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## Autumn Peltier: Wiikwemkoong's, Island's voice at the UN



13-year-old student delivers 'Water Warrior' message to UN General Assembly

by Michael Erskine  
NEW YORK—Autumn Peltier of Wiikwemkoong had a simple challenge for the United Nations about their commitment to protect water as she addressed the assembly in New York last Thursday: "Warrior up!"

"I was surprisingly not at all nervous," said the 13-year-old Anishinaabe-kwe who has become an internationally recognized warrior for the right of Indigenous peoples to clean drinking water across the globe about her presentation before the world's leaders. "I actually felt calm. It was a good experience."

The diminutive young woman might be slight of frame, standing barely five-feet tall in her Anishinaabe regalia, but she loomed large in stature as she stood, literally, upon world stage, behind the podium at the UN General Assembly to issue her challenge as the final speaker on World Water Day.

"We recognize and applaud your leadership and advocacy on the importance of clean drinking water and your initiatives to provide safe water to your people and the First Nations communities in your territories," read Autumn's invitation from the UN. "By lending your powerful voice to this important cause, you give voice to the youth, most needy and vulner-

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A CRUCIAL MESSAGE FROM A YOUTHFUL 'WATER WARRIOR'—Autumn Peltier of Wiikwemkoong addressed the United Nations General Assembly last Thursday, calling on the world's leaders to 'warrior up' and start protecting Mother Earth and her water. Autumn helped to kick off the United Nations' Water Action Decade and was the youngest to speak at the event.

photo by Linda Roy, Ireva Photography

## Bonnie Kogos witnesses Water Action Decade kickoff at UN

Wiikwemkoong's youthful Autumn Peltier helps introduce international program

by Bonnie Kogos  
Special to The Expositor

NEW YORK CITY—I'd been following the news that Canadian water activist Autumn Peltier, a 13-year-old from Wiikwemkoong, would address the UN General Assembly in New York City on World Water Day, March 22. Her plea is part of the UN's launch of the International Decade for Action on Water for Sustainable Development.

Her invitation to attend and speak at the United Nations reads, "We recognize and applaud your leadership and advocacy on the importance of clean drinking water, and applaud your initiatives to provide safe water for you and the First Nations communities in your territories. By lending your voice to this cause, you give voice to the youth, most needy and vulnerable among us who have none."

You bet I'd attend. With a request to wonderful Executive Liaison Lynn Bowerman from Anishinabek Nation in North Bay for information, who sent me the agenda, I obtained a UN Press Pass to attend the ceremony. Anything fabulous like this, from Manitoulin and Wiikwemkoong to Manhattan, is incredibly important. To me, and to share with you.

With appreciation, I welcomed sunny March 22, walking over to the UN. Of course, protection and security is major as you enter; they keep your ID while you're on the grand premises, and take a photo to wear on a badge you must show. Through a labyrinth of halls, I was escorted up to the General Assembly where I happily greeted Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa Duke Peltier and Linda Roy, president of Ireva Photography from Wiikemkoong. I've had the honour of interviewing of Ogimaa Peltier over the years. For me, every Manitoulin summer

is complete, attending the Wiikemkoong powwow, dancing, buying tacos, shopping, talking, and visiting with friends.

Sitting with Ogimaa Duke and Linda in the front row of the visitors' section of the huge General Assembly hall felt awe-inspiring, the first time for this New York City-based writer.

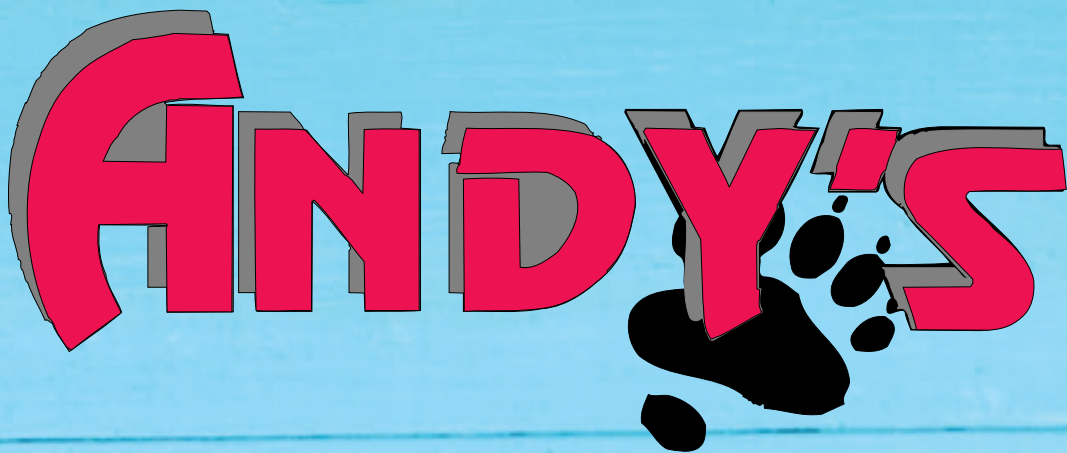
I smiled: Autumn Peltier had gotten me here!

Opening the high-level segment, Honourable Mr. Miroslav Lajcak, president of the United Nations General Assembly, greeted us. "Welcome to the launch of the International Decade of Water for Sustainable Development 2018-2028. Growing demands for water have increased so drastically, we must face reality, which looks different, depending on where you are. No one goes thirsty here at the United Nations, but today, millions are with-

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# Central Manitoulin council approves Old School feasibility funding request

**by Betty Bardswich**  
 MINDEMOYA—Members of the Mindemoya Old School Repurposing Committee (MOSRC) breathed a sigh of relief at the Central Manitoulin council meeting on March 20. The group, after talking to FedNor representative Mike Addison, had asked council for \$5,000 towards a feasibility study to determine the viability of bringing the old school up to snuff in order to create a better living activity building. FedNor has set a cap of \$50,000 towards such a study, with the understanding that MOSRC would come up with 10 percent (or \$5,000) of that amount.

Mayor Stephens, with a nod to the large crowd in attendance, began the meeting with a welcome, a thanks to a very hard working MOSRC committee and put the request from that group's members at the top of the agenda.

MOSRC Vice-Chairperson Hal Love spoke to council on behalf of the group and started with thanks to Mayor Stephens, Councillors Linda Farquhar and Alex Baran and Economic Development Officer (EDO) Nancy Kinoshameg for their participation on the Old School committee. He thanked the committee for their work in attending meetings and looking for grants and singled out Jan McQuay especially, saying that she "has worked really hard on this."

Mr. Love went on to say that the committee has had a good response to their survey, showing that there was an obvious need for the better living activity building. He noted, however, that there is also opposition to the plans for the Old School.

"Obviously," he said, "there are some who oppose the plans based on perceived costs and possibly

ignorance of what value to the community can be garnered from this valuable community asset. It is a landmark and should not be subjected to the wrecking ball without exploring all the possible ways of preserving it in an affordable and sustainable manner. At the Finance and Economic Development committee meeting, a member indicated that they were under the impression that our committee would not be asking for any monetary support especially for a building that that member considered defunct. Defunct is defined as "no longer existing or functioning." The lack of maintenance and not being occupied, at least partly, is by choice of council."

He then went on to say, "According to The Expositor article, one councillor at the finance meeting referred to the building, saying, 'I know you guys want to save your



Central Manitoulin council chambers was full on March 22 as a motion to support the request of the Mindemoya Old School Repurposing Committee (MOSRC) for \$5,000 towards a feasibility study to determine if the building can be used for a seniors' centre as well as other activities. Council's vote on the issue was recorded and passed with Councillor Dale Scott voting against the measure. Councillor Pat MacDonald was unable to attend the meeting.

photo by Betty Bardswich

Old School, but it might be cheaper to build a new building and support our seniors that way.' I believe the councillor has the community interest at heart, but

it is not 'our school,' it belongs to all the residents of Central Manitoulin. We are trying to see if there is a case for repurposing. A

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# Manor comments challenged by Northeast Town mayor at MMA meeting

**by Alicia McCutcheon**  
 LITTLE CURRENT—Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin accused Burpee and Mills Reeve Ken Noland of "backpeddling" at last week's meeting of the Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) when the West End reeve was put on the spot by the mayor on his municipality's views concerning the Manitoulin Centennial Manor.

At the March 20 meeting of Northeast Town council, and after a review of the Manor board minutes from council representative Dawn Orr, Councillor Bill Koehler brought forward the Manitoulin West Recorder article of March 16 titled 'Burpee-Mills council requests meeting to discuss long-term viability of Manor' which saw Reeve Noland cite his concerns with the one-time municipal expenditure to

see the Manor's 50-year-old heating and cooling system replaced.

"What is the next one-time expense going to be?" asked Reeve Noland in the newspaper story. "It seems as if we are almost back to where we were 10-15 years ago when we (municipalities) had to meet with Ontario ministry staff about the huge increases municipalities had to pay (for their shares in the upkeep of the municipally-owned Centennial Manor.)"

The council of Burpee-Mills then requested a meeting with the Manor board, which has been set for May 17.

The discussion led to Mayor MacNevin noting that it was this same council that had said, noting discussions with Councillor Pentti Palonen, Manor board rep, at least one

decade ago, that instead of having Manor reserves, that the municipalities budget for the Manor themselves.

"Ten years ago they were setting aside money," Mayor MacNevin said. "It's totally embarrassing that the West End municipalities would put it away and now, when presented with a bill, they act surprised? And what's even more astounding is that Ken (Noland) said they (the Manor) don't need a reserve and yet they had one for the Manitoulin Planning Board when their only replacement would be a photocopier, yet they fought tooth and nail for us not to have our share (of the Planning Board reserves)." (The Northeast Town has broken away from the Manitoulin Planning Board and has established its own plan-

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# Tehkummah Easter egg hunt undeterred by town council funding snub

**by Lori Thompson**  
 MANITOULIN—The hunt is on! A spending freeze by Tehkummah council meant no donation from the municipality for the Easter egg hunt this year. The good news is the hunt will go on. "It will be a

much bigger Easter egg hunt," said volunteer organizer Linda Bowerman after receiving donations for the event.

Following the defeat of Motion 2018-086, which would have seen council donate \$100 for the egg

hunt if passed, Councillors Paul Bowerman and Ron Hierons each offered \$100 while Councillor Mike McKenzie contributed \$100 later. Additional donations were also received from community members and from people living

off-Island but organizers preferred not to reveal donors or amounts. "They were good donations," Ms. Bowerman said. "It will be the best hunt yet. We should have a prize for everybody."

The Tehkummah egg hunt was organized by three volunteers this year: Ms. Bowerman, Yogi Martin and Rhonda Middaugh. "We're just volunteering, the three of us," said Ms. Bowerman. "We decided we didn't want the Easter egg hunt to fold."

The Tehkummah Easter egg hunt will take place on Saturday, March 31 at 1 pm at the community ball diamond.

The annual Easter egg hunt in

Gore Bay takes place on Good Friday, March 30 from 11 am until noon at Lily Third's property on the east bluff.

Kagawong's Park Centre will be the site of the Kagawong Easter egg hunt. It takes place on Saturday, March 31 at 10 am.

The 7th annual Easter Egg Hunt in Mindemoya gets underway at 11 am Saturday at the ball park.

The Northeast Town will have its Easter egg hunt at the Centennial Museum in Sheguiandah at 11 am on Saturday, March 31.

Field's Marine on Highway 6 is the site of Assiginack's 32nd annual Easter egg hunt. It takes place at 1:30 pm on Easter Sunday.

# Green Bay farmer appeal heard in Gore Bay court

**by Alicia McCutcheon**  
 GORE BAY—The appeal of two charges in the case of Green Bay farmer Paul Skippen who was charged with the shooting of a Canada goose from the roadside beside his farm is still ongoing after a judge told the Gore Bay court last Friday afternoon that, considering the many complexities of the case, he would need time for deliberation. The trial was unfair, Mr. Skippen's lawyer Brad Allison argued, from a myriad of issues. "Death by a thousand duck bites," he observed to the court.

Last year, following trial, Mr. Skippen was charged with shooting a Canada goose out of season and without a permit and shooting a firearm from the roadway. He was fined \$1,250 and was forced to forfeit a gun (although not the gun used in the incident). Mr. Skippen and his lawyer Brad Allison were in court last Friday to appeal the charges, surrounded by friends and family.

After much backroom discussion, and with two offers on the table from the Crown prosecutor, Mr. Skippen waived all offers and asked to proceed with the appeal.



A Canada goose corpse hangs as a warning to others over Mr. Skippen's crops.

"I'm proud of you, Paul Skippen, for standing up for what you believe in," Mr. Skippen's partner Nancy McFarlane was overheard encouraging the plaintiff, rubbing his shoulders as he sat in the front bench, waiting for the proceeding to begin.

"Well, there's more than one way to skin a goose,"

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# Island council reps raise concerns with Manitoulin Mutual Aid

**by Betty Bardswich**  
 MINDEMOYA—The bi-monthly meeting of the Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) on March 21 saw a lengthy discussion regarding fire issues as well as a presentation by Assiginack fire chief and fire coordinator Dwayne Elliott along with Gore Bay fire chief and deputy fire coordinator Mike Addison.

Mr. Elliott spoke to the MMA members about the Manitoulin Mutual Aid plan for fire departments. As the Office of the Fire Marshall and Emergency Management (OFMEM) explains, this plan allows a fire department to request assistance from a neighbouring fire department to participate in a plan approved by the

Fire Marshall. That is, a fire department that is at the scene of a fire can ask for mutual aid from another fire department.

Mr. Elliott's report was to deal with a complaint that was brought to the MMA concerning instances when fire departments responded to a fire, but they had not answered the 911 dispatcher. This practice leads to confusing, costly situations as a second fire department is then dispatched outside of their municipality to the scene only to discover that the first team is already on the scene.

Mr. Elliott stated that mutual aid is for overwhelmed fire departments. "It is not for recurring aid," he said, "or to offset costs. It is to help your neighbour

in a time of need."

As Mr. Elliott explained, the Province of Ontario Mutual Aid Plan outlines in detail the corrective process to deal with such problems or occurrences. "These issues," he said, "need to be brought to the fire coordinators' attention to be correct."

OFMEM representative Wayne Bennett added that each chief and municipality should review their ability to meet the core services set out in establishing and regulating bylaws. If deficiencies are identified, then the municipality should look at entering into an automatic aid agreement with a neighbouring municipality or First Nations community. An

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# Candidate slate for M'Chigeeng possible election changes again

**by Michael Erskine**  
 M'CHIGEENG—As voters in M'Chigeeng continue to wait word from a judge on the fate of the September 9, 2017 elections for band chief and council, the slate of those standing for election continues to change. "Any candidate can still withdraw right up to the last day," noted electoral officer Dan Simon, "but any mail in ballots for them will not be counted."

Mr. Simon released an updated list of candidates over the weekend. "As of Friday, March 23 there are now three candidates for the chief position and 14 for the 10 councillor positions, if the election goes as previously planned for April 21," noted Mr. Simon.

The three chief candidates are Elvis Debassige, former incumbent Linda Debassige and Terrence Debassige.

The 14 councillor candidates are Albert Beaudin, Charles Beaudin, Jesse Beaudin, Brian Bisson, Dennis Corbiere, Ray Corbiere, Adam Debassige, Howie Debassige, Mark Debassige, Sam Debassige, Forry Hare, Tom Hare, Henry Panamick Sr and Tiffany Recollet.

"We are still awaiting word on whether this election will even happen as the order to have it may be vacated by the federal court," said Mr. Simon. "This means that the election results for September 2017 would stand and this election would not happen."

The September election results were nullified following the receipt of a letter by the M'Chigeeng Custom Election Code Appeals Committee challenging the list used in that election. Former Chief Linda Debassige, the successful candidate in the September election appealed the committee's decision to the federal court. Following a number of meetings in the community, the Appeals Committee rescinded its decision to declare the election and filed a joint request to the court to vacate the order to hold a new election and to recognize the results of the September election.

Former chief Joe Hare filed a motion to be heard as an intervener, in effect delaying the court's decision on the request to vacate the order. Mr. Hare's motion was subsequently dismissed by the court.

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**editorial**

## Rescuing treed cats is a good training and a PR opportunity

It was with some sadness that we discovered recently that the Northeast Town's fire department is not allowed to fulfill that time-honoured firefighting tradition of rescuing our too-adventurist feline friends from a precarious treetop perch. It would seem that other fire departments are similarly constrained by concerns linked to insurance and liability concerns.

How ever did things come to such a sad and lamentable pass? What is a stranded kitty to do?

Aside from the loss of a well-worn Sunday morning funnies page trope, the issue might well be considered a tempest in a litterbox were it not for being such a scratching post metaphor for all that is annoying about our modern political bureaucracies.

Anytime someone comes up with an interesting or innovative way to purr a well-kneaded social service out of the belly of the bureaucracy, the barking dogs of liability and insurance concerns pop up out of nowhere to chase it up a tree.

Thankfully, some fire service departments seem to have managed to evade the collar and chain that attempts to hold them back from lending a helping hand to our furry friends. Recent media reports applaud the efforts of a group of about 10 firefighters from the Long Lake and Van Horne fire departments who pooled their efforts (and the municipality's zodiac) to rescue a wandering dog named Dos, who had managed to get itself stranded on an island in the Wanapitei River after becoming excited and racing away from its owner while on a walk by Minnow Lake's Moonlight Beach (yes for those familiar with the region, that's quite a hike).

It apparently took the fire service some two-and-a-half hours to rescue the pooch, whose new nickname is apparently now The Littlest Hobo (after a popular Canadian television show about a wandering German Shepherd who solved people's problems, for those of a generation the show's theme song is a ready and persistent earworm). That time would no doubt be categorized as a dangerous derogation of duty by your typical 21st Century government bureaucrat and an

open opportunity for a lawsuit by a legion of litigation lawyers (disclaimer: not that we are suggesting that there is anything inherently wrong with that). But really, in the end, that couple of hours and a half was in all likelihood time very well-spent as a training exercise for the forces involved.

When it comes to these days of social media memes and viral Internet posts, particularly those with images involving anything remotely resembling a cat in a humorous or precarious position, rescuing one would undoubtedly be something of a social media gold mine. Cats, after all, are a definitely a thing on social media—often out trending a Twitter-happy US President Donald Trump and a shirtless Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau combined. Seriously, you can't even buy public relations like that (unless of course you have both the financial resources of the Koch Brothers and an account with Cambridge Analytica—then all bets are off).

We would like to humbly suggest that Island firefighters (or perhaps more appropriately the municipalities that provide their marching orders) take a page out of their Sudbury colleagues' workbooks to revisit policies on feline and canine rescue requests and allow the practice under the guise of conducting impromptu training drills.

And it doesn't just need to be limited to cats or wandering dogs either; any short perusal of a Facebook or Instagram feed will come up with numerous instances of deer, moose or whale rescues with happy endings. (Although recent reports of the moratorium reaction on the latter due to the unfortunate death of a would-be whale rescuer might prove to be a bad example in this case.)

Not only would firefighters get an opportunity to hone their high flying (or perhaps, as in the case of Sudbury and the saga of The Littlest Hobo, on cold water rescue) skills, but if someone should happen to video the proceedings the Island's Internet profile could get a well received social media boost to boot.

It could turn out to be the purr-fect solution for everyone involved.

**letters**

## Poetic prose in memory of buildings and icons of the past

### A passionate defence of the Little Current Swing Bridge

**To the Expositor:**

I was born and raised on Manitoulin Island and spent six years of my life in a city.

I feel so very blessed and very proud to be a Hawaeter.

However, I feel the life we had is slowly being eroded by what some would call progress.

The Manitoulin has always had a very special uniqueness about it.

It has an atmosphere of serenity and quiet solitude.

Our life here is far different than the hustle and bustle of city life.

So far we do not have the towering buildings, the smoke stacks, the overhead bridges that can and do collapse.

We have had a number of heritage buildings on this Island that have been torn down and replaced by more modern, common every day buildings

There seems to have been no interest in preserving our Island heritage and building upon our uniqueness.

We had our own railway station and tracks down by the Beer Store, where our water treatment plant is now.

The railway station would have made a perfect Tourist Information Booth, as well as a tourist attraction

In Rockton, Ontario there is a pioneer village with many restored buildings on site. It is like walking back in time.

It is both interesting and educational to go back in time and advance up through the ages.

We have somehow not appreciated what we had and now all signs of days gone by are destroyed to make way for the modern buildings of the present day.

We had so much—yes, it would have taken money to restore these buildings—but it would have paid for itself.

More and more people are looking for the history of yester years. They want to walk in it, feel it, live it, for the short time they visit these heritage sites.

History is our past and our future. Why are we so quick to get rid of the old? What is wrong with preserving what we have?

The millions of dollars we are going to spend on a study, let alone a new bridge which is going to destroy our uniqueness, could be spent on

restoration, rescheduling the swing times, discussing how we could preserve and better serve our Island.

The bridge has swung every hour on the hour from spring until fall for its many, many, years.

To save on the mechanism of the bridge what would have been wrong with swinging for the boaters at 9 am, 12 noon, 3 pm, and 6 pm and at odd times if an emergency occurs.

You can never get back what you so impulsively destroy.

Once upon a time, when the fishing was at its best, tourism was a large source of income for the Island. Ask any tourist camp operator and you will soon discover tourism has dwindled. People come off the ferry and head right off the Island. We need to have something that people will want to stay for. We need ideas to maintain and retain the tourist industry.

We could be looking at having a large area and building our own pioneer village, with students hired to dress in the clothing of the day and perform duties of the era.

In this village we could have a maple syrup bush and the making of maple syrup—a learning experience for school children and adults alike.

The tourists come to see and hear about the Native culture. Fortunately, Island First Nations have done much to preserve and demonstrate their history.

We need hiking trails, parks, things for people to see and do.

We need attractions.

Our Swing Bridge is so very unique. How many times have we seen tourist get out of their vehicles to take pictures of our bridge?

