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MSS junior girls harriers Ontario champs

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—The Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Mustangs junior girls cross-country running team is the best in the province! This means a new, coveted Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship banner will soon be unfurled on the school gym's wall of fame.

"All the members of the girls team ran with heart. They fought for every position in the race. The team finished with a total of 102 points, crushing the second-place team by 83 points," said MSS coach Gerry Holliday.

The team won their division at the OFSAA championships, held this past Saturday at Lakefield College School, near Peterborough. The team finished with a score of 102 points and their total time was 1:27:39, 4:39.6 better than the second-place team.

Maren Kasunich finished in third place individually in the race, in a time of 19:15.3, with teammate Mackenzie Green placing 17th in a time of 21:48.6. MSS runner Annie Balfe finished 30th overall in a time of 22:39.7 while Morgan Green was 52nd in a time of 23:54.8.

"On the boys' side of OFSAA, after a slow start, Xavi Mara, in the novice division race, fought his way up through the 161 participants to finish with a very respectable 56th place (in a time of 16:46.5)," said Mr. Holliday. "In the junior division Brodie Pennie ran a very strong race, fading a bit in the middle, but still finished 23rd (in a time of 18:32.9)," said Mr. Hol-



THE WINNING TEAM—The Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Mustangs junior girls cross-country running team won their division at the provincial-level Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship. Teammates include Annie Balfe, Maren Kasunich, Mackenzie Green and Morgan Green,

First Nations in Mich., Ont. want Line 5 gone

by Michael Erskine

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President Joe Biden urging him to MICHIGAN—All of the Michigan strongly support Michigan's efforts to shut down the controernment have sent a letter to US versial Enbridge Line 5 pipeline

Appeals court quashes Ontario's appeal of judgement that would hike **Robinson-Huron Treaty annuities**

by Tom Sasvari

ROBINSON-HURON-Representatives of the Robinson-Huron Treaty Litigation Fund welcome

Billings trailer bylaw **■ proposal annoys some** township ratepayers

by Tom Sasvari

KAGAWONG—Despite concerns from several residents and even council members themselves, Billings Township council has given approval to the first read-

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the judgement from the Ontario Court of Appeal on Ontario's stage 1 and 2 appeals in the Robinson-Huron Treaty annuities case, which affirms much of the trial decision and only disagrees with the trial judgment on a limited number of issues.

The appeals were heard by five judges of the Court of Appeal which means that there are a number of specific reasons, written by different members of the court. In the opening section of the decision, the judgement states: "the joint reasons provide

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running through the Straits of Mackinac.

"The governor, the attorney general and our tribal nations need your administration's help," the letter reads in part, going on to remind the president that he campaigned on a promise to, "heed our concerns and act to protect our fundamental interests."

The tribes' letter goes on to point out that, "We view Line 5 as an existential threat to our treatyprotected rights, resources and fundamental way of life as Anishinaabe people of the Great Lakes.'

The 12 tribes, members of the Three Fires Confederacy, include the Bay Mills Indian Community, Grand Traverse Bay of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Hannahville Indian Community, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Little Traverse Bay Bands of

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M'Chigeeng's 'Legendary' group initiates white cross installation emphasizing local scope of opioid deaths

M'CHIGEENG—The Legendary group, in M'Chigeeng First Nation, is hoping that by providing care and comforting support for all those families and individuals from any Island community who are dealing with someone they have lost to drug addiction, there will be no more crosses added to the seven already located at the Crosses for Change memorial site in the community. Each of the seven crosses established at the site, beside the M'Chigeeng band office, represent a community member who has been lost to drug addiction.

"I would like to thank everyone for being here today," stated Kim Aelick of the Legendary group at the unveiling of a new sign erected on the memorial site last Saturday. The sign reads, "Crosses for Change. Honouring our loved ones taken too soon. Your community cares!"

"Our plan was to unveil this

ness Day at the end of August," said Ms. Aelick, noting this had to be delayed due to the current pandemic. "Our Legendary group wants to get the message out there that our thoughts and prayers go out to all those individuals who have passed, and to their families and those who know and are trying to help someone struggling with drug abuse. We are here to listen and help."

"We have all been touched by this, knowing someone who has struggled with drug abuse and addictions," said Ms. Aelick. "This memorial will always be here, but we don't want any others to join our memorial now or in the future because of the opioid crisis."

"We want to remember all those who are struggling, and those who know someone who is struggling with drug issues, that we put out our hand and want to help you. We are all here to support the families

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Members of the Legendary group in M'Chigeeng First Nation unveil the 'Crosses for Change' sign at the memorial site in the community, last Saturday.

photos by Tom Sasvari

MHC mandates vaxxing for staff, visitors

by Tom Sasvari

LITTLE CURRENT—Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) has put in place a mandatory COVID-19 vaccination policy for hospital workers, physicians and locums, tenants, contractors and hospital board members and is looking to make it mandatory for hospital visitors to provide proof that they have been double vaccinat-

"Actually, we made it mandatory this week," Paula Fields, co-CEO, and vice president of clinical services of MHC, told The Expositor last Thursday. "We have followed the Health Sci-

ences North (HSN) lead on this

Ms. Fields explained, "as of November 12 all staff will have to have had at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. This includes all employees, tenants in our buildings such as HSN dialysis and mental health personnel, as well as contractors (i.e., work crews currently working at the Mindemoya Hospital on emergency department renovations). They will all have to provide proof of having the first dose by November 12 and evidence of

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The Manitoulin West Recorder

United Manitoulin Islands Transit co-operative announces new Saturday bus to Espanola, Sudbury at annual meeting

by Lori Thompson,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter TEHKUMMAH—Islanders will now have a transit option for traveling to Espanola and Sudbury beginning Saturday, November 13.

The option was announced by United Manitoulin Islands Transit (UMIT) at its annual general meeting on November 6, held in Tehkummah.

"It's going to be every Saturday until mid-December because we want to support

people who want the opportunity to do any extra Christmas shopping or anything like that, without having to worry about driving," said Johanna Berti, executive director for UMIT.

Pick-up locations on Manitoulin are the Pavilion parking lot in Gore Bay; Sugar Bush Canadian Coffee House in Kagawong; Paul's Corner Store in M'Chigeeng; the band office in Aundeck Omni Kaning; and the NEMI recreation centre in Little Current. The bus will also stop at Waubetek Business Development Centre on Highway 6 in Birch Island before dropping passengers off at either the Espanola Mall, the

SmartCentre in Sudbury or the Costco Wholesale in Sudbury. There will be time to shop or do other business for a couple of hours before picking riders up and returning in reverse order.

'We've organized this so we're stopping at the Costco Wholesale in Greater Sudbury where there is local Sudbury transit that will take you to other places in the city if this isn't an ideal location for you," Ms. Berti said. "Similarly, at the SmartCentre in Sudbury in the Long Lake area, it will also connect with the south end transit hub. Those buses come every 15 minutes so if you want to leave the location where we drop you off you won't wait long to move around in Sudbury."

Rides will be booked online through the umit.ca website. Riders will select pick-up location and destination and at the same time will identify if they have special accessibility or mobility needs. The bus is equipped with a wheelchair lift so scooters and wheelchairs are welcome. A ridership policy ensures people are not traveling with large, heavy items; that they're polite with staff and other riders; and that they are considerate of other public users of the system prior to pick-up.

A link to an online COVID screening checklist will be sent to all riders 24 hours in advance of a scheduled pick up. Proof of vaccination is also required and can be uploaded at the same time as COVID screening or shown to the driver at pick-up. Masks must be worn unless the passenger is eating or drinking.

Tickets for the first Sudbury run on November 13 are being offered at the special rate of \$60, return. The actual bus fare on a regular basis, going to and from Sudbury will cost \$90 and return fare to Espanola will cost \$70. Refunds will not be available, but if rides are missed or must be rescheduled due to weather conditions or not meeting the six rider minimum requirement, riders will be provided with a rescheduled ticket.

UMIT started a regular inter-community bus route on Manitoulin Island on August 17. 2020. "That was after waiting because COVID hit us in March in that very first

year. We waited all the way through the summer months and the board talked a great deal about when we should start or whether we should wait, but we decided that if people are going to get used to the idea of traveling on Manitoulin on a bus, we needed to give them time to do that.'

Free fares were initially offered to facilitate that behaviour but at the same time, there wasn't much travel because there weren't many places you could go due to the pandemic. "We did that as best we could through 2020 and when the second lockdown hit us again in 2021, we had no choice: we had to close it down. Everybody was locked in their homes. We knew if we continued to run that bus at \$500 a day with no passengers, it was not going to last for very long."

It meant UMIT had to develop some innovative thinking. They asked, how would we be able to serve a wider reach? "We came up with a plan that enables people to be supportive of public transit and moving off the Island in a way that we can afford now.

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Dr. Shirley Cheechoo, shown at the upper left of the collage, is one of five women who will be receiving an award from Women in Film and Television (WIFT).

Dr. Shirley Cheechoo among Women in Film and Television award receipients for 2021

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin's Dr. Shirley Cheechoo is one of five women who will be receiving an award from Women in Film and Television (WIFT).

Women in Film and Television Toronto announced its 34th annual Crystal Awards honourees last week. Dr. Cheechoo, filmmaker, writer, actor, visual artist, founder of the Weengushk Film Institute and Debajehmujig Theatre Group on Manitoulin Island will receive a Special Jury Award of Distinction. "WIFT Toronto is thrilled to announce the details of the 34th annual WIFT Toronto Crystal Awards luncheon gala in association with Company 3 and Entertainment One. The annual celebration will return to an in-person event on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at Toronto's Acadian Court," the WIFT website notes.

"Dr. Cheechoo is being acknowledged for her talent and is best known for the play Path With No Moccasins, being the founder of Debajehmujig Theatre Group on the Island, and acting on the television series Spirit Bay and The Rez," the WIFT website states.

"Appropriately timed with International Women's Day, the 34th annual WIFT Toronto Crystal Awards will commemorate five fabulous women, whose leadership and dedication to an inclusive and equitable media industry continues to pave the way for generations to come," said Karen Bruce, executive director, WIFT Toronto. "The Crystal Awards,

established in 1988, is WIFT Toronto's annual tribute to individuals who have made significant contributions to Canada's screen-based media industry. Since its inception, over 150 industry trailblazers have been recognized for excellence in creativity, innovation, and leadership: together with their commitment to mentoring the next generation of creators and industry leaders.

WIFT Toronto is a non-profit, inclusive, member-based organization dedicated to the development and advancement of women, and those who identify as women, in the screen-based industry. It has generated more than 150 mentorships, bestowed 21 bursaries and 62 awards and produced nearly 700 hours of programming.

Health unit, natural resources ministry urge **COVID** safety during Manitoulin deer hunt

MANITOULIN—While things appear to be getting better in terms of the COVID-19 pandemic numbers, this year's annual Manitoulin Island deer rifle hunt next week is again going to be a little different, as representatives of Public Health Sudbury and Districts (PHSD) and the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) are stressing that hunters have to take precautions to stay safe and protected.

And as for the actual deer hunt itself, Wayne Selinger, biologist with the MNDMNRF office in Sudbury explained, "the winter of 2019 was severe and continues to be a factor in the status of Manitoulin deer. Deer numbers were expected to increase given the mild winter we experienced in 2020 and early 2021 but, based on last year's hunt, the deer population has been slow to recover. Because of this, tag numbers were not increased for this year's fall hunt. The results of 2021, together with the severity of this coming winter, will inform tag allocations for 2022.

Morgan Kerekes, acting media and issues advisor with the NDMNRF listed some things hunters should

do in preparing for the season, "It's up to hunters to know the rules and regulations. Check out the 2021-2022 Hunting Regulations Summary available at ontario.ca/hunting before heading out. Make sure you have your outdoors card, licence summary, any required tags or validation certificates for the species you are hunting and proof of firearms accreditation if you are hunting with a gun.'

Contact your local NDMNRF enforcement office if you have any questions pertaining to the regulations," said Ms. Kerekes. "And let someone know where you will be hunting and when you plan on returning. Be prepared for all weather conditions while in the field. And plan for and have all navigation aids with you while in the field to avoid getting

Ms. Kerekes said, "one of the most common and preventable hunting violations that NDMNRF deals with includes the safety feature that it is illegal to shoot from, down or across a public road while hunting. There are no exceptions. In many parts of Ontario, it is illegal to even have a loaded firearm in

Send in your photos for Tom's Expositor Big Buck Roundup!

by Tom Sasvari

SUDBURY—Yes hunters, we want your photos! If you harvest a buck during next week's annual Manitoulin deer gun hunt, then you should send them in to The Expositor as "Tom's Expositor Big Buck Roundup" is being held again this

Send in your photos of you with your buck by the deadline of 5 pm on Sunday, November 21 and you could be eligible for a couple of prizes. The winner of the contest will receive a \$100 gift certificate from Up Top Sport Shop in Mindemoya, with second prize being a \$50 gift certificate, again from Up

Top Sports.

When you send your photo, please include your name, where you harvested the deer and the day you did, how big the deer is, including its weight and number of (antler) points.

Send photos and information to tom@manitoulin.com.

Gore Bay resident wins more than \$13,000 in MHC 50/50 draw

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN-A Gore Bay resident is the winner of \$13,560 for the first main Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) 50/50 draw.

"It is very cool to have won," stated Mary-Lynn McQuarrie of

winning the October draw. "When I bought my tickets, I just considered it being a donation to the MHC. I certainly didn't expect to

"We are very excited to have our first (main) jackpot draw winner." stated Paula Fields, co-CEO and Vice President of Clinical Services of MHC. "Her family and business have always been supportive of the MHC."

Ticket sales began September 13 with tickets sold in packs of 10 for \$10; 50 for \$20: and 150 tickets for \$40. Four early bird prizes of \$250 have been drawn in September and October and will continue for November and December.

Funds raised from the 50/50 draw will be going towards the renovation and expansion of the Mindemoya Hospital emergency department in the MHC 'Let's Emerg Together' fundraising campaign. Additional funds will go toward the purchase of medical

equipment and general hospital operations.

All tickets will be sold online. For more details, including rules of play, visit www.mhc5050.com.



Gore Bay's Mary-Lynn McQuarrie is the first monthly winner in this new, ongoing fundraising event to support MHC, and specifically its renovation project.

photo by Tom Sasvari

Temporary COVID-19 restrictions added for Sudbury, but Manitoulin not included

SUDBURY—Manitoulin Island is not included in additional, mandatory COVID-19 restrictions put in place for the city of Greater Sudbury. The Expositor confirmed this in contacting Public Health Sudbury and Districts (PHSD) late Monday afternoon.

Due to rapidly rising COVID-19 case counts in Greater Sudbury, and in consultation with Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health, PHSD is taking preventive action under the provincial Reopening Ontario Act, requiring Greater Sudbury businesses and organizations to reinstate protections recently lifted by the province. The restrictions return at 12:01 am on Wednesday, November 10, for Greater Sudbury only, a PHSD release explains. Measures include reinstating capacity limits and related physical distancing requirements, strengthening masking requirements at organized public events held indoors and outdoors, and requiring proof of vaccination for anyone aged 12 and older actively participating in organized sports (not just coaches, officials, etc.). The PHSD website has further information about the new restrictions.

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editorial

Line 5 is a case study in the economy/climate divide

Line 5 is once again in the news, with 12 Michigan tribes and their Canadian counterparts in the Three Fires Confederacy lobbying their respective governments to allow the shutdown of the 68-year-old dual pipeline that runs through the Straits of Mackinac. If there is any issue that illustrates the Gordian Knot of a puzzle facing those trying to find a balance between the current and day-to-day needs of the economy and the looming spectre of the climate crisis perfectly, it would be the case of Enbridge's Line 5.

That isn't to say the two solitudes on either side of the issue have any doubts. Environmentalists would see the knot cleaved with an Alexandrian gusto by shutting Line 5 down now, immediately, or at least start the process of shutting Line 5 down as soon as possible. Enbridge and a host of fossil fuel refineries and consumers groups, unions and other economic players (think Alberta's oil production that flows through the line to Sarnia's refineries) are wont to say 'just leave it be,' as the supplies of propane and jet fuel it supplies are simply too vital to cut.

It isn't a moot point for Manitoulin Island. At least one spill projection has shown a worst case scenario where an oil spill from Line 5 would follow the prevailing currents to wind up on our western shores.

Enbridge has agreed that it is time for the dual pipeline to be decommissioned, or at least time to bow to pressure opposing Line 5, and has proposed a tunnel, buried 250 feet under the lakebed through the Straits of Mackinac, as a solution to any fears that a spill in the sensitive Great Lakes waters could occur.

Environmentalists don't like the idea of a tunnel either. Any new infrastructure that encourages the use of fossil fuels remains an anathema. With the dire predictions that continue to pile up if the globe does not rein in its carbon footprint, it is easy for anyone with an open mind to see why there is so strong a passion weighing in on that argument.

But the economic side of the ledger is also challenging. Although many environmentalists are willing to take the economic hit from immediately ending the use of fossil fuels, literally thousands of workers depend on the jobs that flow with Line 5's gas and oil in order to put food on their tables and a roof over their family's heads. As long as the argument stays hypothetical, or at least someone else's pain, it is easy to follow the righteous, ethical and noble path of absti-

nence—another thing entirely when the wolf comes knocking at the door.

