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Central Manitoulin Mayor Richard Stephens, right, presents Dot and Andy Watson with a certificate naming the couple as Central Manitoulin Seniors of the Year. The award was handed out during Mr. Watson's 100th birthday party held Sunday at the Sandfield Schoolhouse Community Centre.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Sandfield's Andy Watson celebrates 100th birthday; with wife Dot named Central Manitoulin 'Seniors of the Year'

by Alicia McCutcheon

SANDFIELD—The venerable Andy Watson of Sandfield, long-time proprietor of Watson's Store, among many other activities during his long life, was feted by his family and friends in honour of his 100th birthday last Sunday. Over 300 well-wishers stopped by to offer their congratulations.

The event, held at the Sandfield Schoolhouse Community Hall, saw a receiving line that went out the door for most of the afternoon—a testament to the affect Mr. Watson, and his wife Dot, have had on the community over the last 100 years.

Fellow centenarians Jean McCauley and Audrey Williamson, both of Tehkummah, stopped in to pay their respects and officially welcome Mr. Watson to their elite club.

"Just be yourself and play lots of crib," was Ms. McCauley's advice to Mr. Watson on being your best 100.

As part of the celebration, Central Manitoulin Mayor Richard Stephens was on hand to make a special presentation to the senior Watsons.

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Your community paper turns 138 today

Community partnership abiding vision over the years

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Expositor turns 138 today (Wednesday, May 24) and you are all invited down for a piece of cake and cup of punch.

We here at the paper are very pleased to be celebrating being Northern Ontario's oldest newspaper and the "paper of record" for Manitoulin. For over a century and a third we have recorded the comings and goings, the births and deaths, the marriages and other familial celebrations that mark the passage of generations as well as the singular accomplishments

of our sons and daughters (and now gender non-specific) both big and small.

But it is perhaps in our role as a partner to Manitoulin's diverse communities that we revel in the most. Whether it is in promoting Island businesses as they start out on their new ventures with an introductory story (a 'plug piece' in the newspaper lexicon), or the numerous "we are your neighbour" series we have run over the years to introduce the people who work behind the counter at Island busi-

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Wiikwemkoong Grandmothers reorganizing to stand against drug issues in the community

by Alicia McCutcheon

WIKWEMKOONG—Following the vicious attack on a 39-year-old Wiikwemkoong man by two men and two women, all from off-Island, on May 9, the Wiikwemkoong Grandmothers' movement has been resurrected.

In June of 2012, several grandmothers from the community held a daily protest at the Wiikwemkoong/Assiginack border on Wikwemikong Way, this after three people were charged following a forcible confinement and assault in an event that played out at the Wasse Abin Junior School, to the horror of the community. The Grandmothers were concerned with the drug problem occurring in the community and the often-violent events that seemed to accompany the drug trade and the drug pushers that the Wiikwemkoong Grandmothers felt were inundating the community. They took it upon themselves to be the eyes and ears of the community, watching over the border and letting any unwelcome visitors entering the territory know that they were being watched.

While this latest incident has not officially been tied to the drug trade by police, there are many who believe it is and this has prompted Marion Peltier and

Doris Recollet, two of the Grandmothers from the original grassroots movement, to call for a community meeting.

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Cup and Saucer owner closes entrance, looks at timbering the hiking trail area

by Alicia McCutcheon

BIDWELL ROAD—The popular Cup and Saucer hiking trail is closed for the foreseeable future as the owner of much of the trail area (including the parking lot and entry point) seeks to find a solution to his current financial restraints.

Casson Eadie, proprietor of Don Eadie Construction which owns much of the Cup and Saucer property, told the Expositor that it is with heavy heart that he made the decision to close the trail.

"The way I feel, I'm almost being forced into it," he told The Expositor.

Mr. Eadie counts a great deal on

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Birch Island community celebrates regaining part of its traditional lands

by Alicia McCutcheon

WHITEFISH RIVER—After decades of hard work and determination, Whitefish River First Nation can officially count the lands located north of the landmark potholes and surrounding McCutcheon Road, over 1800 acres, to the east of Whitefish Falls once again as their own.

Tuesday, May 16 marked the annual Treaty Annuity Day and as a special feature, the Addition to Reserve (ATR) celebration. The day began with a sunrise ceremony followed by the treaty annuity payments. After a delicious lunch of scone and corn soup (with episodes of Adventures in Rainbow Country providing a backdrop on the big screen), Chief Franklin Paibomsai addressed the celebratory group.

"Today is one of those special days when we get to celebrate the treaty," Chief Paibomsai said.

The chief explained that part of

the treaty process is land. "We've been working on it for some time and that land has now been returned to the community—it's certainly a wonderful thing to celebrate," he said.

Chief Paibomsai said that the day marked the treaty annuity payment for the 1850 Treaty, for which community members receive \$4.

"I think it's important that we start having conversations about this—our relationship (with the government) goes deeper than the \$4," the chief said.

Chief Paibomsai then walked everyone through the map of the ATR, pointing to the land known as Moose Point (a peninsula jutting into the Bay of Islands) that is still under discussion with the federal government. "It's time consuming and very frustrating," he said.

"All that work from the 1970s,

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Royal Canadian Legion Branch #177 elects executive

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #177 Little Current held its election last week. In photo, Comrade Debbie Menard is sworn in for another term as president. Vice president is Tom Stephens, second vice is Ruth Eadie, third vice is Ron Bowerman and directors are Paul Abbott, Linda Bowerman, John Mastelko, Sue Morin, Ted Musgrove, Aline Stephens and Norris Valiquette. "Having been president for two terms, I can say that we have come a very long way from being financially indebted in 2018 and the previous four years to a place of financial stability and soundness," President Menard said. "This comes from good leadership and guidance, a great executive team and group of volunteers."

photo by Comrade Roy Eaton

Inland waters recover from last fall's lows

by Michael Erskine

SUDBURY—Water levels in Manitoulin Island's many inland lakes were at distressingly low levels last fall, prompting concern among many local residents.

Partnership Specialist Derrick Luetchford of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's Sudbury office confirmed that the lakes generally monitored by the MNRF had rebounded fairly well over the winter and spring months.

"Mindemoya, Big and Manitou lakes are currently at the top of the summer water levels," he said in an email response to inquiries by The Expositor on the state of the lakes.

Mr. Luetchford noted that the MNRF had "no predictions for the summer," but added that the ministry "watches the weather, monitors the levels on a regular basis and manages the operating plan for each dam."

Last year, the water levels on inland lakes were a concern for residents, particularly those with shoreline residences whose waterlines could be impacted by low water levels over the winter months.

At that time, Brian Riche, Sudbury District resources management supervisor for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry had noted that "Water levels for Lake Manitou, Mindemoya Lake, Big Lake and Kagawong Lake are close to or below the bottom of recommended winter levels. We have had a past spring, summer and fall on the Island with below average rain fall. We will need significant snow this winter or significant spring rain to bring these lakes back up to for next summer."

It would appear that hope has come to fruition.

The issue last fall was by no means limited to Manitoulin's shores,

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FirstTel Communications launches high-speed Internet

WIIKWEMKOONG—FirstTel Communications Corporation (FirstTel), a local telecommunications company on Manitoulin Island owned and operated by the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory, has announced it has launched its unique Triple-Play featuring high-speed Internet, television and home phone service to members of the community.

FirstTel, with the assistance of WireE (Canada) Inc., has built a unique wireless solution to provide the Wiikwemkoong community with a high-speed Internet service which major telco and cable services were unable to provide.

In conjunction with the launch of its Internet and home phone services, FirstTel has also launched a full range of TV channels packaged and provided by VMedia Inc., one of Canada's leading independent TV distribution undertakings.

"We are very proud to have been chosen by FirstTel to serve the residents of the community and look forward to providing all of its homes with VMedia TV," said Alexei Tchernobrivets, CEO of VMedia. "It has been a pleasure working with FirstTel and WireE to implement the delivery of our service and we will continue to work with them to deliver our packages to the entire community."

The enhanced fibre solution using wireless broadband, the first of its kind developed by a First Nations community to serve its residents, enabled Wiikwemkoong to provide quality broadband Internet services to indigenous communities across Ontario. The partnership with WireE not only improved broadband coverage to over 200 households, but also led to the deployment of a new broadband fibre gateway to the

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Billings council decides to deny Hydro One permission to use Garlon on township lands

by Tom Sasvari

KAGAWONG—Billings township council has decided to deny Hydro One permission to use the herbicide Garlon as part of its standard operating procedures for vegetation clearing on township right of ways.

Meanwhile, the Stop Garlon group will be distributing a petition all over the Island this week, directed to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario and asking the Minister of Environment to change the body of the Pesticides Act.

Billings Councillor Barb Erskine had brought forward a motion for council to consider at its meeting last Monday evening that council deny Hydro One approval to use Garlon in its vegetation management program.

"I put forward the motion because we need to clarify where we (council) stand on this issue," said Councillor Erskine. "There has been some discussion by council and in response to a request and letter from Hydro asking for permission to spray. We need to put in what our decision is and that they have alternative ways to do the job, to cut back vegetation (manually) and not use any herbicides."

"Using the word herbicide is generic and this would mean use of all (herbicide sprays) being used," said Councillor Brian Parker.

"I can't agree with any motion that says (all) herbicides. I will only support this if it says they cannot use Garlon," stated Councillor Nora Bath-Haring.

Councillor Parker said that the Hydro One does not have the resources or manpower to do cutting as an alternative to cut back vegetation on right of ways instead of spraying. He pointed out the last time Hydro One crews did this work manually it took three years to clear most of the vegetation on his road, but due to the funding running out the work couldn't be completed.

Councillor Bath-Haring noted that any policy on Hydro One spraying or not, should be consistent across the Island. She pointed out Monument Road is half in the township and half in Central Manitoulin and requires an overall policy on any possible spraying.

Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack suggested looking at this on an Island-wide basis could be brought forward to the Manitoulin Municipal Association

"But they (Hydro One) needs an answer from us on their request to use Garlon," said Councillor Erskine.

"I won't agree with using the word herbicides in the motion," stated Councillor Bath-Haring.

It was pointed out by Councillor Parker that individual farmers use herbicides and any policy against the use of sprays could impact them.

Farmers and those involved in agriculture work can decide if they want to use herbicides on their individual properties, said Councillor Erskine. "But it is unnecessary for controlling vegetation by Hydro One, to use on our (Billings) property."

"There is no way they will be able to do this vegetation cutback manually on the Island, they don't have the resources of funding," said Councillor

Parker.

Councillor Erskine questioned what the extra cost to Hydro One is by carrying out this work manually, and Councillor Parker said, "it would be in the thousands of dollars."

It was noted by Councillor Bath-Haring that she would want the word Garlon in the motion taken out and the word herbicides put in before she would vote in favour of the motion.

"My fear is that there has been so much bad information put forward on the chemical Garlon, on how bad it is, but we haven't heard both sides of the story," said Councillor Parker.

"We have been discussing this issue for seven weeks," stated Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack. "In that time we have heard only one side of the story. No one said it is okay to use Garlon spray, the only people that we've heard from are against it."

"I think the majority of people just don't care about it," said Councillor Alkenbrack. "All we are doing is responding to Hydro One's letter. If we pass the motion we are saying no to Garlon this time, not banning it in the township."

"So the issue will come back again in the future," said Councillor Bath-Haring.

Councillor Erskine said she has read what is happening in Muskoka and the stance by council. She pointed out there has been no catastrophes reported there in using Garlon. However, "we have also been told if Garlon is sprayed properly and the weather conditions are right, there is no problem. But if we don't want to have any risk from the spray, we shouldn't use it at all."

The motion put forward by Councillor Erskine was to take out the word herbicides and instead include Garlon.

Councillor Parker requested a recorded vote be taken.

The motion denying approval to Ontario Hydro to use Garlon on Billings Township properties in its vegetation management program was voted on with Councillors Erskine, Alkenbrack, Bath-Haring and Mayor Hunt in favour and Councillor Parker against it. However, Councillor Parker then said he would support the motion as the rest of council has. But, he added, "I'm truly against it (denying Hydro One the use of Garlon)."

Paul Darlston of the Stop Garlon group said in an email to the Recorder after the meeting, "in parallel with the Stop Garlon action to successfully persuade Billings Township council to deny Hydro One permission to use Garlon spraying as part of their standard operating procedures for vegetation clearing on their right of ways, we are also about to launch a petition (Island-wide) to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to ask the Minister of the Environment to make changes to the Pesticide Act and/or its regulations."

The petition reads in part, "we the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly as follows: that it should consider either A) changing the body of the Pesticides Act; and/or B) the related regulations, to

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more letters

Third time lucky—or calmer at least

Reader crafts reasoned response to letter deemed offensive to First Nations

To the Expositor:

This is my third attempt to write a response to the “Letter to the Editor” from Bob Lewis. The first one was a knee jerk reaction, a not well written, quick letter, voicing my disdain for the content and wording from Bob Lewis. The second one was, OMG...don’t print that. Once in a while, even if just for a moment, we have to stand up for what we believe to be true and right.

I found Mr. Bob Lewis’ letter to be extremely offensive to First Nations. (Mr. Lewis, you get the “First” part of “First Nations” don’t you?), to the artist commissioned to do the work, and the tourists (Chinese or otherwise) who spend thousands of dollars each and every year while they visit and appreciate Manitoulin Island.

Part of the lure for visitors is the rich culture and history this Island offers. The artwork on the Chi-Cheemaun highlights a portion of what awaits those visitors, should they choose to explore and learn more of Canada’s remark-

able stories.

As for the drums, well I’m not a fan of country and western music. That’s why I don’t visit Nashville, and I have an ample supply of ear plugs when my grandchildren crank up their Chucky Slick hockey CD in my car. Music, of any type, is a form of expression and storytelling; some traditional, some religious, some culture specific and some, just, well...Chucky Slick.

I still have my grandchildren’s Grade 2 artwork pinned on my fridge, and although they never won an art contest either, it is beautiful to me. Art, like music, is subjective. We like what we like, and try to appreciate the effort put forth by the artist.

The Parks Canada representative is there to inform those who are willing to learn should they choose to. During the 38 years I have travelled on the “Cheech” I have never once heard, “We have a shortage of rattlesnakes.” I understand the cost to ride the Chi-Cheemaun is an issue,

but I’m pretty sure that less than 25 cents came directly from your return fare to pay for the artwork. Please note, Mr. Lewis, I have managed to not only get my feelings and opinions stated, I have done so without the use of any venomous language or unnecessary negative implications directed towards you. A bit of sarcasm perhaps, but no venom.

The other option for those who wish to bypass the Chi-Cheemaun is the 401 to 400 (407 to bypass Toronto for only about \$13 per trip). Google it.

You see, you have a choice. We all do. I choose to embrace, and endeavour to learn from my country’s history, including that which predates Sir John A. McDonald.

**Susan Reeb
Manitowaning**

Trustee raises concerns over general public visiting police office in schools

This is a road best left untravelled

To the Expositor:

Re: Board space options provide hope of saving declining rural schools (Manitoulin West Recorder, May 12, Page 1)

As your elected trustee on the Rainbow District School Board I feel it imperative to share with you my feelings in regards to the suggestion by the OPP, who expressed interest in having a community liaison office or space for their officer who would be exclusive to the schools.

I myself as a retired OPP officer, and, to my knowledge, this position continues to this day (with the present community services officer) visited educational facilities on the Island/Espanola on a regular basis for the sole purpose of liaising with students and building trust with our youth. Please note, this relationship with the police was available only for the students/staff of the school. Members of the public, or those with no reason to visit a school did not have an open invitation but rather attend the local police office.

I hope this current relationship (officers available in the school to students/staff only) is protected as seriously as a law/rule/regulation.

The term usually used is “store front policing.” I am concerned that parolees, criminals out on bail, sex deviates, or violent persons who are required to report to police as a term of release will roam our schools. This is not good, it is dangerous. The doors in our schools are locked now for a reason, there are cameras that monitor hallways and outdoor yards. There is good reason for this protecting our kids.

Do not depend on a judge/lawyer when releasing or requesting the release of the criminal element on bail/parole to direct/mandate schools are not to be used for reporting purposes. You must know our judicial system protects and covets the criminal element from being placed in undue hardship. A criminal could claim violation of charter of rights because he/she had to drive to Little Cur-

rent as opposed to attending a police “community liaison” office. As well, you will be sold some ideas to circumvent this happening, ie only criminals with non-violent offences are allowed to attend. No, absolutely not.

While a well meaning offer by the police, this is not worth the risk. Schools are for educating our youth only. I am concerned about many government or private entities that are eligible to rent space in our schools, but the criminal element indeed scares me.

I have shared this with the director of education drawing on my 30 years of policing but I see the idea still lives on.

Be aware, do not travel this road and make yourself heard in your community through your Parent Council or write the Rainbow Board for my attention.

**Larry Killens, trustee
South Baymouth**

Publishing offensive letter was gratuitous, unnecessary and counterproductive

Regular ferry rider responds to criticisms of new look for ferry

To the Expositor:

“Totally repulsive and very racist” describes in his own words the letter you printed from Bob Lewis. The letter appears to be the last place finish in a Grade 2 essay contest, again his own words. As a frequent ferry traveller over the past 50 years, I also have the privilege of seeing the Chi-Cheemaun every day on my way to work in Owen Sound where it winters. I am very proud not only of this ferry, built in Collingwood, but of the new design. I recall travelling on board in the first month of the ship’s opera-

tion.

Having read his letter, I honestly wonder what books Mr. Lewis reads on the ferry. The terminology in his letter does not reflect a well-read individual. There are many books that describe how both the Bruce Peninsula and the Manitoulin Island were initially set aside for the Anishnaabe people but then were taken over by settlers. There are many books about how the Anishnaabe were taken to residential schools and their culture and language stolen from them. It is astounding to me that someone living on the

Island would be unaware of or incapable of understanding these facts.