It sickens me to think of losing it. Just because we use it every day we become complacent and do not think of it as anything special. How many other swing bridges are there? I know of lift bridges.

Is there anyone else here on the Island or elsewhere that understands my sentiment of keeping our Swing Bridge?

Passionate about preserving our bridge,

Joanne Wade  
Sheguiandah

## Location of bridge between two towns invites double trouble

### Nothing will happen until dysfunctional council restores clerk treasurer

**To the Expositor:**

Infrastructure neglected by Tehkummah Township and Assiginack Township.

Firstly, I compliment Andy Bowerman on his excellent letter in The Expositor March 14 ('Norisle preoccupation detracts from real issues facing the town,' Page 4).

The Rogers Creek Bridge was temporarily closed June 6, 2015. It has been used for more than a century and as noted by Andy, "the Lakeshore Road was the route from South Baymouth to Manitowaning in the early years." The wooden bridge was reinforced with steel girders in 1974 by Tehkummah Township under the supervision of Jerry McGillis. So, the repair lasted 41 years!

Since the bridge's closure, nothing has been done!

Unfortunately, since the bridge is on the boundary line between Tehkummah and Assiginack, two councils are involved: therefore, double trouble!

Replacement of the bridge by Lessard Welding was recommended by Tulloch Engineering on January 25, 2016, but nothing was done about it!

Finally, at present Tehkummah Township is dysfunctional. It has suspended the clerk-treasurer, Karen Gerrard. Until she comes back to straighten out the mess nothing will happen, let alone a new bridge!

John Collins  
Tehkummah ratepayer

**Murray and Gladys Duncanson**

Murray and Gladys greet the writer warmly, inviting her into their comfortable abode. A wood fire was burning brightly in the stove. Murray is nursing a sore knee, but he is open to visitors. Cousin Ken arrives shortly after and indicates that he will help by plowing the driveway. After a few minutes of visiting, Ken leaves to do his work. Murray was the second Duncanson interviewed for his story. He shares that distinction with Bruce Duncanson, interviewed earlier for this series, with whom he is closely related. "Our grandfathers were brothers and our wives are sisters."

Murray spent much of his career at INCO as a layout plate worker. "I dealt with structural and metal fabrication and stayed for 31 years." At the end of his career, he had become a supervisor at the Copper Cliff Smelter. Gladys, on the other hand, the youngest daughter in her family, claims that she was a bit of a brat. Nevertheless, she helped out on the farm as a youth and became a very nurturing person as an adult. She trained as an RNA, working on the pediatric floor of the Memorial Hospital, later providing aid to seniors through the VON.

Let's inject a little history. Murray's paternal great-great grandparents John and Cathryn Duncanson hailed from Argyllshire, Scotland and settled in Dutton in Southwestern Ontario. In 1882, they took a sailboat to the Duck Islands and then travelled to the mainland to Silver Water. John, in his '60s, was eager to start a new adventure. They settled on the north side of Silver Lake and cleared part of their 500 acres to earn the deeds for the property.

Grandfather Archie sold the farm and decided he and his Minnie were moving to Manitoba. By the time they reached the United Church manse in Silver Water, Minnie got cold feet and they turned around. They bought another farm near Silver Water and soon set up a sawmill. They eventually got back the original farm when the new owner couldn't pay the mortgage. Murray never knew his maternal grandfather, but his mother's mum was Mary Brockelbank who enjoyed picking berries and gardening.

Murray was born on December 10, 1941 to Walter and Clara (Brockelbank) Duncanson. He had one older brother, Benjamin. "I was born three days after the bombing of Pearl Harbour" and that fact has crept into my birthday ever since," he shares. Murray grew up amid all the activities of an entrepreneurial dad.

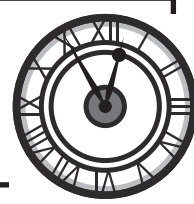
At 16, Walter had travelled to Flint, Michigan where he became a stationary engineer and helped build Buicks for General Motors. Later he worked for McDougall Construction in Gore Bay, running a sawmill that made shingles, farmed and solved many problems. "Dad was more mechanically inclined than he was skilled in the art of farming, so his adventurous streak revolved more around innovation than food production on his 300 acres."

"He had one of the first manure loader attachments for a tractor. It would load the fertilizer on the spreader. He used steam to power much of his equipment." The late John Lane, as MPP, visited the Barrie Island farm and saw the complex structures, the tool sheds and wagons, looking like towers in a row, some spouting steam. He declared aptly, "This is the first train I have ever seen on Barrie Island." Walter was also involved in many local associations that benefited his community. He was one of the founding members of the Manitoulin Co-op as well as the Little Current Stockyards.

"Clara was a real lady. She had a



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By Petra Wall



dry sense of humour but would never speak ill of anyone, 'If you can't say anything good, don't say anything.' She was very kind, a good hostess, loved flowers and helped out in her community." Gladys adds, "She was the best mother-in-law you could ever have. She never had a little girl to dress up, but she helped a family that had lost their mother. Clara would make dresses for the little girl, and she assisted in other lit-



Gladys at age 10.



Today we are wed.

tle ways."

Murray recalls. "I remember my first train ride from Little Current to Sudbury with my mum and my brother when I was four. We visited my aunt in the big city. That was quite an adventure. I was still four the day my dad was moving the changing block from one end of the barn to the other. I was up in the hay mow when I heard him call me. He wanted to know where I was before he swung the chain with the big haying hook. My timing was bad. I appeared just as the block was passing by and it caught me right on the side of my head and knocked me out for a spell. I was carried into the house and mother was able to stop the bleeding."

"There was another mishap the day I decided to visit the Hopkins farm. I jumped the fence and headed across the field when my boots began to sink into the muddy quagmire. I got hopelessly stuck. Clarence Harper happened to be driving by, wearing his good suit and oxford shoes. He thought for a minute or two then laid down some rails from the fence, so he could get to me without ruining his shoes. He managed to pull me out and still made his meeting. For years afterwards, he always teased me with 'You can't say I didn't pull you out.'"

School for Murray was SS#1 Robinson in Silver Water. "I liked math the most and the teachers were good, as I recall. One teacher boarded at our place. Bert and I had the job of taking care of the flowers at the school. One day Bert took a petunia and stuck it into the center of another petunia, so it looked like a double bloom. We showed it to teacher who thought it was a new creation. Later, she showed it to our mother who smiled and said, 'I think you've been had.'"

After graduating from Grade 12, Murray went right to INCO to apprentice and find work. He found it and stayed for 31 years, ending his career as a supervisor. He met his future wife when his cousin married Gladys' sister. They met after the rehearsal. Gladys was just 15 at the time.

She was working at Griffith's Lodge which later became North-ernaire Lodge at Evansville.

Gladys was born on February 5, 1943 to Frank and Myrle Coburn on their Seventh Line farm in Gordon Township. It was a stormy, snowy day. "The doctor had to deliver me and another baby on Barrie Island. He didn't get to the Barrie Island baby until after that baby was born." Gladys had six older sisters, Frances,

had to ask a girl in class to help me spell 'birthday' on my invitations. She told her sister, who told my mother."

"On my birthday, I got off the bus with four other girls and, much to my surprise, mother had sandwiches, cookies and even a cake ready! At first, I was not surprised by this. I should have been, and my mother must have been surprised when she found out initially. As usual, it was a stormy day and the four girls had to sleep-over, but it had been a successful birthday party."

Wintertime was also ideal for skating. "We loved to skate on icy fields or on the local pond."

One day, Gladys decided to sleep over at a friend's home after school so didn't get on the bus. Her parents did find out where she was because her friend's mother, Mrs. Fogal, had overheard her planning the event. The next morning Ardith came to the school to bring her home for the day. "I got a spanking too."

As the youngest girl, Gladys didn't get a lot of work to do on her farm, "Only if I wanted to. It was a carefree existence." At age 11 she was assigned to keeping the kitchen clean and doing dishes. "Sometimes I would get out of doing the dishes by going to the



Back row, Blake, Janice, Clarke, Heather, Jody and Craig. Front row, Jordan and Jamie with their grandparents holding Willow and Baby Ethan.



Gladys and Murray in March 2018.

Alberta, Irene, Ardith, Betty, Barbara and one younger brother, Oliver. Dad Frank had been a sailor on the Great Lakes before he became a farmer in Mills Township and later bought the Gordon Township farm.

"It seems all my birthdays have been without parties due to being accompanied by large amounts of snow. The first sunny day with no snow happened in Sudbury when I was 18. I did plan my own party one time, at seven years of age. I

bathroom at the perfect time. My sister Ardith always referred to me as a brat." On Saturdays, the responsibilities of sweeping the house and setting the table were added.

"Mum made all our clothes, kept the house warm, and cared for a large vegetable garden as well as flower beds. "I loved her flowers and the orchard of apple trees. We canned a lot of the apples. It seems that we were always busy. We didn't have run-

ning water, just a cistern. Indoor plumbing arrived in the mid-60s"

Her paternal grandparents were Sam and Isabelle (Brimm) Coburn who farmed on Mills Road, along Lake Wolsey. They had three bachelor sons, Hugh, Len and Russ. The fourth brother Bill was married. "I often took food over to my bachelor uncles and helped out on their farm. It was different over there. How they cooked and put things away was not the way we did it. I didn't have to clean the floors or do dishes over there. They would say 'Gladys, you don't have to do that' when I tried to clean."

On the other hand, the men taught her to run the horse-pulled hay rake at age 12 and she got pretty good at it. One time a young man in a car decided to take a short-cut across the field and he spooked the horse which took off with Gladys and the rake in tow. Since all Frank's girls were held in high esteem, the young man got quite a lecture from the uncles.

Rusty, her sister's dog, loved Gladys and she liked to take him for walks in Gore Bay. One day, the pair headed for the drugstore and Rusty entered with his mistress. Suddenly he chose to lift his leg on the toilet paper display. The owner of the store was amused by the fact that Rusty had appropriately relieved himself on the toilet paper, but her older sister chastised her for taking Rusty into the drugstore in the first place.

"We visited dad's aunt in Weirwood once a year and I realized that not many people ever left the Island. When my older sisters left home and returned from time to time, it meant a trip to a bus terminal or the train station where you became aware of distant places."

After Grade 11, Gladys headed to Sudbury to become an RNA, a Registered Nursing Assistant, as they were called then. The classroom was in the basement of the Caswell Hotel (now the Holiday Inn on Regent Street.) The practical training took place at St. Joseph's Hospital. Afterwards, Gladys worked for six years on the pediatric floor of the Memorial Hospital.

When Gladys met Murray at age 15, she found him cute. Even though Murray had been warned that Gladys was a brat by her aunt, the two dated for six years and then married on May 30, 1964. "It was a beautiful day for the ceremony at the Anglican Church in Gore Bay. The dinner was held in the hall of the United Church in the same community and the reception in the Silver Water Community Hall. In those days, the entire population of the area was encouraged to attend receptions.

The honeymoon had them touring the Lake Superior and Thunder Bay areas before heading to the traditional Niagara Falls. "We found ourselves in a detour and wound up in a strange little town called Christmas, Michigan. It was late May, but it was beautifully decorated as if it were Christmas. We stopped at one place, but Murray said to her, 'Gladys, you don't want to stay here' and pointed to two large German shepherds." Gladys was not fond of large dogs, so they continued to drive. "We were really impressed by the Falls. Afterwards, we often returned for visits while staying with Murray's brother in St. Catharines."

The couple lived in Sudbury, renting an apartment at first and then building their house in Naughty in 1969. "We got all our lumber from dad's mill on the Island." While Murray continued to work at INCO, Gladys did home nursing for organizations like the VON (Victorian Order of Nurses). "I loved doing the general nursing, working one-on-one, helping

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**OPP Community Street Crime Unit seizes suspected cocaine in Little Current**

On Monday, March 19, at approximately 7:40 pm, officers from the Manitoulin-Espanola Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), with the assistance of the United Chiefs and Council of Manitoulin (UCCM) Anishnaabe Police, the Wikwemikong Tribal Police and the North East Region OPP Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU), executed a search warrant at a residence on Blake Street in Little Current.

Officers seized a quantity of suspected marijuana and suspected cocaine. In addition, a quantity of suspected counterfeit currency was seized.

As a result of the investigation, a 29-year-old male of Little Current has been charged with: possessing counterfeit money; possession of a Schedule I Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking, cocaine; and possession of a Schedule II Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking, under 3 kg.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Provincial Court of Justice in Gore Bay on April 17, 2018.

**OPP seeking interest in Island auxiliary unit**

by Alicia McCutcheon  
MANITOU LIN—The Manitoulin-Espanola detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is seeking interested adults in helping to form an OPP auxiliary program.

Community Services Officer Constable Marie Ford explained that auxiliary members help OPP officers with numerous duties, including events like Haweater Weekend, parades, the Special Olympics Torch Run and assisting officers in other everyday tasks such as traffic control.

For those thinking of pursuing a career in the police force or armed forces, Constable Ford said this would be an excellent opportunity to gain experience.

If deemed to have enough interest, this auxiliary unit would be the second time auxiliary police were utilized on Manitoulin by the OPP. The initial time was about 20 years ago and three citizens, all men, qualified, trained and assisted the police for several years.

“The auxiliary program is a highly structured environment and members are expected to maintain the same high standards of the OPP,” Constable Ford said.

Applicants must be able to commit the time and effort required of the program which is a minimum 10 hours per month of patrol with a regular officer and six hours of in-service training per month.

Applicants must: be at least 18 years of age and be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident; hold a valid driver’s licence; have no criminal record; have completed the Ontario secondary school diploma program or equivalent;

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**OPP officer stops impaired driver on Highway 6**

On Saturday, March 17 at approximately 5:45 pm, an officer from the Manitoulin-Espanola Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) observed a vehicle being operated in an erratic manner on Highway 6 in Assiginack Township.

The officer determined that the driver of the motor vehicle had been consuming alcoholic beverages.

As a result of the investigation, a 30-year-old male of Sudbury has been charged with: driving while ability impaired by alcohol; and driving with over 80 mg of alcohol in blood.

The accused is scheduled



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to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on April 17.

**OPP annual distracted driving campaign results in multiple charges**

The Manitoulin-Espanola Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) recently wrapped up a week-long Distracted Driving campaign which started on March 12 and concluded on March 18. Over the course of the campaign officers kept observation for motorists who were using a cell phone while driving. During the week a total of 10 motorists were charged

with using a hand-held electronic device while driving and one driver was charged with careless driving which was distraction related.

OPP officers worked extremely hard to keep Manitoulin and Espanola roadways safe, resulting in several other charges: 37 speeding charges, eight suspended driving charges, one stunt driving charge, three seatbelt charges and 20 other Provincial Offences Act charges.

As the Easter Long Weekend approaches officers will be taking part in the OPP’s Easter Long Weekend Spring Seat Belt Campaign, which runs from March 30

to April 2. Seat belts save lives. Buckle up!

**April is Gun Amnesty month**

Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) in collaboration with participating municipal police services are holding a Gun Amnesty during the month of April.

The gun amnesty is for any Ontario resident who wishes to voluntarily surrender unwanted or illegally-owned firearms, weapons, accessories or ammunition.

The amnesty is a way to provide citizens with a safe way to surrender weapons and enhance public safety. During the amnesty, police will not recommend weapons-related Criminal

Code charges that might otherwise apply to people who are turning in these items. Police note no amnesty is offered for people who turn in weapons that have been used in the commission of a crime. No anonymous submissions will be accepted.

Interested gun owners are strongly urged to call the OPP (or their local police service’s) non-emergency number at 1-888-310-1122 to arrange for officers to attend and safely retrieve the weapons. Gun owners can also use the OPP website button—www.opp.ca/gunamnesty—or the Citizen Self Reporting tool to notify police.

Under no circumstances should anyone deliver guns or ammunition directly to police facilities.

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**Sport Chips**

Congratulations to **Brent Assinewai** who has been named the head coach for the Sudbury Lady Wolves Pee Wee "AA" squad for the 2018-19 season. Local Island girls on this year's Wolves **Aysia Debassige**, **Ava Assinewai** and **Marcie Setterington** will surely appreciate Brent's skill, experience and calm direction. Last week, **Dion Killens** ran a personal best for a 10 K road race in southern Ontario. **Greg Trudeau Paquet** appeared on the APTN series last Monday night. The coaches praised him extensively. On top of that he ended up tied for 8th in NOJHL Jr A with 28 goals and 36 assists for 64 pts.

Hats off to two Wiikwemkoong lads, **Ethyn Kaboni** and **Chase Kanasawe Jacko** who were members of the NOHA T.O.C. Midget "AA" champions recently. The boys skate for the Copper Cliff Midgets of the Nickel District League.

Goaltender, **Hali Debassige Morningstar** (mother, **Tanya Debassige** of M'Chigeeng) backstopped her team to the Gold Medal in Kanata last weekend. Hali plays for the Sudbury Express of the Sudbury Bantam House League. Hali was outstanding giving up only 7 goals in 5 games while winning MVP awards. Congrats also to grandfather **Adam Debassige**.



**Winter League Volleyball in Wiikwemkoong!**  
The annual Winter Volleyball League, organized by **Gerard Baimbowai** and sponsored by the Wikwemikong Youth Centre finished up recently. Taking the trophy home, were, "The Vets" featuring **Deana Debassige**, **Peter Shawana**, **Dave Assinewai**, **Daphne Corbiere**, **Ivyn Assinewai** and **Joe Ominika**.

**"Fiery" Enosse finishes 5th in LLFHL**  
The Ontario Women's Hockey Association (OWHA) sanctioned Lower Lakes Female Hockey League had a great showing from a first year team and one of the stalwart players was Wiikwemkoong's **Aurora Ominika-Enosse**. Son of ex-Panther **Lawrence Enosse**, who describes her as "fiery," which would have been the exact description laid on him back in the day! The North York Storm ended up finishing in fifth place and fiery Aurora managed to get a goal and some penalties in their final championship. In her last year Aurora leaves the team in good standing with only one other players not returning and should be good for a couple of seasons yet.

**Case kids catch-up**  
The **Matt** and **Leanne Maguire-Case** boys' seasons are wrapping up. **Noah** plays Bantam Major "AA" and **Owen** "AAA" Junior greyhounds Major Pee wee. Noah is in his playoffs and unfortunately Owen's team is finished after a disappointing season. Keep up the good work, guys!

**Former Panther coach also good on the pebbled ice**  
**Donnie Trudeau**, a Panther coach a decade or a few ago, recently won the Blind River Curling Club's mean's league championship with his team. Way to go, Donnie!

**Island, Nickel City Sons**  
The Nickel City Sons "AAA" Minor Bantams held their year-end banquet on Sunday, and the Island boys **Sam Assinewai**, **Carson Shawana** and **Liam Bridgeman** brought home more than their share of the hardware. Statistical certificates were awarded to Sam for most goals (24), most game winning goals (8), to Carson for Most Hits (195) and Most Blocked Shots (57) while Liam was the team's Top Plus/Minus (+22). On the trophy side, Sam took the big award of the night, voted the team's MVP. Carson was voted Best Defensive Defenseman, while Liam won Most Sportsmanlike, Most Improved, and the parent voted Most Respectful Player awards. Way to go boys, have a hard working off season and best of luck next year.

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**Warrior women!**

The Whitefish River Warrior Pee Wee Girls were undefeated at this year's LNHL. The championship game was played against Serpent River and the Warriors defeated them by a score of 6-2. Congratulations Warriors! They Warriors are **Aurora Megwanabe-McGregor #16**, **Norah Benedict #3**, **Sierra McGregor #8**, **Daanis Kitchemokaman #17**, **Alexia Hill #10**, **Emerson Brewer-Case #11**, **Karenhatirontha Johnson #4**, **Haileigh Kejick #19**, Olympian: **Brigette Lacquette**, front, **KC Migwanab #2**, **Alyssa Desmoulin-Luce #22**, **Reanne Smith #5**, **Saraya Eshkawkogan #1**, **Zaagaasge Toulouse #9**, **Morgan Smith #7** and coaches **Carl Smith Jr**, **Scott Hill**, **Kevin Eshkawkogan**, **Kathleen Migwanabi** and **Aldin Luce**.



**Wiky Bantam Hawks take MMHA title**

The Wiky Hawks are soaring high! The winning bantam team is **Aaron Recollet**, **Jeremiah Jacko**, **Malakai Jacko**, **Jonas Mejaki**, **Dustin Lavallee**, **Natalia Bell**, **Drake Trudeau**, **Kenneth Jr. Kagige**, **Andrew Hughson**, **Raven Pheasant** and bench staff **Zeek Peltier**, **Jessica Eshkawkogan**, **Shelley Trudeau** and **Dawn Wemigwans**.

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# Right to Play kicks in soccer clinic for Island youth

by Lori Thompson

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Right to Play, Jumpstart and MLSE Foundation teamed up to provide Island youth with an exciting week of soccer and fun during the week of March 19. Sarah Williams, a Right to Play community mentor in Sheguiandah First Nation who coordinated the week-long clinic explained, “This is the ‘sports for development’ part of Right to Play. There’s an application process and we were lucky enough to be accepted. MLSE only goes to one or two clinics per year. They’ve been awesome, very kind and open. The youth took to them right away.”

Over 100 youth from Sheguiandah First Nation, Birch Island, Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK) and other Island communities participated. “Everyone was welcome,” said Ms. Williams. “The youngest was five and the oldest was 22-years-old. There was a good mixture with all different levels of ability.”

Right to Play was the connector between Ms. Williams’ youth group in Sheguiandah First Nation for the clinic and the other participants. MLSE provided coaching and Jumpstart provided equipment and giveaways. “This has been great for confidence building,” she said. “Kids are learning skills, gaining confidence and building relationships.”

