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A HELPING HAND—Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa-kwe Rachel Manitowabi cuts the ribbon at the official opening of Jiingaabe Noojmoo Gamik, a Rainbow Lodge 20-bed residential treatment centre that will serve as a beacon of hope to those living with addictions. The grand opening ceremonies leaned heavily on the Seven Grandfathers teachings as a guide to a good path in life

photo by Michael Erskine

Wiikwemkoong's Rainbow Lodge opens new 20-bed residential treatment centre

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMKOONG—It has been decades in the making, but last Thursday Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre Inc. (Rainbow Lodge) held an official grand opening of Jiingaabe Noojmoo Gamik, a new 20-bed residential recovery centre.

The vision for the recovery centre was kept alive by the determi-

nation of a group of community members, noted Rainbow Lodge Executive Director Rolanda Manitowabi during her remarks, singling out for special recognition Doris Wassegijig-Kennedy.

"Much credit much be given to former chief Ogimaa Duke Peltier, former health director Mary Jo Wabano, former Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) employee Kelly

Orza and Health Canada's First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (FNiHB) representatives who all advocated, lobbied and brought this up at many meetings in Toronto, Ottawa and Wiikwemkoong," said Ms. Manitowabi, going on to cite current health director Diane Jacko and a host of collaborators past and present that included project manager Keith Maracle, ISC rep Meagen Yen, architect Mike Ladyk, the late Lawrence Dorey from FNiHB, Isaac Wolfe, Karen Cooke, Rayanne Waboose, Nikki Manitowabi and Kevin Wassegijig.

Newly installed Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa-kwe Rachel Manitowabi shared a bit about herself, whose spirit name translates to "Woman who brings change." During her remarks Ogimaa-kwe Manitowabi's father, former Wiikwemkoong chief Eugene Manitowabi, was sitting in the

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The Queen is dead. Long live the King!

Manitoulin citizens reflect on the late Queen and the future of the monarchy in Canada

by Tom Sasvari
MANITOULIN—Everyone seemed to have the utmost respect for Queen Elizabeth II, who passed away on September 8. From local, provincial and federal politicians to First Nations leaders and the general public, the words 'class, respect and commitment to service' come to the forefront when describing her.

On behalf of Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, Member of Parliament (MP) Carol Hughes extended deepest condolences to the Royal Family, including King Charles III and Queen Consort

Camilla, the people of the United Kingdom, all of the Commonwealth countries and those around the world who were touched by her warmth, dedication and resilience.

"Today, with a heavy heart, we learned of the passing of Canada's longest service sovereign,

Friends helping Friends

Mindemoya Old School receives first corporate donation

by Tom Sasvari
MINDEMOYA—Friends of Mindemoya Old School (FOMOS) is excited to announce its first large scale corporate donation to assist in the revitalization of the Mindemoya Old School into a viable community asset.

"FOMOS is privileged to receive a \$10,000 grant from Trillium Mutual Insurance-Roots Community Fund," a release states. "FOMOS board was asked to

meet with Roots Community Fund committee members after receiving an invitation to discuss our proposed project for the school. After providing a presentation to the committee, we received word that they wished to contribute to our project once we had established a fully signed long term lease. Once this was accomplished FOMOS received this wonderful

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Staff shortage shuttered Manitowaning daycare

Assignack facility serves 25 children with a waiting list of 26

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—Although it is not closed just yet, the daycare facility at Assignack Public School will be closing in two weeks, leaving parents scrambling to find other spaces for their children. The daycare currently has 25 children in its care with 26 on the daycare's waiting list, as well as 15 on the waiting list for the daycare's after school program.

"We have been operating with a skeleton crew," daycare manager Andrea Lewis, who also manages the Gore Bay daycare, told The Expositor last Thursday. Currently, the daycare operators have transferred one of the Gore Bay staff members to the Assignack facility to help keep the doors open.

Ms. Lewis said that it is hoped the closure will only be a temporary measure, but with most daycare facilities across the province

experiencing staffing challenges, it is unclear when the daycare will be able to re-open.

"We are very saddened that it has come to this," Ms. Lewis said in a statement released on Friday. "We have been struggling for quite some time to find staff. We know that this is a real hardship, especially when we have so many families already involved with childcare as well as many families who have been actively looking for childcare. Ideally, we would like to not close at all, but we will use this time to recruit and better prepare staff for working in the field of childcare."

Under normal circumstances, daycare workers would be expected to have early childhood education (ECE) certification, but given the crisis situation, Ms. Lewis said she encourages anyone with experience in working with children to come forward and apply.

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Nature-based solutions help address climate change impacts

EDITOR'S NOTE: Canada's Changing Climate Report was released in 2019 as the first in a series that assessed how and why Canada's climate has changed and what future changes are projected. In August, the Regional Perspectives Report: Ontario Chapter was released to provide a regional perspective of how climate change is affecting our communities, environment and economy and how we are adapting. In this series, The Expositor will look at each of the seven key messages contained in the Ontario Chapter. In the August 24 edition, The Expositor spoke to contributing lead authors Al Douglas and David Pearson about the Ontario Chapter and what unique challenges might be faced by Manitoulin Island. This week, The

Expositor looks at nature-based solutions.

by Lori Thompson,
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter
SUDBURY—Ontario is not exempt from the impacts of climate change. The province's mean annual temperature increased by 1.3 C between 1948 and 2016, and annual precipitation has increased by 9.7 percent

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A-M-K riding Tories choose Poilievre to win national leader's job

by Michael Erskine
OTTAWA—The Conservative Party of Canada has selected Carleton MP Pierre Poilievre as its new leader at the Ottawa Convention Centre on Saturday, September 10. The announcement of the Conservative's new leader was a more subdued affair than previously planned due to the death of her Royal Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Mr. Poilievre captured the leadership in a record landslide, sweeping 330 of the possible 338 ridings, including Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, and garnering 68.15 percent of the membership vote on the first ballot. His closest rival, former Quebec premier Jean Charest, captured barely 16.7 of the ballots up for grabs.

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The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



The Manitoulin Chrysler dealership in Mindemoya, owned by Wayne Legge, has purchased Algoma Chrysler and its three North Shore locations in the area. At the official transfer that took place in Spragge, from left, are former Manitoulin Chrysler owner and parents Shirley and Owen Legge, new owner Wayne Legge, Louise Farkouh and former Algoma Chrysler owner George Farkouh.

Manitoulin Chrysler purchases North Shore's Algoma Chrysler

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—The Manitoulin Chrysler dealership in Mindemoya has now officially purchased Algoma Chrysler and its three locations on the North Shore.

"I've been thinking about it for a while now," said Wayne Legge, owner of Manitoulin Chrysler. "Having a business is like a tree 'the day you quit growing is the day that you die.' I've lived by that philosophy all my life."

Mr. Legge explained, "we started talks back in February with George Farkouh (owner of Algoma Chrysler) trying to get things done and it didn't take us long to come to a deal, having worked through the corporate stuff." The agreement is for the three locations in Espanola, Spragge and Elliot Lake.

"The agreement was officially reached on September 1," said Mr. Legge. He pointed out, "we are fortunate that, at every location, all the current staff employees stayed with the transfer of ownership."

Manitoulin Chrysler has about 27 employees while Algoma has 25. Hopefully in the future we will be able to add to the staff numbers to help keep growing and adding to customer service." He noted the Algoma Chrysler name will remain at all three locations.

Mr. Legge noted, "a major contributor and a key person in the negotiations to purchase and getting the deal done was Heather Hall, my accountant/comptroller. She was working with George before she came here, and she knows Mr. Farkouh very well, which made it easy, with Heather to put this together."

Mr. Farkouh has been the owner of Algoma Chrysler for the past 37 years and is turning over the business to Mr. Legge, a family friend and owner of Manitoulin Chrysler. The sale blends both franchises and greatly increases the inventory, with the names remaining the same. The new business has

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Manitoulin Family Resources celebrates new food bank, thrift store building

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—There were broad smiles all around as The Expositor recently toured the new building housing the Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR)'s Manitoulin Food Bank and Thrift Stores. The \$1,188,488 in expansions were made possible through initial funding of from the provincial Social Services Relief Fund.

The new facilities will enable the Food Bank to serve 400-450 people a month made up of "a whole variety" of people, including families and seniors, according to MFR's food security supervisor Nicky Thompson. "Before COVID started, we were servicing around 300." Numbers have not abated, but accelerated, she noted, "and that trend is continuing."

The original Thrift Store had to be closed in order to expand the Manitoulin Food Bank, removing an important resource for those facing challenges clothing their families and outfitting their homes with limited resources. The new building accommodates a much-expanded Thrift Store.

"Nothing in the store costs

more than 50 cents," noted Linda Gilchrist, former food security supervisor at MFR and now consultant. Ms. Gilchrist has stayed on for three days a week, well past when she was planning on retiring to assist with the transition to the new facilities, noted MFR executive director Marnie Hall, "for which we are eternally grate-

ful."

Manitoulin Food Bank has been the beneficiary of the services of a core group of volunteers who have stayed with the organization throughout the pandemic, noted Ms. Hall. "I don't know what we would do without them."

"We are fortunate to have a cou-

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Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride, Run or Walk honours legacy of fallen OPP

by Michael Erskine

MINDEMOYA—A veritable swarm of bicycles set out from Mindemoya's J.H. Burt Memorial Arena at 9 am on September 10 with the goal of honouring the memory of PC Marc Hovingh, a popular OPP officer who died in the line of duty in 2019. This was the second year for the event, which raises money for the Ontario Provincial Police Youth Foundation, "an organization that mirrors what Marc's life displayed, providing those in need of assistance."



Participants in the Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride, Run or Walk leave the J.H. Burt Memorial Arena in Mindemoya Saturday under police escort.

commemorate Marc but also to raise some money for the OPP Youth Foundation, which the Hovingh fami-

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Northern MPs, Manitoulin municipalities express concern at proposed riding distribution

by Tom Sasvari

NORTHERN ONTARIO—Members of Parliament (MP) representing all of Northern Ontario, including Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing (AMK) and regardless of party affiliation, have jointly expressed concerns about proposed changes to federal electoral boundaries and have received support from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and some municipal councils.

The MPs have penned an open letter to the Federal Electoral Commission of Ontario regarding the proposed changes. "Northern ridings will be getting a big hit if the changes are made the way they are being suggested," said AMK MP Carol Hughes. "MPs from all 10 ridings are in support of the letter."

If the proposed changes go ahead, the North will lose a seat, but there are other impacts as well. For example, the North would also lose over \$1 million in the Canada Summer Jobs program, MP Hughes explained.

In the letter, MPs express their concern that the proposed changes would result in the loss of a seat in Northern Ontario, decreasing the number of seats in the region from 10 to nine. These changes, they argue, do not reflect the size and unique challenges of Northern Ontario.

In addition to calling on the Commission to maintain the current number of electoral districts in Northern Ontario, the MPs raise concerns about the limited number of public hearings being held in the region. They are not opposed to adjustments, they said, but the current number of electoral districts in Northern Ontario must be maintained.

"We understand that the Commission has been seized with the difficult tasks of reviewing and adjusting riding boundaries, but Northern Ontario should not pay the price for having its representation dwindle in order to satisfy the population growth in bigger centres which have access to bet-

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McGregor Bay citizen volunteers recognized for firefighting efforts

Two men keep fire from spreading to Killarney Provincial Park

by Tom Sasvari

with files from Michael Erskine SAULT STE. MARIE—Two McGregor Bay citizen volunteers who battled a blaze earlier this summer, keeping it from spreading to nearby Killarney Provincial Park, have both been recognized for their heroic efforts by Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha.

Mr. Mantha presented letters and certificates to both Scott Beaumont and his buddy Brian Armstrong, both from Sault Ste. Marie, "for what they did to put out a forest fire on McGregor Bay. This is in recognition of the work they did and their heroic efforts to put the fire out."

"Luckily, they both had an awareness of what to do in a forest fire turned this into a good news story, one that could have gone very badly," said MPP Mantha. "They both deserve this recognition. Absolutely."

As was reported in the June 29 edition of The Expositor, "Scott Beaumont and his buddy Brian

Armstrong, both from Sault Ste. Marie, were sitting around at a nearby camp at 11:30 pm following a day working on an island in McGregor Bay when they noticed a glow on the horizon. At first, they thought it might be the moon rising, having been bright the night before, but soon skyrocketing flames and billowing smoke gave lie to that hope.

Less than an hour later, the pair were engaged in what Mr. Beau-

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Gore Bay-Western Manitoulin Lions Club to celebrate 40th anniversary of incorporation

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The Gore Bay-Western Manitoulin Lions Club will be celebrating its 40th anniversary in October.

"The roots of the Lions Club go back to the fall of 1981," said Lion Norm Morrell. "Paul Schutz, who had been working at Manitoulin Transport and had been a former Lion, past Lion president and regional chair of the Lions from Durham, came up with the original idea of having a Lions Club in Gore Bay. Jim Murphy, who was a member of the Waters club in Sudbury and Paul had got to know each other through Manitoulin Transport. They agreed the town of Gore Bay needed a Lions Club."

"So, a public meeting was held at Charles C. McLean Public School for anyone who was interested in joining the club," continued Mr. Morrell. "There were a large number of people who showed up at the meeting."

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With the passing of Queen Elizabeth II a new era dawns

The Queen is dead! Long live the King!
Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has begun her spirit journey after serving as monarch for a record number of years. Her 70 years on the throne has seen remarkable human achievements, immense technological change and monumental historical events—not least of which is her longevity on the throne. So long has she reigned that her son and heir, Charles Prince of Wales now King Charles III, is the oldest monarch to ascend to the throne and has endured the longest waiting period of any heir—some might suggest that was a blessing. Now reigning over Great Britain, Charles III also now stands as head of the Commonwealth (elected to the post in 2018), an international organization that includes 56 nations, of which he will also become head of state for 15. The Commonwealth is an organization that was nurtured and expanded by his late mother; an awesome responsibility. Queen Elizabeth II was admired by most of her "subjects," but it was an admiration based more on her royal majesty's clear dedication to her subjects and a devotion to duty through which she weathered many storms, both political and personal. The monarch is supposed to rise above things political, that is the purview of Parliament in a Westminster parliamentary system of democracy. Another Charles learned that the hard way, literally losing his head for poking his nose into politics and taxation. His son, also a Charles, found himself stripped of those powers completely when the monarchy was restored. In his first speech to the realm following his mother's passing, Charles III made it clear that he intended to follow closely in his mother's footsteps in all things regal—and why not? Hers was a reign credited with restoring faith in the institution. Charles himself could have been said to have been a bit of a headwind, given the controversy during his marriage and subsequent divorce from Princess Diana Spencer, although those tribulations were recently overshadowed by the scandals of his younger brother Prince Andrew.

This should serve as comfort to the Government of Great Britain, as Charles was wont to make statements that impinged into the political realm, particularly in regards to how he uses his tours of Canada as a way to help draw attention to youth, the disabled, the environment, the arts, medicine, the elderly, heritage conservation and education—and is patron to over 400 charities and organizations. In the aforementioned speech, the newly ascendant King Charles III also apologized for no longer being able to give attention to the charitable work that has marked his royal career to this point.

While King Charles III will not likely be able to rise to the level of affection in which his mother was held across the Commonwealth and indeed the globe, he clearly intends to make every effort to devote the remainder of his life to duty and service to the realm.

Canada is a parliamentary democracy and the "Crown" holds an important role in our system of government. The challenges of our changing our constitution make it very unlikely that will change any time soon. There is little appetite for a republican system among the body politic.

Canada doesn't send money to the monarch (although we do pay the freight for our Governor General and Lieutenant Governors), although republican supporters like to claim otherwise, and the cost of any replacement system would likely far outweigh those costs. We also pay the costs for visiting royalty, but then again we do the same for other visiting heads of state and important dignitaries—so no savings there either.

Truth be told, there really isn't any actual need for a physical monarch in Canada, although they do serve as the physical embodiment of the Crown. In its function these days the Crown is really an abstract concept at this point in our national development.

The most likely impact for most Canadians will be the struggle to sing 'God Save the King' instead of "God Save the Queen"—and that's just fine.

letters

An open letter from MICA on the unsafe highway conditions

With detailed recommendations to pave highway shoulders for cycling

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is an open letter to the Minister of Transportation, Caroline Mulroney, and has been reprinted here at the author's request.

Dear Honourable MTO Minister Caroline Mulroney,

Regarding: Unsafe conditions currently found on Hwys 542 and 551 on Manitoulin Island.

Recommendation: Paved roadway with paved shoulders for the safety of all road users.

Manitoulin Island Cycling Advocates (MICA) thanks you for listening to the needs of Manitoulin's ever-growing community and reacting with safe positive solutions since 2010. The significant cycle tourism on Manitoulin that we built is now known as one of Canada's best cycle destinations featuring over 850km of suggested cycling routes. With the help of many partners, paved shoulders can be found on three of the four provincial highways. Manitoulin's municipalities unanimously supported the paved shoulders that are found on Hwy 6, Hwy 551 and Hwy 540 and all have passed resolution in the past, expressing the desire to make Manitoulin a top cycling destination.

We ask that you review the work that has been done on Hwy 542 and 551 this summer of 2022. What should be a safe road for all road users, is a dusty, large aggregate gravel provincial road. No one can safely pull over in emergencies, or for EMS or OPP. It is impossible to enjoy a walk or safely cycle, as the large aggregate rocks and dust are making it simply unsafe and impossible. Many motorists were subject to multiple windshield chips due to the condition of the road over the course of the summer. Furthermore, the dust produced by the aggregate resulted in severely limited visibility to the point where cyclists and pedestrians were unable to be seen. This not only prevented cyclists and pedestrians from commuting along these routes but put vehicles at risk of collision.

Federal, provincial and municipal funding have supported MICA's extensive work in the past 12 years with many grants, volunteer energy and monetary support from all around, this resulting in thousands of cycle tourists choosing Manitoulin for their cycling holiday every year. Many accommodations report that over 20 percent of their annual income is due to cycle tourism. Furthermore, many community stakeholders, including the trucking industry, commuters, EMS, OPP, school buses and cyclists rely on Hwy 542 and 551 to connect them with other provincial highways. MICA's e-bike rental fleet also requires the use of these highways, as they connect Gore Bay in the northwest, through Central Manitoulin, all the way to the east to Hwy 6 and to South Baymouth to the very important Hwy 6 road extension via ferry connection to Southern Ontario.

We trust that you will look at the current unsafe conditions for all road users and the very possible loss of Manitoulin's cycle reputation that is at stake with this unsafe condition currently found on Hwy 542 and 551.

Recommendations: A paved road with paved shoulders for Hwy 542 and 551, as they are very important intermediaries for navigating Manitoulin; and a review of the material being sourced, requiring washed gravel over low grade, dusty, oversized, crushed stone.

This in turn will help propel the Provinces' CycleON objective, to make Ontario the best cycling destination in Canada.

MICA wishes to thank you for your ongoing work to safely connect us all along our provincial roads, like Hwy 542 and Hwy 551, found on Manitoulin Island.

Sincerely,

Maja Mielonen, president
MICA

Order of the Eastern Star donates \$1,000 to Manitoulin Health Centre

Funds to go toward Mindemoya chemotherapy room

MINDEMOYA—The Mindemoya Hospital Chemotherapy Room project will benefit from a funding donation received by the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) from the Spanish River Chapter No. 237 of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Last week, members of the Eastern Star donated \$1,000, "to the Mindemoya Hospital chemotherapy room. Our Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Ontario had for her special project this past year Camp Oochigeas, which is an oncology camp that supports kids and families affected by childhood cancer," said Venesa Jo Woods, Worthy Matron and Grand Representative of Maryland in Ontario with the Order of the Eastern Star. Ms. Woods, a cancer survivor herself told The Expositor, "When I had cancer I would have to go to hospital in Sudbury for treatments. By supporting the chemo room in Mindemoya it will mean that



Members of the Spanish River Chapter #237 of the Order of the Eastern Star have donated \$1,000 toward the chemotherapy unit at the Manitoulin Health Centre Mindemoya site.

patients will be able to get their treatments locally instead of having to travel to Sudbury."

Among those who were in attendance to present the cheque was Venesa Jo Woods, Worthy Matron Grand Representative of Maryland in Ontario, Jim Woods Worthy Patron, Mary-Lea Buchan Dis-

trict Deputy Grant Mason of District 15, Alice Valey, secretary and incoming Worthy Matron Elect and Ursula Paxton, Past District Deputy Grand Matron.

Paula Fields, president, and chief executive officer of MHC said, "MHC is grateful to receive the support of our chemotherapy

department from the Order of the Eastern Star. This donation will not only ensure our community is better served, but that the newly enhanced chemotherapy department in Mindemoya will continue to grow to better support our patients. A huge thank you to the Order of the Eastern Star for their support."

The order of the Eastern Star was established on Manitoulin Island in 1947. The Spanish River Chapter No. 237, Order of the Eastern Star takes in Manitoulin, Massey and the Espanola areas. The Order of the Eastern Star is based on teachings from the bible but is open to people of all religious beliefs. There are approximately 10,000 chapters in 20 different countries and approximately 500,000 members under the General Grand Chapter. The local chapter is proudly supported by close to 100 members.

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Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II," MP Hughes stated. "Her reign lasted for over 70 years, having just celebrated her Platinum Jubilee. Her reign as Canada's Head of State will always be a vital part of our history. Today, we mourn a monumental life of a woman who was a symbol of grace and consistency in an ever-changing world."