Further, The Expositor need to take extreme care in printing such letters, if they choose to do so. The expression of such sentiments is totally gratuitous, unnecessary and counterproductive.

**David Cox
Owen Sound**

Tobermory reader chances on nauseous letter to the editor

“I will no longer sit idly by as an accomplice”

To the Expositor:

My name is Yvette Roberts and I live and work in Tobermory during the tourist season. I came across your paper while on board the Chi-Cheemaun ferry this week (May 18). And in so doing I read a letter sent to you by Bob Lewis of South Baymouth. And I have to say, the waves on the water that day did not make me as nauseous as the comments made by Mr. Lewis did.

Repulsive and racist were terms he used and I would also use these terms towards his comments. Commenting on the new exterior art as repulsive and to suggest a name

change or rebrand suggesting 80 percent of people would know the names of John A. McDonald or Mr. Pearson speaks to his ignorance and white man privilege in the extreme. And I say this as a white woman who is a friend and ally to our original people. And if we know those names more than the names and significance of our first peoples then that too is a fault of our society and our education and political systems.

If you do not want to hear drumming or teachings by elders or Parks Canada staff (which happens so rarely and is generally advertised in advance) then please sit in any of

the other places on the vessel available to you.

It is rare for me to write or respond to comments from the general public, but I could not sit quietly on this occasion. I will no longer apologize for the words or deeds of white people who came before me nor those that walk and harm these lands today but I will also no longer sit quietly as an accomplice.

**Yvette Roberts
Tobermory**

A Northern Ontario Party official writes to clarify party’s rationale

If all 11 Northern Ontario MPPs were NOP they would hold the balance of power at Queen’s Park

To the Expositor:

What the Northern Ontario Party can represent. I would like to clarify what our party stands for and why we intend on running candidates for the upcoming provincial election.

The media likes to generalize us as a separatist party. Northern Ontario is already a separate province with all the burdens, but none of the benefits. Our region produces a surplus of electrical power, yet our Hydro rates are among the highest in the country. Toronto politicians have decided to use our region as a dumping ground for nuclear

waste; yet, our region doesn’t produce any nuclear power.

We have abundant resources in mining and forestry, yet have next to no processing or manufacturing regarding these very resources. These are just a few examples of the imbalance and neglect Northern Ontario faces. Ironically, the Northern Ontario Party has the best chance in uniting an already divided province. First off by electing 11 NOP members in all our ridings, we would hold the balance of power in the Provincial Legislature with a minority government. Due to a lack of leadership from all major GTA parties, that could be a strong possibility. Fur-

ther to this, since we do not blindly subscribe to any left wing/right wing doctrine, it doesn’t matter which party forms the next provincial government. If Northern Ontario is treated fairly and just, we will support that government.

For more information about our party’s policies and platform, visit our website or text “Northern Ontario Party” on Facebook. Also, we welcome you to attend any of our future public meetings.

**Andy Wolff
Northern Ontario Party CFO**

Gravel tender awarded with debate from Northeast Town council

Two out of three bids rejected for not including bid bond

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—The annual gravel tender for the Northeast Town was awarded to Calvin Pearson Construction for \$113,575 plus HST, but was met with a great deal of debate from council prior to the motion being carried as two other bids were rejected for not including a bid bond or certified cheque.

Town CAO Dave Williamson explained to council that the municipality received three tenders but that the tenders from Mike Varey and Son Construction and Don Eadie Construction had been rejected because the bids had been submitted without a bid bond or certified cheque for 10 percent of the bid.

“It was well publicized that a bid bond or certified cheque for 10 percent of the bid is needed when submitting a bid,” said Mr. Williamson. “Both of the bidders who didn’t do this have bid on projects with the town before and know that this is a requirement of our purchase policy.”

Mr. Williamson also told council that one of the suppliers whose bid was rejected called ahead of submitting their tender, asking if they could submit without a bid bond or cheque. “I told the individual, ‘absolutely not’ and explained that it is part of our purchase policy,” said Mr. Williamson.

“Did we look at the prices of the bids that were rejected?”

asked Councillor Michael Erskine.

Mr. Williamson responded that when the tender process is being completed by staff, if they open a bid that does not include a bid bond or certified cheque, the bid is placed aside and is rejected, excluded from the process.

“This sets off alarm bells for me that we only have bid,” said Councillor Erskine. “I don’t believe that this is in the best interest of the ratepayers. In my opinion, we should retender. Also, the single bid that we did receive is fairly high. I’m concerned and would be more comfortable if we retendered.”

“How do you know it is over priced?” asked Councillor Marcel Gauthier to Councillor Erskine.

Councillor Erskine told The Expositor following the meeting that, “My understanding after speaking with town staff is that this year’s price is about 20 percent higher than last year.”

“I don’t pretend to be an expert in gravel, but I’m concerned that two bids did not meet the requirements,” said Councillor Erskine. “It throws me off a bit. I think retendering makes sense because it strikes me as odd that there was the same issue with both suppliers.”

Councillor Erskine inquired if any of the suppliers who bid did not meet the gravel testing requirements in the past.

Mr. Williamson said that there have been no problems with the suppliers’ gravel quality in the past. He explained that companies are required to have their gravel tested or that the town sends the gravel away to be tested to ensure

its quality. “We have never had a gravel fail those tests,” said Mr. Williamson.

“Have we rebid other projects in the past because we only got one bid?” asked Councillor Paul Skippen.

Mr. Williamson said that council had, giving the example of when the municipality’s insurance company asked the town to because they felt the bid was out of line.

“Realistically we only received one tender, for all intents and purposes,” said Councillor Erskine.

“The problem is that for the other two bidders, will it be different if we did?” asked Mayor Al MacNevin, noting that the suppliers knew they needed to submit a bid bond or certified cheque and chose not to or were unable to.

Councillor Erskine and Councillor Skippen put a motion on the table to retender the gravel.

In a recorded vote, Councillors Laurie Cook, Michael Erskine, Melissa Peters and Paul Skippen voted to retender the gravel, while Councillors Marcel Gauthier, Dawn Orr, Bruce Wood and Mayor MacNevin voted against the motion. Since the motion was tied, it was defeated.

In a recorded vote to award the gravel tender to Calvin Pearson Construction, Councillors Cook, Marcel Gauthier, Dawn Orr, Melissa Peters, Bruce Wood and Al MacNevin voted in favour of the motion. Councillor Michael Erskine and Paul Skippen moved against the motion. A motion was carried to award the Northeast Town gravel tender to Calvin Pearson Construction.



Law & Order

Wiky assault update

WIJKWEMKOONG—The 39-year-old Wikwemkoong man who was hospitalized following a brutal assault by two men and two women on May 9 is out of hospital and recuperating at home.

UCCM Anishnaabe Police apprehended the four suspects in Little Current as they were attempting to flee Manitoulin following the assault.

As a result of the joint investigation between the Wikwemikong Tribal Police and Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), Angela Filazzola, a 22-year-old female from Scarborough, and Taun Dixon-Johnson, a 26-year-old male from Toronto, have both been charged with assault with a weapon and aggravated assault. Shamar Shaw, a 23-year-old male from Pickering, faces charges of assault with a weapon, aggravated assault and fail to comply with a probation order. Billie-Jean Mills, a 22-year-old female from Sudbury, has been charged with assault with a weapon, aggravated assault and failing to comply with a probation order (three counts).

Drivers along Highway 6 may have noticed police officers searching the sides of the road for evidence last Tuesday. This was related to the assault case.

All four of the accused will be in bail court this Friday, May 26 in Wikwemkoong.



Tyson, a Grade 9 student at Manitoulin Secondary School, tries out the UCCM Anishnaabe Police outdoor fitness course at the Police Week activity day hosted by the UCCM Police at the M’Chigeeng beach last week.

Provincial Police Week ‘Working Together for Safer Communities’ celebrated on Manitoulin

by Robin Burrige

M’CHIGEENG—The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service hosted a Police Week activity day at the M’Chigeeng beach in partnership with youth service providers on the Island which fits in with this year’s Provincial Police Week theme ‘Working Together for Safer Communities.’

“Today is a collaboration between the UCCM (Anishnaabe Police), paramedics (Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB)), various health services and Manitoulin youth service providers,” explained Michelle Jones, the Aboriginal Support Worker at Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS). “We invited all the Grade 8 First Nation, Metis and Inuit students from across Manitoulin and had workshops for them about preparing for high school and community networking and volunteer hours.”

The event opened up to MSS students at lunch, with activities including: a free barbecue, a UCCM Police outdoor fitness course, beach volleyball, UCCM Police vehicle and DSB ambulance equipment show and shine.

“We were excited to engage students and help them connect with the services that are in the community,” said Ms. Jones, who noted that the event had had a great turnout.

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Manitoulin Tennis!

The Manitoulin Tennis Club hosted their 'Black Fly' Tennis tournament this past Saturday, May 20. It was a beautiful day for tennis, with just enough breeze to keep the bugs away. Players rotated through various partners and had a great day of doubles tennis. Top players for the day were **Bryce Mastelko**, **Keith McKeen** and **Chris Theijsmeijer**. It was a great day to shake off the winter rust and now regular sessions will run at 6:30 on Wednesdays and Sundays through the summer. New players are always welcome and lessons are available upon request. Come out for fun, exercise and social time. For more information contact **Chris Theijsmeijer** at 968-0404 or join the 'Manitoulin Tennis Club' Facebook group.

After their success at NSSSA Tennis in early May 5 the MSS Mustangs journeyed to Sudbury to play on the indoor courts in the NOSSA championships. The competition was stiff as our players came up against many club players. The doubles team of **Maddy Niven** and **Alayna Cranston** lost a squeaker to the top Sudbury team, missing out on a spot at OFSAA by the equivalent of a single shot. They later won the bronze match and finished the day in 3rd place. **Bryce Mastelko** finished in fourth in Men's singles, also one spot out of qualifying for OFSAA, while **Nathan Howard** and **Jackie Cooper** finished fourth on the day as well. They represented their school and island well for the day demonstrate excellent skills and sportsmanship. Congratulations to all Mustang players including their **Coach Chris Theijsmeijer** on at tremendous season for 2017!

Local Pickleball club welcomes new and seasoned players

The Manitoulin Pickleball Club has once again opened their door to anyone interested in their popular sport. The group meets every Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 10 am to 12 pm and on Thursday evenings (6 to 8 pm) at the NEMI Curling Club.

The group features provincially competitive and rank amateurs who are all out to have a good time as well as offer their experience to players who are new to the sport with lessons and coaching.

Summer-ish hockey!

As many of you are aware, for most elite minor hockey players there is no rest in the summer. Since summer hockey has no governing body a team can select players from anywhere as long as they have the proper birthdate. The tournaments that are organized are of a high-quality, sometimes higher than winter triple A. Two Island players, **Sam Assinewai** of Aundek Omni Kaning and **Carson Shawana** of Wiikwemkoong, were selected by the Newport Elites to play in a Toronto-based, triple A and elite tournament, the Bauer Shoot-out this past weekend.

The boys, both of whom played for the Nickel City Sons this past winter, led their team to the championship final where they picked up the silver medal. The team had three wins and only one loss in the round-robin. One of those games ended as a 2-1 victory where Assinewai picked up the MVP award. Unfortunately they lost 5 to 2 in the final. Good work lads and good luck in your next tournament at the end of May.

Congrats to **Everett Webkamigad (Brad and Liz)** for once again being selected to the Can-Am team for the Las Vegas AAA tournament the first weekend in July. This squad won the gold last year at this tournament.

Mindemoya's **Liam Bridgeman** travelled to Kingston on the May 12th weekend to take part in the Ontario Prospects Hockey Challenge. Having been scouted at the Ottawa Winterblast Tournament this past season while playing for his Manitoulin Panther Peewee team, Liam joined a team of provincially selected players to form the Ontario Prospects side. The group quickly came together to post a 2 - 1 record in the round robin. They then avenged their lone, 6 - 5 round robin loss to the AAA Flamme Olympique, defeating them 5 - 3 in the semis. That left a final against the Prospects East side from the Maritimes, a game in which the Ontario Prospects took, 4 - 2 to win the tournament. Liam finished with 6 goals and 11 assists in the 5 games played.

Sudbury Rocks

Congratulations to the strong Manitoulin contingent of participants who competed in the Sudbury Rocks race weekend. In the Half marathon hats off to the runners who completed the 21km distance: **Steve Fessenden**, **Tammy Rolston**, **Leslie Ryan-Marshall**, **Randy Recollet**, **Paula Recollet**, **Myrna Wemigwans**, **Karlene Fox**, **Samuel Gilchrist**, **Zoe Corbiere** and **Sandy Jacko**.

In the 10k, hats off to: **Kristen Patterson**, **Alison MacNeil**, **Lyndsay Brisard** and **Jacinta Manitowabi**.

The 5k was closely contested between two Manitoulin runners with **Rommie Hamod** of Little Current breaking the tape at 18:37 and Wikwemikong's **Aurel Fox-Recollet** just seconds behind! Also clocking great races were: **Camryn Beaudry**, **Ben Marshall**, **Francesca Pheasant**, **Akasha Piche**, **Patrick Beaudry**, **Shaolin Roy**, **Mikailla Staruck**, **Lisa Bondy**, **Natalia Pitawanakwat**, **Jessica Marshall**, **Jacqueline Odjig**, **HJ McCarley Baker**, **Sarah Odjig**, **Kimberly Knobel**, **Mary Kate St. George**, **Jodi Fox**, **Shannon Manitowabi**, **Alexis Lewis**, **Briana Mishibinjima**, **Robin Cooper**, **Amanda Otsquaiob**, **Mary-Jo Peltier**, **Brenda Beaudry** and **Bernadette Pangowish**.

Sports' Chips

Dion Killens (Mark and Kim) grabbed a 2nd place finish in the 800 metre final at WOSSSA. This qualifies him for OFSSA. It seems that he's faster than former Manitoulin Rep hockey player, father, **Mark**.

Congrats to **MacKenzie Shigwadja** on being named to the All-Ontario Native Lacrosse team for the NAIG North American games.

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Wiikwemkoong runner dedicates half marathon to her son's memory

by Robin Burrige

SUDBURY—Wiikwemkoong runner Myrna Wemigwans participated in the Sudbury Rocks half-marathon earlier this month, dedicating her run to her son Nicholas who passed away last year.

"This is my second time running in the Sudbury Rocks," said Ms. Wemigwans. "This was my first Mother's Day without my son Nicolas so I decided to dedicate my run to him."

Nicolas was celebrating his 21st birthday last August when he drowned while swimming in King's Bay in Wiikwemkoong.

Two years ago Ms. Wemigwans began running as part of a lifestyle change due to her health.

Ms. Wemigwans finished the half-marathon this year with a time of 2:03:35. She was joined by her 15-year-old niece Liza-Jane Wemigwans-Manitowabi. Wiikwemkoong was very well represented at Sudbury Rocks with runners including: Cameryn Beaudry, Francesca Pheasant, Patrick Beaudry, Shaolin Roy, Dominic Beaudry, Lisa Bondy, Natalia Pitawanakwat, Jacqueline Odjig, Sarah Odjig, Jodi Fox, Shannon Manitowabi, Brianna Mishibinjima, Brenda Beaudry, Bernadette Pangowish, Randy Recollet, Paula Recollet, Karlene Fox, Lyndsay Brisard and Jacinta Manitowabi.

RIGHT: Myrna Wemigwans, right, finished the Sudbury Rocks half-marathon earlier this month with a time of 2:03:35, dedicating her race to her son Nicolas who drowned last year. Ms. Wemigwans raced with her niece Liza-Jane Wemigwans-Manitowabi.



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New Little Current club hits the ground running

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—You can't run away from your problems, they say, but you can certainly run toward a solution. Running, it seems, is a growing phenomenon on Island roads and trails and the more people run, the more they come to view the pastime with passion.

A trio of Little Current runners, Romme Kabron, Kasha Piche and Steve Fessenden have decided to share their love of running with other like-minded souls and have come together to form the Little Current Running Club.

Ms. Piche sat down with The Expositor to talk about the new group and what inspired them to form the club.

"(It was) Romme's success and passion for running (that) inspired the running group," she said. "We have been running together for some time now and he continues to inspire me every day. I am sure you have heard the saying, 'surround yourself with people who have dreams, desire, and ambition; they'll help you push for and realize your own.' The group was created with this quote in mind."

Mr. Kabron had noted that Little Current did not have its own running club, explained Ms. Piche, and together the duo decided to create one. The choice of goal was an easy one.

"Whenever I find myself conversing with another in regard to running, I often hear the same remarks," she said. "One of the most commonly repeated remarks is, 'I can't run.' Our goal is to help people realize their potential and change the community person by person. This group is about supporting runners, or aspiring runners, from all different backgrounds in their journey towards their goal and celebrating each other's success."

Ms. Piche began running in elementary school. "I was part of the ADHD group so they put me in athletics," she said. "I ran up to high school, but stopped running as much. Since then I had been running off and on." Recently she took up the sport again.

"My personal goal is to do an 18-minute five kilometre," she said.

Mr. Fessenden, a teacher at Little Current Public School, was a great addition to the team. "He has run in more than 40 marathons," said Ms. Piche.

One of the short term goals is to have a group of runners getting together for a run three times a week for 30 minutes, a Facebook poll favoured Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

As for age groups, "children are welcome, but they must be accompanied by an adult," said Ms. Piche. "People can come out and walk, run or cycle," she said. "It's totally up to them."

The initial route will set out from Little Current's Low Island Park and include the waterfront.

Island shot putter finishes off first college season

Joseph Maxwell preps to attend provincial champions

by Robin Burrige

EVANSVILLE—Island shot putter Joseph Maxwell has just returned home to Manitoulin after completing his first year at the University of Tennessee (UOT) and is preparing to compete at provincial, national and world meets this summer in the under 20 division.

The 19-year-old Evansville athlete was accepted on a track and field scholarship last year to UOT and competed this January in the indoor US university track and field competitions.