Dennis Thompson is an ex-soccer player and a Toronto Football Club (TFC) community coach who works with camps and clinics for youth, generally ages five to 14 years. He enjoys the satisfaction that comes with everybody having fun. “I like to share my knowledge,” he said. “I teach soccer movements on and off the ball, some agility stuff. It can lead into any sport.” Mr. Thompson was one of several TFC community coaches at the clinic. “It’s good to give back,” he said, “to see the dynamics of what the kids can and can’t do, and to watch them learn the mechanics of it.”

The clinic team arrived on Monday, March 19 with Sheguiandah First Nation hosting a meet-and-greet with community youth. Soccer clinics were held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at the Four Directions Complex in AOK. The group visited Grades 2 through 6 at Little Current Public School on Wednesday, Manitoulin Secondary School on Thursday morning and Shawanosowew School in Birch Island on Thursday afternoon.

Sessions began with icebreaker activities and were followed by skill development and team building activities. A soccer game concluded the session. The final clinic on Thursday was followed by a celebration that included cake.

“Right to Play is an amazing organization,” said Ms. Williams. “The partnership between Right to Play and the community ensures that all of the community mentors



Island youths practice their ball handling skills with Toronto Football Club community coaches at the Aundeck Omni Kaning Four Directions Multi-Use Complex.

photo by Lori Thompson

from Ontario to British Columbia have a solid support system. From program officers who visit twice a year and do weekly check-ins, to supportive supervisors within our communities to connecting the community mentors with one another one to three times per year. They even bring two youth from each community out once a year for them to connect with other youth and build their leadership skills.”

The Promoting Life-skills in Aboriginal Youth (PLAY) program partners with more than 85 First Nation communities and urban Indigenous organizations across Canada to deliver safe, fun and educational programming for Indigenous children and youth. Play-based programs are uniquely tailored to each community. Right to Play offers support to locally hired youth workers, helping them to design, launch, facilitate and measure the impacts of outcome-based after school programming, youth leadership, diabetes prevention, or sport-for-development programs.

Regular weekly activities for children and youth are provided in each community from September through August. Activities will vary by community but generally include leadership workshops, sport and recreational activities, volunteer opportunities, community events, sport clinics and youth-led initiatives. Right to Play believes that communities themselves have a strong vision for how to address the significant social and economic barriers they face and how to overcome these issues. The PLAY program acts as a bridge and a partner so that communities can lead the way in transforming the lives of Indigenous children

and youth across the country.

“My community program is a day-to-day program focused on building self-esteem and creating a safe space for children and youth,” Ms. Williams said. “Our first pillar is education and we have a homework club. We’re lucky to have Maggie Ziegler. She works at the school and comes into Sheguiandah First Nation on Thursday nights to help with homework. We’re getting more high schoolers coming out. It’s so nice to see them coming out to do their homework.”

“Our second pillar is healthy relationships,” she continued. “With self, with family, with friends and peers, with community members and staff. Our program embodies so many things like coping skills and leadership skills. Our youth take the lead in fundraising for trips. Last year we went to Winnipeg for a national youth conference. This year we went to Canada’s Wonderland with 13 youth for the annual Halloween haunt. For some of them it was their first time going to Canada’s Wonderland.”

Sarah has been working with Right to Play in Sheguiandah First Nation for two-and-a-half years but this is the fourth year the program has operated in the community. “My mother was from Sheguiandah First Nation,” she explained, “and I’ve worked within the community at prior positions. I earned my Child and Youth Worker diploma at Loyalist College and returned to the Island, knowing that I needed to be back in my community. When I saw this position was available I had been searching for almost two years for a job that utilized my skills and education. Right away I knew this was the job I was waiting for.”

It has been a very rewarding experience for Ms. Williams. “For small communities like ours it is sometimes difficult to access funds for positions such as a full-time youth worker,” she said. “Right to Play makes it easier for smaller communities to hire an individual to focus on children and youth programming, and provides greater opportunities for community growth. It’s about creating positive change for current and future generations.”

Spring may be just around the corner, but we’ve got a few more curling events to report on before we get there! This past weekend was the 30th Annual Curffle Tournament in Gore Bay. The event is a west end staple and enjoyed by so many curlers and curling fans from all across the Island.

Here is a rundown of the winners and runner-ups from the Gore Bay’s Curffle Tournament:

1st Event Winners: Scott and Karen McDougall

1st Event Runner-ups: Jeff Riching and Mark Addison

2nd Event Winners: Richard Noble and Drew Purvis

2nd Event Runner-ups: Sandy Lawrence and Erin Montgomery

3rd Event Winners: Brayden Newton and Sheldon Campbell

3rd Event Runner-ups: Lew Lanktree and Richard Whynott

Congratulations to Jennifer Jones’ Team Canada rink who won Gold at the Women’s World Curling Championship in North Bay, beating Olympic Champion Team Sweden on Sunday. The game ended in dramatic fashion as Sweden tied the game in the 10th end to force an extra end. Sweden’s skip missed a pick with her last shot to seal the victory for Team Canada. Jones’ rink ran the table at 12-0 in the round robin, beat the Americans in the semi-final and finally won Gold on Sunday.

There are two more Island curling events coming up to end another year of great curling on Manitoulin. The Assiginack Curling Club is hosting



## CURLING CHATTER

Special to the Expositor  
by Jeremy Rody

their annual closing bonspiel being the Leona “the Hammer” Reid Memorial Curffle tournament this Friday and Saturday, March 30 and 31. The cost is \$10 per person and there is still time to sign up if you want to get in on the action! This is a great opportunity for

new curlers to get out and try this variation of curling.

The final bonspiel of the year will be the Little Current Ladies from April 6-8. I’ll have the winners and runner-ups for you over the next two weeks.

The Men’s World Curling

Championship starts on Saturday, March 31 and will wrap up on Sunday, April 8 in Las Vegas. Team

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Manitoulin Secondary School  
**PLAYER PROFILE**  
by Sandi Kuntsi  
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BETHANY WESNO

Congratulations, Bethany!



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MSS always has time to recognize its students for their achievements. Bethany Wesno is a grade 12 student who loves to participate in hockey and horseback riding, as well as the do the thing that she enjoys most outside of school: draw.

Bethany has been playing sports for a long time: basketball, soccer, volleyball, baseball, and track & field during her time at Central Manitoulin Public School. Bethany has been skating since she was three. She started playing hockey for the Mindemoya Thunder as a forward and defence player. When she got to grade nine, she tried out and was selected for the MSS Mustangs Girls’ hockey team; she’s played for them every year since. This year, the Girls’ team won the B division championships for SDSSA. Beth has also been on the Girls’ volleyball team from grade 9-12 as middle and left side. The girls missed NOSSA by one match this year and played a very strong season.

Bethany is going to Nipissing University following her graduation. She plans to participate in sports recreationally following her high school career. While she is still at MSS, Bethany enjoys her time at school, especially in her favourite class, which is biology because it gives her the ability to learn new facts.

Bethany’s favourite sports are hockey and volleyball because she’s been playing them for a long time, and she loves being on a team. She loves sports because of the time she gets to spend with her friends and honing in on her skills. Bethany is inspired by her dad, who is her volleyball coach, a teacher, and a helpful person.

Bethany Wesno is one of many talented, fun Mustangs, and with her school spirit, hard work, respect for her team, and love of the game, Bethany is going to make MSS proud. Let’s go Bethany, let’s go!

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## ...13-year-old student delivers 'Water Warrior' message

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able among us who have none."

Autumn has been an inspiration to the world, and to her own community of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory, following closely in the footsteps of her auntie and water walker Josephine Mandamin, whose 2003 circumduction of Lake Superior began a decade and a half tradition of walking for water by bringing the message "the water is sick and people need to really fight for that water." Autumn took that message deep into her heart and opened up that heart to the world.

Autumn's journey to New York and the UN General Assembly was not a smooth run by any means, but speaks volumes to her determination and inspiration of those around her.

Wiikwemkoong Ogamic Duke Peltier and Autumn's mother, Stephanie Peltier, along with photographer Linda Roy, were scheduled to fly to New York, but flights began being cancelled due to a heavy snow storm headed into that state. "They started cancelling flights Tuesday night," recalled Chief Peltier. "There was still flights available for Wednesday morning so we cancelled our flight and booked that, but when we got there that flight was cancelled too."

The only available flights would have gotten Autumn into New York on Thursday, after she was scheduled to speak. "What would be the point of that?" asked Chief Peltier. "So we had a car there already, with studded snow tires. We asked Autumn did she really want to go." She didn't hesitate to reaffirm her wish to make the journey.

"So we made the decision and set out to drive there," said Chief Peltier. "Actually, the weather was really good until we were about an hour outside of New York when the snow storm hit." It really wasn't that much of a challenge to a seasoned Northern driver.

They arrived in time to settle into the hotel. Autumn was up early to go to the ABC studios, where she was interviewed for a CT National News broadcast, then breakfast and straight to the UN.

In fact, the roughest part of the whole journey was the return trip in Toronto's rush hour traffic, laughed Chief Peltier.

"I didn't get to go," said Annihilable Nation Grand Council Chief Pat Machabees. "I was scheduled to go, but my flight was cancelled by weather, so I wound up watching it at home livetrapping on a link Giana Duke Peltier sent me. When she told the world leaders to 'Warrior Up!' to protect the world's water I let out a whoop. Lucky I was alone at home or I probably would have scared the wits out of somebody."

Grand Council Chief Machabees praised Autumn for her "poise and confidence" saying it "was so good. We are so proud of that young lady; she did an awesome job."

The Wiikwemkoong community definitely agrees. "Every class at each of our



Autumn Peltier and Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa Duke Peltier pose in the heart of Times Square following Autumn's UN address last week.

photo by Linda Roy, Ireva Photography

schools was tuned in to her speech," said Chief Peltier. "The teachers had planned their lessons around Autumn's speech and World Water Day, it was a truly teachable moment."

The UN address was neither the beginning nor the end of Autumn's personal warrior journey, for at 13 she is already a seasoned champion of her cause.

That journey might be considered to have begun when Autumn spoke at a water demonstration that closed down the junction of Highway 6 and 17. Regional Chief Isadore Day heard Autumn speak at that event and invited her to present a water bundle to Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau during an Assembly of First Nations meeting. Autumn prepared a speech for the prime minister, with whom she was very upset due to his decision to allow a pipeline project to proceed. While she was unable to give her speech due to time constraints, a tearful Autumn did manage to tell him she was upset, because of "the pipelines." To which the prime minister replied, "I know."

So inspired by her bravery was the AFT that the Assembly of First Nations Youth Council created a Niabi Odacidiae fund to help

protect the water for future generations.

Autumn and her friend Francesca Pheasant travelled to a winter meeting of Canada's premiers in Vancouver in the fall of 2015 and then represented Canada at the Children's Climate Conference in Sweden, where children gathered to create a list of demands for world leaders in advance of the Paris UN Climate Change Conference.

She was nominated for the International Children's Peace Prize in 2017 and last fall was a recipient of the Canadian Living Me to We Award.

In January, she was presented with the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers and this spring was selected as one of the Ontario Community Newspaper Association's Junior Citizen of the Year.

Autumn will be headed back down to Toronto next week to meet with the Great Lakes Grand Council, of which her auntie Josephine Mandamin is a member. Then it is off to an interview with Turkish.

"The next week after that I will be in Hamilton for my auntie's book launch," she said, promising to give The Expositor an account of that event.

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# ...Central Manitoulin council approves Old School feasibility funding request

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new building would almost definitely be more expensive from a capital cost perspective. With the desire of a segment of the community for a new arena and the fact that the municipality just took out a \$900,000 loan for a new fire hall, it is unlikely that a new senior centre will be in the cards in the near future."

Mr. Love did note in his presentation that there was a legitimate concern that, beyond feasibility study financial support, there may be ongoing consultants' fees that the municipality would be asked to pay. "We are expecting," Mr. Love explained, "that the feasibility study will point us in the right direction to have the cost of consultants covered by the various programs and grants. It is possible that the municipality could be asked for financial support along the way, but not at this time. I believe it would be incumbent on the municipality to provide assistance if needed to support the envisioned activities in the future if required. Of course, the council of the day would have the say in that possibility. It will be interesting to see what the incumbent councillors and/or any new people running for council in the fall election will have on the platform for seniors. I think it is suffice to say that not much has been targeted by council toward better living for our seniors in this community over the past few years. The private sector has made tremendous additions and contributions to the community from a commercial and affordable multi housing prospective and I don't believe our local government has responded with services for the enhanced population, especially the seniors that have been attracted here in their retirement years.

In talking further about the Old School, Mr. Love said that it was one of the few buildings with historical significance to the community. He went on to talk about what could be done. "Manitowaning, Gore Bay, Providence Bay and Kagawong have all repurposed buildings," he outlined. "A Sudbury architecture firm is donating some effort to keep the building by doing conceptual drawings, Heritage Canada has approached us. The building is nearing 100 years. This is important. The feel it is very important to maintain and preserve these buildings. They fund up to \$500,000. The structure of the building is still good. The bones of the building are good."

Mr. Love then asked,



A good-sized crowd came out to hear the Old School feasibility study funding decision.

"Why invest in a feasibility study" and exclaimed, "Because it is just that! An investment. Not a gift, not a loan, not a donation. It could potentially be an investment that leads to increased economic development in our township. Look around. Businesses and governments recognize the economic potential that is in our aging population. Look at the programs, funding sources, et cetera that governments are putting in place aimed at this growing segment of the population. Look how businesses cater to seniors. Economic development in this township is stagnant. This is an opportunity to change that and be of significant benefit to a large number of taxpayers. Council must do more than fix potholes and buy trucks. They need to help enhance the quality of life for their taxpayers. We have the potential to attract and entice more people to move to our township. And not just seniors. Our seniors and those we might attract here, need services, supports and life activities. All these things can produce spinoff effects, increase opportunities and jobs that can attract younger people and professionals. So many good ideas have been put forward by the committee, the public and other service providers. Health and wellness, physical activities and cultural."

Mr. Love finished his presentation by saying that there is funding for both capital and operating expenses and reminded council that there are 800 seniors in Central Manitoulin.

"We believe this is a worthwhile endeavour," he said, "well within the capability of this municipality and in the best interest of this community asset and the citizens of Central Manitoulin."

Mayor Stephens then read out emails and letters that he had received around this issue. "We do not want the building saved or an assessment done," read the first email. A letter from a former teacher also was opposed to the repurposing of the Old School. "Spend our time and energy with

buildings that are already in place," was said.

A letter of in favour read, "I express support for MOSRC. The building will be used in a new way. A better living centre. It would add to the future and attract seniors who live in the area."

The final letter expressed strong support for the study and the writer said that such a study would be a great benefit.

Councillor Alex Baran then offered his support for the motion to partially fund the feasibility study. "We need to honour our commitment to the committee," he said, adding that the committee was not prohibited from coming forward for funds. Councillor Baran commented that there is not a year that goes by that some group is looking for funds and showed his understanding of the feasibility study by acknowledging that the outcome could also mean the wrecking ball.

Councillor Derek Stephens spoke next on the motion and acknowledged that there is a need for activities for seniors, but not, as he said, "this building." He also remarked that the study is for the building, not for what needs to be done for seniors. "There is lots of work to be done," he noted, including electrical, plumbing, a new roof and the removal of asbestos.

Councillor Dale Scott told the audience that he had received 12 phone calls about this issue and not one said to save the school. "We don't want to be spending \$5,000," he said, "not on repurposing, but on a survey to see if you wanted to pay the taxes. Next, this has to be self-sustaining. We already have a seniors' centre in Providence Bay. Half the people are from Mindemoya." Councillor Scott went on to say that there is interest in Central Manitoulin for a new complex with an arena, sports area and a community centre. "This is far better," he said, "than putting millions plus into an old building. And what about fundraising? I don't hear

anything about fundraising. Fundraising in Providence Bay has been tremendous. They could raise the \$5,000 and not from the taxpayers. We all pay for grants. It is not free. What if the feasibility study is more? So, listening to the taxpayers, I say no."

Mayor Stephens then

spoke in favour of the motion. "This is a historic and a heritage building," he said. "There are two or three years to go to celebrate 100 years. That is something to look forward to. We have an excellent group to fill that gap."

A recorded vote for the motion was taken. The motion passed with Councillor Scott voting against the motion. Councillor Pat MacDonald was unable to attend the meeting.

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CCA's evaluation of Noojmowin Teg Health Centre includes a thorough review of the physical facility and quality of patient care. CCA interviews both staff and patients and conducts a review of organizational documents, including records of patient care.

Incorporated in 1997, the Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is one of ten Aboriginal Health Access Centres found across Ontario. Noojmowin Teg Health services First Nation and Indigenous populations within the Island and Espanola area. Noojmowin Teg is funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ministry of Children and Youth Services, Ministry of the Attorney General, North East Local Health Integration Network and Health Canada.

The programs and services delivered by the organization are primary care, mental health and addictions, health promotion, traditional healing in partnership with the area First Nation health centres, and other area health partners.

The organization has met an important target by having all policies and documentation uploaded to the CCA web-site recently. The organization continues to work toward preparation for the accreditation team site visit, at which time it will be determined whether the organization has successfully obtained an accreditation designation. We wish to thank all staff, including the accreditation team, service staff, and management, as well as our partners who shared policies to aid us in creating comprehensive and thorough policies. We recognize the efforts are a result of the success of many and not just one person. We look forward to successful results in May.

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# ...Bonnie Kogos witnesses Water Action Decade kickoff at UN

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out safe drinking water or toilets; this is their reality. Our water resources are in great danger, with famine, floods and drought all around us. Competition for water is growing and could turn violent. Water scarcity is no surprise. By 2050, we will be in trouble, with increased disputes. Water needs to be a catalyst for cooperation and peace. “

He paused. “We must face reality, out there in parts of the world, there are sick children, and dead crops, open defecation and this may get worse. We come together in this hall realizing water is a priority for our transformative world. My vision is action for water and sanitation; establishing water management and waste reductions for the United Nations, governments, and civic societies. Waste water is dispensed daily, the harsh reality for persons in harsh regions of the world.”

I sat there, thoughtless, in New York City, where water is plentiful. I recalled, 24 years ago, when I was engaged to my then man from Kagawong, we were on his boat, docked in Little Current. He poured two tumblers of rum, and leaned overboard to get a glass of water from Lake Huron, declaring, “This is the best drinking water in world!”

Then. I sat, thinking, are only wealthy societies like the US, Canada and Europe well-endowed enough to purify the polluted waters in their rivers and streams? We’re able to pay for the cost of sewage treatment



Wiikwemkoong Ojima Duke Peltier and Bonnie Kogos at the hall of the United Nations General Assembly, waiting for Autumn Peltier to take to the podium.

photo by Linda Roy, Ireva Photography

and water filtration plants. The Third World, without similar financial resources, dumps its sewage into their waters and streams without any purification.

This is what the UN is all about? And then beautiful Autumn Peltier was introduced to the podium. Ojima Duke Peltier, Linda and I sat up straight. Later, we learned that she stood on a stool to reach the podium.

“Many people don’t think water is alive or has a spirit,” Autumn began. “My people, however, believe this to be true (that water has a spirit). Our water deserves to be treated as human with human rights. We need to acknowledge our waters with personhood so we can protect our waters. I am guided here to speak for water and Mother Earth. We come from our mother’s water, it flows. What if we run out of water? I am lucky where I live. Whether frozen in the lake, everything is connect-

ed. I can drink from the lake. My heart is not for sale and neither is water. I am 13 and I will be 23 in 2028. One day I will be an ancestor. Our water should not be for sale. No one should have to worry if the water is clean, or if they will run out of water. No child should grow up not knowing what clean water is, or never knowing what running water is. We need to warrior up and find ways to help Mother Earth.”

Autumn was simply elegant. We sighed when she completed her speech. Sitting beside me, Ojima Duke Peltier broadcast this by cell so people everywhere in his domain could see and hear her. After her speech, he had to leave to meet other dignitaries. I sat and listened...

A speaker from the Maltese Islands, a member of the Alliance for Small Island States stated, “Two billion people live in water stress as we face salt water intrusion, climate change

and pollution. We hope the UN and our partners can alleviate these global challenges. Regrettably, our water budget is lacking financing as these challenges grow.”

A speaker from Ecuador came to the podium, and I closed my eyes, remembering the valuable time I spent in Quito, Cuenca, and cruising the exquisite Galapagos Islands. He said, “We live in relationship with water. To control water, controls life. This is our wealth: we are devoted to reassemble our public policies.”

A speaker from Ethiopia said “This launching event is excellent to begin implementing and by 2025 we wish to identify and implement safe water practices. We’re working hard, because there’s no issue where water does not play or apply.”

A speaker from Jordan said, “Getting enough water focuses on each person’s daily life. We now have 1.4 million Syrian refugees living with us and the demand has increased 300 percent in the last few years. More than 40 percent of the water we receive is generated from across our boundaries. Water is at the breaking point. We must bring our world together for sustainable growth.”

A speaker from Botswana stated, “We are a land of desert and drought. Land is a complex matter of soil and water. We are

committed to bringing progress in this new decade. Three quarters of the earth is made up of water—only 2.5 percent is fresh water, which is less than 10 percent to sustain human and terrestrial systems.”

Even with all my worldwide travels, I’m done in Learning. And proud of Autumn, Grand Chief Pat Madahbee, Ojima Duke Peltier, Linda Roy, Autumn’s family and friends who were able to get to NYC by car this past snowy Wednesday to Times Square and their hotel, and to the UN on Thursday. Bravo. Through snow and water. Lots of it.

But with our will, international cooperation and

financial resources, we have work to do.

*EDITOR’S NOTE: Bonnie Kogos is an ardent and respectful visitor to Manitoulin for almost 30 years, driving into the rhubarb, dancing at powwows, hiking the Cup and Saucer, paddling the Kagawong River and above all, valuing our culture and ways of being. A former travel agent and journalist working for more than 40 years, she accompanied dietician Bea Sandler to write ‘The African Cookbook’, published by World Publishing. She is the author of two books about Manitoulin, and was made an ‘Honorary Haweater’ by the Grand Haw on the publication of her second book, ‘Manhattan Manitoulin.’*

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### Sweet treats for our furry friends

The Island Animal Hospital in Mindemoya hosted its second annual ‘Cupcake Day’ for stray animals. In photo, back row, left to right, is Steve Fisher, Mel Delange, middle row Deb Pardiac, Dr. Johanne Paquet, Heather Jeeves, Dr. Janice Mitchell, and front row, Lexi Fisher and Lila Fisher.