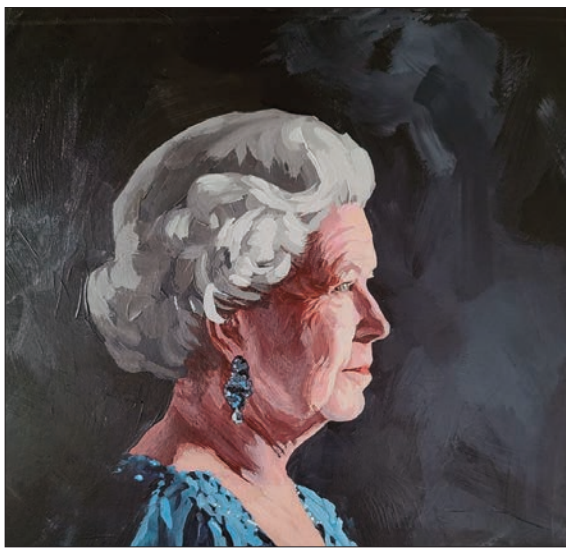
Algoma-Manitoulin Member of Provincial Parliament Michael Mantha said, "right now is the time to reflect on the Queen's 70 years of excellent public service. We also need to keep in mind the Queen was a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her family needs time and space to grieve."

He was surprised to hear the news, but with the Queen having had recent health issues, "we knew the day was coming. I was surprised to hear how quickly she had declined. She has been strong for many years and strong for the people and her service," he said.

Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare stated, "It was a shock to hear of the Queen's passing. The news had shown her walking around a couple of days ago. For someone to be a leader for that long is quite a milestone and she deserves all the accolades she receives. She will be missed."

The focus now will be on how the new King Charles III will assume leadership of the monarchy, Chief Hare added. He hopes King Charles III will continue to move the relationship the monarchy has had with First Nations people forward. "The Queen made a statement relating to the stabbings in Saskatchewan, which demonstrates she was watching what is happening here in Canada, and all around the world. I hope the new monarch doesn't forget us either," he said.

Al MacNevin, mayor of the Town of Northeastern Mani-



Perivale Gallery artist Jules Crowley created this portrait in honour of Queen Elizabeth II upon hearing the news of the Queen's passing.

toulin and the Islands (NEMI) told The Expositor Thursday, "I had seen on social media about doctors being concerned about the Queen being ill yesterday (last Wednesday, September 7). I didn't know she had passed away until

late this afternoon. I was surprised when I heard the news but I wasn't shocked. The Queen was 96 and had been ill."

"Having served 70 years as Queen is amazing," said Mayor MacNevin. "She represented the monarchy, her family and country with class and dignity, and earned the respect of everyone around the world with the way she carried out her role with the monarchy."

He remembered when Queen Elizabeth II visited Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto, where his wife Charlene was then a nurse, in the early 1970s. "Everyone was so excited she was going to visit," Mayor MacNevin said. "I remember they were going to wear nursing caps with 'Hi Queen' on them. Charlene and other staff on the floor at the hospital got to meet the Queen."

"She was a class act, the way

she carried out her responsibilities and made sure the rest of her family behaved," he said and added that now Prince Charles has become King Charles III, it will be interesting to see what happens. "Charles isn't a spring chicken either," he noted.

Rachel Manitowabi, Ogimaakwe for Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory told the Expositor, "You know, of course, Queen Elizabeth's run was very long but she was getting very elderly. I was shocked when I received the notification she had passed."

"I was listening to a commentary on the radio and they were saying Queen Elizabeth II had been the leader of the monarchy from the time of the Truman presidency in the United States," Ogimaakwe Manitowabi continued. "Imagine all the things she saw during her reign, and the first address she made to the Commonwealth. She was so young and had been put in the position of Queen so quickly with the passing of her

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Tehkummah's Esther Anstice recalls Queen Elizabeth II and reactions in London

by Michael Erskine

LONDON, ENGLAND—Esther Anstice, formerly of Tehkummah, has a unique vantage point on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and the ascension of Charles III to the throne as the deputy head virger at St. Paul's Cathedral. St. Paul's Cathedral is an Anglican cathedral located on the highest point in London, England and the site of numerous historical events, including the funeral services for Admiral Lord Nelson, the Duke of Wellington, Winston Churchill and Margaret Thatcher.

As a member of the cathedral staff for several years now, Ms. Anstice has met Queen Elizabeth II and the new king, then Prince of Wales, along with much of the royal family during the course of her duties at one of the most visible physical landmarks in the city.

The Expositor contacted Ms. Anstice on Saturday to elicit her take on the passing of the Queen and mood on the street in England.

"On some levels not a lot has changed," she said, but added that "lots of shops are closed and many things have been cancelled out of respect during the 12 days of mourning."

As for individual reactions, she described them as "mixed."

"Not because people didn't care," she said, "but we are acknowledging the new King as well." The Queen's passing was not as much of a shock or surprise, noted Ms. Anstice, given that Her Royal Majesty was 96 years old. "But it is also very sad. She



Tehkummah's Esther Anstice, left, meets Her Royal Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and the rest of the Royal Family on the occasion of the Queen's 90th birthday.

was the only monarch that most of us have ever had. It's a big thing."

St. Paul's plays a very important role in the lives of Londoners, explained Ms. Anstice. As the home church for the Diocese of London, it is where many of the faithful turn for solace and reflection during times like these. "Not only for the people who live here, but for people all over the world."

That was reflected in the congregation when St. Paul's opened for a service of prayer and reflection for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at 6 pm on Friday, September 9.

"This is a very large church, but there were only so many seats (2,000) available

for the public," said Ms. Anstice. "People were queued outside from around 11 am and included many tourists from around the world who happened to be in London when the news came of the Queen's passing." The service was broadcast live on BBC1, Britain's national broadcaster.

The broadcast took place following His Majesty King Charles III's address to the nation, which was relayed over loudspeakers at the cathedral prior to the service.

"This was not a service for the great and the good," noted Ms. Anstice, "although the prime minister and some cabinet ministers were there." Instead, most of the pews were filled with commoners, many from countries all across the globe. "It was a very

memorable day and I was blessed to be a part of it."

Ms. Anstice met the Queen just a few months into her employment at St. Paul's, being part of a reception line that included the cathedral staff during a service on Her Majesty's 90th birthday.

"I met all of the Royal Family that day," she said. "She was just 90 years old and there was something very comfortable about her. Her majesty had a way of putting us at ease." For the 15 seconds that they talked, Ms. Anstice shared that Her Majesty was very much in the moment and focussed on the young assistant virger in front of her. "I was introduced by the deputy head virger and was just eight months into the position at that time," recalled Ms. Anstice. "She said, 'This must all be very new to you. It's a pleasure for me to be here as well. Thank you.' It was all over so quickly, that's the best I can recall of our conversation," laughed Ms. Anstice. "It was a very interesting sort of day."

One of the striking things Ms. Anstice noticed at the Friday service was the diversity of the crowd in attendance, particularly the number of younger people. "Of course, if you are standing in line from 11 am to get tickets to get in you would likely be a bit younger," she said.

As for her personal feelings on the passage of the Queen, Ms. Anstice said that she hoped she "was comfortable and surrounded by her family. I understand she went quietly and peacefully."

Ivan Wheale served in the honour guard at Queen Elizabeth II's coronation in 1953

by Michael Erskine

LITTLE CURRENT—One of Manitoulin artist Ivan Wheale's oil paintings hangs in Queen Elizabeth II's legendary art collection, but his interaction with the Queen goes back long before he became a famed artist. Mr. Wheale, who grew up in London, England, was a member of the honour guard standing in ranks on the way to Westminster Abbey during the Queen's coronation ceremonies on June 2, 1953.

"At one point I was only about 100 feet away," he recalled. "It was all pomp and circumstance. The Horse Guards were there along with the army, navy and air force. We were there in alternating ranks and I was in the Royal Air Force at the time."

In the leadup to the coronation, Mr. Wheale and his fellow air force personnel were drilled repeatedly until they had every move down pat. "We used to do the drills in Hyde Park," he said. "We drilled until we did everything automatically. It takes quite a bit of practice to get it all right."

In the end, much of what they did involved standing perfectly still. "We looked straight ahead at



Manitoulin artist Ivan Wheale is pictured here with one of his iconic Georgian Bay oil paintings. One of Mr. Wheale's paintings hangs in Queen Elizabeth II's legendary art collection.

photo by Michael Erskine

attention," he said. "We had American rifles and American white webbing. We had bayonets

on our rifles, and we were supposed to hold the crowds back." But that was much easier said

than done. "Once the Queen had passed, well we couldn't hold them back," he said. "One little

old lady was caught on the end of my bayonet. It had gone through her coat. It took two police officers who came along to lift her off. She apologized. It was really very strange."

"I made a lot of good friends during that time," said Mr. Wheale. "It was one of the most exciting things I have had in my whole life." Sadly, the young air force member missed out on an important memento of the occasion.

"We were all supposed to get medals," he said, "but they ran out, so I never did get one. That would have been nice to have."

"It is quite an emotional moment for me," Mr. Wheale said of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

The artist said he has a good feeling about the ascension of Charles III to the throne. "I think he is a good man," he said, referencing Charles III's charity work and support of his mother during her reign. "He has done a lot of good things and has been preparing for this his whole life. I think he will do well."

Charges laid against 17 year-old in September 11 M'Chigeeng shooting

by Tom Sasvari
M'CHIGEENG—Two people have been charged in a non life-threatening shooting incident in M'Chigeeng First Nation on Sunday.

At approximately 4:30 am on Sunday, September 11, UCCM Anishnaabe Police were called regarding a weapons complaint in the area of Pinewood Park in M'Chigeeng First Nation. When officers arrived on scene, they located a 21-year-old male who had been shot in the leg. The male was transported to the hospital to receive treatment for a serious but non life-threatening injury.

Detectives from UCCM

Police and the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) criminal investigations began canvassing the area for information and evidence. Through the investigation it was determined that the victim and accused were known to each other. It was also learned that the suspects had returned to a residence in the area. As a result of this information, a search warrant was applied for and granted through the tele-warrant centre. A search of the residence did not reveal the firearm used in this incident and it remains outstanding.

As a result of this incident a 17-year-old young

male and a 23-year-old adult male will be attending bail and are charged with: discharge firearm with intent contrary to 244(1) of the criminal code, careless use of a firearm in contravention of 86(1) of the criminal code, unauthorized possession of a firearm in contravention of 91(1) criminal code, discharge a firearm into or at a place in a reckless manner in contravention of 244.2(1)(a) of the criminal code, possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose in contravention of section 88 of the criminal code, aggravated assault-268 of the criminal code.

The 17-year-old male was also charged with three counts of fail to comply with an undertaking 145(4)(a) of the criminal code.

The police report that this is believed to be an isolated incident involving band members from M'Chigeeng First Nation and remains an active investigation with the UCCM Anishnaabe Police.

In a posting on the M'Chigeeng Facebook page Sunday morning, Ogimaa

kwe Linda Debassige wrote in part, "please be advised there was a shooting in Pinewood Park this morning. The incident involved all band members and was not related to drugs. The police are advising this was an isolated incident and there is no threat to public safety."

"The victim is receiving treatment for a non-life threatening wound to the leg. This situation is currently under active investigation," wrote Ogimaa Kwe

Debassige. "We pray that the victim has a full recovery."

Ogimaa kwe continued, "we do not condone this type of violence in our community. We need your help to report to the police any suspicious activity, dangerous activity, theft, assaults etc., and further, if you know of any individual carrying illegal firearms or is using firearms to make threats or anything else inappropriate."

Sudbury gets passport pickup centre

GATINEAU—The City of Greater Sudbury is one of four additional passport pick-up locations that have been designated across Canada.

On September 7, the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, Karina Gould, announced the designation of four additional passport pick-up locations across the country. Effective immediately, Canadians can now apply for and pick up their passport at the following Service Canada Centres: in Sudbury and Kingston in Ontario; Lethbridge, Alberta, and Sherbrooke, Quebec. Previously, quick turn around passport offices had been announced for the Soo and Thunder Bay.

"Service Canada is working tirelessly to identify and implement solutions that not only improve the speedy delivery of passports, but also improve the service experience for Canadians. We will continue to make our service more accessible for all Canadians," said Minister Gould.

In addition to the existing passport

offices offering pick-up service, Canadians with proof of travel can now both apply and request in-person pick-up of their passport at a total of eight Service Canada Centres. Unlike the regular Service Canada Centres, these locations offer 10-day service, which means that Canadians can apply for a passport in one of those locations and the passport will be available in 10 business days, either by mail or in person pick-up. If Canadians need their passport in less than 10 business days, they will need to visit a passport office that offers express or urgent pick-up service.

The expansion of pick-up sites will allow many Canadians who need to pick up passports to do so closer to their homes. Services Canada is fully committed to providing passport services within 50 kilometres of the home of Canadians. Also, more scheduled outreach sites that will provide certain passport services will be added in the coming weeks across the country.



Law & Order

Driver arrested who fled from police

On September 10 at approximately 9:20 am, the Manitoulin detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) notified the East Algoma OPP of a person in the City of Elliot Lake who was wanted on previous charges.

The person had made threats to harm themselves with a firearm in their possession. There was an immediate concern for the person's safety, as well as

public safety. Police quickly located the pick-up truck on Highway 108. The driver refused to stop for police multiple times. Numerous spike belts were utilized, and police eventually contained the vehicle on Highway 108, south of Elliot Lake. The driver continued to be uncooperative, and police were forced to breach the vehicle door to affect a safe arrest. The driver was subsequently arrested, charged and the firearm was recovered.

The OPP's Emergency Response Team (ERT) and canine unit assisted with the investigation.

A 57-year-old of Evansville was charged with: flight from a peace officer; possession of a weapon for dangerous purpose; and resisting a peace officer.

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Elliot Lake on November 8, 2022.

Friends and Neighbours

Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

We hope all the students had a gym-dandy first week back to school and that nothing lessens your enthusiasm for learning! We're sure you were so bright, the teachers had to wear shades. With luck you will find a group of friends that you really clique with. Keep angling for that A in geometry, and everyone will see you are a class act!

And just like that, another summer comes to a close. Of all the Kagawong summer traditions, Team Fergmeijer loves the market the most. A huge crafty and artisanal THANK YOU goes out to Ethel Newburn for keeping the over 50 vendors organized from week-to-week all season long, and dealing with last-minute changes due to weather. We're already looking forward to next June!

Did you hear about the tennis player who was not allowed to take out books about aces at the library? That's because he never returned them. The Manitoulin Tennis Club is, ahem, serving up one more tournament to close out the season! Come out this Saturday (September 17th) at 9 am to the Manitoulin Secondary School courts for the Harvest Tournament. Players of all abilities are welcome. There is a \$5 entrance fee OR bring a small harvest (i.e. quart of beans or tomatoes, a squash, some corn, etc.) - everyone will walk away with a prize! Contact Chris Theijsmeijer at ctheijsmeijer@gmail.com or at 705-618-7155 for more information or to register. Rain date of Sunday, September 18th.

The millwheel in front of the Town Office is getting a make-over! The brother-sister duo of Morgan and Kendra Edwards had their design selected earlier this year, and have now started the process of bringing their idea to life. Stop by and check out their progress this week!

More details have been released on this year's 4elements living arts Elemental Festival...and it's going to be ah-may-zing! October 1st and 2nd will see music take over Kagawong with events at the Park Centre and Sandy Beach, including concerts by Elijah and The Backburners, O'Schraives Ceiligh and Family Dance, Cassidy MacAuliffe (of the Woodland Sisters), and Ariadne. More information coming soon - keep an eye on their website <https://4elementslivingarts.org/elemental-festival/> or their Facebook page as we get closer to the date.

We took the shell off of our racing snail yesterday, thinking it would make him more streamlined and go faster. Doesn't look like it worked. If anything it seems to have made him more sluggish.

The Manitoulin Planning Board is holding a series of public meetings for the purposes of receiving public comments and considering the adoption of proposed new zoning by-laws. The meeting for the Township of Billings will be virtual on Wednesday, October 5th at 7 pm. Contact Kathy at the town office for the link.

Billings Township has put out the call for elections offi-

cial. Check out the town website (www.billingstwp.ca) for more information on the requirements for these paid positions. Application forms are available on the township website or at the township office during regular business hours. Completed application forms must be returned to Kathy McDonald at the town office by 12 pm this Friday, September 16th. While you're at it, make sure you're registered to vote! Election day is Monday, October 24.

This week's words of wisdom: Never underestimate the value of closure. You know what they say about cliffhangers... Have a good week!

Barrie Island Lillian Greenman

A birthday celebration for Lance Greenman was held at the Barrie Island Community Centre on September 3rd. Family attending were Natalie and Roger Hayden and Alex, Krystan and friend Doug, Lily Ann and friend Scott, Terry Greenman and Kayla and Kyle, Patrick Greenman and Alyssa and Brady, Don and Betty Greenman and Heather, Marilyn and Colleen, Sharon Noble, Yvonne Noble and Ryan, Jeffrey and friend Marla, Gary Greenman, Tom and Jackie Cunning, Cory and Aimee Cunning and Carson and Kenzie, Michelle Noland, Tanya and Chad Carter also travelling from Minden were Herb and Betty Reimer.

George Calback had a check-up with Dr. Robinson in Sudbury last Thursday.

Silver Water Karen Noble

I took my nephew Colton Chevette to the Kagawong market on August 31. I took my nephew Jackson Chevette to the last Gore Bay market on September 2, then he came home with me and stayed the night. My sister Lara came here for supper with Colton on Saturday night, to pick Jackson up. We had a good time at the markets and bought some new clothes for the start of school last week. Lara has no children left in the public school system now that both boys are at Manitoulin Secondary School and Larissa is back in Peterborough at Trent University.

The markets on Saturday mornings in our yard are continuing to raise funds for the Gore Bay Medical Centre. There is a market on September 17. Saturday, September 24 there will be no market. We are all planning to be at Irene Duncanson's auction starting at 11 am and plan to have our barbecue lunch at it. The market will resume on October 1. Please keep any items to donate to the yard sale until next spring.

There has been a 20-yard bin in our yard since Wednesday. SLM delivered it and the community has been depositing their metal items for recycling. The proceeds from the bin contents will be donated to the Gore Bay Medical Centre. Thank you to all the neighbours who have contributed. The company is also taking a lot of used batteries.

We attended the Manitoulin Snow dusters fish dinner in Rockville on Saturday night. It was as great as we remembered. It was nice to see so many people there and not a mask in sight. When we left at 5:30 pm there had already been 80 tickets sold and we assume there would be a lot more people eat by 7:00 pm.

I took Dad to Mindemoya last Tuesday for an appointment. We ate out afterwards which makes for a long trip, but it was nice to eat outside at a picnic table in the sunshine.

Debbie and Danny Braun stopped in with their metal items on the weekend. They were very happy to tell us they have all the approvals they need to start building. Congratulations and we look forward to seeing the progress and get them moved here full time.

John Jagt had company last week, his children and grandchildren.

Robbie Ates and her husband Allan have closed the cottage for the winter and gone home to Florida. My nephews Colton and Jackson Chevette helped get their shutters back in place. It took some lifting and adjusting since the cottage has shifted in places.

There were quite a few people out to games night at the hall on Wednesday. Everyone is welcome and there is a donation jar at the door.

I went to euchre on Thursday in Silver Water and Friday in Meldrum Bay. The money jar is now empty in both places.

Sharon Beaton was here for a week staying at her former cottage. She had a one-year-old dog, Riley, with her. The dog loves the water and is very well behaved and friendly.

Gladys, Sharon and I swam every day while she was here. The water is still very comfortable, and we find it tough to get out each day since we know the time is coming soon when we will have to give it up.

Albert Meijer and I have pulled the last of the bean plants. The garden is getting close to the end. My tomatoes are just starting to ripen, and the peppers are pretty tiny. I am hoping the frost holds off for a month.

The Local Services Board of Robinson election meeting will be at the Silver Water Community hall on Sunday, September 25 at 2:30 pm. There is a Manitoulin Planning Board meeting at the hall on Wednesday, September 28 at 2 pm. This concerns the by-law relating to both Robinson and Dawson townships. The Silver Water Recreation Centre election meeting is on Monday, October 3 at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome to all the meetings.

Condolences to the family of Doreen Taylor. Condolences to the family of Susan Sanders. Condolences to the family of Geraldine Robinson.

Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

Manitoulin Sporting Life



Manitoulin Ramsey Tour Show!

The annual Ramsey Tour races in Sudbury features a half marathon run and walk and 5K distances. I don't believe any local people traversed the 21km-half, however there was a stellar contingent of Manitoulin runners in the five-K!

Bidwell's **Brodie Pennie** at 15 years old ran a sub-18 minute (17:42) sprint to finish seventh overall and third in his, 15 - 16 year old division. Little Current's **Alan Wilkin** was under 19 minutes, crossing the line in 18:54. **Xavier Mara** of Manitowaning, shot under the 20 minute barrier with a 19:51 on a hilly course. Rounding out the Manitoulin guys was **Matthew Wilkin** who had a great race in at 21:42.

