placement with Mr. Roy, and we hope to see her back at the school soon.

All three of the computer labs have been renovated and updated by Mr. Gray. There are new computers and a new layout that is more suitable for students who bring their own devices. There is a table in the middle of each lab where students can meet with the teacher or sit and work on their own technology.

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Ed Pigeau, the Royal Canadian Legion Dominion vice-president, presents veteran Kenneth Hocken with the French Legion of Honour Medal for his part in liberating France in WWII over 70 years ago.

photo by Ken Kalinowski

Island vet receives French Legion of Honour medal

by Robin Burridge

SAULT STE. MARIE—Kenneth Hocken, formerly of Swift Current, was presented with the French Legion of Honour medal earlier this month at a special ceremony held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 25 in Sault Ste. Marie (where he now resides) for his part in liberating France in WWII over 70 years ago.

"I am very honoured," Mr. Hocken told The Expositor last week. "It brought up a lot of memories—memories of what I went through and what I saw in France. It means a lot that they (the French) gave me this award."

The 91-year-old explained that he served as a tank driver with the Sherbrooke Fusiliers Regiment, a Canadian armored unit.

"I started off servicing the tanks," said

Mr. Hocken. "Eventually I began driving."

Born in Parry Sound, Mr. Hocken moved to Swift Current as a boy, attending school in Little Current and eventually working at his father's Swift Current mill.

After the war, Mr. Hocken moved to the Sault and married his wife Dora (nee Ferguson).

"We were pretty excited when we learned Ken would be getting this award," shared Dora. "The French embassy wanted to send someone, but couldn't. It was such a huge honour and Ed Pigeau, the Royal Canadian Legion Dominion vice-president, presented the medal and there was a very nice ceremony."

Mr. and Mrs. Hocken were joined by their large family of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren for the medal presentation.

...Expositor launches virtual shopping mall

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of course, they can be renewed).

Buyers can call up particular classifications to search and if there isn't yet a classification for an item a seller wants to post, an email to expositor@manitoulin.ca will ensure that the new classification is created.

Here's an example. The second day that ManitoulinMall.com was live, Mr. Patterson was contacted by an Island person who said he'd like to have a classification where he could post items he wished to donate to charity. Presto.

Five minutes later, that classification was live.

The site is currently free for retail businesses as well and Mr. Patterson encourages every Manitoulin business to make use of the site and create their own online store fronts.

"For them, it's like having their own website, if they don't already have them, and most retailers haven't yet gone this route. But a store owner can post their entire inventory, with photos and prices, if they want to. And they should make use of this service," Mr. Patterson stressed. "Just like a retail ad in The Expositor or The Recorder

or on the news website manitoulin.ca, it's a great way of showing everyone what you've got."

Manitoulin Publishing Co. Ltd. has other quality digital projects in mind for the general benefit of Manitoulin and is presently advertising for an intern to fill a new media specialist's position. The company has successfully sought partial funding assistance from the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation, based on the project's stated goal of improving Manitoulin businesses' opportunities to grow and expand their market.

...scandal implicates former Manitoulin officer

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Board of Directors and has put forward a replacement nominee to the government. Earlier this week, OPB became aware that Mr. Walsh is currently under investigation by the RCMP. We have been actively monitoring the situation and have been in communication with the OPPA and the government. While the allegations against Mr. Walsh remain unproven, OPB wishes to reassure our members that Mr. Walsh was not involved in the operations of OPB. Mr. Walsh was one of nine members of the board of directors of OPB. The board provides oversight and acts by majority vote. It is not involved in operational matters. Mr. Walsh had no signing authority or ability to make commitments on OPB's behalf, did not determine pension entitlements

and was not a member of the Investment Committee or the Audit Committee of the board of directors. We would also like to reassure our members that OPB has never used the travel agency, or the consulting firm, being investigated."

Mr. Walsh was a Barrie provincial Liberal candidate in the 2011 election and was at the administration helm of the OPPA when it created two videos attacking then Progressive Conservative leader Tim Hudak for "wanting to cancel OPP contracts, reduce pay and cut pension plans for new recruits."

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Wikwemikong career fair provides a blueprint for the future

by Michael Erskine

WIKWEMIKONG—The keys to finding success in a career include discovering what it is you would like to do and then finding the steps that you need to take to get there. Wikwemikong students and community members found a great resource in building their plan during the 'A Blueprint for My Future' career fair held at the Wikwemikong High School.

The daylong event included a packed gymnasium filled with booths set up by potential employers, local agencies and the Canadian Forces as well as a series of workshop by presenters from a wide range of occupations and trades.

The opening guest presentation by Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier was delivered via the 21st century medium of Skype. Chief Peltier, who was out of town attending meetings, arranged to meet the students in the innovative presentation that was very personal.

Students quizzed the chief on why he chose to enter politics, what was involved in his career and how he got there.

"I was very impressed," said Wikwemikong Principal Mick Staruck. "He could have just said no, that he was too busy to be able to attend. Instead, he went the extra mile and it was a very personal exchange with the students."

Following the students'



Tradespeople share their experiences with Wikwemikong students and community members during the Wikwemikong High School annual career fair. This year's fair took special care to include opportunities to be found within the skilled trades.

photo by Michael Erskine

grilling of the chief, the morning workshops began with Noella Jacko speaking on Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve (WUIR) governance, Chett Monague on 'Why Choose Nipissing University', Brian Peltier on 'Language Revitalization and Technology,' Olvie Li on 'Do You Know What It Takes To Become a Nurse,' Peter Baumgarten 'From Hobby to Second Career as a Photographer?' and Nicole Peltier on 'Your Financial Blueprint.'

Each student had a career fair passport to be signed by the presenters.

Following the early

morning sessions, journeyman electrician Shawn Recollet delivered a keynote address discussing apprenticeships.

Following a hearty lunch, an apprenticeship discussed 'Learning the Trade' before the dancers of Outside Looking In

(OLI) began a 15-minute performance.

The Canadian Forces booth was doing a brisk business where recruiters Petty Officers 2nd Class Ronald Fisher and Morris Wadge were kept busy handing out brochures and signing up students to receive more information about a career in the forces.

"We've seen a lot of interest," said PO2 Fisher. "It has been a great day. The students have had a lot of great questions." The recruiters said that they thought a lot of the students were seriously considering a military career.

At the Norcat Common Core booth, Carole Charron discovered that a lot of students were interested in the

career opportunities to be found in the resource extraction industry underground.

"There has been a lot of interest," she said. "Not just from the students, but a lot of community members as well."

Principal Staruck said that he was very impressed with the level of organization and the type of presenters at this year's event.

"I think in the past we have concentrated a lot more on the academic side of things," he said. "This time we had a lot of people who are engaged in the trades and I think our students and the community found that information very valuable."



Sleigh bells ring

On Wednesday, March 11 members of the Providence Bay Seniors Twilight Club attended a sleigh ride party at the farm of Lyle and Sharron Dewar. The weather on that day was more than perfect for such an event. The members were pulled across the fields of the Dewar farm by the team of horses Mac and Vic. To accommodate all the members Lyle did three separate rides. Our hosts Sharron and Lyle provided the members with hot chocolate and snacks along with singing entertainment by Carol Gillmore and Lyle in a nice warm workshop/parlor area. The afternoon was enjoyed by all and hope to make it an annual event. Thank you Lyle and Sharron. (Oh yes, and thank you to Mac and Vic.)

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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 (no meetings in July and August) starting January 21, 2010, 1:30 - 3:30 pm, VON office, Mindemoya, 6062 Hwy 542. Call Marilyn at 705-368-0756, Ext 238 if there are any questions. All welcome.

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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-Alon Group: Thursdays at 7 pm in the library room at the Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya, 705-377-4892/705-377-5138. Espanola Al-Anon, Tuesdays at 7 pm, Anglican Church, 213 Tudhope Street, Espanola, 705-869-6595.

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Manitoulin Supervised Access provides a safe, neutral child focused centre for visits and exchanges between children and non-custodial parties. Visits and exchanges take place during evenings and weekends. Service can be requested by individuals, lawyers and judges. For further information call (705) 377-6080.

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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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"Having trouble stopping eating?" Overeaters Anonymous Meeting each Monday from 7 pm to 8 pm at Little Current Public School, main lobby entrance, in the library.

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150 4x5 round bales, last year's hay, no rain, stored inside, (Timothy, Trefoil, Alsike, Bromegrass). 705-282-6279.

44-45c

A 1998, 38 hp Massey Ferguson tractor with less than 1,000 hours on it for sale. Asking \$9,000 or make an offer. Please call 705-377-4957.

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44-47p

Nintendo Wii with Wii Fit board and several games with accessories including a hunting game, fishing frenzy, Zumba, Wii sports, Wii Fit, American Idol, Beatles Rock Band (mic only) and others. \$150. You can even use Wii to turn your TV into a Smart TV and watch Netflix or surf the web. Call 705-368-2744.

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Farm house for rent, Clover Valley Road near Manitowaning, three-bedroom, one bathroom, oil and wood heat, renovated. Available April 1. \$825 per month plus utilities. 519-857-7930.

44-47c

Commercial space for rent on main street in Mindemoya, 800 sq. ft., has own washroom, all utilities included. Available April 1. For more info, call or email Annette Pearson, 705-377-4770 or 705-377-5466, nettip@amtelecom.net.

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Wanted pasture land to rent for approximately 10 horses for summer months. Contact Ken Albrecht at 519-698-0143.

34-45oa



Judy Martin, lead artist for the successful Manitoulin Community Circle Project, has volunteered to teach the hand stitch techniques and demonstrate her methods of design. Each participant will be gently encouraged to create an original meditation panel for her own personal use. Sponsored by the Little Current United Church. This event is open to the wider community. It is not necessary to be a member of the church or to know anything at all about sewing. It is possible to start at any time. This is a drop-in event and it is free! For more details, see classified section at www.manitoulin.ca.

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Bishop Jean-Louis Plouffe will be confirming candidates at Holy Cross Mission in Wikwemikong on May 17, 2015 at 11 am and at Immaculate Conception in M'Chigeeng on May 24, 2015. For more information call Wikwemikong at (705) 859-3259 or M'Chigeeng at (705) 377-4985.

43-44p

The Manitoulin Health Centre Auxiliary Casserole Dinner is on Friday March 20 at 6 pm in the Little Current United Church hall. Tickets are \$10 and are available from members, or at the Tuck Cart room from 11 am to 1 pm, Monday to Friday. Donations of a casserole, potato dish or a cake would be appreciated. Call Sue at 705-368-2336. Only 100 tickets available.

43-44oa

Good Will Hot Chili Luncheon, Little Current Holy Trinity Anglican Church, March 25; 11:30 am to 1 pm. Come join us for this social event.

43-45p

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

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44-45p

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Tables are still available - contact the Crean Hill Gun Club at **705-929-2411** or check out the website www.creanhillgunclub.ca for more information.

Rick Piché and The Hawberry Boys present "On The Road Again," a concert of songs about travelling, featuring music of The Beatles, The Monkees, Johnny Cash, John Denver, The Beach Boys and many more. Friday, April 17 at 7:30 pm and Saturday April 18 matinee at 2 pm at St. Francis Anglican Church in Mindemoya. Tickets are \$15, available at Manitoulin Island Computers, Mindemoya; The Source, Gore Bay; Manitoulin Expositor, Little Current; or by phoning 705-859-3925. Proceeds to St. Francis Anglican Church, barrier free access at the south door.

44-48p

The Island Quilters Guild will be having their next meeting on March 19 at 7 pm at the Mindemoya Community Centre. Everyone is welcome. No scents, please.

44oa

Sunrise Breakfast, Saturday, March 28 at Mindemoya Missionary Church. Food service: 8 am to 10 am. Adults, \$10; children 5-9, \$5; children under 5 are free. Menu includes: ham, breakfast sausages, scrambled eggs, pancakes, toast and hash browns, syrup (including diabetic syrup), and beverages (tea, regular and decaf coffee, water, milk and apple and orange juices).

44-45p



Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services Employment Opportunity

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services currently delivers Prevention Services (Child and Family Services and Community Support) and Foster Care services in collaboration with our member First Nations. Currently KGCFS is in a transitional phase towards designation as a Children's Aid Society to deliver Child Welfare services with our member First Nations within the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin.

KGCFS makes every effort to ensure all services provided are respectful of the communities that are serviced; respectful of the culture, language, beliefs, customs and practices of the Ojibway-Odawa-Pottawatomi people.

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• Service Supervisor (Full-time – Permanent)

Under the supervision of the Service Manager, the Service Supervisor (SS) is responsible for providing clinical supervision, administrative management, and leadership in all aspects of case management. The SS provides progressive supervisory case collaboration with agency and community stakeholders to ensure the safety and well-being of children. The SS ensures child welfare standards operate within First Nations community based models, agency policies and Ministry of Child and Youth Services standards and regulations.

For additional information or to obtain a detailed job description, please visit our website at www.kgcfs.org/employment.

We invite applicants to submit a cover letter, resume, and three letters of reference (one from most recent/current employer) marked confidential to:

By Mail:

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Attention: Human Resources, (Quality Assurance Analyst)
98 Pottawatomi Avenue, Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0
By Fax: 705-859-2195
By Email: hr@kgcfs.org
Closing Date: **March 27, 2015 at 4:00pm**.

All applications are appreciated; however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check including a vulnerable sector screening and a driver's abstract.



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If interested in attending the program please contact the **VON Office in Mindemoya at 705-377-4225**.

Please join us at
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or email: info@jakes.ca

For more information please call Adam @ 705-377-6060.

Resumes will be accepted until **NOON on Saturday April 4th, 2015**.

Looking for prices to: plow, disc, fertilize small wildlife plots; cut firewood in Mindemoya area. 705-596-2296 or chad-pearsen@hotmail.com.

41-44c

Job for carpenter/contractor to finish interior renovation and deck at a cottage on Monument Road. Call 705-377-4652.

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The Selection Committee will consist of 2 members identified by Laurentian University Native Education Council (LUNEC) and 1 member of Laurentian University faculty or staff. The Selection Committee will identify the recipient of the award(s) based on the eligibility requirements and the completed nomination submissions.

Nomination Submissions:

- A. Nominator must complete the Nomination Form
- B. Nominator must include a written response to each of the following questions up to a maximum of 3 pages.
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 2. In what ways does your nominee participate in the development of Native Education?
 3. What are your nominee's individual achievements and accomplishments in the Native community or at work that make him/her a candidate for an award of distinction?
- C. The Nominator must provide 3 Letters of Support to accompany the nomination, two of which must be from a recognized leader or Elder in the Native community.
- D. All nominations must be on 8.5" x 11" white paper.

To obtain a nomination package, please contact Carole Rochette at (705) 675-1151, ext., 3437 or by email at crochette@laurentian.ca.

Completed Nominations must be mailed or delivered to:

Associate Vice President, Academic and Indigenous Programs
 Room L-335, R.D. Parker Building
 Laurentian University, 935 Ramsey Lake Road
 Sudbury, Ontario P3E 2C6

Or can be sent by email to: crochette@laurentian.ca (must include all required signatures)

Incomplete packages will not be accepted.