The environmentalist side of the knot points out that a spill in the Straits of Mackinac would have a potentially devastating impact on even more thousands of jobs. Proponents of the continued operation of Line 5 point out that the line has never leaked and reiterate that a tunnel would solve the issue of oil leaks.

Both sides are not averse to plumping their arguments. Opponents of Line 5 point to the dismal record of Enbridge when it comes to pipeline spills, but they reference spills of welded pipelines. Line 5 is not a welded pipeline and not as prone to the ruptures that can occur with a welded line. Proponents point to the fact that Line 5 has never leaked and suggest that it never could, glossing over the fact that Line 5 has been struck and dragged by massive ship's anchors (they do point out that anchoring near the line is now prohibited—but then it also was before the latest anchor strike as well).

Proponents have put forward what is arguably an unrealistic timeline for building the new tunnel that would house Line 5's replacement, especially given that environmentalists vow to slow the approval process for that project with every fibre of their being.

There is a lot at stake on both sides and finding a balance between what can be put, in Star Trek terms, as the needs of the many outweighing the needs of the many, is not as simple as either side would like to paint it.

Both sides agree the current location of the Line 5 pipelines should end. One might be forgiven for thinking there might be the seeds of some compromise in there—the tunnel concept being one possibility—but that ignores the greater issue that drives the battle against Line 5. It is plain that the real issue is not the danger of oil spills in the Straits of Mackinac; it is the ongoing battle against fossil fuels.

Hopefully, some balance can be found by those not blindly driven by their urgent passions, be that of environmental or economic necessities, but in the end the most likely blade to cut this knot will be that of political expediency—that blade has not generally known to be wielded so much in the public's interest as that of special interests.

How the Line 5 issue plays out will likely portend how the larger issues facing our globe will be dealt with. It is in everyone's best interests to pay attention and to let their elected leaders know their will.

letters

Where on Earth are we going?

Some thoughts from a book by Maurice Strong, written back in 2000

o the Evnesitor

On the eve of what is to be COP26, I thought I'd write a little something on where we stand relative to where on earth we are going. 'Where On Earth Are We Going?' is the title of the book Maurice Strong wrote back in the year 2000. I thought I'd begin by telling us all where Maurice Strong thought we'd be—10 years from now—in 2031. For those who never heard of him, Maurice Strong was a Canadian businessman who, at age 29 was the president of Power Corporation and senior advisor to the World Bank who, in 1992, at age 40, went on to make possible and chair the Rio de Janeiro United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, or Earth Summit as it came to be known.

It was the first World Summit at which 180 countries pledged to act in addressing the environmental issues before us.

That background established, here cited are the opening paragraphs of where Maurice, back in 2000 predicted we might be on January 1, 2031 "unless we're very, very, very lucky, or very, very wise." Pretending it was January 1, 2031 and he was delivering an annual report to Planet Earth Inc., he wrote the following, "The best that can be said of the past year and the past tumultuous decade—the most devastating in human experience—is that it's behind us. If this were a business, the board of directors would have recommended shutting the doors and padlocking the gates, turning the workforce loose to pick up scraps where they may. But of course this is not a business; it is the

'prison of life,' and there is nothing behind the gates of planet Earth but the formless void. Since we cannot escape—we must endure—and since we cannot give up—we must continue to struggle. We must also grasp at what straws there are.

Perhaps the past decade has been so awful that it must get better. Perhaps in the chaos and degradation we have experienced, the seeds of a new order have finally been planted, and deep in the muck strong new wood is growing.

Perhaps not. But life without hope is a living death."

There is little to add to Mr. Strong's words, save maybe that we have nine years before it is January 1, 2031. That we've just elected a new government and that during an election, political opportunists will say anything to win the environmental vote. And that includes nonsense like "balancing the environment with the economy" is necessary, as if improving the economy always comes at the expense of creating environmental problems, or solving environmental problems always comes with an economic cost.

The truth is that solving environmental problems creates economic growth and new jobs. It comes at a much reduced and ever compounding cost than that today's children will have to bear by our staying on our ecologically unsustainable course.

A healthy people is conditional upon a healthy planet.

Gary Champagne Ottawa

Not much hope for climate action from world leaders

Can we turn back the clocks to the days of horses and buggies?

To the Expositor:

World leaders on climate change and pollution: I do not think it can be done because there is just too much going on in this world with all the conflicts that are happening. Citizens are divided too and if they want it to work, then they have to come together. When you're so divided, what makes you think it is going to work? Besides, it's going to get very expensive, too.

The cost of living may just skyrocket even though leaders saying that it will be cheaper. I have heard that before but instead, it just gets more expensive. We have a lot of people who are struggling today. Even with minimum wage going up in January of next year, I expect the cost of living will also go up. I think employers will have to pass that extra cost to their customers.

Like I've said before, mankind is a complete failure in every aspect of life. Mankind has lost the teachings of our Creator. Without the teachings of our Creator, man will just continue to screw things up. Technology will just create more problems in some way, but one of those problems right now is the electronic waste that continues to grow every year as they are coming out with new devices. This pollution will also slowly progress too.

I kind of feel sorry for these activists too. They do not seem to see the truth of what they are up against. Unless they can turn back the clock, like going back to the old ways of getting around with horses and buggies or bicycles.

Ronald Osawabine Wiikwemkoong

Carbon credits could benefit Billings Township, climate action committee hears

by Lori Thompson,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter KAGAWONG—The climate action committee for Billings Township held its first meeting since July 2021. The first item for discussion was the Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP), which has been finalized and is now available online or in print upon request at the municipal office. Completion of the CEEP means the committee will need to update its terms of reference for moving forward.

Committee Chair and Billings Deputy Mayor Brian Barker said, "on reviewing the CEEP, the significant number of action items makes it clear a significant amount of work is needed to move forward with the implementation of the plan, keeping in mind the municipality will need to allocate sufficient financial and human resources over time to ensure the success of the plan. We want it to be successful but there are limits to resources."

The township will continue its partnership with Central Manitoulin for climate action and hopes to work with other townships and First Nations communities as well. Central Manitoulin and Billings have also agreed to share a climate change implementation co-ordinator, with the hiring process expected to be completed by January 2022. Funding has been set aside by both municipalities to fund the position.

Committee member Chris Theijsmeijer spoke about carbon credits, to increase understanding on how they work and how the township might be able to benefit from these. "With the Liberals getting voted in nationally, their carbon plan is going to be our future for the next couple of years," he began.

In 2015, Canada signed on to the Paris Climate Agreement, a legally binding, international agreement in which most countries agreed to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to keep global warming below 2 C and would strive to keep global warming below 1.5 C. Following the Paris Agreement, the federal government set a price on every carbon tonne emitted (essentially carbon dioxide, or CO2). It started at \$10 per tonne and rose to \$50 per tonne by 2020. However, COVID hit and the price currently sits at \$40.

That \$40 per tonne is going to rise to \$170 per tonne by 2030. "That's a huge increase

and that's the main reason I want to speak to council, to make sure they understand the level of that," Mr. Theijsmeijer said.

Thinking of carbon dioxide per tonne is a hard thing to visualize, he noted. The idea is to have people use or produce less carbon dioxide; it's a way of punishing people who use a lot of carbon dioxide while rewarding people who are either absorbing carbon or using less. CO2 is the primary problem causing climate change and there needs to be a price on it because, "essentially we emit it into our atmosphere and forget it's there. We drive our cars and don't think too much about what's coming out the tailpipe."

The carbon tax already applies to the gas we purchase for our vehicles, Mr. Theijsmeijer continued. He calculated that at \$40 per tonne, the tax works out to about nine cents a litre. "When you start quadrupling

tificate, he explained. "There's the natural asset carbon credit as well so you can register forest, wetlands, fields, or basically anything that's going to absorb carbon. You have to agree to maintain the property in an ecological way. I think you can still cut down a tree but you can't cut down the forest because it nullifies the program."

"Once you are registered and approved, you can start selling that as a credit into the market. We in Billings with forest can actually make money off of these companies that are producing GHGs. They're going to avoid the carbon tax by paying into the voluntary market," said Mr. Theijsmeijer.

How carbon credits work is one company produces a lot of GHG. They're going to have to pay tax on what they produce. "There will be a baseline amount (per sector) they're allowed to produce greenhouse gases or CO2 up to," he continued. "Anya lot of GHGs," he said.
"Another company th

"Another company that doesn't produce as much GHG, maybe because they have a cleaner emissions process or they have incorporated a lot of solar panels to create their own electricity, can be rewarded with credits for being under what they are expected to produce," Mr. Theijsmeijer said. "Those credits can be banked or sold to another company."

You can get a renewable energy certificate for having a green energy source such as the wind turbines in M'Chigeeng First Nation, the hydro station in Kagawong or a large solar array. Owners of these energy projects will be able to sell carbon credits to those companies that are creating too many GHGs.

Mr. Theijsmeijer wants Billings to reduce carbon use as much as possible. "Let's look at our natural areas that we can actually sell for carbon credits. Let's look also at the hydro station. We can get renewable energy credits from that, or OEC can."

He summed up by saying a new lens needs to be applied to all the decisions Billings is making. "I think the carbon system affects so many things in Billings, whether it's our buildings, whether it's our vehicles, whether it's our construction projects, all of those things are just going to get more expensive," he said.

"We can look at our natural asset inventory, at our natural spaces and ask how much forest do we have on this land? Can we use that then to apply for some carbon credits? There's going to be a lot more green investments. The tax money the government is collecting, they're going to be able to put that back into green projects and that's going to be the theme of many federal funding programs. Almost every application these days contains something about the green side of it. You have to use that lens and think about it."

The committee agreed to recommend that council hear the presentation. "I think it's important," said Mr. Barker. "I think it's more important to get it out to the community as a whole so people do have an understanding of what's happening toward climate change and carbon credits is just a small part of it, but it is the future. Education is going to be a big part of this. The presentation to council is a start."



Registering properties for renewable energy certificates could generate revenue for Billings through selling carbon credits

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that over the next nine years, then you're going to add another 40 cents a litre roughly. Gas prices are also affected by inflation so the carbon price affects construction costs, food delivery, manufacturing and any kind of heating fuel like oil, propane or natural gas. Costs will go up for people who use cars or businesses that are producing a lot of GHGs, their costs are going to go up."

This is where Billings can benefit.

Someone with land or a large forest can register that with a renewable energy cer-

thing above that, they literally have to pay money on. They have to pay for these corporate emissions."

Corporate emissions payments can be expensive so there is an option for a company to buy credits for extra GHG emission. That's where the term 'offset' comes in. "You have these emissions and you're basically going to pay for them. The idea is that you're going to continue polluting but by investing the money in other areas you can try to make up for the fact you're producing

Little Current swing bridge undergoing nightly repairs throughout November

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—Those travelling off-Island or returning home recently have found themselves waiting, unseasonably, for the bridge to open. The Expositor reached out to the Ministry of Transportation to find out what was in the works.

"Maintenance work is currently underway on the approaches to Little Current swing bridge," said Jaclyn Lytle, communications coordinator Northeast operations with the ministry. "It is anticipated that this work will be completed by Friday, November 5. Following the completion of this work, maintenance to the bridge deck will commence. This work is anticipated to take approximately one month to complete, weather permitting."

Those curious about when the Island might expect to receive a replacement for the venerable old structure that serves as the only



Signs at the swing bridge in Little Current herald delays through the month of November as deck plates are replaced.

all-season access to Manitoulin (notably highlighted by recent municipal debates on the number and timing of openings) will have to remain so.

Afghanistan mission.

"Although the timing for detail design or construction of the Little Current swing bridge replacement has not yet been determined," said Ms. Lytle in response to whether there are any timelines set for the replacement,

"the bridge continues to be maintained and remains safe for public use."

Ms. Lytle went on to note that the Little Current Swing Bridge Study is part of the Ministry of Transportation's ongoing review of the provincial highway network (the swing bridge currently holds the record as the oldest structure in that network.) "Although the timeline for implementing the results of this study is not confirmed," said Ms. Lytle, "this planning study will assist the ministry, municipalities, business owners and private landowners with information for future planning and development within the study area."

So, a new bridge is coming, someday, some way and we now know pretty much exactly where, but when it comes to exactly when, the answer remains—who can say?

another letter

Some thoughts from the pen of the Kagawong Cenotaph chair

Remember to thank a veteran today

To the Expositor:

Once again, for a second year in a row, Covid 19 is keeping us out of the Park Centre on November 11. It is our deepest regret that formal indoor Remembrance Day serv-

ices cannot go forward. We can only hope that this pandemic will be manageable enough to the point that we can return indoors next year. However, just because we can't hold a formal service, doesn't mean we can't remember.

On Remembrance Day 2021, we remember the many Canadians who answered the call at places like Vimy Ridge. We remember the late Allen Tustian of Mindemoya serving in the Royal Canadian Navy in

hazardous North Atlantic convoy. We Remember local veteran Red Butler fighting on behalf of Canada in Korea, we remember former cenotaph chairman Peter Fletcher helping to maintain the peace during the Cold War. This Remembrance Day 2021 we are thinking of the 40,000 members of the Canadian Armed Forces who served in Afghanistan, some from Manitoulin Island. Of those 40,000, 158 died during the

While there is debate about this 20-year conflict, it's important to remember the Canadian Armed Forces made a difference in Afghanistan. They made a contribution to give people there a better way of life, while at the same time combating terrorist threats to keep us safe over

here.

In August 2021, American forces withdrew from Afghanistan. Canadian aircrews and military personnel were part of a multinational evacuation operation. They evacuated nearly 4,000 Canadian citizens and Afghans seeking to flee the rule of the Taliban.

The long service of maintaining the peace continues with the Canadian Armed Forces and we will always remember their important role and sacrifice.

If you get a chance, remember to thank a veteran today.

Rick Nelson Chairman Kagawong Cenotaph Committee

...Manitoulin Health Centre mandates COVID-19 vaccinations for staff, visitors

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having had both vaccine doses by December 7. And then, basically, if they have not complied they will be issued a leave-without-pay notice and eventually will be terminated from their employment."

For professional staff, physicians and locums who have not complied with the mandatory vaccinations, "we will remove their credentials to they can't work in our hospitals," said Ms. Fields.

"No, we can't mandate patients," stated Ms. Fields, who noted, however, "we are looking to make it mandatory for visitors to be double vaccinated and provide proof of this."

Ms. Fields said as one of a group of chief nursing officers for Northeastern Ontario, that the West Parry Sound hospital has also put in place a similar mandatory policy for its hospital workers. Meanwhile, six other small hospitals have not moved forward in this direction because of concerns with human resources and possibly having to

shut down some patient care services if they carried this out. "It would affect their (other hospitals) operations and their ability to provide patient care (because of not having enough clinical and nursing staff)," said Ms. Fields.

"One hundred percent of our physicians and board members are fully vaccinated and support our efforts," said Ms. Fields. "And, right from the uptick of COVID-19 cases, from the beginning our (MHC) staff has been excited about getting the vaccinations. We are very fortunate here that we have a very small number of employees who have chosen not to be vaccinated. This policy has encouraged some to start getting their vaccines. But, yes, we anticipate some employees will be leaving. But, fortunately, it won't have a large impact on our hospitals operations. We are very fortunate we have very good vaccination rates"

Ontario Premier Doug Ford announced November 3 that he won't make COVID-19 vaccination mandatory for hospital workers. He wrote to hospitals and other stake-

holders last month asking for input on the issue. He said the government has looked at all the responses and at "real-world evidence" and decided to maintain the current approach, to allow unvaccinated workers to regularly get tested.

Premier Ford said in his statement that high vaccination rates in hospitals and strong infection control measures mean hospitals are safe and can manage outbreaks He also noted the news of surgery cancellations in British Columbia due to vaccine mandate-related staff shortage and says he doesn't want to jeopardize care for Ontarians.

The Premier also said the government will keep monitoring the situation but for now will leave the decision to mandate vaccines up to individual hospitals.

The Ontario Hospital Association expressed disappointment with the provincial decision on mandatory health care worker vaccination. Anthony Dale, president and CEO of OHA said in a release that the OHA "is disappointed that the government of Ontario has decided against establishing a provincial standard for mandatory vaccination of health care workers. Our province has spent almost two years in a tireless fight against COVID-19 and the impact on our economy, on the health care system and on human health has been devastating. At this important juncture, Ontario cannot afford to let its guard down."

"The government of Ontario plays a leadership role in ensuring a uniform approach to key aspects of the health system's response to the pandemic, such as case definition, screening and testing and personal protective equipment. Health care worker vaccination policy is no different. The Public Hospitals Act already requires hospitals to have communicable disease policies in place requiring proof of vaccination/immunity for 17 conditions, including measles, rubella, varicella and tuberculosis. COVID-19 should be treated no differently," said Mr. Dale.

"Vaccination is the best way to keep hospital staff and their patients safe from COVID-19. While hospitals have robust infection prevention and control practices and

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... 'Crosses for Change' display highlights opioid crisis

...continued from page 1 and individuals who have or are being affected," said Ms. Aelick.