Hailing from M'Chigeeng is **Maren Kasunich**, who led a trio of young Island women to finish in first, second and third in the 14- to 16-year-old women's category. Maren blasted through the course under 20 with an elite, 19:44. **Mackenzie Green** was second and her sister Morgan was not far behind to take bronze.

Once again this group keep on improving their personal bests and finding out that they are in or near the front of the pack with anyone. The gang really does put in the effort and were guided once again by Coach **Gerry Holliday**. Keep up the good work, gang. Stay tuned for their cross country season!

Tennis wraps up with the Harvest

The Manitoulin Tennis Club is coming to the end of another great season of tennis. Why not get out and have one more swing before they close for the fall. The Harvest Tennis Tournament will happen this Saturday, September 17 at Manitoulin Secondary School at 9 am (with a rain day for Sunday if needed). No partner required, but singles and doubles will be available for everyone. Come with \$5 to enter or bring some harvest from your local garden for entry, such as a quart of tomatoes, beans, or some cucumbers or squash. Everyone can walk away with some shared veggies, or prizes. Contact Chris at 705-618-7155, email ctheijsmeijer@gmail.com or connect with the group on Facebook. Hope to see you there!

Caught being active!

Congratulations to M'Chigeeng's **Nova Debassige** who is looking to make a rep-volleyball team out of Sudbury, the U12 Northern Chill squad. This dedicated athlete has the desire and skill to just do it. She has one more try-out this weekend. Good luck. Unfortunately, no other Island girls are trying out so Nova could have someone else other than Mom and Dad to talk to during the long car rides! Keep up the hard work, Nova!

Pike Masters!

The Wiikwemkoong Anglers held the pike season derby this past weekend to crown the 2022 male and female Pike Masters. The weekend was a culmination of the 11 days of fishing since the season opened. When the competitive results were tallied it was very close. The 2022 Pike Master was **Jeff Bailey** (260 points) who edged **Aaron Recollet** by just two points who had edged Lorne Agawa! On the women's side it was going to be hard to catch **Lesley Recollet** with her winning 252 pts. but **Angela Peltier** and **Billie Abotosaway** gave it a great try!

Pickleball Place!

In just a month's time (October 15) the Manitoulin Pickleball Club's 'Summer-Play Season' will conclude. The club would like to recognize the municipality of NEMI arena manager **Reid Taylor** and his crew for making the curling rink such a great place to play. Reid has been working on a number of improvements to the shared outdoor pickleball/tennis courts. To name a few, new nets, another set of energy saving court lights, repairs to the chain fence and a set of designated benches for players.

When it gets too cold to play in the rink or outdoors the club has permission to establish two indoor courts upstairs in the arena hall. A schedule for winter play will be posted on the Manitoulin Pickleball website. Members of the public 19 plus are welcome to come and see what the game of pickleball is about.

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Manitoulin runners post solid race results at annual Ramsay Tour Run

MANITOULIN—Several Manitoulin Island runners fared very well at the annual Ramsay Tour Run held this past Sunday in Sudbury.

The Manitoulin runners all took part in the mixed five kilometre run. Brodie Pennie took seventh place overall in a time of 17:41, among the 66 runners in this event. Alan Wilkin was 20th in a time of 18:54, Maren Kasunich 29th with a time of 19:44 and Xavier Mara 30th in a time of 19:51.

Matthew Wilkin placed 40th in a time of 21:42 with Mackenzie Green in 41st with a time of 21:43, with Morgan Green in 56th in a time of 25:54.



Manitoulin runners Maren Kasunich, third from left, Allan Wilkin (in white shirt) and Xavier Mara in red shirt, took part in the annual Ramsey Tour mixed five-kilometre run.

Peter Carter completes cross-Canada bicycle ride

by Tom Sasvari

ST. JOHNS, NEWFOUNDLAND—“Ride complete,” stated the email subject heading to this reporter received from Peter Carter, of Evansville, who completed a ride across Canada with 20 other bicyclists on September 3, in St. John's, Newfoundland.

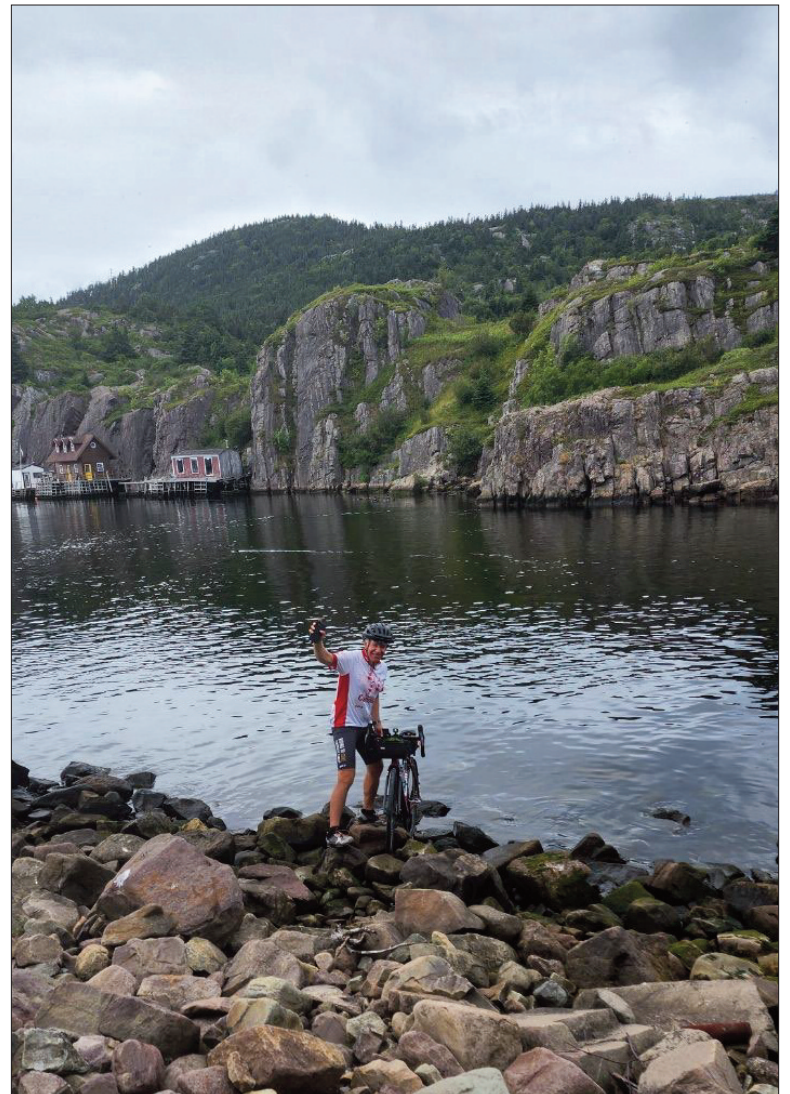
“Completed the ride on September 3 at the most easterly point in North America,” said Mr. Carter. He pointed out, “the end of the ride was so special for me because the group asked me to lead them all into St. John's and up to the top of Signal Hill which overlooks St. John's plus out to sea to the east!”

Mr. Carter took part in the cross-Canada ride, as one of 21 bicyclists taking part in the Tour Du Canada. Riders started in Victoria, British Columbia on June 21. They travelled from Vancouver, British Columbia, through B.C. and east, eventually visiting Manitoulin Island in early August, then south to Tottenham. And eventually made their way to Mr. Carter's hometown of St. John's, Newfoundland.

Mr. Carter explained the Tour du Canada annual ride celebrated its 25th annual run this year. This cross-Canada ride is something Mr. Carter has always wanted to take part in. He explained before the ride began, “Life's too short, and this ride is something I've always wanted to do. It will be challenging to ride 85 miles per day, but I am certainly looking forward to it. Bicycling is so relaxing and soothing for me. For many years I've solved issues at work, for instance, by bicycling.”

He sent a tape of an interview he did with a local Newfoundland television station on the completion of the ride to The Expositor. “We started the ride on June 21, from Victoria, B.C. and I dipped my tire in the water here in Newfoundland on September 3,” said an at times emotional Mr. Carter.

The group travelled an average of 145 kilometres every day of the



Peter Carter, of Evansville dips his bicycle tire in the water after he and 20 other bicycles on the annual Tour Du Canada completed their cross-country ride in St. John's Newfoundland on September 3.

ride. “It was a tremendous experience, we went to hell and back with this crew and I have made 20 new best friends that I will have for the rest of my life. It was awesome,” stated Mr. Carter.

Mr. Carter said that one of the highlights of the ride was riding the Cabot Trail in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. He made his comments on television while standing in front of a Terry Fox statue,

which was appropriate as, “when Terry started out on his famous run, I was with the St. John's Cycling Club that rode alongside Terry out of town that day. And I was on hand among other riders when Rick Hanson ventured out on his world tour. It is pretty special to be able to relive some of these memories.”

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Sheguiandah annual Jiingtamok (powwow) rescheduled to September 17 and 18



A grass dancer performs during an intertribal at a previous edition of the Sheguiandah Jiingtamok.

SHEGUIANDAH FIRST NATION—The Sheguiandah community's annual Jiingtamok (powwow) that was originally scheduled for the first weekend in July will happen this weekend, Saturday, September 17 and Sunday, September 18.

Organizer Pearl Waindubence notes that on Saturday, there will only be one grand entry because of the shorter days in mid-September. This will take place at the powwow grounds at 1:00 pm. Sunday's grand entry is at 12:30 pm.

Of course, there will be vendors and food and the weekend weather is expected to be fine.

The event was re-scheduled because of a community tragedy in late June.

The day chosen corresponds with the birthday of the late Gord Waindubence, one of the event's founders.

Please see the advertisement on page 21 for full details.



The Sheguiandah powwow has long been an Island favourite, but had to be rescheduled earlier this year due to a death in the community.

Gore Bay set to welcome new dentist working out of the Gore Bay Medical Centre

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The Town of Gore Bay will soon have a dentist based out of the Gore Bay Medical Centre, with Dr. Mary Cross and her family having decided to move and work on Manitoulin Island.

"We are definitely excited about the move," Dr. Cross told The Expositor. "We are going to get to Gore Bay as soon as possible, we have a couple of things to do first, and the dental office is still being set up. The office should be open by the end of September or early fall."

"I can hardly believe how wonderful the town has been through all of this," said Dr. Cross, who is moving alongside her husband and young daughter. "Mayor Dan Osborne has been really helpful and encouraging as has Pam Fogal and Stasia Carr in the town office." Dr. Cross told The Expositor she had recently taken a



Dr. Mary Cross is shown in photo with her husband Dr. Christinus van Burren and their 11-month-old daughter Laura.

tour of the dental office space in the medical centre with Ms. Fogal to determine what equipment was needed. Dr. Cross pointed out the cost of the needed equipment was about \$300,000 for new equipment

and about \$75,000 for used equipment. "We decided to go with the used equipment and the town graciously offered to split the costs."

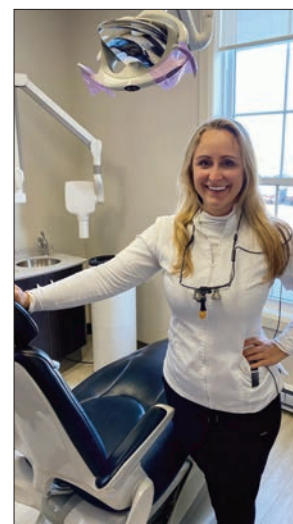
Dr. Cross said former dentist (Dr. Bill Studzieny) has also been very

encouraging in having her move her practice to Gore Bay. "The town has been so great, and the Gore Bay Rotary Club offered to paint the office space."

As for accommodations, "we found a rental place in Kagawong. We have been so lucky in how things have all worked out," she said. "We have an 11-month-old baby, so nothing in life is simple these days. We will have to make a trip or two to get settled in."

"Dan (Mayor Osborne) and Dr. Bill both want to be the first patient," quipped Dr. Cross. She noted that Colleen Punkari will be the dental assistant, work at the front desk, and be the office coordinator.

"It has been amazing how wonderful the town has been in making this an easy transition," said Dr. Cross. She noted that



Dr. Mary Cross will soon be providing dentistry services in the Gore Bay Medical Centre.

photo by Tom Sasvari

"there is a chocolate shop in town, and we've already been there twice. And I've

been to Manitoulin in the past on holidays."

Dr. Cross is originally from Beamsville and Grimsby in the Niagara region, and after graduating from dental school in 2018 from James Cook University, an Australian University whose health programs are focused on rural and remote health care, she worked in Kamsack, Saskatchewan, "and in the big town of Yorkton, Saskatchewan, a town of 20,000 people." Her husband Dr. Christinus van Buuren is also a dentist, and the couple had their first baby, Laura, in September 2021.

"I think that my husband will help out at the practice in Gore Bay," said Dr. Cross. "We're really excited about moving to the Island and working in Gore Bay."

Fourth annual Ryleigh's Ride in Memory of Johnny includes visit to Manitoulin

by Tom Sasvari

SUDBURY—The fourth annual Ryleigh's Ride in Memory of Johnny will include 127 motorcycles and 187 riders on their ride which will include a visit to Manitoulin Island. The ride is being held to raise funds for The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) in Toronto, to build a newly renovated hospital.

"Our daughter Ryleigh who is now four years old was born at 29 weeks, weighing two pounds two ounces and she spent the first three months of her life at SickKids in Toronto," said ride organizer Kerri Chevrier. "She had two surgeries on her little head and defied a pretty scary prognosis. She is a tough little fighter with a contagious smile and big personality. Her dad Johnny (Ms. Chevrier's late husband) was a biker and he wanted to give back and came up with the idea for this annual rally."

"Our experience in the neo natal intensive care unit made us appreciate the hard work of the staff, the nurses, the doctors, the surgeons, the specialists, the social workers and the volunteers that dedicate their lives to helping children. We want to give back. We want to raise money so SickKids can build the new and much needed hospital that will continue to help so many children each day," said Ms. Chevrier.

"Ryleigh's Ride is in memory of Johnny Valcourt, the most amazing spouse and daddy ever. He passed away in a motorcycle accident May 2, 2021. This event was his dream while he was snuggling Ryleigh in the NICU at SickKids. This ride will now go on in his honour for years to come," said Ms. Chevrier.

"The care that Ryleigh received at SickKids was absolutely outstanding," said Ms. Chevrier, who pointed out she also supports the NEO Kids hospital in Sud-

bury, which Ryleigh goes to as well.

Ryleigh, "needs a paediatric neurosurgery team and paediatric neurology support that is not provided in Sudbury or Northern Ontario hospitals currently. "That is why we have to go to SickKids," said Ms. Chevrier, noting that Sudbury has come a long way but nowhere in Northern Ontario can Ryleigh get the level of service she needs."

Ryleigh's Ride in Memory of Johnny includes the motorcycle ride, silent auction and dinner. "The first year there were 35 bikers and it poured rain all day," said Ms. Chevrier. "This year we will have 127 bikes and 187 riders and passengers take part."

Last year \$13,500 was raised through the rally and over the three years \$20,000 has been raised for SickKids Hospital. "We would like to raise between \$15,000-\$20,000 this year," said Ms. Chevrier. "The SickKids Hospital is trying to raise money for a new hospital to be built with all the necessary new technology and equipment."

She explained, "we have local bikers attending as well as those from Ottawa, Owen Sound, Windsor, and North Bay."

The event features a motorcycle rally starting from the A&W restaurant which will be providing breakfast to participants on Long Lake Road in Sudbury Saturday morning, with participants stopping for a coffee break in Espanola. Then the bikers will be travelling to Manitoulin Island for lunch. "Orr's Valu-Mart is incredibly generous in putting on a barbecue lunch for everyone, as they have all four years of the rally," said Ms. Chevrier. After lunch the bikers will travel back to Sudbury and in the evening a silent auction, dinner and entertainment will be held at the Garson Arena.

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Manitoulin's Holistic Healing Fair set for September 17-18 at Manitoulin Hotel

MANITOULIN—Mind, body and spirit all come together this weekend for the Awakening Energy Events' annual Holistic Healing and Wellness Fair which is back after a long pause due to the pandemic.

This two-day event (September 17-18) features several holistic health and wellness participants which will showcase their

services, products, and knowledge to help people make positive lifestyle changes to enhance and strengthen their personal healing and wellness, all under one roof.

"The Holistic Healing Fair was created to educate and inspire our local community to grow more conscious of their daily habits and lifestyle," says event

founder Vanessa Wilson. "It's an opportunity to learn the importance of self-care, self-love and all of the amazing services offered right in your backyard. Anyone interested in wellness and self care practices is urged to attend."

Ms. Wilson has coordinated over 50 holistic healing fairs across Ontario cities, from Sault Ste. Marie to

Windsor and everywhere in between.

In 2016, Ms. Wilson hosted her first holistic healing fair in Sudbury. She was inspired to host another after the large attendance of people seeking positive change, and most importantly, to continue to share her message of raising mental health awareness.

"I feel that mental health

is now, more than ever before, extremely important for us to learn how to navigate. Especially after the pandemic stresses most have faced and this event presents an opportunity for everyone to come and learn about the many different wellness activities available," she said. "There are endless options to help alleviate the mental and physical stress that we face day-to-day."

It all takes place at Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current (66 Meredith Street East, Little Current) Satur-

day, September 17 and Sunday, September 18 from 10 am to 4 pm. The first 50 attendees each day will receive wellness swag bags.

The fair will be hosting over 30 unique vendors with local experts who specialize in all different areas of holistic healing and wellness practices. Guests can expect to find holistic practitioners, readings of all sorts, hand-crafted items, all natural items, coping mechanisms, wellness work, jewellery, books and so much more.

Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

...express concern at proposed riding distribution

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ter infrastructure and resources," the MPs wrote.

"Effective representation should ensure that MPs are accessible, and that Canadians have equal access to federal government services, regardless of where they live. This has traditionally been a challenge for Northern Ontario residents, particularly in rural and remote communities where there is a lack of public transportation, reliable cellular and internet service, and access to government agencies. For these Canadians, MPs are a gateway to the federal government. To reduce the number of representatives for these individuals is to diminish their access to federal government services and to lessen their voices in parliament."

The MPs said the "mix of physical and human geography should be balanced by what can be reasonably expected of any single MP and what level of representation can be seen as being the most balanced and fair."

For example, they wrote, the proposed electoral district of Kiiweginoong-Mushkegowuk would be 520,307 square kilometres, the geographical equivalent of France. Compare this to Brampton, where the Commission is recommending a sixth riding be

created in a city that is only 266 square kilometres. "You can see why it is difficult to substantiate the loss of a Northern riding."

The Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act provides the ground for departing from the normal rule set out and for exceptions to population variances "in circumstances viewed by the Commission as being extraordinary," pointing out that was the basis for maintaining Kenora as an undersized riding in the last redistribution. This should continue to be the basis in ensuring the viability of the existing ridings in Northern Ontario, especially those which are made up of small rural communities such as that of Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing, they said.

In his letter to the Commission, FONOM President Danny Whalen commended the Commission for adding Indigenous representation to the redistribution plan for Northern Ontario but shared concerns about the plan's negative effects on Northern Ontario.

"Geographically, Northern Ontario is quite large," he wrote. "The distance from North Bay to the Manitoba border is 1,623 kilometres (the distance from North Bay to Charlotte-town, Prince Edward Island is 1,693 kilometres). Your

research shows you that the existing ridings are large already. Currently, the members have a difficult job fairly representing their constituents. The MPs do an admirable job and represent Canada well, but we believe the new alignments will make their efforts even more difficult."

FONOM asked the Commission to retain the current 10 electoral districts, especially in the Northeast, "as any redistribution will divide our established First Nations, Francophone and municipal associations."

FONOM also noted concerns about the limited number of planned consultations for Northern Ontario, and the timing of the sessions falling in the middle of the annual hunting season. "The timing of the Commission's consultation highlights further the lack of understanding for our part of Ontario," Mr. Whalen wrote.

Mr. Whalen also pointed out the redistribution website is very hard to navigate. "We believe anyone using the site to find the impacts on their community would be hard-pressed to get the information they seek," he wrote, and recommended the Commission improve upon this platform for the next realignment in 2032.

Billings Township also

offered their support, moving to pass a draft resolution provided by MP Hughes that states in part, "Be it resolved that this council calls on the Electoral Boundary Commission to maintain the electoral representation for Northern Ontario and ensure that any boundary changes are done in a manner that responds to regional and local need."

"The resolution says it all," stated Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack and Councillor Michael Hunt agreed.

Councillor Bryan Barker said it's important that Northern Ontario not lose funding or an additional voice in parliament.

Council for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands (NEMI) passed a similar resolution. NEMI Mayor Al MacNevin told The Expositor that MP Hughes had attended a council meeting last Tuesday. "Carol explained what the impacts will be," he said. "She certainly did her homework as the MP. The biggest loss we would face is the loss of an MP in Northern Ontario. This is huge. We don't have enough of a voice as it is."

NEMI council passed a motion expressing concern with the proposed changes, and stating that NEMI and other municipalities should be consulted to see if the changes being proposed are satisfactory. "We're quite concerned with the proposal. It's a big deal and it looks like they are trying to stick it to the North again," said Mayor MacNevin. "We asked for a review to be done and to have the opportunity to explain our issues and concerns."

He said NEMI will be attending a virtual meeting taking place in Timmins with the Commission.