NOMINATION DEADLINE: Friday May 22nd, 2015



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Please include in your application:

- a complete resume, including qualifications and experience
- three recent work-related references on employer letterhead
- a satisfactory vulnerable sector criminal record check completed within 90 days of the date of the application
- a copy of your OCT registration
- copies of your latest practice teaching reports and/or performance appraisals
- three references, with your signed permission to contact them

Inquiries and applications should be directed to:

Dominic Beaudry, Director of Education
 Wikwemikong Board of Education
 34 Henry Street, Wikwemikong, ON P0P 2J0
 Tel: 705-859-3834 Fax: 705-859-3787

Electronic applications may be sent to dbeaudry@wbe-education.ca, with documents to follow.

Deadline: April 3, 2015 @ 2:00 pm

Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

**WIKWEMIKONG TRIBAL POLICE SERVICE****CAREER OPPORTUNITY**

POSITION: 2 Police Constables – Full Time Employment

Position commences April 2015

LOCATION: Wikwemikong Unceded First Nation

Wikwemikong, Manitoulin Island Ontario

RESPONSIBLE TO: Chief of Police, Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service

SUMMARY:

The Police Constable shall be responsible to the Police Chief and will maintain law and order in a community based setting in order to establish peace and harmony within and around the designated territory.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS:

- Degree in law and criminal justice as asset
- **MUST** have successfully completed post-secondary courses and possess a valid Applicant Testing Certificate as endorsed by the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police
- **MUST** possess valid Ontario driver's licence in good standing, CPR and Standard First Aid Certificates;
- Must have an awareness of First Nation culture and traditions;
- **NO** criminal record for which a pardon has not been granted, as supported by a updated Criminal Reference Check (CPIC check), complete security check for local and external indices check, CPIC check at applicants expense
- A Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada of 21 years of age

DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS:

- Knowledge of First Nation, Federal and Provincial laws and statutes
- Knowledge and understanding of community language, culture and traditions;
- Ability to maintain confidentiality a **MUST**.
- Ability to work shift work; comprised of both day and night shifts
- Typing and computer skills and knowledge of word document programs
- Preference will be given to applicants of First Nation descent;
- Experienced officer preferred however not an absolute term of employment

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:

This position is a permanent full time position. The anticipated start date is April, 2015. There will be a one-year probationary period, regardless of any previous experience. The successful candidate must pass a background check, comprised of reference CPIC and local police agency indices with submitted eye and medical examination prior to being offered the position.

Successful candidate **MUST** attend the 13 week Basic Recruit Training course at the Ontario Police College Aylmer, scheduled for May 6th thru July 30th, 2015 and receive a certificate of graduation.

NOTE: Should an experienced officer apply consideration as to salary merit level is open for discussion.

In addition the candidate must provide consent for a background information check. Candidates must also be willing to reside within or within the immediate community vicinity.

APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- Cover letter
- A complete and valid CPIC Check, as completed by an accredited police agency
- Personal Resume noting credits/courses/training etc.
- Photocopy of valid Ontario Police College graduation diploma (**experienced officer**)
- Photocopy of valid CPR and First Aid Certificate
- Photocopy of valid Ontario drivers license
- Photocopy of valid Applicant Testing Certificate as supported by the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police
- Completed medical certificate and eye examination
- 3 written references, whom are not directly related to the applicant
- Completed Application package which may be obtained at the Wikwemikong Tribal Police office during administrative hours, by telephone, writing to the Chief of Police, at address listed below.

NOTE: Failure to include the above mandatory screening requirements will result in a non interview selection. Preference will be extended to male or female applicants from the Wikwemikong Unceded First Nation.

SALARY & BENEFITS:

In adherence to the present Memorandum of Understanding with the Wikwemikong Police Association, terms of employment, pension, salary, health benefits for both, single or married applicants, are competitive with other police services in the Province of Ontario.

POSTING CLOSES:

Please forward with completed employment application package and all necessary information and noted mandatory attachments no later than **Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 4:00 PM**.

For a complete employment application package please call the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service Monday thru Friday during regular administrative hours at 1-705-859-3141 or toll free at 1-866-684-1136 and ask for the senior receptionist whom will respond to your request. No emails please.

Forward completed resume with **ALL** itemized and required attachments to: (please forward photocopies of documents only **do not** send originals).

Please send complete application to: Police Chief Gary G. Reid
 Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service
 2074 Wikwemikong Way, P.O. Box 27
 Wikwemikong, Ontario
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Please note that all applications received will be screened and only those selected will be extended a personal interview.



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- Has a passion for sailing, excellent leadership skills and enjoys working with children
- Works well independently and has good program management skills

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- Competitive salary and other benefits including meal and accommodation allowances if applicable
- Fun and safe working environment

Please forward your resume and a cover letter referencing the desired position to the email address indicated below **no later than April 10/2015**.

Little Current Yacht Club

Attention: Tracey Chapman
info@lcyc.ca

We thank all applicants for their time; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All offers will be contingent upon a successful Police Background Check (Vulnerable Sector Screening).

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Aboriginal Child and Youth Worker (M'Chigeeng Site)

FULL TIME POSITION



Job Summary:

In partnership, M'Chigeeng Health Centre and Noojmowin Teg Health Centre are seeking the full-time services of a Registered Social Worker. The Candidate should have previous work experience with First Nation and aboriginal populations between the ages of six and eighteen (less one day). The position is responsible for both one-on-one and group counselling, as well as providing targeted prevention programming (i.e. Strengthening Families, Triple P program, Safe Talk, etc.).

The aim of the service is to provide supportive counselling to M'Chigeeng children and youth to support their wholistic well-being. The position will further support capacity building with First Nation programs, services and families.

The Worker will provide counselling services in collaboration with a combination of the M'Nendamowin and Noojmowin Teg mental health teams, as well as other multi-disciplinary professionals. The intent of the collaboration is to strengthen a widening circle of care responsive to the needs of each young person. Services are community based and also include area schools, working with school based teams including teachers, school counsellors, principals and parents.

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

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provide one-on-one mental health and addiction counselling services to children and youth ages six to eighteen (less one day);
- Work in schools on a regular basis;
- Promote optimal health and well-being through health prevention and promotion;
- Provide parent consultations;
- Conduct intake, assessment, treatment planning and discharge with children and youth;
- Liaise, advocate and refer children and youth to other relevant and appropriate services;
- Develop and implement community-based programs that address the needs of community members.
- Participate in UCCMM wide integration initiatives toward responsive preventative support to children and youth of M'Chigeeng First Nation.

Job Requirements:

- Four year relevant Post-Secondary Degree in social work, preferred.
- Two years' clinical service experience, essential.
- Currently registered with Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers, essential.
- Training in ASSIST and Mental Health First Aid & Safe Talk, preferred.
- Current CPR Level C and First Aid.
- Valid and current Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record Check.
- Clear Driver's Abstract, ability to drive and a reliable vehicle.
- Demonstrated understanding and sensitivity to the Anishnaabek culture, a priority.
- Ability to speak Ojibwe, an asset.

Pre-requisites

Please submit the following, no later than Friday, March 27, 2015:

- Cover letter, letter of application and resume
- Three current work related references with contact information
- Current Vulnerable Sector Criminal Reference Check (dated no longer than three months)
- Proof of Registration/Designation

Send "Confidential" to Attn:

Pam Williamson, Executive Director
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillsides Rd., Bag 2002,
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0
Ph.: 705-368-2182 ext. 204
Fax.: 705-368-2229
Email: p.williamson@noojmowin-teg.ca

Web-sites: <http://www.mchigeeng.ca/health-services.html> and www.noojmowin-teg.ca

We thank all for their interest and applications; however, only those under consideration will be contacted.



CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Job Title: New Media Specialist Intern

Job Description:

MANITOULIN PUBLISHING COMPANY LIMITED wishes to hire a New Media Specialist Intern.

THE NEW MEDIA SPECIALIST INTERN'S PRIMARY OBJECTIVE will be to position the Manitoulin Publishing Co. Ltd.'s websites firmly as the premiere news and "buy, sell and auction" portals for Manitoulin Island.

Working under the supervision of the organization's certified webmaster, the intern will:

- Continuously monitor and post to social media networks;
- Design online advertising opportunities for clients;
- Continuously post content to Manitoulin.ca and thisismanitoulin.ca;
- Work with webmaster to develop multiple strategies to increase online traffic flow;
- Liaise with newspaper's editorial staff to determine appropriate and current content;
- Use Google Analytics in order to analyze news site trends and apply them to our own content;
- Work with webmaster to add and monitor useful community features to manitoulinmall.com.

The intern will work directly with clients in developing their online messages.

Requirements:

- Have a working knowledge and understanding of website design, structure and maintenance;
- Be capable of creating social media posts;
- Be a recent graduate of a related program from an Ontario post secondary institution. This must be your first full-time position in your field.
- Qualified applicants must have the demonstrable abilities to work quickly and efficiently to deadlines, manage a large work flow, manage their own and others' time and work in a team environment. Correct written English usage with a firm grounding in spelling, grammar and punctuation is an expectation.

Remuneration:

\$17.35/hour for 52 weeks with the possibility of an offer of permanent employment after one year.

If you meet these qualifications, please apply, with references and resume to:

The Manitoulin Expositor, attention Dave Patterson
Email: expositor@manitoulin.ca
Post: Box 369, Little Current, ON P0P 1K0



Deadline for applications is Friday, April 10, 2015 at 4:00 pm.
We thank all applicants; only those being considered will be contacted.



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

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

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

CASUAL PART-TIME PARAMEDICS

Espanola, Ontario
Competition #2015-11-EMS
Closing date: April 1, 2015

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

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



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN

Requires the following personnel for a 3 year work contract:

MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL CARE

A person to carry out the maintenance/custodial care and operations of two buildings: Providence Bay Community Centre and Harbour Centre in Providence Bay that includes certain public areas and other areas of the building, some outside work included.

A mandatory walk through of the facilities will be held on **Wednesday, April 1st, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.**

Interested applicants are to meet at the Providence Bay Community Centre
11 Mutchmor Street, Providence Bay, ON

Deadline for receiving resumes is NOON on Friday April 10th, 2015.

A detailed job description is available on request.

Rosalind Seabrook
6020 HWY 542 PO Box 187
Mindemoya, Ontario P0P 1S0
Fax: 705-377-5585 Telephone: 705-377-5726
email: centralaa@amtelecom.net

Employment Opportunity

Manitoulin Centennial Manor

We are currently seeking applications for the following positions:

Personal Support Workers

- Certification must be through a recognized accredited College as per Ministry of Health Regulations

Registered Practical Nurses

- Current registration with the College of Nurses of Ontario

Please send your resume to:

Sylvie Clark; DOC
Manitoulin Centennial Manor
Postal Bag 460
Little Current, ON P0P1K0
Fax: (705) 368-2694
sclark@extendicare.com



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN

Requires the following personnel for a 3 year work contract:

MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL CARE

A person to carry out the maintenance/custodial care and operations of two buildings: Mindemoya Community Centre and Welcome Centre in Mindemoya that includes certain public areas and other areas of the building, some outside work included.

A mandatory walk through of the facilities will be held on **Wednesday, April 1st, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.**

Interested applicants are to meet at the Municipal Complex
6020 Hwy. 542, Mindemoya ON

Deadline for receiving resumes is NOON on Friday April 10th, 2015.

A detailed job description is available on request.

Rosalind Seabrook
6020 HWY 542 PO Box 187
Mindemoya, Ontario P0P 1S0
Fax: 705-377-5585 Telephone: 705-377-5726
email: centralaa@amtelecom.net



Assistant Manager

Full-Time position starting ASAP

We are looking for a disciplined energetic person to manage our restaurant Dairy Bar. Applicants must have experience working in a fast paced, 7 days a week atmosphere, and familiar with preparing and serving burgers, fries, pizza and ice cream.

If you have supervised a staff of up to 15 young people, scheduled their shifts, are familiar with opening and closing functions, and if you think you've got what it takes, and would like to join our team drop off your resume or email it to:

Staff3cows@hotmail.com



The Little Schoolhouse and Museum in South Baymouth requires a

Curator and Heritage Interpreter

(Summer Student*)

Job descriptions are available by contacting

Patsy Gilchrist, Clerk Treasurer
Township of Tehkumah
456 Hwy 542A
Tehkumah, ON P0P2C0

Email twptehk@amtelecom.net

Please submit your letter of interest stating qualifications **before 5:00pm on March 23, 2015** by mail or email. Applications may also be dropped off at the Municipal Office.

We're also looking for volunteers (great for community service hours).

**Summer Student position dependent on available funding.*



Interested in working for one of Canada's largest national transportation companies right here on Manitoulin Island?

Manitoulin Group of Companies with their Head Office in Gore Bay, Ontario is continuously growing and looking for several administrative type positions (Support Services, Billing, Quotes & Accounting) that we are willing to train for if people have the required core skills.

Your duties will include:

- Working on the computer for a large portion of the day
- Talking to internal or external customers/suppliers on the phone
- Working as part of a team with many different departments to ensure our pick-up and delivery service to our customers is outstanding
- If you have extensive EXCEL knowledge please indicate that in your cover letter as there are some positions that require that type of knowledge

If you are hard working, pay good attention to detail, are able to set priorities and meet tight deadlines, then you might be a good fit for our Gore Bay Head Office Team.

In exchange for your efforts, we offer a competitive salary and a comprehensive benefits program.

Please email your credentials to Tamey McAllister at tmcallister@monarchr.ca



ISLAND FOODLAND

HELP WANTED

Responsible, dependable, trustworthy students and/or adults are required for positions in various Foodland departments (Meat, Grocery, Night and Day Shifts, Bakery/Deli, Cashiers).

These positions require persons having:

- The ability to work quickly and efficiently in a fast paced work environment.
- Strong communication, interpersonal and customer service skills.
- The physical ability to lift and carry 25-30 kilograms.
- Experience working in a supermarket environment would be a strong asset.
- Knowledge of food safety practices.

Please apply, with a resume, to:

Carol Patterson, Store Manager
Island Foodland
11 Yonge St., P.O. Box 206
Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0



Invites applications for the position of BUILDING MAINTENANCE & CLEANING PERSON

4 venues in Kagawong

Basic plumbing repair skills, understanding of electrical systems needed.

Duties include cleaning according to need, garbage disposal, minor repair and maintenance, informing Township of repair issues, **PLUS PARK CENTRE:** stage setup, etc., according to events booked

On Call: Dealing with malfunctions during events
MUNICIPAL OFFICE/ PUBLIC WASHROOM:
Public Washroom requires daily cleaning in summer
MUNICIPAL GARAGE: Office & washroom only every 2 wks
91 MAIN GYM: Weekly

Evening & weekend work required

Respond in writing with hourly rate expected to
Kathy McDonald, Clerk-Treasurer
P.O.Box 34, Kagawong ON P0P 1J0
Email clerktreasurer@billingswtp.ca
Fax 705 282-3199 • Tel 282-2611 x 223

Only applications received by April 2 at 4 PM will be considered

Help Wanted

Full Time Short Order Cook

Experience making burgers, fries, pizza, etc.