“There is no funding available to take care of stray animals,” said Mr. Fisher, “so we are raising money to support finding them new homes.” All funds raised were donated to the Stray Animal Fund Emergencies for neglected animals.

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Dave Hall, Kenjgewin Teg trades, apprenticeship and skills manager stands in front of the new skilled trades building currently under construction in M'Chigeeng.

## Kenjgewin Teg's Anishinabek Skills and Resource Centre on track for July completion

by Lori Thompson

M'CHIGEENG—Providing trades and apprenticeship skills training for Mnidoo Mnising has been a long-time vision of Kenjgewin Teg (KTEI) and construction of the new Anishinabek Skills and Resource Centre is well underway. The new 9,700 square foot structure is located behind the existing Kenjgewin Teg location in M'Chigeeng.

"We've come a long way in a year," said Dave Hall, KTEI trades, apprenticeship and skills manager. "This has been on the radar for a long time. It finally all came together with the appropriate funding and we were able to start the process."

"We hired an architect and a contractor to design and develop the building and we have our internal capital team as well for the process of constructing the building. We are dealing with local distributors as much as we can," Mr. Hall continued. "Construction began early last fall. "It's a little behind schedule," he said, "due to weather conditions and other things but we're on track for construction to be completed mid-July."

KTEI has partnered with Canadore College for the skilled trades programs. Mr. Hall is hoping the first intake of students will begin in September of this year. Both the welder fitter certificate and trades fundamentals are one-year programs and they are open to all students, First Nations and non-First Nations.

Successful completion of the welding certificate is equivalent to the Level 1 apprenticeship in-class portion. The trades fundamental program provides an introduction to common trades including electrical, plumbing, carpentry and motorcycle and small engine repair. "The beauty of trades fundamentals," said Mr. Hall, "is it is a basic introduction to various trades. Someone might have their heart set on carpentry but find that they love electrical work."

When completed, the facility will be equipped with new, modern equipment and technologies to enhance learning. The program is specifically designed to meet industry standards and will support well-paying career opportunities. "We're open to all options," continued Mr. Hall. "Our programs will adapt to changing industry needs."

A unique feature of KTEI programs, including skilled trades, is the inclusion of language and cultural awareness training. "It's intertwined within the curriculum," Mr. Hall explained. "Students will be introduced to Anishinabek culture through language and history classes, for example, and sweat lodges and smudging ceremonies."

A skilled trades and resources centre has been on KTEI's radar for many years. This programming will provide skilled labour to meet Manitoulin labour force market needs and will also provide workforce readiness for local learners. "It's great that you can now obtain a quality post-secondary education on Manitoulin Island without leaving home," noted Mr. Hall. "Some students aren't ready to go away and will do better in this environment. Others prefer to remain on the Island."

Registration forms aren't yet available but KTEI is actively recruiting throughout Manitoulin, the North Shore and Sagamok areas and a number of callers have expressed interest. "We're trying to increase awareness and let people know we are opening a trades school but we're also promoting our other programs."

In addition to the two one-year programs, KTEI would like to offer some general interest courses. "There are hundreds of options," said Mr. Hall. "Things like safety courses, maybe basic welding for beginners. Once we have the facility, the sky's the limit."

## ...OPP Island auxiliary unit

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have completed CPR and first aid certification; and be of good moral character and be mentally and physically able to carry out the duties of the auxiliary position.

"You're basically a volunteer police officer," Constable Ford added. "It's good experience and very useful to the officers."

Currently, the officer added, auxiliary members come from Sudbury to assist Island police officers.

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### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Lot 23, Concession 11 Part 11-14, Township of Howland  
TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands will hold a public meeting on April 17, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office, 14 Water Street East, Little Current. The purpose of this public meeting is to consider a proposed amendment to Zoning By-law No. 2002-31, as amended for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands pursuant to the provisions of Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter C. P. 13. to rezone Lot 23, Concession 11 Part 11-14, Township of Howland, Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands from Residential (R) to Multi-Residential (RM)

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of, or in opposition to, the proposed By-law Amendment.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands before the proposed By-law Amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands to the Ontario Municipal Board.

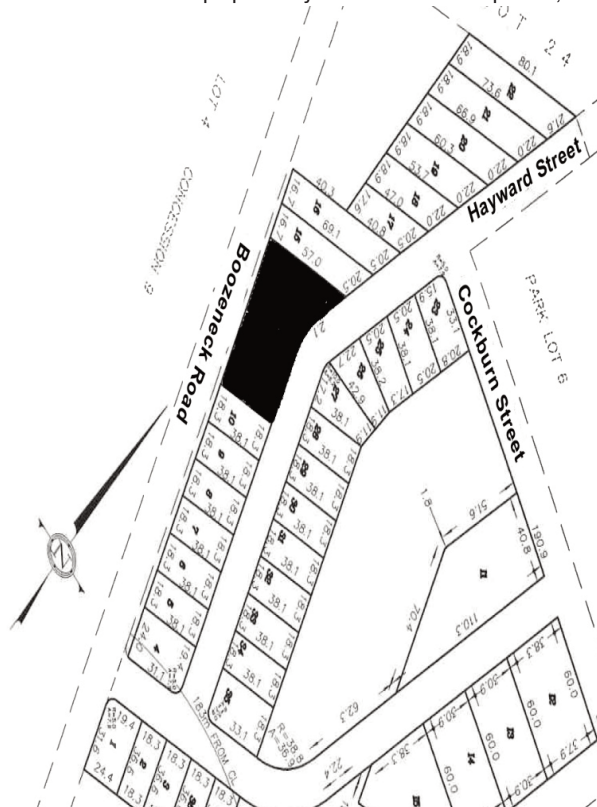
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For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact Pam Cress, Clerk, Box 608, Little Current, On, POP 1K0.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands on the proposed zoning by-law amendment, you must make a written request to Pam Cress, Clerk, Box 608 Little Current, On, POP 1K0.

An explanation of the purpose and effect of the proposed By-law Amendment, describing the affected property, a Key Map showing the location of the affected property to which the proposed By-law Amendment applies, and a copy of the complete proposed By-law Amendment is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Municipal Office, 14 Water Street East, Little Current.

DATED at the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands on 2018-03-28.  
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14 Water Street East; P.O. Box 608  
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## ...Island reps raise concerns with Manitoulin Mutual Aid at Manitoulin Municipal Association meeting

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example would be a reduced staffing level in the middle of the day, during the week, because a number of firefighters work outside of their community.

The Mutual Aid Plan that the province has set out is intensive in so far as a process for addressing issues which preclude meeting the minimum conditions for participating in this plan. To start, all participants and non-municipal participants are responsible for notifying the fire coordinator of issues which preclude meeting the minimum conditions for participation in the plan and fire coordinators are to notify the OFMEM when a participant or non-municipal participant fails to maintain the established minimum conditions for participation in the mutual aid plan. The

operations manager will then direct the appropriate staff to contact the participants/non-municipal participants of the plan in consultation with the fire coordinator and attempt to rectify the identified issues. The OFMEM may then deliver to the participant or non-municipal participant a written notice with a copy to the fire coordinator directing them to have the deficiencies corrected.

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## ...Manor comments challenged

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ning authority. The town and the Planning Board disagreed when the Northeast Town demanded its proportional share of the Planning Board's reserve funds. The issue has been dealt with by all parties.)

"They should bring us all there," the mayor said of the May 17 meeting, "not just Burpee-Mills, that way they'd have support."

Councillor Orr reminded council that the Manor, thanks to the hard work of Wendy Gauthier and other volunteers, does not solely rely on municipal handouts, and that a great deal of fundraising goes into keeping the Manor up-to-date.

"I think you should have support at that meeting other than people who don't even want to see it viable," the mayor said to Councillor Orr.

Mayor MacNevin told The Expositor that he brought his concerns up with Reeve Noland at last week's MMA meeting. "He appeared to be backtracking," he said, "saying that they just wanted a heads up for the next issue."

The mayor said that "replacing a 50-year-old furnace does not account for the long-term viability of the Manor."

"They've chosen to operate this way," he added, referencing the lack of Manor reserves. "NEMI's standpoint has always been to raise the requisition each year slightly to grow reserves. The policy now is to just bill the municipalities during emergencies."

"Ken (Noland) and Lee Hayden (reeve, Gordon/Barrie Island) did say they want to know what could be coming down the pipe, but really they seemed to be questioning the Manor's long-term viability," Mayor MacNevin observed.

Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin spoke of the plan. "If the fire department wasn't there," he said, "ours would fight the fire, but it is not mutual aid. If the radio issue is a problem, it can be fixed."

Mr. Elliott said that there is a problem with communications and that, quite often, clauses can be built into bylaws. "The mutual aid plan does allow for that, a specific purpose," he said. "Mutual aid is there to help you."

Central Manitoulin Mayor Richard Stephens spoke of his concerns, saying, "Our firefighters were not sure if they were covered by liability in a different municipality. We wanted to make sure our guys could move without liability."

Mr. Elliott went on to say, "What is important is where you want them to go and the equipment and people that you can promise to bring. It is a very different thing to say how many

when you have volunteer firemen. It is hard to operate without knowing what you are going to get."

Manitoulin Ontario Provincial Police Staff Sergeant Webb voiced his concerns about the plan, saying, "In unorganized areas, for fire support and motor vehicle accidents, there is no mutual aid agreement. Fire service personnel would be put in jeopardy."

"With the unincorporated, I believe council can give the authority for people to leave," Mr. Elliott responded. He added that there is an agreement with the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) that fire departments can operate on highways.

Member Dale VanEvery noted that, "in the case of Dawson, the Ministry of Natural Resources responds."

There was concern voiced by Burpee Mills councillor Art Hayden that the training for firefighters is now "a bit of a moving target" and may not be in compliance with the proposed legislation that is coming up and what would this mean to municipalities.

Mr. Elliott also talked of automatic aid for firefighters. The OFMEM defines this as saying that automatic aid is designed to provide and/or receive assistance from the closest available resource, irrespective of

municipal boundaries on a day-to-day basis. This would involve an individual automatic aid agreement with one's neighbouring municipality and a definition of what the conditions would be and which two departments would respond if there was one automatic agreement for the whole Island. "At the end of the day," Mr. Elliott said, "it is council's decision. You need an agreement to go into another municipality. Get a map out and figure out who is going where and when."

"I guess we have to have a discussion with the fire departments and the municipalities," Staff Sergeant Webb added.

## Expositor correction

In the March 14 edition of The Expositor, the Page 3 story 'Tehkummah spending freeze cancels Easter Egg donation' it states that in a recorded vote, all councillors were against any donation to the Easter egg hunt. In fact, Reeve Eric Russell and

Councillor Paul Bowerman voted for the donation and Councillors Lorie Leeson, Ron Hierons and Mike McKenzie voted against the donation to honour the spending freeze. The Expositor regrets the error.



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# Failure to adapt to climate change challenges threatens global economy

by Lori Thompson  
 MANITOULIN—Climate change and things associated with climate change made the list of top five threats to the global economy in the 2018 Global Risks Report at the World Economic Forum and have done so in every year since 2011. In 2013 the term climate change was changed to “failure of climate change mitigation and adaptation.”

“We’ve turned a corner,” noted Dr. Al Douglas, director of Ontario Centre for Climate Impact and Adaptation Resources (OCCIAR) in a climate change adaptation presentation coordinated by Manitoulin Streams at the Northeast Town recreation centre on Thursday, March 22.

OCCIAR develops and delivers climate change impact and adaptation resources and tools to communicate the science of climate change and to encourage the development and implementation of adaptation. In addition to his duties as director of OCCIAR, Mr. Douglas has owned and operated Hideaway Lodge in Kagawong since 2001. He feels a strong personal connection to the Island with its unique geology and geography and believes we must come together as a community to prepare for climate change by developing an Island-specific plan.

In October 2017 the Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) made a resolution to support OCCIAR’s proposed project for the development of partnerships to assess and manage the impact of climate change on Manitoulin Island.

Communities and agencies that take proactive steps to prepare for climate change will be more resilient to change. OCCIAR will undertake an Island Wide Risk Assessment with Manitoulin Streams as the delivery partner with participation from municipalities, First Nations, community members, business owners and seasonal residents. Environmental themes include agriculture, water, wetlands, aquaculture, tourism, fishing, wildlife and hunting to name a few. Community engagement



Al Douglas, director of Ontario Centre for Climate Impacts and Adaptation Resources (OCCIAR) and owner/operator of Hideaway Lodge in Kagawong, delivers a presentation during a Climate Change Adaptation meeting with Manitoulin Streams.

and the sharing of traditional and local knowledge will contribute to a baseline, a starting point for adaptation activities.

We accept that climate change is occurring and that the warming of the planet is caused by the emission of greenhouse gases. “Now it’s time to focus on the effects, the impact, and adaptation to these,” said Mr. Douglas.

“The extent of climate change in the future depends on what we do in the future plus the choices that we make now,” said Mr. Douglas. “We need to turn off emissions completely within the next two to three years to keep the temperature change to the 1.5° Celsius as per the Paris Agreement. Even if we shut off emissions completely today, climate change will continue for the next 40 to 50 years.” Unfortunately, we are currently tracking just below the 8.5° Celsius line.

There is a lot of research on the relationship between climate change and extreme weather conditions. “We can’t say that climate change causes

extreme weather,” Mr. Douglas explained. “However, climate change creates the conditions in which these events are likely to occur more frequently and intensely.”

Projections for Ontario include more heat extremes, more frequent and intense extreme weather events, a decrease in snow and ice coverage, earlier ice break up and later freeze up dates. There is the potential for drought conditions and forest fires. Increases in flooding will cause damage to property, soil erosion, degraded water quality, earlier peak flow in streams and rivers and decreased total flow in streams and rivers.

It is estimated that the economic fallout for the region will total \$19.3 billion by 2050.

Mr. Douglas presented examples of climate change impacts in Ontario. Between 1948 and 2012, Western Ontario experienced a 30-40 percent increase in winter precipitation while Northeastern Ontario has seen a 10 percent decrease. “This

level set in the mid-1980s this year. The lake is already 10 cm away from the record and it has yet to receive any of the spring rain or snow melt.

Lake Huron’s temperature is increasing at a rate of greater than 0.85° Celsius per decade. The IISD Experimental Lakes Area has raised concerns about the survival of cold water fish species. For example,

there could potentially be a 30-40 percent drop in suitable habitat for lake trout. We are likely to see more warm water species like smallmouth bass migrating north.

The health of our boreal forest is affected by climate change. Sport fish ranges have shifted north by 12 to 17 km per decade in the last

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# Fuel the Fire 2.0 launches on WildTV week of April 2

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—There's no mistaking the excitement in Neil Debassige's voice as he describes the soon-to-launch second season of the popular Manitoulin-based outdoors program 'Fuel the Fire,' with good reason as this spring's 13-episode run is packed with great footage and compelling stories from Canada's great outdoors.

Each of this season's episodes of 'Fuel the Fire' will run five times during the week, starting the week of April 2.

"We have lots of great stories to tell this season," said Mr. Debassige. "We have two moose shows, four deer shows, four fishing shows and one show each of bear, turkey and waterfowl."

Manitoulin is front and centre in many of the episodes. The Expositor Salmon Classic fishing derby will be featured on one of the programs, as will Wiikwemkoong's Ice Fishing Derby.

"We also will be featuring Killarney, with the Sportsman's Inn," he said. Northeastern Ontario tourism is get-

ting a pretty good boost from the program, but so are other regions of the country. "We have a great episode on deer hunting in Saskatchewan," said Mr. Debassige.

Mr. Debassige said that 'Fuel the Fire' has been well-served by some of the home-grown assets that can be found on Manitoulin. "Nano Debassige at Weengushk Film Institute has really been a great resource, he provides really top notch service."

With professional staff such as co-host Rob Seifried and support such as Warren Corbiere and Wiikwemkoong Tourism's Luke Wassegigig it is little surprise that 'Fuel the Fire' has been barreling ahead with such focused determination.

"It really helps when you are doing something that you truly love," admitted Mr. Debassige.

Viewers can tune into the second season of 'Fuel the Fire' on the Bell satellite system at 389 or on the Shaw system at 477 at a time that is convenient to their schedule, as each episode of 'Fuel the Fire' will be airing five times a week. Shows will air at 10 am and 8:30 pm on Fridays, 4 am on Saturdays, Sundays at 6:30 pm and Tuesdays at 5:30 pm.



'Fuel the Fire' hosts Neil Debassige and Rob Seifried will be launching the second season of their popular outdoor adventure program the week of April 2. Each of 13 episodes will air five times a week.

Regular readers of The Expositor will recall the story of a wheelchair-bound deer hunter afflicted with the debilitating Lou Gehrig's Disease whose dream was to bag a white-tailed deer, a dream realized on camera during a visit to a Manitoulin hunting camp during last year's hunting season.

"That story will be airing as part of episode two," said Mr. Debassige. "I am really looking forward to that episode airing."

The success of the first season of 'Fuel the Fire' has really ramped up the excitement surrounding the project, noted Mr. Debassige, with more and more sponsors coming on board to join those, like the Great Spirit Circle Trail and Ramakko's Source for Adventure of Sudbury who have been onboard since the very beginning. "The Manitoulin Expositor and Pro-Gas are onboard now and Manitoulin Chrysler is looking at working with us now; we are really starting to get some traction," he said. "I'd be remiss if I didn't give a shout out to Bestech, an engineering company out of Sudbury, they have really been a great support to us as well."

Season one may be over, but it is far from gone, let alone forgotten. The US-based online platform 'Get Outdoors' is looking at E-casting the first season as part of their streaming offerings. "This is really perfect timing for us," said Mr. Debassige.

'Fuel the Fire' is also working with Al Strader, of Northern Boys Outfitting TV, said Mr. Debassige. "The are doing something similar to what we are doing here at 'Fuel the Fire,'" he said. "He's got some great footage." Mr. Debassige does not see things as a zero-sum game. "Really, together we are much more than the sum of our parts," he said.

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# Visiting northern hawk owl causes a stir among birding community

by Chris Bell

MANITOULIN—The handsome bird seen in the accompanying photo is a northern hawk owl, and its presence on Manitoulin has caused quite a stir among the birding community of late.

A medium-sized owl, it perches upright, leaning forward and raising its tail, looking very like a hawk, thus its name. When hunting, it does not rely on hearing but locates its prey by perching on a high tree or phone wire usually in open country with scattered trees. Without moving its body, it rotates its head and scans the ground until it spots a mouse. Then, flying very fast, it swoops down on the rodent. We have noticed this individual is very active, often flying quite a distance to a new perch. A diurnal hunter, it is most active in daylight. This one, the only hawk owl on the Island right now, has been seen in several locations along Highway 6 between Sheguiandah and Manitowaning.

The owl, first spotted on February 24, has been here for a full month. John and Sharon Savage are keeping track of the bird and John has taken many excellent photographs. Other birders and photographers have got word of the owl and have travelled here to look for it. A licenced bird-bander from Lively, who specializes in owls, banded and released the owl on March 11. He said the bird was healthy with plenty of body fat, indicating it has been eating well.

The northern hawk owl lives in the northern forests of North America, Europe and Asia. If food gets scarce there

in its home territory, it will fly south in winter, sometimes as far as Manitoulin. This one is expected to return shortly to the north country. We have found very few hawk owls on Manitoulin in the last few years but prior to that three or four were reported most winters, and one year a pair stayed to nest in a hollow tree on Barrie Island and raised young.

Other types of owls reported on Manitoulin this March are the great horned owl, barred owl, snowy owl and northern saw-whet owl. Short-eared owls are expected to arrive in the next few weeks. April is considered the best month of the year to hear owls, usually at night.



A rare visitor to this part of the world.



A northern hawk owl has been seen near the Manitoulin East Municipal Airport on Highway 6.

photos by John Savage



## Woman her own take to #metoo movement

Deborah Wilson has been handing out unique cards to address the unwanted attention that plagues women travelling on public transit and in crowds, where errant hands and grinding are all too common. The cards simply advise the offender that "To Whom It May Concern: I don't like that! Don't do it again! Moving on!" with accompanying emojis to help get the point across. Ms. Wilson has been handing the cards out to women, both here and in the United States, in occupations where she believes women are likely to be sexually harassed. Ms. Wilson noted that she has not yet had the opportunity to present the current president of the United States with one of the cards, but that she relishes the opportunity. Ms. Wilson invites women to either create their own cards or to contact her for some of hers. "I had lots made," she said.

photo by Michael Erskine

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# ...Failure to adapt to climate change challenges threatens global economy



Manitoulin Streams and OCCIAR will prepare an Island Wide Risk Assessment over the next 18 months as a starting point for developing a Manitoulin-specific climate change adaptation plan

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30 years. The northern leopard frog and the American toad emerge and call up to 37 days earlier in the spring.

There has also been an increase in invasive species found on Manitoulin Island. The lack of cold winter temperatures has allowed the pine beetle to move into Ontario. "A warming climate creates the conditions for invasive species to thrive and displace native species," said Mr. Douglas.

"Moving forward, we want to gather different climate data for the Island to get a better picture of how climate change is occurring here," he continued. "The process will start with data gathering, an assessment of current vulnerabilities, prioritizing future vulnerability and risks, implementation

of adaptive actions, and monitoring progress. The survey of traditional and local knowledge will be the foundation of the process."

"We'll take all of this and map it out in terms of impacts," said Mr. Douglas. "It's not just a single event. Sometimes there are cascading events and we want to understand that a little better. We need to understand the linkages and

interject adaptations at different points. We're interested in determining barriers to adaptation, to determine how to maintain or increase resilience across the Island."