...Lions Club to celebrate 40th anniversary

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Mr. Morrell continued, "Jim (Murphy) was our guiding lion and attended our monthly dinner and business meetings for a year. Unfortunately, Jim passed away two years ago."

"The inauguration of our club took place in May 1982 when we officially received our charter," said Mr. Morrell. "We had 29-30 people join the club. And the inauguration ceremonies were held in the Gore Bay arena."

"Over the years we have done a lot of projects to benefit the community, through our Lions Club only, as well as partnering with the Gore Bay Rotary Club on several projects to support the Manitoulin Health Centre as well as the Gore Bay Medical Centre over the years," continued Mr. Morrell.

"We've also been supporting the local hockey association, summer programs like the Strawberry Point Camp, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind Seeing Eye Dog program, and the CNIB Eye van for a number of years," said Mr. Morrell. "We have also helped out a lot of families with specific needs such as those with medical problems over the years. We also ran the Christmas basket program for a number of years. It's safe to say we have helped sup-

port projects, some with other service clubs, across Canada and throughout the world."

Mr. Morrell cautioned, "like many service clubs and organizations, we are at a crossroads right now in keeping our membership numbers up. Recruiting more members will be one of the things we will be focussing on for the future."

"We will be celebrating our 40th anniversary as a club at GG's restaurant in Evansville on Saturday, October 1 with dinner at 6:30 pm and gathering and commingling from 5 pm to 6:30 pm. We will have officers from our district region and hope to have members of the local, and Island Lions Clubs and other service clubs as well as members of the public attend," said Mr. Morrell. He pointed out, "we are limited to a maximum of 80 people for the anniversary dinner. We are asking people who are interested in attending to register by September 23." This can be done by sending cheques, payable to the Gore Bay Western Manitoulin Lions Club, Box 217, Gore Bay, Ontario, POP IHO or by dropping off cheques to Tom Savari at The Manitoulin Expositor offices in Gore Bay or Little Current.

For further information you can call Norm Morrell at 705-282-2430.

...Manitoulin Chrysler purchases Algoma Chrysler

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dealerships in Mindemoya, McKerrow, Elliot Lake and Spragge.

Owen Legge started with Manitoulin Chrysler in 1989, "and I started working with my dad 15 years ago and then 10 years ago, I purchased the business from my dad who still helps with a bunch of little things here," said Wayne Legge. "The Legge family has had the Chrysler dealership on the

Island for about 25 years."

"This (the purchase) is very good because we're a family-run dealership, and family in a small town is everything in a dealership, and Mr. Farkouh is the exact same way, so it was the exact same way with the fit of the dealerships," Mr. Legge observed.

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...Manitoulin Family Resources celebrates new food bank, thrift store building

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ple who were able to continue to work together through the pandemic restrictions," said Ms. Gilchrist.

The new food bank section incorporates commercial fridges and freezers and a hugely expanded storage system of shelves for non-perishables that will go a long way to help service the growing number of needs in Island communities.

In addition to the new building, Manitoulin Food Bank now has its own dedicated cargo van, which will greatly enhance their ability to serve the community.

There have also been considerable renovations to the women's shelter to bring it back to full capacity after reductions neces-

The Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) initial contribution of \$897,838 was augmented with a further SSRF contribution of

transportation for food and thrift store items (\$40,000), as well as the capital expansion projects for the new and larger food bank and

household items (excluding furniture)."

Two cool new things about the new food bank are the coloured doors

privacy for clients seeking the services.

Referrals to the Manitoulin Food Bank can be made by anyone, including trusted support professionals such as a social worker, doctor, nurse, elder or pastor, a neighbour, friend or by self referral. All that is required is a need for assistance. "Just call the food bank and tell them you are seeking emergency food assistance and a staff member will complete an intake with you over the phone," said Ms. Thompson.

Unfortunately, the Thrift Store is only currently

accepting donations by appointment, noted Ms. Thompson. "Please call 705 368 3400 ext. 242 to schedule a drop off time."

The new location of the Manitoulin Food Bank and Thrift Store is at 21 Forest Street—that's two doors down from the previous location.

Manitoulin Food Bank staff and volunteers are already gearing up for the Christmas Food Hamper effort and the need is greater than ever this year. Contact the food bank at 705-368-3400 ext. 242 to find out how you can help.



The new Manitoulin Family Resources Thrift Store is much larger than its previous space.

photos by Michael Erskine



Nicky Thompson, Manitoulin Family Resources' food security supervisor, shows off the brand new Manitoulin Food Bank complete with high-end refrigerators and freezers.

sary to meet pandemic restrictions.

"The way the building was originally constructed people shared bathrooms and bedrooms. With the new construction, everyone has their own bedroom and bathrooms," said Ms. Hall.

\$331,405 announced in 2021. The funds were channeled through the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board and distributed across the MFR projects, which included \$51,414 for the cargo van to facilitate

thrift store tallying in at \$796,947—\$50,000 of which went to the Manitoulin Food Bank's new commercial kitchen equipment.

A future capital project to convert the existing food bank building is on hold while MFR completes the current renovations. "It's a work that will be in progress after we fully complete the current work," shared Ms. Hall.

"The food bank and Thrift Store will be open Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am to 2 pm for the time being," said Ms. Thompson. "The profits from our Thrift Store go directly towards purchasing food to fill the shelves of our Food Bank and to support its operating costs. We greatly appreciate donations such as clothing, money and

located at the storage dock doors so people can collect their items without having to go inside and there is access to the Food Bank or Thrift Store from either location, better enhancing

MPP Mantha reintroduces Loverin's Law to improve abuse prevention education in Ontario

TORONTO—Michael Mantha, NDP MPP for Algoma-Manitoulin has reintroduced an Act to proclaim Abuse Prevention Week and to establish an abuse prevention framework advisory committee (Loverin's Law), which would proclaim the week beginning on the first Sunday in October of each year as Abuse Prevention Week.

"I am proud to reintroduce legislation in memory of Charmaine Algonia-Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha.

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Loverin," said MPP Mantha. "Charmaine was a tireless advocate for our youth, and for ensuring that they have the tools and supports available to stop the circle of abuse and violence that has affected so many in Ontario."

During Abuse Prevention Week, all Ontario schools would teach an evidence-based curriculum focused on abuse prevention.

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...Staff shortage shuttered Manitowaning daycare; facility serves 25 children

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Adding to the recruitment challenges are the relatively low remuneration available and competition from better resourced organizations to compete for available workers. “We keep losing people to the school board,” noted Ms. Lewis. “Unfortunately, this is a very underpaid and often undervalued field, so we often lose staff to other opportunities with better pay. Staff retention is a problem across the province as many centers are suffering from staff shortages.”

Those shortages have also been putting a strain on the daycare services

offered by Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR), noted Ms. Lewis.

“We were very fortunate over the summer to be able to get three summer students,” she said, but with school returning, those resources have dried up.

MFR Children’s Services Program Director Diana St. Pierre confirmed that they have been receiving calls from parents needing childcare at their two sites in Mindemoya and Little Current due to the closure. “But we have a huge waiting list ourselves,” she said. Worse, even MFR is teetering. “We are at the cusp ourselves. If we were to lose one or two

more staff, we might have to close down ourselves.”

The province and federal governments may be patting themselves on the back for childcare deals, but the reality on the ground tells a very different story.

“We can offer you \$10 a day childcare, but we don’t have the staff to be able to bring your child in,” said Ms. St. Pierre.

The staffing issues are closely linked to strains from the pandemic, she pointed out. “Our staff are burnt out and they have received zero thanks from the province.” Wages for ECEs have been set at \$18 per hour by the ministry, which lies far below what is needed for a living wage, but the worst part is that staff feel completely unappreciated.

What many people remain unaware of is that when school moved to virtual learning, it was daycare staff who were suddenly thrust onto the front lines. “We got the word on a Friday that we would be taking in essential staff’s children for the next two weeks,” she said. Suddenly, ECE staff were expected to be teachers with 12 or 15 students ranging from junior to mid-level grades. “Parents had to work,” said Ms. St. Pierre.

“So far we have been able to muster the staff to keep going,” she said. But the wall is fast approaching. “At the end of every summer we lose two or three staff.”

Still, agencies such as MFR are doing their best

for those interested in working in the childcare field. “There is the ECE Grant Program, which will pay your expenses to gain your certificate,” she said. “What isn’t covered most agencies will step up. So, you can work full time, go to school part time, and get your ECE.”

Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care has called for improvements to wages and working conditions for early childhood education and childcare workers. Despite government efforts to train more ECEs and better professional development opportunities, the real issue lies in retention, noted Carolyn Ferns, that organization’s public policy co-ordinator. She points out that ECEs tend to only stay in the field for an average of three years before leaving for other pastures.

According to Ms. Ferns, burnout is a real challenge in an occupation that attracts people with “high hopes” going in, but are soon ground down by the day-to-day reality.

In the meantime, it is important for parents and other caregivers to understand and appreciate the strains ECE staff have been, and are, under.

Ms. Lewis said that anyone interested in working with children should contact her at andrea@gorebaychildcare.com or (705) 210-0062 in order to learn more about opportunities at the daycare centres. Updates on the current sta-

tus of Assiginack Daycare can be found on that facility’s Facebook page.

Ms. St. Pierre can be reached at dst-

pierre@mresources.net or 705-368-3400 ext. 225 about MFR’s child care employment opportunities.

...Nature-based solutions

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over the same period. The frequency and magnitude of extreme weather events are also increasing. A new report, the Ontario chapter of ‘Canada in a Changing Climate: Regional Perspectives,’ was released last month to help inform and support adaptation to climate change in Ontario.

According to the report, temperatures are increasing in the province, with the greatest warming observed in Northern Ontario and the largest increases occurring during winter. Heat waves are projected to become more frequent with further warming, and annual precipitation is projected to increase along with extreme precipitation events, which will increase the risk of flooding. Highly variable lake levels in the Great Lakes means we have been seeing both record lows and extreme highs. All of these changes are affecting Ontario’s communities, environment and economy.

The Ontario chapter also highlights the wide range of climate impacts the province is facing and how it is adapting. It reveals the vulnerability of Ontario’s infrastructure to climate change and shows how nature-

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...McGregor Bay citizen volunteers recognized for firefighting efforts

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 mont blithely described as "quite an experience."

The duo quickly realized that what they were seeing was a fire, a serious one at that, especially given the dry conditions in the bush.

ing winds to settle in the dry bush. If the fire took hold on that peninsula, the duo realized, it would quickly spread out across the forest and threaten nearby Killarney Park.

Another neighbour had

mont decided to go in search of another pump. Before leaving the island, he investigated a nearby boathouse and discovered a dismantled fire pump in there.

"It was in pieces and

island, the level of urgency seemed to drop significantly. The men were told that help could not be provided until morning and they were told to do the best they could.

Realizing that they were on their own, and understanding what was at stake,

the trio redoubled their efforts.

"It isn't just the property that was in danger," Mr. Beaumont told The Expositor. "This is a beautiful area and we are not very far from Killarney Provincial Park. If the fire was left alone to burn for seven

hours, there is no telling what could happen."

So it was that the three private citizens, wielding what was available and at hand, battled through the night to save McGregor Bay from disaster all by themselves.



Algoma-Manitoulin MP Michael Mantha, left, presented Brian Armstrong, seventh from left, and Scott Beaumont, ninth from left, with awards for their efforts in battling a fire on an island in McGregor Bay from spreading to nearby Killarney Provincial Park in an incident that took place this past June. Other members of the two men's families were on hand for the presentation.

They decided to investigate the situation to decide what they should do.

"We thought we might have to evacuate," Mr. Beaumont told The Expositor, explaining he called 911 to report the fire.

The pair got in a boat and took on the tricky job of navigating the waterway in the dark, quite the accomplishment in and of itself.

As they got closer to the fire, Mr. Beaumont and his friend soon realized they were looking at a serious structure fire; one that was spreading to the surrounding bush and onto the nearby mainland. The mainland stood barely 200 feet from the fire and embers launched from hollow pines, burning like free-standing flamethrowers and drifting on strong gust-

arrived at the fire scene first and was desperately trying to contain the fire with the water from a fire pump. So now there were three civilians working to contain the fire. There were two pumps available at that point and the trio dismantled one of the pumps and took it to the fire on the mainland.

"We made that our first priority," said Mr. Beaumont, recognizing the serious potential that fire presented, stumbling ashore in the dark with only flashlights and a headlamp to augment the light from the raging fires on the nearby island.

Mr. Beaumont and his friend soon had the immediate danger on the mainland quenched, but the fire on the island was gaining ground. The valiant neighbour's efforts were not winning the battle at that point.

Even the return of the second pump was not proving to be enough. Mr. Beau-

some squirrels had obviously decided to store things in it," said Mr. Beaumont. Even though he had never assembled a fire pump, the engineer figured it out in short order, finding the nozzles and other parts needed to get the pump running.

The two fire pumps the trio had are maintained by the cottage association, but the newly discovered pump was a private affair and not as well maintained. Nonetheless, the pump fired up right away once assembled and then there were three. With the three pumps going full tilt, they managed to at least contain the fire to the structure and doused the nearby trees.

The men had called the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNF) for assistance in putting out the fire. However, once they received the call and the dispatcher discovered the fire was on a private

Burns Wharf Players looking to return to the stage in 2023

MANITOWANING—The Burns Wharf Theatre Players is planning to relaunch in 2023, after being dormant for several years because of the pandemic.

"I'm the musical director of Burns Wharf Theatre and I'm here to present what I think is some good news," stated Ray Scott, at an Assiginack township council meeting last week. "First off, I would like to thank council and then provide an update on where we are."

"Burns Wharf Theatre was quiet during the pandemic," said Mr. Scott. "We would like to thank council for providing us a terms of reference to use and economic development officer Shelba Millette worked together with us to get everything in place for funding applications. Council and the municipality supported the process for our submission for funding applications. He pointed out council has also provided support to the theatre by allowing for a venue to perform."

Mr. Scott told council, "we are now in the final ...continued on page 16

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 Thursdays to Saturdays: 10 am - 4:30 pm
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Make sure to check the Calendar of Events on our website for upcoming workshops, activities and programs! Visit townofnemi.on.ca/p/upcoming-events

...Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride, Run or Walk honoured legacy of fallen OPP officer

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ly are very supportive of. From a North East Region perspective and an OPP perspective it is important for us to be able to support that. There are a great number

today—so grateful for that, for the organizers, the OPP Youth Foundation and to all of the people who donated. One of the highlights of today is the kids.” Ontario Provincial Police

legacy,” she said. “Today we are going to give away 10 bicycles and, partnering with the OPP Credit Union, 10 helmets. New this year, we are also giving away 10 sets of running gear to 10

There were a total of 148 participants in the Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride, Run or Walk, with a mix of cyclists, runners and walkers. In addition to those who took part on Mani-

toulin Island, another 20 individuals participated in their home communities. To date the effort has raised over \$17,000 for the OPP Youth Foundation, with over \$800 contributed

onsite in bills and coins alone by passerbys during the event. The donation link will remain up until September 25.



Ontario Provincial Police Youth Foundation representative Sandy Poredoa, left, and Ontario Provincial Police Cadet Garrett Gauthier gave away 10 helmets to Island youths as part of the days events.

of cyclists here today and there will be a run and a walk as well.”

“We are just so grateful,” said PC Hovingh’s widow Lianne Hovingh, “there are no words—we are just so grateful for all of the love and support, and obviously for remembering Marc

Youth Foundation representative Sandy Poredoa noted the importance of the event for her organization. “A day like today is important to the Youth Foundation because we are here to celebrate Marc Hovingh, what he has done for our community here and his

additional identified children to help them reach their full potential. Marc was all about the children and our mandate is children in the province, but today we are focussing on the children of Manitoulin, the youth and the community.”



Ten bikes were gifted to Island youths by the Ontario Provincial Police Youth Foundation as part of the Marc Hovingh Memorial Ride.

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94 Calls to Action

Released in 2015, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada identified “94 Calls to Action that speak to all sectors of Canadian society.” The Calls to Action aim “to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation” (Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, 2015).

Leading up to September 30th – Orange Shirt Day and The National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – Noojmowin Teg Health Centre will be highlighting each of the Calls to Action. Noojmowin Teg Health Centre affirms its dedication to supporting former residential school students, their families, and communities of Mnídoo Mnísing.

Kina Binoojiinh K’chipitendaagozi, Every Child Matters.

Support services are always available:

- Noojmowin Teg Health Centre, Resolution Health Support Program (Mon-Fri 8:30am – 4:00pm), (705) 368-2182, ext. 237
- National IRS Crisis Line (24/7): 1-866-925-4419

#74

We call upon the federal government to work with the churches and Aboriginal community leaders to inform the families of children who died at residential schools of the child’s burial location, and to respond to families’ wishes for appropriate commemoration ceremonies and markers, and reburial in home communities where requested.

#76

We call upon the parties engaged in the work of documenting, maintaining, commemorating, and protecting residential school cemeteries to adopt strategies in accordance with the following principles:

- The Aboriginal community most affected shall lead the development of such strategies.
- Information shall be sought from residential school Survivors and other Knowledge Keepers in the development of such strategies.
- Aboriginal protocols shall be respected before any potentially invasive technical inspection and investigation of a cemetery site.

#78

We call upon the Government of Canada to commit to making a funding contribution of \$10 million over seven years to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, plus an additional amount to assist communities to research and produce histories of their own residential school experience and their involvement in truth, healing, and reconciliation.

#80

We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to honour Survivors, their families, and communities, and ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process.

#75

We call upon the federal government to work with provincial, territorial, and municipal governments, churches, Aboriginal communities, former residential school students, and current landowners to develop and implement strategies and procedures for the ongoing identification, documentation, maintenance, commemoration, and protection of residential school cemeteries or other sites at which residential school children were buried. This is to include the provision of appropriate memorial ceremonies and commemorative markers to honour the deceased children.

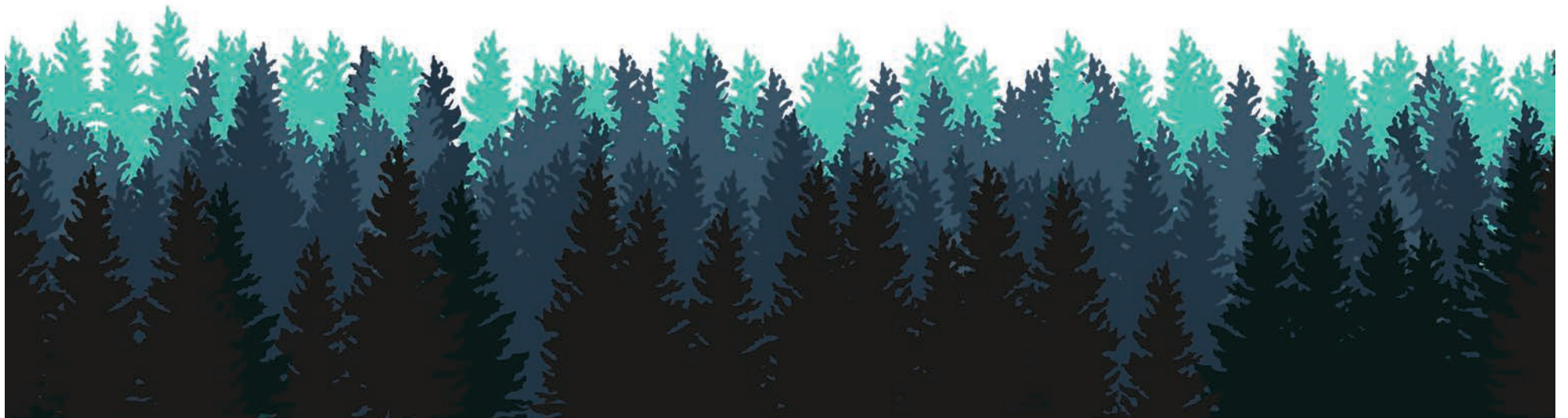
#77

We call upon provincial, territorial, municipal, and community archives to work collaboratively with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation to identify and collect copies of all records relevant to the history and legacy of the residential school system, and to provide these to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation.

#79

We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with Survivors, Aboriginal organizations, and the arts community, to develop a reconciliation framework for Canadian heritage and commemoration. This would include, but not be limited to:

- Amending the Historic Sites and Monuments Act to include First Nations, Inuit, and Métis representation on the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada and its Secretariat.
- Revising the policies, criteria, and practices of the National Program of Historical Commemoration to integrate Indigenous history, heritage values, and memory practices into Canada’s national heritage and history.
- Developing and implementing a national heritage plan and strategy for commemorating residential school sites, the history and legacy of residential schools, and the contributions of Aboriginal peoples to Canada’s history.



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Assiginack celebrates Northern Ontario's oldest fall fair in style

by Michael Erskine
 MANITOWANING—The Assiginack arena was filled with the happy murmur of friends and neighbours catching up on local happenings and the laughter of happy children, a sound too long absent from the hall over the past couple of years.

Assiginack Councillor Rob Maguire stood in for Mayor Dave Ham during the opening ceremonies, delivering remarks on his behalf. "These are Dave's words," Councillor Maguire assured the crowd.

"In the spirit of reconciliation, the Township of Assiginack acknowledges



Veteran volunteer Hugh Moggy has been volunteering with the fall fair since he was 12 years old and involved with the 4-H Club. He went on to be president of the 4-H and never looked back.

photos by Michael Erskine

to Ontario agricultural societies each year," he said.