Counter Persons

**Students and Adults Welcome
Must be able to work weekends and evenings**

**please deliver in person or email resume to:
staff3cows@hotmail.com**



**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY****New Beginnings (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder - FASD) Program Coordinator – Full Time Position****Summary of position:**

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre invites applications for the position of New Beginnings (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder - FASD) Program Coordinator. The Coordinator will work within an interdisciplinary health team to support communities, families and children specific to FASD. The program encompasses prevention, identification and intervention services using both a traditional and western approaches. The successful candidate will work in collaboration with relevant services and providers to deliver culturally relevant messages of FASD prevention, to assist in FASD multi-disciplinary evaluation assessments and follow up support, and to champion client access to appropriate FASD services and supports. Check our web-site for more information about the organization at: www.noomjowin-teg.ca.

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

Qualifications:

- Relevant post-secondary degree or diploma, or equivalent combination of education and work experience;
- Education specialization in FASD, an asset;
- Minimum of three (3) years of work experience and skills specific to counseling;
- Minimum of two (2) years of work experience related to FASD and substance abuse;
- Minimum of three (3) years of experience in program coordination and curriculum-activity development and delivery;
- Excellent written, oral and technology (ie. Word, Excel, Powerpoints, etc.) communication skills;
- Experience working in an electronic data input and reporting environment, preferred;
- Experience working with Anishnaabek people is important;
- Anishnaabemowin and knowledge of the Anishnaabek culture and protocols, an asset;
- Demonstrated familiarity with local First Nation and non-aboriginal health and social services an asset;
- Valid driver's license, own vehicle, and copy of acceptable driver's abstract required;
- Ability to speak and understand Anishnaabemowin, an asset;
- Vulnerable sector Criminal Records Check, essential.

Submit a covering letter, resume, three (3) work related references, and a recent CPIC. Mark correspondence as "Confidential" Application Deadline: Friday, March 27, 2015

Pamela Williamson, Executive Director
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy. 540, Postal Bag 2002
48 Hillside Road, Audeck Omni Kaning First Nation
Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0

Phone: (705) 368-2182 ext.204
Fax: (705) 368-2229
Email: p.williamson@noojmowin-teg.ca
Web-site: www.noomjowin-teg.ca

Only the successful applicant will be contacted. Thank you for your interest.



NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG

Wikwemikong Health Centre

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Maternal Child Health Home Visitor

1 Year Contract

(possible extension pending funding)

The NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking to fill a full time position for a 'Home Visitor' in the **Maternal Child Health Program**.

Job summary

Through individual, one-to-one support, the Maternal Child Health Worker will provide parents and caregivers in the community accessibility to early intervention and support related to healthy child and family development. The position will encourage greater involvement of fathers in the lives of their children. The incumbent will provide awareness and information on traditional parenting within the family and by using appropriate resources will also promote fathers as a role model for the children in the family unit. Through the group process, this position will network with partner agencies under Maternal Child Health funding to assist and support weekly outreach programming in each of the satellite communities.

Qualifications

- Post secondary certificate or diploma in health or social services.
- At least 2 years experience working with children and families.
- Experienced parent with a genuine interest in working and assisting families with young children.
- Willingness to work primarily in the home of families.
- Capacities to problem solve, handle crises and work with families and children.
- Approach to working with families that is empathetic, non-judgemental, respectful, and professional.
- To be sensitive to the challenges of the male parents/caregivers.
- Excellent written, oral, interpersonal skills required to work effectively with families and within a team environment.
- Valid driver's license is a requirement (Class F would be an asset)
- Knowledge of First Nation tradition and culture/language or willing to learn.

This is a contract position. Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copy of accreditations, (3) three current work related letters of reference, copy of drivers license, and drivers abstract, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

HOME VISITOR - Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant
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

For a complete job description, please call 705.859.3164. Deadline: March 20th, 2015 @ 12:00NOON

Successful Applicant must provide a CPIC and Vulnerable Sector Screen.

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

ALL INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

"Vision: Empower community members to improve their well-being

Mission: To provide all opportunities of traditional and western health care to the people of Wikwemikong."

**NOOJMOWIN TEG HEALTH CENTRE****ONE YEAR FULL TIME DIETITIAN – MATERNITY LEAVE POSTING**

(Between May 4, 2015- May 17, 2016)

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre seeks the services of a full time registered dietitian to fill in for a one year maternity leave. Working within a multi-disciplinary team of professionals, the successful candidate will promote better health through improved nutrition and healthy lifestyle practices within an outreach community based working environment.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre offers primary health, mental health and health promotion and promotion within a wholistic and comprehensive care model, working with First Nation and other health organizations and professionals. We are proud of our unique approach to services that include both traditional and western healing practices. Our current team is comprised of: Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Dietitians, Psychologists, Traditional Coordinator/Healers, and specific services including: Diabetes Wellness, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder, Child Nutrition, Mental Health & Addictions Children-Youth, and Healthy Children-Youth services. The successful candidate will work under the direction of the Executive Director.

This is a unique opportunity to grow one's skills, to meaningfully assist in enhancing the health of First Nation and aboriginal community members, and to learn more of a dynamic culture. Check out our web-site to learn more about us at: www.noomjowin-teg.ca, or on Facebook.

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

Qualifications:

- University degree in dietetics or nutritionist from a recognized University, mandatory.
- Completion of a Dietitians of Canada accredited dietetic internship or Master's degree with demonstrated competencies, required.
- Eligible or a member of the College of Dietitians of Ontario, essential.
- Community based work experience and specific to aboriginal and First Nation clientele, preferred.
- Charting experience within an electronic medical record environment, preferred.
- Demonstrated understanding and sensitivity to the Anishinabek culture, a priority.
- Ability to speak Ojibwe, an asset.
- Current CPR Level C and First Aid.
- Current Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record Check.
- Clear Driver's Abstract, reliable vehicle, and willing to travel extensively.

Pre-requisites:

- Cover letter and resume
- Three (3) current references
- Current clear Criminal Reference Check
- Proof of Registration and Degree(s)

Send Confidential to:

Pamela Williamson, Executive Director
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, Postal Bag 2002
48 Hillside Rd, Little Current
Ontario POP 1K0
Tel: 705-368-2182 x205; Fax: 705-368-2229
Email: p.williamson@noojmowin-teg.ca

Deadline: April 3, 2015

We thank you for your interest and applications, only those under consideration will be contacted.

Mnaamodzawin Health Services Inc.**Part Time Registered Nurse**

3 year contract

Best Practice Spotlight Organizational Lead

The Registered Nurse Best Practice Organizational Lead will participate in the Best Practice Spotlight Organization (BPSO) program so that we can enhance our services by implementing and evaluating five evidence-based Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) Best Practice Guidelines. This dynamic partnership with the RNAO will focus on making a positive impact on client care through evidence based practice focusing on:

- 1) Establishing dynamic, long-term partnerships that focus on making an impact on client care through supporting knowledge based nursing practice;
- 2) To demonstrate creative strategies for successfully implementing nursing best practice guidelines at the individual and organizational level;
- 3) To establish and adopt effective and consistent approaches to evaluate implementation activities utilizing structure, process and outcome indicators; and
- 4) To identify effective strategies for system-wide dissemination of BPG implementation and outcomes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Degree or Diploma in Registered Nursing mandatory; Master's Degree preferred
- You must be registered in good standing with the College of Nurses of Ontario
- Cultural knowledge
- Effective decision-making, organizational and problem solving skills are required
- Familiarity with the quality management approach, and committed to client service
- Experience in the implementation and monitoring of Quality Assurance/Improvement System
- Thorough knowledge and proficiency in program development, delivery and evaluation
- Experience in research, statistical analysis and/or accreditations would be an asset
- Strong computer skills (e.g. e-mail, internet, Word, Excel, Access) including the ability to learn and use other software (e.g. medical software program) and collect and analyze data
- Valid driver's license
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills

Forward applications with a cover letter, resume, and CPIC

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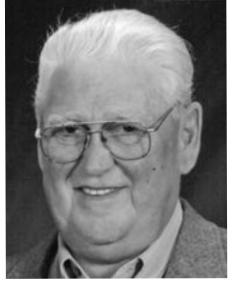
c/o Julie Morin, Operational Director
BPSO Organizational Lead
Mnaamodzawin Health Services
Postal Bag 2002, Little Current, ON POP 1K0

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday April 3, 2015 by 1600 hrs

Only those applicants considered for an interview will be notified

Death Notices

MERVYN WAYNE "GUMP" MONTGOMERY



Mervyn Wayne "Gump" Montgomery, of Sudbury and formerly of Gore Bay, passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side, in his 72nd year. Loving partner of Helene St. Germain and dear son of Mervyn (predeceased) and Margaret (McColeman) of Ice Lake. Wayne will be sadly missed by his sister

Heather (Marvin, predeceased) Patterson of Sudbury, nephew Greg Patterson of Toronto, step-daughter Angele St. Germain (Rene Rainville) of Azilda and step-son Andre St. Germain of Brooks, Alberta. Visitation was held at the Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 from 7 pm to 9 pm. The funeral service was held on Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 11 am at the Lyons Memorial United Church, Meredith Street, Gore Bay. Memorial donations may be made to the Northern Cancer Research Foundation or Charity of Choice as expressions of sympathy. www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

ELMER CLARK SWEET



Lin loving memory of Elmer Clark Sweet who passed away Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at Health Sciences North with family at his side. Born September 9, 1926 to Clark and Mable Sweet of Warwick, Ontario. Beloved husband of Blanche Sweet (née Fogal) predeceased 2008. Loving and loved step-father of William Coe

(predeceased), Jo-Anne Rochon (predeceased), (Jules, son-in-law), Donald Coe (predeceased) (Anne, daughter-in-law). Cherished grandfather of Christine Hann (Rick), Marty Johnston of Calgary, Stephanie Coe (Ben) of Sault Ste. Marie, Christopher Coe (Carolyn) of Ottawa and Robert Coe (Paulette) of Sudbury. Dear brother of Gordon (predeceased) (Marjorie) of Belleville. Special friend to Marilyn Everett (Coe) and Lois and Howard Linley. Elmer was employed with INCO for 35 years and served briefly in his youth with the Canadian Army. He enjoyed their cottage at Kagawong and Perivale on Manitoulin Island where he hiked, biked, swam and entertained guests with his wife, Blanche. He was an active member of the Elk's Lodge of Sudbury and served on the Tenants Association at the Casa Bella apartments in Sudbury where he also volunteered at many functions. A generous and very caring man, with a kind word for everyone, his happy disposition and gentle manner will be sadly missed. Nieces, nephews and many friends mourn his passing. In accordance with Elmer's wishes, there was no visitation or service. Cremation at the Park Lawn Crematorium with interment in the family plot at the Cedars Cemetery, Kagawong at a later date. Donations in Elmer's memory may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to the Lougheed Funeral Home, Sudbury. To light a memorial candle, flowers, donations or messages of condolences available online at www.lougheed.org.

KENNETH ALDEN WILLIAMSON



Kenneth Alden Williamson, a resident of Mindemoya, died peacefully at Mindemoya Hospital on Friday, March 13, 2015 at the age of 64. Born to Norma (nee Palmer) and Charles Alden Williamson at Mindemoya on March 3, 1951. Beloved husband of Joan Williamson. Loved father of Rodney (predeceased), and

Stacy (husband Dwight). Proud Grandpa of Owen, Jaden and Taren. Brother of Keith, Carol (predeceased), Doug (predeceased), Paul, Don, Janet, Susan and brother-in-law of Jean, Diane, Earl, Lynn. Dear son-in-law of Barb. Will always be remembered by many nieces, nephews and friends. Ken loved to fish, hunt and ride his motorbike. His favourite past time was spending time with friends and grandchildren, who were the highlight of his life. Family will have a Celebration of his Life at a later date. Donations to Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be made at the Mindemoya Hospital. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

LYNDA "MUSKRAT" MARGARET PITAWANAKWAT

Lynda "Muskrat" Margaret Pitawanakwat began her journey on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at the age of 50. Dear daughter of Mary Grace (Trudeau) and Eli Pitawanakwat (both predeceased). Loving partner of Wayne Flamand; beloved mother of Lisa Greene, Ashley Pitawanakwat, Raven Pitawanakwat, DJ Pitawanakwat, Amy Lynn, Jamie Lynn, Shaylene Pitawanakwat, Jolene Pitawanakwat. Loving grandmother of Ely Pitawanakwat, Hasenah Thomas, Grace and Evan Pitawanakwat, Lidia, Jonas, Jasper, Hiram, Aliza and Zander Pitawanakwat. Greatly missed by sisters and brothers: Vivian Dumont, Archie (predeceased) (Joan Peters), Carol (Steven), Henry Jacob (Somporn) Timothy, Arlene, Wayne, Alvin (predeceased), Debbie (Richard), James "O.J." (Christina), and Melissa Manitowabi (Edward). She will be greatly missed by her cousins, nieces and nephews. Lynda Pitawanakwat was a world-renowned artist who painted all her life. She will be remembered for her famous cooking, open arms and her "heart to heart" hugs. Family and friends gathered on Wednesday (March 11, 2015) morning at St. Ignatius Church. Funeral Services were at 11 am on Friday, March 13, 2015 at St. Ignatius Church in Buzwah. Final resting place at Wikwemikongsiing (Kaboni) Cemetery.

Our Muskrat

*Your smile will always fill our hearts.
Your laughter will always comfort us
When we need your strength.
Your constant open arms and "Heart to Heart hugs"
Will be forever in our memories.
Your life taught us unconditional love
That will strengthen us as we move forward,
Knowing you are no longer in pain.*

By Melissa Manitowabi.