Manitoulin Streams executive director Seija Deschenes wants community groups and cottagers to contribute their knowledge. "There is a lot of data out there," she said. "There are

frog surveys, bird surveys, cottage journals, fish and game clubs. All those little bits of information can be documented and useful. They are potentially very valuable."

A survey to initiate the process will be distributed soon. Mr. Douglas anticipates the completion of the full risk assessment will take approximately 18 months.

## Wishing you a Happy Easter



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# ...Now and Then: Murray and Gladys Duncanson

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people in their own homes.”

Murry loved his time with the Minor Hockey League executive in Walden where their sons played. He also coached and managed the teams. Gladys helped with the Ladies' Auxiliary, raising money for the teams and helping to organize tournaments and road trips. “With the hockey, we travelled across Canada and got to see

new places. We are very proud of our boys and all their accomplishments. It is a very good feeling to know they have done so much and become such good people.”

The couple has three boys, Craig, Blake and Clarke. Craig went on to play professional hockey in the NEL skating for Los Angeles and Winnipeg, as well as in the American League. When he retired from playing hockey, he

coached at Laurentian and went on to university for a business degree. He has two daughters, Jamie and Jordan, both of whom this writer was lucky to meet over tea and fresh cookies they had baked. Granddaughter Jamie had had the chance of a lifetime to visit Mongolia. Her class had helped set up a medical clinic and put in a water system.

Son Blake works for a contrac-

tor that does pressure washing of large equipment at VALE. He lives in Sudbury and has two daughters, Willow and Shelby. Clarke lives in St. Catharines and works with DeJardins, doing hiring and training. He has a little boy, Ethan.

“My favourite memories,” Gladys reports, “revolve around my wedding and the birth of my children. There are 13 years

between my oldest and youngest child. Watching them grow and develop was so rewarding. We went to a lot of hockey, soccer and baseball games.”

Another special time for Gladys was the birth of her granddaughter Shelby. “My daughter-in-law, also Jamie, asked me to come for the birth. Her own mother had been present for Jamie's first

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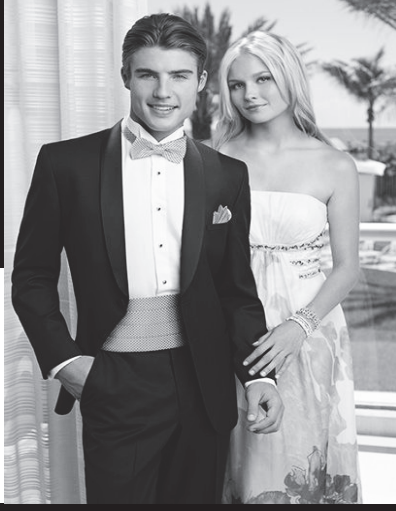
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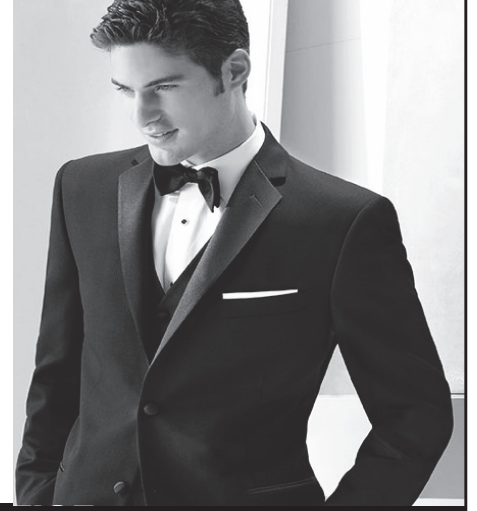


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**coming events**

**We, Trinity United** Manitoulin in Mindemoya invite you to journey with us through Holy Week beginning with Palm Sunday service at 11 am on March 25. The church will be open from 10 am - 5 pm on Maundy Thursday, March 29 for anyone who wishes a time of quiet reflection and prayer. Good Friday service is at 11 am and Easter Sunday service is at 11 am. All are welcome any time, all the time. 43-45p

**The family of Shirley Baker** is hosting a Come and Go Tea in honour of her 80th birthday on Saturday, March 31 from 1 - 3 pm. Please join us in celebration at the Burpee Mills Complex in Evansville. 44-45c

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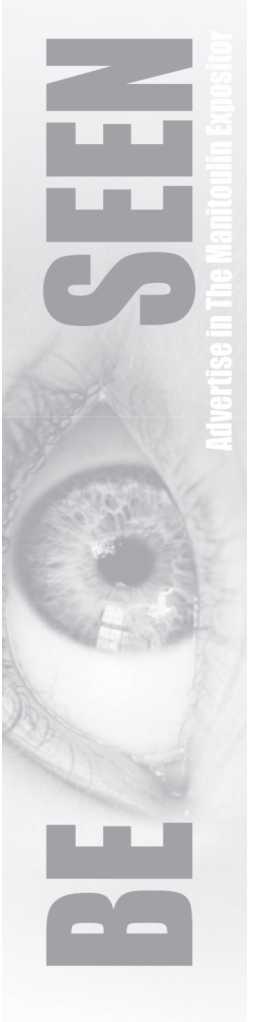


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- Volunteers have the right to decline any transportation request at any time
- Compliance with agency policies and procedures, confidentiality, and agreements is required

For additional information please contact:  
 Shara Hicks, [shicks@mfresources.net](mailto:shicks@mfresources.net),  
 Shelter and Help Centre Supervisor.  
 Manitoulin Family Resources  
 705 377-5532, ext. 228

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Wikwemikong Nursing Home**

We are currently accepting applications for the following position:  
**ACTIVITY ASSISTANT FULL-TIME**

Under the direction and supervision of the Activity Manager, the Activity Assistant shall provide recreation and leisure programs to the residents in accordance with the Long Term Care Act. The Activity Assistant will provide for the individual needs of the assigned residents in accordance with the recreation and leisure care plans through the maintenance of the residents' optimum level of functioning physically, emotionally, socially, culturally, intellectually and spiritually.

A detailed job description can be picked up at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Ensures and promotes the provision of resident-centered services to meet the needs of residents
- Provides supervision and/or assistance to the residents in recreation and leisure programming as per the residents' individual plan of care to meet their needs and expectations
- Provides programs to the residents with respect to their senses and communication
- Provides for and implements preventative and safety measures and reports unsafe conditions
- Provides for and assists in achieving the residents' nutritional needs
- Provides support services to meet the needs of the residents
- Participates in financial management, material management, human resource management and records management
- Assists in financial management

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- A diploma or degree in recreation and leisure studies, therapeutic recreation, kinesiology or other related field from a community college or university.
- Enrolled in a community college or university in a diploma program in such a field. Continues to be enrolled in the program and completes the program within three years of being hired
- Ability to work independently as well as cooperatively with others in the care team.
- Ability to interact with residents, families and visitors to create a warm and pleasant atmosphere.
- Ability to include volunteers in programs and recognize the merit of their position.
- Ability to learn techniques that would enhance resident programming and participation.
- Good physical and mental health.
- One year experience in a long term care facility and medical certificate of good health.
- Proficiency in oral and written English; have a keen interest in working with the elderly, work rotating shifts.
- Fluency in the Ojibway language would be a definite asset

**RENUNERATION:**

The salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications of the successful candidate.

**APPLICATION:**

Forward a detailed resume, cover letter, copies of diplomas/certificates as well as three (3) references, no later than **Friday, March 30, 2018 by 4:00 p.m.** marked **"CONFIDENTIAL"** to:


Wikwemikong Nursing Home  
 2281 Wikwemikong Way, PO Box 114  
 Wikwemikong, ON POP2J0  
 Attn: Activity Assistant

Via email: [administrator@wikynursinghome.com](mailto:administrator@wikynursinghome.com)

Late submissions will not be accepted. All applications become the property of the Wikwemikong Nursing Home and will not be returned.  
 The successful candidate will be required to submit a Criminal Reference Check and Vulnerable Sector Screen.

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



 **TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH** is accepting applications for the position of **ROAD SUPERINTENDENT**

Minimum DZ license with a clear driver's abstract required  
Ability to operate heavy equipment  
Oversee the daily work activities of roads employees  
Snowplow operation experience an asset  
Understand health and safety practices  
Maintain roads, landfill sites, and other municipal infrastructure  
Familiar with Microsoft Word, Excel and email  
Municipal administrative experience is a plus  
Criminal Reference Check and references required

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:  
Monday, April 9, 2018 – 4 PM**

Interested applicants please forward resume to:  
Township of Tehkummah  
456 Hwy 542A  
Tehkummah, ON POP 2C0

By fax: 705-859-2605  
By email: twptehk@amtelecom.net

*Job description available upon request*



**SUMMER STUDENTS**

The Manitoulin Health Centre requires Registered Nursing Students at its Little Current and Mindemoya sites.

Please email a cover letter and resume to the attention of:  
Nicole St. Georges,  
Director of Human Resources  
E-mail: nstgeorges@mhc.on.ca


Thank you to all who apply. Only those to be interviewed will be contacted.

**MINDEMOYA FOODLAND**  
Steve and Joanne Strom, Owners  
**Summer Employment**  
We are now accepting resumes for all departments

- **Bakery**
- **Deli**
- **Produce**
- **Grocery**
- **Meat**
- **Cashiers**

Please send or drop off resumes to  
**Carol Patterson**  
Store Manager

**Mindemoya Foodland**  
Box 206  
11 Yonge St.  
Mindemoya, Ontario  
PO P1S0  
705-377-6200  
**Fld6858mindemoya@sobeys.com**



**INTERVENANT EN SITUATION DE CRISE POUR LES SERVICES AUX VICTIMES DE MANITOULIN NORTHSORE – SERVICE DE LUTTE CONTRE LA TRAITE DE PERSONNES**

Le programme de services aux victimes de Manitoulin Northshore est à la recherche d'une personne motivée, énergique et engagée dans la lutte contre la traite de personnes pour participer à un projet d'une durée de deux ans. Le projet a pour objectif, en s'appuyant sur le modèle des services aux victimes de Manitoulin Northshore, de favoriser le développement d'un réseau de prestation de services, de gestion de situations de crise et de soins complets destinés aux survivants de la traite de personnes ou d'exploitation sexuelle. Le poste inclut également la mise en œuvre de campagnes de sensibilisation et d'éducation du public au phénomène de traite de personnes. Le titulaire du poste relèvera du directeur administratif.

**Les responsabilités incluent entre autres les activités suivantes :**

- offrir des services de gestion de cas pour les victimes de violences sexuelles, incluant l'évaluation, la gestion intensive du cas à court terme, le counselling par encouragement, la planification à long terme et la prestation de services de suivi au besoin;
- offrir une sensibilisation ciblée pour les victimes de traite de personnes et d'exploitation sexuelle;
- procéder à une analyse préliminaire, à une évaluation et offrir un soutien;
- offrir des services d'intervention d'urgence et de counselling aux survivants de la traite de personnes;
- offrir un soutien stable en temps de crise en tenant compte des traumatismes subis;
- promouvoir le programme de services aux victimes et la prestation de services efficaces aux victimes d'actes criminels ou de circonstances tragiques;
- coprésider une équipe spéciale de lutte contre la traite de personnes;
- être disponible pour offrir des heures de travail flexibles, être sur appel, pouvoir répondre à des **appels au bureau ou se rendre directement sur place** et pouvoir travailler le soir et les fins de semaine, au besoin;
- évaluer les besoins du client qui vit une situation de crise, concevoir et mettre en œuvre un plan de stabilisation;
- orienter le client et le mettre en contact avec les ressources communautaires pertinentes qui pourront lui offrir un soutien global et immédiat;
- procéder, en temps opportun et avec professionnalisme, à la stabilisation de la crise, à la prestation de services et à documentation des coordonnées du client;
- accueillir les données du client, pouvoir produire et fournir au ministère des rapports et fournir des statistiques avec précision et en temps opportun;

**Qualifications :**  
Le postulant doit :

- être titulaire d'un baccalauréat ou d'un grade supérieur en travail social, en psychologie, en sciences sociales ou de tout autre programme d'étude, éducation ou formation lié à la thérapie pour le traitement des traumatismes;
- avoir des connaissances approfondies en matière de violence sexospécifique;
- démontrer sa capacité à travailler selon une approche centrée sur le client;
- posséder une solide expérience en matière de gestion de crise et une habileté à résoudre les conflits par la médiation;
- posséder des compétences en matière de gestion de cas et de counselling par encouragement;
- avoir une bonne connaissance des problèmes que rencontrent les victimes et des services qui leur sont offerts;
- posséder des connaissances spécialisées en matière de traumatisme, de santé mentale et de problèmes de toxicomanie;
- connaître la méthodologie et la théorie d'analyse comparative entre les sexes;
- faire preuve d'une excellente habileté à communiquer à l'oral et à l'écrit;
- posséder d'excellentes aptitudes organisationnelles, une bonne capacité à gérer son temps efficacement et des compétences en gestion de projet;
- démontrer sa capacité à travailler en équipe;
- être en mesure d'établir l'ordre de priorité des différentes tâches et responsabilités qui lui incombent;
- avoir une bonne connaissance des fournisseurs de services sociaux locaux;
- être en mesure de travailler selon un horaire flexible et sur appel, les soirs et les fins de semaine, afin de pouvoir offrir des interventions en cas de crise;
- démontrer une capacité avérée à travailler de façon autonome et avec peu de supervision;
- maîtriser la suite Microsoft (Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint) et autres logiciels;
- maîtriser les deux langues officielles sera considérée comme un atout
- avoir une attestation de vérification de casier judiciaire et de vérification des antécédents en vue d'un travail auprès de personnes vulnérables, car elles sont des prérequis à l'obtention du poste à pourvoir
- détenir un permis de conduire valide et avoir accès à un véhicule;
- l'expérience de travail auprès des victimes, spécifiquement des victimes de violences sexuelles, sera considérée comme un atout;
- être familier avec la région de Manitoulin Northshore.

Veuillez nous faire parvenir votre lettre de présentation ainsi que votre curriculum vitæ au plus tard le 16 avril 2018  
Comité de sélection, Services aux victimes de Manitoulin Northshore  
15 Water Street E – bureau 2, C. P. 702, Little Current, ON POP 1K0  
Par courriel : mnvs@vianet.ca  
Par télécopieur : 705 370-3381

**Nous remercions toutes les personnes ayant démontré un intérêt pour ce poste, toutefois, nous communiquerons seulement avec les personnes retenues pour une entrevue.**



**Employment Opportunity  
Crisis Support Workers – Contract Position**

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a qualified and motivated individual for the position of Crisis Support Worker.

**Summary**  
To assist in the Community Crisis Response Plan for all seven First Nations of Mndoo Mnsing. Initiate a process to assess the capacity and resources of communities. Ensure effective crisis response is provided in a timely manner. Provide referral services to individuals, groups and families and to promote the crisis response team

**Responsibilities**  
The Crisis Support Worker will be responsible for:

- Provide immediate care to individuals experiencing crisis and trauma; through mobile crisis outreach.
- Understand and respond to a variety of situations and conditions, tailoring responses appropriately.
- Interview clients to assess the situation and determine the types and level of services required. Interviews may be conducted individually, in families and/or in group settings.
- Aid in the development of continued treatment and safety plans.
- Find safe housing for those in immediate need.
- Assist clients in locating and accessing required services in the community.
- Act as a resource for community and continued support programs, providing accurate information as required.
- Direct individuals and families to available social services and resources within the community to assist with the resolution of social and personal problems.
- Provide counselling to clients, including one-on-one counselling and group therapy as required.
- Provide education to clients, client families and significant others.
- Review client information files on a regular basis to keep up to date with any changes.
- Report to authorities, and take other protective action when required in cases of child abuse and/or neglect.
- Maintain sustainable working relationships with community agencies, schools, law enforcement and courts.
- Act as an advocate for client groups within the community.
- Maintain accurate and detailed case notes and records of each visit, conversation and any other form of communication.
- Attend scheduled department staff meetings and in-service programs.

**Qualifications**

- A Bachelor's degree in Social Work, Psychology or Clinical Social Work from an accredited college or university required.
- Supervised practical experience required.
- Valid Social Work designation, license or registration, as required by the province.
- Experience in the social work field considered an asset.
- Excellent assessment, interviewing, and counselling skills.
- Advanced communication skills required, both written and oral.

**Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copies of credentials and two (2) names of immediate supervisors with contact information marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

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

**Deadline: April 3, 2018 @ 12:00Noon**

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

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



## IT Project Manager

### About GHL

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

### About this Opportunity

GHL is seeking applications from progressive and results-oriented individuals who can excel in the role of IT Project Manager (ITPM). The ITPM will oversee all the activities related to the successful planning, implementation and support of information technology and eHealth initiatives in GHL member communities.

### Executive Summary of Qualifications

1. A Bachelors degree in Information Systems, Computer Science, Business, or a relevant discipline.
2. A minimum of four years of work experience in IT and/or eHealth initiatives (management experience preferred).
3. Proven experience with Project Management methodologies and best practices is preferred
4. Excellent working knowledge of information technology.
5. Excellent organizational, planning and time management skills.
6. Systems thinker with creative problem-solving ability.
7. Exceptional communication and negotiation skills.

An attractive salary and benefit package is available for the ideal candidate. GHL offices are located in Aundeck Omni Kaning, Cutler and Sudbury, ON. A full Job Description, with the complete qualification requirements, can be requested by emailing [hr@giiwednonghealth.ca](mailto:hr@giiwednonghealth.ca).

Please submit your cover letter, resume and two references by applying by email to: [hr@giiwednonghealth.ca](mailto:hr@giiwednonghealth.ca)

**Deadline for Submission: Thursday, April 05, 2018 at 4:00 pm.**

**Attention:** Giiwednong Health Link  
1300 Highway 540, Unit 3  
Aundeck Omni Kaning, ON POP 1K0

Confidential: "ITPM Recruitment"

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

## NOOJMOWIN TEG HEALTH CENTRE Program Support Clerk Full-Time Permanent Position



Noojmwinteg Health Centre is accepting applications for the position of a full-time Program Support Clerk – Scheduling and Health Data. The candidate will be a key front-line contact to the public and to clients including scheduling and booking appointments for clients (Aging at Home Van, clinical), coordinating Ontario Telehealth network (OTN) appointments, scanning charting information, general bookings, and general program support. We are seeking a candidate who is approachable, a self-starter, well-organized, professional, and able to meet deadlines for multiple requirements at any given time.

Noojmwinteg Health Centre provides primary health, allied health, traditional healing, mental health and addictions, and health promotion services with First Nation and other area social service and health partners to community members within the Manitoulin Island District and Espanola area. Check out our web-site at [www.noojmwinteg.ca](http://www.noojmwinteg.ca).

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.

### Skills and Qualifications:

- College level certification and/or diploma relating to office administration, and/or relevant designation, preferably in health
- One year relevant experience working within an office environment, preferably health
- Previous experience working within an indigenous work environment, preferably health
- Excellent knowledge and aptitude for working in an electronic work environment
- Demonstrated ability to prioritize, plan, organization and schedule
- Knowledge of the Anishinabek culture, traditions and protocols
- Ability to speak Anishinabemowin, an asset
- Current CPR-C, First Aid Certification, and clear Criminal Record Check
- Excellent written, verbal and technology communication skills
- Valid Class G driver's license and reliable vehicle

**Submit a covering letter, resume, three (3) work related references, and a recent Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record Check. Please mark correspondence as "Confidential" to:**

Pamela Williamson, Executive Director  
Noojmwinteg Health Centre  
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd.,  
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, Little Current, ON POP 1K0  
Ph.: 705-368-2182 Fax.: 705-368-2229  
Email: [p.williamson@noojmwinteg.ca](mailto:p.williamson@noojmwinteg.ca)  
[www.noojmwinteg.ca](http://www.noojmwinteg.ca)

**Applications should be received by: Friday, April 13, 2018.**

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



## Employment Opportunity Foot Care-Home Care Registered Practical Nurse (RPN) Part Time

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of Registered Practical Nurse within the Long Term Care/Home & Community Care Program. The Wikwemikong Long Term Care/Home and Community Care department offers home care services to community members of Wikwemikong.

This nurse will work to provide basic (non-diabetic) & advanced diabetic foot care assessments and treatment services to Wikwemikong home care clients. You will be required to work in a homecare setting.

### Responsibilities

- Accountable for own foot care nursing practice and professional growth with reflection, evidence based practice and available resources and guidelines;
- Builds a positive personal interpersonal, group, community and professional relationship to foster improved health for clients experiencing issues of care, in order to promote optimum health and reduction of lower limb complications;
- Practices Infection Control as defined within guidelines and regulations;
- Practices, in keeping with his/her role and scope of practice, the standards for nursing Practice and Code of Ethics of CNO.

### Qualifications

- Currently registered with College of Nurses of Ontario;
- RPNAO with general liability insurance;
- Advanced Foot Care Certification with Diabetes Foot Care;
- Valid First Aid, CPR and Ontario Driver's License
- Sound verbal and written communication, teaching and leadership skills
- Demonstrated excellence in organizational skills;
- Capable of working independently;
- Maintain client confidentiality, safety and comfort;
- Ability to manage own schedule;
- Experience in a homecare setting an asset
- Ojibway, Odawa, Pottawatami language would be considered an asset.

**All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, and contact information of two (2) immediate supervisors (current and/or previous) marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

**LTC/HCC Foot Care Position**  
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: [mroy@wikyhealth.ca](mailto:mroy@wikyhealth.ca)

**Deadline: 2:00pm, April 3, 2018**

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

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



## Employment Opportunity Adult Day Worker Assistant/Meals on Wheels Cook Permanent Full Time

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking to fill a full time position for an "Adult Day Worker Assistant" and "Meals on Wheels Cook" in the **Long Term Care/Home and Community Care – Community Support Services Program**.