"And we know that the past couple of years haven't been easy for any family, or the community," said Ms. Aelick. She explained that Denise Sandul, of Sudbury, who originally developed The Crosses for Change site in the city said it was okay that this similar program and sign could be set up in M'Chigeeng indicating to everyone in the community and throughout Manitoulin that help and support is available.

Crystal Taibossigai, also of Legendary, said, "I would also like to thank everyone for coming out here today. "The community has had a very rough couple of years with so many families having been affected with someone with drug abuse and addictions. Addiction is not discriminatory, it can affect anyone and everyone. But there is support here and we want to continue to get the word out to those there is someone to talk to, someone you can reach out to and receive support and talk to." She noted this issue is not just in the community but is a worldwide concern.

Ms. Aelick pointed out "we have a peer support group. Our group started about a year and a half ago,

when we suffered losses in the community and were really struggling. These losses included person(s) that we would never have expected would be dealing with addiction." A group of us (six) were sitting at a kitchen table M'Chigeeng) and were all grieving lives lost too early to opioid or other substance overdose and we were wondering what we could do to help and this was it.'

uct. It is simple to administer and is offered at no charge.

"One of the things that has come out of all of this is the peer support group (which meets regularly)," said Ms. Aelick, "and having a peer support coordinator, Sheri Wabanosse (who can be contacted at 705-968-0586 or through the band office) and an office at the back of the band office."

"Our group had brought



Advocacy group Legendary held a small, solemn ceremony to unveil M'Chigeeng's 'Crosses for Change' display.

The group has two goals: one is to raise awareness about drugs in the community and to provide an opportunity to get Naloxone kits out in the community as well. Naloxone, if administered quickly to a person with opioid overdose symptoms, is a life-saving prod-

our concerns to the Chief and Council and they have been very supportive of what we are doing," said Ms. Aelick. Support has also come from the UCCM Anishinaabe Police Service, OPP Provincial liaison team, as well as elders, citizens, staff members of M'Chigeeng and for other initiatives the Legendary group has put in place including holding walks in the community. Five memorial walks have taken place thus far that have helped raise awareness of the concern about drugs in the community.

Ms. Taibossigai said at one of the walks, "the students at Lakeview School made signs and walked with us. They were very excited to join with us. On the walks, we have had people meet us at their driveway asking what we are doing and why."

Ms. Taibossigai said the group, which includes both female and male members, is planning more community walks and would like to get Manitoulin Secondary School involved as well. She noted that the site of the memorial and Cross for Change site is owned by her uncle Jason Taibossigai who was very grateful in allowing the Legendary group to use the property. As well, Billy Joe Fox voluntarily cuts the grass and maintains the property.

"This is not the M'Chigeeng community specific addiction affects every community," said Ms. Aelick who pointed out help and support is available to anyone needing support on a 24/7 basis.



Investigation leads to robbery, theft and threatening charges

On November 5, officers of the UCCM Anishnaabe Police responded to a call for service of an adult male being assaulted by an adult female at a local residence.

The accused attended the victim's home earlier in the day, telling the victim he owed her money. The accused made threats and left the property with the victim's bicycle, which was later located and retrieved by the victim. The accused then entered the home where she assaulted the victim and stole his wallet and money. A short time later, the accused was located by officers and arrested without incident.

As a result, a 43-year-old M'Chigeeng woman stands charged with robbery with intent, unlawfully being in a dwelling, theft of under \$5,000, and uttering threats-damage to property.

"The police appreciates it when the public follows through with complaints as we cannot proceed or prosecute without your help," the UCCM release notes. If you receive or have information about this or any other crime, please contact UCCM Police at 705-377-7135 or Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Friends and Neighbours

Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

o you remember how things were back before daylight savings time? We do. Oh, how times have changed. If you are anything like Team Fergmeijer, you luxuriated in the extra hour on Sunday, courtesy of daylight savings time. It was a lovely hour, even if it was imaginary. In reality, the time change has some significant drawbacks. We won't go into detail here, but you can check out our post about it on social media. We post an anti-time change rant every year. Like clockwork. Okay, okay, we know we've maxed out our time change puns. We'll stop now before someone gets really upset and clocks us.

Sadly, the Old Mill Heritage Centre's annual Remembrance Day service, traditionally held on November 11, is cancelled this year due to COVID. However, there will be an outdoor wreath-laying ceremony at the Kagawong Cenotaph on Thursday, November 11th, at 11 am. Lest we forget.

Anyone walking through the lower village will likely have noticed the new boards up around the rink at the Park Centre, thanks to the hard work of many volunteers. Advertising will be going up soon and there are still some spaces available for your business. Contact the town office for more information.

Help break in the new improvements by joining a pickup game of ball hockey on Sunday afternoon!

Best wishes go out to Jodi K. who turns a fabulous 29 this week. We are 99% sure you are a Disney princess. (The 1% uncertainty is only because we aren't sure birds talk to you.) Happy birthday!

Another special lady had a birthday this week and even though she's not living in Billings any more, we are going to assume she is still turning 29. Mostly because she doesn't look (or act) a day over that. Many happy returns Rachel M.

The Anglican Church is holding a Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 20 from 9 am to 2 pm. There will be baked goods, crafts, and gift baskets up for grabs. They will also have a 'take home' fundraising dinner with homemade meat pies, lasagna and perogies. All funds raised go towards replacing the church roof. Please note that as of November 6th, provincial protocols for church bazaars/fairs require anyone entering the church to have proof of full vaccination.

We know it's a bit early to be decorating for Christmas, but it's not too early to be planning your song and dance number for the annual Community Christmas Concert! With COVID concerns still uppermost in mind, organizers have decided to stick to the online format they used last year. Mark Saturday, December 18 on your calendar and start thinking about what song, joke, skit or dance you might be willing to contribute! Email Kagawong@live.ca for more information or if you are interested in performing.

The Friends of the Billings Library is bringing their annual silent auction back, bigger and better than ever! The big-ticket items like the golf card, mulch and gravel load are back again (along with so many other fantastic items), but this year they have an extra-special travel bundle that will be up for grabs. Join the Facebook group "Friends of Billings Library Silent Auction" (www.facebook.com/groups/billingslibrarysilentauction) to get sneak peeks at the items before bidding goes live on November 25th.

In other exciting library news (is there any other kind of library news?!), copies of 'How It All Began' are back in stock and available for sale! Pick up your copy of this iconic local history book for \$30 at the Billings Library or con-

 $tact\ billings library @vianet.ca\ to\ make\ arrangements.$

Looking for extra dough? Remove some snow!

Team Fergmeijer has a friend who keeps changing the sound their alarm clock makes. We wonder what they're getting up to now. Have a great week!

Silver Water Karen Noble

Renda and Doug Carter travelled to Winnipeg last week to visit their son Michael.

Oliver and Sue Coburn visited his sister Gladys and Murray Duncanson last weekend.

Silver Water started having euchre nights again on Thursday at 7:30. There were five ladies out and they all shared in the prizes. Thank you to Sara-Lyn Arnot for organizing the games.

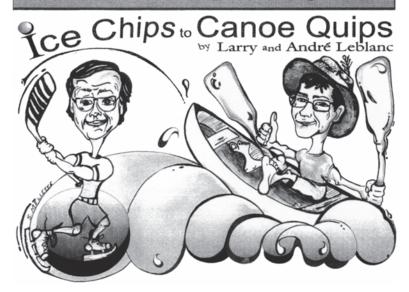
The first Christmas Market was held on Saturday. It was well attended, and the vendors were very happy. Jean Steeves participated for the last time. She and Lloyd are moving to Sudbury this week. They will be missed very much

This week, we will take time to honour all the veterans for Remembrance Day.

Rifle hunting season starts on Monday, November 15. We wish everyone a safe and successful hunt.

Condolences to the family of Shirley MacDonald.

Manitoulin Sporting Life



OFSAA accolades!

The Manitoulin Mustang cross country team traveled to Peterborough this past weekend and ended their season in style. The qualifying runners included a strong six, two individual runners and one full team. In the novice boys' race, Manitowaning's **Xavi Mara** (Grade 9) finished in very crowded conditions in 57th position out of nearly 200 of the best runners that Ontario has to offer. Bidwell's **Brodie Pennie**, clocked a serious, 3:42.6 per kilometre to finish 23rd in his junior boys' event.

The junior girls' team has had a string of wins this season, but the question was would they win at the big show? They did! They won high a strong margin as well, beating the second place team by over 80 points. Finishing in 3rd place overall in the race with 200 runners was Maren Kasunich of Lakeview. Teammate Mackenzie Green finished in 17th place, then Annie Balfe (30th) and Morgan Green in 52nd for the win!

Interestingly, even though the junior girls team won three meets already, they still had some doubts. Coach **Gerry Holliday** relayed that he "chuckled" listening to the girls talking before the race and how they didn't think they were good enough to be there. We talked about how all competitors were just like them and how they qualified for OFSAA the same way they did. After a good warmup they decided they too belonged there."

They sure did! Congratulations to all of the Mustang team and the coaches on a great year. Can you double the size of your team for next year?



Members of the Mustangs girls running team lead the pack to secure the OFSAA title, proving conclusively that they did, very much, belong in the running for the title.

photo by Gerry Holliday

Calling Curlers to Prov.

Providence Bay is this calling on everyone to give curling a try. There is a season opening meet and greet and league registration at the Providence Bay Curling Club on Sunday, November 14 from 2-4 pm. New curlers are always welcome! Registration is also possible by calling David McDermid (evening curling) at 705-377-4668 or Angus MacDonald (afternoon curling) at 705-377-7404.

The Providence Bay Junior Curling program will be back on the ice on Saturday mornings starting November 20. The program is open to kids in Grades 1-8. For more information or to register, please contact **Angela Johnston** at almjohnston@gmail.com or 705-377-7960, by November 14.

Great Scott!

Hats off to Big Lake's **James Scott** who is still running competitively into his senior year at university. James and his team from Redeemer made it to the OCAA Championship hosted by Humber College. James ran the 8 km in 30:11 placing 16th in the final meet. On top of that his Redeemer mens' team placed 5th overall! Way to go, James!

A good sport is good for sports chipstoquips@gmail.com



It took almost a year, but the Espanola Curling Club won the latest edition of the annual Baxter Cup, in competition with the Little Current Curling Club. In photo, left to right, are Don Farquhar, Dave Gallant, Jeff Mooney and John Hodder.

Espanola defeats Little Current at the Baxter Cup

ESPANOLA—The Espanola Curling Club team was successful in winning the 2020/2021 playoff for the 96th Baxter Cup against the team from the Little Current Curling Club.

"We did win this year," said Dennis Shepitka, a spokesperson for the Espanola Curling Club. "Both clubs lost the last season of curling due to the COVID-19 pandemic. But both clubs wanted to make sure a winner was declared for 2020-2021 to keep the continuous annual run of the going." since 1925 "We wanted to make sure we completed the second match in Espanola before the 2021-2022 curling season started, and we were able to accomplish that so that we have a winner declared for 2020-2021."

Mr. Shepitka explained, "early in 2020, after the first match of games was held in Little Current, the Espanola Curling club was shut down due to the pandemic. The second match could not be played until last weekend (the last weekend in October). The total score was 21-12 in favour of Espanola. The Baxter Cup is one of the longest continuously sought-after trophies in the sporting world."

"No one had any practice this year so far before we played for the Cup, but everyone made a good run and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves," said Mr. Shepitka. He pointed out 12 players took part from each of the curling clubs."

Mr. Shepitka pointed out the Baxter Cup will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in four years

The cup is named after George Baxter, a businessman in Little Current who introduced the annual friendly two-game competition in 1925.

Dave Cutler wrote in Curling Day in Canada January 28, 2021, "Along the northern shore of Lake Huron in Northern Ontario lie the communities of Little Current and Espanola. Even before there was a road there was a rail connection between the two communities. It developed into a friendly curling competition and the coveted Baxter Cup."

"After a friendly game between teams from the two towns, the players headed to the nearby hotel to get warmed up," wrote Mr. Cutler. "After several attempts to quench their thirst, the determined curlers decided to continue the game by throwing "thunder mugs" (bed pans) up and down the halls of the hotel."

"George (Baxter) decided, after some serious and sober thoughts, that this event should be held annually, using real stones and real ice. He would provide the trophy. So, in 1925 the Baxter Cup Competition began," wrote Mr. Cutler.

Mr. Cutler explained, "There were no roads then, only a rail line. The visitors would load their rocks on the train, a slow ride with time to socialize and develop your game plan. Each player had their own set of rocks, all different sizes and weights. Once at the designation they would unload their equipment then proceed to the curling club to prepare for the games." The rocks were often loaded at the front of the engine to keep them frozen and "keen" for the games.

"Of course, you had to socialize and refresh and recharge before the games," continued Mr. Cutler. "Then they curled, and afterwards they would socialize and refresh themselves some more. Sooner or later, they had to get the rocks back to the train, load them all up, then head home. This could take three or four days, weather permitting."

"They then would anxiously await the arrival of the other guys a week or so later so they could start all over again. Thank goodness this happened only

once a year!" wrote Mr. Cutler.

"The facilities have improved over the years," he continued. "In the early days, Little Current played in a two sheet "barn." The two (12 foot) sheets were converted to three (10 foot) sheets. This meant a rock could be in two adjacent houses at the same time. Today, Little Current has four regulation size sheets attached to the recreation complex."

"Espanola also made improvements over the years," explained Mr. Cutler. "The club started as a converted bunkhouse once used to house road workers, bridge builders, and mill construction workers. This was located near where the present regional complex stands. This building burned down and for years curling was done on outdoor rinks. In 1951, a new arena was built and beside it the new curling club was erected. There have been many improvements and upgrades over the years."

Originally, the Baxter Cup games were 12 ends (natural ice in February), but this changed to 10 ends and the number of games increased to 10 from 8.

"The yearly event continues to this day and curlers in both communities look forward to continuing the competition, camaraderie, jokes, speeches, and of course a fine meal," continued Mr. Cutler. "Total score of the ten games (five at each club) determines the winner. Four trustees, two from each club, see to it the tradition continues."

"It started in 1925, survived the depression, accidental dips in the North Channel, the Cup being stolen (and found), World War II, and horrendous weather. Each side has several players who have participated for 20 or more years. This year is the 96th and somehow, despite the pandemic, this dedicated bunch of crazy curlers will find a way to continue the tradition," added Mr. Cutler.

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...First Nations in Mich., Ont. want Line 5 gone

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Odawa Indians, Match-e-be-nash-shewish Band of Pottawatomi Indians (also known as the Gun Lake Tribe), Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi Indians, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan and Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Line 5 is also opposed by Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territories and the Anishinabek Nation.

Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa Duke Peltier told The Expositor that, while Wiikwemkoong has not sent a letter as such, he moved a resolution at the Anishinabek Nation last week "to continue to support the US tribes on their opposition to Line 5 and for the Chiefs in Assembly at the Chiefs of Ontario to advocate at the Assembly of First Nations and to seek a seat at the table with Canada and the US.'

A release notes that the letter was also sent to a list of top state and federal officials, including: US Attorney General Merrick Garland and his assistant attorneys general; US Interior Secretary Deb Haaland; US Secretary of State Tony Blinken; Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Michael Regan; Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel; Gov. Gretchen Whitmer; US Senators Debbie Stabenow (D-Lansing) and Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield Twp.); US Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm and US Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg among others.

The court battles over the fate of Line 5 are currently in abeyance awaiting the outcome of an Enbridge challenge over jurisdiction, with the company asserting the proper venue for the case is in federal court, with Michigan maintaining that its courts have jurisdiction.

In October, Canada formally invoked the 1977 pipelines treaty between the US and Canada signed to prevent either country's interference in cross-border pipelines.

The US tribes, for their part, maintain that earlier treaties have precedence, citing the 1836 Washington Treaty which ceded Ojibwe and



Odawa lands in Michigan but retained on the treaty territory.

in Sarnia and Quebec.

Enbridge and Michigan were ordered into mediation while the federal court determines the jurisdiction question, but Michigan has since to attempt to find a compromise solu-

The tribes' letter makes three requests of the federal government. The first is for the president to file an official statement of interest via the US Department of Justice affirming the validity of Whitmer's May 12 shutdown order, which Enbridge has refused to comply with until Michigan obtains a court order. The tribes also ask that his statement of interest urge a speedy judicial resolution of challenges to the shutdown order.

The tribes are also asking President Biden to seriously consider revocation of the 1991 presidential permit that allows the pipeline to operate, citing Enbridge's repeated safety violations over the years and their attempts to thwart Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer's shutdown order.

Finally, the tribal nations are seeking a seat at the negotiating table with Canada regarding the pipeline through a single designated represen-

"We possess rights and interests in the integrity of the Great Lakes that date back to time immemorial and that are protected by solemn treaties with the United States, long predating agreement Canada on," asserts the letter.

Coalitions of Line 5 opponents have voiced support for the tribes' letter, while Line 5 spokespersons and supporters point to the major economic impact and the potential shortages which they say will occur in the five states and two major Canadian provinces that an immediate shutdown would engender.

So far, the Biden administration has been largely silent on the issue.

Manitoulin Secondary School **PLAYER PROFILE**

by Aspen Debassige



HUDSON!