GLENN THOMAS JAMES NEWMAN



Glenn Thomas James Newman, a resident of Manitowaning, died peacefully at Health Sciences North, Sudbury on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at the age of 60. Born to June (nee Moggy) and Beverly Newman, (both predeceased) at Little Current, on October 20, 1954. Proud father of Keith and Allan (wife Giovana). Loving grandpa of Katelyn and Gerald. Dear brother of Pam (husband Bob Hallet predeceased), Bob (wife Brenda), Dan (wife Rhonda), Perry (wife Gena), Caroline (husband Steve Kane). Will always be remembered by his nieces, nephews and friends. Glenn served his country with the Canadian Armed Forces for several years before leaving to start a family and raise his two sons Keith and Allan, while working in the underground mines in Sudbury, Uranium City, Saskatchewan and Elliot Lake. Glenn then left underground mining and moved to southern Ontario and worked in various business sectors with Schneider Meats, Campbell Soups and National Cash Register, before coming home to Manitoulin and finishing out his work career at the Lafarge Quarry, where health issues dictated an early retirement. Some of Glenn's passions were motorcycling rain or shine, fishing for the sport and the craving of fresh fish that honed his cooking skills. Glenn also enjoyed watching NASCAR and was an avid reader of many books of history, mystery and science fiction. Glenn's love for his family was endless, most proud of his two sons and the blessing of his first grandchild Katelyn and Gerald shortly after. Glenn had many pets throughout the years, where dogs were always a constant companion, with Izzy always in Glenn's lap. Cremation with Memorial Service at 11 am on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at Island Funeral Home. Burial at a later date in Hilly Grove Cemetery. Donations in Glenn's memory to Northern Cancer Foundation or to Daffodil Terrace (you can donate online at www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-northern-cancer-foundation/) or to Northern Diabetes Health Network (Little Current Site) would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to make a donation, you may do it online or bring a cheque payable to the charity of your choice. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

IAN McDougall GORDON



Ian McDougall Gordon passed away March 12, 2015 in his home on Lake Temiskaming, surrounded by his family, after a three-year battle with cancer. Born September 17, 1938 in Gore Bay, Ontario. Predeceased by his parents, William Ronald Gordon and Elizabeth Gordon [McDougall]. Survived by his high school sweetheart and wife, Barbara Anne (nee McCannell); children Paul (Bev), Robbie (Laurie) and Tammie Caldwell (Terry); and grandchildren: Taylor, Shane, Rebecca, Nick and Ben. Also survived by brother Douglas Gordon (Helen) and Barbara's sister Nancy Clark, all of Gore Bay, and many nieces and nephews. Ian graduated from Gore Bay High School and attended Victoria College (U of T) in 1957. In 1959, he enrolled at Osgoode Hall Law School. He was called to the bar in 1963 and began practicing law with Evans Bragagnolo Sullivan and Gordon in Timmins, Ontario. In 1968, he joined Dalton Dean QC in Haileybury. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1976 and was certified as a Specialist in Civil Litigation by the Law Society of Upper Canada in 1989; appointed to Ontario Court (General Division) in 1991, where he became a very well respected jurist; appointed Regional Senior Judge for the North East Region of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice from 1998 to 2003; retired April 2011. Ian was an active member of the community of Haileybury. A hockey enthusiast, in 1971 Ian helped establish the Haileybury 54s Juvenile Hockey Club. He was an active member of the Haileybury Golf Club and the Cobalt-Haileybury Curling Club, and an ardent supporter of children's sports and activities - especially those of his beloved grandchildren. A great friend and advocate, Ian was happiest at his camp or at the helm of his many Q-Sea iterations. The Gordon family wishes to extend its gratitude and appreciation on Ian's behalf to Dr. Logan, Dr. Lopez, Lynn Baldovin, and the team at the Community Care Access Centre. The Gordon family welcomeed friends at the Buffam Leveille Funeral Home on Sunday, March 15, 2015 from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm. Funeral services were held on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 1 pm from St Paul's United Church, 70 Wellington Street, New Liskeard, Ontario. Reverend Judith Visser officiating. Spring interment will take place at Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Haileybury. In lieu of flowers, the Gordon family asks you to consider a donation to the Northern Cancer Foundation [cheques only] or a charity of your choice. Condolences, contributions and memorial candles may be left at www.buffamleveille.com.

ELAINE ANNIE McCAULEY



Elaine Annie McCauley, a resident of Tehkummah, died peacefully at Manitoulin Centennial Manor on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at the age of 86. Born to Josephine (nee Van Meer) and Richard Foster, at Burpee - Mills on June 9, 1928. Beloved wife of Gerald McCauley (predeceased 1983). Loved mother of Larry (Diane) McCauley of Orangeville, Karen (Wayne) Roxburgh of Grand Valley, Linda (Andy) Bowerman of Tehkummah, Dale (Carol) McCauley of Tehkummah, Sharlene Elliott (Jim Mortimer) of South Baymouth, Cathy (Jim Hall) of Grand Valley, and Jack McCauley. Proud grandmother of 10 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. Dear sister of Joe (Marie) Foster of Gore Bay and Tom (Joyce) Foster of Gore Bay. Will always be remembered by many nieces, nephews and friends. Elaine was a very hard worker, she worked many years as a housekeeper and a cook. She worked for Huron Sands making the Manitoulin jams and chutneys well up into her late seventies before she retired. Her heart and soul was into the Tehkummah Hall where she volunteered her time. She punched lone hands for euchre and always could be called on to help make lunches for functions at the hall. Her greatest love was her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved to have all her family together for special occasions. She also loved her flower gardens, and this gave her great pride showing them off to people. Elaine's other great pride she had was her two cats, Tinker and Angel. Family and friends will gather at the Tehkummah Hall on Thursday, March 19, 2015 from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm. Funeral Services will be at the Tehkummah Hall on Friday, March 20, 2015 at 11 am. Rev. Martin Garniss officiating. Burial will be at Hilly Grove Cemetery later in the spring. Donations to Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary, Tehkummah Seniors' Triangle Club and Alzheimer's Society would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to make a donation you may do it online or bring a cheque payable to the charity of your choice. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

Assiginack Council Notes

Burns Wharf grants

At the last meeting of Assiginack council, council reviewed a report from project and events coordinator Jackie White on grant availability for work on the Burns Wharf. As has been reported previously, the Burns Wharf has been closed to the public for almost a year as it requires upgrades to meet the current requirements of the Ontario Fire Code and Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.

Ms. White explained that she scrutinized over 20 grants that could be eligible for such a project. "My findings are showing that grants are now more directed for specific areas, and those grants tend to be smaller," she wrote.

Ms. White focussed her attentions on FedNor, which narrows in on three priorities: community economic development (projects that will stimulate business development and investment and strategic planning); business growth and development (improve business capabilities); and innovation (increase the number of businesses). "Unfortunately, the theatre does not currently fall into any of these priorities," she said.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation "has completely changed their focus and now has four streams of funding available," Ms. White continued. They are: capital grants (up to \$150,000 to improve community spaces that broaden access, improve community spaces and promote energy efficiency); seed grants (up to \$75,000 to do feasibility studies and launch new ideas); grow grants (up to \$250,000 to adapt a proven model); and collective impact grants (supporting a collective strategy and transformative action in partnership with the foundation to tackle complex community issues).

"Seed and capital grants will have four intake dates compared to three in the past so the turnaround time will be quicker, from 16 weeks to eight weeks," Ms. White explained. The budget is still \$3 million, therefore each round will be putting out less money due to the new four round model and different streams, which means not as much latitude. In the last round in November



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2014, \$7 million was applied for with only \$1 million worth of funding available—thus only 20 percent of applicants were successful."

"Based on my research, the Ontario Trillium Foundation is the only available grant at this time and I have been told that it is highly unlikely that we would receive the maximum amount should we be successful," she continued. "They will also look at our community and will see the funding that has been directed to the Debaj theatre, as well as recognizing that the school (Assiginack Public School) is another viable option (for summer theatre). Their focus is not on the heritage of the building but rather the quantitative results the renovation would achieve. They are more concerned with more people experiencing the arts and culture, getting back to a real thrust in being able to quantify results and what significant changes will be brought about to meet that priority by receiving the grant."

"I know this is not the news we were all looking for," Ms. White addressed council.

"It's rather lean, isn't it," said Councillor Leslie Fields.

"It is," Ms. White replied.

Ms. White said the Trillium contact she once had has now disappeared and has been replaced with a call centre.

"They don't care about the story behind the project, it's all quantitative—'get rid of the fluff,' I was told," she said.

"This is disappointing,"



A special thank you to Dr. Barrs for taking care of my sister Carol Coults Beauchamp and for carrying out her wishes until the end. Thanks for all the cards, flowers, food and calls. Thanks to the following: Kim Gibson, John Burnett, Tracy, Butch Williamson, Georgia Robinson and Anne Jordan for all her prayers, and all the above for being here for Carol and me when she took her journey on February 19, 2015. If I missed anyone, thank you; and to Steve Beauchamp for all he did for me. From sister Sheila Mandigo Coults.

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said Councillor Hugh Moggy.

Reeve Paul Moffat asked if the amount of infrastructure dollars the Burns Wharf Theatre Players have put into the building (new lighting, seating, sound system and air conditioning) come into play.

"They said it politely, but basically said 'well, so has everybody else,'" Ms. White responded. "The 'fluff' to me is really telling the story of our town—they took away the human aspect of that."

"I'm certainly leery of how Assiginack will fare," she added, noting the extra intake period.

"Larger municipalities



The family of Pat Baker would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends, neighbours and relatives for their prayers, cards, and messages of condolence on the loss of Pat after a long and difficult time. Special thanks to doctors Wilson, Hamilton and McRae, the staff, nurses, personal support workers and volunteers for their excellent care at Manitoulin Lodge over the past six years. Many thanks to Rev. Mary Jo for the wonderful memorial service including the memories of Mary Leeson, and to Randy for his touching eulogy. Pat would have been extremely proud.

Thank you to Peter Gordon for the country-style music he provided, which was Pat's favourite. Many thanks to the United Church Women for the wonderful lunch. Thanks to Stewart Simpson of Culgin Funeral Home and his helpers Ken and Leo for their help with the memorial and posting messages of condolence and memorial candles on the website. Special thanks for all the food brought to my home and all the charitable donations in memory of Pat. Your expressions of sympathy will always be remembered. Joe, Randy and family, Brenda and family, and Greg.

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have complained that the playing field wasn't level," CAO Alton Hobbs added, explaining that they felt that the majority of the grants were going to smaller municipalities.

Reeve and council thanked Ms. White for her report and decided to make their concerns about the change to Trillium funding

known at the upcoming Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) conference.

Building Permit Report

Council received the 2014 building permit report from Gerry Strong, chief building official.

There were 22 permits

issued last year with a total construction value of \$1,136,684, bringing in building permit revenue of \$13,609.74. Revenue is up by over \$3,000 from 2013.

Accounts for payment

Council authorized \$100,313.37 for general payments and \$33,411.26, payroll.



BROWN--In loving memory of a dear father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Goldwin Brown, who passed away March 12, 2010.

There is a bridge of memo-

ries From here to heaven above. That keeps you very close to us

It's called a bridge of love. As time goes on without you And days turn into years, They hold a million memo-

ries And a thousand silent tears. To us you were very special What more is there to say, Except to wish with all our hearts,

That you were here today.

Sadly missed and always remembered by Peggy, Ken,

grandchildren and family

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FOWLER--In loving memory of Gerald (Gerry) Fowler, who passed away March 21, 2014.

When I Lost You

I wish I could see you one more time

Come walking through the door

But I know that is impossible I will hear your voice no more.

I know you can feel my tears And you don't want me to cry Yet my heart is broken Because I can't understand Why someone so precious had to die.

I pray that God will give me strength And somehow get me through

As I struggle with this heartache

That came when I lost you. Lovingly remembered by Marion, Mike, Rob, Jeff and family.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given under Section 251 of the Municipal Act S.O. 2001

THAT Council intends to pass By-Law No. 2015-13, being a by-law to establish a Policy for Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges.

The public are invited to review the By-Law prior to adoption. A copy of By-Law No. 2015-13 will be available at the Municipal Office (14 Water Street) or on the Town website: www.townofnemi.on.ca on March 20, 2015

Individuals wishing to make a presentation to Council will have an opportunity on the evening of April 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Waterfront Artisan Incubator and Technology Center.

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LARGE TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW IN MANITOWANING!! - This 1440 Sq. ft. home comes with a full mostly finished basement, 2 propane fireplaces, a 24 X 24 attached garage plus 14 X 12 workshop and is located on a quiet dead end street. It is walking distance to downtown and public sand beach. This property is being sold 'as is' and in 'as is' condition and needs just a bit of TLC. Reduced to \$199,900. MLS#1028808



AFFORDABLE COUNTRY LIVING - On the outskirts of Providence Bay! This very rustic haven is located on Government Rd only 20 mins from the ferry & only 15 mins from Mindemoya & amenities. The cottage comes furnished with bunk beds which sleep 6 to 8 people. The sleeping quarters are separate from the kitchen & dining/living room open concept. A newer double size detached garage with a solid concrete pad & a drilled well adorn the property. Asking \$129,000. MLS#1028551



COUNTRY LIVING IN THE HEART OF MANITOULIN ISLAND!! - Located on a year round well maintained road 7 km from the town of Spring Bay. Only 20 mins to the town of Mindemoya, Gore Bay or Providence Bay where you can find shopping, golf courses & beaches. This 3 + 1 bdrm home on a large 1 acre private lot has many upgrades including new septic, water treatment system, hot water tank, water pump & pressure tank. Priced to sell at only \$119,000. MLS#1028207



CENTRAL MANITOULIN LOG HOME WITH 670 FT OF SAND BEACH!! - Magnificent log home with garages & outbuildings & 3 magnificent log cottages. Spectacular south facing view over Lake Huron. This spectacular 7.8 acre property comes with tennis & bocci courts & a hard-topped laneway. The main log house has a spacious kitchen, heated ceramic tile flooring, 2 beautifully landscaped homes with 3 bedrooms each, a sunroom, a fireplace, a self-contained separate entrance, a large deck, a wrap-around driveway, a 10 X 10 shed and a useful 16 X 24 detached garage. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1026338

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VACANT BUILDING LOT IN SOUTH BAYMOUTH!! - Access off of a municipal road a short walk to the marina, shopping and the ferry. Cleared building site with driveway only \$19,900. Vacant building lot adjacent to it also available. MLS#1028285

MINDEMOYA

- Beautiful, manicured building lot with perfect, panoramic view over Lake Mindemoya. Good sand bottom for swimming with government boat launch 50 yards down the road, & golf course only a good three wood shot away. Natural spring on property offering great landscaping potential. Asking \$55,000. MLS#1026199

ON GOLDEN POND!!

- Enjoy beautiful sunsets on this west facing building lot. Located on Lake Huron's Lonely Bay this nice lot is close to the cul-de-sac of a dead end street that is a year round road & has hydro available at the lot line. The lot is over 1 acre in size & has a roughed in laneway with approximately 150ft of sandy cobble-stone shoreline. Good fishing for salmon & trout and close to amenities such as hospital & grocery shopping. Asking \$75,000. MLS#1027019

GREAT WATERFRONT BUILDING LOT!!

- This building lot has a cleared building site with a septic tank & field bed & drive way installed. Hydro available at road. Asking \$109,000. MLS#1026278

TWO RUSTIC COTTAGES ON 1 ACRE LOT FRONTING ON LAKE KAGAWONG!!

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3 PLUS ONE BEDROOM GORE BAY BUNGALOW!! - Beautiful well maintained high-end home located in prestigious area of Gore Bay, a short walk to downtown. This property is located on a quiet dead end street and the school is also a short walk. The house comes with in floor heating and walk out basement, large double sized attached garage and workshop and a brand new sauna. The lot is beautifully manicured with a stream running through back of the lot. Asking \$235,000. MLS#1027176

ENDLESS SEA OF BEAUTY !! - Fantastic southern view over Lake Huron located on the sandy beach shoreline of Dominion Bay. This beautiful two storey home features an upstairs living room for a great panoramic view & a master bdm with en-suite. The main floor has 2 additional bdrms & full bath with magnificent ceramic tile flooring. There is also a single detached fully finished garage. The landscaping is all natural with absolutely no grass to cut. Asking \$350,000. MLS#1027151

BEAUTIFUL HOME ON 67 ACRES IN THE TOWN OF MINDEMOYA!! - Located within walking distance of Mindemoya's amenities, this wonderful kitchen, heated ceramic tile flooring, 2 beautifully landscaped homes with 3 bdrms each, a sunroom, a fireplace, a self-contained separate entrance, a large deck, a wrap-around driveway, a 10 X 10 shed and a useful 16 X 24 detached garage. Asking \$259,000. MLS#1026338



8.41 ACRE CORNER LOT, HIGH TRAFFIC AREA IN MINDEMOYA!!

- Located on the corner of Hwy 551 and Ketchankook Trail close to downtown Mindemoya, this lot has many potential uses. Mindemoya is a growing community with many needs. Hydro & telephone available at the lot line. Asking only \$95,000. MLS#1029322

8.33 ACRE HUNTING PROPERTY!!

- This property is accessible by seasonal road and is located down Guida's Side Road. This is a great deer hunting area just a short drive from all of the amenities that the town of Little Current has to offer. Asking \$15,000. MLS#1029289

LARGE WATERFRONT ACREAGE!!