"I redshirted my outdoor (track and field) season with UOT this year so I could have an extra season of availability in the future," explained Joseph. "This also gave me the ability to come home early and train to compete in my last year of the Under 20 division at provincials, nationals and the worlds."

The 'redshirt' will allow him to continue to attend classes at the college and be a part of the team, but not play. It will allow Joseph, who is on scholarship, an additional year of eligibility as he did not compete the full year (he will be able to compete a fifth year for the UOT team).

Joseph said he had a good indoor season, competing at several meets and placing third in two.

"With the indoor I was only able to do shot put, not discus, but I did pretty good," said Joseph. "It was a big step up—the athletes were older and the competition was a lot harder. The American system is very strong. I'm happy with how I did for my first year."

Despite taking a redshirt for the university outdoor season, Joseph was able to compete in three meets hosted at his school.

"It was a lot of learning," Joseph added. "I felt like when I started (in shot put) in Canada and I had to work



Evansville athlete Joseph Maxwell competing for the University of Tennessee in shot put.

my way up over the years. This journey to the top is going to be harder, but I think I can get there."

He said it was also a challenge getting used to throwing a 16 pound shot, which is the college and Olympic standard, opposed to six kg (13 pounds) which is the Under 20 weight.

Joseph has joined a club at York University and will be competing with them at provincials.

"I have a qualifier the first week of June at York University," he said. "Based on those scores I plan to qualify for Provincials June 18-19 in Windsor and Nationals July 6-9 in Ottawa. I

need to be in the top two for Worlds (Pan American Junior Champions in Peru in July)."

Joseph has been training hard since returning to Manitoulin on May 11. "I've been working remotely with my UOT coach, training and sending him videos of me throwing for feedback," said Joseph. "When I start training with the York University club, my coach there will be coordinating with my UOT coach to make sure I'm on the right track. It will be a busy summer, but I'm looking forward to it."



Black Fly Tennis

The Black Fly Tennis Tournament was held Saturday at the Manitoulin Secondary School tennis courts. It was a great day of tennis, perfect weather and good mix of players getting out to shake off the winter rust. Players are, from left, Bryce Mastelko, John Corbiere, Joanna Rosenbaum, Keith McKeen, Chris Theijsmeijer, Dan Marois, Perry Bebaamaash and Marc Poirier. Top players were Bryce Mastelko, Keith McKeen and Chris Theijsmeijer. The tennis group meets Wednesdays and Sundays throughout the summer at 6:30 pm and all are welcome.

Manitoulin Secondary School

Player Profile

by Yohana Ogbamichael

Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association



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Maddy Niven

Maddy Niven is an athletic, kind and funny grade 11 student at Manitoulin Secondary School. When Maddy was in public school she was on the track and field, 3-pitch, cross country, volleyball, basketball and soccer team. At the age of three, Maddy started playing hockey and has been playing ever since. She played for the Mindemoya Thunder, Manitoulin Panthers, and the MSS hockey team. She has been noticed for her skill by being awarded MVP and most improved player. Her favourite sport is hockey because she has always loved the game and its competitiveness. Maddy has been on the girl's hockey team at MSS for the past 3 years and was on the basketball team when she was in grade 9. This year, Maddy was on the tennis team competing in the women's double competition alongside Alayna Cranston. She made it to NOSSA last year when she was in grade 10 and again this year. In the future, Maddy is planning on trying out for the school's track and field, badminton and cross country team. She enjoys the challenges sports give you while having fun and staying fit. During the summer months, Maddy enjoys motocross racing and playing baseball. She maintains an active lifestyle in school and outside of school which demonstrates commitment and determination to sports. Her brother is her inspiration in life because he always pushes her to do better and never gives up on her. Even when she does fail he is always supportive of the things that she does. She admires his genuine character and his athleticism and hopes to be like him one day. In school, Maddy's favourite subjects are math and gym. She enjoys spending time with her friends and participating in school sports. After high school, Maddy would like to go into teaching. Congratulations Maddy for your athletic and academic accomplishments so far! Your hard work and dedication will serve to assist you in all aspects of your life.

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...Cup and Saucer owner closes trail entrance

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municipal gravel contracts to help bolster his construction business finances, but due to a number of reasons, these contracts have been few and far between these days, he admits.

Last week, the Northeast Town awarded its gravel tender to Calvin Pearson Construction. The other two tenders, Mike Varey and Son Construction and Don Eadie Construction, were not accepted because neither of them had included a 10 percent bond, as had been stipulated in the tender document. It is Mr. Eadie's view that with just one tender accepted, the gravel bid should have been re-tendered.

Mr. Eadie told The Expositor that he has always had big dreams for the Cup and Saucer trail, including making it a year-round attraction, creating wheelchair accessible trails and has even thought about locating a restaurant of some kind at the base of the trail but these things cost money. He said he has enquired as to government grants that could help him get some of these ideas off the ground because it



A sign at the entrance to the Cup and Saucer trail warns people away from the trail. The sign appeared before the start of the Victoria Day long weekend.

involves one of Manitoulin's foremost tourist attractions, but because he is a private business, there is no help for him, he says. Mr. Eadie said he has approached the Northeast Town, the Manitoulin Tourism Association, LAMBAC and private businesses asking for help, but so far to no avail.

"I could sell it, but there'd be no trail," he said.

"They're in it for the aggregates."

"I've been trying to get someone to help me do something," Mr. Eadie added.

Later this week Mr. Eadie will be showing the property to a timber interest and, if the price is right, the property could be timbered, making the trails dangerous for hikers.

"I didn't want to do this,"

Mr. Eadie lamented. "But I have no choice."

Mr. Eadie said he is open to suggestions from the public and could reverse his decision if a workaround is found, adding that he knows the trail's importance to the tourism economy and reiterating the fact that this is not his first choice.

photo by Michael Erskine

...Wiikwemkoong Grandmothers reorganizing

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"The first protest we had, it was kind of unplanned, but this time we're getting everything organized," Marion Peltier told The Expositor on Monday. She noted that she has so far met with the band program manager and the Wikwemikong Tribal Police but was still waiting to have a meeting with property management.

"The Wikwemikong Grandmothers are back," she said. Ms. Peltier and Ms. Recollet are hosting a community meeting for band members on Monday, May 29 at 6 pm at the band council chambers. She said she wants to bring the topic of drugs in the community to the forefront and brainstorm on ideas on what the next steps should be.

"I want it to be peaceful, with no negativity," Ms. Peltier said. "We are hoping the OPP to be there too, not just the Tribal Police, because it's their problem too."

"Somebody has to stand up," she continued. "A lot of people are too scared to do something about it. I wish the whole of Manitoulin would do something too."

"Maybe everyone will start doing something," the Grandmother added. "If other people want some help to get organized, they can contact me on Facebook."

Ms. Peltier said the Grandmothers will likely hold a demonstration this summer, but probably not at the border as it has been deemed too unsafe. "We'll see what the band members come up with at our meeting," she said. "We need their input."

Ms. Peltier said the assault of May 9 was most definitely the push they needed.

"It's everywhere," she said of the drug problems plaguing Manitoulin, "but we need to focus on us, on our community, right now."

...celebrates regaining part of its traditional lands

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1980s, 1990s and on finally came to fruition," he said. "Next is Moose Point."

Chief Paibomsai said that community members will see the First Nation working on gaining lands back north of the defined reserve. "Is that a surprise?" he asked. "No. That was what Chief Waubekeke told the surveyors (the scope of the territory)."

"We have more territory now than we historically have had," Chief Paibomsai said, noting the 3.4 kilometres of McCutcheon Road.

"Successive councils have made this happen," the chief continued. "I just got to see it through. Chimiigwetch to those councils. They were the start of that work."

The chief noted the beauty of the new lands, which were acquired last year.

Following an inquiry from the audience as to Killarney Provincial Park and its borders, Chief Paibomsai explained that the park skips over Whitefish River's territory.

"We are always reminding the province that your boundaries don't supersede ours," he added, noting the many layers, from mining to forestry to parks, that infringe on their lands.



Chief Franklin Paibomsai, elder Ferdinand Paibomsai and Whitefish River First Nation band manager Nishin Meawasige unveil the new sign at the start of McCutcheon Road announcing it as treaty territory.

photo by Alicia McCutcheon

Lisa McGregor asked what the catalyst was that finally made the ATR happen.

Band Councillor Esther Osche explained that this was the result of much research and document gathering that resulted in a picture of the original territory.

"We (the lands depart-

ment) were then told by council to talk to the elders," Councillor Osche continued, adding that this meant going door to door and asking people 'what do you remember about the land?'

"Elders were integral to the process," she said. "These missing pieces

came together."

Council then created a plan of retrieval before sitting down with the government to identify the lands and the claims that were staked.

"There are mining claims everywhere," Councillor Osche said.

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Northeast Town sees operating deficit for 2016 budget

by Robin Burridge

LITTLE CURRENT—The Northeast Town saw a \$115,983.44 deficit in the 2016 operating budget due to overspending.

“From an auditing perspective, it (the audit of the 2016 financial statements) was a clean opinion with no issues or concerns,” said Northeast Town CAO Dave Williamson following the presentation of the Northeast Town’s 2016 consolidated financial statements by Freelandt Caldwell Reilly Chartered Professional Accountants last week.

Mr. Williamson explained that following the audit, staff takes the audit accrual back to a cash basis—essentially trying to assess if the town raised the right amount of money through taxation to pay the municipal bills.

“In a cash basis we had a \$115,983.44 operating deficit,”

said Mr. Williamson. “This is a direct result of a 12.3 percent increase to hydro rates from what staff budgeted for, \$40,000 in additional work that needed to be done at the information booth building (Manitoulin Welcome Centre) and \$20,000 which was spent on the development of the municipality’s Official Plan.”

“On the capital side, we had a \$36,290.76 deficit which was due to additional expenses charged to the town for the Jeffery Drain,” added Mr. Williamson. “Council’s policy is that we do not use one time funding in operations, so we put the \$224,000 that we received from the sale of land and the \$60,638 from policing in the working capital reserve. We then transferred the funds out of the working capital (\$152,274.20) to pay for the deficit leaving \$132,363.80 in the

working capital as this year’s net contribution.”

“The deficit was a direct result of unforeseen costs such as increases to hydro,” commented Mr. Williamson. “Council is motivated to control the tax rate (during budget review), but we still need to raise sufficient funds to pay the bills.”

..Inland waters recover from last fall’s lows

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Mr. Riche went on to note last fall that “in MNRF Sudbury district, we manage and track water levels for 16 MNRF operating dams. Of the 13 dams not on the Island, eight of them are

near to the bottom of their recommended winter range.”

The winter’s precipitation and spring runoff appears to have provided the current rebound and replenished the Island

lakes, but the spectre of the impact of global warming stands threateningly in the wings and fueling concerns for the future.

That being said, management plans for inland lakes are not currently being

reviewed or revised.

“There are no plans to review the water levels outlined in the management plans for the above dams,” confirmed Mr. Luetchford. What the future holds remains to be seen.

FirstTel Communications launches high-speed Internet

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community, which provided three times the existing bandwidth at less cost, ensuring sufficient capacity to handle the requirements of all community stakeholders and created incremental revenue streams through colocation fees to existing and new carriers.

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implement an alternative broadband telecommunications service which will increase opportunities for economic development and quality of life for the Wiikwemkoong community,” Rob Barlow, CEO, WireIE, “Wiikwemkoong now has access to broadband Internet, bringing them up to par with established communities across Canada and we look forward to implementing this solution to other

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limit all use of pesticides by utilities only to extreme circumstances and only on noxious non-native invasive weeds or plants which are displacing native varieties and only when all other options have been eliminated

(rather than pesticides) being used as part of Standard Operating Procedure to sterilize re-growth on land on their right of ways as a means of reducing labour costs; and C) consider partially restoring to individual municipalities (lower or upper levels)

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through Island communities.

In addition to recording the various homecomings and celebrations powered by the incredible volunteer efforts of local service clubs, The Expositor has played a part in helping those clubs stay healthy and vibrant.

When the Gore Bay-Western Manitoulin Lions Club was facing an uncertain future due to declining ranks, the paper did its part by alerting the community, helping prompt a number of new volunteers to come forward. The same role was played with the South East Manitoulin Lions Club in Manitowaning. "It certainly did help, I think," said club secretary Dorothy Chapman. "We picked up a number of new members and had a lot of other people who offered to help with our events." Lion Chapman noted that the club has always been fortunate in the many hands that have stepped forward to assist the club in its busiest hours, a sentiment echoed by Gore Bay President Steven Glumb.

It isn't just in the pages of the paper that The Expositor staff have played role, a number are also members of local service clubs and groups—a role the paper's management has always supported and encouraged.

"Tom Sasvari is a member of our club," said Lion President Gumb. "He does a great job for us. Although the heavy evening schedule of the paper makes it difficult for him to take part in our activities, he is always there to support us." Mr. Sasvari is also an avid member of the Gore Bay Fish and Game Club.

The Expositor editor Alicia McCutcheon is an active member of the Little Current Lions Club as well, while staff writer Robin Burridge enjoys her work as a book buddy at the Manor as well as playing a major role in organizing the annual Miss Manitoulin Pageant that is the first event of the Little Current Lions Haweater Weekend celebrations on the August long weekend. Staff writer Michael Erskine has recently completed a nine-year stint as a member of the

Ontario Trillium Foundation and serves on the Northeast Town municipal council and as a director on North Channel Marine Tourism Council. Production manager Dave Patterson founded the Expositor Salmon Classic almost single-handedly, office manager Kerrene Tilson founded the Little Current Fitness Club and is the driving force behind the Café in the Woods and the Nordic Ski Club, Tammy Albers works with the Manitoulin Refuge Committee offering up her many home economic skills to acclimatize refugees to Canada, Marilyn Harasym volunteers with Little Current Minor Hockey as well as the Winterfest and Haweater festivals and our newest staff member Kendra Edwards creates a calendar that supports the Good Food Box program. Owners Rick and Julia McCutcheon have been proud to record the stories of Manitoulin for over 50 years.

We are all proud to be active partners in our communities with The Expositor and to serve all of Manitoulin's communities.

So come on down to visit us in our Little Current office and help celebrate our birthday on Wednesday, May 24 with some cake and punch. It just so happens that our 138th year is falling directly on one of our publication dates.

...regains part of its traditional lands

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The lakebeds were then mapped out. The lands department discovered through old newspaper ads in the Toronto daily newspapers that there was a 100-year timber lease on Whitefish River lands, but that it had expired in 1965 and that the lands had not been surrendered for sale.

The McCutcheon Road, she explained, was originally created as an unofficial road to Killarney and was the main roadblock the First Nation faced in achieving these lands sooner.

The government agreed, but only after Whitefish River First Nation agreed to leave the road open for those who have land title, such as McGregor Bay cottagers. (It is interesting to note that when the actual building of a road from Whitefish Falls to Killarney was considered in the late 1970s, many McGregor Bay cottagers using this route vigorously opposed improving and developing it, news stories in The Expositor of the time indicated.)

"This is the first time a First Nation has

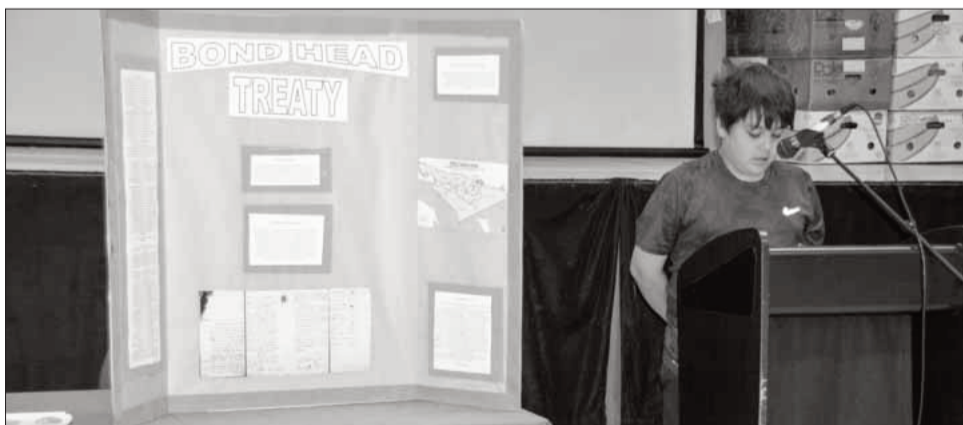
retrieved an underlying easement from the government," Councillor Osche said proudly. "The only people allowed are us, our invited guests and the cottagers who use the road to access their property."

"Thirty years is a huge roadblock to economic development," she said of the wait.

Shawanosowe School students Ira Paibomsai spoke on the 1850 treaty, Carter McGregor the 1836 treaty and Ravon Bowerman, wampum belts.

Alan Corbiere, Anishinaabe historian, was on hand to give a talk on the many Wampum belts with ties to the Whitefish River community and their symbolism, meaning and history, passing around samples of each.

Following the Wampum belt teachings, the assembly drove to McCutcheon Road for the unveiling of the sign announcing the parcel as property of the Whitefish River First Nation and tacking small Whitefish River First Nation logos to the trees lining the 3.4-kilometre road.



Carter McGregor speaks on the 1836 treaty.



Whitefish First Nation Band Councillor Esther Osche examines one of the display Wampum belts brought to the celebrations by Anishinaabe historian Alan Corbiere.

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Northeast Town Council Notes

Country Fest request

Craig and Kelly Timmermans, organizers of Manitoulin Country Fest (MCF), made a deputation to council last Tuesday night. Ms. Timmermans was pleased to inform council that the festival was 90 days away and that they were expecting 7,000 to 8,000 patrons a day. They also told council that they had increased camping from 380 to 580 spots to accommodate festival goers and hired a third-party company to supply power to RVs.