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M'Chiqeeng First Nation has a history of producing top-notch athletes. Some of M'Chigeeng's finest have gone on to play sports at the post secondary level and some, like Sundance (Glen Jr.) Hare enjoyed Island-wide fame for his goaltending skills. His son, Hudson Hare, is no stranger to competition and just might continue M'Chigeeng's athletic legacy.

Hudson has lived in M'Chigeeng for his entire life and attended Lakeview School from Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8. There he enjoyed playing a variety of sports including baseball, hockey, volleyball, basketball and soccer. He loved to spend every nutrition break playing floor hockey in the

If floor hockey was a subject, Hudson would undoubtedly get an A+ for effort. He would often return to class soaked in sweat trying to beat the teachers at the school. Unfortunately, Hudson never got to hoist the Lakeview Cup (Lakeview's renowned Lord Stanley replica), but it wasn't for a lack of trying It might just be his only regret from elementary school!

Hudson, like many athletes, loves to compete and also loves to win. In fact, winning the elementary school's Island-wide basketball and hockey championships were some of his most memorable moments from that time

It doesn't come as a surprise that Hudson's favourite team sport to play is hockey. He has played hockey for as long as he can remember and comes from a long line of hockey players. His brothers, Noah and Dakota, were also on the ice all the time. It's great when one of your brothers is a goalie. A live target is much more fun than foam ones!

When Hudson isn't playing competitive sports you can find him outside walking, or hunting during deer season. He enjoys getting outside to take his mind off of school and work.

As Hudson Hare enters his Grade 12 year at Manitoulin Secondary, he plans to put in his best effort and finish strong. He is already off to a good start as he was a part of the MSS golf team that won the North Shore Secondary School Athletics championship at the Stone Ridge Course in Elliot Lake. This team consisted of Ben Dewar, TJ Green, Eli Lock and Noah Thorpe

The MSS golf coach, Mr. Smith said that Hudson "provided stability to the team with his consistency and positive attitude." Keeping your head in the game under championship style pressure is always a good skill to develop and transfer to other sports.

Hudson also plans to try out for the Mustang's hockey team. He hopes that his five years of experience playing for the Manitoulin Panthers has given him the edge he needs to make the team. Hudson has played both defence and forward for the Panthers and considers himself to be a 2-way player.

During Covid, Hudson put many miles on his shoes as walking was his main form of exercise. He managed to land a part-time job at Finn's Gas Bar and if he's not working, you might find him gaming or doing his other favourite pastime - fishing

Hudson plans to graduate this year and earned many of his volunteer hour requirements for his Ontario Secondary School Diploma at Lakeview School. He really enjoyed this opportunity so much so that he hopes to be a teacher one day. He just might get the opportunity to win the Lakeview Cup after all.

When asked who inspires him, Hudson is quick to point out his greatgrandfather, Henry Webkamigad. Mr. Webkamigad always supported Hudson in the decisions he made and encouraged him to do his best.

If Hudson isn't playing hockey, he's watching it. His favourite NHL team is none other than the Toronto Maple Leafs. His favourite player of all time is Mats Sundin because of his leadership ability. His current favourite is Mitch Marner because he can do it all - kill penalties, lead the power play, score goals and find open players. His creativity on the ice is something to aspire

If you happen to see this Manitoulin Mustang, please wish him the best in all his future endeavours! Let's go Mustangs!





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The letter gently chides the American president for not taking action on this file, contrasting it with Canada's vigorous defence of the pipeline's continued operation. The pipeline supplies much of the propane used in the region and the oil transported from Western Canada feeds into refineries

walked away from the process. Enbridge has signaled its willingness

...court quashes Ontario's appeal in RHT annuities case

...continued from page 1 the factual background to the case and summarize the court's conclusions on the issues arising in the appeals. As we explain, we unanimously reject the majority of the argument's raised on appeal. We dismiss Ontario's appeal from the stage two proceedings

in its entirety. "Our initial analysis of the judgement is that the Court of Appeal affirms the enforceability of the treaty and the obligation of the Crown to increase the annuities," said Chief Dean Sayers of Batchewana First Nation. "This decision shows yet again that Ontario must drop these lengthy and unnecessary

appeals." "The affirmation of the judges' decision regarding enforceability and treaty interpretation adds the Court of Appeal voice for the need for the parties to negotiate a settlement," said Ogimaa Duke Peltier of Wiikwemkoong. "We again urge the government of Ontario to commit to negotiate a settlement of this matter. The government of Canada and the Robinson-Huron leadership are both ready, willing and able." The legal team for the 21 Robinson-Huron First Nations (which includes all those on Manitoulin Island) represented in this case will conduct a thorough review and analysis of the 300 page decision to provide a substantive assessment of the decision and the implications for the Stage 3 proceedings (scheduled to take place in the spring of 2022) which will include a determination on the value of compensation and the apportionment of the liability of the federal and provincial govern-

ments.

the staff at the Court of Appeal for Ontario to help the public understand the court's decision was

An overview prepared by released after last week's judgement. "In 1850, the Chiefs of Anishinaabe bands inhabiting the northern shores of Lake Huron

and Lake Superior signed two Treaties with the Crown, providing for the surrender of a large por-

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...court quashes Ontario's RHT case appeal

...continued from page 8 tion of Northern Ontario. The Treaties, known as the Robinson-Huron Treaty and the Robinson-Superior Treaty, require the Crown to make an annual payment, referred to as an annuity, to the Anishinaabe, the Treaty benefici-

"The Treaties provide for increases of the amount of the annuity from time to time, if there are sufficient revenues for the Treaty territories to enable the Crown to do so without incurring loss, "provided that the amount paid to each individual shall not exceed the sum of one

at the parties' request, the proceedings were divided into three stages. Stage one focused on the interpretation of the treaties; Stage two considered the Crown's defences; and stage three will determine damages and the allocation of liability between Canada and Ontario.

In stage one, the trial judge ruled that the Crown has a mandatory and reviewable obligation to increase the Treaties' annuities when the economic circumstances warrant. To carry out that obligation, the Crown must engage in a consultative process and pay an sections, written by different panel members, provide the rationale and analysis for the judges' conclusions on each issue.

In its decision, the court unanimously rejected most of the arguments raised by Ontario, as follows. The court unanimously concluded that the doctrine of the honour of the Crown is applicable in this case. The honour of the Crown is an important principle of Aboriginal law requires the Crown to act honourably in its dealings with Indigenous people. The majority of the court determined that, in this case, the honour of the

potential remedies should be adjusted to ensure that payments are distributed in a way that is consistent with the augmentation promise in the treaties.

In the end, the Court of Appeal unanimously rejected the majority of the arguments raised by Ontario in its appeal of the stage one decision and all of Ontario's arguments regarding stage two.

A petition from a group of Robinson-Huron Treaty supporters, calling on the province to end the litigation and negotiate an honourable outcome, was delivered to Nipissing MPP Vice Fedeli's office last Friday.



LIONS CLUB ON FACEBOOK



Dean Sayers, gimaa (chief) of Batchewana First Nation near Sault Ste. Marie, is one of the spokespersons for the Robinson-Huron Treaty Litigation Fund. A recent court ruling rejected Ontario's appeal arguments in the first two stages of the RHT annuities case

pound Provincial currency in any one year, or such further sum as Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to order." A significant issue on appeal is the interpretation of the terms of the Treaties providing for these increases," overview notes.

"When the Treaties were signed in 1850, the Robinson-Huron Treaty beneficiaries received an annuity of approximately \$1.70 per person, and the Robinson-Superior Treaty beneficiaries received an annuity of about \$1.60 per person. In 1875, the annuities under Treaties were increased to \$4 per person. This was the only increase in the annuities, which have remained at \$4 per person for the last 146 years," the overview continues.

It was explained that in 2001 and 2014, beneficiaries of the Treaties sued Canada and Ontario, alleging breaches of the Treaties annuity provisions. The two claims were joined and,

increased annuity amount. if there are sufficient Crown resource-based revenues from the territories to allow payment without incurring overview explains

In stage two, the trial judge ruled that the Crown defences, based on provincial limitations legislation and the principle of Crown immunity, were not applicable to this case. Ontario appealed the trial judge's stage one and stage two decisions. Canada did not appeal. Recognizing the significance of the case, the Court of Appeal, which usually sits in panels of three, appointed a fivejudge panel and heard arguments over 11 days, the overview explains.

The court's reasons are divided into four sections. The first section, written by all five judges, provides the factual background to the case and summarizes the court's conclusions on the issues arising in the appeals. The other three

Crown requires the Crown to increase the annuities as part of its duty to implement the Treaties diligently, the overview says.

Three of the court judges held that the trial judge did not err in her interpretation of the Treaties and made no errors in considering the evidence that would justify the court's interference with this interpreta-

The minority of the five disagreed with the trial judge's interpretation of the Treaties, but agreed that the Crown had failed to implement the Treaties' promises and that the court could compel it to do so.

The court unanimously determined that Ontario's limitations statute does not cover treaty claims and Crown immunity does not apply to this case. Therefore, the Anishinaabe's claims can proceed, the overview continued.

The court also unanimously concluded that the trial judge's approach to





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...UMIT to launch Espanola, Sudbury run

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We'll see how many people might jump on board with the idea.'

A ride share system that utilizes electric vehicles supported by a charging station infrastructure across the Island is another innovative project that UMIT is working towards. A gas-powered vehicle ride share pilot project that connects riders on western Manitoulin with existing UMIT routes is expected to start by January 2022. "We applied for a grant through the Rural Transit Solution Fund to do a feasibility study to look at the long-term sustainability and efficacy of electric vehicles, which then requires the infrastructure of electric charging stations," said Ms. Berti. A strong feasibility study will demonstrate readiness for the capital project to purchase the electric vehicles and infrastructure, which they hope to achieve in 2023 or 2024.

'The project is not going to be 10 EV charging stations and 10 EVs tomorrow," explained sustainability consultant and UMIT member Kim Neale. "That's not

what sustainability is. Sustainability is looking at where you are at as an organization and moving towards the steps toward sustainability one step at a time. Our first step is going to be a gas-powered ride share system. We're going to make sure the technology is suitable for people to be using

UMIT will collect data obtained from the gas-powered ride share system and will measure the daily cost of operating the cars. "We're going to be sharing the data and information with our riders regularly, with our board members and decision makers, so that people everywhere who are involved in our community will be aware of the cost of the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Every single time we share one ride together, we save GHG emissions," Ms. Neale said.

An existing community transportation grant was extended for two years because of COVID-19. Instead of ending in 2023 it ends in 2025, which gives UMIT the extra time needed to complete the study.

...be COVID-safe during Island deer hunt

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the road right of way. Check what rules apply in the part of the province where you are hunting."

Hunters should not carry a loaded firearm in a vehicle. "Generally, in Ontario you must transport your gun unloaded while it is in a vehicle, motorboat or aircraft. Vehicles include all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles. You must unload and encase firearms in your possession during the period from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise. In Ontario you can generally only hunt from half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset. It is a good idea to check sunrise and sunset times prior to heading out so you can plan accordingly. Hunters must wear hunter orange."

Another preventable violation to keep in mind, said Ms. Kerekes is, "always remember, when you are hunting you cannot carry another person's tag. Please note that you must also have on your person any applicable validation certificate and tags. You must also carry proof of having the credentials to hunt with a gun.'

"Failing to properly tag a harvested animal, (for example, not notching the tag or not attaching the tag properly when it is required to be attached) is a violation," said Ms. Kerekes. "Each tag has detailed instructions on its use, so follow the instructions."

Trespassing is not permitted. "You must have written permission to hunt on privately owned lands. If you have wounded an animal and it runs onto private property, you usually must secure permissions prior to following the animal onto the private property," said Ms. Kerekes.

Hunters are reminded to handle firearms with care and attention at all times. You should never shoot unless a hunter is absolutely sure of their target and what lies beyond it. All hunters must wear solid hunter orange clothing (a minimum of 400 square inches or 2,580 square centimetres above the waist) and a hunter orange head cover during gun seasons for deer.

While the deer hunt will take place, "certainly over the last few weeks we have seen an alarming number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our district and there are things that hunters need to do to protect their families and communities," said Kayla Kainulainen, public health nurse with PHSD. She pointed out social gatherings need to be kept to a maximum of 25 people



Be sure to follow public health measures as you embark on this year's hunt. Hunter-orange coloured garments are a safety requirement for both headgear and body clothing

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indoors and 100 outdoors. "By keeping the numbers small in camps and lodges, and making sure everyone has been vaccinated, it will help keep everyone protected," said Ms. Kainulainen.

"We recommend if in a camp, to keep a contact log of everyone so if we have to do an investigation in an occurrence of COVID-19 we can track everyone down,' said Ms. Kainulainen. "Everyone should continue to continue protocols like wearing a mask, physical distancing and washing and often sanitizing areas used in a camp.'

Ms. Kainulainen pointed out, "there were concerns raised last year with hunters travelling to Manitoulin Island for the deer hunt. Everyone should be aware that COVID-19 is still circulating in Ontario at different levels. The Greater Sudbury area is a current hot spot in Ontario. We recommend those who are not feeling well to stay at home."

In fact, Greater Sudbury has additional mandatory measures re-instated today, November 10.

Mr. Kerekes said the NDMNRF is also recommending that with COVID-19 precautions, "to take these everyday steps to reduce exposure to the COVID-19 virus and protect your health: Wash your hands often with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer, sneeze and cough into your sleeve, avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth, avoid contact with people who are sick, and stay home and self-isolate if you are sick (not related to getting a COVID-19 vaccine in the last 48 hours), talk with a doctor if necessary

"Everyone should practice physical distancing to reduce their exposure to other people. This means you should avoid crowed indoors spaces as much as possible and stay at least two metres away from anyone you do not live with," said Ms. Kerekes.





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> **Application for CONSENT** Under Section 53 of the Planning Act To be held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 7:00pm via Electronic Meeting Zoom

File No.: Con 2021-08 Applicant:

Location

Legal Description: Sheguiandah, Concession 14, Lot 5

Official Plan: Rural

PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

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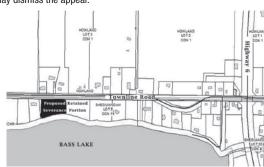
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Dated: November 10, 2021 Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands 14 Water St. E.; P.O. Box 608 Little Current, ON POP 1K0 Ph: (705)368-3500



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Mills Township War Memorial at Poplar Corner refurbished just in time for Remembrance Day

EVANSVILLE—Fittingly with Remembrance Day November 11 this week, the township of Burpee and Mills recently had the War Memorial at Poplar Corner refurbished.

"It looks really great," stated Wayne Bailey, a Burpee and Mills township councilor, of the newly refurbished monument.

"The township had the War Memorial monument at Poplar redone," stated Ken Noland, Reeve of Burpee and Mills. "The base of the monument (originally made of brick) had eroded and was replaced by a riveted steel base completed by Steve Dinsmore of Dinsmore Designs who also repainted the memorial, and cleaned it with help from the public works crew."

Reeve Noland explained that, prior to going ahead with the project, "we had talked to Jim Woods at the Royal Canadian Legion (Branch 514 in Gore Bay), Erwin Thompson, Legion Chaplin, and a couple of (former) Women's Institute members and told them what we were thinking of doing and they were with Reeve Noland told The Expositor, "the monument was originally unveiled in 1924 by the Women's Institute."

Wayne Bailey, a Burpee-Mills township councillor told The Expositor, "Several years ago, Erwin (Thompson), who takes part in laying a wreath at monument every Remembrance Day said the face of the monument was cracking very badly, was in bad shape and needed to be renovated."

"I think the new base is something that will be there for a long time and be sturdy," said Mr. Bailey.

Mr. Thompson provided information on the history of the War Memorial at Poplar, written by Pat Best in her book "History of Mills Township."

"On Sunday, August 31, 1924, the monument at Corner Poplar unveiled and dedicated in an impressive ceremony complete with choir and organist, which opened with the singing of the hymn, "O God Our Help in Ages Past."

of three years' work by the Poplar Women's Institute, wrote Ms. Best. The land was donated by the property owner, Sarah Sides. At the base of the monument are two machine guns given to Mills by the Canadian government to honour the large number of young men who went to the Great War from so small a community, claimed by some to be the largest per capita enlistment in the whole country," wrote Ms. Best.

"The names of the 19 young men from Mills Township (now amalgamated with Burpee Township) are inscribed on the monument," continued Ms. Best, "with the names of the two who never returned from WWI listed on the front. Killed were Alden Wilkinson and Joseph Gallagher. The other Mills men who went to war, but returned, were Norman Orford, Sidney Dinsmore, William Foster, Arthur Atkinson, Walter Wright, Jack Robinson, Leonard Robinson, Arden Irwin, Herbert Wright, Harvey Robinson, Henry Lee, William Dinsmore, George McPhee, Ted Middleton, Ernest Moscrop, Leonard Wright and Austin Wright.

Also honoured with a plaque on the front of the monument is Lloyd Orford, killed in action in World War Two in 1944, continued Ms. Best.