- Approx. 133 acres of mixed forest with some small meadows & about a half mile of shoreline along the Mississagi Strait of Lake Huron located at the west end of Manitoulin close to the town of Meldrum Bay. The property is accessible by truck. Asking \$189,000. MLS#1020069

PRIME DEER HUNTING!!

- Located within mins of the ferry this 100 acre mixed bush property is located in the heart of deer country. On the property is a fully furnished hunt camp with a wood cook stove & a metal air tight wood stove which will provide plenty of heat. The Blue Jay Creek famous for speckle trout fishing runs through one corner of the property. There are a couple of really good tree stands & ATV trails for you to enjoy. Seller willing to hold \$30,000 mortgage for 5 years at 5% interest. A great price only \$99,000. MLS#1021644



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SOUTH SHORE BEAUTY !! - This 1700 sq. ft. year round 2 bdrm/2 bthm home comes beautifully landscaped with cemented stone walkways & a natural rock basketball court. A wonderful sand beach is just a 1 min walk down the shoreline & the 150 ft of waterfront on this property is magnificent smooth bald rock limestone. There are 2 nice decks on the front of the house facing the lake as well as one on the guest cottage which also comes with running water. Asking \$279,000. MLS#1021511



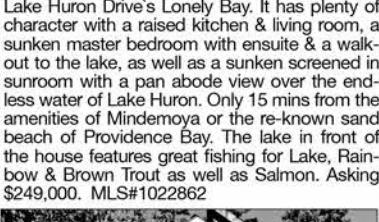
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LAKE HURON WATERFRONT PROPERTY!! - This 1.66 acre building lot with 146 ft of water frontage is located in Central Manitoulin on the south shore of the island. The lot is accessed by a public year round municipal maintained road with hydro & telephone available at the lot line. There is a partially cleared building site & a driveway to the site. Many beautiful homes are already built in this quiet subdivision & amenities such as golf courses, in land fishing lakes, hardware stores, grocery stores & the hospital are only 15 mins away. Asking \$68,000. MLS#1019010



FOUR SEASON COTTAGE OR YEAR ROUND HOME!! - This newer 2 + 1 bedroom four season cottage or year round home is located along Lake Huron Drive's Lonely Bay. It has plenty of character with a raised kitchen & living room, a sunken master bedroom with ensuite & a walkout to the lake, as well as a sunken screened in sunroom with a pan abode view over the endless water of Lake Huron. Only 15 mins from the amenities of Mindemoya or the re-known sand beach of Providence Bay. The lake in front of the house features great fishing for Lake, Rainbow & Brown Trout as well as Salmon. Asking \$249,000. MLS#1022862



PRIME DEER HUNTING!! - Located within mins of the ferry this 100 acre mixed bush property is located in the heart of deer country. On the property is a fully furnished hunt camp with a wood cook stove & a metal air tight wood stove which will provide plenty of heat. The Blue Jay Creek famous for speckle trout fishing runs through one corner of the property. There are a couple of really good tree stands & ATV trails for you to enjoy. Seller willing to hold \$30,000 mortgage for 5 years at 5% interest. A great price only \$99,000. MLS#1021644

RUSTIC COTTAGE ON 50 ACRES OF PRIME HUNTING LAND!! - Located off of New England side road close to Manitowaning, this off-grid cottage features a sleep loft, wood fired sauna, storage shed & of course a deer hanging pole. This private location has no close neighbours. Asking \$80,000. MLS#1027235

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BEAUTIFUL ELEVATED VIEW OVER LAKE HURON'S SOUTH BAY!! - This nicely maintained one plus one 920 square foot bedroom home shows pride of ownership. This very private retreat has a fully finished walkout basement with insulated concrete floor under the flooring. The large viewing deck on the lake side of the house provides plenty of room for outdoor furniture and makes for a great outdoor kitchen. The 125 foot waterfront home comes with a wrap-around driveway, a 10 X 10 shed and a useful 16 X 24 detached garage which has hydro and a concrete floor. Reduced to \$249,000. MLS#1024802



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stately older home in quiet area of Gore Bay, large elevated lawn area, mature trees, six bedrooms, three washrooms, flowing covered verandah, detached garage, oil and wood heat, lot size 175 x 124 feet, full municipal services, good clientele base, approx 3500 square feet living area, in addition to B and B use residence suites a large family needs, an excellent offering with character. (1430) (MLS#1025532)		Located off Checkerboard Lane, surveyed lot, approx 6 acres, nice hardwood growth, well built sauna and privy, good bush road access, only 10 minutes south of Gore Bay, good deer location. (1447) (MLS#1027001)		Your own private dock, large garage/work shop approx. 60 x 60 feet, over 2000 square foot two storey home, three bedrooms, two washrooms, oil and wood heat, surveyed lot, walk to ferry dock, municipal water, lots of potential for other uses, salmon fishing at your door step. (1313)	
Norm Morrell	705-282-2430	Peter Flanagan	705-282-3135	Jordan Chandler	705-368-3113
	BIG LAKE HOME	\$139,000		118 ACRES BURPEE COTTAGE	\$139,000
attractive home on Big Lake, only 10 minutes to Mindemoya shopping, two bedrooms, and 1.5 baths, oil and electric heat, well manicured lawn area, surveyed lot approx. 1 acre in size. (MLS#1013399)		Attractive cottage in excellent deer hunting / recreational location, three bedrooms solid cottage, drilled well, wood stove, 5 substantial outbuildings, perfect for the outdoor enthusiast group. (1443) (MLS#1026572)		Your own private dock, large garage/work shop approx. 60 x 60 feet, over 2000 square foot two storey home, three bedrooms, two washrooms, oil and wood heat, surveyed lot, walk to ferry dock, municipal water, lots of potential for other uses, salmon fishing at your door step. (1313)	
Norm Morrell	705-282-2430	Norm Morrell	705-282-2430	Jordan Chandler	705-368-3113
	400 ACRES RECREATIONAL LANDS	\$139,000		MUDGE BAY KAGAWONG COTTAGE	\$219,000
located in deer country, Burpee Township, good road access , gravel pit area, mixed timber, excellent package for ATV outdoor enthusiasts , call for details, consists of 4 complete 100 acres lots. (1454) (MLS#1028177)		Three bedroom rustic treasure, paved road, municipal water, location of quality homes and cottages, marina just a short walk away, stone fireplace, electric and propane features, newer shingles, verandah and decking, lots of upgrades, potential for year round use, asking \$219,000 (1456) (MLS#1028613)		Approx 1000 feet shore line and 34 acres on this inland lake in Burpee Township, two rustic cottages included, deer country, great for fishing or canoeing, secluded private location, washrooms and well, interior natural cedar lined, a great recreational package. (1448) (MLS#1027070)	
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	LAKE MANITOU FOUR SEASON COTTAGE	\$249,000		ICE LAKE WATERFRONT COTTAGE	\$179,000
142 feet of sheltered Manitou shoreline. 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath. Features include municipal road access, a bunkie, new foundation and insulation, upgraded hydro service, wrap-around decking and a beautiful landscaped lot with mature maple and cedar trees. (1442) (MLS#1023934)		fronting on 940 feet of lakeshore, minutes from Gore Bay. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Cottage. Level lot with landscaped lawn and excellent shoreline. Asking \$179,000. File #1439. (MLS#1026791)		fronting on Mason Line Road east of Silver Water, good recreational/ hunting lot, some mature timber areas, excellent deer location, call the hunt group now. (1445) (MLS#1026791)	
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	100 ACRES ROBINSON TWP	\$72,000		EVERGREEN RESORT	\$849,000
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	WHITE'S POINT WATERFRONT	\$375,000			
Large waterfront lot with western exposure for amazing sunsets. Features include master bedroom with ensuite and walk-in closet, attached garage, walk-out basement, large deck, waterfront beach area and the list goes on. Call for details. MLS #1027720					
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LIVE OFF GRID in 24 x 32 ft. bungalow w/year round access, drilled well, septic system, large shed garage. All wired for generator or invert for solar energy. Mostly wooded lot 60 x 725 ft. \$49,000 (1181)



ELIZABETH BAY SAND beach cottage home w/186 ft. landscaped frontage. Beautiful bungalow 1248 sq. ft. w/BC red cedar exterior, new shingles, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, sunroom, open kitchen dining living, all completely equipped w/quality furnishings, appliances & 3 kayaks. Pine & cedar accents, deck, patio, electric heat & drilled well. Must see to appreciate the sand, wild flowers, herbs, berries & trees. \$334,000 (1193)



MELDRUM BAY HOME on wooded 1.5 ac. w/200 ft. on pristine North Channel. Chalet built 2008 designed to bring natural surroundings inside. Solid construction including plywood sheathing & well insulated for year round comfort including the full basement. IKEA kitchen cabinets & birch butcher block countertops, ceramic & laminate flooring, solid pine panel doors & trim. Spacious 1000 sq. ft. of 2 bedrooms w/master being full second floor, 1.5 baths, decks & balconies, 6 appliances. Beautiful setting & spectacular view. \$239,000 (1096)



LAKE MANITOU HOME w/100 ft. frontage accessed via Dryden's Lane from Gibraltar Road. Raised bungalow about 1236 sq. ft. on full walkout finished basement w/2+1 bedrooms, 4 pc. bath, great room, sunroom, family room & recreational area. Extras of 4 appliances, 2 decks, dry boat house, double garage insulated & finished, permanent dock. \$274,000 (1098)



KEMP LAKE HOME east of Silver Lake w/317 ft. frontage & 2.7 ac. Chalet 1020 sq. ft. on full finished walkout adding 672 sq. ft. of living space w/2 bedrooms, great room w/cathedral ceiling & large family room. Lots of cedar accents, good drilled well, electric & wood heat, spacious deck on two sides & landscaped lot, rail fenced on two sides. \$164,000 (1185)



ALMOST WATERFRONT CENTURY HOME well worth seeing w/frontage on Thorburn & Water Streets w/direct access to Gore Bay harbour & marina. Two storey 2146 sq. ft. w/sun room, kitchen, dining & living rooms, large laundry mudroom, 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths & spacious halls on both floors. Completely refinished interior or from the studs plus hardwood floors down & pine up including wiring & plumbing. Surveyed lot, water paid, F/A oil heat, propane fireplace. \$219,000 (1151)



LITTLE LAKE HURON COTTAGE w/walking access to big water. Fully equipped 1.5 storey 1245 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, open kitchen dining living w/cathedral ceiling, stone fireplace w/insert, decks. Insulated & double pane windows, metal roof, wood fired sauna, propane appliances & water heater, septic, wired w/10000 generator included. \$99,000 (937)

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WATERFRONT LOTS on Elizabeth Bay (1) \$129500; Little Lake Huron (2) \$22900, \$44500; Barrie Island (2) \$47500, \$47500; Shrigley Bay (1) \$44000; Campbell Bay (1) \$55000; Gore Bay Lighthouse Road (2) fully serviced \$79500, \$79500; Ice Lake on Ice Lake Drive (1) \$64000; Lake Huron west of Dominion Bay 830 ft. & 23 ac. \$99500; Lake Mindemoya on Lakeshore Road (1) \$70000; Lake Mindemoya with Monument Road behind the lots (2) \$89500, \$89500; South Bay on Lakeshore Road (1) \$85000; Leason Bay with driveway & cleared area \$79000.

ACREAGES in Burpee (1) 10a \$14900, Mills (1) 100a \$57000; Mills on Ocean Point Road (2) 50a \$52000, 50a \$46000; Lake Huron 23a & 830 ft. west of Dominion Bay; Carnarvon 1 km south of Government Road (1) 135a \$74000.

BUILDING LOTS Gore Bay (6) Doc Strain \$20000, 3.21a \$58000, 5a \$39,000, landscaped with garage \$49000, Thorburn St with water view \$39900, West Bluff with water view \$49000; Lighthouse Road (2) fully serviced Gore Bay waterfront \$79500, \$79500; Kagawong's Maple Ridge (2) \$19900, \$24900.

SILVER WATER HOME w/renovated interior on surveyed lot 120 by 330 ft. fronting on Hwy540. Closed in sunroom porch plus 1.5 storey 990 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, bath, large kitchen dining & living room. Two bedrooms on second floor. Most contents. \$97,000 (1077)

LAKE HURON 30 FEET w/south westerly exposure over large area of flat limestone shoreline. Forested 10 ac. 1400 ft. deep accessed via Little Lake Huron Road & Cedar Trail. Off the grid privacy & seclusion. \$58,500 (1204)

COTTAGE TO BE MOVED is nicely finished 648 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms, 3 pc bath, kitchen dining living w/cathedral ceiling in T&G cedar. All wired w/200 amp, baseboard heat, wood stove, limestone hearth, hot water heater, fully plumbed, insulated including floor, porch & deck. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$29,000 (1131)

COMMERCIAL building downtown Gore Bay on corner lot \$59500; income building in downtown Gore Bay w/solid return \$249000; Kagawong 3000 sq. ft. on corner Hwy540 \$129000; Providence Bay 10000 sq. ft. near beach \$199,900 or make an offer; commercial opportunity near Dryden's Corner w/2500 sq. ft. of business & living space plus 8300 sq. ft. storage \$119000.