The Timmermans requested that council declare the week of Tuesday, August 8 'Manitoulin Country Fest Week' and an event of municipal significance. They also requested the donation of four NIM buckets at the MCF grounds, the use of town tables and chairs from the recreation centre, permission to place directional signs on municipal property for the event, use of the town's chain link fencing and the inclusion of Manitoulin Country Fest on the town's LED sign at the Welcome Centre and on the town website.

Councillor Michael Erskine commended Mr. and Ms. Timmermans on their hard work organizing Country Fest. Councillor Marcel Gauthier added what a great event Country Fest is for the community.

Mayor Al MacNevin said that council will revisit the requests at their next meeting of council on Tuesday, June 6, as per council's policy with deputations.

Billboard

Council reviewed a recommendation from the administration and finance committee approving the placement of an eight by six foot sign at the corner of Manitoulin Road and Draper Street for the period of time in which the property is actively being used for car sales as requested by Sudbury Hyundai.

"I won't be supporting a billboard sign in a residential/urban area," said Councillor Melissa Peters.

Councillor Erskine wanted it stipulated in the motion that the billboard could only be in place during the time of the Manitoulin Trade Fair.

The motion was amended to include Mr. Erskine's suggestion, allowing until two weeks after the Trade Fair for it to be removed, and was passed by council.

OPP signs

Manitoulin OPP Community Services Officer Steve Hart sent a letter to council, asking if they would like two 'report impaired drivers, call 9-1-1' signs. He explained that the Manitoulin Injury Prevention Coalition had obtained 25 signs and that they were being offered to Island communities free of charge. Council carried a motion to accept the two signs and to have town staff erect them.

Donations

Council carried a motion to donate \$200 towards Manitoulin Secondary School's Relay For Life event on June 2.

Council also carried a motion to donate \$200 to the Manitoulin Navy Leage towards the Manitoulin Sea Cadets Corp.

North Channel Regatta

The Little Current Yacht Club requested a donation of dockage for participants of the North Channel Race Week Regatta on the night of Friday, July 21.

Councillor Erskine asked how much the dockage was. Town CAO Dave Williamson responded that it had a value of \$1,575 that would be taken from the donation budget, leaving \$565.50 left.

Mr. Williamson also added that the \$2,500 donation to Manitoulin Streams had been both placed as both a separate line item and in the donation budget by mistake, meaning that there was an additional \$2,500 in the donation budget.

Councillor Erskine stated that the donation budget should be called a 'community investment,' as that was a more accurate title of what it was for. Mayor MacNevin told Councillor Erskine that the name of the donation budget wasn't on the agenda and that the matter on the table was the request from the yacht club.

Councillor Laurie Cook noted that last year council decided not to donate the dockage, but after the yacht club came back to council making the request a second time, they ended up donating the dockage for the event.

"It seems like the same groups are coming back again and again each year to ask

for money," said Councillor Cook, noting that her opinion was just an observation. "There are a lot of groups doing great things that chose to not come to this table and ask for money, instead they fundraise and ratepayers can choose to donate or not."

In a recorded vote, the motion was carried to donate the dockage by Councillors Erskine, Marcel Gauthier, Dawn Orr, Melissa Peters and Mayor MacNevin. Councillors Cook, Bruce Wood and Paul Skippen voted against the motion.

Fire report

Northeast Town Fire Chief Darren Bailey presented the April fire department report to council. He said that there were 17 calls for service to date including a call on April 25 to a house fire on Redmill Road, a fire alarm on Water Street on April 26, a small grass fire on Highway 6 south on April 29, a fire alarm on Water Street on April 30, house fire in Sheguiandah First Nation on May 3 and a small grass fire on North Channel Drive on May 8. Fire Chief Bailey added that all fire department apparatus and equipment was in good working order.

Councillor Erskine inquired about the turn out on calls. Fire Chief Bailey responded that the turn out of volunteer firefighters is pretty good.

Councillor Cook commended the department on their fast response time.

Community services

Community Services Manager Reid Taylor reported to council that town staff were busy cleaning, painting and prepping the recreation centre for upcoming events and doing repairs and maintenance as required.

"This month at the recreation centre we have the Rainbow Round Up May 19 to 21, the Manitoulin Trade Fair May 26 to 28, youth baseball and soccer start the week of May 23 at Low Island Park and the Pickleball Club has started."

In terms of the parks and marina, Mr. Taylor said that Spider Bay Marina is ready to be open for business on May 19 and that the downtown docks are being moved and will be installed shortly. "Parks are being inspected regularly," said Mr. Taylor. "The baseball fields and soccer field are ready for use and the public washrooms will be open at the Market Garden Pavilion as the market starts on Saturday."

The first cruise ships will be arriving at the Port of Little Current on June 5 and June 13, Mr. Taylor added. He also reported that the Centennial Museum of Sheguiandah is open for the season and that work has begun on cleaning up outdoors and gardening.

Public Works report

Public Works Manager Gary May reviewed the public works report for May. He said that regular maintenance is underway on the roads and that culverts are being changed where needed for this year's capital projects. "Sweeping of roads are underway in the rural areas," he added. "Load restrictions will be taken off next week (May 23)."

He noted that May 21 would be the first Sunday of the season for the landfill to be open (2 to 6 pm).

"Equipment is all working well," said Mr. May, "and parks are open for the season."

Town roads

Mr. Williamson explained to the community services and public works committee that staff were bringing a proposal to council that was brought to them from Councillor Dawn Orr to pave one km of Townline Road this year instead of hard surfacing seven km of municipal roads. He explained that over the last couple of years the quality of hard surfacing had been poor and that staff had been investigating alternative solutions.

"We are proposing a shift for this year that instead of hard surfacing, which we find we only get two year's out of, pave one km of road which will have a 15-20 year lifespan," explained Mr. Williamson.

Councillor Skippen said he wasn't in favour of the change as 1 km wasn't very much.

The committee carried a motion, making a recommendation to council to approve the change to paving from the corner of Townline Road and Highways 6 for one km along the road instead of the scheduled hard surfacing.



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Jehovah's Witnesses to build new Kingdom Hall in Little Current

by Alicia McCutcheon
LITTLE CURRENT—The Little Current congregation of the Jehovah's Witnesses will soon say goodbye to their former place of worship and welcome a new Kingdom Hall at its Wilson Street property.

In the next few weeks, residents will see the former Kingdom Hall demolished and a new one built in its stead.

"The Little Current congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses certainly had a small beginning," said Garry Whyte, a Little Current elder Witness.

Mr. Whyte, along with his wife Betty, have been members of the Kingdom Hall since the congregation was officially established in June 1965.

"At that time, less than a dozen people made up the congregation and we met in the living room of an old house which they rented at 27 Vankoughnet Street West," Mr. Whyte explained of those early days. "This small group kept busy sharing the Bible's truths with many in the community and as a result, outgrew their meeting facilities within five years."

By 1970-71, the group had grown to upwards of 35 and so began to look for a property that would allow them to build a new Kingdom Hall in Little Current. Lot 34 on the south side of Wilson Street East was purchased and plans were made to build the 24 foot by 48 foot building that will



The current Kingdom Hall in Little Current will soon be demolished with a new one built beginning next month.



The original Little Current congregation poses for a photo in 1965 outside the original Kingdom Hall located on Vankoughnet Street.

soon be demolished.

Mr. Whyte explained that part of the materials for the Kingdom Hall were obtained from the old Dawson house, known locally as 'the castle,' then owned by the late B.G. Turner and located near the Turner family home on Robinson Street. The castle, before its demolition, had most recently been used as a youth gathering place.

"Arrangements were made to obtain some of the material from the building being demolished," Mr. Whyte continued. "The small group of witnesses made up of women, children and men worked many hours pulling nails and cleaning the material to make it reusable to build their new Kingdom Hall. Some of those materials are still used in the current

Kingdom Hall such as a set of French doors."

As a result of their hard work, they completed the building in the summer of 1971.

"The present Kingdom Hall at 51 Wilson Street East has served us well over the last 46 years," Mr. Whyte said. "It has given the congregation a suitable place to study the Bible and worship Jehovah God in a dignified manner. Several small renovations and one larger one over the years have helped to keep the property in respectable shape. However, the building codes for public buildings have changed considerably since it was originally built, including such things as wheelchair accessibility, handicap parking and fire codes."

"These factors, along with the fact that our attendance can range from 50 to 60 people, have led us to believe that a new Kingdom Hall will better fit our present needs as well as our future anticipated needs," Mr. Whyte added.

The new Kingdom Hall will include more parking, wheelchair accessible bathrooms, more seating and a special Odawa room.

Mr. Whyte noted that some members of the congregation are busy learning the Odawa language, taking classes, and translating Jehovah's Witnesses materials into the language as well with the help of First Nation elders and a computer program. Each

week, one meeting is conducted in Odawa too, to the best of their ability.

Mr. Whyte explained that this decision came about following a visit from some

Blackfoot witnesses from Alberta who gave a talk at the Kingdom Hall.

"For someone to read something in their mother

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Perivale Gallery bustles during 36th season opening

by Michael Erskine
 SPRING BAY—Walking into the Perivale Gallery for the 1 pm opening of the popular Island source of fine art on Sunday visitors had to squeeze by patrons bustling out the door with their wrapped purchases clasped close. Meanwhile, gallery curator and owner

Shannon McMullan was kept busy recording sales and writing out receipts, her fingers a practical blur. The crowd of patrons attending the opening began streaming in before 12 o'clock, eager to see this year's collection of work. It was a good thing they had arrived early, as several

works had already sprouted red dots (indicating sold) and were being replaced on the walls by other of the signature works of premier artist Ivan Wheale. "They tell me they sold six paintings already," said a beaming Mr. Wheale, who was kept busy throughout the afternoon meeting and

greeting old friends and patrons, many of whom own several of his popular works. Mr. Wheale pronounced himself personally very pleased with the 26 works he had brought to the opening. "I truly think this is some of the best work I have ever

done," he said. No small feat, since Mr. Wheale's work has become synonymous with both rugged and

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Perivale Gallery was packed for opening day.

photos by Michael Erskine

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tongue touches their heart," he said. "If we can touch their heart and improve their lives, that's what we're trying to do—with everyone." Jehovah's Witnesses materials have been translated into 720 languages.

While the new Kingdom Hall is under construction, the Witnesses will meet at the Little Current Curling Club lounge beginning Sunday, June 4; all are welcome to attend.

"The meetings are all study and learning oriented," Mr. Whyte continued.

Gone are the days of dozens of Witnesses from various communities descending

on a community and quickly erecting a new Kingdom Hall, he said. "Now it's a core group of skilled Witnesses, tradespeople, that build the Kingdom Halls."

"As expected, the congregation's excitement is building as we look forward to this event and reflect how far the congregation has come from the small beginnings in 1965," Mr. Whyte said.

The Little Current congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses meets Sundays from 10 am to noon followed by a service conducted in the Odawa language from noon to 1 pm and also on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm.

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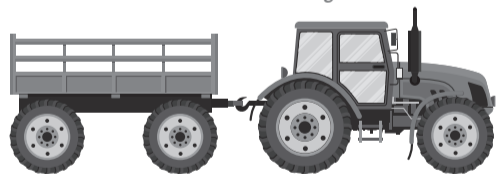
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...Perivale Gallery bustles during 36th season opening

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pastoral visions of Canada.

Perhaps best known in recent years for his stunning portrayals of the Georgian Bay shorelines, focussed in great detail and rendered in oil on canvas, Mr. Wheale's talent knows no barriers and his smaller works explored a wide range of media.

"Ivan Wheale has been with Perivale since its beginning in 1981 and his work now is exclusive to the gallery, both in house and on the gallery's website," said Ms. McMullan. If you couldn't make it out to the opening to meet Mr. Wheale and see his work first hand, the curator noted that Ivan Wheale's available vintage works can also be seen on the gallery website at www.perivalegallery.com. "We will have images of Ivan's newest works loaded on the website in the morning on the day of the opening. We have already been contacted by overseas and distant fans eagerly awaiting a glimpse of Ivan's newest works."

Ms. McMullan said that she was confident the phone would start ringing at 1 pm on the day of the opening, but in truth it sounded off much earlier. One eager buyer from Ireland couldn't bear to chance waiting until the official opening to secure their choice.

"As well as home to the works of Ivan Wheale, Perivale is privileged to represent over 50 outstanding Ontario artists such as



Ivan Wheale and Perivale Gallery curator Shannon McMullan surrounded by Mr. Wheale's latest works.

Hadyn Butler, Jay Favot, C.A. Henry, Lisa Free, Cathy Boyd, Claudia Jean McCabe, Laurie Near, Tyler Fauvelle, Frank Danielson, and Jennifer Lawton, to name a few," supplied Ms. McMullan. "Manitoulin Island artists, such as Judy Martin, Carly Gordon, Barry Bowerman, Kerry Butler and Christie Pearson Anderson also have distinct presence."

The Perivale Gallery may be a tremendous source of fine art, both local and from beyond Manitoulin's shores, but it is also a hotbed of artistic activity in its own right. "Perivale has a busy 36th season planned," noted Ms. McMullan. "Ten three-day weekend art workshops are offered this summer for every level and interest."

Outstanding instructors such as Ivan Wheale, Ruth Reid, Linda Finn, Cathy Boyd, Jennifer Lawton, Andre Hamilton and Peter Baumgarten will help par-

ticipants explore new techniques and guide creativity to new heights. "It's a perfect time to plan an inspiring getaway to beautiful Manitoulin Island," suggested Ms. McMullan. "Bring a friend or the family, there are lots of nearby accommodation and activities for everyone and their entourage."

Among the planned activities taking place at the gallery this summer will be a show by talented Sudbury artist Jay Favot. "He will wow with his show 'New Horizons,'" said Ms. McMullan. "The show will be opening with a reception at Perivale on July 15 at 1 pm. This exhibition of Jay's newest works will continue until July 21. Jay will also be featured as an Artist to Collect in the spring edition of Arabella Magazine, Canada's foremost art publication."

"Artist Cathy Boyd will be featured in the summer

edition and copies of Arabella will be available at the gallery," said Ms. McMullan.

The annual 'In the Spirit of Tom Thomson and the Group of Seven' show at Perivale will open on July 22 and continue through to August 6. "This exhibition by Perivale's artists and artisans, as well as a number of guest artists, features

works inspired by Tom Thomson and the Group of Seven. Charles Pachter, one of Canada's leading contemporary artists, is among those participating. This show brings many visitors to Manitoulin for the first time," noted Ms. McMullan.

If you didn't make it out for the opening, there is plenty of time to drop in and visit Perivale Gallery

before it closes for the season on September 17. Canada's 150th anniversary is a great excuse, as if anyone needed one, to purchase a piece of fine art by a Canadian artist. As you stop in to celebrate this fine display of Canadian talent, be sure to look around the grounds and gardens, for Perivale Gallery is truly nestled in a magical setting.

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...Sandfield's Andy Watson celebrates 100th birthday, Seniors of the Year

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"It's a big honour to be here today," the mayor said, addressing the crowd and giving hints as to who he was there to honour.

"These people have been here all their lives and certainly left their mark," noting that the plethora of Watsons will keep the family name going, to many chuckles from the crowd.

"Every year, Central Manitoulin decides who the Senior of the Year is," the mayor continued. "It took council some time to pick two deserving seniors. There were two firsts in this: that the award is going to be given to two seniors; and the second first, is that it's part of a 100th birthday celebration.

The first senior is a life member of the Masonic Lodge in Little Current, was the past clerk of Sandfield, was the Sandfield roads superintendent and a member of the Sandfield School Board. The second senior was a member of the Sandfield Women's Insti-

Watson's Store for many years before handing it on to the next generation. During their time running Watson's Store, they acted as postmaster and postmistress, ran the LCBO agency store, are two of the founding members of the Sandfield Merrymakers and are both active in the Fairview United Church.

jointly, as Central Manitoulin Seniors of the Year.

Mr. Watson thanked everyone for coming to his birthday celebration.

The mayor joked that it is sometimes hard to track the Watsons down as one must look in the Manitowaning phone directory to call them, mail them through a Tehkummah

address while they pay their taxes in Central Manitoulin.

Mr. Watson received a new golf shirt with the

word 'Watson 100' emblazoned on the front and back from his golfing crew and as well as a new '100' decal on his golf cart.

The day's events concluded with a family barbecue with 85 people in attendance.



Andy Watson shows off his new golfing shirt, a gift for his 100th birthday.

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Tehkummah's Jean McCauley, who is six months Andy Watson's senior, stopped in with fellow Tehkummah centenarian Audrey Williamson to wish him well on his 100th.

tute, the Mindemoya Horticultural Society and the Mindemoya Beautification Committee. Both these seniors owned and operated

Mayor Stephens then awarded Andy and Dot Watson a framed certificate acknowledging them,



Tacos for a cause

A taco sale was held in Sheguiandah First Nation last week to raise funds for the family of five (Kim Waindubence, Dave Doucette and their three children) that lost their home to a fire recently. Taco makers include Rachel McDowell, Sarah Williams, Julia Waindubence and Melyssa Superka Doucette.

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49-9p

Come join us for an evening of live entertainment with George Williamson and Friends at the Sheguiandah Seniors' Club on May 27, 7 pm to 9 pm? For more information call 249-777-3140.

50-1c

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50-2p

The Grass Roots Garden Club invites you to our plant sale on Saturday, June 3 from 10 am until we are sold out. The plant sale will take place at the Manitoulin Hotel & Conference Centre parking lot (66 Meredith Street, Little Current). All proceeds will go to local charity.

51-2p

coming events

Olde Tyme Dance--Musical tribute to the Silver Water Orchestra. Original members were: Hazel Addison, Dorothy Addison, Bob Duncanson, Alvin Pickard, Alma Noble and Wilfrid Joyce. Dance, May 27, Silver Water Community Hall, 20530 Hwy 540. Music: 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm; doors open at 6:30 pm; luncheon at 10:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 each, lunch included. Quantity limited to 150 tickets being sold. For advanced tickets call Karen at 705-283-1350 or Myra at 705-283-3929. Polka, Waltz, Mexican Hat Dance, Paul Jones, Two Step, Square Dancing, Heel Toe, Schottische.