"The surviving Mills township WWII veterans listed on the Honour Roll that hung at the old Poplar school and are now at the Township office at Burpee-Mills are as follows: James Ford, Sherman McCulligh, Carman Middaugh, Dennis Middaugh, Delbert Orford, Chester Robinson, Clifford Robinson and Wm. (Bill) Wright," wrote Ms. Best.

described "Through the Years," the unveiling was performed by Lieutenant Turner of Little Current who spoke with feeling about the soldiers, and of the awful times that they had had to endure. Other speakers and participants were Rev. W. T. Swainson, Rev. Cannon, and Sheriff J. Haddow. The service was brought to an end by the sounding of the Last Post.'

At the 95th anniversary "It was the culmination of the Poplar Cenotaph



Erwin Thompson stands in front of the newly refurbished War Memorial at Poplar Corner in Burpee and Mills Township.

Burpee-Mills Canada Day celebration on July 1, 2019 Mr. Thompson was joined by Coxswain Abigail Harper of the 348 Manitoulin Sea Cadet Corps to take part in the service.

At the service in 2019, the reading of the names of those who served from Burpee Township (now part of the amalgamated township of Burpee-Mills from 1914-1918 was read. This list includes, Robert Rueben Ainslie, James Bell, Sam Blackburn-killed, John (Jock) Campbell, Isaac (Ike) Campbell, Fred Hayden Sr., David Matheson-killed, James Matheson, J.A. (Arthur) McKinley, Charles Mor-den, W.A. (Percy) Pidgeon, John Robinson, W.C. (William) Scott-killed, and William Williams.

The list of Burpee Township veterans from 1936-1946 includes Robert John Gibson, William Gibson, James Morrisonwounded, Clarence Morrison, Carman Middaugh, Arnold Bell, Leone Ainslie, Norton Ainslie, Howard Harper-wounded, Hugh Noland, Meldrum Morrison, Delbert Bell, Nelson Robinson, Orace Hayden-wounded, Wilfred Williams, and Neorma

"We also remember and give thanks for all those who have served in the Canadian Armed Services in conflicts such as Korea.

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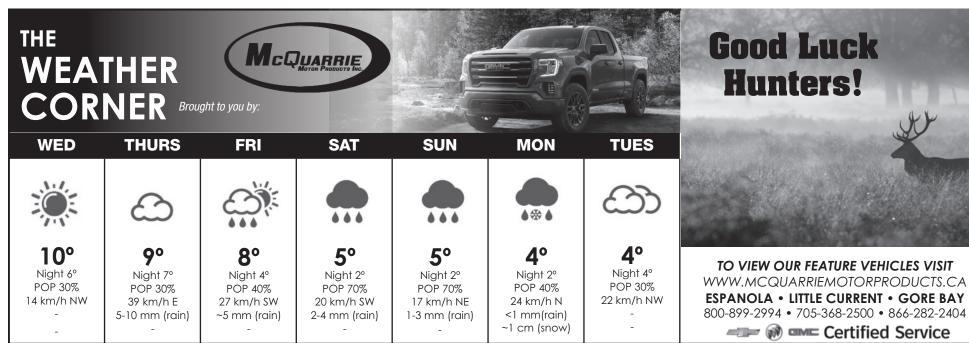
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Manitoulin's last First Nations WWII veteran Justin Roy

by Michael Erskine

MESA, ARIZONA—The Expositor reached out to Justin Roy, formerly of M'Chigeeng, who is, by all accounts, Manitoulin's last First Nations Second World War veteran.

Mr. Roy, who now makes his home in Mesa, Arizona, chatted with The Expositor recently about how he is doing these days and his service in the Second World War—which included the D-Day storming of Normandy at Juno Beach in the second wave on June 6, 1944, helping to open the curtains on the final act of the Nazi's Third Reich.

Mr. Roy, 97, recently hung up his tools at his sheet metal and air conditioning company.

"I found myself not remembering the names of my customers," he shared ruefully. "I still remember faces, but I figured it was finally time to quit when I couldn't remember their names."

Mr. Roy continues to keep a busy schedule, how-

ever, and he attends Remembrance Day observances in the US. It's important to keep busy, he notes, as he still suffers from post traumatic stress disorder from the horrors he has seen.

Mr. Roy grew up in M'Chigeeng, but left at age 13 to find his own way in the world after his father passed away, first working at a lumber camp in Whitefish Falls, then on to Sudbury. The boy eventually found himself in Sault Ste. Marie where he secured a job at the steel mill.

In 1943, at age 19, Mr. Roy travelled to Toronto to enlist with the Canadian Forces, explaining that like everyone else at that time, he spent some time at the CNE's Horse Palace (where basic training was conducted in wartime) before being shipped off to Petawawa for four weeks of basic training.

Wanting to join the paratroopers and the air force, but being denied due to a lack of education, Mr. Roy settled into his role in the 3rd division of the Allied Expeditionary Special Forces.

After landing in England, the young soldier and his

unit spent more time in advanced training, and then it was time—Mr. Roy was called to the front and so it came to be that he joined in the battle known to history as D-Day.

More than 5,000 Canadians were lost on the beaches of Normandy, but none suffered more casualties than the 2 nd and 3 rd Canadian divisions; Mr. Roy was in the 3rd Division.

"I was part of the second wave," said Mr. Roy. "We were told the day before (that they were to be deployed) and we knew that something big was going on."

"When you got off that ship, down that rope ladder, your life expectancy was 15 minutes," Mr. Roy continued. "The water was so rough, sometimes it was over our heads."

He said their objective was a point of land seven miles inland, which he and his companions succeeded in reaching, but at a tremendous cost. "There were 45 of us left out of 200."

"On about the second day I crawled under a tank that had been blown up and played dead for two days," Mr. Roy shared. When he felt it was finally 'safe' enough to crawl out and rejoin his division, his unit went on to spearhead their campaign seven times.

"I never thought I'd get out of there alive," he said. "Everyone was my age, 18 or 19, laying out there in the field. They were crying and yelling, but there was nothing you could do."

"I was shot at, I got shrapnel in my back," he said, noting that while it



convalesced for another three months. I didn't think I was going to make it"

He credits an "angel" with helping him pull through.

"What kept me going was a private nurse," he said. "Her name was Rosie, she was from Alberta someplace."

"They wanted to ship me home," he said. But he was having none of that. "I wanted to go back to the front lines, to be with my buddies, but they wouldn't let me," Mr. Roy said. "I ended up driving the officers around."

He spent the months following the war as part of the occupation forces, but as a young man from M'Chigeeng eager to see the world, Mr. Roy then requested a one-year leave of absence from the army and spent the year visiting countries across Europe— England, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Scotland—finding work in restaurants, shipyards, and hospitals to see him through. In 1946, Mr. Roy reported back to the Canadian embassy in London and asked to be sent home.

Sailing aboard the Queen Mary, Mr. Roy arrived in New York City then hopped a train to Toronto, then on to Sault Ste. Marie, hoping to get his old job back, but they no longer had a position for him (it was common for businesses to take back returning servicemen

after the war). It was also here, fresh from Europe, that he felt the sting of racism. Mr. Roy said he went out and purchased some new civilian clothes, some Levis and shirts, to meet his old friends for a drink in a local bar. The bar keeper wouldn't serve him, however, as he was an "Indian." "I just broke

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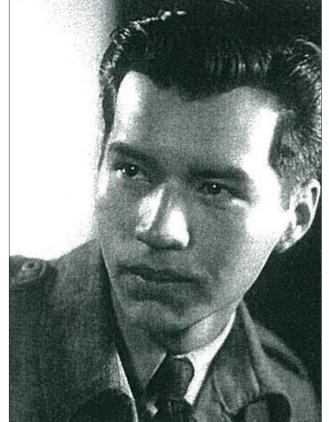
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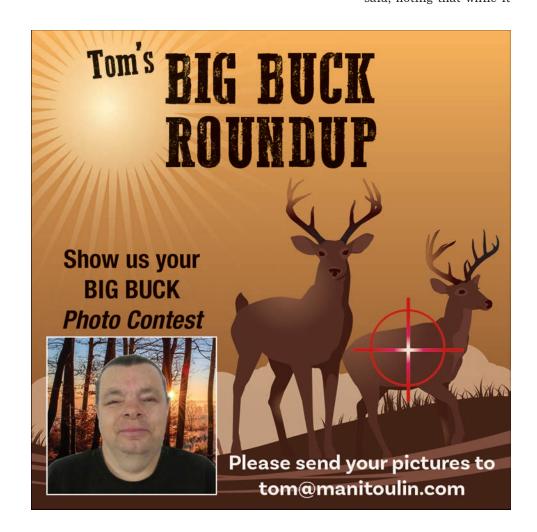
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WWII veteran Justin Roy.







James Tabachak relaxes outside his Wiikwemkoong home before sitting down with The Expositor to chat about his time in the forces and how he believes serving in the military can help steer youth in every community along better paths than many are headed down today.

photo by Michael Erskine

James Tabachak wants youth to "join up"

by Michael Erskine WIIKWEMKOONG—

James Tabachak has had quite the run since being that young man walking aimlessly down a street in North Bay and deciding to walk into the recruiting office to see what it was all about.

"I wound up signing up for four years," he recalled. "I stayed in for three."

Mr. Tabachak was adopted when he was very young by the Osawamick family. "I kept my own name," he said.

Originally, Mr. Tabachak found part-time work at what was then the EB Eddy Mill in Espanola. "I was tree planting at first," he recalled. "They must have liked my work, because they offered me a full-time job cutting

poplar." His job entailed clearing out the scrub brush to make way for the more valuable trees coming up.

He married in 1987 and went on

to have three girls, two of whom have provided him with a whopping nine grandchildren. "I told them 'slow down, Christmas is coming'," he laughed.

When Mr. Tabachak left the recruiting office, he was signed up with the 3rd Battalion, Irish Regiment. "I got to see all of Canada," he said. After basic training in Barrie, he was sent to Wainright and then onto Gagetown. "If I had signed up again, I would have been sent to Europe," he said. But he was happy

to stay on Turtle Island.

Still, he said that he is "very patriotic" when it comes to Canada and his service. "I usually watch the services in Ottawa," he said. "I sometimes cry and get very emotional." The camaraderie of serving in the military is something that never leaves you.

Mr. Tabachak has difficulty speaking, as he was run over by a tractor which damaged his mouth and teeth. "A tractor ran over my head, twice!" he said. "It ran over my head, hit a woodpile, then backed up and ran over my head again." Mr. Tabachak said he is very lucky to be alive. "I spent two years in the hospital," he said.

Mr. Tabachak said that he is very distressed by

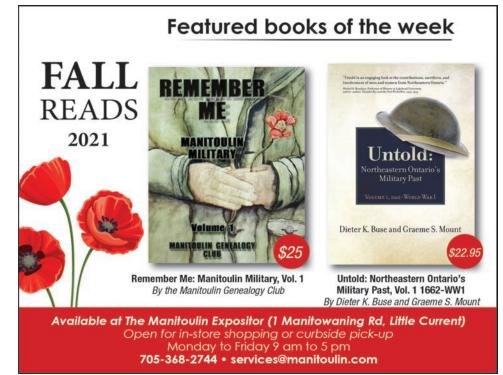
the number of young people who are dying from drug overdoses and suicides in Island

communities. He said that he believes it would be a

very good thing if youth took a look at signing up to serve in the Canadian Forces.

"It gives you a purpose," he said. "You learn how to take care of yourself, you learn discipline, you learn leadership and how to work together as a team. You know you are doing something worthwhile and you want to finish it. You always know what you will be doing with your life. I tried everything before, but it was the army that set me on a better path."







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Joseph Endanawas served in United States military police

by Tom Sasvari

PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN— Once a person signs their military draft card, it means they could be put in situations where their lives are on the line.

"Once you sign on the dotted line, you've given them the authority to put your life on the line. And you don't have too much choice on what you are going to do or where you are going to be stationed. But like I said what happened, happened," stated Joseph Endanawas, a veteran of the U.S. military services who is originally from Manitoulin Island.

Mr. Endanawas is originally from Sheshegwaning First Nation, having been born and raised there. "I left Sheshegwaning when I was 20 years old," he told The Expositor. "But I would always come back for Christmas and other special events. Most everyone did in those days."

'I saw a lot of my community members and friends go into the mining profession, but this never crossed my mind," said Mr. Endanawas. "I remember our grade eight teacher at Charles C. McLean School telling us that if we didn't get our high school diploma, we were likely to end up working in the mines underground; but if we graduated, you might work above ground. I knew lots of people from Sheshegwaning who worked underground in the mines and did well, but I never considered

"I started out mostly working in Toronto, mostly in small businesses manufacturing various items," Mr. Endanawas told The Expositor. "I remember being on a holiday at the end of October 1966. We were out hunting, and the snow was two feet deep on the Island. My brother-in-law was there, and he lived in the (United) States, and said, 'why don't you come back with me to Michigan and work there?' So, in 1966, I moved to Michigan and found a job in a small manufacturing

shop."

"I also applied for a job with General Motors, and got a job operating manufacturing machines," said Mr. Endanawas.

He stayed with G.M. in Flint, Michigan until May 1968. "It was a good job; I enjoyed it."

Mr. Endanawas stated, "I came back to Manitoulin Island every chance I got, my mother was still living there. I used to go home every year for Christmas and other holidays."

'We would cross the border back and forth, and the border guards would always ask us if we had draft cards," said Mr. Endanawas. "I didn't have one, no one did. But I decided one day I'm going to get a draft card so in March, 1968 I signed on, just before things got crazy in the world. In May, 1968 I got the call from the military to be ready to go. I was first stationed in Fort Knox in Louisville, Kentucky at the big armoured



Veteran Joseph Endanawas

compound base. This is where I did my basic combat training."

"I remember one of our commanders telling the 250 of us, how many of you are ready to go kill the enemy?" said Mr. Endanawas. "There were 250 of us, and we were put through intense mental and knowledge training as part of it. Every morning and afternoon we would gather, and as the days went on each day the questions we would be asked got harder and the group smaller. At the end of it there were only 24 of us left.'

Mr. Endanawas, who currently works for the Union of Ontario Indians and resides in Petoskey, Michigan explained, "the reason we had to go through this daily testing was they wanted to recruit us to be officers in the army."

"I was deployed to the military police which is what I wanted, because I saw that they had nice uniforms and vehicles and some drove armed tanks."

"I got in the military police because of how well I did in the intense testing," said Mr. Endanawas.

"I went to Fort Gordon, in Georgia, for military police training for three

months," said Mr. Endanawas.
"After graduating, and being a smart ass I

volunteered to go to Germany, because I knew they had beautiful women and good beer. But they sent me to the other side of the world to Tokyo to a large self-enclosed camp with many hospitals for wounded veterans. The hospitals were always full and my job was as a desk sergeant with the military police."

"But with authority also comes responsibility," said Mr. Endanawas. "They used to call those who served in the army who had gone through trauma as being shell shocked. Now it is called post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). When the soldiers would go to a movie or a restaurant, we would have to go with them and watch them to make

sure they didn't go a little crazy or take off."

Mr. Endanawas served in that job for 19 months. "I wasn't stationed in Vietnam but had to go there when soldiers were being picked up in planes to bring back to the States. And at the airports you could see the shelling and bombing that had taken place."

In May, 1970 Mr. Endanawas came back to San Francisco from where he had left. When I was there I always wanted to

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Former Air Force member said serving Canada was an honour

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—Although he did not start off on the right foot in his career with the Royal Canadian Air Force, Tim Bailey says that he would do it all over again.

'It was nothing less than an honour to have served alongside so many others and I would do it all over again, if possible," stated Mr. Bailey who served from April 25, 1986 until November 1, 1996.

However, he pointed out, "My boots touched ground in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia on April 25, 1986. Minutes later I was being yelled at for having my hands in my pockets. Busted down right from the first moment. Stripped of any rights that I thought I once had, no hair surrounded strangers that would soon become lifetime friends."

"Oh yes I was in trouble right from the start. I couldn't even explain it all," said Mr. Bailey of his first few moments in the Air Force. "Master Corporal Bowen really took a strip off me for having my hands in my pockets. I was certainly dressed down. And somewhere along the line I probably said some smart aleck comment that set him off some more.'

Mr. Bailey is originally from North Bay, having been born there. "My dad was working at the Teachers College in North Bay when I was born. But I wasn't even a year-old when my family moved to Sudbury. And I spent most of my summers on Manitoulin Island, until I turned 16 and moved in with



my grandparents."

After his school studies, Mr. Bailey worked in Sudbury and he decided to join the Air Force. "I guess I joined at the right time because the only conflict going on during the time I served was the Gulf War, and Canada only had a small part in that conflict.'

Mr. Bailey said of the

basic training at Cornwallis, "those 10 weeks transformed a group of young men and women into young soldiers. Disciplined, well kempt and ready to take on the world."

"After basic training and the following nine months of trades training at CFB Borden, I was shipped out to CFB Cold Lake, Alberta, which is aptly named, and later became 4 Wing," said Mr. Bailey.

"I spent the next eight and a half years as a safety systems technician performing maintenance on the CF-18 fighters in 410 Tactical Training Fighters Squadron," continued Mr. Bailey. "The trade Safety Systems were responsible for the egress systems, parachutes, survival kits, pilot's flight equipment and oxygen systems in the aircraft."