Councillor Maguire went on to inform the audience that "volunteers are the backbone of agricultural

fairs and we are so fortunate to have such incredible volunteers in our community to make this happen. Your tireless hours of work do not go unnoticed. Thank you to everyone involved in

the Manitowaning Fall Fair."

"For all of you that entered the many different and unique categories,

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Harmony Trudeau poses with her first place legoblock creation.



Cole Hughson and George Williamson entertain the crowds on the Friday night of the Assiginack Fall Fair.

that we are gathered today on the customary and traditional lands of the Anishinaabe people of Mnidoo Mnising," he began, before welcoming everyone to the 144th Manitowaning Fall Fair. "Council is so thrilled that we can finally gather again at such an important event that has brought the community together for decades."

Councillor Maguire went on to note that the Ontario



The popular horse pull event was a dusty affair this year.

Association of Agricultural Societies represents more than 200 societies across the province and has a mandate which includes the running of annual fall fairs. "It is estimated that volunteers contributed 1.4 million hours



Magician Ashley Manitowabi shares laughs with Ayla and Abbie.



Liam Campbell of Manitoulin Streams keeps an official eye on the minnow racers as Alana Cloe and Ellie cheer their favourites on.



The horse show barrel races put on a great show.



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Environment and economic viability of coastal communities at stake:

Public consultation on Line 5 tunnel project underway

by **Lori Thompson,**

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

MICHIGAN—Public consultation is underway as the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) looks at the environmental impacts of Enbridge Energy’s proposed Line 5 tunnel under the Straits of Mackinac. Enbridge is seeking to replace its existing dual pipelines on the lake bottom that were built in 1953.

At an online public event earlier this month, USACE heard from supporters and opponents of the project. Supporters, including business and labour groups and their members and representatives, spoke to potential jobs that would be created by construction of the tunnel, and of the need for the oil and natural gas products, especially liquid propane, shipped through the pipeline. They also pointed out that the tunnel is a safer option than the existing pipeline.

Opponents of the tunnel project spoke about the environmental impact of the project and how the pipeline’s products contribute to climate change. Some acknowledged a tunnel would be safer than the existing aging pipeline but said both options pose too much of a risk to the Great Lakes. Opponents also noted the bulk of products shipped through Line 5 are destined for Canada, with Michigan assuming the greater risk and Canada and Enbridge realizing the benefits.

In a statement on the USACE public comment meetings, Enbridge said it “supports a thorough, robust regulatory process and believes a diversity of viewpoints and perspectives are important. We welcome the wide-ranging public input that is part of the Army Corps’ process.”

“Enbridge remains focused on the sustained and safe operation of Line 5 and on a timely, yet thorough, project permitting process. State and Federal regulators drive the process and the calendar for the Tunnel. Our sincerest hope is that those who are committed to the Tunnel project and Line 5’s long-term safety and environmental protection will collaborate to do this as efficiently and effectively as possible. Enbridge is committed to working with the Corps to reduce environmental impacts from construction and operation.”

Once complete, stated Enbridge, “The tunnel will make Line 5’s crossing of the Straits even safer, while creating Michigan jobs and securing the needed energy for consumers in Michigan and the region.”

“The tunnel would make Line 5 even safer as the pipeline would be 60 to 250 feet below the lakebed inside thick concrete walls eliminating the chance of an anchor strike and reducing the chance of any product ever reaching to water to just about zero,” said Ryan Duffy, Enbridge strategist, corporate communications and media relations.

What we should be concerned about, Roger Gauthier told The Expositor, is that the EIS will take up to two years to complete, which means several years more before Enbridge would even begin construction of the tunnel. “The risk has not gone away one iota,” he said. “The message that’s got to come out here is that the risk continues, the line needs to be shut down, there is alternative pathways for the crude to get to Sarnia.”

The pipeline doesn’t have to go through the heart of the Great Lakes, Mr. Gauthier said. “The network for transporting crude around Lake Michigan through Enbridge Line 78 in southern Michigan to Sarnia can handle the demand. The risk of a spill is totally unacceptable.”

While the vast amount of damage would occur over 600 to 700 miles of shoreline in Michigan, there is no question about a spill reaching Georgian Bay, he said. “The oil itself if it (Line 5) does rupture, it will be on the shorelines of Georgian Bay. It will be on the shorelines of Manitoulin. It should be as much of a concern for Canadian cottagers as it is for the American shore property owners.”

...Burns Wharf Players to return

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spring of becoming incorporated. We think this is the right time for this and to facilitate growth and enhance the relationship with Assiginack council.”

“In the 2023 season we will be presenting at least one show,” stated Mr. Scott. “We have a show in the works. Our organization also has a vision of growth, with a five-year plan, that would project that we would have a \$100,000 revenue per annum.” He noted, however, that the theatre is a non-profit organization and expenses are as high as revenues derived from ticket sales for productions. The theatre’s current plans include hiring two employees including an operations manager, along with a visual technology person.

“We think our five-year plan is realistic, it would support two paid subscriptions and be offering a subscription (to ticket holders) series as we would be looking at having more than one show a season in the future,” said Mr. Scott. Burns Wharf will also be looking at holding classic concert series and be summer youth theatre camp group. “We are seeking to diversify what we are offering to the public, not only musical but other forms of theatre, and holding a number of different shows each year.”

Mr. Scott noted, “we have been told when we put on shows that local businesses say they see a revenue increase. We hope to be able to provide even more economic stimulus for local businesses.”

Mr. Scott added that he will be able to provide more details on the theatre’s plans and the show it is looking at having on stage in the next few months.

This is not exclusively an environmental issue, he added. It’s an economic issue and it’s not just the shore property owners that would be affected by it. The transportation of goods and commodities from Lake Superior to Lakes Michigan and Huron navigates through the Straits of Mackinac or the northern part of Lake Huron. In the event of an oil spill, commercial navigation would be shut down while it was contained and cleaned up.

Mr. Gauthier retired from the USACE after 30 years and most of his focus during that time working for the USACE was on lake levels. He lives along the Straits of Mackinac now. “This is a threat,” he said. It’s a bigger threat I believe today than the story of radioactive waste from Bruce

Nuclear. I think those two are the absolute biggest threats to the communities, and again, it’s not all environmental. It’s economic. It’s an economic driver here of the region. All too frequently the press typifies this as environmentalists against the oil industry and that’s incorrect.”

He would like to see Line 5 shut down and alternative pathways implemented. “This is a story that won’t go away,” Mr. Gauthier said. “There’s never been a pipeline in North America that’s been shut down before it has failed. That’s the most important part here.”

The USACE is taking public comments until October 14 and expects to release a draft Environmental Impact Statement in fall 2023.



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...Assiginack celebrates Northern Ontario's oldest fall fair in style

...continued from page 15 thank you," continued Councillor Maguire on the mayor's behalf. "Without you showcasing your talents there wouldn't be much to the fair. It is so much fun to look through all the entries and see those that have the red ribbons on them."

Councillor Maguire went on to note the annual Knox United Church pancake breakfast, parade, horse show and horse pull, as well

as the many activities for youth and adults.

Among the many volunteers that help ensure the fall fair is a success each year is Hugh Moggy. Mr. Moggy has been participating in the fair since he was 12 years old. Now well into his 80s and having suffered some significant health challenges and losses this past year, Mr. Moggy still steps up to do what he can to help.

The Expositor caught up with Mr. Moggy at the 50/50



Bluesman Elijah Manitowabi provided the music on Saturday.

photos by Michael Erskine ticket table. "I asked them who was selling tickets," he said with a grin. "That's something I can do."

Friday evening's entertainment consisted of the musical stylings of Cole Hughson and George Williamson in the arena, while Saturday featured Elijah Manitowabi outside

of vendors selling crafts. Manitoulin Streams was on hand with a minnow race that kept the kids hopping with excitement.

The popular horse pull topped off the weekend

events kicking up plenty of dust with each pull. Gerald Webkamigad's team pulled 6,000 pounds 10 feet for Best Light Team, Greg Pyette's team hauled 6,000 pounds of stone boat 11 feet, four

inches to capture the Best Heavy trophy and Adam Osawamick's team hauled 5,500 pounds 15 feet for second as did Doug Thompson. Best teamster cred goes to Greg Pyette.



Volunteer dinosaurs Ryland and Grace are joined by Charles Jack and Nicole at the fish pond.



The Assiginack Agricultural Society float was filled with volunteers. photo by Jackie White



Barbara Flaherty's weird veggie won a red ribbon.

in the pavilion.

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"The seed for this building was planted in the 90s," she said, noting the resilience and strength that nurtured and sustained that vision to its fruition.

Elders Richard (Animkii-Ankwad) Assinewai and Mary Ellen Kitchikake delivered prayers for the opening ceremonies. Mr. Assinewai spoke of the four spirit ceremonies that were conducted for the building, including the first before the start of construction, a second smaller one during COVID, one when the building was completed and a final on the day of the grand opening.

Ms. Kitchikake spoke of the healing jingle dress she created and the meanings behind the vision and sewing of the regalia. "It's a healing dress and a healing dance," she said. "I am still finding myself." She noted that it took her four years before she finally began fulfilling the vision that came to her through a dream. "When she went to Fabri-land to buy the material, she came upon the very fabric which she had seen in her dream."

The morning began at 6 am with a sunrise ceremony, followed by a breakfast for the participants. The official grand opening ceremonies began at 9:30 am with Master of Ceremonies Kerry Assiniwe officiating.

Thunder Earth sang a welcome song before grass dancer Wes Cleland ceremonially prepared the ground and jingle dress dancer Tracy Cleland danced for healing.

Throughout the grand opening, the Seven Grandfathers were invoked by many of the day's speakers, which included former Ogi-maa Duke Peltier who cited the challenges of the past and the ongoing need for recreational activities and community events to strengthen the community. Healing for the community will require employment opportunities as well, he noted.

Chiefs of Ontario Grand Chief Glen Hare shared his own 32 years of sobriety and spoke of the need for all levels of government and communities to come together to combat the scourge of addictions. He noted that COVID provided a wakeup call to everyone, but also brought everyone together.

Marcia Trudeau-Bomberly brought greetings from Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe and congratulated the community on its accomplishments.

ISC program manager Tasha Thorton brought congratulations to the com-

munity on behalf of the ministry and noted that this was her first visit to Manitoulin. "I will be back with my family to enjoy it more," she said. The 20-bed residential treatment building was made possible through a \$6.8 million contribution.

in melding traditional healing practices with those of western medicine. "Love is the core of all teachings," she said.

Ngwaagan Gamig Recovery Centre president Richard Lathwell concluded the remarks, noting "We are opening a door, many

of the people who walk through this door will heal."

Seven trees were planted by the seven officials who originally broke the ground for the facility and follow-

ing that ceremony, they were each presented with a very limited edition print of a James Mishibinijima painting of the Seven Grandfathers.

Following the official

remarks and addresses a feast was held and tours of the facility conducted, before a final round dance and giveaway and closing remarks.



The new dining room at Rainbow Lodge is filled with grand opening attendees.

photos by Michael Erskine



Elder Richard Assinewai delivers an invocation in Anishinaabemowin while elder Mary Ellen Kitchikake looks on.



Rainbow Lodge now boasts a welcoming, light-filled rotunda.

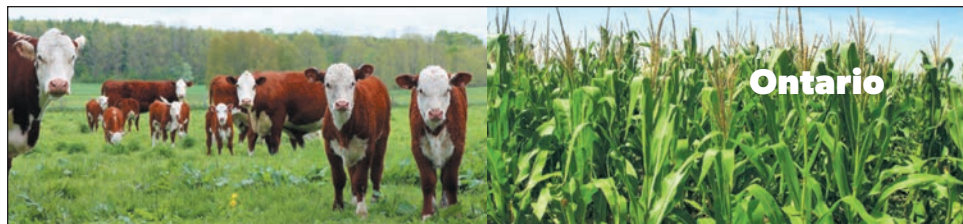
Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha provided some personal reflections and the important role that listening plays in his role as an elected official and the revelations that came to him during a cedar bath ceremony. Mr. Mantha brought greetings on behalf of his federal colleague, Carol Hughes, who was attending an NDP caucus meeting in Halifax and unable to attend.

"I would have dearly loved to be able to be there," Ms. Hughes said when she was contacted by The Expositor following the grand opening.

Diane Jacko brought greetings on behalf of the Wiikwemkoong Health Centre and spoke of the important role language, culture and traditions play



One of the single bed rooms at the new Rainbow Lodge treatment facility.



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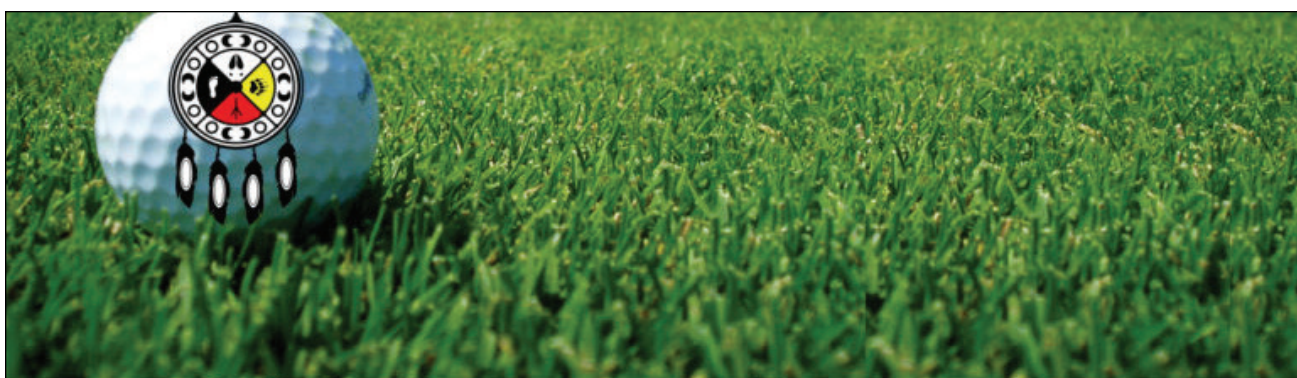
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Andy Sninsky of Newport Beach, California was diagnosed with Myeloma cancer, which has no cure, in 2008. Mr. Sninsky, who is not only a cancer survivor but a bicyclist, recently spent a week on Manitoulin Island, bicycling to raise awareness and funds for Myeloma Canada.

Myeloma cancer survivor tours Manitoulin, raises awareness of fatal disease

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN ISLAND—Myeloma cancer typically has no cure, but cancer survivor and cyclist Andy Sninsky of Newport Beach, California has gone against the grain. He was diagnosed with myeloma, which is third on the list of cancer deaths, in 2008. Mr. Sninsky recently spent a week on Manitoulin Island, bicycling to raise awareness and funds for Myeloma Canada.

Myeloma attacks the body in a variety of ways, but Mr. Sninsky's affected his blood and bones. His expected life span on diagnosis was three to four years. When he was first diagnosed, Mr. Sninsky was living in Austria with his then wife. He underwent his first radiation treatments in 2008, followed by four rounds of chemotherapy, in Vienna. In total, Mr. Sninsky has gone through 15 bouts of radiation, eight months of chemotherapy, and a stem cell transplant.

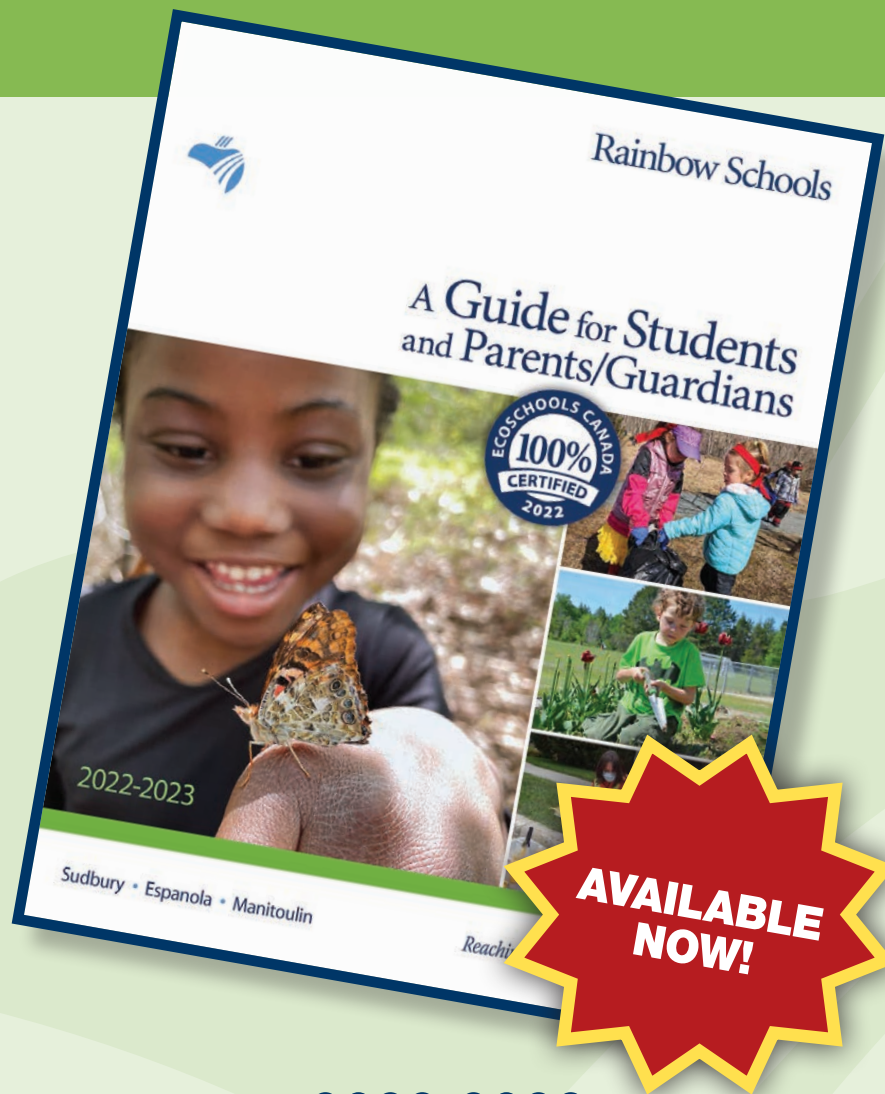
After the radiation treatment, when he couldn't walk up stairs, his wife managed to get him into Heiligenkreuz Abbey, a monastery in the Vienna Woods. "I was at the monastery for 16 days with a large group of Cistercian monks who would do prayers and chants before you," Mr. Sninsky said. "They adopted me as their miracle and, so far so good."

The stem cell transplant was in 2009. After that, Mr. Sninsky was using a walker with a wheelchair and after that, a Nordic walking stick. "I used to be five foot 11 inches tall but now I am five foot six, because of the bone damage I had," he said.

From 2008 to 2010, Mr. Sninsky was in a lot of pain and was taking many drugs to ease that pain. At that point, Mr. Sninsky and his wife were no longer married. "We are still friends," he said. "But she had a thyroid disease. Having two people with serious ailments is hard on a relationship."

Eventually, his doctor told him he had to be more active and exercise more. In 2010 Mr. Sninsky, heeding his doctor's advice, got on a bicycle and rode three blocks. "I was always outdoorsy," he noted. "I was always busy. I thought I would live forever because of all

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...A-M-K riding Tories choose Poilievre

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In the points system used by the Conservatives to select their leader Mr. Poilievre captured 22,993 of the less than 33,800 points up for grabs. Among other candidates MP Leslyn Lewis came third with 9.69 percent of the vote and former Ontario MPP Roman Baber came fourth with 5.03 percent of the vote. MP Scott Aitchison came last with 1.06 percent.



Pierre Poilievre

Algoma-Manitowin-Kapuskasing was part of the supporting trend for the new leader and a riding insider told The Expositor that the leadership campaign boosted paid-up Conservative Party of Canada membership in A-M-K from 130 to 300, a record number for the local association.

“Tonight begins the journey to replace an old government that costs you more and delivers you less, with a new government that puts you first, your paycheck, your retirement, your home, your country,” Mr. Poilievre said in his first speech as leader delivered Saturday evening at the Ottawa convention centre floor where the leadership announcement was held.

Despite a sometimes acrimonious strategy during the leadership campaign, Mr. Poilievre was quick to hold out an olive branch to supporters of his opponents. “To supporters of all of these fine candidates I open up my arms to you. Now, today, we are one party serving one country,” he said during his victory

speech.

For his part, Mr. Charest thanked his supporters and said he was proud of the campaign they ran, going on to offer that Mr. Poilievre should be provided with a “clean slate” opportunity to unite the party. “We still have a critical role to play in shaping our forward-looking policy agenda and attracting new voters to the Conservative Party,” he said.

Mr. Poilievre has been among the most successful Conservative leaders in history so far, having attracted thousands of new members in record-breaking campaign. He has successfully channeled hope, a strategy utilized to good effect by Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau during his time in office—but it is a hope tempered and forged in the anger and frustration felt by many in these troubled times.

“There are people in this country who are just hanging on by a thread,” he said. “They don’t need a government to run their lives, they need a government that can run a passport office. They need a prime minister who hears them and offers them hope that they can again

afford to buy a home, a car, pay their bills, afford food, have a secure retirement and, God forbid, even achieve their dreams if they work hard. They need a prime minister who will restore that hope, and I will be that prime minister.”