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Meet Green Party of Ontario leader Mike Schreiner, Thursday, June 1 at 5 pm at the Mindemoya Curling Club followed by a light supper, \$10 AGM. For more information contact Sarah at 705-859-3345, or email hutchie4real@gmail.com.

1-2p

Spring Rummage Sale at Knox United Church in Manitowaning on Wednesday, May 31 from 10 am to 4 pm, Thursday, June 1 from 10 am to 4 pm, Friday, June 2, from 10 am to 4 pm, Saturday, June 3 from 10 am to 12 noon. Clothing and housewares. Proceeds to the Knox United Church.

1-2p

Campbell Horticultural Society Annual Plant and Bake Sale, Saturday, May 27, 9 am at the Old Schoolhouse Gazebo next to the Mindemoya Arena.

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The Board of Directors of Manitoulin Health Centre will be holding their next Board meeting on Thursday, May 25 at 7 pm in the Board Room of the Mindemoya Hospital site. Regular meetings of the Board are open to the public to attend and observe, with the exception of in-camera issues.

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Spring Rummage Sale, Friday, May 26, 9 am to 1 pm and Saturday, May 27, 9 am to 1 pm, Lyons Memorial United Church, 17/19 Meredith Street, Gore Bay. Proceeds go to United Church Outreach Programs.

52-1p

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52-1p

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51-2p

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51-2p

coming events

Attention Manitoulin crafts-people/artisans/artists/etc. You are once again invited to participate in the Little Current Canada Day Summer Fair on Saturday, July 1. Please plan on setting up your table (or booth or display) down the centre of Little Current's front street that day as guests of the Little Current Business Improvement Association. This year, you are also invited to do the same thing on the Friday of Haweater Weekend, August 4, as guests of the Little Current Lions Club. There are no fees for either day, and publicity and advertising is looked after by the sponsor organizations. To register or for any other questions, please contact Rena Collins at 705-368-2630 (please leave a message). Email contact is: reнасcountryboutique@gmail.com.

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WILDFLOWER WALKS led by Mira and Judith Jones. First meeting: Wednesday, May 24, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Wagg's Woods in Mindemoya (parking at municipal office, entrance next to Island Animal Hospital). Second meeting: Wednesday, May 31, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at Freer Point Trail, Honora (parking at 2392 Hwy 540). Additional meetings TBA. Cost: \$8 per person; under 12 are free. Info: transient19@gmail.com or 705-859-1027.

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Farmers' Market Café will take place every Friday from 9 am to 12 noon at Red Roof Pavilion on the Gore Bay waterfront. Join us for a sweet treat and a beverage. May 19 to October 7. See you there. All Saints Anglican Church.

52-20p

The Expositor Office can meet your various printing needs: wedding invitations, invoices, letterhead, business cards, rubber stamps, envelopes. Call 705-368-2744, ask for Dave.

Manitoulin Flee Market
Open
Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays
10am - 4pm
9685 Hwy #6
5 minutes south of Little Current
705-368-1841 or 705-368-0078
Visit our web store at www.manitoulinflee-market.net

ATTENTION ALL MANITOULIN CRAFTSPEOPLE • ARTISANS • ARTISTS

This is your annual invitation from the Little Current Business Improvement Area to be an important part of our

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS SATURDAY, JULY 1

You are invited to our annual **Canada Day Summer Fair** where you can set up your table/booth/display in the centre of Little Current's front street
No fee to participate
In addition, you are also invited to do the same thing in the same location on **Haweater Weekend (Friday, August 4th)**
No fee to participate

Poster and other advertising publicity is courtesy of the Little Current BIA (for Canada Day) and the Little Current Lion's Club (for Haweater Weekend) (The downtown street will become a pedestrian mall on each of the days)

To register your intention to participate or if you have any questions, please contact Rena Collins phone: 705-368-2630 (leave a message) email: reнасcountryboutique@gmail.com

Debra Tate - One With Nature is offering a 3-Part Workshop Series
• Crystals • Pendulums • 7 Major Chakras
All Workshops are 6-9 pm

June 14th - Introduction to Crystals
Learn about the 15 Master Crystals - how to choose, cleanse and program your crystals (Pendulum make and take-all supplies included)

June 20th - Introduction to Pendulums
A Bridge to Infinite Knowledge
Learn how the Pendulum gives one's Intuition the language with which to communicate. (Participants bring their own Pendulum - Pendulums for sale on the day - please advise if interested in purchasing upon registration)

June 28th - 7 Major Chakras
Learn the basics of our 7 major Chakras, their colors and connection to our emotional, physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

Venue: 600 Robertson Road
(Between Kagawong and Gore Bay - take Hwy. 540 West - at Dad's Auto, turn left onto Robertson Road, follow Robertson 1.5 km- 2nd laneway on the left after the Church of Christ)
Cost: Individual workshops - \$64.00 (Taxes included in all prices)
Package Price for all 3 workshops-Before June 2nd - \$163.00 - After June 2nd- \$192.00

Full payment due upon registration please e-transfer: debtate_2000@yahoo.com to reserve your spot

The Burpee Mills

Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, June 4
8am - 11am at the Burpee Mills Complex
8 Bailey Line Road, Evansville
Adults: \$11.00 • Children Under 12: \$4.00

Follow us on Facebook!

NEED MORE WATKINS?

You can find us at **Booth #121** at the **Manitoulin Trade Fair** **May 26, 27 & 28**

phone: 705-929-5171
email: carolchan35@hotmail.com

BILLINGS TOWNSHIP
Invites you to congratulate *Senior of the Year* **Jacqueline Gordon** At Kagawong Park Centre Sun June 4, 7-9 PM Presentation at 8 PM

NEMI FARMERS' MARKET

Open Saturdays 9 am - Noon

by the Bank of Montreal on Water Street in Little Current

Come early, folks, to our market to get the best selection of products on offer.

New growers & producers are welcome.

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**NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG
Wikwemikong Health Centre**

Employment Opportunity – Deadline Extended

3 - Personal Support Workers (PSWs)

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking three highly qualified and motivated individuals for the position of Personal Support Worker (PSW) with the Wikwemikong Home Care Program.

Summary

The PSW will be required to work in a home care setting and see assigned clients on a regular basis. You will work collaboratively with other health care providers in providing holistic care that focuses on achieving and maintaining optimal health for clients.

Responsibilities

- To assist persons with the activities of daily living and/or personal care and to contribute to their quality of life by promoting their independence, dignity, social/emotional/physical well-being, mobility, personal appearance, comfort and safety.
- To provide light household management services to clients.
- To observe and report any changes in client service or environment to the supervisor.
- Able to react to change productively and handle any other essential tasks as assigned.
- Bilingual/fluent to communicate with clients in their language of preference/comfort.

Qualifications

- Be able to understand and speak the language – Ojibwe
- Valid First Aid, CPR
- Valid Ontario Driver's License
- Knowledge and understanding of First Nation Communities and their culture
- Personal Support Worker Certificate
- Secondary School Graduation Diploma

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

Personal 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: June 2, 2017 @ 12:00 Noon

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

**SHAWANOSOWE SCHOOL
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
1 year contract position: Grade 3/4 Teacher
Required: August 28, 2017- June 29, 2018
(With possibility of extension)**



Qualification/Requirements:

- Ontario College of Teachers (OCT) member in good standing and / or Aboriginal Teacher Education Program (ATEP);
- Minimum of one year teaching experience or equivalent.
- Experience working within a First Nation education system would be an asset.
- Knowledge of First Nation culture, traditions and language would be an asset.
- First Aid/CPR certification.
- Computer literate in various software and programs (smart board, I-pad, Elmo, etc.).
- Current and clear Vulnerable Sector Search satisfactory to WRFN.

Essential Duties/Responsibilities:

- Develops lesson plans and manages learning experiences, classroom management, and balanced literacy blocks, curricular and extra-curricular to ensure that the needs of the class and individual students are met
- Identifies, selects and modifies instructional resources and according to school expectation to meet the needs of the students with varying backgrounds, learning styles and special needs.
- Provides a positive learning environment which will lead to maximum learning opportunities for each student through differentiated learning, peer collaboration and individual instructions.
- Communicates effectively, both orally and in writing, with students, parents and other professionals on a regular basis.
- Collaborates positively with peers and parents to enhance the instructional environment.
- Models professional and ethical standards (Ontario College of Teachers) when dealing with students, parents, peers and community.
- Ensures that student growth and achievement is continuous and appropriate for age group, subject area and classification.
- Participates in implementing, planning and evaluation of the school program/curriculum/First Nation Curriculum and program development.
- Maintains necessary records (electronically) for inclusion in the students' OSR and utilizes data to modify, improve and drive instruction and program effectiveness.
- Conducts parent conferences, IEP, and a variety of other meetings with other staff, parents and students.
- Provides for and promotes the care and protection of students and school property.
- Ensures that students get maximum use of equipment, materials, supplies used under their direction.
- Assumes responsibility for meeting their long-range plans, student-wide performance goals, and assessment for, as and of learning.
- Meets professional obligations through efficient work habits such as: meeting deadlines, honoring schedules and coordinating activities.
- Demonstrates gains in student performance through techniques as set out by Principal/or designate/WRFN.
- Participates fully in training/professional development/extracurricular activities and community events as required/directed.
- Attends staff meetings and maintains files as required.
- Performs other duties as assigned by the Principal or designate.
- To inspire students to develop pride in their ancestral language and culture and motivate them to use it in communicating throughout the school, within the curriculum subject areas and in their daily lives.

Please submit a detailed resume, cover letter, 3 letters of reference and copies of credentials (OCT, diplomas and/or degrees, certificates) to:

**Shawanosowe School
Attention: Principal
Box 208
Birch Island, Ontario
POP 1A0
705-285-1311 Telephone
705-285-1314 Facsimile**

Email: principal@shawanosowe.ca

Applications must be received by **Friday June 2, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.**

NOTE: Applicants must be prepared to do in-person interviews the week of June 12-16th, 2017, including a teaching demonstration. In addition, the successful applicant will be required to submit a CPIC/VS at time of offer. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Manitoulin Publishing Co. Ltd.

has an opening for an

OUTSIDE SALES REPRESENTATIVE

The scope of work will include helping to develop an extended client base for the company's various products, including:

- www.manitoulin.ca (and other websites associated with the company)
- The Manitoulin Expositor
- The Manitoulin West Recorder
- Various other vertical print products associated with the company
- There is also the potential to help to develop new business products.

The successful candidate would be expected to:

- Follow up on leads/suggestions provided by colleagues
- Make "cold calls"
- Help to develop campaigns for clients, working with creative staff colleagues

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The successful candidate will be supported by a creative team including a certified web designer and social media specialist, a creative graphic design department, skilled advertising copywriters and an established publishing business that produces the oldest newspaper in Northern Ontario.

QUALIFICATIONS

The successful applicant should:

- be able to meet new people comfortably
- be familiar with Manitoulin Island and region
- be a self-confident and self-motivated person
- be able to work independently and as part of a team
- have an understanding of advertising and marketing in its various forms
- have a commitment to the continuous improvement of the business environment on Manitoulin Island and in the North
- be able to demonstrate efficiency in email and Microsoft Office Suite
- Knowledge of Mac OS is also an asset.

EXPERIENCE

If you are a self-motivated person of good character, if you are thoughtful, creative, highly organized, and enthusiastic then you should apply for this position.

APPLY WITH RESUME AND REFERENCES:

By post:

The Manitoulin Expositor
Attn: Outside Sales
P.O. Box 369
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

By email: expositor@manitoulin.ca

By hand: to the Expositor Office, 1 Manitowaning Road, downtown Little Current, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm
By fax: (705) 360-3822

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS: JUNE 2, 2017

**Employment Opportunity
Full-Time Executive Assistant
Mnaamodzawin Health Services**



Qualifications:

- Must have Post-Secondary credentials, along with a minimum of 5 years extensive experience in senior administration
- Excellent communication, written, oral and interpersonal skills needed to work effectively with staff, Board, Executive Director, Community Agencies and Government Agencies
- Demonstrated experience in health planning, reporting, budgeting, HR and IT
- Persons of Indigenous descent preferred

Post Closes May 26, 2017 at noon

Please submit applications (resume, cover letter, credentials) to:

Tricia Podlatis, HR
Mnaamodzawin Health Services
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy 540
48 Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0
HR@mnaamodzawin.com
705-368-2229 Fax

* Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered. We thank all for applying, however, only those under considerations will be contacted. Please mention if you require accommodation. *



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Full-Time: Anishinabe Language & Culture Teacher
Required: August 28, 2017-2018

Summary:
 The Anishinabe Language & Culture Teacher will be a team player responsible for providing teaching instruction focused on Anishinabe language and culture in all grade levels within Shawanosowe School. This teaching position is unique and integral to instilling cultural relevancy within the school environment. The students' ability to speak, write, and read the Anishinabe language and make cultural connections to traditions is strengthened by the instruction associated with this role within the school.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Provide a foundation of knowledge and skills in the Anishinabe language that will enable students to communicate in Anishinabe.
- Provide cultural teachings and activities through storytelling, songs, and art.
- Organize cultural events, guest speakers for the school.
- To inspire students to develop pride in their ancestral language and motivate them to use it in communicating in their daily lives.
- Develop lesson plans, long range plans and differentiate instructional lessons for all students K-6.
- Assist in development of Anishinabe Language / Culture Curriculum for Maamwe Kendaasing Child Care Centre children and Staff and each Shawanosowe School Grade JK, SK, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and Staff.
- Perform assessments and develop oral competency level.
- Provide excellent classroom management, interact with staff and community.

Qualifications and Skills Required:

- Fluent in Anishinabe language.
- Anishinabe Culture knowledge and experience.
- Valid Ontario College of Teacher's Certification and/or Native Language Certification with Experience as a Teacher.
- QECO Rating
- Provide satisfactory Vulnerable Sector screening.
- An understanding of theories and methodologies for teaching Native Language and the ability to apply these to practice.
- Knowledge in smart board, I-pad technology, and other technologies.

Applicants may send their Cover Letter, Resume, 3 Professional References (from prior supervisors) and supporting qualification documents by mail, or fax or email by:
4:00pm Friday June 2, 2017.

Mail: Whitefish River First Nation

Attention: Cheryl Miller-Martin, Principal
 PO Box 208
 Birch Island, Ontario, P0P 1A0
 Fax: 705-285-1314
 Email: principal@shawanosowe.ca

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Shawanosowe School - Educational Assistant (EA)
2 Positions Available - Required for September 2017

Job Title: Shawanosowe School Educational Assistant (EA)
Department: Education
Job Classification: Full Time
Wage Range: In accordance with WRFN Education Assistant Salary Grid
Employment Benefits: In accordance with WRFN Personnel Policy.

Job Summary
 Under the direction of the Shawanosowe School Principal (or Designate), the EA provides teaching/learning support for students with special needs. The support includes, but is not limited to; the areas of personal care, physical care, behaviour management and instructional programming. With the support of the Principal and Special Education Team, EA's are expected to do their best to maximize student learning experiences.

Key Responsibilities

- Effectively, and efficiently communicate with the Principal, and Special Education Team;
- Be familiar with, and follow relevant WRFN and Shawanosowe School established policies, procedures, and practices;
- Report any significant incidents to the Principal and/or Special Education Team and/or Member;
- Assist in ensuring personal safety of all students under the EA's immediate supervision; Assist students in being aware of appropriate rules and responsibilities;
- Assist in maintaining order and discipline in the School and on the School grounds;
- Responsible for one-on-one care and supervision with supports and direction from teacher.

Competencies Required

- Knowledge of Anishinabek philosophy, culture and language;
- The ability to treat students in a respectful, responsible and fair manner with due consideration to the students' physical, social and psychological development;
- Demonstrates fair and ethical judgement;
- The ability to utilize current technologies;
- The ability to maintain and promote confidentiality.

Qualifications

- Education
 - Certificate in Early Childhood Assistant, or;
 - Diploma in/as Developmental Social Worker, or Educational Assistant-Special Needs Support, or Educational Support, or Early Childhood Education, or;
 - 3 year Diploma in Child and Youth Care, or;
 - Bachelor's Degree in either; Child Development, or Early Childhood Leadership, or Child & Youth Care;
- First Aid/CPR Training;
- Physical abilities consistent with requirements of the job which may include personal, physical care, and developmental care.
- Experience in dealing with children/youth with low to high needs.
- Additional courses and/or workshops in child/adolescent studies/personal care;
- Must provide Vulnerable Sector Search satisfactory to WRFN;

(Full Job Description Available upon Request)
 Applicants may send their Application Letter, Resume, and 3 References (Supervisory level preferred) by fax or email by: **Friday June 2, 2017 to:**

Shawanosowe School
 321 Maple Heights
 PO Box 208
 Birch Island, Ontario, P0P 1A0
Attention: Cheryl Miller-Martin, Principal
 (principal@shawanosowe.ca)
 Fax: 705-285-1314

NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG
Wikwemikong Health Centre

Employment Opportunity

Registered Nurse – Long Term Care/Home & Community Care

The NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre is seeking a highly qualified and motivated individual for the position of Registered Nurse within the Long Term Care/Home & Community Care Program.

Summary
 Home Care Registered Nurse (RN) assesses, plans, implements, evaluates and documents all nursing care of patients in accordance with policies and professional nursing standards. RN oversees the quality of departmental nursing services. RN develops day-to-day nursing care plans for care after discharge. Act as a primary point of contact between patients, families and healthcare professionals. Follows the nursing process of assessment, planning, intervention, implementation, and evaluation and performs all other duties as assigned.