"In 1995 I was then posted to 8 Wing Trenton to work on the CC130 Hercules,3 continued Mr. Bailey. "Life in a transport aircraft setting was much slower and I found it less appealing than working on fighters. It was just over a year when I decided to leave the Air

"I look back on the years and am astonished how the decision to enlist had such a snowball effect on my life,' stated Mr. Bailey. "It not only set me up with the qualifications and experience to continue working in the aerospace industry for the following 22 years (with Bombardier in Toronto) but the people I met and became lifetime friends with from all over this great nation.

"My time in the Air Force was probably the best 10 years of my life. It was full of excitement, fun and adventure," said Mr. Bailey. "There's a bond that is unexplainable and even though you may not have met the



Former Air Force member Tim Bailey.

man or woman that lost their lives in peace or at war it affects you," said Mr. Bailey. Reflecting on Remembrance Day he said, "this is the time to not only remember the men and women who

gave the ultimate sacrifice for this great nation that we call home, but to thank them for all that we enjoy today. Lest we Forget."

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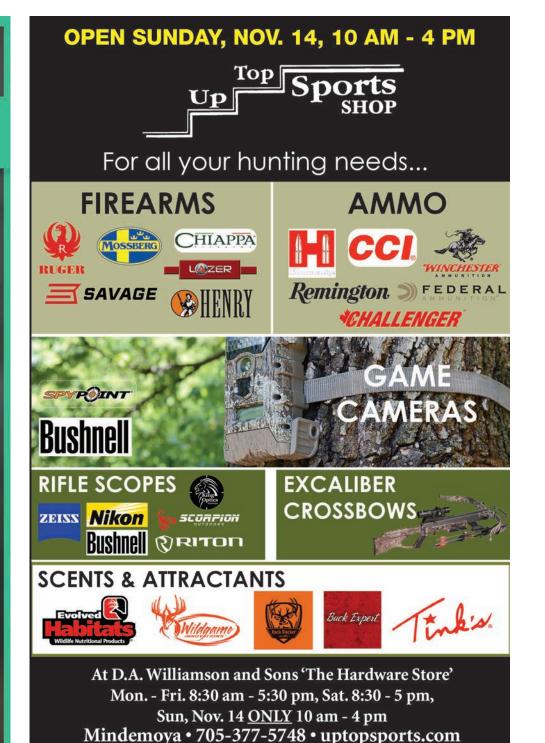
talk Anishinaabe language but I had no one to talk to. So when I got to California I called my sister, I think it was on a Saturday afternoon, and couldn't get the words out in Anishinaabe. I knew what to say but I couldn't form the words because it had been so long since I had talked to someone in Anishinaabe. I had to call her again to get everything I wanted her to do done. The next day flew to Detroit to meet my sisters, their husbands and my mom. I met them at the airport. And it

was not like today where everyone is on . I had to send a letter, to let them know I would be at the airport and when."

"I had to be in reserves for four more years," said Mr. Endanawas, "so altogether I served six years."

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Remembrance Day services to be held in Manitoulin municipalities, First Nations

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin Island municipalities, First Nations and schools will all be participating in Remembrance Day services tomorrow, Thursday, November 11.

Both the Royal Canadian Legion (RCL) Branch 514 in Gore Bay and the RCL Branch 177 Little Current will be holding services on Thursday at 11 am at their downtown cenotaphs. Members of the public are welcome and all COVID-19 rules and regulations will be in affect.

Services will also take place at the Manitoulin Island District Cenotaph at the four corners in Spring Bay at 11 am. The services are being organized by Jim Corrigan and Keith Legge of Mindemoya. Several Manitoulin Island veterans will be participating, and the service will have

Andy Atchison playing the bagpipes, followed by Jim Smith on the saxophone who will play the last post and Reveille. Pastor Dawn Dawson will be providing the opening and closing prayer.

About 11-12 people will be taking part in laying wreaths at the ceremony.

And also participating will be students from Central Manitoulin Public School. Teacher Patti-Jo Woods will be bringing students from one or two classes who will be signing and taking part in the service. Mr. Atchison will be playing Amazing Grace to close out the ceremony.

All protocols will be followed including the provision that all participants wear a mask for the service.

A representative of the Billings cenotaph committee says that due to the continuing effects of the pandemic, Remembrance Day ceremonies in the Kagawong community are having to be scaled back again this year.

"In lieu of a formal service inside the Park Centre we are going to have a brief outdoor service at the Cenotaph (adjacent to the Park Centre)," said Rick Nelson, a member of the cenotaph committee. "We're heartbroken that we can't hold the formal ceremonies inside this year, but we don't feel we can take a chance, especially since so many of the many attendees that attend the formal services are senior and veterans. Safety comes first."

Mr. Nelson explained that at the outdoor service at the cenotaph in Kagawong at 11 am, "Billings Mayor Ian Anderson will be laying a wreath on behalf of the township, and Bud Dearing will be laying a wreath on behalf of veterans. Dianne Fraser will be reading a poem, and then I will be reciting in Flanders Fields," said Mr. Nelson. This will be followed by the taps, and the last post.

"Anyone who wants to be part of the service is welcome," said Mr. Nelson. "We will be following all protocols, with everyone having to wear face masks and social

distancing."

The Assiginack volunteer fire department is organizing a Remembrance Day service for the township on November 11 at 11 am at the downtown cenotaph.

The Aundeck Omni-Kaning First Nation will be holding a Remembrance Day service. The

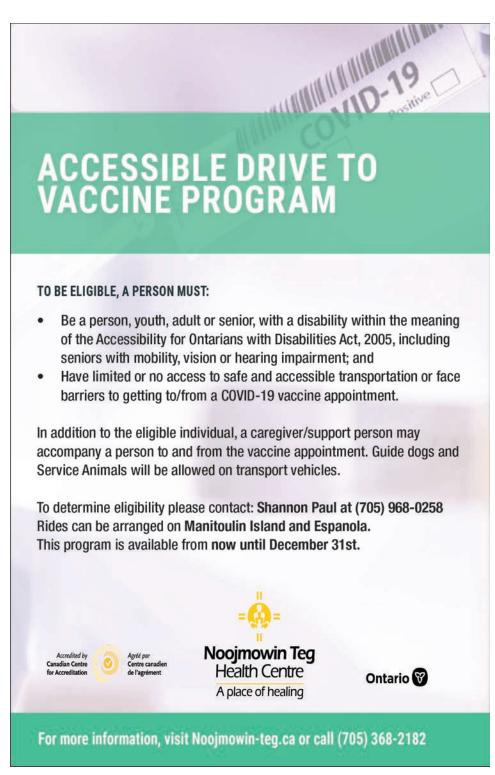
service will take place at the Four Directions Complex property. The grounds will be open at 10:30 am with the service to take place at 11:00 am and include the Sergeant Charles Golden Rifle team will be taking part. After the service a takeout lunch will be available.

As a precaution, all those participating and attending will have to undergo contact tracing and be required to wear a mask and follow all COVID-19 protocols.

The Sheshegwaning First Nation community will be holding Remembrance Day ceremonies at the War Memorial in the community. The service will start at about 10:30 am, beginning with the grand entry eagle staff and flag, followed by the National anthem, the opening prayer and

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opening remarks, reading of the poem In Flanders Fields, last post, and two minutes of silence. At 11 am the Act of Remembrance will take place and wreath laying ceremony. The services will be followed by lunch for everyone.

Wiikwemkoong's commemoration of Remembrance Day will begin at the Veteran's cenotaph in the Holy Cross Church Cemetery at 10:30 am with the blessing of

the graves and the wreaths and welcoming by Ogimaa Duke Peltier, followed by a

service of prayers and reflection. Veterans and veterans' families will be sharing a meal together at the Wiikwemkoong arena. All those who plan to attend are asked to please dress warmly according to the weather, and bring a lawn chair.

Schools on Manitoulin Island will also be holding Remembrance Day services on November 11.

...First Nations WWII veteran Justin Roy

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down," he said.

He tried his hand at farming in M'Chigeeng for a while, but blames Indian Affairs for its total control over everything for this venture failing. To add injury to insult, Mr. Roy was informed by the Indian agent that the equipment he had purchased with his Veteran's Grant and brought onto the reserve no longer belonged to him but to the Department of Indian Affairs.

Mr. Roy then worked at Falconbridge in

Sudbury for seven years, again experiencing racism. He said he was the first First Nations man in his particular mine, and he was forced to do the dirtiest jobs, "but I didn't mind, I got a paycheque," he said.

Mr. Roy and his late wife Joyce, also of M'Chigeeng, eventually moved to the United

States, where he worked more mining jobs before he went to school to become an air conditioner repairperson and sheet metal contractor.

He explained that when he started off in Arizona, he had perfect credit and a small savings account; however, the bank was leery of giving him a bank loan because of his race. Mr. Roy and his wife spent the first little while living out of their car until they could get on their feet. Mr. Roy

has been living there for almost 50 years. "I had a pretty good life once I started contracting," he said.

Mr. Roy is a member of the local chapter of the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) and says he attends Veterans Day (Remembrance Day) services in Mesa.

As a result of his time in war, Mr. Roy suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder. "Sometimes your nerves just get the better of you," he said. He admits to going so far as to have barbed wire installed around his shop—a result of the PTSD.

It was while receiving counselling for his PTSD that Mr. Roy met his second wife, Barb. They have been married for 10 years and he credits her helping him deal with his stresses immense-

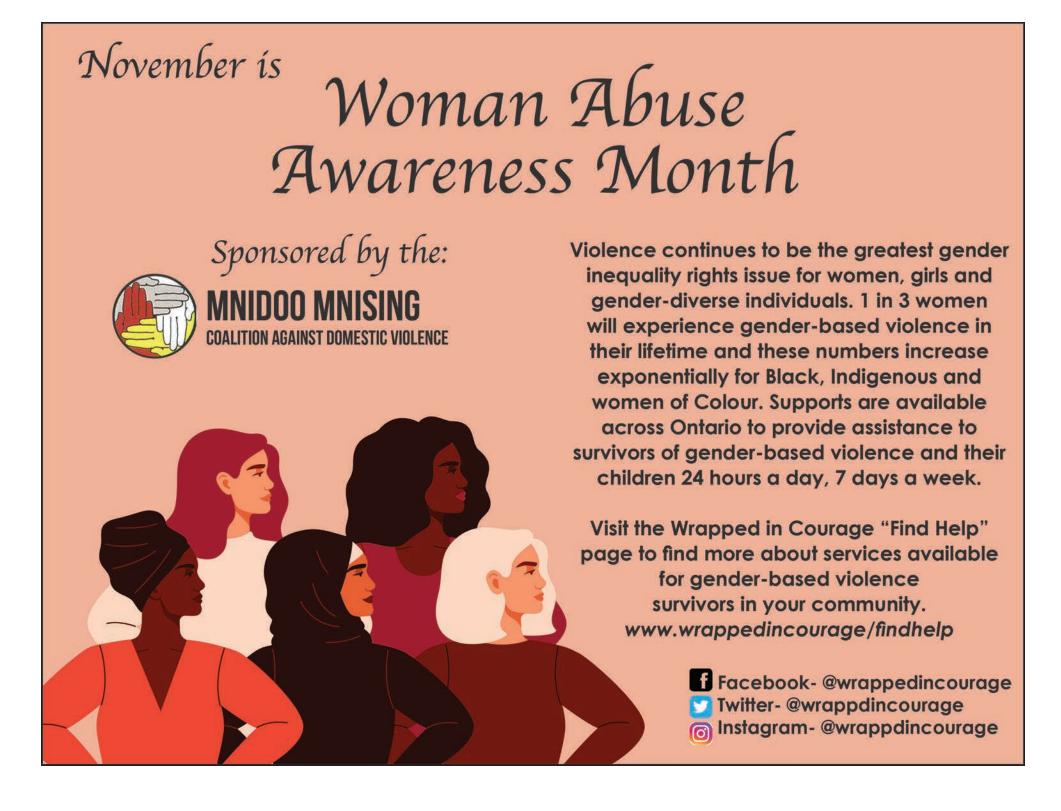
All of Mr. Roy's siblings in M'Chigeeng have since passed away, but he and his wife try to

make it to Manitoulin at least once a year and look forward to visiting his nephew Wally Corbiere and wife Menesa. He is the great uncle of Pam Roy of M'Chigeeng.

He said he had hoped to travel to Manitoulin last summer, but the pandemic put an end to those plans. Undaunted, he will try again this year.

I think the Island is one of the most beautiful places I've ever been," Mr. Roy shared. "People that live there don't realize it.'







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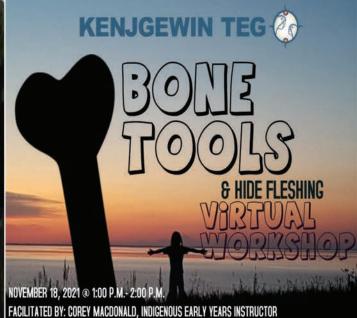
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Billings' proposed trailer fees bylaw has drawn criticism from some councillors and ratepayers who worry the legislation may result in too many restrictions for property owners in the township.

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\$250, valid only for the

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...continued from page 1 ing of a by-law to regulate the use of recreational trailers/vehicles outside of tent and trailer parks. At issue with the trailer by-law was whether hunters should require a permit and pay a fee to locate their trailer on a property during hunt season. Perhaps more contentious was the requirement of a permit and fee for property owners with a habitable/principle/sea-

sonal residence who use a trailer on that property for personal guests staying longer than 14 days and up to 30 days.

Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack said, "I have a few concerns with two of the permits, both Class C and E. Class C refers to the period of time someone can be a guest on my permanent property as 14 days, and for up to 30 consecutive days they have to obtain a permit and pay a \$250 fee."

"I don't feel comfortable mandating the number of

days someone on my property, who is staying in a trailer, has to stay," stated Councillor Sharon Jackson. "It discourages people from coming and visiting. If someone's a guest and wants to stay 14 days in my trailer, I do not feel they should have to pay a fee. And I'm not comfortable with hunters having to pay a permit fee of \$125. If someone is using a trailer for accommodations, it's because their hunt camp can only accommodate one or two people."

"My only concern is the Class C permit should be lowered," said Councillor Michael Hunt. "I am referring to the 14 days as well as the \$250 fee. I suggest we put the permit fee lower." He suggested \$200, which Councillor Alkenbrack agreed with.

"I don't like that permit at all," stated Councillor Jackson.

Under the proposed trailer by-law, a Class C permit refers to a recreational trailer/vehicle at a permanent residence or

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...continued from page 6 adhere to provincial directives on personal protective equipment, it is vaccines that provide the highest level of protection against COVID-19. Vaccination has already had a meaningful impact in the long-term care sector for both residents and staff. Following the government's implementation of a mandatory vaccine requirement for long-term care operators, the current number of outbreaks across all homes is lower than in hospitals," contin-

ued Mr. Dale. "There's a strong consensus among Ontario's hospitals for a provincial policy requiring health care workers to be fully vaccinated," wrote Mr. Dale. "In mid-October, 120 of 141 hospitals from all parts of the province, totaling 94 percent of sector revenue and employing 166,000 staff, endorsed the position submitted by the OHA on mandatory health care worker vacci-Unlike nation. approach taken in other provinces, the OHA has recommended that each

hospital work towards achieving a provincial mandatory vaccination requirement in a manner and timeline based on their own circumstances to ensure stability of clinical services during this transition."

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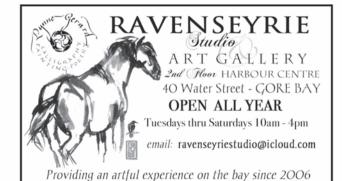




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Federal government appeals court ruling on Indigenous child welfare

Court cases on hold as government seeks to find a negotiated settlement

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Chief RoseAnne Archibald and Ontario Regional Chief of the Chiefs of Ontario Glen Hare have both expressed their disappointment that Canada has again appealed a Canadian Human Rights Tribunal on Indigenous child welfare compensation, although the federal government has indicated it is also working with Indigenous groups to reach a compensation agreement by the end of the year.

While we are disappointed that Canada continues to pursue an appeal, we are encouraged that a deadline will be set to negotiate a settlement of this matter," said National Chief Archibald in a release. "This, in effect, will pause the appeal while we immediately sit down and work towards reaching a global resolution by December 2021 on outstanding issues that have been the subject of litigation, including compensation for the harms done through child and family services.

"Our priority remains to ensure that our children and families are supported to thrive," said National Chief Archibald. "First Nations children and families have waited far too long for justice and healing. In order to walk the healing path together, Canada must acknowledge the harms that discrimination has had on our children and families. Our collective goal is to ensure that discrimination ends and never happens again. Our children are precious and our families matter.'

'You know what I've been saying all along on this. Why have courts make decisions at all if all it leads to is more appeals?" questioned Regional Chief Hare. "We might as well go to Ottawa and meet with the Prime Minister directly and maybe we would get an answer the same day.'

Every time a court ruling is made in favour of Indigenous people, an appeal is made," said Regional Chief Hare.

"This time, it is more than a slap in the face, it brings back the issues of the unmarked graves at residential schools, compensation for Indigenous child welfare, clean water for First Nations and other issues.'

"I was definitely hoping for a better outcome and I'm certainly very disappointed," said Regional Chief Hare.

The appeal continues a 14-year legal battle that leaves the federal government on the hook for billions of dollars.