### Summary

The Wikwemikong Long Term Care/Home and Community Care – Community Support Services Program offers home care services to community members of Wikwemikong. As the Adult Day Worker Assistant/ Meals on Wheels Cook you will work directly with clients to provide therapeutic, social and activation programs for older adults who may have cognitive and/or physical impairment; you will plan and prepare well balanced diet-specific meals for Meals on Wheels clients. Hours of work are 7.5 hours per day, 37.5 hours per week and can include weekends, evenings and holidays based on program requirements.

### Responsibilities

- Assist Adult day worker with various activities and events for the Seniors in the village and surrounding area;
- Consult with Seniors regarding weekly activities and assist with planning;
- Assist Adult day worker with setting up of activities and meal prep.
- Assist with monthly calendar of activities for Seniors in the community;
- Plan all monthly meals menus according to diet specifications, and make meal adjustments as client needs change;
- Assist in maintaining the client list for each Meals on Wheels day of delivery, ensure the meals are delivered in a timely manner, and provide assistance in the delivery of prepared meals to clients
- Clean and oversee cleaning of kitchen and dining area and equipment
- Package or oversee packaging of food for home delivery
- Serve congregate meals

### Qualifications

- Certification in food preparation and food handling
- One year of experience in food service
- Experience working with seniors and individuals with disabilities or cognitive impairments.
- Experience assisting individuals with activities of daily living
- Self-motivated, creative and energetic
- Standard CPR/First Aid Certificates
- Knowledge of First Nation tradition and culture/language or willing to learn.
- Ontario Driver's License

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

### Adult Day Worker Assistant/Meals on Wheels Cook

Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: [mroy@wikyhealth.ca](mailto:mroy@wikyhealth.ca)

**Deadline: April 6, 2018 @ 2:00 pm**

**Successful Applicant must provide a CPIC and Vulnerable Sector Screen, Driver's License, Driver's Abstract.**

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

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






**JOB OPPORTUNITY  
FULL-TIME GROCERY STORE MANAGER**

M'Chigeeng First Nation on beautiful Manitoulin Island is constructing our own grocery store and are seeking a manager with a proven record for growing sales, financial management and outstanding business ethics. They will work in conjunction with the Project Management team and provide expertise in the overall operations during strategic planning, recruitment and selection, training and orientation, supervising work schedules and ensuring quality assurance and customer satisfaction.

**Key qualifications:**  
Minimum College Diploma (University Degree preferred) in Business, Marketing, Financial Management and 5 years retail management experience (10 years preferred). Knowledge and understanding of the culture and customs of the Anishnaabe and fluency in the language are assets. Preference will be given to those of Anishnaabe background. Must have a Class G driver's license with own vehicle, insurance and willing to work flexible hours.

Interested applicants must submit:  
**COVER LETTER, RESUME & THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES**  
(Direct Supervisor/Manager) by **MONDAY APRIL 9, 2018 at 2:00PM** to:

**GROCERY STORE MANAGER**  
Project Management Team  
M'Chigeeng First Nation  
PO Box 333  
M'Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0  
Fax: 705-377-4980

Offer of employment subject to satisfactory CRC record.  
For full job description, call Rochelle Debassige, HR Generalist  
at 705-377-5362 ext. 207  
or by email at rochelled@mchigeeng.ca



**FOOD SERVICES AIDE**

The Manitoulin Health Centre requires a Food Services Aide to work on a casual basis at its Little Current and Mindemoya sites.

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

- Partial secondary school (Grade 10)
- Food Handling certificate
- Computer experience

**Preferred:**

- Previous experience in a food services environment

Please email a cover letter and resume to the attention of:

Nicole St. Georges, Director of Human Resources  
E-mail: nstgeorges@mhc.on.ca  
Thank you to all who apply. Only those to be interviewed will be contacted.

**More Help Wanted on page 6A**

**Municipality of Assinack  
Family Health Team**

Looking for a  
**Diabetic Foot Care Nurse**

Please apply in writing only to:  
manfht@amtelecom.net or  
PO Box 10,  
Manitowaning ON,  
POP 1N0  
Applications accepted until  
**Friday, March 30, 2018**



**STORES CLERK**

The Manitoulin Health Centre requires a Stores Clerk to work on a casual basis at its Little Current site.

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

- Secondary School Diploma
- Current driving abstract and valid Class G driver's license

**Preferred:**

- Secondary School Diploma with courses in computer sciences and/or business courses

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must be able to successfully complete a physical examination

Please email a cover letter and resume to the attention of:

Nicole St. Georges, Director of Human Resources  
E-mail: nstgeorges@mhc.on.ca

Thank you to all who apply. Only those to be interviewed will be contacted.

**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN**

**Health & Safety Coordinator**  
Contract Position - 28 hours per week

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is seeking an energetic, positive and versatile individual for the position. This is a contract position, with the potential for extension of employment--28 hours per week. The Coordinator will be working with three other municipalities, plus with the Municipality of Central Manitoulin. There will be travel involved to other Island communities.

The municipality is looking for an individual with: 1-2 years minimum related work experience with a post-secondary education, Health and Safety Act or related field, sound knowledge of Ontario Health and Safety Act as well as policies and practices in the Occupational Health and Safety field. A salary range has been established and salary will be commensurate with experience and education.

A complete copy of the job description is available by contacting the undersigned. Applications in the form of a resume with a cover letter will be accepted by the municipality until **12:00 NOON, Friday, March 30, 2018.**

Ruth Frawley, CAO/Clerk  
Municipality of Central Manitoulin  
P.O. Box 187  
6020 Highway 542  
Mindemoya, Ontario POP 1S0  
Phone: 705-377-5726  
Fax: 705-377-5585  
Email: centralm@amtelecom.net

*We thank all applicants for their interest; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*

**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN**

**Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable Clerk**  
Full Time-Permanent-35 hours per week.

The Municipality of Central Manitoulin is seeking an energetic, positive and versatile individual for the position.

The municipality is looking for an individual with: 5 years minimum related work experience with a post-secondary education, a strong background in public relations, data entry, well organized, understands basic accounting, familiar with everyday computer programs. The Municipality is offering a competitive salary and benefits package.

A complete copy of the job description is available by contacting the undersigned. Applications in the form of a resume with a cover letter will be accepted by the municipality until **12:00 NOON, WEDNESDAY, April 4, 2018.**

Ruth Frawley, CAO/Clerk  
Municipality of Central Manitoulin  
P.O. Box 187  
6020 Highway 542  
Mindemoya, Ontario POP 1S0  
Phone: 705-377-5726  
Fax: 705-377-5585  
Email: centralm@amtelecom.net

*We thank all applicants for their interest; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*

**HELP WANTED**

**Full Time Short Order Cook**  
Experience making burgers, fries, pizza, etc.

**Full & Part Time Counter Persons**

- Positions available starting immediately
- Both students & adults welcome
- Must be able to work evenings & weekends

Please deliver in person or email resume to:  
**staff3cows@hotmail.com**  
**Attention: Manager**




**Personal Support Workers needed**

We are a Northern Ontario based health care company looking for PSWs to provide exceptional home care for the members of the Espanola and Manitoulin areas. We are looking for full time and part time staff to assist in Home Care.

- Employer paid benefits!
- Excellent Wages!
- Opportunity to gain and improve skills through education and training!
- Flexible work schedule!
- Take advantage of becoming part of the Canadian Shield Health Care Services Family!

**Apply to:**  
resumes@canadianshieldhealth.com  
Fax Number: 705-222-6335  
Phone Number: 705-618-7233.

# ...Now and Then: Murray and Gladys Duncanson

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daughter and she feared husband Blake was not up to the occasion. I heard the baby's first cry and held this precious little bundle before her mother got to hold her. That was a very powerful moment for me."

"Christmas time is always a fun time. I enjoy the hustle and bustle of the holiday period, the huge tree, all decorated and the precious family time. On Christmas Eve, we always go to church. The fresh snow and the starry sky are vivid memories that enhance this evening," Gladys injects. "About 10 years after our honeymoon, we returned to the town of Christmas! It was a little bigger than we remembered, but it was still a trendy place. Our neighbours were in the area, so I tried to give them directions using land marks, as ladies like to do. Somehow, they got lost and wound up arriving to the town the same way we had, by mistake. We enjoyed a dinner together there, comparing notes about our dual experiences."

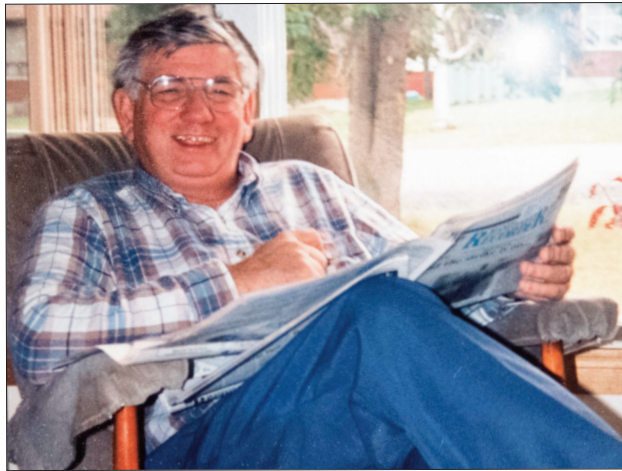
Collecting plates has been Gladys' hobby and many decorate the home. She also loves to paint gift cards which have been made into a calendar. "What am I afraid of? Mice make me shiver," Gladys insists. Murray adds that he fears fire the most. "My dad always said that fire is a great servant but a poor master." Murray was a volunteer fireman and chair of the Township's Services Board for years. He also became a director of the Manitoulin Snowdusters Snowmobile Association for a number of years. "This year the grooming machine is sitting in West Bay, inactive, waiting for the appropriate amount of snow to fall," he deserves wryly.

Murray says he is 'A jack of all trades and a master of none.' "Someone I admired? Orland Wismer," Murray says immediately. "Whenever I asked him for advice, he never told me what to do, instead he would list the objective virtues and deficits of either side of the equation and let me decide the best solution. He was a wise man and a good one."

"What would I still like to do?" Gladys shares, "I would love to visit Australia. We have taken trips to Ireland, Scotland and England and were impressed with the vast landscapes and the friendly people. We were in England the same year Kate and William were married. We toured Buckingham Palace and I saw Kate's wedding dress and jewellery. They were stun-

ning." Murray adds, "I regretted not having studied my history a bit more when the locals began to share their knowledge of the places we visited, and I regret that I never got to farm the way I originally imagined I would."

"Manitoulin is a quiet, relaxing place, off the grid. We have picturesque trees and lakes. You always feel welcome here, no matter where you go. People say 'hi' and you say 'hi' back. We grew up here and always knew we would return. The hustle and bustle that has not quite caught up with us can stay in the cities. We always came back to the Island from Naughton, after we bought our camp in 1983; the camp which later became our home. It was wonderful to lay back, make meals when



Murray, November 1997 in Naughton.



Gladys holding a calendar of her works.

you felt up to it and not be on a schedule. Today we sit here in our renovated cabin-home, literally only feet from Silver Lake, enjoying our Manitoulin journey. There really isn't much that's better than that."

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**MUNICIPALITY OF ASSIGINACK**

**NOTICE OF PASSING**  
 2018 Budget, Property Tax By-laws, Water & Wastewater By-law

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Township of Assiginack will be considering the passage of the 2018 Budget, Property Tax By-laws, and the Water and Wastewater By-law at their regular Council meeting being held on April 17, 2018 at 5 p.m. at the Municipal Office at 156 Arthur St, Manitowaning, ON POP 1N0

Please provide any comments to the address above or by email to: jrody@assignack.ca prior to April 16, 2018. Visit the municipal office or website to view the draft budget document.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS**

In the estate of Ewald Von Bargen, deceased.

All claims against the Estate of Ewald Von Bargen, late of the Village of Evansville, who died on or about the 21st day of September, 2017, must be filed with the undersigned personal representative on or about May 4, 2018. Thereafter the undersigned will distribute the assets of the estate having regard only to the claims then filed.

**Dated: March 20, 2018**

LINDA MCDONALD  
 Barrister and Solicitor  
 15 Water Street, Unit 1  
 P.O. Box 819  
 Little Current, Ontario  
 POP 1K0

**THE MNIDOO MNISING COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

is seeking survivor membership for our local domestic violence community coordinating committee (DV3C). We are seeking two candidates with lived experience of violence against women issues to join us at our committee table to provide enhanced understanding and meaningful development in our efforts to eradicate violence against women in the Districts of Manitoulin and the North Shore.

The local DV3C currently works to address issues in the areas of domestic and/or sexual violence through

- service enhancement,
- community awareness,
- specialized training opportunities.

Current member organizations include representation from the sectors of violence against women prevention, child welfare, victim services, police services, healthcare, mental health and addictions, and others.

*Membership diversity is an ongoing objective.*  
 If interested please contact Marnie Hall Brown (mbrown@mresources.net) for an application package.

**CHI MNIDOO MNISING WIIJIIWED JIBWAA MIIGAADWAAT E'WIIDIGENJIK**

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Maanda kwiiinawining DV3C megwa da chiikaanaa'aanh wiibi gii'wewdoowaat dabaa-chi-gaaded miigaadwaat/maage shinaajikaagaazwin teg ninda naagdowaat; \*gchi miikwin, \*kwiiinawining mko'aataagziwin \*weweni ka kinoomaago.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS**

All claims against the Estate of Andre Ernest Joseph Lecuyer, late of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, District of Manitoulin and Province of Ontario, who died on December 19, 2016, must be filed with the undersigned personal representative on or before the 16th day of April, 2018, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claims of which the Administrator then shall have notice.

**DATED at the Township of Billings, this 5th day of March, 2018.**

Michael Lecuyer, Estate Trustee  
 of the estate of Andre Ernest Joseph Lecuyer  
 by his solicitor  
 B. J. Allison, B.A., LL.B.  
 P. O. Box 212  
 Mindemoya, Ontario  
 POP 1S0

**notice**

Anyone interested in acting in a one act play for the Gore Bay Theatre? Please call Walter at 705-282-8471. No experience necessary, will train.

44-45p

**† in memoriam**

**MCLEOD**— In memory of James McLeod, April 2, 2017. Gone, dear father, gone forever. How we miss your smiling face. But you left us to remember None on earth can take your place. A happy home we once enjoyed, How sweet the memory still. But death has left a loneliness The world can never fill. Missed and loved, Deb and John, Denise and Tom and families

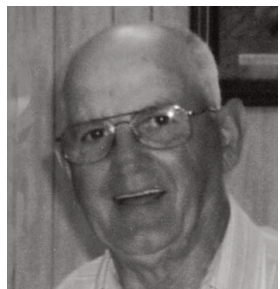
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**MCLEOD**— In memory of James McLeod, April 2, 2017. His smiling way and pleasant face Are a pleasure to recall. He had a kindly word for each And died beloved by all. Someday, we know not when, To clasp his hand in better land, Never to part again. Nothing can ever take away The love a heart holds dear, Fond memories linger every day, Remembrance keeps him near. Loved deeply, Maxine

45p

**PATTERSON** — In Loving memory of Godfrey Patterson 1922 - 2013 Dad Remembering you is easy. I do it every day. Missing you is harder, and that never goes away. Truly missed by your boys, and their families

45c



**CORMIER**—In loving memory of Raymond Cormier If tears could build a stairway And memories were a lane We would walk right up to heaven And bring you back again. No farewell words were spoken No time to say goodbye. You were gone before we knew it And only God knows why. Our hearts still ache in sadness, And secret tears still flow But now we know you want us To mourn for you no more. To remember all the happy times. Life still has much in store Since you'll never be forgotten. We pledge to you today A cherished place within our heart Is where you'll always stay. Lovingly remembered by wife Darlene, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

45p

**† in memoriam**



**DEN OTTER**—In memory of Mary den Otter May 17 1934 to March 30 2016 NATURE'S GOLD If gold is wealth then rich are we, Earth shares her gold with you and me. First of all the golden sun Brings us, when the Winter's done, Yellow coltsfoot, rather small, Yellow jasmine on the wall. Then there comes the crocus yellow, With his ruffled gay bedfellow Aconite, then daffodil And celandine beside the rill. Pale beneath the birch wood glade, Primroses light up the shade. Later, tulips gold come up, And the polished buttercup. Cowslips in the meadows sweet, Cluster all around your feet. If you walk much in the Spring, This is pleasant wandering. Then the dandelion bright, Closing up at fall of night, And in clumps beside the streams, Gold of giant kingcup gleams. All these flowers are Nature's gold, Endless wonder to behold. from: Rhymes for Young Nature Lovers book presented to Mary, Summer term 1943 With much love, David, Alan and Joe

45C

**MOORE, HOCKEN**— In loving memory of Melvin Moore, 1998; Kitty Hocken, 2008; Mildred Moore, 2016; Lloyd Hocken, 2016; N. Lloyd Hocken, 1970. Loved, missed, always with us, Your families

45P

**MIGWANS**— In memory of Ruth Migwans August 18, 1930 - March 26, 2017 Time moves on, life goes on. But it came to a sudden stop for us the day you left us. I wish you were still here. I miss your smile, your witty words. I miss your stories you have told, your encouraging words. I miss you the most when I need you the most. I miss your voice and your loving stare. I miss your presence and being close to you. I understand now, why it all makes sense, you did the best you can. You provided us with your love and devotion, I will always remember. Mom, you will always be in my heart. My lifetime of love continues and will not stop. In my heart I have a place where I keep you forever. Your spirit will always be with us, Our love for you will always be forever. Lovingly remembered by your children and grandchildren.

45c

**Death Notices**

**RICHARD W. AHLERS**

**January 25, 1927 - March 14, 2018**



**Richard W. Ahlers**, 91, of Lakewood, passed away on March 14, 2018. Richard was born on January 25, 1927 in Pittsburgh, PA to Richard and Margaret Ahlers (nee Hartley). Richard served in the US Army from June of 1945 until January 1947, seeing duty on the Panama Canal. He is a graduate of Wesleyan University in Middleton, CT. Dick worked for US Steel Corporation for 34 ½ years. Richard was a member of Lions Club, Treasurer, 10 years. NEOS&PS 50 Year Life Member, Commander 1985-1986 Treasurer 10 years. He was a regular attendee of St. Barnabas Church, Bay Village, OH; Cove UMC, Lakewood, OH and was a member of Rockville Community Centre, Manitoulin Island in Canada. Richard enjoyed his cottage on Lake Manitou in Canada along with nature, fishing, snowmobiling and sailing. He was also known for the construction of stone walls, collecting 19th century art, travel, family, friends, history, reading biographies, poetry and writing letters. Beloved husband of Lane Gail (nee Utterback); loving father of Walter Hartley Ahlers, Fredrick Marshall (Er) Ahlers of Germantown, MD, and Laura Ahlers Boufford (Douglas), of Haymarket, VA; grandfather of 5 and great-grandfather of 1. He is preceded in death by his parents; his brother Roger Hartley Ahlers (2006), a son Richard William Ahlers, III (2011), former wife Kathleen Stocking Ahlers (1998), and sister-in-law, Joan Wilt Ahlers (2014). Memorial Contributions may be forwarded to Hospice of the Western Reserve, 17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44110. Memorial Service at Cove UMC, 12501 Lake Ave, Lakewood, OH 44107 on March 24, 2018 at 11 am by Pastor Darlene Robinson. Interment Homewood Cemetery, Pittsburgh, PA. (440) 333-9774 www.buschcares.com.

**WILLIAM JOHN BRYCE, JR., "BILL"**

**June 22, 1924 - March 18, 2018**

**William John Bryce, Jr.** passed on Sunday, March 18, 2018 at the Manitoulin Centennial Manor in Little Current. Bill was born June 22, 1924, in Port Arthur, Thunder Bay District. He moved to Sudbury with his family where he attended school and eventually apprenticed at INCO as an electrician. He received his training from his father, William John, Sr., who was also an electrician. He was one of the early journeymen at INCO and enjoyed a long career with the company before retiring and enjoying Florida and the camp on Penage with his wife. He met Ruby Fenton, love of his life, in Sudbury and has missed her so much since she predeceased him in 2011. They had a wonderful long and happy life together. Bill is survived by his daughter Nancy (Robert) and predeceased by daughter Cheryl (Gordon). Also survived by five grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He was close to all and loved being in the company of his family. I would like to thank all of the staff at Manitoulin Centennial Manor and the volunteers who all provide such a loving and comfortable home for our seniors. They are truly amazing. There will be a graveside service in the spring.

**JOHN WILLIAM (JACK) MCARTHUR**

**October 3, 1919-March 23, 2018**



With sadness the family announces the death of John William (Jack) McArthur on March 23, 2018 at the Manitoulin Health Centre in Little Current. Son of Ambrose and Mabel (McGee) McArthur. Jack was born in Ice Lake on October 3rd, 1919 and lived his life on Manitoulin Island. Jack was predeceased by his sisters Ida Badgerow (Phillip), Dorothy Smith (Aubrey), Irene McArthur, Rachel McCannell (Jim), Lottie Adelman (Harry) and his brothers Malcolm McArthur (Annie McCannell) and Albert McArthur. Jack was a lifelong farmer and always spoke fondly of his time working the land with his family. Jack will be dearly missed by his sister Marjory Turner (Bill predeceased), brother Amby McArthur (Frances Hilderley predeceased), the many members of his extended family and his great-niece and great-nephew Ainslie Michaels and Christopher Smith. Jack's wishes were to have a graveside service which will take place this spring at the Gordon Cemetery. Any donations may be made to the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Aux. Share your thoughts, memories and photos at islandfuneralhome@bellnet.ca.