Responsibilities (for a complete job description please contact Melissa Roy)

- Assess the patient; collect and document the current health status and medical history of the patient.
- Complete and/or review screeners and Inter Rai Cha assessments
- Demonstrate the ability to handle emergency situations in a prompt, precise, and professional manner.
- Monitor all aspects of patient care, including diet and physical activity.
- Administer treatment and give medications to patients under the direction of physicians and according to policy and procedure.
- Communicate with the physicians and other health care providers regarding patient needs, the nursing assessments, and recommendations.
- Perform frequent and accurate patient evaluations, including monitoring and tracking vital signs and respond appropriately.

Qualifications

- Graduate of an accredited school of nursing, Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) and/or Diploma in Nursing.
- Registered Nurse License.
- Minimum 1 year of supervised experience as an RN.
- Current CPR Certification.
- Knowledgeable regarding the nursing process and its application, including the assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation of nursing care.
- Demonstrated ability to assist patients, family members or other clients with concern and empathy; respecting their confidentiality and privacy and communicating in a courteous and respectful manner.
- A well-defined sense of diplomacy, including solid negotiation, conflict resolution, and people management skills.
- High degree of resourcefulness, flexibility, and adaptability.
- Able to effectively communicate both verbally and in writing.
- Politically and culturally sensitive.
- High level of critical and logical thinking, analysis, and/or reasoning to identify underlying principles, reasons, or facts.
- Strong morals and ethics, along with a commitment to staff privacy.
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence

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 contract information marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Registered Nurse – Home Care
 Attention: Melissa Roy, Executive Assistant
 NAANDWECHIGE-GAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
 P.O. Box 101, 16A - Complex Drive
 Wikwemikong, Ontario P0P 2J0
 Telephone: 705.859.3164 Fax: 705.859.3300 Email: mroy@wikyhealth.ca

Deadline: June 2nd, 2017 @ 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 submissions will not be accepted. No return of submissions.

4elements Living Arts is Hiring:
 Program Coordinator
'Outside the Box' Trails Program
 Outdoor activity & arts on Manitoulin trails & waters

--Part-time 8-12 hrs per week
 --Responsible for all aspects of OTB program management, guided trail outings, and geocache Drawing Box initiative
 --Detailed job description at:
www.4elementslivingarts.org/programs/outside-the-box/

In Kawagong: 705-282-0444
 More info: heather@4elementslivingarts.org

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

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

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Northeastern Ontario
Canada

The Board of Directors of
 Northeastern Ontario Tourism
 is seeking an
Executive Director
 to lead its destination marketing,
 product development and
 sales mission.

For a complete job description, visit
www.northeasternontario.com/careers/

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



Manitoulin Inn

We are currently seeking applications for a **Part-Time / Full-Time SEASONAL HOUSEKEEPER**

Requirements:
1-3 years Experience in Hospitality Industry
Must be dedicated, reliable and hard working

Please submit your resume to:
Manitoulin Inn
2070 Hwy 551
Mindemoya, ON
or email: info@manitoulininn.ca

Maintenance Worker
Permanent – Full time – 1 position
40 hours per week

The municipality is seeking to fill 1 full-time position. Possession of valid driver's license (Class "G") is required. Job descriptions may be picked up at the municipal office.

The following experience would be considered an asset to the position


- Equipment maintenance and repair (truck, grass cutting equipment, etc.).
- Building maintenance and repair.
- Ice making and ice maintenance.
- Grounds keeping.

The position offers enrollment in OMERS (Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System) and an optional benefits package.

Resumes may be sent to the address below and must be received no later than 12:00 (Noon) May 29th, 2017.

R. Frawley, CAO/Clerk
6020 Hwy 542
P.O. Box 187
Mindemoya ON POP 1S0

Telephone: 705-377-5726
Fax: 705-377-5585
Email: centralm@amtelecom.net



HELP WANTED

Kitchen Staff
Seasonal and year round

Please email your resume to sales@anchorgrill.com or drop it off in-person at 1 Water Street, Little Current.



SUBSET OF THE MANITOULIN HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

Invites applications for a full-time contract position of **Information Systems Support (ISS)**

The subset of the Manitoulin Collaborative refers to the three primary care Family Health Teams (Assignack, Manitoulin Central and Northeastern Manitoulin) and Manitoulin Health Center (MHC). The ISS will provide support in response to the subsets' specific needs which may vary as each partners' current IS capabilities vary. The ISS will also liaise and work closely with MHC's current IS team.

Qualifications include:

Required:

- University Degree in Information Systems or Community College Diploma
- Satisfactory criminal reference check
- A valid driver's license and must have own vehicle with adequate insurance coverage

Preferred:

- Experience with Meditech
- Training in LEAN principles
- LAN and WAN experience
- Experience in a healthcare setting in a related position

For further information or to apply:

Lori Oswald, Executive Director
Manitoulin Central Family Health Team
PO Box 150, Mindemoya, Ontario, P0P 1S0
Fax: 1-705-377-5372
Email: manitoulincentralft@amtelecom.net

Consideration of applications will begin immediately until the position is filled (or the posting is withdrawn and only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Looking for a part time **FLORAL DESIGNER** to join a new shop opening soon.

Please send your resume to:
The Flower Hutch
P.O. Box 406
Gore Bay, ON, P0P1H0
or email:
theflowerhutch@outlook.com

HELP WANTED

Carol's and Earl's Restaurant

Full-time cook wanted

Call **705-859-3000** and ask for Earl

Wanted, someone to rake my lawn. Please call 705-368-1768. 1p

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

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The Expositor Office can meet your various printing needs: wedding invitations, invoices, letterhead, business cards, rubber stamps, envelopes. Call 705-368-2744, ask for Dave.

The Cutoff for Boxed Display Ads is Friday




DENTAL RECEPTIONIST / ASSISTANT REQUIRED

Would you enjoy working in a positive, friendly atmosphere where you can feel proud of the work you do and be recognized for your efforts? We have a beautiful, newly renovated office, wonderful patients and an enthusiastic dental team dedicated to quality care. We'd love to have you join us full time in Little Current and/or Mindemoya.

Experience preferred, but would consider training the right individual.

Please send a resume in confidence to:
Little Current Dental Centre.
14 Vankoughnet St. Box 100
Little Current On. P0P 1K0
Phone (705) 368-2276 Fax: (705) 368-2323
Email: info@lcdental.ca

We look forward to meeting you!

APPLICATION DEADLINE: THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2017 2:00PM | 1

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

HOME CARE PROGRAM MANAGER

Department: Health Services
Location: Wellness Centre
Classification/Level: Program Supervisor Level 3
Employment Status: Regular Full Time with Benefits

M'Chigeeng First Nation is seeking a motivated individual who is results oriented with demonstrated ability to effectively coordinate and deliver community-based programming and activities that promote healthy communities. If you can work independently, and in a team environment, have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, then you may be a great fit for this position.

Position Summary
The Home Care Program Manager will oversee the planning, coordination, delivery, reporting and management of all home care programs and services for the M'Chigeeng First Nation; will work in collaboration with the Home Care Program Staff for client based programming identified within the home care service plan and policies of the First Nation; including to ensure the development of strategic service planning, program coordination, community program awareness and advocacy, implementation of quality assurance and risk management programs for transparency and accountability

Qualifications & Requirements;

- Completion of College/University Business Administration Program or related field with a minimum of three (3) years' relevant work experience
- Previous work experience in health assessment and case management
- Certification in Standard First Aid and CPR

Other

- Knowledge of Home and Community Care guidelines relating to First Nation communities
- Management and supervision experience
- Possess knowledge and/or experience with the language, culture, history and customs of the M'Chigeeng First Nation
- To understand and speak Anishinabemowin are considered strong assets; or must be willing to learn
- Knowledge of the M'Chigeeng First Nation community social issues and challenges
- Ability to work independently
- Possess strong interpersonal skills to work as a team player and work effectively with community, program staff and management
- Maintain confidentiality at all times
- Excellent communication, organization and management skills
- Valid Ontario Driver's License
- Willing to work flexible hours including weekends and holidays as necessary
- Proficient in information technology
- Strong interest and advocacy for the health and wellbeing of community members
- Strong knowledge of internal and external programs and services
- Certified CRC/VSS requirement must be thirty (30) days current

It is mandatory for the successful candidate to submit a **current (30 days) VSS**; offer of employment will be subject to the receipt of a satisfactory VSS record.

Interested applicants please submit a **COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES (2 supervisor/manager/work related & 1 character/co-worker)** by **THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2017 AT 2:00PM to:**

Home Care Program Manager
Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333, M'CHIGEENG, ON P0P 1G0
Fax 705-377-4980 rochelled@mchigeeng.ca

LATE OR INCOMPLETE applications will not be considered.
We appreciate your interest, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Preference will be given to Anishinabek people. www.mchigeeng.ca
For a complete job description, please contact Human Resources 705-377-5362 Ext. 207 or rochelled@mchigeeng.ca

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Bayshore home health is a Canadian-owned company that is a leader in home and community health services. We promote a culture based on respect, continuous learning and improvement, and valuing our employees' individuality and contributions. Our caregivers enjoy competitive compensation, group benefits, flexible hours and diverse assignments.

We are seeking Certified Personal Support workers and Registered Nurses and Registered Practical Nurses to serve the Manitoulin, Espanola and surrounding areas
(2 guaranteed hours positions and 2 on-call positions)

- Competitive compensation
- Group RRSP program
- Flexible work schedules
- No minimum work hours
- Variety of work environments
- 24-hour clinical and operational support
- Thorough orientation
- Ongoing training opportunities
- Opportunities for advancement

If you are interested in this opportunity, please send your resume to:
Lucie Parenteau, Area Director
Email: lparenteau@bayshore.ca
Fax: 705-523-5427
www.bayshore.ca
Better care for a better life

Northern Ontario Permaculture Research Institute (NOPRI)

Position: One Year Paid Youth Internship
- All Season Greenhouse Designer
Salary: \$35,000/year

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MUNICIPALITY OF GORDON / BARRIE ISLAND
Tenders for FORD F-250 Fire Truck

SEALED TENDERS, clearly marked as to contents, will be received by
Ms. Carrie Lewis, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island
29 Noble Sideroad
Gore Bay, ON POP 1H0

11:00 am, on Thursday, June 1, 2017

at the Municipal Office on Noble Sideroad, for a 1985 Ford F 250 Truck, located at the Fire Hall in the Municipality of Gordon/Barrie Island.

TENDERS will be opened on **Thursday, June 1, 2017** at 11:00 am.

TENDERS will be rated and the lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

TENDER FORMS and plans may be obtained at the office of the Municipality of Gordon / Barrie Island, 29 Noble Sideroad, Gore Bay ON POP 1H0 during normal business hours Monday to Thursday. Tel.705-282-2702

Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) Seeks Applicants
Board of Directors

The Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors, as the committee responsible for bringing forward suitable candidates to the Board, is seeking applications from persons residing in the District of Manitoulin who are interested in serving as Directors.

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

MHC selects Board Members with consideration based on skill sets, including:


- Geographical considerations (across the Manitoulin Region, bringing local knowledge of health issues);
- Quality assurance/risk management knowledge
- Financial knowledge
- Legal skills
- First Nations
- Ethics
- Other relevant skills desirable to the Board

Diversity of skills, knowledge and viewpoints is desirable for a high-performing Board, and so the Board encourages applications from suitable individuals with an interest in serving in this capacity.

Interested persons are asked to submit:

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

By **12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, May 29, 2017** addressed to Chair, Nominating Committee, Board of Directors, Manitoulin Health Centre, P.O. Box 640, Little Current, ON POP 1K0 or by fax (705) 368-3603 or by email dgraham@mhc.on.ca.



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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH



NOTIFICATION OF REQUEST FOR TENDER TENDER 2017-03
Supply, Tailgate Spread and Stockpile of 5/8 Granular M Gravel
CLOSING DATE: June 06th, 2017 at 16:00 local time

Documents can be obtained from the municipal office located at:
456 Highway 542A, Tehkummah, Ontario POP 2C0,
or by calling 705-859-3293,
or sending email to: twptehk@amtelecom.net

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CALL FOR TENDERS
The Township of Assiginack is inviting tenders for **Winter Sand and Aggregates.**

Specifications and Tender Packages can be obtained at the Municipal Office 156 Arthur St, Manitowaning, by emailing jrody@eastlink.ca or online at www.assiginack.ca.

Tenders must be received on or before 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 16th, 2017.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Public Notice

Public notice regarding Providence Bay Beach and Boardwalk Maintenance
The Municipality of Central Manitoulin will begin beach and boardwalk maintenance in Providence Bay **during the week of May 23, 2017.**

The municipality is permitted to do maintenance activities and will do specific activities over the next several years.


The activities to be undertaken this year will be:

- Removal of some shrubs, including roots, along the water's edge on the East side of the Mindemoya River for the length of the boardwalk,
- Clearing a path from the boardwalk staircases to the water, and
- Removal of some vegetation on the East side of the Mindemoya River.

The work area will be staked and flagged. For your safety, please do not enter the site while the work is being done.

These actions are expected to enhance the area closest to the Mindemoya River for enjoyment by visitors. At the same time, it is intended to enhance the habitat for species at risk.

The permit issued to the Municipality of Central Manitoulin by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry allows the municipality to conduct specific activities and is not for action by the general public.



My sincere thanks to Dr. Robinson for performing my recent surgery. I would like to thank the staff at the specialist clinic in Little Current, and Dr. McRae for all their help in arranging for my recent surgery. A special thanks to Lori Green and Laurie Stevens for their assistance in scheduling.
Peter Paisley

1p

The family of Jeanette Allen has many people to thank for Jeanette's care before her passing on April 3, 2017. Thank you to the ambulance drivers and the Little Current doctors and nurses on February 12, during the awful weather and storm, for taking care of Jeanette as well as for her stay at the Little Current hospital until she got a room in the cardiology unit at Health Sciences North in Sudbury. A big thank you Rudy Corbiere for being there and helping to convince Jeanette that she needed to go on to the Sudbury hospital.

Thank you to Dr. Syan, the cardiologist, and all the nurses on floor 8 of Health Sciences North. Thank you to the ambulance drivers who brought Jeanette back to the Little Current hospital to be discharged. Thank you Colleen of the Assiginack Family Health Team for all the help to the Allen family to ready their home in Manitowaning for Jeanette's return home in March. Thank you to the ambulance driver for taking Jeanette back to hospital in Mindemoya and to Colleen and Jennifer for your support in convincing Jeanette to reside in the Wikwemikong Nursing Home, even though Jeanette never made it to the nursing home. Thanks to all our friends, neighbours, and family for their cards, phone calls and visits. A big thanks to Laurie and Stacy for staying by their Mum's side all through her stay in Sudbury. Thank you all,
Stan and family

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Death Notices

DEANNA PETERSEN

(NEE CADDEL AND FORMERLY NIZIOLOMSKI)



The death occurred peacefully, with family by her side, at the Provincial Palliative Care Centre, Charlottetown, on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, of Deanna Petersen (nee Caddel and formerly Niziolomski), beloved wife of Grant Petersen, of North Rustico and formerly Stanley Bridge, aged 78. She was the loving mother of Christopher Niziolomski (Jennifer Lyon). Deanna is also survived by her sister, Mary Catherine Smeltzer (Doug); brother, Ivor Caddel (Irene); and numerous nieces, nephews and friends. She was predeceased by her first husband, Roman Niziolomski; her parents, Wallace and Elsie (Morrison) Caddel; a son in infancy; brother, Morrison (Gail); and sisters, Margaret Cannard (Doug) and Murla Finley (Paul). There will be no visitation by personal request. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Interment will be held later at the Geddie Memorial Cemetery, Springbrook, P.E.I. If so desired, donations in Deanna's memory to the P.E.I. Humane Society would be appreciated. Arrangements have been entrusted to Central Queen's Funeral Home, New Glasgow, P.E.I.

MARIE SLOSS



Marie Sloss, of Spring Bay, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday May 20, 2017 at Mindemoya Hospital in her 69th year. Beloved sister of Ken (Sally Blackburn-Sloss). Marie will be sadly missed by her nephews Bryan (Susin), Brent (Chani) and Brad, as well as her great-nieces and nephews Shayna, Madelyn, Tori, Hannah, Samuel, Stephen, Blake, Shekinah, Judah and her pride and joy Babe. Predeceased by her parents Verdun and Lillian (Barnes) Sloss and her sister-in-law Alberta Sloss. Marie attended the Spring Bay Pentecostal Church, where she was always willing to lend a helping hand. She will be sadly missed by the community of Spring Bay where she was a tireless volunteer. Marie also enjoyed gardening, preserving, helping Ken on the farm and thoroughly loved the outdoors, especially fishing and hunting. Ken and the boys will miss their "cleaning partner". A visitation will be held at the Spring Bay Pentecostal Church on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 from 10 am until time of the funeral service at 11 am. Interment Long Bay Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Spring Bay Pentecostal Church or Pet Save Manitoulin as expressions of sympathy and may be made through www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca.

RONALD EDWARD ADDISON



Ronald Edward Addison, a resident of Silver Water, passed away May 19, 2017 at the Mindemoya Hospital, with his family by his side. Loving husband of the late Betty (Brown) Addison. Beloved son of the late Dorothy (Hopkins) and the late Jack Addison. Ron always had a story or joke to tell. He loved the outdoors and particularly, the sunsets on Silver Lake. Ron's ingenuity, smile and gentle nature will forever be remembered and dearly missed. Loved and loving father of Michael (Laurie) Addison of Gore Bay and Sharon (John Lloyd) of Toronto. Treasured grandpa of Curtis, Janelle, Heather and Carolyn. Ron will be sadly missed by his siblings Jack (Alice) Addison, Lorna (Tom Caley) and Lyle (Ann) Addison. Dear brother-in-law of Bill (Marilyn) Brown, Marie (Don Allen, predeceased) and Murray (Susan) Brown. Ron will be fondly remembered by his many cousins, nieces, nephews and his friends, especially in the community of Silver Water. Family and friends may call at the Simpson Funeral Home in Gore Bay on Thursday, May 25, 2017 from 7 pm to 9 pm. The funeral service to celebrate Ron's life will be held at St. Andrew's United Church in Silver Water on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 11 am with Rev. Janice Frame officiating. Donations (by cheque only please) to the St. Andrew's United Church or a charity of your choice would be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca.