Mr. Poilievre is a career politician, first elected in 2004 at age 25, he has been connected with the Conservatives from a young age, leading his university Conservative club. Age 43, he married his wife Anaida in 2017, having eloped in Portugal. They have two children, Valentina and Cruz.

Mr. Poilievre is described by most Parliament watchers as a “firebrand” and by his opponents as a “populist,” but neither anticipate the new leader will temper his approach now that he is leader to appeal to the more centrist Canadian body politic. That kind of strategy certainly proved a poison pill to his predecessor, but his high-profile support for the Freedom Convoy and opposition to vaccine mandates place him on the opposite side of the polls with most Canadians.

The next federal election is likely to take place in 2025, unless the NDP decide to pull the plug on their support, leaving plenty of time for the Liberals and NDP to try and define the new Conservative leader with a negative brush. History will be working in his favour nonetheless as the best before date on Canadian governments will have passed for the Liberals by 2025.



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...Myeloma cancer survivor tours Manitoulin

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the exercise I had, and I was never a smoker or drinker."

He ended up calling an old high school friend who cycled and convinced him to ride from Newport Beach to Arizona, a total of 350 miles. "I did it as an awareness ride for a group that was based in California and graciously supported me with donations," said Mr. Sninsky.

He feels he has to give back to the community and now does a bicycle trip every year for myeloma and blood cancer. "Myeloma is the number three cancer killer, behind breast cancer and lung cancer," he continued. "Farmers get it. Steelworkers and those who work as coal miners get myeloma cancer as well. It is rare, but if you suspect you have the ailment, see your doctor and see a specialist."

"When I was first diagnosed, I was frightened and my primary care doctor was spellbound," he said. "I'm doing better than many. I don't know why, but I have to wonder if it has something to do with the monks in Austria."

Mr. Sninsky came to Canada last summer to support Myeloma Canada. The organization also organizes cancer awareness rides. As part of this year's ride, he spent a "glorious" week on Manitoulin. "I loved every spot that I visited, from Meldrum Bay, Manitowaning, Mindemoya, Providence Bay, M'Chigeeng and all parts in between," he said.

When he arrived in Gore Bay around 4 pm last Friday, Mary-Lea Buchan was giving out fresh veggies to town employees. Camping for RVers was still showing on Google Maps but had actually been cancelled after one season. Mr. Sninsky asked at the municipal office if there was anywhere he could camp in town and was told he couldn't camp in Gore Bay.

"Mary-Lea was a long-distance biker, in the past riding from Sault Ste. Marie to Windsor," Mr. Sninsky said.

Ms. Buchan told him, "I have a backyard that we aren't using. You're more than welcome to stay at my house with Bob and Mrs. Lilly Third.' They are the

friendliest, nicest people you could meet."

Gore Bay resident Tim MacTaggart, who was staying at the Buchan's hunting lodge, heard about Mr. Sninsky's ride and donated \$100 to him. In another instance of support, a car slowly approached him as he was riding on Poplar Road, headed to Providence Bay from Gore Bay. The driver asked if he was that rider, riding for cancer. "The man lives three doors down from Mary-Lea and he gave me \$50 to do whatever I need to do, as his father had died from cancer."

Mr. Sninsky's journey began along the northern shores of Lake Huron. His ride through Ontario will encompass around 1,000 miles in total. He rides in support of patients who may not be doing well, and to support cancer research. All funds from his awareness ride will go to the International Myeloma Foundation and Myeloma Canada.

September is blood cancer awareness month, and Mr. Sninsky will complete his ride on September 16, which also happens to be his 74th birthday. His last stop is Ipperwash. From there, he will fly home.

"I have enjoyed my summer riding through Canada immensely," said Mr. Sninsky, noting he was not always riding but driving as well.

He spent three days and two nights in Gore Bay and found the town to be "super, super friendly."

"I love the town and the views," he added. "I rode to the lighthouse. It's a beautiful town and there's a wonderful feel in the stores and restaurants."

All of Manitoulin left Mr. Sninsky with positive feelings for the people and the places he travelled to. Some day he definitely hopes to return, he said.

His message is don't give up. "There were times I thought I was going to check out, and it was a looming possibility but somehow I managed to beat it, at least this far," he said.

"Here's to my 14th year with this still incurable but manageable cancer. Some are doing better than me, and many are not."

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Manitoulin Family Resources offers programs to support and promote positive family relationships on Manitoulin and the North Shore. Violence against Women Prevention Services: Haven House Shelter, Outreach Counseling Crisis Line 705-377-5160; Toll Free Crisis Line 800-465-6788; Children's Services: Early ON Child and Family Centre, Little Current Child Care, Mindemoya Child Care 705-368-3400; Help Centre: Thrift Shop & Food Bank 705-368-3400; Administration 705-368-3400.

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Are you concerned about someone's drinking? Al-Anon has one purpose: Welcoming, giving hope and comfort to help family and friends of alcoholics. Changed attitudes can aid recovery. Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group: Thursdays at 7 pm in the library room at the Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya. Espanola Al-Anon, Tuesdays at 7 pm, Anglican Church, 213 Tudhope Street, Espanola, 705-869-6595. For more information call 1-888-4Al-Anon (1-888-425-2666, M-F, 8 am - 6 pm ET) <http://www.al-anon.org>. For meetings including electronic in Northern Ontario go to OntarioNorthAl-Anon.com. Please note the only Alateen meetings available in Northern Ontario are on a mobile app. Look for the app under Al-Anon Family Groups.

Questions or concerns about diabetes? We can help. Please contact the MHC Diabetes Training and Care Centre. Individual and group appointments available with a registered nurse or dietitian certified in diabetes education. Clinics in Little Current, Mindemoya, Silver Water, Gore Bay and Manitowaning. Please call 705-368-2300 ext. 2415 for more information. Self-referrals accepted.

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

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wanted

Donate your old car or truck or farm tractor, etc., or even an old metal boat to our church. We can send a truck right to you to pick these up, and in return you will receive an income tax receipt for the scrap value of your donation to St. Bernard's Church, Little Current. Please, no smaller items such as fridges, stoves, hot water tanks, etc. Contact Tony Ferro at 705-368-3066 or Jim Griffin at 705-859-2289. 17tfn

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notice

Gore Bay United Church Food Cupboard is open every Thursday from 12 noon to 3 pm. Come to the church side door (facing McQuarrie Motors). You will be invited into the Food Cupboard to choose your food items. If you don't have a bag, there are some available. Please wear a mask. If you have questions, please call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily. Everyone is welcome. Tfn

Legion Events

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 Little Current Wing Night, every Thursday, 4 pm to 8 pm. Wings: four for \$5 or a wing family pack (20 wings) for \$23. Sauces for wings: salt and pepper, sweet chili, sweet and sour, honey garlic, first, second and third degree, parmesan cheese and pepper, and cajun. Also cheese balls, six for \$4 or a family pack of 20 for \$12. Cheese sticks: four for \$5. To order please call 705-348-0123 or 705-368-2661 after 3 pm on Thursdays. Tfn

coming events

God invites us to intimately connect with him through prayer, and what better way to do that than to use His own words in the Bible! Starting September 6, and every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. All are welcome at Our Lady of Canada Church, Mindemoya. Please contact Keith Legree for further information at keithlegree@gmail.com or 705-968-0822. 13-28p

FREE - Eight-week Bible Seminar Series. Informative and hands on, friendly and comfortable environment, learn to read the Bible effectively by looking at the first book, Genesis. We will uncover exciting themes that have their beginning in Genesis and run through the entire Bible! Workbooks provided and light refreshments served. Starts Wednesday, September 21 at 7:30 pm at the Christadelphian Hall, Hwy 6, Manitowaning. Call or text 705-282-7830 to register. 17-18p

coming events

SAVE the DATE, Fall 'n Angels Dance, Saturday, October 1, 8 pm to 12 midnight. Angel Bus Fundraiser at Burpee Mills Community Hall. Licenced event with live band, food and silent auction. 16-17c

The Great Northern Opry is having an Inductee Celebration at the Tehkumma Hall on Saturday, September 17, 7 pm, in honour of Urban Mejaki who is being inducted into the Great Northern Opry at the Northern Ontario Country Music Awards November 4-5 in Sault Ste. Marie. Admission is \$15 at the door. For tickets or info, call Ben and Crystal Lentir at 705-210-0807. 17c

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the recommended social distancing practices, the Board of Directors of Manitoulin Health Centre will be holding a virtual Board meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2022 beginning at 6 pm. Regular meetings of the Board are open to the public to attend and observe, with the exception of in-camera issues. Regular protocol will be in place and members of the public will not have the ability to make comments or ask questions during the meeting. For connectivity details, please send an email inquiry to Lori at Imastelko@mhc.on.ca. 17oa

coming events

FALL EVENTS in Manitowaning

Seniors Drop in
(Every Wednesday, 10 am - Noon)
Seniors Dance (free)
Line Dancing
Threads Club for Kids
Youth Dance (free)
Cooking Classes
Haunted House Tour (Oct 29)

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Election Officials (7)

The Township of Billings is accepting applications for Election Officials for the 2022 Municipal Election on October 24, 2022.

Individuals interested in applying for these positions must demonstrate the following core competencies:

- Basic literacy (reading, writing and comprehension), mathematical and analytical skills
- Basic interpersonal skills, including the ability to exercise impartiality
- Ability to perform repetitive tasks
- Good attention to detail
- Ability to adhere to directions and standards
- Ability to learn in a short time frame

Individuals must also meet the following requirements for all positions:

- No partisan political involvement while acting in the capacity of an Election Official.
- Willing to work a ten (10) hour day, remaining at the counting location throughout the entire period.

Application forms are available on the Township website (www.billingstwp.ca) or at the Township Office during regular business hours.

15 Old Mill Road, Kagawong, ON P0P 1J0

Successful applicants will be required to attend a mandatory training session on Thursday, October 13th at 4:00 p.m.

Completed application forms must be returned to Kathy McDonald, Returning Officer, by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 16th, 2022 at the above address or to kmcdonald@billingstwp.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

Department: Capital Projects and Public Works
Classification/Level: TC-2 Salary Grid (\$49,500 – \$60,500) + group pension & benefits
Employment Status: Regular Full-Time

CLOSING DATE: September 23rd, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Position Summary:

Under the supervision of the Public Manager, the Public Works Maintenance Technician will provide technical skills for carrying out a range of tasks for the overall operation of all activities that are the responsibility of the First Nation Public Works Department.

Essential Functions:

- Ensure all roads are properly, safely, and routinely maintained and serviced in all weather conditions
- Operate company vehicles and equipment safely and properly, conducting daily safety checks
- Working outdoors in appropriate safety and protective equipment
- Operate and maintain all equipment relating to the maintenance of the roads, specifically snow removal and sanding/salting
- Operate machinery and equipment for road maintenance (may include patching & pothole repair, grading & gravelling, resurfacing, ditching, streetlights, sign installation, tree brushing & delimiting) for maintaining safe roads in all weather conditions.

Qualifications & Requirements:

- Grade 12 Diploma or equivalent
- Valid Class DZ Driver's Licence with a clean driving record
- Heavy Equipment Operator training would be an asset
- Snowplow Certification would be an asset or willingness to obtain
- Valid First Aid / CPR Certificate
- Knowledge of Anishnabek language and culture
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Working Conditions:

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We thank all applicants; only those being considered will be contacted.

...Nature-based solutions help address climate change impacts

...continued from page 11 based solutions can help address climate change impacts on biodiversity and ecosystem services.

"The magnitude of the changes we have seen and will continue to see are not commensurate with the level of resilience in Ontario," said Al Douglas, president of Climate Risk Institute (CRI) and a coordinating lead author of the report.

"The only way we can slow climate change is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions," Mr. Douglas told The Expositor. "We're a long ways away from that. We're a long ways away from that but we still need it. In addition to all those, in addition to that slowing of climate change, we need to take steps to manage, to work with it and to work with nature."

More than 14 percent of the 15,800 plant and animal species in Ontario that have been assessed by scientists are considered vulnerable, rare or rapidly declining, according to a 2016 Canadian Endangered Species Conservation Council report. Their future survival is uncertain.

A separate assessment looked at the relative vulnerability to climate change of 280 species in Ontario's Great Lakes Basin, with results showing that 175 are vulnerable to climate change. Of these, 11 are considered extremely vulnerable, 49 highly vulnerable and 115 are moderately vulnerable. Molluscs, fish, amphibians and lichens were most vulnerable and birds, insects, spiders and reptiles were found to be least vulnerable.

In a webinar hosted by CRI, report contributing author Dr. Cindy Cho, a research scientist with Fisheries and Oceans Canada, spoke about nature-based solutions. Dr. Cho is an ecologist with a focus on freshwater fish, habitat and fisheries within lakes and rivers.

"One of the reasons nature-based solutions will help is that the Earth is actually a self-sustaining, balanced system,"

Dr. Cho said. "There are cyclical processes that influence climate patterns so that could be the distribution of temperature, evaporation and precipitation, wind patterns around the planet, and what's happening is climate change is disrupting some of these cycles and these processes."

We are seeing changes in the location, magnitude and frequency of flood and drought events associated with atmospheric rivers in Ontario. This is one example of how climate change disrupts natural patterns, Dr. Cho said.

Temperature and precipitation are important because they drive the quantity and the quality of habitats and the habitat available for organisms in terrestrial, freshwater and marine environments. In some cases, Dr. Cho said, these changes in habitat quality and quantity create conditions that are suitable for non-native or invasive species to establish, and with the establishment of those invasive species there may be competition and pressure put on the native species. "That's kind of the influence of the overall climatic patterns on ecosystems or organisms, but of course at more local scales we also have human activities such as physical habitat loss, urbanization and pol-

lution that can further alter habitat quantity and quality."

In the Great Lakes and in lakes and rivers across Ontario, we're now seeing the consequences of climate change on fish. One example is range shifts. "With the warming trend in Ontario we're starting to find warm water species like smallmouth bass and bluegill in northern lakes and rivers where they historically haven't been found, so the conditions are right for them to establish populations. When we see these changes in species distributions there can also be community shifts, so you can end up with changes in the relative abundance of cold water versus warm water species. In some cases we're seeing changes in the whole food web of aquatic systems, so phytoplankton, zooplankton, the small forage fishes as well as the predatory species. In some systems and regions we're also seeing changes in the growth patterns. Some species are increasing their growth. Some species are seeing decreases in growth and that has significant consequences when we think from a fisheries perspective because it impacts the biomass that's available for say, recreational fish or commercial fish harvest. In some fish systems

we're also seeing changes in the phenology so that's the timing of key life history events. You can think of it as the timing of spawning runs in the spring or spawning runs in the fall or even nesting for some species in lakes."

Nature-based solutions such as Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas, protected areas, the restoration or maintenance of flow regimes in rivers, the maintenance and restoration of natural shorelines in lakes, can all help minimize the impacts of climate change on these ecosystems and slow the loss of biodiversity or changes in biodiversity. "Essentially these actions will help buffer those systems from those broader climatic changes that are happening and if implemented at a broad enough scale can actually lead to the reestablishment of that self-sustain-

ing balance that I mentioned before," said Dr. Cho.

Other actions that can boost ecosystem resiliency are restrictions on surface and groundwater withdrawals from vulnerable

lakes, rivers and wetlands; providing nest boxes or rehabilitating nesting habitats; and installation of fencing and dedicated wildlife corridors such as tunnels and overpasses.

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2nd posting: Help Desk Technician: Closes September 16, 2022

Apply to: Human Resources at hr@kgcfs.org and quote the position title in the subject line.

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Part-time, Full-time

Job Qualifications:

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- Assisting with cashier responsibilities

Contact the Little Current Guardian pharmacy to apply.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
THE TOWN OF GORE BAY
ARENA ASSISTANT

Please submit your application to the undersigned no later than 2:00 p.m., September 30, 2022.

Stasia Carr, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Gore Bay
PO Box 590, 15 Water Street
Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0
705-282-2420 ext. 1
scarr@gorebay.ca

All applicants are thanked for their interest. Only the candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose of candidate selection.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
THE TOWN OF GORE BAY
Seasonal Transfer Station Position

Applications are being accepted until 4:00 p.m., September 30, 2022 at PO Box 590, 15 Water Street, Gore Bay, ON POP 1H0

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE
TEMPORARY, FULL TIME CONTRACT (MATERNITY LEAVE)

Overview:
The Community Health Nurse (CHN) will deliver comprehensive community health nursing services in five First Nation communities, in collaboration with an interprofessional health care team. Through consultation, clinical practice, leadership, and by facilitating health promotion and disease prevention, the CHN provides care utilizing in-depth nursing knowledge and skills, clinical expertise, and advanced judgment. The CHN will utilize a primary health care approach to address overall health needs in Indigenous communities. The successful candidate shall possess:

Required Competencies:

- Integrity and Respect cultural diversity
- Dependability
- Work effectively both independently and with others
- Show initiative and be action-oriented
- Adaptability
- Critical Thinking
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Continuous Learning


Qualifications and Work Experience:

- Experience incorporating physical, mental, social/environment and emotional/spiritual practices in order to meet the needs of individuals, families and communities
- Knowledgeable and respectful of Anishinaabe customs, culture and language
- Minimum of three years' related experience as a Registered Nurse or Registered Practical Nurse, currently registered with College of Nurses of Ontario in good standing
- Current Ontario Driver's Licence (and vehicle)
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Deadline: Friday, September 23, 2022 at 12:00 pm (noon)

Submissions:
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48 Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0
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GWEKWAADZIWIN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Finance Manager
Full Time Position

Position Description:
Gwekwaadziwin Miikan is seeking a Finance Manager who will be responsible for directing and managing the organizations accounting functions, including establishing and maintaining accounting principles, practices, and procedures as well as the preparation of financial statements and reporting to the Executive Director, Gwekwaadziwin Board and Program Managers as well as external agencies.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Post all incoming revenue to appropriate accounts and prepare all deposits
- Manage accounts receivable and post transactions to appropriate program/department/account
- Prepare HST remittances
- Monitor outstanding receivables and follow-up on any that are overdue
- Verify all invoices, travel and expense claims
- Post payable to appropriate program/department/account
- Prepare monthly Pension Plan and Group Benefits reports and payments
- Prepare all cheques
- Provide payroll information to Ceridian and post all payroll to appropriate program/department/account
- Prepare monthly bank reconciliations
- Collect, interpret and report financial data
- Review and input annual budgets
- Provide monthly variance reports to Executive Director
- Ensure financial management of Gwekwaadziwin reflects Gwekwaadziwin Accounting Policies and Procedures
- Ensure accurate and timely completion of annual financial statements
- Review and interpret audited financial statements with Executive Director
- Assist in the development of proposals
- Other duties as required or assigned by Executive Director

Qualifications:

- Must have a degree or diploma in Business and/or Accounting
- Extensive experience of all aspects of First Nation accounting and financial management
- Financial analysis, budgeting and strategic planning experience
- Knowledge of accounting principles, practices and applications
- Advanced knowledge of ACCPAC, MS Office and Excel
- Proficient communication, interpersonal and organizational skills
- Experience overseeing audits performed by external audit firms
- Management and or supervisory experience
- Thorough knowledge of all relevant Federal, Provincial, and local requirements regarding financial records and pensions
- Good project management skills and able to produce quality work within tight timeframes
- Professional written and verbal communication skills
- Able to work efficiently as a part of a team as well as independently
- High level of critical and logical thinking, analysis, and/or reasoning to identify underlying principles, reasons, or facts
- Able to work well under pressure and meet set deadlines
- Sound analytical thinking, planning, prioritization, and execution skills.

Salary: \$ Commensurate with qualifications
Closing Date: September 28, 2022 @ 4:00pm
To Apply: Please complete the application online at gwek.bamboohr.com/jobs

Contact mmaracle@gwek.ca with any questions.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those applicants under consideration will be contacted for an interview.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – MULTIPLE POSTINGS
Gwekwaadziwin Miikan – Seven Grandfathers Program



Gwekwaadziwin Miikan is expanding the number of land-based treatment beds and looking for motivated individuals to join our multidisciplinary team. There are multiple land-based counsellor contract positions and casual positions available.

Please visit gwek.bamboohr.com/jobs or email mmaracle@gwek.ca for details.

Program Description

The Gwekwaadziwin Miikan program provides a person-centered model of mental health and addiction treatment for youth and young adults. It supports a community of healthy young people working towards wellness, education, and economic prosperity for First Nations individuals and communities. Gwekwaadziwin Miikan meets program participants on the spectrum of care, from stabilization through treatment, live-in aftercare, outpatient aftercare and transition back into community. The Seven Grandfathers program is designed for young adults aged 19+ and consists of three phases: Land Based Treatment, Live-in Aftercare, and Community Aftercare.

Position Descriptions

<p>Land Based Counsellors (Multiple Contract Positions)</p>	<p>The Land Based Treatment Counselor is a unique position that combines the skills of an outdoor experiential learning leader with that of a treatment counselor. Staff in this position will be living and working in outdoor settings with participants and will have a three-week rotational schedule. Staff in this position will be responsible for delivering a holistic treatment program with a significant focus on Anishinaabek culture and land-based learning.</p>
<p>Aftercare Support Workers (Casual)</p>	<p>A part-time position responsible for assisting in the implementation of participant treatment plans, monitoring the facility, facilitating group, and to assist with other facets of the Gwekwaadziwin Miikan programming. Opportunity for shifts in the land-based treatment program.</p>

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications **Closing Date:** Open until filled

To Apply: Please complete the application online at gwek.bamboohr.com/jobs

Incomplete packages will not be accepted.