TWO LAKE MINDEMOYA LOTS side by side with Monument Road behind, hydro & telephone available, hardwood forest. Subject to MPB approval. \$89,500 each plus HST (1190 & 1191)

LEASON BAY LOT facing summer sunsets w/154.66 ft. of walk in frontage. Developed 1.03 ac. w/driveway & large cleared area in McLay Subdivision on South Bay w/year round access, hydro, telephone. Large travel trailer on site negotiable. \$79,000 (1199)

FOUR SEASON COTTAGE/HOME in Bay Estates within short walk to access Manitowaning Bay over large Municipal lot. Open concept bungalow w/living dining kitchen space, 2 bedrooms, bath & laundry. Deck accessed from living room or MBR. Serviced by year round road, hydro, telephone, 3000 gal. water cistern, composting toilet & grey water bed. Gated winding driveway & spacious landscaped treed lot. Detached workshop w/power. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$109,000 (1200)

WATERFRONT COTTAGE HOME w/great water view yet surrounded by trees & grassy slopes. Mansard roof 2 level style 1316 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, open kitchen dining living w/electric & wood heat, municipal water, 150 ft. on Main Street & Mudge Bay w/firm sand bottom. \$212,000 (1155)

SOUTHERN LOOK HOME in downtown Gore Bay on 62x175 ft. lot close to amenities. Two storey 1727 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, family size kitchen, separate dining & living rooms. Private outdoor living on 2 walkout decks, 2 screened balconies, landscaped yard, paved drive w/high cedar fencing. Newer insulated vinyl siding, upgraded windows, propane fired hot water heat, 2 pellet stoves, tankless hot water & garage. Call Ron Lane 705 282 7241. \$199,900 (1158)

SEVENTH LINE GORDON HOME on 2.1 ac. of fenced agricultural land. Two bungalow additions on a 1.75 storey of 1550 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, full bath, kitchen, dinette, living room & laundry room. Mostly full basement, oil heat, shed & deck facing south. \$74,500 (1197)

GORE STREET HOME on level lot 71x176 ft. plus double garage w/full second floor storage loft. Bungalow & 1.5 storey 1477 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms & bath upstairs plus bedroom & full bath on ground level. Eat in kitchen, laundry area, large pine finished entrance, separate dining & living rooms. Good back yard & all Gore Bay services. \$109,000 (1056)

WEST BLUFF HOME overlooking water of Gore Bay. Very spacious 2 storey over 1900 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, laundry, office, eat in kitchen w/new cabinets, dining area, large living room w/stone fireplace plus attached triple garage, all heated w/hot water. Hardwood floors throughout, cathedral ceiling, upper floor balcony landing w/ huge master & ensuite. All the interior recently restored. \$299,000 (1106)

FOREST COTTAGE in Burpee just west of Misery Bay Park Road w/1122 ft. frontage on Hwy540 & about 4.5 ac. Triangular shaped lot 313 ft. deep backing onto a beautiful wildlife marsh w/observation blind. Cottage 513 sq. ft. w/hydro, screened porch, 2 open decks, wood fired sauna, several sheds & double privy. All contents. \$54,000 (1138)



GORE BAY FAMILY HOME w/large private level back yard & forest backdrop. New Street 2 storey 1720 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms (2 quite big), 4 pc bath, very spacious double living room & equally spacious dining kitchen area. Covered porch on morning sun side \$169,000 (1083)

SELLER WILL FINANCE at 3% a Thorburn St. home in Gore Bay w/payments under \$500 per month. Recently refurbished 2 storey of 1708 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, large kitchen, separate dining living rooms & family room. Electric heat plus oil furnace installed just needing a tank. Bright spacious dwelling w/2 appliances & backyard view of bay & marina. \$139,900 (1192)

LIGHTHOUSE ROAD WATERFRONT HOME w/great North Channel view. Gore Bay bungalow 1800 sq. ft. built 2001 w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, laundry, living room, large eat in kitchen w/extended sunroom. Private & beautiful setting w/attached garage, limestone patio, stone front wall and full open basement built w/concrete filled foam blocks for more warm & cozy space. \$399,000 (1115)

SANDFIELD HOME in Village on landscaped lot 100 x 200 ft. w/detached single garage. Bungalow 557 sq. ft. plus attached partly finished shed & side mudroom entrance w/2 bedrooms, full bath, eat in kitchen, living room. Extras of refrigerator, stove & patio. \$45,000 (1103)

CAMPBELL BAY BRICK HOME on surveyed point about 2 ac. w/914 ft. water frontage. Two storey 2000 sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room, spacious kitchen dining room, family & sun rooms. Second floor balcony overlooking living room w/cathedral ceiling. Detached double garage w/woodworking shop addition & full 2 bedroom apartment above & separate pole shed. Hot tub in its own gazebo, gardens, large deck, dock, geothermal heat, privacy & more. \$429,000 (1072)

BRICK HOME on Gore Street w/2 backyards separated by a creek. Bungalow 1248 sq. ft. plus full finished basement with 1+2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, spacious kitchen, dining & living rooms, big laundry mudroom, large family area & workshop. Lot 70 x 414 ft. w/24 x 30 brick garage w/private rear deck & concrete deck on street side. Wood stove & 3 appliances included. \$189,000 (1146)

GORE BAY HOME on waterview downtown lot 124x87 ft. at corner of Main & Water Streets. Spacious 1.5 storey 1119 sq. ft. on main floor plus full double loft w/3 bedrooms, 2 baths, all municipal services, wood & electric heat. Detached double garage with finished interior walls & power. \$80,000 (1195)

SMALL COUNTRY HOME on open surveyed lot 135 x 313 ft. in quiet area at corner of Silver Bay & Johnston Roads. Bungalow 574 sq. ft. on full partly finished walkout basement Currently 735 sq. ft. living space of one bedroom, bath, eat in kitchen & living room. Extras of garage, sheds, lake water, septic, deck & wood heat. Direct access to Lake Manitou at end of road. \$84,000 (1177)

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GORE BAY HOME overlooking harbour, town & channel from a quiet setting. Two storey 2880 sq. ft. built 2007 w/many recent beautiful upgrades on full walkout basement. Family home well set up for B&B w/3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, open great room, family room, lower & upper decks w/westernly exposure for sunsets & great water views, plus attached garage. Main level has MBR w/ensuite. Eight quality appliances including induction cooktop plus Generac generator & central air. Really is a must see! \$349,000 (1133)

COUNTRY HOME OR COTTAGE on 10 ac. w/440 ft. fronting Hwy540 just west of Silver Water. Enclosed trailer w/add ons for 608 sq. ft. living space plus screened room & second finished bedroom in detached single garage. Year round, drilled well, septic system, hydro, phone & all contents. \$64,000 (1175)



LITTLE CURRENT - This fine 2 bedroom condominium has a fantastic view over the water and marina of Little Current. Park your yacht in the marina and enjoy hassle free condo living! This unit comes with all appliances. Asking \$189,000. MLS#1029705



OLD MILL TRAIL - Lake Manitou west facing property consisting of 164' of water frontage with sandy bottom and a rustic camp with beautiful stone fireplace, palisade log interior, board and batten exterior, modern facilities and raised septic. Large boat house with workshop and marine rail into the water. Enjoy the beautiful west facing views from under the willow tree overhanging the lake! Asking \$189,000. MLS#1029704



MANITOU RIVER! - This property has approximately 1,650' of riverfront (in 4 parcels) on a year round road plus 49 acres of hunting acreage. There is a 3 year old 3 bedroom camp with kitchen with built in oven, living room with wood stove and dining room on the river that has been mostly finished including hydro and a sauna. A very large deck faces the river to relax after hunting or fishing. Asking \$189,000. MLS#1029511



7 YR OLD BUNGALOW WITH 3.4 ACRES & 200 FT OF SHORELINE ON INLAND LAKE!! - This very private year round 2 bdrm quality finished home/cottage has open concept kitchen/living room with a beautiful panoramic elevated view over Ice Lake & exceptional internet service. The full basement is unfinished but fully insulated with a sub floor. There is a very large wide heavy duty deck which features a magnificent 17 step staircase down to the shoreline. List price \$230,000!! MLS#1029290



FAMILY HOME WITH-IN STEPS TO LAKE MANITOULI! - A 3 + 2 bedroom home features an extra-large kitchen/dining area, 2 and 1/2 baths and a huge family room. Just 7 years old, the master bedroom has a whirlpool tub en-suite. The living room is great for entertaining and there is a private office. There is a double car garage, good decks and porches - all with-in a two minute walk to Lake Manitou where you can launch your boat!! Call for details. MLS#1029237



PRIVACY IS PRICELESS - This quality 3 bdrm bungalow is on the edge of Little Current. Stylish kitchen area, authentic hardwood flooring, 2 baths, sundeck overlooking 131 x 455 lot & finished basement. Looking for the best on the market, give us a call. Priced at \$279,000. MLS#1029106



TURN KEY COTTAGE - The cottage that has it all! A 3 bdrm cottage on 200' of water front. Sauna, garage, aluminum dock, boat lift & most furnishings. This cottage features new shingles in 2013 & great woodwork including built in cupboards. A private location on almost 3 acres of property. There are 1 full & 2 half baths, open concept layout on the main floor which features a beautiful stone fireplace with insert. Lots of decking facing the lake. This property comes turn-key with all major appliances & most furniture included. Pride of ownership shows throughout the property. Asking \$329,000. MLS#1029151



LUXURY LIVING IN A PICTURE PERFECT SETTING - Stunning south facing waterfront location with panoramic views & exceptional landscaping. Spacious 3 bdrm home features very appealing open layout remodeled inside & out to a luxurious finish with obvious attention to detail. Extra's include att'd garage, built in appliances, gas fireplace, huge patio doors with walk out to large deck & full un-finished basement with ground level walkout. Reduced to \$428,500. MLS#1028847

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LITTLE CURRENT

This 7 year old raised bungalow, 2 bedrooms with large closets and an open concept living/dining and kitchen area. The basement is insulated and features a wood stove. This home is well maintained and ready to move in. Close to the school and easy walking to downtown. Asking \$179,000. MLS#1029701



LITTLE CURRENT

Fully serviced building lot. Owner anxious, no reasonable offer refused. Only \$24,900. MLS#1027284

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VACANT WATERFRONT LOT

on popular Bayshore Drive. Fully treed lot year round lot with 150' of shoreline. Telephone and hydro available at road side. Asking \$79,000. MLS#1028671

BAYWEST TRAIL, NORTH CHANNEL LAKEFRONT

Very attractive lakefront building site with 250 feet shoreline and 1.25 acres for privacy. Heavily treed in pine and cedars, driveway and bunkhouse installed, great beach area, fantastic east & north views and ready for cottage or home construction. Short boat access to the Benjamin's. Only \$74,900! MLS#1027143

HUNTING ACREAGE

98.5 acres fully treed plus hunt camp. Centrally located on a year round road 20 minutes from Gore Bay. Reduced to \$80,000. MLS#1025310

HARDWOOD ACREAGE WITH MODERN COTTAGE/HUNT CAMP

Very well treed 100 acre property with municipal road access as well as hydro service to well built, fully equipped 2 bdrm cottage. Very good trail system & six stands in place for deer hunting. Great location fronting on Tower Road in Bidwell Twp. Call for details. MLS#1028545

SHEGUANDAH HOBBY FARM

4 Acres on Municipal water, 1 barn 32x60 with horse stalls, 1 implement shed 32x60. Cleared area suitable for gardening.

Priced to sell at \$99,900. MLS#1026312

BAY ESTATES BACK LOT

Very well treed recreational lot located towards the south end of Bay Estates. Includes beach access, year round road and a very affordable price range. Asking \$9,900. MLS#1028704

CHARMING FOUR SEASON'S LOG CONSTRUCTION WATERFRONT CHALET

with 3 + 1 bdrrms, cathedral ceilings, stone fireplace, & large deck. Includes detached 2 car garage, 4 outbuildings (sauna, bunkie, shed, boathouse) & household appliances; fridge, stove, dishwasher, washer & dryer. This unique property has a very attractive shoreline with kid friendly sand beach. Exceptional landscaping with stone walkways & large sundeck with incredible westerly views over the North Channel, with million dollar sunsets, surrounded by a cedar forest. Full basement, finished to 1st floor quality as a bedroom, recreation room with woodstove, laundry room & storage. Only 11 mins from Little Current. Great Price at \$249,000. #4500

TEN ACRES & HOME IN CLOVER VALLEY

- a 3 bdrm with 1 & 1/2 baths located on 10 acres of private & pastoral land. Included in this panabode style home are all appliances & approx. 15 face cords of wood. Enjoy this property with its spectacular pastoral views & low utility costs! Asking \$159,000. MLS#1028143

GREAT RENTAL INCOME

Three bedroom family home situated in central Little Current with spacious layout, low maintenance and level site across from Public School. \$489 per month mortgage payments with 20% down to qualified purchasers. Rented at \$900 plus utilities! Only \$129,000. MLS#1028070

GREAT LOCATION & SPACIOUS LAYOUT

Sheguandah raised ranch features very attractive layout, part finished basement, modern construction and a superb location with 26.88 acres of privacy. Extra's include great view, all appliances, pacific energy woodstove, 70 foot deck, hardwood forest and tillable lands. Minutes from public beach area and boat launch! Very attractively priced at \$275,000. MLS#1026975

PROVIDENCE BAY HOME

4 bdrm home on a corner lot close to one of Manitoulin's few sand beaches. This home has had many updates including a new kitchen, flooring, electrical panel, doors and some newly replaced windows. It is only 10 mins away from Mindemoya which has many amenities including a hospital & golf course. From here you can walk or bike to the beach & there are restaurants nearby. Come & live in this quiet, picturesque community & retire or raise your family here. Attractively priced at \$139,000. MLS#1029103

WATERFRONT COTTAGE OR HOME

Appealing 2 bdrm dwelling situated in a picture perfect setting with spectacular views, year round access, manicured lot & quality built cottage/home fronting on the North Channel. Extra's include large deck, wood stove, guest cottage & year round water supply. Also includes 25'x 42' concrete slab with brand new 14 gage metal garage ready to be installed. Reduced to \$235,000. MLS#1028653

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PRIVATE 1.92 ACRE ISLAND

close to landing in McGregor Bay. Cedar log cottage with East facing sundeck to sleeping quarters with separate guest cottage. Most contents included, also includes 16 ft boat & motor (new roof in 2013). Don't delay, call today. Priced to sell at \$299,000. MLS#1028588

GORGEOUS WATERFRONT HOME ON LAKE KAGAWONG!!