PAUL JOHN "NIBS" NIVEN

Paul John "Nibs" Niven passed away peacefully at his residence in Little Current on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at the age of 82. Born to the late Mary Niven Lynam and the late William Niven. Predeceased his beloved wife Anne Niven (nee) Gerrard. Loved father of Richard (Wendy) of Spring Bay, Gregory (Heather) of Providence Bay, Nancy (Nigel) Smith of Barrie and Jennifer of Pickering. Loved stepfather of Brett (Megan) Hyslop of Shawnigan Lake, BC. Beloved grandfather of Paul, Victoria, Shawn, Michael, Maddy, Tyler, Kyle, Zack, Sebastien, Tessia, Halla and great-grandfather of five. Paul will always be remembered by many nieces, nephews and friends. Mr. Niven requested cremation and no visitation or service. Record your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

HARMON RICHARD (BOB) MALLOY



In loving memory of Harmon Richard (Bob) Malloy, born July 21, 1936 in Chipman, New Brunswick, passed away Thursday, May 18, 2017 at Health Sciences North, Sudbury. Beloved husband of Annette Malloy (predeceased 2011). Loving father of Kim (husband Ken MacDonald, predeceased), Pam, and Judy Lynn. Dear grandfather of Mindey and great-grandfather of Kayden. Son of Daniel and Florence (Johnston) Malloy, both predeceased. Dear brother of Keith and predeceased by Doug, Dennis, Daniel, Ambrose, John and Vincent. Sadly missed by many nieces and nephews. Resting at the Bourcier Funeral Home, Espanola. Friends may call from 2 pm to 5 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 and also Wednesday, May 24, 2017 after 12 noon. Funeral Mass in St. Jude's Roman Catholic Church, Espanola on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 2 pm. Interment in the family plot at the Espanola Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the NCF-Cancer Center would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to the Lougheed Funeral Home, Sudbury. To light a memorial candle, donations or messages of condolences available online at www.lougheed.org.

HENRY PETER BELMORE SR.



Henry Peter Belmore Sr., age 73 years, passed away on Thursday, May 18, 2017. Born October 6, 1943, Henry spent most of his life in Thunder Bay and is a member of Gull Bay First Nation. His interests included casino games, playing cards, crosswords, going to the library, and spending time at the Dew Drop Inn with his friends. Henry was a carpenter and cabinet maker prior to retirement and he played guitar. Henry will be lovingly remembered by his sister Gladys, his brother Maurice (Isabelle), sons Kevin, Henry Jr. and Bradley (Tammy), daughters Brenda (Jordan), Janice (Frank) Abbott, Christie-Ann (Derek) Bernard and Janette Bernard, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren and one great-grandchild, mother of his children Irene (Ralph) Bernard. Henry was predeceased by his partner Claudette Gamsby, his parents Alice (nee Pitchagabow) and Oliver Belmore, his brothers Joe, Johnny and Michael, his sisters Edna and Irene and his son Craig Bernard. Visitation for family and friends will be held from 4 pm to 5 pm on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 in the Chapel of Sargent and Son Funeral Home, 21 North Court Street with Rev. Larry Kroker saying a prayer at 4 pm. A celebration of Henry's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Dew Drop Inn. Online condolences may be made at www.sargentandson.com.

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor 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.

EDWARD HARRISON BASSINGTHWAITE

January 25, 1929 - May 14, 2017

Edward (Ted) Bassingthwaite died peacefully about 4 pm (EST) on May 14, 2017 at Mindemoya Hospital, in Mindemoya, Ontario. He was 88 at the time and only recently returned to his beloved home of Manitoulin Island in September of 2016 after a life of traveling the world while in the Royal Canadian Air Force from which he retired after 30 years of service to his country. He and his wife Mary, who passed away in 2015, had been living in Edmonton, Alberta for many years so they could be close to their grandchildren. For him Manitoulin Island was home regardless of the many places he had lived and after Mary's death wanted with all his heart to be where he felt his only home ever was. He is survived by his son James and grandchildren Jason James, Natasha Katrina and Victoria Mae, brother William, and sisters, Jean, Nora, and Carol. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters Jim, Ivy, Mary Lou, and Ron. He was the son of Raymond Jonathan and Edna May (Nevills) Bassingthwaite who are both deceased. A celebration of his life will take place in about mid-July so family and friends can gather. Details to follow by late June. His son James can be contacted at 780-938-2558.

ALEADA FERGUSON

July 17, 1926 - May 15, 2017



Aleada Ferguson passed away on May 15, 2017 at her home in the Wikwemikong Nursing home in her 91st year. Predeceased by her parents William and Fanny "Marshall" Hubbert and her brothers Orland, Ernest and sister Betty McCorrison. Predeceased by husband Lewis Ferguson, sons Henry, Lindsay, David, Donald, George, Maurice and daughter Bonnie. Survived by son Carman Ferguson (wife Maxine), daughter Lillian Neveroff (husband Alex predeceased), granddaughter Connie Richter (husband Brent) and great-granddaughter Sadie Richter. She loved to sew, do crafts, cook and have visits from the children in her neighbourhood, many who called her "Gramma" when she lived in Green Bay. Services were held at Island Funeral Home. Visitation was Friday, May 19, 2017 from 2 pm to 4 pm and 7 pm to 9 pm and Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 1 pm until the Funeral Service at 3 pm. Burial at Green Bay Cemetery. Donations to Community Living Manitoulin or the MHC Auxiliary greatly appreciated.

JOSEPH "LITTLE JOE" ESQUIMAUX

Sunrise June 4, 1943 - Sunset May 14, 2017



In loving memory of Joseph "Little Joe" Esquimaux who passed away peacefully at Manitoulin Health Centre on Sunday, May 14, 2017 at the age of 73. Son of the late Anna and the late Johnson Esquimaux. Loved father of Janet of Aundeck Omni Kaning, Kelly (Glen McCutcheon) Esquimaux of Barrie and Clayton Limin of Burlington. Predeceased by his son Brian Esquimaux Sr. Special friend of Joyce Madahbee. Beloved grandfather of Brian Jr., Erin, Logan, Regan, CJ, Honor, and Hunter. Great-grandfather of Sydney and Kaiden. He will always be remembered by many friends. Family and friends gathered at Sheguiandah Community Centre on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 and Wednesday, May 17, 2017. Funeral Mass was held at 11 am on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at Sheguiandah Community Centre. Burial followed the service at the Sheguiandah First Nation Cemetery. Share your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

Celebration of Life Notice

PAUL FREDRICK WILLIAMSON

Family and friends of Paul Fredrick Williamson. There will be a graveside gathering at Mindemoya Cemetery on Saturday, May 27, 2017 at 1 pm, followed by a Celebration of Life from 2 pm to 4 pm at the Mindemoya Curling Club.

**Obituaries can be found online at
manitoulin.ca**



A transport truck backs off the Chi-Cheemaun's bow after the stern failed to open Monday morning. photo by Caroline Black

Passengers forced to back off ferry after stern door fails to open

by Alicia McCutcheon
SOUTH BAYMOUTH—Visitors to South Baymouth Monday would have noticed an unusual sight—vehicles backing out of the Chi-Cheemaun's bow on to the dock.

When the ferry came into port for its first South Baymouth port of call of the day, the stern door failed to open to let the passengers off. The ferry then had to back itself into the berth and open its bow with drivers asked to back out of the ferry and onto the South Baymouth front street.

Susan Schrepf, Owen Sound Transportation Company CAO, explained that the ferry was having a problem with its stern door hydraulics.

"We haven't lost any trips over the stern door," she said. "We're just doing some creative loading/unloading. We have the required part on order."

Dorothy Anstice of Tehkumma said she heard of the issue and asked for photos of the strange sight to share with this newspaper. She laughed when she realized the photos can't be differentiated between vehicles driving on to the ferry or

backing off it.

Ms. Schrepf said the current stern door hydraulics issue and the steering hydraulic failure from the first week of oper-

ation were not related.

"There is no systemic issue, just an unfortunate coincidence," Ms. Schrepf said.

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I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks for the cards, phone calls and words of condolence on the passing of my brother, Archie Kruger, son of Peter and Jenny Kruger. Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near. Still missed, and very dear. Evelyn and Ron Towns and family

HOMES, COTTAGES & CAMPS MELDRUM BAY 503.8 ft. water frontage & 3.03 ac. w/year round access, cabin & sauna w/hydro, running water \$169800 (1217); SILVER WATER HOME 1.5 storey 990 sq. ft. on surveyed lot \$65000 (1077); BARRIE ISLAND hunting camp on 9.4 surveyed acres \$59000 (1335); GORE BAY HOME on large corner lot w/creek running through 1589 sq. ft. detached garage \$119000 (1315); GORE BAY affordable on corner of Gore & Hall Streets 764 sq. ft. \$49000 (1351); ICE LAKE GETAWAY cabin 16x24 on 6 ac. w/2128 ft. water frontage off the grid. Very private Point. \$104000 (1288); MANITOWANING home on large corner lot w/detached garage. Wheelchair accessible \$120000 (1289). Visit www.manitoulinrealestate.ca under Homes & Cottages — Town, Country, Waterfront.

GORE BAY RED ROOF PAVILION FOR RENT \$300 per month for minimum 5 months. (1312). Visit www.manitoulinrealestate.ca under Commercial, Income, Business & Farms.

CAMPING ON A LEASED LOT LAKE KAGAWONG trailer cottage at Kamp Kagawong Park w/all contents, 2 decks, swimming & view \$29,000 Seller motivated Make an offer. (1299). Visit www.manitoulinrealestate.ca under Waterfront Homes & Cottages.

ACREAGES Between Gore Bay & Maple Point accessed via SCOTLAND ROAD 200 ac. \$149500 w/truck road access. Known hunting area. Some marsh for the big bucks; CHECKERBOARD LANE surveyed 5.45 ac. mixed bush, trailer, shed, footings for camp \$19900; SUCKER LAKE ROAD over 20 ac. w/year round access & less than 1 km to the lake \$29500. Visit www.manitoulinrealestate.ca under Country Lots & Acreages.

BUILDING LOTS TOLSMVILLE on Cockburn Island fronting on F Street \$4900; GORDON TOWNSHIP on the 4 th Line 60x725 ft. bush w/year round access \$5900; GORE BAY Doc Strain Dr. w/Town water, sewer, year round access, hydro & phone \$20000; GORE BAY Doc Strain Dr. & Park St. 3.21a w/ Town water, sewer, year round access, hydro & phone \$50000; GORE BAY Thorburn St. w/Town water, sewer, year round access, hydro, phone & water view \$39900; GORE BAY West Bluff Fraser St. w/Town water, sewer, hydro, phone & water view \$49000; GORE BAY on west side of Town being 2 lots ea. w/309.65 ft. on Armstrong Road \$21900 & 27900; KAGAWONG'S MAPLE RIDGE on Maple Drive w/municipal water, year round access, hydro, phone & partial water view \$19900. Visit www.manitoulinrealestate.ca under Town Lots & Acreages and under Country Lots & Acreages.

WATERFRONT LOTS MELDRUM BAY 503 ft. & 2.9 ac. w/year round access, hydro & phone \$99900; MELDRUM BAY 7.7 ac. & 150 ft. on Highway 540 w/deeded right of way access to private section of beach about 140 ft. across road \$49500; MELDRUM BAY east of the Village w/360 ft. private waterfrontage & 1.7 ac. w/access from highway already in place \$69,500; LAKE HURON 150 ft. & 25 ac. \$44500; LAKE HURON 150 ft. & 2.4 ac. w/8x12 ft. shed on site \$29500; BARRIE ISLAND 3.49 ac. w/229.6 ft. facing west sunsets \$49500; GORE BAY north east point of bay 3.75 ac. & 781 ft. \$69000; GORE BAY on Lighthouse Road 100 ft. w/year round access, municipal water & sewer, hydro, phone, Part 2 \$79500; GORE BAY on Lighthouse Road 100 ft. w/year round access, municipal water & sewer, hydro, phone, Part 3 \$79500; SHRIGLEY OCEAN POINT area 165 ft. & 5.98 ac. \$49000; ICE LAKE on Ice Lake Drive w/private year round access, hydro & phone \$64000; ICE LAKE on Emery Road 205 ft. & 2.36 ac. w/driveway, building site cleared, beautiful wood fired sauna, wood shelter, privy, hardwoods, year round access and hydro two poles away \$69000; MAPLE POINT 150 ft. w/hardwood bush, year round access, hydro, phone \$76500; MCQUARRIE MAPLE POINT 2 lots 150 ft. ea. on North Channel w/year round access \$65000 ea.; LAKE KAGAWONG east end 8 ac. & 528 ft. frontage w/bunkie, toilet, dock \$169000; LAKE MINDEMOYA with Monument Road behind 2 lots side by side 150 ft. ea. w/year round access, hydro, phone \$89500 ea.; SOUTH BAY 367 ft. & 2.23 ac. w/legal open access over Kokomo Trail \$78000; MANITOWANING BAY w/165 ft. & 2.5 ac. w/driveway, year round on Eastview Lane \$84900; Visit www.manitoulinrealestate.ca under Waterfront Lots & Acreages.

Pride

Manitoulin Secondary School encourages ‘embracing rural diversity’ at Pride Day

by Robin Burrige

M’CHIGEENG—Manitoulin Secondary School’s (MSS) Rainbow Rights Group hosted its annual Pride Day event featuring special guest speaker Derek Forgie.

The Rainbow Rights Group sold t-shirts and sundaes as a fundraiser for the group, joining local service groups who were set up in the cafetorium for the event during lunch time.

A school-wide assembly followed with comedian and founder/chair of Heterosexual for Same-Sex Equality (HHSE) Derek Forgie.

Mr. Forgie spoke from the heart, sharing experiences from his adolescent years and about promoting acceptance and equality.

“I was in North Bay,” said Mr. Forgie. “And I remember hearing a guy at a bar actually say, ‘I got nothing against gay people but I don’t want them near me.’ ‘Wow’ I thought. Men seem to have this fear about being approached romantically by another man. Gay people aren’t wizards—they can’t make you gay—that’s not how it works.”

Mr. Forgie said that getting hit on by someone just means that you are smart, funny, kind, good looking; it’s a compliment.”

Mr. Forgie also talked about his experience of being bullied in high school and how he learned later on in his life that his bully thought they were ‘friends’ and he was just teasing him. He also learned that he too had been a bully to one of his friends, but he didn’t know it at the time.

“Oftentimes we have no idea that we are making someone’s life miserable,” said Mr. Forgie, giving the examples of when it is okay to joke around with your friends.

He also shared a story about another bully he had in high school who he later learned was having a bad time in his home life. “You don’t know what’s going on with people, so you need to try not to take things as personally,” said Mr. Forgie. “It (someone bullying you) may not have anything to do with you.”

He ended his presentation encouraging MSS students not to be afraid of ‘sucking.’ “To achieve your passion in life you need to take risks,” said Mr. Forgie. “You need to ask—find people who share your passion and collaborate. Don’t use being from a small town in Northern Ontario as an excuse as to why you don’t pursue your dreams.” He gave the example of James Cameron, who is from Kapuskasing, singer Shania Twain from Timmins and Jeopardy! host Alex Trebek from Sudbury.

“I’m from North Bay and I changed ‘Kick a Ginger Day’ into ‘Kiss a Ginger Day,’” shared Mr. Forgie. “It started small with a Facebook group and grew until nine years later Conan O’Brian is talking about in his monologue, Harry Potter mentions it. I’m from Mattawa and I did that—there is nothing stopping you—you can achieve whatever you want. What inspires you?”

Following the raising of the Rainbow flag, Sarah Seabrook, who supervises the Rainbow Rights group and is a Child and Youth Mental Health and Addictions Worker at the school was presented with a cheque from Bell Canada Regional Director of Community Affairs Sandy McDonald.

Through Bell’s Lets Talk, Noojmowin Teg received \$35,000 for Ms. Seabrook’s one year, part-time



Members of the Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Rainbow Rights Group including Kristin Mitchell, Meg Misner, Emma Chokomoolin, Carter Stoneypoint and group supervisor Child and Youth Mental Health and Addictions Worker Sarah Seabrook run the booth at the MSS Pride Day held last Friday.

photos by Robin Burrige



Manitoulin Secondary School Child and Youth Mental Health and Addictions Worker Sarah Seabrook accepts a cheque from Bell Canada Regional Director of Community Affairs Sandy McDonald for \$35,000 to fund Ms. Seabrook’s position at the highschool for a year.

position at MSS. A portion of the funding also went towards the Pride Day event and a snow sculpture event held earlier in the year.

“We received an application for the funding grant and through an extensive selection process this project came out ranking at the top of applications received across Canada,” said Ms. McDonald. “Bell Let’s Talk is all about increasing access to care and this project was a natural fit.”

As part of her role at MSS Ms. Seabrook oversees the Rainbow Rights group, providing counselling to students in need, hosts an art therapy group, is currently organizing a graffiti workshop for students and works with youth in conflict with the law (working closely with the UCCMM Youth Justice Program).

“It means so much to me that on this day one year ago we celebrated the first LGBTQ2S Health Awareness Conference on Manitoulin Island,” said Ms. Seabrook following MSS Pride Day. “It’s



There were plenty of different service providers set up as part of the MSS Pride Day event.

events like MSS Pride Day that keep the positive momentum going in becoming a more inclusive and progressive place to live. The day was very special to me and the students of Rainbow Rights. Thanks to Bell Let’s Talk and Derek for making the day a success.”



ABOVE: Guest speaker at the MSS Pride Day Derek Forgie shares experiences from his adolescent years and about promoting acceptance and equality.