The federal government says it is willing to compensate children and families placed in the child welfare system but it continuously appeals the legal decisions that would mean the government would have to pay compensation, reported CBC News.

The government has indicated that it wants to reach an agreement out of court and this is something parties representing children in this case have agreed to explore. "Today, the Government of Canada and the parties (the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society and Assembly of First Nations) are announcing that we have agreed to sit down immediately and work towards reaching a global resolution by December 2021 on outstanding issues that have been the subject of litigation," a government statement reads.

Cindy Blackstock, executive director of the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society and one of the key figures squaring off against the federal government told CBC's Power and Politics, "If there is no deal, we're going to go to hearings on an expedited basis. We do not want children to lose out on this time. We're willing to press 'pause', but (the government) has agreed to an expedited hearing schedule if we get into that room and it looks like (they're) not going to stop the discrimination."

In the appeal filed on October 29, Ottawa requested an order to set aside both the federal court decision and the orders issued by the tribunal. The government described this as a protective appeal that will be put on hold while the parties try to strike a deal.

The federal government's argument is that the court erred by finding that the tribunal "acted reasonably" in its decision to order monetary compensation for children and families who were placed in the child welfare system, reported CBC News.

The notice of appeal reads, "Canada acknowledges the finding of systemic discrimination and does not oppose the general principle that compensation to First Nations individuals who experienced pain and suffering as a result of government misconduct should be provided. Awarding compensation to individuals in the manner ordered by the Tribunal, however, was inconsistent with the nature of the complaint, the evidence, past jurisprudence and the Canadian Human Rights Act."

In 2019, the Tribunal ordered Ottawa to pay \$40,000, the maximum allowed under the Canadian Human Rights Act, to each child in the on-reserve child welfare system from at least January 1, 2006 to a date to be determined by the tribunal. The federal government was also to pay \$40,000 to each First Nations child, along with their primary guardian, who was denied services or forced to leave home to access services covered by the policy now known as Jordan's Principle.

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Hockey is back! The MSS girls hockey team played their first exhibition game on the evening of Wednesday, November 3 at the NEMI Rec Centre against Espanola. Our girls' team won 15-0. The girls will play again on Thursday, November 11 against St. Benedict at the McCrory-Countryside

Arena. Spectators are allowed at games, and proof of double COVID-19 vaccination is required at the door.

On Saturday, November 6, six runners from MSS participated in the OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations) cross-country championships in Lakefield, Ontario at the Lakefield College School. Every runner had absolutely amazing finishes on Saturday! The junior girls team, consisting of Maren Kasunich, Mackenzie Green, Annie Balfe, and Morgan Green, won the team division with their total combined times and brought home the banner! Maren Kasunich ran a wonderful race and placed 3rd, Mackenzie Green fin-

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With next week being deer season, it is only appropriate that there be a spirit day to celebrate the annual occasion. Thursall students decked out in their favourite pieces of camo clothing!

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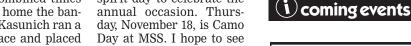
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ELEMENTARY TEACHER



Department:

MFN Teachers Salary Grid / According to Qualification/ **Years of Experience** Term 2021-22 School Year Education – Lakeview School



Position Summary

The Teachers are responsible for the provision of classroom support and instruction using Ontario curriculum guidelines in all subject areas and readiness for each applicable level.

Reporting Relationship

Teachers will work under the direction of the School Principal.

Essential Functions

Provide a caring, stimulating learning environment for all students

Lakeview School (mchigeeng.ca)

- Prepare lessons for presentation to students according to approved curriculum as per School Year Calendar Teach using a systematic plan of lessons, discussions, audio-visual presentations, field trips and other
- learning resources
- Lead students in activities to promote their physical, mental, and social development and their school
- Assign and correct homework, prepare and administer applicable tests
- Evaluate the progress of students and discuss results with students, parents, and school officials
- Identify children's learning styles and needs, prepare, and implement remedial programs for children requiring extra help

Qualifications and Requirements

Bachelor of Arts & Bachelor of Education with 1-2 years' teaching experience

Minimum:

- Valid Ontario College of Teachers Certificate and Undergraduate Degree
- Must have knowledge and/or experience with the culture, tradition, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe Understanding and fluency of Ojibwe language is an asset or must have the willingness to learn

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

It is mandatory for the successful applicant to submit verification of full COVID-19 vaccination prior to

Deadline: 3:00 p.m. Friday, November 12, 2021

Complete application must include the following: Cover Letter, Resume, Certificate Of Qualifications, Recent Performance Assessments and/or Practice Teaching Reports, along with three (3) current written workrelated references addressed to:

> "Confidential - Teachers" c/o Human Resources P.O. Box 333 M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0 Email: andream@mchigeeng.ca Tel: 705-377-5362 Fax (705) 377-4980

Miigwetch for your interest, however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. For job description, please contact Andrea McGregor, Human Resources at 705-377-5362.



NOOJMOWIN TEG HEALTH CENTRE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

A place of healing Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is comprised of a multi-team of health care professions providing community-based services through the use of a wholistic approach that integrates both traditional and western healing methods. Our unique team includes: Traditional Healing and Primary Care, Mental Health & Addictions Services, Health Promotion and Cultural Services. Services are offered on-site and

community-based (through the Manitoulin Island District First Nations Health Centres).

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

NTHC is an inclusive employer. Accommodation is available in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.

Available Positions:

- Registered Practical Nurse (5-month contract)
- Traditional Knowledge Keeper (1FTE)
- Aging at Home Van Support Drivers (Casual/On-call)
- Physician (1 FTE)

For job details please visit:

www.noojmowin-teg.ca/about-us/employment

Submission Pre-Requisites:

Please submit a cover letter, resume, and three (3) work-related letters of reference.

Applications:

Can be received marked 'Confidential', by email at info@noojmowin-teg.ca, by facsimile at (705) 368-3922, or by mail:

Attn: Human Resources Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Postal Bag 2002, Hwy. 540 Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Little Current, ON POP 1K0

To learn more about employment opportunities, call (705) 368-2182 ext. 235. Chi-miigwetch/Thank you for your interest in Noojmowin Teg Health Centre.

"A place of healing"

Last year was my first experience with buying Delicata squash from Three Forks Farm and I loved cooking them. This summer I tried growing a couple of plants and they didn't produce that well but that was OK because I knew where I could buy more!!!! I have a small supply in my cold room and have been slowly turning them into magic for dinner.

Roasted Delicata Squash with Apples

This is an excellent recipe to use Delicata squash in. I made extra for lunch the next day and added feta cheese, pepitas (pumpkin seeds) and a bit more dressing. The dressing can also be used on a green salad.

INGREDIENTS:

2 delicata squash, halved lengthwise and seeded, cut into 1/2-inch pieces

1 medium onion halved then cut into 1/4-inch slices Olive oil for drizzling

2 cups (2 to 3 leaves) kale (remove thick stem) torn up into pieces

6 fresh sage leaves, chopped

Leaves from 3 thyme sprigs 1 large gala apple (vour

choice of a firm variety), diced

Sea salt and freshly



ground pepper DRESSING:

2 Tbsp olive oil

1 Tosp organic apple cider vinegar

1 garlic clove, mince 1/4 tsp Dijon mustard 1/4 tsp maple syrup

1. Preheat the oven to 375F and line a baking sheet with parchment paper

2. Place the squash and onions in a bowl and drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Toss to coat making sure everything is well coated. Arrange on the sheet so they are not touching. Roast until the squash is golden brown on all sides and the onions are soft, 30 to 40 minutes. Set aside.

3. Make the dressing by whisking all the ingredients together in a small bowl. Make extra if you are having the squash for lunch the next day or a salad.

4. In a medium bowl, combine the kale, sage, thyme, and diced apple. Add the roasted squash and onions and the dressing. Toss to coat. Transfer to an

oven-safe serving dish.

5. Place the serving dish in the oven for 8 to 10 minutes, or until the apples and kale are warm and the kale has wilted. Remove from oven and serve.

Apple-Carrot Cake

The recipe calls for a 9 x 5 inch loaf pan but I used a 9 x 13 inch cake pan. I switched the flour to spelt, the sugar to maple syrup and added extra apple. You can ice it with your favourite cream cheese icing. I took the juice of an orange, added a bit of maple syrup and brushed the juice on the warm cake. Simple and yummy.

2 medium apples, peeled (I didn't peel the apples)

2 cups grated carrot 21/2 cups all-purpose flour or switch to either

whole wheat or spelt 2 tsp baking powder

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp cinnamon 1 tsp ground cardamom 1/2 cup sugar or maple

1/2 cup melted butter

svrup

3/4 cup milk minus 2 Tbsp if you are using maple syrup

2 eggs

1 tsp vanilla

Preheat oven to 350F and line your loaf or cake pan with parchment paper.

Grate the apple and measure out 3/4 cup. Take another apple, peel, and core and cut it into small pieces and measure out 1 cup. Set aside.

In a bowl, whisk flour with baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon and cardamon. Make a well in the centre.

In another bowl whisk well together the sugar or maple syrup, melted butter, milk, eggs and vanilla. Add the apples and carrots and using a fork stir until evenly mixed. Pour the wet ingredients into the dry and gently fold together until no streaks of flour remain. Mixture will be very thick. Turn into prepared pan and spread out evenly. Bake in preheated oven. If you are using the loaf pan you will need to bake for 60 to 70 minutes and if using the cake pan it will take 30 to 40 minutes. Bake until a cake tester inserted in centre comes out clean. Leave in pan to cool.







FOOD SERVICES AIDE

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

QUALIFICATIONS: (Education, Certifications, Experience, Licensure)

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

Previous experience in a food services environment

Please e-mail a cover letter and resume to the attention of: **Human Resources**

E-mail: recruitment@mhc.on.ca

Please quote Job Posting Number 2021-CU-16 in the subject line

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

Manitoulin Health Centre is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal People, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.















210 boul Mead Blvd Espanola, ON P5E 1R9 Telephone/Téléphone: (705) 862-7850 Fax/Télécopieur: (705) 862-7805 http://www.msdsb.net

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

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

Administrative Assistant

Permanent Full-Time

Competition #2021-09-AD Closing date: November 18, 2021

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

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









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Case Manager - Espanola **Temporary Full-Time**

Competition #2021-17-ISS Closing date: November 18, 2021 For position details, visit Job Opportunities on our website at www.msdsb.net/index.php/careers

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GWEKWAADZIWIN MIIKAN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Training and Curriculum Specialist Internal/External Posting

Position Description:

The Training and Curriculum Specialist (TCS) is responsible for the coordination and development of training initiatives, and strategic planning for accreditation for IHWS funded Healing Lodges and Treatment Centres across Ontario. The successful candidate will have proven experience in province-wide partnership coordination; curriculum development and rollout; research, analysis, and strategic planning; and the ability to multi-task and prioritize timesensitive matters in a confidential setting.

This is a full-time contract position until March 31, 2024.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Responsible for attending ad hoc workgroup meetings for the IHWS Healing Lodge Table
- Responsible for file organization and reporting to supervisors and the ad hoc group as required
- Responsible for meeting with IHWS funded Healing Lodges to determine training needs and strategic direction Responsible for creating and executing development and implementation schedules in partnership with IHWS **Healing Lodges and Treatment Centres**
- Responsible for coordinating training initiatives and evaluations for partnered agencies
- Responsible for curriculum development and rollout
- Responsible for identifying the appropriate accreditation body
- Liaise with the selected accreditation body and IHWS Healing Lodges and Treatment Centres
- Responsible for drafting strategic plan for accreditation, including requirements, processes, timelines, fees, etc. Maintain flow and dissemination of invoices, receipts and other documents to relevant parties and agencies
- Work within a fixed-budget framework
- Understanding and advocacy of the IHWS strategic direction and plan
- Ensures that all required work-related functions meet or exceed the required professional standards
- Assist and coordinate accreditation related processes, policies, procedures, and guidelines
- Assist and coordinate the development of briefings, discussion documents, and communication materials

Qualifications:

- Minimum requirement is a combination of bachelor's degree in relevant helping field and experience in mental health and addictions programming, and experience in program or curriculum development and evaluation
- Understanding of the provincial scope of First Nations mental health and addictions programming and
- Preference given to an Individual of Indigenous ancestry with knowledge and understanding of history, clan systems, protocols, etiquette, cultures, and traditions
- Demonstrated professional level of interpersonal and communication skills (written and verbal)
- Ability to prioritize multiple responsibilities and projects Mature individual who can work independently with preference given to individuals living a traditional lifestyle

Requirements:

- Possesses a valid Ontario class 'G' driver's licence in good standing with access to a reliable vehicle
- Ability to work outside normal business hours as required

and being on a life-long journey in traditional knowledge

Ability to operate within a hybrid work schedule that includes provincial travel for site visits and meetings

Salary: \$ Commensurate with qualifications Closing Date: November 12, 2021 @ 4:00pm

To Apply: Please submit a letter of application and resume with three written employment references, one from current/most recent employer and current Criminal Reference Check, Drivers Abstract, Copy of relevant Diplomas/ Degrees/Certificates. Incomplete or late packages will not be accepted. Please forward in an email to mattm@gwek.ca

> Subject line - Gwekwaadziwin Miikan - Training and Curriculum Specialist To: mattm@gwek.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those applicants under consideration

Cockburn deer hunt looks to be better than last year

by Tom Sasvari

COCKBURN ISLAND—All indications are good that the annual deer gun hunt on Cockburn Island will be a very good season this year.

Local hunter Ian Anderson told The Expositor last Friday, "I can say there was a significantly better hunt, so far, than last year. There are a lot of nice, big bucks that have been harvested.'

Mr. Anderson, who left Cockburn Island on Thursday after harvesting a large deer, explained, "by Wednesday night a total of 32 deer had been harvested and a lot of them were big mature deer. And I know that three or four other good-sized deer hadn't gone through the deer check station at that time.'

The number of hunters was also up in the first week of the hunt, being in the high 80 range, said Mr. Anderson, who noted there will be more hunters taking part in the hunt during the second week of the hunt (this week). "The hunter success rate will be way better than last year," he stated.

"The rut had started by the first day of this year's hunt," continued Mr. Anderson. "It's always ahead (on Cockburn Island) of Manitoulin Island. The male deer are pretty vulnerable for one week of the year and it just coincides with the hunt season."

"It looks as if it is going to be a very good hunt overall, in terms of hunter success this year," reiterated Mr.

Mr. Anderson added, "hunting-wise the weather was good for the first few days of the hunt. Yesterday (Thursday) was as good as it gets.'

Northeast Town approves work to repair Tower Road

NORTHEAST TOWN—Council approved a request from Jeff Corbiere, renewable energy worker with Mother Earth Renewable Energy (MERE) General Partner Inc. for permission to perform road maintenance on the unopened road allowance access road known as Tower Road.

The maintenance is required due to deteriorating conditions caused by heavy rainfall and road traffic.

'Much consideration of the road has been contemplated and MERE General Partner Inc. has drafted requirements for road maintenance," wrote Mr. Corbiere. "MERE has also consulted with contractors to address the needs of the road with a late summer or early fall (of 2021) work commencement.'

Approval was passed with the caveat that appropriate insurance coverage was provided.







Noojmowin Teg Health Centre A place of healing

Client Advisory Committee (CAC)

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is committed to partnering with clients and families to improve our care. We are currently recruiting clients and family members to join our Client Advisory Committee and provide diverse insights into our health services delivery, priorities and programs. Also, as a member of this committee, you will be able to ensure that Noojmowin Teg's work and strategic priorities are guided by lived experiences of Anishnabek peoples.

Individuals will be asked to serve a three-year term and come together four to six times a year to share their advice and insights into what quality health care looks like. Among the many issues CAC will discuss, its current priorities include mental health and addictions and diabetes-focused care.

If you are passionate about health care, a client of Noojmowin Teg or caregiver of a client of Noojmowin Teg, and interested in listening to people and providing feedback, we want to hear from you. To apply, send us a letter letting us know why you are interested in being a member of the committee. If you have any questions regarding the Expression of Interest process, please contact Executive Director, Danielle Wilson, at the information below. Miigwetch.

Danielle.wilson@noojmowin-teg.ca (705)368-2182 Ext. 204





TENDER FOR SNOW CLEARING/REMOVAL AND SANDING

The Manitoulin Centennial Manor invites tenders for the snow clearing/removal and sanding at 70 Robinson Street, Little Current commencing November 22, 2021 to May 1, 2022.

Scope of work:

- Snow removal from the front roadside parking lot, main entrance parking lot, rear of building staff parking lot, front walkway, rear staff walkway and delivery area.
- Provide sanding to all vehicle routes, parking lots and
- Provide additional sand/salt mixture for Manitoulin Centennial Manor maintenance staff to use for all walkways throughout the day.

** Areas must be cleared before change of shift at 6:00 a.m. and throughout the day as required**

Bidders are welcome to perform on-site inspections.

Bids must be accompanied by proof of liability and property damage insurance and WSIB clearance certificate.