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

**KENNETH "KEN" BLUE**



**Kenneth "Ken" Blue**, 83 years, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 23, 2018 at Health Sciences North. Loving father of Cindy Didier (Barry) of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario and Kenny predeceased. He will be remembered by their mother Velma Blue also of Sault Ste. Marie. Cherished Papa of Tim Didier (Courtney), Matt Didier (Dubravka) and Laura Strom (Neil) and great-grandchildren Alex and Simon. He will be sadly missed by his many gun buddies. The family would like to thank the nurses and doctors of 5th Floor, North Tower Cardiac Unit at Health Sciences North for their excellent care and compassion. At Ken's request, there will be no visitation or service. Cremation at the Park Lawn Crematorium. Interment alongside his mother in the Gore Bay Cemetery at a later date. Donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to the Loughed Funeral Home.

**MILLIE ROGERS**



**Millie Rogers** of Shesheganing First Nations passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday, March 24, 2018 in her 77th year. Beloved wife of Harald. Cherished mother of David Cada (Elif), Stan Pruitt (Sue), Chris Pruitt (Deirdre), Sylvanne Boudreau (Dennis), and dear sister of Diane John (Henry), Beatrice Sampson, Carmelita Genereux, Linda Antoine (Bill). Millie will be sadly missed by her 9 grandchildren Jordan, Nathan, Jacob, Cheyenne, Kody, Coty, Melanie, Amy Lynn and Michele. Predeceased by her first husband William Pruitt, son Brian Sampson, parents Leonard and Sarah (Pitawanakwat) Cada, brothers Sam Cada (Darlene), Roger Cada, Eugene Cada, sisters Caroline Danville (Garfield), Lorda, Vivian and Jean, as well as brothers-in-law Lloyd Sampson and Lawrence Genereux. Visitation will be held at the Shesheganing Community Complex on Wednesday, March 28, 2018 from 1 pm until time of the funeral service on Thursday, March 29 at 11 am. Cremation to follow. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society as expressions of sympathy and may be made through www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca.

**DEBORAH ANN JACKO STOWELL**

**December 23, 1969 – March 18, 2018**



**Deborah Ann Jacko Stowell** loving daughter of John and Florence (nee Peltier) Jacko, sibling of Morley, Delores, Dakota, and Russell, she leaves behind her son Alec Jacko-Dutton and grandson Lucius. She was predeceased by grandparents William and Mary (nee Lewis) Peltier and Felix and Sarah (nee Ominika) Jacko. She will be missed by all her friends, nephews, nieces, aunts and special godmother, Dorothy Peltier. Deb lived her life to the fullest, enjoyed life, and her personal time. She was born and lived her whole life in Lansing, Michigan. Rest in Peace. Baamaapii Kaawaabin. Online condolences may be expressed at www.grlansing.com.

**LEONARD "LEN" BOND**

**August 10, 1928-March 20, 2018**



**Leonard "Len" Bond**, a resident of Little Current, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 in his 90th year at Manitoulin Centennial Manor. Loving husband of Eleanor (Howard) Bond (predeceased). Loving father of Sharon (predeceased) Roy, Linda (Bob), Rick (Linda), Elaine (Don), Shelva (Gerald), Bradley. Father in law of Alice (John). Loving grandfather of Michael, Tom, Kenneth, Sheldon, Amanda, Sam, Alison, Laura, Sarah, Beverly and Zachary. Great-grandfather of twenty. Survived by brothers Ed and Jerry. Predeceased by his parents James and Mildred (Rowe) Bond and brothers Maurice and Jim. Uncle Len will be missed by many nieces and nephews. Len worked at the coal dock and McDougall Construction. He enjoyed his farm and doing woodworking. At Len's request cremation has taken place. A Celebration of life will be held on Saturday, March 31, 2018 at the Anglican Church Hall, Little Current at 2 pm. Burial will take place at Coldsprings Cemetery at a later date. Donations to Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary or Manitoulin Health Centre Auxiliary would be greatly appreciated.



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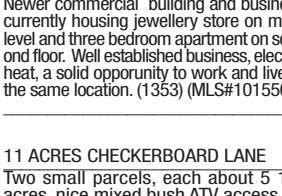

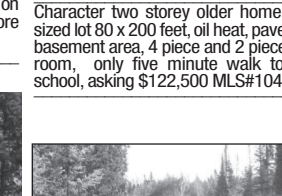




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# Island Skate spirals into the sunset

32nd annual Skate Canada Manitoulin event will be the last, but next year will see a SuperSeries event on the Island

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—Skate Canada Manitoulin's Island has been an annual rite of passage for figure skaters from the Manitoulin, Sudbury and Algoma Districts for 32 years, but after this past weekend's event at the Little Current Recreation Centre the venerable event will be hanging up its skates, figuratively of course, as the organization has announced this was the last Island Skate—but as is often the case, this end heralds a new beginning.

"With this being our last Island Skate, we want to offer our heartfelt thanks for all the memories and support that each of you has contributed over the years," said Island Skate 2018 Chair Brenda Francis as she welcomed skaters, coaches, club representatives and officials to Manitoulin Island. "Your participation has always been a gift to our community."

Although this year will be the last Island Skate program, that doesn't necessarily mean that there will never be another Skate Canada sanctioned event on Manitoulin.

"Skate Canada is changing



A silver division skater strikes a pose during her Friday night routine.

tion amalgamated on April 1 of last year. Critics have suggested that the reorganization will gravely reduce the number of smaller events that skaters who are not going onto the upper reaches of the competitive stream of figure skating. In order to progress from the Star 5 level and enter the provincials, skaters must compete at two SuperSeries events. The top 18 of those competitors go on to the provincials.

SkateOntario officials are holding town halls across the province to gain input into the new system, and there will be a web-based consultation on April 17 for those who cannot attend one of the in person events. A great deal of the details of how programs will operate going forward remains uncertain.

Among the Island skaters at this final Island Skate were: Morgan Dedman, Kate Chapman, Avery Sutherland, Jasmine Clark, Kendra Jordison, Kirsten Bowerman, Brooklynn Ferguson, Violet Sutherland, Kali Francis, Nicole Boyle, Alexis Lewis and Shaylee Taylor of Skate Canada Manitoulin.

Officials at this year's Island Skate included Diane Bellmore, Angela Hunter-Schumacher, Amelia Schaffner, Ashley Quackenbush, Bre-Ann Viau, Justin Woodley, Sylvie Jeanneault, Kirsten Swanson and Dawn

photos by Michael Erskine

are definitely going to feel the pinch from this," admitted Ms. Drolet. "The money raised from Island Skate helped to offset ice

her tenure, she could be found working late into the night printing, sorting and collating programs and forms in preparation for Island Skate.

"It was a lot of work," laughed Ms. Drolet, "but I don't regret a minute of it. We brought a lot of wonderful skaters to Manitoulin over the years and helped to develop the strong programs we have today. I just figured that with the end of Island Skate and the changes coming to how Skate

Abbie Drolet, Jane's daughter, has been involved in figure skating for decades as well, coaching for the past 20 years and before that a figure skater in her own right. It was a bit of a bittersweet moment for her as well. "It was bittersweet, but at least we knew it was the last one, so we were able to say our good-byes," she said. "Island Skate went really, really well, there were a lot of skaters who came out this year and that was a great way to end on a high note."

So that's the bad news, this was the last Island Skate, but the good news is that Skate Manitoulin was successful in bidding on one of the new Skate Canada events, so come February 22 to 24 next year, Manitoulin will see a very large skating event taking place in Little Current.

"At this point, at least, we are the event for the Sudbury area taking place next year," said Abbie Drolet. "We were successful with our bid, and that is thanks in large part to the supportive reception we have had from the facility and the town."

The new event will have some changes, but for an outsider looking in it will look very familiar—including a lot of the faces.



Kendra Jordison of Skate Canada Manitoulin brought grace and poise to her Star 4 Girls (O13) performance in front of the judges.

Canada Ontario is structured it was a good time to retire from it all. This will be the first time in 30 years I am not involved at some level."

Not involved apparently means running the hospitality suite for this year's event. "Well, I still like to help out," she laughed. "That is where they needed me the most this year." Going forward Ms. Drolet will also be designing and creating skating dresses for figure skaters. "It is something I love to do," she said.



Parent volunteers like Tracy Chapman are what helped make Island Skate the success it has been over the last 32 years.



Chloe Paul of the Espanola Skating Club signs a memory page of a fellow skater during last weekend's final Manitoulin Island Skate.

"Skate Canada has taken over the administration load, such as registration," explained Ms. Drolet. "That will take a load off of our plate. But it will still be very much the committee." Figure skating events are very much volunteer driven at all levels, explained Ms. Drolet. "We will still have a lot of local input."

But a definite downside to the end of Island Skate is the impact that it will have on local fundraising. Island Skate was a significant part of the fundraising mix for Skate Canada Manitoulin. "We



Judges including Abby Drolet, centre, Angela Hunter, right, and Ashley Quackenbush, left, took their job very seriously scoring each skater on their performance. Ms. Hunter, of Manitowaning, is a member of Skate Canada Manitoulin and was also skater with the club for many years and was the first Skate Canada official in the club.

rental costs."

The restructuring of Skate Canada Ontario saw the four Ontario sections of the organiza-

Robinson. Data specialists were Teresa Perdicou, Kelly Langevin and Heidi Duhamel. Technical representative was Abbie Drolet.



Officials Kelly Langevin, Heidi Duhamel (Olympian Megan Duhamel's mom), Teresa Perdicou and Darcy Legrandier kept the tallies coming so that skaters got their results in a timely manner.



Avery Sutherland of Skate Canada Manitoulin prepares to enter a spin.

their structure of skating events," said Ms. Francis. "Moving forward there will only be so many skating events in the province." The more limited roster of events will require clubs to bid on holding those events. "So we will be able to put a bid in the future to host one of the events."

"It is bittersweet," admitted Jane Drolet, one of the main driving forces behind figure skating



Skate Ontario Skate Canada medals await their trip home with the top performers at the last Island Skate.

on Manitoulin, Ontario and Canada for the past 30 years. "Island Skate started in Manitowaning 32 years ago, and I became involved two years later when they weren't able to do it anymore and it moved to Little Current." Together with Lee Ashley, Betty Ferguson and a host of other volunteers the event thrived over the next three decades, attracting skaters from across the region.

Ms. Drolet recently retired from figure skating, having held posts locally, provincially and nationally over those many years. During

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# Central Manitoulin in need of volunteer help

**by Betty Bardwich**  
**MINDEMOYA**—Want to have fun and make new friends? Stave off depression and dementia? Make a difference and have a sense of purpose? Then volunteering is for you. Volunteering makes you feel really, really good. Helping others makes you happy.

Central Manitoulin is looking for volunteers for different groups including Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR), Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) and the libraries.

MFR has three programs including Violence Against Women Prevention, Children's Services and Emergency Food Assistance. There is an immediate need for volunteers for their food bank, their thrift store, dubbed Treasures, and their driving program.

Marnie Hall-Brown is the executive director (ED) of MFR and she sat down with The Expositor recently to talk about the areas where help is needed and to outline the process for volunteers.

"We still have a core of very dedicated volunteers," she said, but noted that they have lost some people to travel, some who have moved away or are back in the workforce. Also, people are working longer and not volunteering. Volunteers are being asked to support a lot of positions."

The food bank offers support to about 300 people every month with a large percentage being children and volunteers create food baskets to meet this need. Christmastime shows a huge increase in aid and the food hampers usually number more than 800.

The thrift store sells gently used clothing as well as many household items with the profits going to the purchase of food and the operating costs of the food bank.

MFR is also in need of volunteer drivers. "Having an extended volunteer driving list is always beneficial," said Ms. Hall-Brown, "because of the rural nature of the Manitoulin and Espanola region. It allows us to access volunteers who are in closer proximity to the need that we are trying to meet." The catchment area for MFR



Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR) is in need of volunteers at the thrift store to prepare food hampers and to drive clients. Aili MacDonald and her husband Howard have been volunteers at the shop for a great many years now. She is pictured with Treasures customer Sarah Moore of M'Chigeeng.

photo by Betty Bardwich

includes the Island as well as Espanola and the North Shore.

To be an MFR volunteer, firstly, an individual must complete an application form. The person must also provide a Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) from the local police services. The letter of request for this is issued by MFR and given to the potential volunteer. If there is a cost incurred in the VSS being issued, the cost is reimbursed by the agency when a receipt is submitted. Many police services waive the cost for volunteer positions.

Once approved, volunteers will be given a position description and will sign a Code of Conduct and confidentiality form.

For volunteer drivers, in addition to the documents mentioned, the individual must sign an MFR driver's pledge, they must have their own vehicle, a minimum of five years driving experience, possess a Class G license, provide proof of active insurance coverage with a liability coverage of at least \$2,000,000, provide a driver's abstract upon request which shows a clean driving record and discloses any relevant restrictions on their driver's licence.

If you are interested in

donating your time to MFR, or for more information, contact Executive Programs Assistant Denise Leblanc at dleblanc@mfresources.net or call 705-377-5532 ext. 243

Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) is also in need of volunteers for their breakfast program. Bruce Lindsay heads the Intensive Support Program (ISP) for students with physical, mental and/or social developmental delays and it is these pupils who manage the delivery of healthy snacks to the classrooms. These individuals not only help prepare and deliver

the food, they also do the shopping and the necessary clean up. Mr. Lindsay said that they are trying to get these students to do more and more to help them prepare for the future, but volunteers are still needed at this time.

The breakfast program is running a little later than it used to with help needed between 9 and 10 am. Also, if a volunteer would like to come later, they could help the ISP students prepare food for the following day between the hours of 1:30 pm and 3 pm.

For more information, or to volunteer to help stu-

dents have daily healthy snacks, call CMPS at 705-368-7005.

Like books? Perhaps you would like to volunteer at the library in Mindemoya or maybe the one in Providence Bay. As Central Manitoulin Libraries CEO Claire Cline explained, there is always something to be done from reorganizing up the used books for sale area that always seems to need some attention. Volun-

teers are also needed to sell books on Saturdays at the Mindemoya Market at the arena. Ms. Cline is expecting that the libraries' cookbooks that were for sale several years ago will be in production once again so they too will be available at the market.

"So, yes," Ms. Cline said. "Come in and help once in a while at the libraries."

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## Central Manitoulin Council Notes

### Office and Administration Committee

There were several recommendations from the Office and Administration Committee from the February 27 meeting that were accepted by council. These included the donation of a desk/divider unit from the Old School to the Tehkummah Municipal Office, a donation of \$400 to the 7th annual Mindemoya Easter Egg Hunt and a donation of \$1,000 to the Angel Bus. A motion to donate \$225 to the Mindemoya Old School Repurposing Committee to help defray some of the costs of sending out the questionnaire was defeated. The cost of this survey was just over \$400 with Councillor Farquhar and Mayor Stephens each contributing \$100 to help defray that cost.

Councillor Dale Scott said that the Angel Bus has not been approached regarding the extension of service with the new bus routes being planned for Manitoulin. Councillor Linda Farquhar noted, however, that she has a relative who takes down the names of people for the Angel Bus and is well aware of the planned bus service. Councillor Derek Stephens agreed with this, saying, "They

said they were in talks. Still working on it."

### Property Committee

Council has approved the development of a Community Energy plan with Green Economy North/Rethink Green in support of energy conservation projects and the funding opportunities that would make them feasible.

Recommendations from the Mindemoya Arena Advisory Committee (MAAC) were accepted. These include that the committee fold until sufficient interest is shown that a committee is warranted and that the clerk contact Gloria Haner to have all MAAC funds transferred to a reserve with the municipality with the understanding that the funds are only to be used for Mindemoya Arena projects. It was also accepted that any other items of MAAC be handled through the property committee and that municipal office staff continues to invoice all arena sideboard advertisers annually and that the proceeds are added to the Mindemoya Arena reserve.

Approval of a letter of endorsement supporting Mr.

Baptiste's application for funding to continue the programming of music at the Harbour Centre as has the Sunset Series was accepted by council.

The recommendation to council to apply for funds for a feasibility study on repurposing the Old School Building and to work with LAMBAC to prepare the application and further that council finance 10 percent of the expected cost of the project to a limit of \$5,000 was accepted with a recorded vote. Councillor Scott voted no on the recommendation. Councillor Pat MacDonald was not at the meeting.

Council approved the request of the Maple Ridge Trail Club for \$1,000 in funding for their application to the Farm Credit Canada AgriSpirit Fund and further that the \$1,000 be paid out of the \$6,000 budgeted in 2018 for trail development.

The Economic Development Officer will explore possible funding opportunities to cover the cost of the museum curator for the next year.

### Safety, Security and Health Committee

The recommendation that the Safety, Security and Health Committee approves in principle the concept of the Seniors Active Living Centres Program and further would support a funding application was approved. Councillor Stephens had a problem with where they wanted to put this program. It was slated for the Mindemoya Community Hall which has problems with the lift. "Maybe," he suggested, "put it in Providence Bay which is already wheelchair accessible."

The Easter holiday to me is like the "rabbit hopping all over the place." You never know from year to year on which date or even what month it is going to be in. Then the weather is another unknown—do you hunt Easter eggs in 2 feet of snow, rubber boots, or in some years a T-shirt. The only solid, do not change on this weekend, is our traditional breakfast meal. Our Easter dinner always changes depending on how adventurous I am feeling, but our Easter Sunday breakfast of homemade waffles with our own fresh maple syrup is etched in stone, or it's Mutiny on the Bounty if I do try to change it.

I am keeping the dinner simple this year with the highlight being the sauce for the meat and the simplicity of the flavour for the vegetables.

### Chicken Breasts with Tomato and Red Wine Sauce

You can either roast a whole chicken, or your favourite chicken parts. I used chicken breasts and pan fried them. You can make the sauce a few days before and just re-heat before serving. The recipe makes enough for four servings but I always make extra.

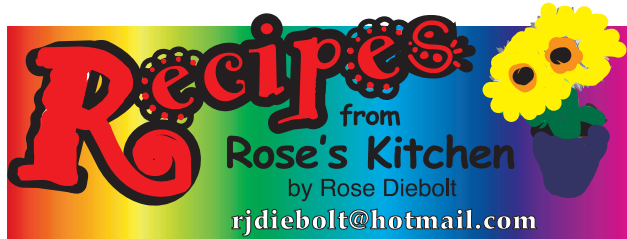
- 1/2 cup red wine
- 1 14-ounce can diced tomatoes with their juices
- 2 Tbsp freshly chopped fresh oregano or 1 Tbsp dried
- Pinch crushed red chili flakes
- 1/3 cup freshly grated Parmigiano Reggiano
- Salt and fresh ground black pepper

Cook the chicken your favourite way. To make the sauce add the wine to a pan and cook on high heat until the wine is reduced to a glazy film. Add the tomatoes with their juices and the red chili flakes; cook until the juices reduce to a saucy consistency, about 3 minutes. Stir in the oregano and Parmigiano; season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve.

### Herb-Mustard Sauce

Use this sauce for beef or fish or even chicken. One of my favourites.

- 3 Tbsp Cognac or similar
- 1 cup beef or chicken broth
- 2 Tbsp heavy cream (whipping cream)
- 1 1/2 Tbsp whole-grained mustard
- 2 Tbsp chopped chives
- 1 tsp chopped fresh thyme



Add the cognac to a pan and over high heat cook until it is almost completely reduced. Add the broth and cook until it's reduced to about 1/3 cup, about 5 minutes. Add the cream, mustard, chives, and thyme, stir well, and remove from the heat. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve. Makes about 1/2 cup.

### Quick-Braised Vegetables

The best way to cook the vegetables are in a single layer in your skillet. This recipe is meant for a 10-inch pan, which will feed three people. You can have the vegetables overlapping a little because they will shrink as they cook.

- Asparagus that is 1/2 to 3/4 inch thick (too thin they will overcook)
- Carrots that are cut into 3/4 inch wide pieces (length doesn't matter)
- Green beans that are the same thickness
- \*you need roughly 1 pound of mixed vegetables
- 1 Tbsp sunflower seed oil
- 1 Tbsp butter
- 1/3 cup vegetable broth
- 1 to 2 tsp fresh lemon juice
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard

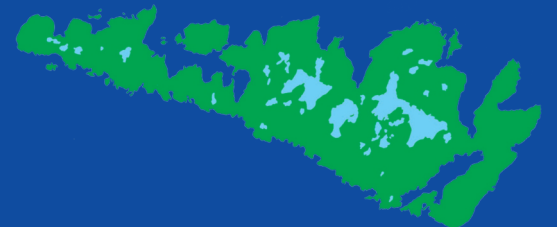
1. Heat the oil and butter in a 10-inch pan over medium heat. Be sure the pan has a lid.
2. When the milk solids in the butter are just beginning to turn a nutty brown, add the vegetables and salt and toss with tongs. Then arrange the vegetables in one layer.
3. Cook without stirring until the bottoms are nicely browned 3 to 4 minutes. Toss and turn over and cook another 2 minutes to lightly brown the other side. Pour in the vegetable broth, immediately cover the pan, and simmer until liquid has almost completely evaporated, 2 to 3 minutes.
4. Remove the pan from the heat, add the lemon juice, and Dijon mustard and toss to combine. Serve.

\*\*Add: 3 medium shallots, peeled and halved. Put them in the pan at the start and cook with the rest of the vegetables.

\*\*\*Substitute: 1 tsp balsamic vinegar and 1 Tbsp orange juice for the Dijon and lemon juice.

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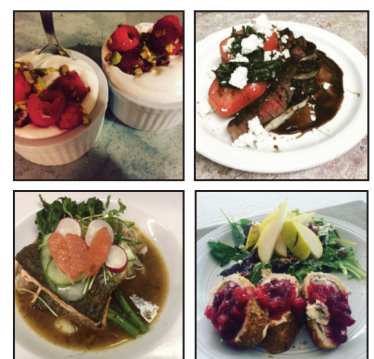
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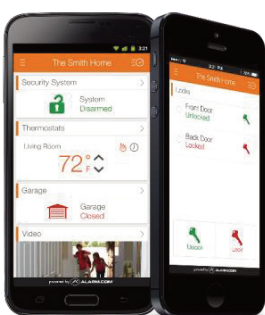


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# Providence Bay News and Notes

The Annual Bradley McAllister Memorial Hockey Tournament was another great success. Stick tap to organizers and volunteers that made it happen. The M'Chigeeng team beat out the Refills for the 45ers Division. The Beavers won the Ladies division. The Sportsman B Division was won by the Karns team over Gore Bay. The Sportsman A Division was the Pearson Team beating out the Stewart team. Congratulations to all!