Current Criminal Reference Check and Drivers Abstract required prior to offer of employment.

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TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH
is looking for a
MUSEUM CURATOR
for The Little Schoolhouse and Museum
located at 113 Church Street in South Baymouth

The Museum Curator position is a year round part-time position reporting to the Management Board. The Curator is expected to provide an optimal visitor experience at the Museum while building and safeguarding the Township's heritage through the museum collection. Organizing and assisting with events, supervision of summer staff and volunteers, and preparation of displays/materials for visitors, maintaining inventory database and knowledge of Tehkummah/Manitoulin Island heritage and commitment to museum/cultural best management practices would be a benefit.

Job Description available at www.tehkummah.ca.

References and current criminal record check are required for interview.

APPLY BY: Friday, September 30, 2022 at 3:00 pm

MAIL or DELIVER TO: Township of Tehkummah
 456 Hwy 542A, PO Box 24
 Tehkummah, ON
 POP 2C0

EMAIL: clerk.administrator@tehkummah.ca

FAX: 705-859-2605

All applicants are thanked for their interest but only those persons who are selected for an interview will be contacted.



MNAAMODZAWIN HEALTH SERVICES
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Nurse Practitioner, Palliative Care
PERMANENT, PART TIME

Overview:

As part of a team of community health nurses that services 5 First Nation communities on Manitoulin, the Nurse Practitioner will ensure response capacity to provide expert clinical care to palliative clients and expert clinical advice to primary care physicians, community nurses on the management of pain and symptoms, psychosocial support, and therapeutic interventions. The Nurse Practitioner will complete home visits to palliative clients and their families for the purpose of conducting comprehensive clinical assessments and contribute to the development of comprehensive shared care plans in consultation with the interdisciplinary team and provide clinical advice and support for families of palliative clients as they interact with home and community care, primary care, acute care, and specialist care.

Required Competencies:

- Educate and recommend courses of action in consultation with primary care providers and the care team
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the care provided to the client and family and make recommendations to ensure high quality care
- Identify, assess, and meet the educational needs of clients and their families
- Respect cultural diversity

Qualifications and Work Experience:

- Experience incorporating physical, mental, social/environment and emotional/spiritual practices to meet the needs of individuals, families and communities
- Knowledgeable and respectful of Anishinaabe customs, culture, and language
- Minimum of three years' related experience as a Nurse Practitioner, currently registered with College of Nurses of Ontario in good standing
- Current Ontario Driver's Licence (and vehicle)
- Current CPR and First Aid Certification

Deadline: Friday, September 23, 2022 at 12:00 pm (noon)

Submissions:

Send resume, cover letter, Vulnerable Sector Check, three references and copies of credentials marked 'Confidential' in person, by mail or email to:

Human Resources
 Mnaamodzawin Health Services
 Postal Bag 2003, Hwy 540
 48 Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni Kaning
 Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0
 705-368-2182 ext.271
hr@mnaamodzawin.com



MNAAMODZAWIN HEALTH SERVICES
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE
PERMANENT, FULL TIME

Overview:

The Community Health Nurse (CHN) will deliver comprehensive community health nursing services in five First Nation communities, in collaboration with an interprofessional health care team. Through consultation, clinical practice, leadership, and by facilitating health promotion and disease prevention, the CHN provides care utilizing in-depth nursing knowledge and skills, clinical expertise, and advanced judgment. The CHN will utilize a primary health care approach to address overall health needs in Indigenous communities. The successful candidate shall possess:

Required Competencies:

- Integrity and Respect cultural diversity
- Dependability
- Work effectively both independently and with others
- Show initiative and be action-oriented
- Adaptability
- Critical Thinking
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Continuous Learning

Qualifications and Work Experience:

- Experience incorporating physical, mental, social/environment and emotional/spiritual practices in order to meet the needs of individuals, families and communities
- Knowledgeable and respectful of Anishinaabe customs, culture and language
- Minimum of three years' related experience as a Registered Nurse or Registered Practical Nurse, currently registered with College of Nurses of Ontario in good standing
- Current Ontario Driver's Licence (and vehicle)
- Current CPR and First Aid Certification

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father.”
Ogimaa Kwe Manitowabi said Indigenous First Nations people have had a storied relationship with the monarchy over the years. “Our Governor General said she had met the Queen and that the Queen was aware and alert about Indigenous people and the issues we face, and she (Governor General) felt the compassion from the Queen.”

“I have respect for her long reign, and the way she carried herself and remained neutral,” added Ogimaa-kwe Manitowabi. “I have a huge respect for her that she reigned as Queen that long and the way she presented herself.”
She said Charles has been preparing all his life for this. “Right now, my thoughts are with the people of the United Kingdom as they mourn and as the transition is made. I have to acknowledge the Queen’s very long reign, and now she has been reunited with her husband.”

Mary Buie, who is originally from Crawley, England said, “I have always admired the Queen and enjoyed following the Royal family, but especially the Queen. She was Queen of

the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth, and a lot of leaders from around the world respected her.”

“Elizabeth became the Queen at a very early age,” said Ms. Buie. “That was her duty and life, to serve the country and the Commonwealth. A lot of people around the world admired her and she never failed to always be gracious and beautiful. I always enjoyed what she wore. She always dressed elegantly, in bright colours, with a hat and carrying a handbag. A lot of the time she would wear pearls and she often wore a brooch.”

Ms. Buie remembers the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, which took place in 1953. “We did not have television at home,” she said. Along with her mother and brother Mike (Coomes), she bicycled to a relative’s home to watch the coronation on a small black and white television.

“I was almost nine years old, and I remember the golden coach procession that transported her from Buckingham Palace to Westminster,” said Ms. Buie. “I had a replica of one of the coaches she was in.”



Evansville resident Erwin Thompson displays a bronze medallion he and his classmates at his elementary school in Levack received commemorating Queen Elizabeth II’s coronation in 1953.



In 1955, Ms. Buie lived in Crawley, which was about 25 miles from London. “It would take 40 minutes by train to get to London,” Ms. Buie continued. “We would often go by train to Victoria and would walk past Buckingham Palace. We used to stand outside to see what was going on, with the changing of the guards.”

Crawley is next to Gatwick Airport, which was opened by Queen Elizabeth II in 1955, she said. “As school children we

lined the route and as the cars passed, I think I saw her.”

Ms. Buie was in Calgary last week, attending an international horse jumping competition at Spruce Meadows, Alberta. “They did a tribute in memory of the Queen, who had been there in 1976 to take part in

the horse show and to dedicate horse statues,” Ms. Buie said. “Horses had always been a big part of the Queen’s life. It was really nice that they had this tribute. The Canadian flag was flown at half mast. Mike (Coomes, her brother) and Suzie were with me. Mike wore a black band and Suzie wore a black ribbon.”


Ms. Buie and daughter Jen had gone to the safari at Kenya, at the Treetops Resort where the Queen and Prince Phillip had been staying when she heard that her father had died and she would become Queen. “I really thought Queen Elizabeth II would live to be 100,” added Ms. Buie. “It is nice that she passed away at her favourite place, Balmoral in Scotland.”

Aundeck Omni Kaning Chief Patsy Corbiere said that she felt compassion for the Royal Family at this time of their mourning. She recalled Queen Elizabeth II as a role model for many and a positive force in the world. She noted that the relationship between

Indigenous peoples and the Crown has been a challenging one over the years and that many Indigenous people have a poor understanding of the connections between “Queen” and “Crown.”

“That is especially true of a lot of the older folks,” she said. “If they were unhappy with something that was going on or a decision being made they would make an appeal to the Queen.” Although the Queen, or now King, takes no role in the political realm in the relationship between the Crown and First Nations, that concept still resonates within many Indigenous peoples.

In the Royal Proclamation of 1763 George III forbade settlers from claiming land in Indigenous territories and which established in British law that title to all lands were held by the Indigenous inhabitants unless first bought by the Crown and then sold on. The Royal Proclamation is the foundation of all ...continued on page 32



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT

Department: Administration
Classification/Level: CA5 (\$49,500-\$60,500)
Employment Status: Full-Time Regular

CLOSING DATE: September 26th, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Position Summary:
Under the supervision of the Human Resources Manager, the Human Resources Assistant (HRA) is primarily responsible for providing administrative support to the Human Resources Manager. The HRA will assist with day-to-day tasks of the HR department and support a wide range of HR activities including administrative support, assistance with new recruitments, and other employee relations as it relates to onboarding and offboarding. As well as assistance with the employee human resource information system, the information input and accuracy into the time management system.

Essential Functions:

- Assist with the day-to-day operation of the HR functions
- Provide administrative support to the HR Manager
- Compile, update, and file employee records (hard and electronic copies)
- Assist with payroll by obtaining relevant data required (absences, leaves, etc.)
- Assist in coordinating HR projects (meetings, trainings, surveys, etc.) and record minutes
- Maintain the employee electronic and hard copy personnel files by participating in HRIS systems, receiving, and uploading all documents required to be obtained within the personnel files and required for pension and benefits enrolment
- Produce regular statistical reports on HR activities (vacancies, hires, staffing, WSIB accidents, LTD, training, screening, interviews, terminations), as requested
- Ensure all onboarding documentation of new employees along with offboarding documentation completed and filed accordingly
- Complete audit checklists of all HR and personnel files
- Monitor and track probation, probationary, and annual performance appraisals systems for all employees

Qualifications:

- Diploma in human resource management, office administration or business administration; or related discipline
- Minimum of 2 years’ experience in relevant administrative position in a First Nation administrative capacity
- Previous experience in the human resource field is an asset
- Highly computer literate with solid experience of word processing, spreadsheets, and database applications
- Ability to speak Anishinabemowin or must have the willingness to learn
- Knowledge of the Anishinabek culture, language, and traditions

Other Skills:

- High level of confidentiality and discretion
- Excellent verbal and written communication
- Excellent with conflict management
- Excellent interpersonal and leadership skills to establish and maintain rapport effectively with employees
- Strong organizational, communication and team skills
- Practice rooted in holistic, strengths-based, and person-centred approach
- Knowledge of Anishinabek culture, traditions, and practices
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin or willingness to learn
- Valid Driver’s Licence and access to a reliable vehicle
- Criminal Reference Check (CRC) requirement must be 30-days current and must be an original
- Confirmation of COVID-19 vaccination (at least two doses) upon hire

If you are interested in this opportunity, applicants must submit cover letter, resume, with three current reference contacts (2 work-related and 1 character reference) and copies of their education qualifications to:

Human Resources Assistant
c/o Human Resources
M’Chigeeng FN, P.O. Box 333
M’CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980) or to employment@mchigeeng.ca

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Water Treatment Plant Operator Level II

Classification Level: WWTPO Salary Grid (\$51,300-\$62,700) + pension and benefits
Employment Status: Regular Full time
Department: Infrastructure

2nd POSTING CLOSING DATE: September 23rd, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Position Summary:
Under the supervision of the Overall Responsible Operator, the Water Treatment Plant Operator will monitor and operate computerized control systems and related equipment in water filtration and treatment plants and to regulate the treatment and distribution of water. Monitor and operate liquid waste plant systems and related equipment in wastewater and sewage treatment and regulate the treatment and disposal of sewage and wastes. Shall effectively test the quality of our First Nations communal drinking water and recreation areas, based on water quality monitoring developed by the Environmental Health Officer.

Essential Functions:
The Water Treatment Plant Operator will perform operations and maintenance activities with respect to the centralized and decentralized of water systems and operations and maintenance activities with respect to the M’Chigeeng Wastewater System.

Level II Operator duties include but are not limited to:

- Operate and monitor computerized control systems and related equipment in the water treatment plant to regulate the treatment and distribution of water
- Monitor and inspect plant equipment and systems to detect equipment malfunctions and to ensure plant systems are operating normally
- Read flow meters, gauges, and other recording instruments to measure water output and consumption levels, bacterial content, chlorine levels, etc.
- Collect and test water samples for chemical and bacterial content, analyze test results and instrument readings and adjust plant equipment and systems to ensure quality control
- Monitor water quality testing for all potable private water systems not connected to the communal system
- Provide verbal or written instructions for process control changes to waterworks system to ensure water produced meets standardized quality requirements
- Perform security checks in plant and on grounds

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Qualifications:

- Level II Water Treatment & Water Distribution (certified and in good standing) with two (2) years’ work-related experience
- Level II Wastewater Treatment & Level II Wastewater Collections Certifications
- Ontario Secondary School Diploma with two (2) years’ work-related experience
- Valid Class G Driver’s Licence, willing to obtain Class DZ Driver’s Licence
- Confined Space Entry Certification an asset
- CPR, First Aid, Working at Heights (Fall Arrest) Certifications an asset
- WHMIS (Safety Chemical Handling) Certification an asset
- Willing to take ongoing/additional training as needed and to receive Continuing Education Unit (CEU)

Other:

- Good understanding of Water Treatment plant operations
- Ability to operate daily Water Quality monitoring systems accurately
- Responsible and pays close attention to detail
- Prompt and efficient in the performance of duties
- Independent and Self Starter
- Proficiency in computer software
- Excellent at job task planning and organizing
- Critical thinking skills and strong decision-making skills
- Works well with others and can work independently
- Effective oral and writing communication skills
- Excellent numeracy skills
- Ability to work non-standard work hours - availability for on-call shifts
- Knowledge of Anishinabek culture, traditions, and practices
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin or willingness to learn
- Police CRC and Confirmation of COVID-19 Vaccinations (2 doses minimum) are required

If you are interested in this new opportunity, applicants must submit cover letter, resume, with three current reference contacts (two work-related and one character reference) and copies of education qualifications to:

CONFIDENTIAL: Water Treatment Plant Operator Level II
c/o Human Resources
M’Chigeeng FN, P.O. Box 333
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treaties from 1763 onwards.

Arthur Pummell, who was born in London, England but now lives in Gore Bay has always been a fan of the Queen and the Royal Family. "The Queen is going to be missed for

sure," he said.

Mr. Pummell can remember being 10 years old in 1953, and the Queen's coronation. "There were coronation street parties all through London and I always thought it was such a fantastic thing, wonderful," he said.

"The Commonwealth will definitely miss the Queen," he continued. "She had to reign through a lot of difficult times, but she always came out very well. I still support the Royal Family and wish I was there for the Queen's funeral. I hope they put on a fantastic serv-

ice. She certainly deserves it. She was a touch of class."

Mr. Pummell has lowered the flags in front of his home in Gore Bay.

Erwin Thompson, an Evansville resident, told The Expositor he can remember listening to the

Queen's coronation in 1953. "I was six years of age," he said. "We were living in Levack and I remember we had a day off from school. My mother was doing the laundry and the sewer backed up."

Mr. Thompson said all the students at his elementary school received a bronze medallion from the school commemorating the event. "I was pretty excited about the event and we listened to the coronation on the radio as we didn't have a television at that time," he said.

"Being originally from the Maritimes, we were always very supportive of the monarchy," said Mr. Thompson. He remembers having a souvenir booklet of the coronation that had a white cover. Inside the booklet was a route of the

...Mindemoya Old School receives first corporate donation

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contribution."

Tracy MacDonald, chief executive officer of Trillium Mutual Insurance told The Expositor, "we have this community fund and are always looking for opportunities to enhance rural agricultural areas and the community. FOMOS brought forward the details of their project, how they are looking to refurbish an old school building that will benefit seniors, arts and culture, and that there will be resulting benefits on the community. FOMOS is refurbishing a historic building that had been at the risk of demolition."

"We set aside funds in the (roots community fund) for groups such as FOMOS and the project they are planning to benefit the community," said Ms. MacDonald.

"We wish to thank Trilli-

um Mutual Insurance for their confidence in our plan for the future of this building," said FOMOS president Jan McQuay. "The money will assist with our project that will directly provide programming for our rural community."

Ms. McQuay said, "We are grateful that Trillium Mutual Insurance supports our vision to transform a century-old building into a centre that will enrich the lives of residents. This building is in an ideal location, right in the heart of Mindemoya where many of our seniors now reside, and where people go to shop and do business. To serve our aging population FOMOS will create a seniors' centre that will offer new opportunities for recreation, fitness, learning and re-connecting with others. To assist our rural artists and artisans, many of whom live along country roads,

our vision for the building includes creating a year-round marketplace and studio space in downtown Mindemoya. This will boost incomes for these talented people, and have the wider, more general benefit of attracting more tourism on

Manitoulin Island."

"We are hoping that this (Trillium) donation will spur on other corporate donations," said Alison McAllister, FOMOS treasurer. "We would definitely welcome more donations like this. We are always looking for business contributions. There is a lot of opportunities for businesses to contribute, not only financially. We need goods and services such as fire-retardant Gyproc, insulation, concrete and other materials for the work that is going to be taking place."

Ms. McAllister pointed out an architect has donat-


ed their time and effort to work on a concept design for the building based on FOMOS and community needs.

"Although our not-for-profit is not much more than a year old, we have a dedicated team, and we very much appreciate Trillium Mutual's trust in us to make this vision a reality," said Ms. McQuay.



The Canadian flag adjacent to the Old Mill Heritage Museum and the Billings Township municipal office was at half mast after the passing of Queen Elizabeth II.

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
PREVENTION COORDINATOR**

Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying

Employment Status: Full-time Term
Department: Mental Health & Addictions
Salary: \$65,000/year

Position Summary
The Prevention Coordinator will be responsible for the development, implementation, and oversight of a prevention program in M'Chigeeng First Nation. The position will include the supervision of a team of prevention workers as well as program development for preventative services in the areas of substance use and addictions and violence prevention.

Reporting Relationship
The Prevention Coordinator will report to and work directly under the Mental Health and Addictions Department Manager.

Essential Functions

- Plans and Coordinates program activities including trainings and workshops for youth at both Lakeview School and Manitoulin Secondary School.
- Lead the High-Risk Table through case management and ensure all cases are being followed up on within each department.
- Provide supervision and guidance to prevention workers including training opportunities and support.
- Maintain a holistic approach to prevention services.
- Work alongside other Department Programs geared toward youth to ensure prevention workshops, and services are included in school and/or after-school activities for youth.
- Meet regularly with Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers to ensure culture and language efforts are at the forefront of prevention programming.
- Other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- College Diploma in a Human Services Related Field (Minimum 2-year program) (i.e., Health, Public Health Management, Social Work)
- At least two years of experience in coordinating programming
- Knowledge and experience of Workplace Health & Safety procedures
- Strong Understanding of Decolonizing Approaches and Indigenous Ways of Knowing
- Knowledge of current issues in First Nations mental health and addictions services

Other

- Must have a contemporary knowledge of current key issues in First Nations Mental Health and Addictions Services
- Must have a strong understanding of ongoing colonialism and its continued impacts on Anishinabek People
- Ability to manage Independently
- Maintain professional attitude when interacting with stakeholders
- Have a sound and thorough understanding of Addictions and Mental Health Challenges as they relate to First Nations communities
- Effective problem-solving skills
- Knowledge of Anishinabek culture, traditions, and practices
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin or willingness to learn
- Valid Driver's Licence and access to a reliable vehicle

Conditions of Employment


1. Police Vulnerable Sector Check
2. Proof of COVID-19 vaccinations (at least 2 doses)

Closing Date: September 24th, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Interested applicants can submit a cover letter, resume, three (3) current references (with names and contact information; two recent work-related and one character reference) and applicable education certifications addressed to:

Prevention Coordinator
c/o Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
Fax 705-377-4980 or employment@mchigeeng.ca

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC MANAGER**

Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying

Employment Status: Regular Full time
Department: Mental Health and Addictions
Salary: Program Supervisor Grid (\$61,200 - \$74,800)

Position Summary
Under the supervision of the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Department Manager, the Mental Health Clinic Manager will be responsible to oversee the day-to-day management and supervision and support of the clinical services and program staff of the Mental Health Sector of the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Department in accordance with the Mental Health Policy and Procedures. The Mental Health Clinic Manager shall implement a culturally relevant case management system within a framework of person-centred and trauma informed care for all clients utilizing the Mental Health Sector Services.

Essential Functions

Program Coordination

- Oversee and coordinate the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Mental Health program and services
- Incorporate and promote Anishinabek cultural values, beliefs and practices and Anishinabemowin into program delivery and include in management and administration of program
- Coordinate and monitor visiting clinicians and specialized services
- Work directly with the Department Manager in monitoring and assessing the Wellness Recovery Program (Methadone, Suboxone and Sublocade)
- Develop an annual work plan for the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Mental Health program in consultation with program staff
- Ensure that clinical assessments are completed, and plans are developed to support clients within a framework of person-centred and trauma informed care
- Design and Implement aftercare supports for clients in collaboration with the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Department Manager
- Facilitate and lead regular client intake meetings

Supervision & Administration

- Develop and implement annual workplans including required training & professional development for all staff
- Manage and supervise all staff of the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Mental Health Program

Reports & Budgets

- Manage and monitor annual program budgets, in consultation with the Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Department Manager
- Prepare funding proposals based on needs of clients and community

Planning & Development

- Coordinate strategic planning activities for short & long-term program goals

Communications

- Consult with Department Manager on Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying Mental Health Services programming

Qualifications & Requirements

- Master of Social Work Degree with working experience in Mental Health Services
- Bachelor of Social Work Degree with a minimum of 3 years' direct experience in Mental Health Services
- Minimum of 3 years' Management and Supervision experience
- Registered/able to register with the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Services Workers
- Must have program management, staff supervision and financial experience
- Great communication and interpersonal skills and time management skills
- Knowledge of M'Chigeeng First Nation's challenges and aspirations

Other

- Must have knowledge and/or experience with the culture, history, and customs of the M'Chigeeng First Nation
- Understanding and fluency of Ojibwe is an asset or the willingness to learn
- Valid driver's licence and access to a vehicle

Conditions of Employment:

- Police Vulnerable Sector Check
- Proof of COVID-19 Vaccinations (2 doses minimum)

Closing Date: September 27th, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

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Mental Health Clinic Manager
c/o Human Resources
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Province set to make funding available for volunteer firefighter cert. training

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Although not all the details have been released, the province of Ontario has announced it is making funding available for fire department firefighter certification.