Tenders must be received at the Administration office no later than November 17th, 2021 before 1600 hours and must be in a sealed envelope marked "Snow Removal, **Clearing and Sanding Tender.**"

Forward tenders to: **Manitoulin Centennial Manor Attn: Board of Management** Postal Bag 460 **Little Current, ON POP 1KO**

For further information contact: Don Cook, Administrator 705-368-2710 ext. 312



Food Cupboard--The Gore some changes. They will be open noon to 3 pm on Thursdays. Come to the side door (facing McQuarrie Motors) and knock. Food will questions, call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily.

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Bay United Church is continuing this service during the COVID-19 outbreak with be packed and passed outside to you. If you have











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

31 Blake Street East TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands will hold a public meeting on December 7, 2021, at 7:00p.m. through a virtual meeting

The purpose of this public meeting is to consider a proposed Zoning amendment to Zoning By-law No. 2018-41, as amended for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands pursuant to the provisions of Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter C. P. 13. to allow by a site specific amendment a

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

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

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands before the proposed By-law Amendment is passed, the person or bublic body may not be added as a party to the nearing of an appeal before the Untario Municipal Board un the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

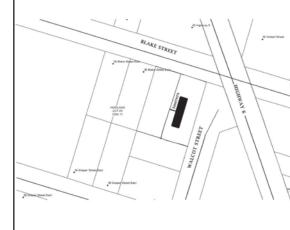
For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact Pam Cress, Clerk, Box 608, Little Current, ON, POP 1KO.

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

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

DATED at the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands on Nov. 10, 2021 Pam Cress, Clerk Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the

14 Water Street East; P.O. Box 608 Little Current, ON POP 1K0 Ph.:(705) 368-3500



INVITATION FOR TENDERS SNOW REMOVAL

2021 - 2022 **UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service**

Tenders for the year 2021 - 2022 are now being accepted for snow removal at the UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service. Location: 5926 Hwy 540, M'Chigeeng. Services required include plowing, sanding, salting and pushback of snowbanks for the following property areas:

- Roadway
- Front of building (visitor's parking)
- Staff parking area

The roadway, front of building (driveway), and staff parking areas must be plowed and salted/sanded by 6:30 am, 2:30 pm, and 10:30 pm all calendar days.

Please submit a proposal for:

- Seasonal rate for the period of November 15, 2021 March 31, 2022. Rate must include all plowing, salt & sand, and snowbank pushback.
- Identify type of equipment to be used.
- Proof of WSIB coverage.
- Proof of Commercial General Liability Insurance.

Successful tender to be based on price, quality, and service level of supplier. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Submit before November 12, 2021 at 12:00 PM to:

UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service 5926 Highway 540, P.O. Box 332 M'Chigeeng, ON POP1G0

Attn: Joey Stoneypoint, Custodian/Maintenance Or by Email to: joey.stoneypoint@uccmpolice.com

MMA submitting proposal on new police boards

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) will be resubmitting its proposal to the province on a new policing board model, after several local municipalities decided to partner with neighbouring municipalities to decrease the proposed number of representatives on the board.

"As I'm sure everyone knows by now the option we had forwarded to the province originally was rejected," said Ken Noland, chair of the MMA, at a recent meeting. "So, I reached out to Cockburn Island, Gordon/Barrie Island and Burpee and Mills, and we are all willing to share one representative on the board. I also talked to Dave Jaggard, reeve of Tehkummah, if his council would consider partnering with Assiginack to have one representative on the board."

Hugh Moggy, an Assiginack township councillor said that his council has "had discussions about (partnering) with Tehkummah and we have no problem going together for one rep."

"Tehkummah (council) is fine with that too," Mr. Jaggard told the meeting.

"So, we will resubmit our application to the province for the Island police board," said Mr. Noland. He pointed out that along with Assiginack and Tehkummah partnering, and Cockburn Island, Gordon/Barrie Island and Burpee and Mills partnering, the Town of Gore Bay will have a representative on the police board as will Billings, Central Manitoulin. Northeastern Manitoulin and Islands, along with two provincial and two community representatives.

"We will again go over the numbers and circulate the new proposal for the police board to all the municipalities before we submit the new proposal to the province," added Mr. Noland.

As was reported previously, the province rejected the Manitoulin municipalities' request on the composition of the new policing board model. A letter from the province had indicated the original proposal for the police board (put forward by the MMA) didn't meet the guidelines so the MMA was looking at ways to bring the number of representatives of the police board down to be in compliance.

In a letter to the Township of Burpee and Mills dated August 31, Kiran Shahzad, senior policy advisor, community safety and intergovernmental policy branch with the Ministry of the Solicitor General, wrote: "As it stands, the proposed board does not meet the 20 percent community representation and 20 percent provincial representation requirement," wrote Ms. Shahzad. She

board requires that three board members be community reps and three memprovincial bers be appointees (20 percent of

explained, "A 13-member 13 is 2.6, round up to will require that the prothree), bringing the total to 15 members. Upon consideration, to maintain consistency and fairness in composition, the ministry

posed board include the appropriate number of community and provincial representatives meet the 20 percent requirement."

in memoriam

ABBOTT—In loving memory

No farewell words were spo-

You were gone before we

And only God can tell us

PEARSON-In loving mem-

ory of a dear husband,

Calvin Pearson, who passed

They say memories are

But we never wanted memo-

sadly missed by wife Joan

away November 10, 2019.

Well, maybe that's true.

We only wanted you.

Always remembered

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of Audrey Abbott, 2008.

No time to say goodbye.

Always missed, Paul

knew it,

golden,

and family

· in memoriam



WADE-In loving memory of Brent Wade, November 9,

Twenty-two years have come and gone my son. I think of where I have been and the road I've travelled. The emptiness and the lifelessness I felt within my soul. I am reflecting on the life we

had with you, And the life we have without

For the first few months it was a struggle to just exist. The grief journey, many times was hard to persist. Brent, your life on earth and Heaven are now the same. It's impossible to comprehend your life on earth was done,

So young, so sudden, my absolute ultimate fear.

My parental prayer was always to have you near. Your life, the life we knew, no chance there was to reclaim. Your destiny was definitely so unforeseen.

The loss of you as my son, and to your sisters as a sibling has lifelong profound effects, beyond what words could ever express.

In so many ways I would call this emotional scarring, "Stifling!"

This new world was so difficult for us to process. So many dreams, so many

future plans, Were all there laying within

our hands.

Yet, in the blink of an eye, all that was gone.

So many regrets, guilt and grief combined. So many emotions, all inter-

twined. "Over it" I will never be. Then as the healing slowly overtook the grief, I found gratitude and memo-

ries turned into relief. Brent, I thank God for the gift of you every day,

For your sharing of dreams and future plans with me. For the happiness and how complete you made me feel. For the laughter and the

memories we made. Thank you, Brent, for being

For your unconditional love abound.

Your story I will continue to

The importance of workplace Health and Safety I will To try and help reduce the

Canada stats, Of three persons per day from work will not return.

Unfortunately, this is a very true workplace fact. To my daughters, sons-in-

law, to my family and friends, and to my Threads of Life family, I would like to say "thank you" for being there, listening and supporting me

for 22 years. You have helped put "Living back into Life."

We love you and miss you so much each and every day. Forever in Our Hearts, Chrissy and family, Laura and family, and Mom

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in memoriam



MACKELVIE-In memory of Owen MacKelvie. We still talk to you. We still look for you. We still bring you with us. We are thankful we had you to love, And we miss you so much. Your life was so short,

But we made memories to last a lifetime. With love always, Mommy, daddy, Devon, Shawn and

all the family

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in memoriam



DEBASSIGE—In lovina memory of Wayne Robert Debassige, June 6, 1956 to November 15, 2017 Unbelievable four

have passed. I still miss the joy and laughter you brought into my life. Such a wonderful, caring man.

I still can't believe you are gone.

I think of all the times we shared. It keeps you alive in my

mind. I will forever hold you in my heart.

And always keep our memories alive by celebrating your

Love you forever, Diane P.

ध्याध्य thank you

LONGURST-Buck, March 24, 1946 to October 12,

A sincere thanks to Tom Sasvari for the touching obituary for George Longhurst and for Jack Purvis' memories as well, bless you both. Many more thanks for cards, phone calls, visits, letters, food, emails, beautiful flower arrangements and hugs. Thank you.

Sincerely, Eldene Longhurst, Jeff and Sandy, and Anne

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The Schliederer, Mucha Greenway families would like to express their appreciation to all who have reached out to us on the death of our beloved Patty. The visits, phone calls, hugs, food and the donations in her memory are so appreciated. The love and support from the community and far beyond has been overwhelming. We will honour her by continuing her wonderful zest for life. Stephen, Sarah, Maddie.

Andrew, Loretta, Jim and families

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Death Notices

PATRICK JOSEPH MICHAEL COSTIGAN

April 26, 1938 - November 1, 2021



Surrounded by the love of his family, Patrick Joseph Michael Costigan passed away peacefully at his "camp" on Lake Manitou, Manitoulin Island, on November 1, 2021, at the age of 83. It was wonderful that Mike was able to spend his final days in his favourite place. Dearly loved husband and best

60 years. Loving father of Michael (Patti Howarth), Kathryn (Scott Miller), Lori, and Susan (Jon Miller). Proud grandfather of Julianne (Andrew Mitchell), Graem, Mackenzie, Emma, Owen, Isla, Nicolas, Saanen and Cole. Great-grandfather of George Mitchell. "Uncle Mike" to many nieces and nephews. Dear brother of John (Pat), Estelle (Don Payne), Peter (Jane), Paul (Sharon) and Joanne (John Renaud). Dear brother-in-law of Dewar and Effie Williamson (both deceased), Marge and Dave McLachlan (deceased November 3, 2021), and Marca and Robert Williamson. Predeceased by his parents, Jeannette (Dufault) and Francis Joseph Costigan, his in-laws, Jean (Dewar) and Russ Williamson, and his nephew Jamie Costigan. Mike was born April 26, 1938 in Sudbury. After Mike left school in Grade 10, his career followed many different paths: The Royal Canadian Airforce, welding school in Toronto, Men's Department at Eaton's in Sudbury, Inco office in Copper Cliff, and Denison Mine in Elliot Lake, before becoming a sales representative for Phillips Electronics, Ellis & Howard Ltd. and then Panasonic Canada. One of the last dealers Mike opened was Jake's Home Centre in Mindemoya, Manitoulin Island. In his younger days, Mike always enjoyed sports, particularly golf and hockey. He loved playing pickup hockey in Sudbury where he would walk, carrying all his equipment from their Baker Street home to the Donovan outdoor rink. He walked because his family did not have a car. Actually, Mike had a car before his father did! It was a used 1928 Model A Ford! Mike's greatest love was his family. He was a true family man - a wonderful husband, proud fa-

ther, Papa, and great-grandfather. No matter what his kids or grandkids were doing, he always made time to be there. Many hours were spent at sporting events, music events, at

friend of Pat (Williamson) Costigan for

the bottom of ski hills, school gyms, rinks, squash courts and gym meets, sometimes as a coach, sometimes as a mentor, and always as a supporter. He often could be heard saying, "Put a little mustard on it!", "Check, check, check!", or "PMA! (Positive Mental Attitude)". Mike's connection with the Manitoulin and specifically Lake Manitou, began about 65 years ago when he started to date Pat Williamson. Her parents, Jean and Russ Williamson owned a camp (cottage) at Eagle's Nest on Lake Manitou. Pat and Mike were married in Sudbury in 1961. In 1969 they purchased a lot in the Frank Hutchinson Subdivision off Silver Bay Road. With their four children, Mike and Pat started building their camp and it is an ongoing labour of love to accommodate their ever-growing family. Mike became a member of the Lake Manitou & Area Association (LMAA) in 1995, and became progressively more involved as time went on. He became a LMAA Director in 1998, Vice-President in 2001, and then President in 2003, a position he held for 16 years, before retiring in 2019. He was a dedicated steward of Lake Manitou, always encouraging the members to "Keep Our Lake Great!". He was also a strong supporter of the Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association. After Mike's retirement from Panasonic in 1997, Mike and Pat would spend five months of the year on Lake Manitou before returning to their home in Kitchener, Ontario for the winter. They had the best of both worlds - wonderful neighbours both on Frank's Road on the Manitoulin and on Muskoka Court in Kitchener. The family would like to thank Ruth Guy and Home and Community Care - Palliative Services for their great support over the last few months. According to Mike's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private family celebration will be held at a later date. Interment will be held in the spring at the Mindemoya Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy can be made either to a charity of your choice, the Lake Manitou Area Association or the Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association. Our memories of Mike will live forever in our hearts.

DAVID MORTON MCCLELLAND 1935-2021



Mort died peacefully on October 31, 2021 at Baycrest Hospital, Toronto from complications of Parkinsons. He leaves his wife Annalee (Ueberer) and sons Shawn (Nancy), Kevin (Karen) and five grandchildren. Mort was born April 6, 1935 in Gordon Lake, ON to Evan McClelland and Mabel (Gjos). He

was a brother to eight younger sisters. Thank you to the Mindemoya Hospital, this summer, and to all our family and friends on the Manitoulin.

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, POP 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Fundraising or Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, POP 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 POP

...Billings' proposed trailer bylaw controversial

issued address for one recreational trailer/vehicle from May 1 to October

A Class E permit is for a recreational trailer/vehicle for the fall season only. It is valid from October 31 through December 31 in the year issued. The permit fee is \$125 and a maximum of 3 trailers per property is allowed.

Councillor Bryan Barker opposed any permit if the property is owned just for the hunt (Class E permit). He suggested a compromise of \$150 total for October through December, or another option that would allow 14 days for guests or just going back to having no permit at all.

He touched on four emails submitted by local residents who opposed the amendments. "This is similar to the by-law from 2017 that was amended in 2019.' he noted. "The wording is very similar and in some cases, identical. There is an existing \$500 fine for violating the by-law by having a trailer on a property for more than 14 days. Under the existing by-law, there is no provision to allow a trailer on a property for an extended period of time'

The emails raised concerns over things that are already in place, Councillor Barker pointed out. "The proposed by-law is, in many cases, less prohibitive. We are not looking at having this by-law in place as a tax grab. It makes it fair and equitable for everyone. Council decided the amended by-law discussion be given two readings. Since June 1, we have received numerous emails and calls in favour of the by-law and some against. The use and misuse of trailers has always been an issue. This new by-law is to help resolve this.

Enforcement and education were major issues in the emails received, he said, adding this first reading "is open to more input from the communi-

Meredith Chandler submitted one of the emails opposing the trailer by-

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mary, Mr. Moran submitted an information list of reasons to support proposed revisions to the current trailer by-law. I note with interest that nowhere in this list does it indicate a need to restrict trailer use on properties where residents own and live fulltime in a habitable residence and pay taxes at the current assessed township rate. This omission makes sense to me, as use of a trailer on this type of property shouldn't be of concern to anyone other than the private property owners themselves. For this reason, I question the need to include the provisions of 'Trailer Permit Class C' for a fee of \$250, for temporary lodging of guests for non-commercial purposes for a period of 14 days and

law. She wrote, "In his sum-

"In regards to the concern for potential stress to our environment, including increased use of our municipal dump, perhaps attention would be better directed at Airbnb trailers/sheds operating within our township," she suggested.

up to a maximum of 30 con-

secutive days. Please clari-

fy why anyone other than

the individual property

owners themselves would

be concerned with the

length of time their guests

Chandler also Ms. referred to the lower permit fee for hunters. "I personally have no opposition to the use of trailers on such properties during hunting season and do not begrudge any concessions allowed to them. I am,

however, disheartened that while there was an obvious resistance to charging a \$200 fee for hunters, there was almost no hesitation to impose a \$250 fee on permanent residents for use of a trailer to lodge guests for a period of more than 14 days, on properties that are already being taxed at full rate). Please clarify the discrepancy," she wrote. "It is a blatant double standard."

Brad Mack is another resident opposed to the bylaw amendment. Earlier this summer he spoke to three councillors about this and suggested a committee should be formed to assist in the creation of bylaws. "To my knowledge, there have been no steps taken or no movement towards using this form of community consultation or community collaboration to make by-laws that are fair for the residents of the township," he wrote.

"I understood that we have had an ongoing issue with trailers on vacant lots and recognize this as a problem for the township and a loss of tax base if not addressed," Mr. Mack wrote. "The proposed trailer by-law goes way beyond dealing with trailers on vacant land and now we will tell taxpayers what

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they can do on their existing land, with a residence already constructed and paying full taxes. I question why this is necessary and what we're hoping to accomplish.'

"During the special meeting discussion, it was asked how we came up with the 14-day permit. Who decided that it would be okay for the first 14 days. The response or rationale to this was alarming. Councillor indicated that Barker nobody has company, or people don't stay places, beyond 14 days. I would think that is his opinion and, in many cases, not actually true during the summer months "

A motion to decrease the Class C permit fee from \$250 to \$200 was put forward by Councillor Hunt and seconded by Councillor Alkenbrack. Councillor Jackson opposed amended fee. The motion to amend the fee will be brought forward at the next council meeting.

Council passed a motion for first reading of the bylaw and to take the amended fee motion back for second reading at the next council meeting.



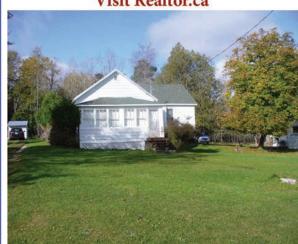


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