Located close to Ontario's prettiest Town of Kagawong, this beautifully landscaped waterfront 3 bdrm open concept home with a loft comes fully furnished with a double detached garage, dock & boat lift & is priced to sell at \$339,000. MLS#1027292

WATERFRONT DREAM HOME

This is one of Manitoulin's finest homes, 12 room, 4850 sq ft, 6 baths, 4 fireplaces, 9 ft ceilings. Double attached garage, central air & vacuum and Spacious Trex sun-decks. Pristine river & ravine run through property into lake near dwelling. Detached garage built in 2003. 3 bays with 8 ft doors plus 1 drive-through with 10 ft doors. Only 4 miles from Manitoulin East Airport. Great New Lower Price! Call for Details. MLS#1026212

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CENTURY HOME - In Little Current within walking distance to downtown and all other amenities. Adjoining lot included in the purchase price. This house has 4 large bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Large double parlour on the main floor is ideal for entertaining and perfect for the home theater system. Spacious kitchen with adjoining dining room, main floor laundry. New windows, shingles, basement insulation with waterproof "drytrek", sump and dehumidifier all in 2011. \$239,000. MLS#1029657



AFFORDABLE COTTAGE! Waterfront 2 bedroom cottage just outside Little Current with amazing West views of the LaCloche mountains. This winterized cottage has the potential to sleep 8-10 people. Many upgrades including septic, bathroom, jet water pump, water system. This cottage can be used seasonal or even year round with potential to rent. Most contents of cottage and garage included. \$89,000 MLS#1020426



WATERFRONT HOME - Wonderful waterfront home or seasonal cottage on a nice level east facing lot with views of the North Channel and the LaCloche Mountains. A well maintained home with many recent upgrades including a brand new bathroom. Also 6 new Convectair wall mounted heaters. Free standing wood stove, 10'x12' screened-in porch, 22'x26' garage with back addition used as a wine cellar. Priced at \$299,000 MLS#1019307



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COMMERCIAL - Successful business opportunity located in the downtown core of Gore Bay. Currently a licensed franchise for The Source and it also retails sporting goods. On the 2nd floor is a 2 bedroom apartment. Excellent location and many recent upgrades to the building. List price \$135,000. MLS#1024601



LITTLE CURRENT Beautiful 2 bedroom Bungalow with loft only a few minutes walk to downtown. Open concept kitchen/dining room allows for excellent socializing. The property is well landscaped with established vegetable gardens. Large Double Garage with workshop. No shortage of storage in this home. \$124,900. MLS#1026299



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LITTLE CURRENT Just like new! Solid 1200 sq.ft. raised bungalow with wide open kitchen, dining and living area on upper main level, great for family and entertaining - plus a full bath with jet tub. Lower level has 2 large bedrooms (with potential for third or more!), second full bath, utility and plenty of storage. FA Oil heat plus wood pellet stove - very efficient and easy to heat. Walkout to 2 patio decks to enjoy both the morning and afternoon sun! Good central location, very close to school and recreation area. List price \$215,000. MLS#1027758



MUDGE BAY/NORTH CHANNEL - Prime Sand & Water Access - First Time Offered. Spacious seasonal home - 1000 sqft, with 2 bedrooms, modern kitchen, wood burning unit, all electric heat, detached bunkie with washroom, garage and large deck offering a breathtaking view over the North Channel - LaCloche Mountains - Oh Yes! Fully furnished and municipal water service. \$309,000. MLS#1012905



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COUNTRY HOME - Large bungalow with highway frontage just west of the hamlet of Spring Bay. Newer addition offers 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, including a large master bedroom and large ensuite bathroom. Walkout to deck from dining room and master bedroom offering south facing country views. Approx. 1,900 sq. ft. of living area! List price \$141,500. MLS#1029090.



KAGAWONG - A home near the popular hamlet of Kagawong that would also be suitable as a cottage with 2, possibly 3 bedrooms. Located on 1.5 acre lot with sugar maple trees. 2nd level upgraded with the lower level in progress. Nice quiet location. Priced at \$99,950 MLS#1018936



SPECTACULAR LAKE VIEW HOME Country living at its best! Spacious all brick home with 2000+ sq. ft. on main level, and similar sized full finished walk-out basement. 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths plus a 2 pc's bath in garage. 200 amp electrical service with generator back-up for power outages. Engineered wood flooring, wood burning stove, spacious rooms, hobby/craft/game room, attached 20'x30' garage are just some of the features. All set on over 19 acres to play on (with large storage shed/workshop tool) with a gorgeous view over Bass Lake - plus just a minutes drive to the public boat launch. This home shows pride of ownership! Please contact listing office for your appointment to view. MLS#1028962



SPACIOUS ALL BRICK! Very well maintained and nicely appointed all brick bungalow on almost a full acre lot. 1450 sq. ft. on main level includes a spacious bright kitchen, dining, living room, 3 bedrooms and a full bath. The equal size full basement features a large rec room with wood fireplace, additional room suitable for bedroom, office, sewing or hobbies, large laundry room, storage space and potential for 2nd bath. Attached garage with great enclosed breezeway/mudroom. This solid house has municipal water service and upgrades in recent years include new roof shingles and new windows! A great home for retirees and families alike! List price \$249,000. MLS#1029448



LITTLE CURRENT - Nice 2+1 bedroom raised bungalow with many recent upgrades in last 5 years. Roof shingles, main level exterior doors and windows, exterior of home, air exchanger, and Roth oil tank. Newer kitchen appliances included. Great value at \$167,900. MLS#1028852



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LAKE MANITO Excellent waterfront home with southern view and 150' frontage. Raised bungalow with walk-out fully finished basement and huge sun decks. 6 bedrooms, 3 on main floor, 2.5 baths, main bath with jacuzzi tub. Main level laundry, vaulted ceiling in living room. Great potential for B&B, shared private road access, detached heated garage/workshop. Many great features, please call for full details and a viewing. Priced to sell! \$379,000. MLS#1024792



MANITOWANING HOME - This stunning 3 bed, 2 bath home with detached garage is sitting on perfectly manicured double lot with beautiful mature trees. The home has 3 bedrooms upstairs with the possibility of 2 more in the basement. The living room in the basement is warm and cozy with the addition of a propane fire place. The double 24x28 garage is sure to please any hobbyist. Come tour this spectacular home. Book your showing today. \$239,900, MLS#1024635



CENTRAL LOCATION Charming Little Current bungalow within walking distance to shopping/school/churches/hospital/downtown. This tastefully decorated 3 bedroom bungalow has many upgrades including roof, insulation, windows, hardwired generator, propane pedestal stove and more. All on one level and completely maintenance free!! The large garage has a workshop addition with plenty of storage space. List price \$154,900 MLS#1029561



WATERFRONT VACATION HOME - Spacious all brick home with 2000+ sq. ft. on main level, and similar sized full finished walk-out basement. 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths plus a 2 pc's bath in garage. 200 amp electrical service with generator back-up for power outages. Engineered wood flooring, wood burning stove, spacious rooms, hobby/craft/game room, attached 20'x30' garage are just some of the features. All set on over 19 acres to play on (with large storage shed/workshop tool) with a gorgeous view over Bass Lake - plus just a minutes drive to the public boat launch. This home shows pride of ownership! Please contact listing office for your appointment to view. MLS#1028937



SPRING BAY 5 bedroom home in the hamlet of Spring Bay with large detached garage. Over 1500 sq.ft. on the main level. Recent upgrades include new kitchen. Private back yard. List price \$159,000. MLS#1026815



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Let's talk about it! Pages 3A - 7A

Horse safety is important for seasoned and new equestrians alike

by Robin Burridge

MANITOULIN—Horses are known for being gentle and kind creatures, but those who are not accustomed to being around horses, and even those familiar with these beautiful animals, need to always practice proper horse safety for both their well-being, and the horse's.

"Horses are generally not aggressive," explained Kyla Jansen, owner of Honora Riding Stable in Honora Bay, "but they are large and only have two reactions when they feel threatened or trapped—flight or fight."

Ms. Jansen said when first approaching a horse it is important to talk to them and let them know you are there.

"The safest place to approach a horse is at their shoulder," continued Ms. Jansen. "When two horses meet in a pasture they meet shoulder to shoulder—it's a friendly spot. It also allows them to see you. A lot of people approach a horse's face. This can be very scary for them as their eyes are located on the sides of their head and they can't see you if you are too close. This is made worse when someone pets their face—it is comparable to a stranger approaching you and petting your face."

After voicing to the horse that you are approaching them, and approaching them at their shoulder where they can see you, you can touch their shoulder and neck.

"Make sure you read a horse's reaction," said Ms. Jansen. "If they are moving away and turning their butt towards you it is a sign they are claiming their space."

"Often you see horses in pastures, but it is not recommended to pet someone else's horse or feed them without the owner giving you the go ahead," she noted, adding that carrots are not a natural part of a horse's diet and that some horses may have specialized diets or could be insulin resistant.

Ms. Jansen said when interacting with horses it is always important to be calm and firm, not tentative.

"If you are tentative it will make the horse nervous," Ms. Jansen explained.

When prepping a horse for riding, ensure they are never tied to anything solid, warned Ms. Jansen. Using a safety release knot or safety release clip will ensure that if the horse tries to pull away it won't be stopped suddenly, which can cause the horse to panic.

"Before saddling a horse, ensure that the equipment is in good condition and that that tack is in good repair—oiling each spring and fall will help make sure the leather doesn't crack," said Ms. Jansen. "It is also important to make sure no equipment is dragging."

"Standing to the left side of the horse, at its shoulder and facing the bum, will allow you to see any movement the horse is going to make. Hold the saddle on your hip until ready to smoothly swing it into position by lifting the front panel and rear side of the back of the saddle and in a smooth movement, lightly setting it onto the horse's back," Ms. Jansen explains.

Another area to practice proper horse safety is approaching horses in their stalls.

"With standing stalls, they are



Honora Bay Riding Stable rider Tara Sewers. Tara demonstrates how not to approach a horse from behind. Stetson does not see her and she is in advancement mode (ie acting like a predator). No horse will appreciate this and could kick back to protect himself or more importantly his food.



This photo shows Tara demonstrating how not to approach a horse to saddle it. She comes in behind her horse, with latigo and cinch straps banging the horse, and lifting a saddle up over her haunches. This puts Tara in a very vulnerable position as a horse could easily feel threatened and defend itself from whatever it may presume is approaching from behind. Thankfully, Faith is a very trusting horse and did not react in these very undesirable positions.



Tara incorrectly leading Faith. She is behind the horse's girth line which puts her in a position for the horse to move ahead of her positioning her bum in Tara's face.

designed to walk the horse in and tie them, so when you approach them (to groom them or remove them from the stall) it will be butt first," she said. "Because of this, it is especially important to talk to them before you approach the horse and let them know you are there. You want to call out their name and place a hand on them and keeping your hand on them, slowly move it up to their neck. In the stalls, they have nowhere to go so this puts them in a vulnerable position."

Ms. Jansen stressed proper fencing and a clean paddock are other important elements of horse safety.

"You need to ensure that fences are in good repair," said



In this proper example, Tara is approaching Stetson's shoulder and his head is lowered and bent towards her with a look of invitation. You will also note Tara's body is 'soft,' kind of curled and not pushy.



In this photo Tara demonstrates the proper way to approach and saddle a horse. Tara is standing to the left side of Faith at her horse's shoulder, facing bum. From this position she can see any movement the horse is going to make and be able to respond. She holds the saddle on her right hip until ready to smoothly swing it into position by lifting the left front panel and rear right side of the back of the saddle and in a smooth movement, lightly sets it onto Faith's back. You will notice that all extra straps (cinch and latigo) are neatly tied onto the saddle.



Tara is correctly leading Faith. She is staying even between the horse's head and her shoulders, her feet are moving in balance with the horse and she is not pulling or making the horse uncomfortable.

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Be the difference as a medical professional with Canada's farmers

by Glen Blahey, Canadian Agricultural Safety Association

MANITOULIN—Not only do farmers face the potential for injury on the farm, they are also at risk for illness. Farmers face illnesses related to livestock, grain and chemicals and this exposure doesn't stop at the end of the workday—farmers also live in their workplace. It's this exposure to the workplace 24 hours a day, seven days a week that can create specific health and safety concerns for farmers and their

families. Medical professionals like doctors, nurse practitioners and mental health workers have a significant role to play in the health and safety of Canada's farmers. These professionals are uniquely positioned to be farm health and safety champions.

Access to health care in rural areas can be limited. Oftentimes farmers and their families have to travel a great distance to access even primary care. In many rural areas there is a chronic shortage of health

care providers. These are a few of the barriers that farmers and their families face when addressing health concerns. So what can health care professionals do to be farm health and safety champions?

First of all, it's important to remember that injury prevention is the most important part of farm safety. That means that illness prevention is the most important part of keeping farmers and farm families healthy. Effective health care of farmers and their families includes a focus on per-

sonal health, wellbeing and illness prevention as well as treating illnesses and symptoms. Medical professionals are often perceived as authority figures with great knowledge. Information about health and safety means a great deal when coming from someone who is trusted and knowledgeable.

Understanding the unique health and safety issues of farm life is another means

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Tehkumma Talk and Times

Somehow today I was watching the Dinosaur Block Party on Knowledge "Kids." It was so cute I don't know why I don't watch these shows all the time now that I'm into my second childhood! (Maybe I will!)

Mollie phoned this morning wanting to know if I'm adding wrinkles or trying to shrink the ones I've already got (I was in the tub).

I missed saying Happy Birthday to brother-in-law Wayne, March 10.

Well I really didn't after all. Here it is a Wednesday morning, I woke up singing 76 Trombones! Last evening we kept breaking into song, Wayne celebrated his 76th! Pauline called and we- Susan, Simon, Sherry, Dave, Mom and I went to Green Acres for (Wayne's) birthday supper; then we came back to Pauline's for a game of "Oh Crap" and Pauline served a raspberry pie and coffee to some of the gang. (Most of us were still full.) A very fun family evening; Wayne got a couple of birthday calls while we were there.

Well the sun is hitting my outside bench in the morning (early). I gotta clean the couple of bags of paper garbage off, so I can sit out with my coffee and cats, to enjoy the mornings once again. I haven't written many poems this winter. I need air and inspiration; perhaps I need to have a burning day! Talking to Lyle (Dewar) this morning, I always enjoy our chats.

Happy anniversary Barb and Wade of Green Acres, sounds like a fun trip. Albert and Marg stopped there on their way home from Sudbury too.

Cal called Wednesday evening and asked if I wanted to go to Espanola, of course, I didn't say no! Great day, beautiful roads, blue sky, scenery, company. We checked the mall out first, had lunch at "Rusty's". I said to Cal, "That girl looks like Mollie from the back" when they came in. Sure enough it was her and her friend Theresa (from Elliot Lake), just out for a drive too. After checking out GT Boutique, home again. Mom and I still have the rubber to play. I stopped for the challenge before I got home, we each won two games. We saw the McGuires at the Restaurant earlier.

It is with sadness this morning I write of Elaine McCauley's death, her home the last while was at Centennial Manor, but she spent her lifetime pretty well in Tehkumma Township. She was married to my cousin Gerald and spent a lot of Sundays travelling to church with Mom and I. She spent even more time keeping the sidewalks and decks swept off at the Hall. She loved leaving the confetti on the floor for Thursday euchre where she punched the "lone hands" for the players for years. If we were out walking with her, we couldn't keep up. A wonderful part of our Sr. U.C.W. group for years, and member and worker for the Triangle Club and a hard working woman who raised a big family; sympathy to all the family and her many friends.

Well I would have sworn my neighbours came in and stole my pound of butter, but I had moved it when I was baking and had it in plain sight if you know what I mean. Of course it's not surprising in my house.

It's Only the Strong Survive, the current song on C.M.T., timely!! I see the snow starting again. We've had a nice few warm days intermission.

Yesterday in Mindemoya I met the first St. Patrick's Day birthday girl ever, so have a good one Sara. She and Ashley were lunching out while I was at the restaurant. Loretta (Mucha) and her friend Jeanette came in, so we had a bit of a visit. There was more I wanted to do in Mindemoya, but I ran out of steam. Once I got in my chair I slept for two hours, I couldn't even play cards with Mom. I met a nice lady at the laundromat who had trouble keeping her money in her pocket; those new bills are slippery critters, they are "NOT" made for pockets!! My car had a bit of service while I worked. I finally returned Kathleen's bowls that I've had since the holidays.

Thursday Euchre. Margaret was on K.P. duty. Ladies' high, Dorothy, 86 and five lone hands; Ladies' low, me; men's high, Graham, 59 and three lone hands; men's low, Wayne; door prize, Simon.