BELOW: Derek Forgie accepts a gift from MSS Rainbow Rights Group member Meg Misner for speaking at the high school Pride Day event.



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Manitoulin Centennial Manor Minutes

Board election

The Manitoulin Centennial Manor board discussed the need for board elections. A decision was made to defer the election until next month's meeting when Pat MacDonald would be present.

Fuel tenders

The board reviewed fuel tenders for the Manor. Manitoulin Fuels came in at 77.46 per/litre, New North bid 86.9/litre and McDougal Fuels bid 80.34/litre.

A motion was carried to award the tender to Manitoulin Fuels.

Administers report

Manor Administrator Michelle Bond presented her report. She was happy to inform the board that the home was at full occupancy with 15 individuals on the waiting list. "We have an empty bed that we are filling now and another one we will be filling next week," said Ms. Bond. "Both residents have been discharged to other homes."

Ms. Bond said that the Manor had to fill out a critical incident report with the ministry recently because the walk in freezer broke. She noted that the freezer

has since been fixed, but the home hasn't received the bill yet.

"We had a lot of agency usage last month unfortunately," said Ms. Bond. "We had to cover 28 PSW shifts but none for RNs. We are looking to fill seven PSW positions, we have a number who are off on sick leave or for surgery."

In terms of finances, Ms. Bond said that April saw a deficiency due to the agency usage, but staff is doing the best they can to fill shifts internally as needed and to control costs.

The food budget was over budget for April, but Ms. Bond said that for year to date, the food budget is in line.

She also noted that the Case Mix Index (CMI) had decreased from 91 to 88, but that at the end of March it was at 92. The CMI is a relative value assigned to the residents based on their care needs, which is used by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care in determining the allocation of funds to each of the long term care homes in the province. The CMI at the end of March will be the base for next year's funding.

Fundraising

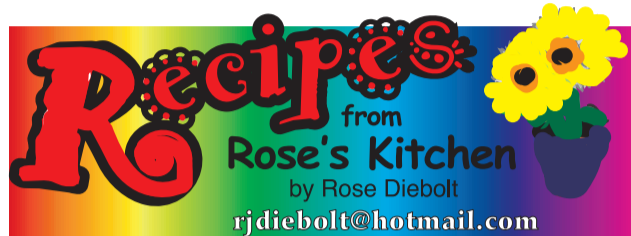
Board member Wendy Gauthier was pleased to announce that the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Golden Gala had been a success raising \$25,580.20 towards patient lifts for the home. She added that not only was the event a great fundraiser, it was also good public relations for the home. She credited her fellow gala committee members and the many volunteers for the gala's success.

Ms. Gauthier also noted that the Manor would have

a booth at the Manitoulin Trade Fair (May 26-28) and that they would have information for potential volun-

teers and be selling raffle tickets for the Ivan Wheale painting which had been donated earlier in the year.

The next Manitoulin Centennial board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 15.



After a long winter without fresh local greens from our garden and the surrounding forest, I really start to crave them. There isn't very much growing in our gardens yet-but as the sun warms the earth and things start growing-I get excited. The last two weeks I have been watching our rhubarb patches, first seeing the soil move a little, then the buds of the rhubarb start popping up, then the leaves unfurl and the stems get thicker and longer. Finally, I could not wait and three days ago I went to pick some rhubarb (we need some more warm weather) to use in a couple of recipes. So good!

Bread Pudding with Rhubarb and Maple Syrup

I made an apple bread pudding using croissants and was happy with the results. In this recipe I did the same, but with our fresh rhubarb and found that the croissants give the pudding a smoother, creamier and lighter texture.

BREAD

8 day-old croissants, cut into 1/2 inch cubes

RHUBARB

1 cup granulated sugar
3 cups water
1 lb rhubarb cut into 1 inch lengths
1/2 tsp cinnamon
1 tsp grated orange rind

CUSTARD

2 Tbsp granulated sugar
3 large eggs
1 cup whipping cream
3 Tbsp maple syrup
1/2 tsp ground cardamom
1/4 tsp ground cloves

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease an 8 x 8 inch baking pan or line it with parchment paper. You can also use ramekins or the large mouth 250ml canning jars.

2. To prepare rhubarb, add sugar to water and bring to boil, stirring until sugar is melted. Boil for 2 minutes. Reduce the heat to a simmer and add the rhubarb. Simmer the rhubarb for 2 minutes or until limp, and then remove from heat. Use a slotted spoon to remove rhubarb from the syrup.

3. Toss the rhubarb with cinnamon, and orange rind. Set aside.

4. For custard, whisk together sugar, eggs, cream, maple syrup, cardamom and cloves in a mixing bowl.

5. Place the cut up croissants in the pan and add the rhubarb. Mix gently.

6. Pour the custard over the croissants and let the mixture sit for 10 minutes. Press down lightly.

7. Cover and bake for 30 minutes. Then uncover and bake 15 minutes until the top is golden and puffed. Remove from oven and serve while warm. Garnish with maple syrup or vanilla ice cream.

Rhubarb Vinaigrette

When I make my own salad dressings I always like to use fruit either fresh or cooked. It makes your dressing zing. Always make extra because dressings will keep up to a week in your fridge and you won't have to buy the chemical mixture in the store!!

1 cup chopped fresh rhubarb
1/4 cup water
2 tbsp maple syrup
1 Tbsp red-wine vinegar
2 Tbsp grainy Dijon mustard
1/4 cup olive, sunflower or grape seed oil
1 Tbsp poppy seeds

1. Boil rhubarb with water in a small saucepan over medium heat, until rhubarb is tender, about 5 minutes. Place into a blender with maple syrup, vinegar, Dijon mustard and oil. Blend until smooth. Stir in poppy seeds.

Tehkummah Talk and Times

Notice, Sunday, May 28 Country and Gospel afternoon at the Tehkummah Hall, admission \$10, desserts and refreshments included, a fundraiser for Tehkummah Sr. U.C.W.

Got a phone call from Kim and Kathy Sunday evening, he's getting some gardening in. My green multiplier onions are up on top. I guess the cats figured it was easy digging where I'd planted. The ones they missed digging out should have good flavor. HA! Lots of yellow in our world, most lawns are most colourful now. The money plant is coming into bloom, a white one too again. Too bad it didn't grow the real thing! Lots of wild strawberries perhaps if we get rain at the right time!

Monday Noreen called to see if I was going to our U.C.W. meeting at her place, Mum was waiting for me too, while I was in the forgetting mode! They waited for us. Good meeting, good group, good lunch, and delish dessert!

Sympathy to the family of Gary Hoffman, thinking of you!

Just saw the first hummingbird Monday morning, the wren is setting up housekeeping in the bird condo, and pair of robins are feeding babies. The nest is on the hydro meter, maybe that's why my bills are so high? A beautiful warm morning on Saturday, I planted a half a dozen gladiolas, that's about enough work at a time, everything is in stages, basically resting stages. I have got a pair of kitchen curtains on the line too, and two days worth of dishes done.

Sherry took me to Sudbury yesterday for my checkup with Dr. Shehata. That was a good report, now if I can get my body's necessary vitamins to where they should be perhaps I will drag less, but then again I am 80! Then I look at Mum and I wonder? She's got a lot of zip yet.

Last week, intended to mention saying hello to Cora Belle at Green Acres on Sunday eve. Also intended to talk about the Adder Tongues they are large and plentiful, yet the trilliums seem smaller.

Thursday someone had done more than their "Good Deed" for the day. When we came along in the torrential downpour, two cars (actually a car and a truck) started moving, after removing a tree that had fallen the whole way across the road. Thank you. I'll bet you got wet! This was on the 20th out of Mindemoya. Deluge or what, driving slow and most cautiously the rains started, as we got to Spring Bay, a back way, I had not been on before. Cal and I had lunch at Carol's and Earl's and then he just drove. Over

the lakes today they looked like everything had been painted with a sheer blue wash. It was lovely, before the rain of course. The impending storm/ story / warning?! Everything seems over done, too much, or not enough, the balance is gone. Mother Earth/ Mother Nature is rebelling.

We finally have hummingbirds, my own! Last week Tara and Skylar tried to save two baby flying squirrels that must have fallen from their nest. Perhaps the crows?

Six and a half tables for cribbage. Today at our lunch break we sang Happy Birthday to Bert Whalen. What a delicious birthday cake, chocolate and ice cream too. High hands, 24, Edgar and Bill; first place, Noreen and Roger; second, Dorothy and Ted, 952; third, Jessie and Dorothy A, 946; low, Betty Jean and Bill, 848; door, Jean, Pat H, Keith.

Happy 41st wedding anniversary to Sherry and Dave, and 39th to Kim and Kathy this week.

The past couple of weeks Mum has been knocking my socks off at cribbage. Some kind of close but a couple of skunks. She even whomped Pauline.

Euchre, 9 tables for the tournament. An amazing score of 100 and 10 lone hands for Donna and Eva; second, Marlina and Margaret, 91; third, Linda and Andy, 75; fourth, Betty Jean and Bill, 71; low, Eila and Donna, 46; Marg and Simon, Dorothy and Ted all qualified for skunks. I'm not sure who all was on K.P. duty; Denis won the door prize. Good to have some of the "Summer Folk" back with us.

I've been singing 'I'll be with you in apple blossom time.'

They are not quite out, but the pears are starting, the cherries and plum are spectacular, the wild plum, black cherries and bilberry are lovely. It would be nice if they wouldn't get that blight for a change. Many many tent caterpillars this year, get after them, the only bird that eats them are seagulls. I know they don't smell good when you squish them.

A new waitress named Tracy at the Garden Shed, met her Saturday. Jay and Bert were there with family, reminded me of Ted Bowerman's Memorial Service at the Hall. I sat with Rick and Sandra Samson and Don Arnold, who is moving to Picton. So

Happy transfer Don! Supper at Sherry and Dave's, Tara and I beat Sherry and Cal at cribbage!

The days go by so fast, they seem full and busy, but it might be the napping time that shortens time up so much. I took Mum and Audrey to Andy Watson's birthday party

after church on Sunday. Boy, if you can count your wealth by your friends he is a very rich man. Dot and Andy sat up front (Sandfield Hall), Mum and Audrey sat nearby for a while, refreshments and birthday cake was served up to all the well-wishers. Dual Citizens of the Year recognized by Central Manitoulin as well, congratulations on that honour as well.

I sat with Toots, Eva and Margaret, then Lois Campbell and Jackie joined our table. Lois is doing well. The Pyette boys, Lester, Norris and Ronnie, made a special trip to wish Andy happy birthday and many others, too numerous to list here.

June Edward great to see her, it's been a while!

We sat with Doug and Marion at Carol's and Earl's, Nancy was our waitress.

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Visitors returning home from Windsor for the summer are Eddie and Betty Simpson. They took some time along with daughter Kathy Warner to give Ingrid Blay a hand while she worked on the 'Welcome to Providence Bay' sign on the Government Road.

Marley Neill flew from Toronto to Edmonton, Alberta where she was met by her mother and will be travelling to BC for a visit. We're sure they have a lot of adventures planned.

The family of the late Jason Leu gathered together for a memorial and bur-

ial on Saturday, May 20.

The Providence Bay/Spring Bay Lions Club held their Spring Roar dance this past Saturday. The pulled pork, BBQ beans and slaw were fantastic. A super great time was held by all. It's evident that we sure know how to party it up in Providence Bay as the DJ Bill Concannon kept everybody up on the dance floor. A big shout out to all the wonderful volunteers that help pull events like this together. Well done!

Welcome to beautiful Providence Bay is extended to our new residents Bill and Michelle Concannon.

We're so glad you're here.

Glen and Mona Bryan are up visiting for the long weekend at their cottage affectionately known as Hummingbird Retreat. While here, they celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary on May 21. Congratulations!

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Mary Eadie who will be celebrating May 28.

The bridgework on the highway is ongoing at the Mindemoya River and should be starting in earnest on June 1.

If you would like to make a submission to the Providence Bay News and

Notes, please ensure that you do so by each Sunday at 3 pm. This will be for the column published the following Wednesday. You can email prov_chick@hotmail.com or you can call Cheryl at 705-377-7511. We appreciate any and all information received. There is so much going on in our village that we'd love to let everyone know.



Northern flicker

Perhaps one of the most attractive in the woodpecker family, the northern flicker is most often spotted on the ground, foraging for ants and other tasty crawling creatures. This male, seen above, differs from the female flicker with the addition of a black 'moustache' stripe.

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The MSS Mustangs have been focusing on their mind, body and spirit.

MSS Wellness Day was on Tuesday, May 16. The day was meant to provide students with ways to help them deal with stress and become mindful. The day started off with a presentation from Yuttadhammo Bhikkhu (born Noah Greenspoon), a Buddhist monk and former MSS student. He spoke to the student body about meditation and how it helps control emotions. After doing a practice with the assembly, students went to their other sessions. During lunch, there was a feast, prepared by some of the students and staff members. The meal included homemade, fresh cuisine such as fish tacos made from local smoked fish, El Salvador pupusas, and cabbage soup. The majority of students participated in their sessions, showing great school spirit.

Amber Wahl, a Grade 9 student, said, "My favourite part of the day was the whole theme and atmosphere of calming your body and mind that was in the school. I went to the Therapeutic Writing, Ju Jitsu, and Tai Chi. I was really glad the day was put on because it really helped me de-stress and refocus my mind and gave me ways to do so in the future as well."

The MSS tennis team travelled to Sudbury for NOSSA on Thursday, May 18. Nathan Howard and

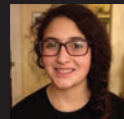
Jackie Cooper came fourth place in mixed senior doubles, Bryce Mastelko came fourth in senior boys' singles, and Alayna Cranston and Madly Niven came third in junior girls' doubles.

MSS Pride Day was on May 19. The event included a draw for a hoodie, an ice cream and waffle bar, t-shirt sales, and some upbeat music. The event was organized by the Rainbow Rights committee, supervised by Ms. Seabrook and Mr. Gurney. Derek Forgie, the founder of Kiss a Ginger Day, did a presentation for the entire student body. He talked about his struggles and realizations with homophobia in today's society.

Organizer Megan Misner said, "The pride day went extremely well. Hannah won our draw for a PRIDE Manitoulin hoodie and metal cutout of the Island done by Katherine Corbiere of One KWE. I think the best part of the day was the assembly where we were very lucky to have Derek Forgie speaking."

Ms. Bauer, Mr. Scott, and Mrs. Scott took a group of 16 students on the Stratford Trip from Thursday, May 18 to Sunday, May 21. The group of students was David Hall, Courtney Osawabine, Carissa Holliday, Grace Duncanson, Emily Patterson, Miranda Mackay, Becky MacDonald, Isaac Gosse, Tyler Hore, Milana Sabzali, Josh

M.S.S. Kids in the Halls



Sandi Kuntsi

Noble, Denver Leeson, Victoria MacDonald, Mason Golder, Jacob Maxwell, and I. On Thursday the group of energetic teenagers got on a bus to go to South Baymouth for the Chi Cheemaun. After the ferry, the group reboarded the bus for the rest of the long drive to Stratford. On Friday, many of the students spent the morning in the pool before heading to downtown Stratford for free time. Friday afternoon the group saw Guys and Dolls at the Festival Theatre, the show stunning the entire group. MSS had extremely good seats and were right in the front section of the auditorium. Following this show, the group went to Demetre's for an authentic Greek dinner, consisting of calamari, bruschetta, spanakopita, sun dried tomato pasta, gyros pitas, and moussaka. After dinner the group went to see the play Romeo and Juliet at the Festival Theatre. On Saturday morning, the group participated in a workshop at the Avon Studio about the play Twelfth Night. The group played an icebreaker game, made tableaux to summarize the play, and read lines from the play to practice using different emotions for each person. Saturday afternoon, the group explored the beautiful city of Strat-

ford before going to see the production of HMS Pinafore at the Avon Theatre. Following the show, the group was walked through the city, many students buying souvenirs, taking pictures and experiencing the full culture of Stratford. Saturday evening the group went to see the play Twelfth Night at the Festival Theatre. After the show, the group hopped back onto the bus for the overnight bus ride

home. The ride home was quiet, and the students arrived back on the Island at 7 am.

Isaac Gosse said, "My favourite part of the trip was getting to walk around in between the shows and see the culture of the town. My favourite show was Guys and Dolls. I was awestruck by the whole performance so much so that my friends said they noticed me leaning forward in my seat looking like I was about to fall. The performance by each actor was just outstanding at

how authentic each character sounded, from the accent all the way to their facial expression. All in all I had a really amazing time on the trip. I walked around with some friends, saw four really amazing plays and musicals, and just had a really good time!"

Coming up there are many opportunities to get involved in helping the community and giving back through Me to We, Relay for Life, and SHARE/Go-Green. "Til next time, stay golden, Mustangs."

farm facts and furrows



by OMAFRA Ag Rep Brian Bell

Learning opportunities

Working in collaboration, OMAFRA's Food Safety and Traceability Programs Branch (FSTPB), Agricultural Development Branch (ADB) and Environmental Management Branch (EMB) have developed a series of free online courses that provide flexible education and learning opportunities. These courses will provide producers, processors and Agri-food businesses with information to: reduce risk to businesses and their customers; suggest ways to improve efficiencies; learn more about industry best practices; develop a more competitive edge and access new markets; help businesses grow. All of the courses are delivered online and are self-

paced, can be taken any time, from anywhere internet access is available, limited time commitment with some courses designed to take just 20-30 minutes to complete. Courses currently available: Food Safety Foundations; Food Safety Foundations; and The Basics of Traceability. Courses coming soon: water use, worker practices, maximizing your traceability investment, growing your farm profits, sanitation, recall, personnel and profiting from traceability. For additional information and course registration, visit the Agriculture and Food Education in Ontario (www.agandfoodeducation.ca) through the University of Guelph, Ridgetown Campus.

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Manitoulin Family Resources

Please join us to celebrate the evolution of Manitoulin Family Resources.



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