Get well wishes are being sent out to Sherry McFarlane (nee Anderson) of Elliot Lake who was having angioplasty. We're hoping for a speedy recovery for you so that you can return to your summer home in Providence Bay.

One of the undeniable signs of spring is the

appearance of potholes in the roads. The weather that is so coveted for making maple syrup is the same weather that is responsible for the buckling and dips in local roadways. Be careful on roads and keep an eye out for all the deer that seem to be on the move and are looking very healthy and seem to have survived the winter well. The daytime thaw and nighttime freeze is perfect weather to get the sap running again after the recent cold spell.

The Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner was held on Tuesday night along with the monthly twilight club euchre tournament. We'll update you on the results of these events next week.

Happy Anniversary wishes go out to Don and

Naida Prescott, former owners of local eatery Prescott's Restaurant.

Easter has sprung up on us quickly this year. Good Friday is this Friday coming. Make sure you plan any shopping or any other errands, because many local establishments will be on holiday hours. Easter Sunday also happens to fall on April Fool's Day. We'd love to hear about any great pranks that are pulled.

The community is looking forward to the grand opening of Manitoulin Meat Boss in the former location of Papa's Meats. TJ McDermid is currently renovating and hoping to open this local meat shop again. They look forward to providing a high standard of services and are welcoming suggestions. We'll let you know once they post

their grand opening date, or you can follow their progress on Facebook at: Manitoulin Meat Boss.

If there is someone that you'd like to give a shout out to, please let us know. And in fact, if you have anything that you would like to contribute, please let us know. We know that there is a lot going on in our community but let's allow everyone to know. If there is an upcoming birthday, anniversary, fundraiser or celebration, please let us know. You can email Cheryl at prov\_chick@hotmail.com or call her at 705-862-1613. Submissions must be received by each Sunday at 3 pm for submission in the following Wednesday publication of the paper. We look forward to hearing from you.

**Wishing everyone a Happy Easter**  
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**The bunny strikes**

The Easter Bunny, or maybe his helpers, decorated the Sheguiandah walleye viewing station in recent days, showing off Sheguiandah's tremendous spirit. The St. Patrick's Day leprechaun vacated the station just in time to let the bunny work his magic.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

**farm facts and furrows**  
by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell

**Cost-share for processors and other agri-businesses**

Established Ontario AgriFood and Agribased businesses currently directly involved in the transformation of agricultural commodities, food, beverage or agri-based bio products in Ontario can apply for cost-share funding under CAP and must also: File business and/or farm income/loss taxes in Ontario and have a valid and up-to-date Premises Identification Number. Processors and other agri-businesses can apply for cost-share funding assistance starting on April 3 to May 8, 2018. The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Rural Programs Branch will continue to deliver the cost-share funding assistance for processors and other agri-businesses. Further program details including program guide and application form will be available on the website on March 29, 2018. [omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/index.htm](http://omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/index.htm)

**2018 Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence Program**

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each). Primary producers/farmers, processors and Agri-food organizations are invited to apply. A copy of the Program Guidebook and Application Form, as well as information on previous award recipients is available online at [www.ontario.ca/agrifood-innovation](http://www.ontario.ca/agrifood-innovation) or by phone at 1-877-424-1300. Applications will be accepted until 11:59 pm on Friday, May 25.

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## NEMI Public Library News

by Marian Barnett

At your community library, the children's section has on display many recently purchased picture books by acclaimed author Chris Van Allsburg. They are beautifully illustrated by various artists, and especially appeal to kids in the middle grades. 'Bad Day at Riverbend,' 'The Wretched Stone' and 'The Stranger' are a few of the intriguing titles. Another popular children's author is Julia Cook. Your young readers will love her comical tales, 'My Mouth is a Volcano' and 'The Worst Day of My Life Ever.' What can be better than reading a book with a child?

Spring has ushered in a colourful new art exhibit for patrons to enjoy at the library. Local art featured includes collages by Dorothy Atchison, watercolours by Beth Bond McCullagh, photography by Brenda White, Beth Linder's acrylics, and some beautiful new pieces by Lamar Hyatt, photography and acrylics. Mr. Hyatt held the latest of his painting workshops on March 24 (705-368-1886). Also Pauline Tofflemire's next watercolour class will be held at the library on April 11 (705-368-0974).

The recoding process is now complete and regular hours are once again in effect. As part of the transition to a modern operating system, there has also been de-acquisitioning of outdated and worn materials. Those empty shelves you see will be loaded

with new titles before too long. Leave your suggestions and requests for new books with staff. Karen Gallo, Angela Cosby and Valerie Morris work hard to keep patrons happy.

Recently Karen Gallo, head librarian, accepted on behalf of the library a cheque for \$500 from the former chair of the Taxpayers Association. Mark Volpini explained that when the association disbanded, they had to choose a local group to donate their unused funds to. "We chose the library," Mark said, "because it is a service in our community that everyone can benefit from, whether senior, child, any age, anyone."

"We are really pleased they thought of the library," says Ms. Gallo.

Many patrons belong to one of the book clubs in the area. A new group meets on Saturday mornings at 10:30 am at the library. Call Gloria at 705-368-2757 if you would like to join them. They have read 'Everything Belongs to Us,' a novel by Yoojin Grace Wuertz. Their next choice is 'They Left Us Everything' by Plum Johnson. Another club has been doing the books of Elena Ferrante, beginning with the first in her Neapolitan series, 'My Brilliant Friend.' Reading is a pleasure, and even more so when shared with friends.



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### Employment Opportunity School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre – School Health Support Services Program is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker.

#### Summary

The School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker will work with students who are identified as having needs for behaviour intervention or school based mental health intervention. Comprehensive assessments of behaviour and mental health issues will be expected and treatment plans that include individual intervention, group intervention, classroom intervention, family intervention will be written and implemented. Support to teachers and school staff will be given to develop classroom behavior management strategies and to increase competency of educational systems in this area. Individual therapy/behaviour intervention will be done. Clinical meetings with family members and other involved adults will be done. All aspects of this position will be expected to follow best practices models. The School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker will be under the supervision of the School Health Support Services Program Manager.

#### Responsibilities

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

#### Qualifications

- Masters level degree in Social Work or equivalent preferred, but all interested applicants encouraged to apply
- Must be registered or be eligible to register with the College of Social Workers, or as a Psychotherapist
- Social work experience. Experience in children's mental health or child and family therapy preferred.
- 2 years' recent post-Masters experience in an educational setting preferred.
- Experience working with children/youth experiencing social/emotional difficulties
- Demonstrated ability to work with a multi-disciplinary team
- Committed to community based services
- Excellent assessment, interviewing, and counselling skills.
- Must possess the ability to make independent decisions when circumstances require.
- Able to effectively communicate both verbally and in writing.

For a complete job description, please contact Melissa Roy. Salary is in accordance with WUIR Salary Grid. All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, and copies of credentials and contact information of 2 immediate supervisors, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

School-Based Behaviour Intervention Worker  
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant  
NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre  
P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive  
Wikwemikong, Ontario POP 2J0  
Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: April 9th, 2018 @ 2:00 pm

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

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

ALL INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.



## Employment Opportunity MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLOR

Mnaamodzawin Health Services Inc.  
Permanent Full Time

Mnaamodzawin Health Services is seeking a reliable and committed individual. The counsellor will provide community based culturally-appropriate services and support to First Nations community members of Aundeck Omni Kaning, Whitefish River, Sheguiandah, Shesheganing and Zhiibaahaasing. The Counsellor will work in a confidential environment that is inter-disciplinary and values the cultural philosophy of First Nation communities.

#### Skills and Qualification:

- Minimum requirement of Bachelor Degree in Social Work.
- Membership in the Ontario College of Social Workers or related governing body
- Minimum of 2 years experience in a Mental Health Setting is an asset
- Comprehensive knowledge and experience with computer programs and clinical file management
- Experience working in an e-health environment for data entry and reporting purposes preferred.
- Experience working with First Nation communities and knowledge of culture and language an asset
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively
- Excellent written, verbal and communication skills
- Standard First Aid/CPR and/or willing to take training
- A valid Ontario Drivers License, dependable vehicle and related requirements
- Administrative Skills including project management, scheduling, health records management, completing annual work plans, operational planning, coordination and minute taking for committee meetings (mental health and traditional healing), and policies and procedure development

For more information about this posting, please contact Craig Abotossaway, Executive Director by email: [exec.director@mnaamodzawin.com](mailto:exec.director@mnaamodzawin.com)

Please email your application cover letter, resume, copy of Credentials, a recent Vulnerable Sector Screening(1yr or less), along with three reference letters to:  
[exec.director@mnaamodzawin.com](mailto:exec.director@mnaamodzawin.com)  
Deadline for applications is Friday, April 13, 2018 by noon hour.

We thank all those who apply and advise that only those selected for further consideration will be contacted. Incomplete applications may not be accepted, nor will applications after the posted deadline.



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Wikwemikong Nursing Home

We are currently accepting applications  
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**MAINTENANCE PERSON  
TEMPORARY FULL-TIME**

Under the direction and supervision of the Environmental Services Supervisor, the Maintenance Person provides services to residents to ensure clean, safe and well maintained home.

A detailed job description can be picked up at the Wikwemikong Nursing Home.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES:

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- Promotes and ensures Occupational Health and Safety for Environmental services
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- Maintain accurate records and reports
- Performs other duties as assigned by the Environmental Services Supervisor

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Valid Class "G" license
- Ability to read, write and understand oral and written instructions
- Possess basic knowledge of laundry systems, able to read and interpret manuals related to equipment and systems
- Possess basic knowledge of mechanical and electrical systems, carpentry, plumbing and carpentry
- Fluency in the Ojibway language would be a definite asset

#### RENUMERATION:

The salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications of the successful candidate.

#### APPLICATION:

Forward a detailed resume, cover letter, copies of diplomas/certificates, as well as three (3) references, no later than **Friday, March 30, 2018 by 4:00 p.m.** marked "CONFIDENTIAL" to:

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Late submissions will not be accepted. All applications become the property of the Wikwemikong Nursing Home and will not be returned. The successful candidate will be required to submit a Criminal Reference Check and Vulnerable Sector Screen.

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




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CRISIS INTERVENTION WORKER – ANTI HUMAN TRAFFICKING SERVICE

Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services requires a motivated person with a high level of commitment and energy for a two year project to end Human Trafficking. The project is intended to build on Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services model and support a coordinated service delivery network to provide crisis response and comprehensive care for survivors of human trafficking and sexual exploitation. The position will also include the provision of public education and awareness on human trafficking. The position will report to the Executive Director.

**Responsibilities include but are not limited to:**


- Provide case management services of sexual violence which includes assessment, short term intensive case management, supportive counselling, long term planning and follow up services when needed
- Provide targeted outreach to sexually trafficked and exploited persons
- Provide screening, assessing and support
- Provide crisis intervention and counselling services to survivors of human trafficking
- Provide trauma informed crisis care and stabilizing support
- Promote the Victim Services Program and delivery of effective services to victims of crime and tragic circumstances
- Co Chair Anti Human Trafficking Task Force
- Flexible operating hours, on call responsibilities, able to respond to **calls in the office and at site** locations. Evenings, weekends are required
- Assess client crisis needs, develop and implement a plan of stabilization
- Refer and link clients to community resources to provide immediate wrap-around support
- Crisis stabilization and service delivery / client contact documentation in a timely and professional manner
- Collect client data and ability to provide ministry reports and statistics accurately and in a timely manner

**Qualifications:**

- Minimum of a Bachelor's degree in related Social Work, Psychology, Social Sciences or other related program of study; education and training in trauma therapy,
- A strong understanding of gendered violence
- Ability to work from a client-centered approach
- Demonstrated experience in crisis support and ability to mediate conflict
- Case management and supportive counselling skills
- Knowledge of victim issues and Victim Services
- Specialized knowledge of trauma, mental health and substance abuse issues
- Knowledge of gender based analysis theory and methodology
- Excellent oral and written communication
- Strong organizational, project management and time management skills
- Experience working on a collaborative team
- Ability to prioritize tasks and responsibilities
- Knowledge of social service providers within the area
- Candidate must be willing to work flexible hours as needed to provide crisis response to clients including evenings, weekends and on call
- Demonstrated ability to work independently with little supervision
- Proficiency in Microsoft(Word, Excel, Outlook, Power Point) and other computer software
- Proficiency in both official languages will be considered an asset
- Criminal Reference Clearance (CPI) and Vulnerable Sector Clearance are requirements of the employment offer
- Valid drivers licence and access to a vehicle is required
- Experience working with victims specifically victims of sexual violence is considered an asset
- Familiar with Manitoulin Northshore area

Please submit a cover letter and resume by April 16, 2018  
Manitoulin Northshore Victim Services Hiring Committee  
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**Employment Opportunity**  
**Crisis Coordinator – Contract Position**

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a qualified and motivated individual for the position of Crisis Coordinator.

**Summary**  
To lead and develop the Community Crisis Response Plan for all seven First Nations of Mnidoo Mnising. Initiate a process to assess the capacity and resources of communities. Ensure effective crisis response is provided in a timely manner. Provide referral services to individuals, groups and families and to promote the crisis response team

**Responsibilities**  
The Crisis Coordinator will be responsible for:

- Lead the development of a Crisis Response Team within the seven First Nations of Mnidoo Mnising.
- Report and meet with the "Crisis response committee" to ensure accountability and transparency.
- Organize the development of protocol agreements within the relevant organizations which include but is not limited to the three local health authorities, Noojmowin-Teg Health Centre, Raising the Spirit Mental Wellness Team and local hospitals.
- Develop appropriate policy and procedures for the Crisis Response Team which includes a standardized crisis assessment tool. Participate in recruitment and selection of Crisis Response Team.
- Develop and/or coordinate identified training needs for Crisis Response Team members and participants.
- Ensure an effective and efficient response is provided upon initial assessment of the crisis and to determine when community members may require additional services of a more complex or intensive therapeutic nature and make appropriate referrals to other professionals in their respective communities.
- Collaborate with the community agencies and community members to ensure that culturally appropriate service needs are being met.
- Provide a crisis incident report to the respective First Nation community and debrief when deemed appropriate.
- To keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues
- Develop and manage the financial resources by monitoring the financial records, developing and adhering to a budget, ensuring expenditures conform to approved budget and seeking and obtaining available additional resources as needed.

**Qualifications**

- Successful Completion of degree or diploma in one of the helping disciplines and/or 5 years' experience in community wellness;
- Excellent communication, interpersonal and leadership skills;
- An intimate understanding of the lived experience of Anishinaabe people and Traditional wellness approaches;
- Fluent in the Anishinaabemowin is considered an asset;
- Critical Incident Stress Management Training Level 1 & 2.

**Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, copies of credentials and two (2) names of immediate supervisors with contact information marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

**Crisis Coordinator**  
Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant  
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**Deadline Extension: April 4th, 2018 @ 2:00pm**

**Copies of the following will be requested from the SUCCESSFUL candidate:**  
**CPI/VSS, Driver's License & Abstract.**  
**DO NOT INCLUDE IN PACKAGE**

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# Tehkummah Talk and Times

Don't miss the Easter Egg hunt in Tehkummah Township; thanks to donations by some caring folk the tradition will continue. Starts at 1 pm on March 31 at the ball diamond.

Sunny and cold March 20. The birthday party had a long list of birthday people, a two-month list due to last month's storm. But we only had two candle blowers present, Yogi and Lois.

We are so fortunate to have our wonderful musicians. Today, Lyle, Gordie, and Wayne sounded better than ever. A delicious luncheon, chicken fingers, salads, rolls, cake and ice cream. Wayne gave us a short story on their trip to China and the weddings they attended there. Sounded fascinating.

On Monday a trip to Mindemoya. Saw my car welcoming a spring tune up. I had my breakfast at Mum's restaurant and a visit with a nice lady called Nancy that morning.

Life and its issues. Are there days without them? Do some days seem more worrisome than others? It's strange how you slide for a while then go into free fall.

The ladies' night fiesta was a very exciting boost towards spring. Lots of fun games for folk to play and enjoy at the Community Church hall. A good attendance, some wonderful costumes and amazing foods. The limbo limbered some old and young bones, challenges like get the Oreo cookie from your forehead to your mouth (no hands), balloon relay, no hands.

Cribbage, five tables: three high hands of 21, Ruth, Margaret and myself; first, Dorothy and Ted, 952; second, Lori and Rick, 941; tied three third place winners, 931, Cal and Rick, Gib and Florence, Ruth and Bill; low, Margaret and Brad, 867; door, Lori, Hugh and Sheila.

A long talk this Saturday morning with Derek, who is out in MacKenzie BC. He said it was raining rabbits last night. One fell out of the sky in front of his truck. He said

he had seen a big barred owl in that region of the road he travels. A very unusual happening. He said Jodi was coming home today too!

I can't believe we've had a whole month of blue skies and sunshine.

This is Easter weekend. Good Friday service at 11:30 am at St. Andrews; Sunday service, Knox, 10:30 am; Fairview, 11:30 am. So, the Easter sunrise service as usual on Fossil Hill at 7 am (Sunday).

I have the worst time trying to get a cup of hot anything. I get a phone call, read, write, get side tracked, and so on. Well, I really didn't want to get up and get going this morning after a busy day yesterday. Sherry and I had our lunch at Loco Beanz, then I went to the euchre game at Knox church. My partner was Gail Leeson. We sure had a lot of laughs. But we didn't make the winner's circle. Pat Norton did win both the draws though, probably an unusual happening. I wasn't home too long until it was time to head back into Knox church hall again, for our trivia night. We had a new M.C. this time, Ann Maquire hosted. Our team consisted of Lori, Jackie and Lynda. Sherry joined us later. She took her husband out for his birthday supper to Green Acres first. As always, we had a great time. The name of our team, "The Little Team that Could." Maybe. We did end up with 66 points; Snowbirds, 77; Detours, 75; Fun Fantastics, 75. A great evening out.

Lori said Rick saw Sandhill cranes on Friday, everything is getting closer!

On Tuesday our U.C.W. group met at the home of Lorna Russell. Two more new members joining us, for which we are grateful. A most delicious lunch was served by our hostess of the day. We were saddened to hear one of our faithful members will be relocating far from us (sob).

Sunday morning headed for the van to go to church. Took a kind of unsettled feeling, came back in the house,

took some candied ginger, laid down, napped, phone call asking about me from the good folk who had attended. So, feeling much better. I joined them at Carol's and Earl's, just had a coffee and a good visit. Sherry and I had a good visit at home afterwards.

Found this little clipping from Helen 2015. There are two means of refuge from the ministries of life: Music and Cats.

A drive in Mindemoya's direction on Sunday evening. Counted 41 deer and two Sandhill cranes in the Smoky Hollow field. Plus, also a fair of wild geese at the McGillis spring.

On my way home, I saw many deer heading for their own territory. Earlier in the day at Brown's field, Highway 6, there were about 40 deer there as well. Also saw a coyote with a beautiful fur coat, very light in colour.

Have a great weekend!





**Sandi Kuntsi**

With such a short time between March Break and Easter weekend, March is passing quickly. The Students' Council is busy preparing several fun events for the remainder of the school year, including the Spring Formal, Magazine Drive incentives, spirit days, and a Grade 8 shadow day. The next spirit day is on Wednesday, March 28 and it's Wacky Hair Wednesday.

From March 8-18, a group of 39 students and chaperones travelled to Italy. While in Italy the group went to Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento, Assisi, Florence and Venice. The majority of the group hadn't been to a foreign country, so the opportunity to explore humankind's history was once in a lifetime.

The students took in and learned about the Ancient Roman advances in engineering which made the Colosseum possible and how Pompeii was discovered. They visited castles, basilicas, churches and squares; getting to explore new food, the Italian culture, and experiencing many common travel situations. Some of the highlights included the Colosseum, the Vatican, the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica, Pompeii, the city-wide art gallery in Flo-

rence, and a gondola ride in Venice. While at the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the group took lots of pictures of pretending to push the tower over much to the amusement of their chaperones.

Ms. McCann, the trip organizer and MSS teacher, said, "This was definitely a trip of a lifetime, and I was honoured to lead the trip. Everyone seemed to have a great time, making lasting memories. I have no doubt that trip has impacted the group of students in a positive way and possibly even planted the bug to travel more in the future."

Delaney Madore, Grade 12 student, said, "I love history, so my favourite site to see was Pompeii. Venice was my favourite day overall. We saw so many cool things while in Venice, specifically the glassblowing of Venetian glass."

Maddy Niven, Grade 11 student, said, "My favourite thing was seeing all the different cities and how they were all beautiful in their own unique ways. My favourite place was Venice because it's a city on a bunch of islands and to get from one place to another you have to take a boat or gondola. I'd hands down go back to Italy in a heartbeat. It was so much

fun and really beautiful there."

On Tuesday, May 8 the Northern Ontario Medical School is hosting a full day, interactive, information session for anyone who is interested in attending medical school. The interactive workshops and seminars will be led by medical students and staff.

There is a blue cart located in the front foyer of the school that hopes to be filled before Easter weekend. The Living Well Locker provides non-perishable food items and hygiene products for MSS students. Community members, staff, and students are all encouraged to bring in an item for the locker.

The MSS Robotics team is going to their second and final competition of this year on March 29-31 at Nipissing University in North Bay. The athletic teams are hard at work preparing to represent MSS. The badminton team has been practicing daily for their upcoming competition in Elliot Lake, and the track & field team has been practicing as well after school.

The spring months are always busy, but the MSS Mustangs are making sure to have fun and help change the world. "Til next time, stay golden, Mustangs.



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