Cal just dropped me off (Sunday evening). Well darn it! I hate to admit it but the guys really did teach us the "cardiology" lesson. I thought we had it in our pocket, winning the first two by a good margin (I might add), but they regained their cribbage legs (I means pegs) and beat us the next three straight, darn it!

What a nice evening, a delicious meal and pleasant visit with Brian and Margaret (McCarthy). Brian has a St.

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Be the difference as a farm employer

by Glen Blahey, Canadian Agricultural Safety Association

MANITOULIN—Farm owners run a business. A farm requires the same commitment to succeed, the same dedication to hard work, good products and of course, a commitment to safety just like other businesses. One hallmark of a successful business is an engaged and well-trained workforce.

Training employees is good business and an important area of risk management on any farm. Well trained, safe and healthy employees are essential for the smooth functioning of any farming operation. The loss of an employee due to an accident can have a severe ripple effect and create many more hidden costs than the farm owner may realize. As well as the usual compensation and medical costs, there is down time in production, training time for replacement employees, repairs to damaged equipment plus the psychological effect an accident has on other employees and families.

The benefits of incorporating orientation and training, including health and safety information, include a more confident and competent employee. This means that the worker is more engaged in the work place and in turn will take personal

ownership in their work. Not only does training help prevent potential accidents, but also empowers employees to do their best work.

A very important step towards managing risk on the farm is training farm workers in occupational health and safety principles. A training program for health and safety orientation of seasonal agricultural workers will enable farm owners and managers to train their seasonal staff on basic safety principles, recognizing and assessing hazards, and applying hazard prevention and control measures to protect them as they perform their duties.

The worker needs to be well trained and to understand their job tasks and the importance of their job to the larger picture. Never assume that someone has the "common sense" to work safely. Making an assumption like that can be dangerous, especially where a young or new worker is concerned. Orientation to a new workplace is very important for safety. Workers need to be orientated when they arrive at the workplace. They need to know the facilities, the equipment, emergency procedures, the do's and don'ts and they need to be trained properly.

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of keeping farm families healthy and safe. Farmers work with and around a variety of hazards. Livestock can cause illnesses like salmonella and influenza; over-exposure to crop protection products can result in health

issues ranging from cholinesterase suppression to headaches and diarrhea; grain handling can expose farmers to Hantavirus and respiratory impairments. Physical hazards are just one piece of the many health and safety concerns that farm

families can have. Other health and safety concerns can include risk-taking behaviours, mental-health issues, physical activity and the management of chronic diseases. Asking about these hazards and concerns at ...continued on page 5A

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Writings On the Wall

by Aurora Ominika-Enosse

Aanii, Aurora ndizhikaas (hello, my name is Aurora), and "Writings on the Wall" is back!

I'm incredibly happy that this is back because I absolutely love writing. I'm also very thankful that I am getting this opportunity. Before I start any serious writing, I'd thought I would tell you a little bit about myself. My name is Aurora Ominika-Enosse, I'm 15 and currently attend Wikwemikong High School. I love reading, writing and playing hockey. I'll also let you know that I will be writing about things that happen at my school and around my community. I hope you all enjoy my articles.

So recently our high school had our annual career fair. To kick off the career fair our chief, Duke Peltier, gave the students a good speech over a Skype call (as he was away on a business trip). He told us what it was like being a chief, including roles and responsibilities. He told us how hard he has to work and how hard it is being away from his family. How many people get to say they participated in a skype call with the head of their community? I bet you not many people. So that was an amazing experience.

At our career fair, we attended workshops throughout the day. There were plenty of workshops that we could've attended so I chose photography and journalism. The jour-

nalism workshop just so happened to be presented by someone from The Manitoulin Expositor. His name is Mike Erskine. He gave me some great tips on how to write for a newspaper. I am trying my best to apply all the tips he gave me.

After the workshops, we had some time to go look at all the booths of the various organizations and companies that attended our career fair. Some booths that attended were from out of town and some were from in town. We had the Canadian Armed Forces, Nipissing University, Wasse Abin Youth Centre and plenty of other amazing booths. We also had a performance from the OLI (Outside Looking In) dance program, which I will also be writing about in a later article. The audience really enjoyed watching the performance and it was the dancers' first time performing in front of an audience so they appreciated a chance to show off their moves.

I had learned a lot from the booths that had attended; I never realized how many different professions are out there. Students learned a lot as well—they really enjoyed the career fair. The career fair kept them moving around all day instead of sitting in classrooms all day so they appreciated that.

See you next week, miigwech and thanks for reading.

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Technology has transformed farm safety, but not replaced common sense

MANITOULIN—Technology has played a transformative role in farming and that role seems to be expanding at the same breakneck speed impacting most of the rest of our modern lives. Critical in that transformation is the role that technology is playing in farm safety.

From high tech drones, modified from military use to agriculture in a modern day swords to plowshares metaphor that are being used to survey farms allowing farmers to check their far-flung fields and herds in comfort and safety, to rollover warning

systems on tractors, through to more mundane technology such as self locking gates and feed fronts and a better understanding of safe animal handling practices, modern science has made farming safer—but it remains one of the most dangerous industries in the country.

Remote sensor technology, such as sensors in grain storage bins and placed in fields, can allow farmers to avoid dangerous situations that just a few years ago would have needed an eyes-on inspection with the chance of becoming stuck or buried.

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appointments can lead to discussion of prevention and management tactics or to a quicker and more accurate diagnosis of symptoms.

Speaking the same language as farmers and their families is also an important part of being a farm safety and health champion. For example, understanding what an auger or silo or chaff are can create a connection and provide an apprecia-

tion of the day-to-day lives of farm families. This also can give health care professionals an insight into the variety of hazards faced by farmers and their families.

Lastly, advocating for the health and safety of farm families within the health care field is one of the best ways health care professionals can be farm safety champions. Farm safety and health champions help keep those who grow our food healthy and safe and this, in turn, keeps our society healthy and food secure.

Some of the best advances are things that would be considered by the uninitiated as deceptively low tech.

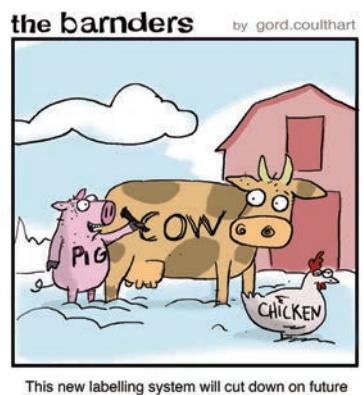
"I think one of the biggest things are the advances in animal handling practices and animal handling facilities," said Tehkummaah dairy farmer Jim Anstice. "It isn't computer technology, but it has had a big impact."

The changes have taken a lot of the bull work out of animal handling as well. "You aren't wrestling the animals down by hand," he said.

Education has also played a significant role in improving farm safety. "I think the

community newspapers and the farm papers have done a good job in getting the word out," said Mr. Anstice.

But all of that technology, the advances in safety equipment and procedures, don't amount to a hill of beans if people do not use them or follow the best practices. "For all of the PTO shields, rollover bars on tractors (if you are wearing your seatbelt—and you are supposed to), you still hear about people being maimed and killed," said Mr. Anstice. "It is easy to get complacent and to forget how dangerous it can be. A lapse of concentration easily can lead to a lot of sorrow."



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The benefit of tax planning for farmers

by Michael Poole, CPA, CA for MNP MANITOULIN—As a tax specialist practicing in an area rich in agriculture, the end of each year brings about a common scenario of tax deferral and management for the average farm family. Anyone in the farming industry (especially those operating as individuals or in partnership) knows that year end is a time to figure out how much taxable income the farm generated during the year. It is a time to figure out how to “manage” the tax problem.

For decades, farmers would fix this problem by purchasing inputs for next year's crop and deferring as much grain income as possible to a future year. This common strategy provides consistency in reporting taxable grain income due to price fluctuations, production volume changes and input costs variations (among other items) and can result in the deferral of payment of income taxes to a future year thereby managing the current year tax bill.

This type of strategy will become less effective as the farm operation becomes more successful. As a farm matures, debt is paid down, there are fewer fixed assets to invest in and ultimately fewer expenses are available to reduce taxable income.

Under this scenario, many farm families find themselves in situations where the “old” tax plan (deferral) is no longer valid. Consequently, all those years of deferring income and pre-buying inputs may result in a very large tax bill. Usually a tax specialist is sought after to assist in alleviating this problem. Options and strategies may be

available to resolve the income tax problem, but often, years of deferring income may prohibit their use. Rushed reorganization steps taken to ease the current year tax bill may eliminate the ability to take advantage of more beneficial strategies in the future.

The Income Tax Act does contain favourable provisions for farmers, farm partnerships and farm corporations, however strict requirements must be met before they can be used. A common requirement found in those provisions is a holding period test that must be met before certain benefits (like the lifetime capital gain exemption) can be obtained. Other provisions may restrict the transfer of certain assets (like deferred grain income tickets) to a partnership or corporate structure as part of a business reorganization. Often, planning opportunities are “one time only” in nature and if missed or negated with prior reorganization steps are lost forever. Even worse, planning steps implemented without proper knowledge of the Income Tax Act can result in significant and punitive tax results, penalties and interest.

Something as simple as owning land jointly with one's sibling or the gifting of farm land to a family member can have significant tax results. These “traps” are prevalent in the Income Tax Act and knowledge of their existence is the best defense.

Planning ahead is one way to ensure that you don't get yourself into a difficult situation. Options and strategies do exist and can result in significant tax deferrals and

outright tax savings; however proactive steps must be taken to ensure the requirements in the Income Tax Act are met. Each farming operation is unique and therefore requires careful consideration when deciding which option or strategy is appropriate. Effective income tax planning on an annual basis often goes hand in hand with succession planning, whether the farm is to pass to the next generation or will be sold to a third party. Efficiencies can often be achieved when these topics are discussed

together and further tax benefits may result.

Tax planning is a process and not an event. The first step can be as easy as meeting with an agriculture tax specialist to discuss your current farming operation. A plan can be developed to deal with upcoming tax liabilities and to take advantage of the beneficial tax provisions available in the Income Tax Act.

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Patrick's Day birthday too (Happy belated!) St. Andrews by the Sea was pretty much full today, our sermon was on spirituality. There was quite a tableful at Carol's and Earl's afterward, and I beat Mom three games of four games after. Last evening we played cribbage too and “Oh Crap” Susan won I think. Simon made a most delicious spaghetti dinner and two pies for dessert. He invited Pauline, Wayne, Mom, Cal and I. Simon and I won two cribbage games- you know I do have some good times with my own family, my church family, my extended family and my friends.

A very busy week coming up again, it's no wonder I never get “nothing” done around here.

Spend a lot of time petting cats and today at church I had a darling little doggie friend who kept trying to steal my cushion every time we stood up for a hymn, which by the way, the blending voices sounded phenomenal.

I think we will start our first cribbage at the Hall on Wednesday, April 8 at 1:30pm. I would have chosen the first except if that old adage comes true- March may go out like a lion!!?

Lovely to hear the cardinal's song!

Providence Bay News and Notes

Joy Hopkins, we hope you will be feeling better soon, from your friends at Community of Christ in Providence Bay.

We hope everyone on the March Break will have a safe and happy holiday.

Belated happy St. Patrick's Day.

The wind up of this year's curling is Sunday, March 22.

Please remember our seniors and veterans and help them in any way you

can.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable week.

God Bless.

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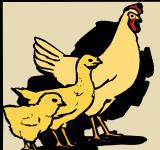
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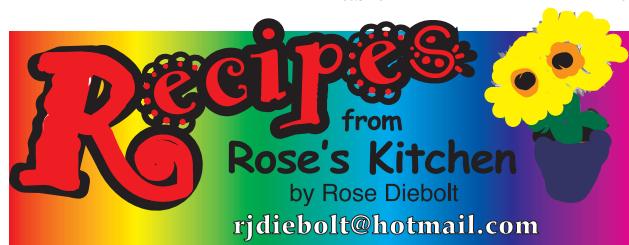


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Vegetables are my favourite part of a meal. Vegetables are also hard to make exciting because a lot of times they are an afterthought. For me it is a challenge to find a recipe where I can use a plain vegetable like cauliflower and take it to a new high (and have my family eat it and like it).

Cauliflower Steaks with Tomato Herb Relish

This recipe seems really long and complicated but you can break it up. Roast the garlic the day before and when I roast garlic I usually do four bulbs and keep the extra in the fridge for other recipes.

1/2 cup raw cashews or almonds
1 garlic bulb
2 heads of cauliflower
1 tsp extra-virgin olive oil, divided
1 tsp dried thyme
1/2 tsp paprika
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp black pepper, divided
1/2 cup oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes, chopped
1/2 cup chopped parsley
3 Tbsp pine nuts, preferably toasted (optional)
1 Tbsp lemon juice
3 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
1 tsp lemon zest
1/4 tsp nutmeg

Place cashews in bowl, cover with water and let soak for at least two hours.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Slice 1/4 in. from top of garlic bulb so that most of the cloves are exposed. Place garlic on piece of parchment paper and drizzle with a touch of oil. Wrap tightly and bake for 30 minutes.

Remove any outer leaves from cauliflower heads, but leave stems intact. Place cauliflower heads on cutting board, stem side down. Using large chef's knife, cut into 1/2 to 3/4 inch slices. You should get at least two cauliflower steaks—large pieces that are flat on both sides—per head. Set aside remaining slices of cauliflower.

Place cauliflower steaks on parchment paper-lined baking sheets and brush tops with oil. Stir together thyme, paprika, 1/4 tsp salt and 1/4 tsp pepper. Sprinkle spice mixture over cauliflower. Roast cauliflower until it is browned and stems are browned and stems are tender when pierced with knife—25 to 35 minutes.

Meanwhile, roughly chop about four cups of remaining cauliflower and place in saucepan full of water. Bring to a boil and simmer until tender. Reserve 1/2 cup cooking water, drain and set aside.

In bowl, stir together sun-dried tomatoes, parsley, pine nuts, lemon juice and 3 Tbsp oil. Drain cashews, place in blender or food processor container along with 1/2 cup of water, and blend until smooth. Add roasted garlic pulp, cauliflower, lemon zest, nutmeg, and remaining salt and pepper to container. Blend until very smooth, adding some of the cauliflower cooking water if needed to help with blending and obtain the consistency of mashed potatoes. Don't let the mixture become too watery.

Spread cauliflower puree on serving plates and top with cauliflower steaks. Sprinkle sun-dried tomato mixture over top.

Serves 4

Kale with Grape Tomatoes

This is a speedy recipe. The recipe says to add the tomatoes at the start but I added them at the end after the kale had cooked for 10 minutes. I also sautéed 2 cloves garlic.

Heat 1 1/2 Tbsp olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add 10 oz. grape tomatoes, 1 1/2 lb. washed, stemmed coarsely chopped kale (about 10 cups), 1/2 tsp sea salt, and 1/2 tsp freshly ground pepper.

Toss, cover, and cook until the kale is tender, 10 to 15 minutes. Toss with 1 tsp. balsamic vinegar and 1 Tbs. maple syrup. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Transfer to a bowl and sprinkle with 1/4 cup coarsely grated Asiago or Parmesan cheese.

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