"I haven't seen the funding application yet, but I know they had hoped to have this out in September," said Mike Addison, Town of Gore Bay fire chief and fire coordinator for Manitoulin Island along with Dwayne Elliott, Assiginack fire chief. "The bottom line is that a lot of money is being provided and the qualifications will probably be based on the size of the fire department etc. But quite honestly, if we get anything, this is a help."

Mr. Addison explained, "I was trying to make this fire certification work without funding, but anything is good." He said the Gore Bay Volunteer Fire Department is, "in pretty good shape. We are better off than a lot of fire departments (with fire fighters up to standards of firefighter certification), but we still have work to do."

"I've asked the Ontario Fire Marshal to send someone here to the Island to provide a mock certification test, to show the firefighters what they need to know to pass the test," continued Mr. Addison. "They said this is a really good idea and they would see what they can do. We would still like to see this take

...the late Queen

...continued from page 32 procession and photographs of the event.

"I phoned my mom yesterday," Mr. Thompson said last Friday. "She is two years older than the Queen was."

He's not sure how he feels about Prince Charles becoming King. "I just hope he is as good as his mother was," said Mr. Thompson.

Canada flags at the Kagawong Cenotaph and in front of the Old Mill Museum and Billings Township municipal office building were at half mast beginning last Thursday. A black ribbon was draped over a photograph of the Queen inside the museum as well.

"Like all Canadians, I was profoundly sad to learn of the passing of the Queen," said Rick Nelson, curator of the Old Mill Heritage Museum. "I am part of that baby boomer generation who grew up with no other monarch. It's the end of an era."

When he learned that the Queen had passed away, he immediately went out of the museum and lowered all of the municipal flags in the downtown core as a sign of respect. Two portraits of the Queen were erected, one for the municipal office and one inside the museum.

"As a student of history, I am now a living part of it," Mr. Nelson said.



Island firefighters had the opportunity to train on state-of-the-art equipment earlier this summer.

place."

Jon Pegg, chair of the Fire Marshals' Public Fire Safety Council wrote to Ontario fire chiefs and municipal chief administration officers on August 8, "On July 1, O.Reg 343/22: Firefighter certification came into force in the province of Ontario. Following the consultation period, the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council (FMPFSC) board of directors has been working with the Office of the Fire Marshal to understand the requirements of the certification regulation and its impact on Ontario's fire services. Over the course of the next four to six years, departments will be required to certify their members to the level of fire protect service established by their municipality." Mr. Pegg explained, "It became apparent in our discussions and understanding of feedback provided throughout the regulation's consultation period that municipalities were seeking financial support to assist with the requirements under O. Reg. 343/22. Some departments will require online access to training material whereas

others will be required to purchase textbooks to support their members in achieving certification."

"Today, on behalf of the FMPFSC, I am pleased to announce the creation of a \$750,000 grant to support firefighter certification in Ontario," wrote Mr. Pegg. "This grant will be provided over three years and is open to all Ontario fire departments who can demonstrate a need for educational materials to support training and certifying their members. The grant will be administered through the FMPFSC's distribution centre with details to follow on the application process and what materials will be eligible as part of this funding."

"The FMPFSC has worked closely with both Ministers Jones and Bartlett and the International Fire Service Training Association to provide a suite of both hard copy and online materials that will benefit the fire service in meeting the requirements of the regulation," continued Mr. Pegg. "The board and FMPFSC is honoured to be able to provide this funding to the fire service in Ontario and will

continue to look for opportunities to give back to the Ontario fire service to continue to support a fire safe Ontario." He added the details on the grant application process will be available in the coming weeks.

At a Billings meeting last week, Councillor Bryan Barker asked, "is this funding something we can take action on?"

All Billings firefighters pre-2019 are certified to the required standards, and at this point, until further details are provided, the township will not know whether the fire department qualifies for this funding.

Mr. Elliott, co-chair of the Manitoulin fire coordinators said he had not received the funding letter news from Mr. Pegg as of last week. "There was talk of money coming out to help. It is certainly a good idea."

"In about three-and-a-half years all firefighters will need to be certified to standard," said Mr. Addison. "We've (Gore Bay) always trained to standard," he said, noting that British Columbia also requires firefighters to train to standards on training but there is no requirement that the training be provided by an external certified examiner like Ontario does.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Gore Bay/Assiginack Child Care Centre
Child Care Educator - Full-Time Positions

We require a full-time Child Care Educator for our Manitowaning site. This position will be working with children from infant to school age.

The successful candidate should have:

- the ability to lift and physically engage with children
- excellent communication skills
- up-to-date immunizations
- clear vulnerable sector check
- ability to be a team player

We offer a benefits package, flexible hours and starting wage is above minimum wage with wage enhancements. You can apprentice or go to school part-time and we offer financial and academic support.

Please forward your applications via email to:
gorebaychildcare@gmail.com



Manitoulin Denture Clinic
L. Bentley Hon. B.S.c., D.D.

Employment Opportunity
Clinic Assistant/Lab Technician
Part-time, Monday - Friday

Qualifications:

- experience in the dental field an asset but not required
- excellent organizational and time management skills
- strong communication skills
- artistic ability would be an asset
- high school diploma, WHMIS and CPR preferred

Key Responsibilities:

- assist with patient flow, sterilization of rooms and instruments
- various lab duties, including plaster and stone work, acrylic work and fabrication of various items needed to make dentures

Wage dependent on qualifications. This is a dynamic position with the potential to become a full-time position. Please forward resume to:

manitouлиндentureclinic@hotmail.com.

Applications are to be received by 4 pm Wednesday, September 28th.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Controller

Job Overview
Harbor Vue Marina, the largest full-service marina on the North Channel waterway is looking for an experienced bookkeeper to join our team. As a key management team member, you will be responsible for day-to-day financial operations within the company.

This is a full-time seasonal lifestyle position with hours from Monday to Friday from 8 am until 5 pm.

Responsibilities for Controller

- Monitor the day-to-day financial operations within the company (payroll, invoicing, and other transactions)
- Prepare monthly and quarterly management reporting
- Participate in strategic data analysis, research, and modelling
- Support work order prep and reconciliations and ad-hoc requests
- Manage the company's financial accounting, monitoring, and reporting systems
- Ensure compliance with accounting policies and regulatory requirements

Qualifications for Controller

- Degree, diploma or commensurate experience in Finance or Accounting
- 5-8 years of experience in accounting and/or financial analysis
- Ability to synthesize large quantities of complex data into actionable information
- Ability to work independently and be an effective communicator
- Excellent business judgment, analytical, and decision-making skills
- Strong demonstrated use of Excel, Word, and Quick Books. Our specialized HMS marine software will include training.

Please forward your application, in hard copy with your resume and qualifications to:
Jill Ferguson
Harbor Vue Marina Limited
PO Box 626
Little Current, ON
POP 1K0

You may also submit your application package via email to jill@harborvue.ca

Manitoulin Family Resources

P.O. Box 181 Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0
t: 705.368.3400
f: 705.370.4796

Executive Director
Manitoulin Family Resources
Permanent, Full-Time

Due to continued growth and expansion, Manitoulin Family Resources is seeking a dedicated and passionate visionary to join its reorganized leadership team. Working alongside the current Executive Director and Program Directors, the incumbent will drive the agency forward through her ability to influence and implement a clear vision of the agency's mandate, lead change, build positive working relationships, and inspire teams committed to supporting vulnerable populations in our community.

Reporting to the Board of Directors, the Executive Director will be responsible for providing leadership and direction in overseeing the administration, programming, and strategic plan of MFR. They will ensure the agency is providing quality services to clients, while meeting the requirements of funders, in a fiscally responsible way that allows for the continued growth of the agency. The mission of Manitoulin Family Resources is to support individuals and families by providing resources, advocacy, and education through the agency's three program areas of Violence Against Women Prevention, Children's Services and Food Security.

The successful candidate must have:

- Bachelor's degree (minimum)/Master's degree in Business, Finance, Accounting and/or Human Resource Management
- 5 or more years' senior non-profit management experience (experience in a unionized environment is an asset)
- Experience and skill working with a Board of Directors
- Strong financial management skills, including budget preparation, analysis, decision making, and reporting to a diverse array of funders and on a variety of programs
- Strong organizational abilities and the ability to be adaptable; crisis and conflict management, problem-solving skills are essential
- Strong written and oral communication skills, including public speaking
- Proven ability to promote an organizational culture that fosters compassion, cooperation, communication, and inclusivity
- Second language fluency (Anishnaabemowin, French) is an asset
- Full proficiency with computer software, specifically Microsoft
- Current CPR/First Aid certification, or willingness to complete at time of hire

A clear VSS, insurable driver's abstract, and proof of Covid-19 vaccination will all be requirements of the selected candidate, and ongoing conditions of hire. *Please note that administrative and management positions may be called upon to deliver frontline services in any of our program areas, including our women's shelter.

Fair compensation and full benefits' package, per agency practice, will be offered to the selected incumbent.

Accommodations are available, on request, for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

Please go to www.mfresources.net for a complete view of the job posting.

To apply send full cover letter and resume to:
Denise Leblanc
Executive Programs' Assistant
dleblanc@mfresources.net
Deadline for applications: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Violence Against Women Prevention - Haven House Shelter & Outreach Counselling
Children's Services - Manitoulin Early ON Child and Family Centre, Centre based & Home Childcare
Help Centre - Food Bank and Thrift Shop

Rainbow schools wear pink on ‘Stand Up Against Bullying Day’

SUDBURY—Staff and students in Rainbow schools will wear pink this Thursday, September 15 as Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) marks a milestone with this back-to-school tradition.

“It’s been 15 years since we have recognized ‘Stand Up Against Bullying Day’ at the start of the school year,” said RDSB chair Bob Clement. “Wearing pink has become a tangible symbol of our collective commitment to safe schools.”

“In Rainbow schools, we not only instill in students the skills they need to become independent, we also build responsible and respectful citizens who care about each other and the world in which they live,” said Mr. Clement.

“When students feel safe and supported in warm and welcoming learning environments, they gain a sense of belonging at school,” said director of education Bruce Bourget. “Belonging is fundamental to well-being which is fundamental to student success.”

Mr. Bourget invited parents/guardians, education partners and community members to join staff and students in Rainbow Schools in wearing pink on September 15. “When we all wear pink, it sends a positive message that the entire community values safe and inclusive schools. It shows students that there is a strong circle of care supporting them in Sudbury, Espanola and Manitoulin Island.”

RDSB’s commitment to student success is reflected in its strategic direction through its renewed mission: “Together, we prepare students to become lifelong learners, achieving their full potential as confident, caring members of society.”

RDSB strategic direction includes ten values that are modeled, taught and expected in Rainbow Schools. The Seven Grandfather Teachings—humility, bravery, honesty, wisdom, truth, respect, love—are

braided together with resilience, equity and community.

“Our values provide the foundation for ongoing character development throughout the school year,” said Mr. Bourget. “Character development programs and activities in Rainbow schools complement the board’s code of conduct, which promotes

responsibility, respect, civility, and academic excellence in a safe learning and teaching environment.”

‘Stand Up Against Bullying Day’ began in Nova Scotia where secondary school students Travis Price and David Shepherd arranged for dozens of their classmates to wear pink shirts in support of another male student who had been bul-

lied for wearing pink. The province of Nova Scotia subsequently declared the second Thursday at the start of every school year to be ‘Stand Up Against Bullying Day.’

The actions of these two young men, along with their fellow students who wore pink to school in support of another student, reverberated across Canada

and in Rainbow Schools. RDSB’s parent involvement committee championed the cause.

Fifteen years ago, trustees unanimously endorsed the following motion and continue to support and encourage this positive initiative: “That Rainbow District School Board declared the second Thursday of each new

school year commencing September 11, 2008, as ‘Stand Up Against Bullying Day.’ Further, we encourage all Rainbow students and staff to conduct activities that day to increase awareness and to support action and to wear something pink to demonstrate their support and commitment to ending bullying in our schools and communities.”




**THE TOWN OF GORE BAY
REQUEST FOR TENDERS
FOR THE LEASE OF GORE BAY MEMORIAL
ARENA CANTEEN (FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM)**

Please contact the undersigned to receive a copy of the Request For Tender Package

Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope and will be accepted by the undersigned until 2:00 p.m. Friday, September 23, 2022.

Stasia Carr, CAO/Clerk
Town of Gore Bay
PO Box 590, 15 Water Street
Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0
705-282-2420 ext. 1
scarr@gorebay.ca



MUNICIPALITY OF ASSIGINACK

**CLERK’S NOTICE
POSTING OF VOTER’S LIST**

The Preliminary List of Electors has been posted in the Office of the Clerk on Thursday, September 1, 2022. Electors should examine the list to ensure that their names and relevant information are correctly shown. This may also be done by using Voterlookup.ca.

Applications for additions or corrections to the list may be made by an Elector by completing and filing a form obtainable from the Office of the Clerk.

The last day for filing additions or corrections is Monday, October 24, 2022.

Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 am until 4:00 pm.
156 Arthur Street, Manitowaning, ON
Alton Hobbs, Returning Officer



**Snow Removal Tender
Gore Bay OPP Detachment
Fall 2022 to May 15, 2023**

To supply all labour, equipment and services necessary to provide snow removal in the parking area at the Gore Bay Ontario Provincial Police Detachment.

Contractor must quote on a “per call” basis for snow removal and sanding as well as a “lump sum” basis for snow removal and sanding for the season commencing Fall of 2022 to May 15th, 2023.

Snow removal requirements are available upon request. Interested parties must possess a valid Ontario driver’s licence and carry liability insurance.

Please contact the address/telephone number listed below for approved tender documents.

Tender can be faxed or mailed to:
Detachment Commander
Ontario Provincial Police
54 Boosneck Road, PO Box 638
Little Current, ON POP 1K0
(Telephone) 705-368-2200
(Fax) 705-368-2666

**Quotations to be submitted no later than:
1600 hours, 30 September 2022**

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

INVITATION TO TENDER

PROJECT: Mnaamodzawin Health Centre Expansion – Package A Foundations

LOCATION: Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Dr, Bag 2002 Aundeck Omni Kaning, Ontario P0P 1K0

OWNER: Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation

ARCHITECT: 3rdline Studio Architects Inc. 289 Cedar Street Sudbury, Ontario P3B 1M8 T: (705) 674-2300 F: (705) 674-2185

MNAAMODZAWIN HEALTH CENTRE

Sealed tenders for Stipulated Sum Contracts will be received at the office of 3rdline Studio Architects Inc., 289 Cedar St., suite 300 Sudbury On, P3C 1M8, and Mnaamodzawin Health Centre, 48 Hillside Dr, Hwy 540, Aundeck Omni Kaning, Ontario on or before Friday, September 16, 2022, 10:00am. Documents will also be available for review at the Northern Ontario Construction Associations.

Tender Deposit & Agreement To Bond

10% bid bond or certified cheque issued by an approved Surety Company, is required with tender submission. The successful bidder will be required to supply 50% labour and material and 50% performance bonds or an irrevocable letter of credit for 50% of the total tendered price up to \$200,000 which may be called upon by Mnaamodzawin at any time.

Documents

Tender documents may be obtained from the office of 3rdline Studio Architects, 289 Cedar St, Sudbury, Ontario, at vgiroux@3rdline.studio. A refundable deposit of \$100.00 will be required if hard copies are required. Documents will also be available for review at the Sudbury, North Bay, and Timmins Construction Associations.

Site Visit

A site visit to examine existing conditions will be indicated in the Tender documents.

Local Content Conditions

Local content is encouraged for this tender. The Owner reserves the right to evaluate content submitted by each bidder.

Tender Opening

Tenders will be opened privately by the Owner.

Tender Award

Mnaamodzawin Health Centre reserves the right to reject the lowest, any or all tenders or to accept any that may be beneficial to the Mnaamodzawin Health Centre.

THE LOWEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED.



**TOWNSHIP OF TEHKUMMAH
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
2022-004
JOHN BUDD PARK and
BOWERMAN TRAIL UPGRADES**

The Corporation of the Township of TehkummaH invites interested parties to submit proposals for the following: John Budd Park & Bowerman Trails Upgrades at 3 Church Street in South Baymouth to perform duties and responsibilities as indicated on the RFP guideline document.

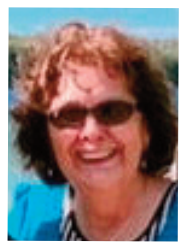
- Sealed RFPs will be received until 3:00 pm on Monday, September 19, 2022 local time
- Lowest or any submission not necessarily accepted
- Faxed or e-mailed RFPs are not acceptable
- RFP Guidelines are available at the Township Office and online at <https://tehkummaH.ca/notices/>

For further details please contact:
Township of TehkummaH
456 Hwy 542A
PO Box 24
TehkummaH, ON POP 2C0
705-859-3293

Death Notices

WILHELMINA (KATE) ROY

Sunrise July 18, 1948 - Sunset September 3, 2022



Kate Roy, a resident of M'Chigeeng First Nation, began her spirit journey peacefully on Saturday morning at the Mindemoya Hospital on September 3, 2022. She was born on Mndoo Mnising, in Manitowaning, daughter of the late Jim (M'Chigeeng) and Christine (Wiikwemkoong) Panamick. She had a long career at the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation in M'Chigeeng in pioneering the revitalization of Ojibwe language and culture. After retirement, she continued her Anishinabemowin work in many different settings. In her spare time, she enjoyed visiting with her sisters, going to yard sales, watching sports including baseball, hockey and tennis and was always up-to-date on current events with her favourite news channels. Kate is predeceased by husband Clifford Debassige-baa (M'Chigeeng). Loving and loved mother of Beverley (John), and twins Stephanie (Brian predeceased) and Scott, and stepson Luke. Grandmother of Shauna, Katelyn, Cassandra, Scott Jr, and Brian Bisson Jr. (Sonny). Loving and loved sister of Isadore Panamick (predeceased) (wife Angeline predeceased), Johnny (predeceased), Vincent, Henry (Denise), Hazel, Joe (Virginia), Eileen (known as Sweetie Pie), Jimmy (Anita), and Bernard. Special sister-in-law to Clifford-baa's siblings. Auntie to many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends offered condolences at the Island Funeral Home in Little Current on September 5, 2022 from 2-4 pm and 7-9 pm. Funeral mass celebrating Kate's life was held at Immaculate Conception Church, M'Chigeeng on September 6, 2022 at 11 am. Feast followed after cremation ceremony at M'Chigeeng Cemetery on September 9, 2022 at 4 pm.

ALICE FRANCIS DOREEN EADIE/TAYLOR

December 26, 1930 to September 5, 2022



It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved mother Alice Francis Doreen Eadie/Taylor on September 5, 2022. Beloved wife of William (Bill) Taylor Senior (predeceased), daughter of late Robert and Nina (Pipher). Loving mother of Rena and Ken (Wayne predeceased), Penny and Jim (Wayne predeceased), David (predeceased) and Sharon, Bill and Linda, Allan and Brigette, Jim and Mary, Kevin, Angel and Mark. Sister of Wilhelmina and John Smith (predeceased), Clarence (predeceased), Eveline and Ken Bailey (predeceased), Bobby (predeceased) and Barb Eadie. Predeceased by her mother and father-in-law, Elizabeth (McMurray) and Bill Taylor. Sister-in-law Mary (Jim), Elva (Clarence) Shirley (Dougal) and brother-in-law Orion (Doreen), Jack. Half-sibling of Billie (Puddin Bill), Albert Eadie (Verna), Isabelle, Ethel and Bill Alexander and John Eadie (died WWII Sicily). Sadly missed by her grandchildren Pamela (Phil), Rebekah (predeceased), Brent (predeceased), Craig (Melissa), Lorraine (Ken), Peter (Julie), Shannon (Paul), Shawn (Nicole), Chris (Oriana), Diana (Steve), Cindy (Jason), Guy (Bianca), Devin, Jinera, Justin, Brady, Maryann, Breanna (Curtis), Sheldon (Sam), along with several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Mom was blessed to see and experience five generations in her lifetime while becoming a great-grandmother and a great-great-grandmother to several little ones. She will be lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Mom always had time to listen and gave unconditional love to everyone who entered her life. Mom laboured all of her life and it is most fitting to leave her toils behind on this day. Mom's influence on our lives has shaped us into who we are today and her memory will continue on in the lives of those who knew and loved her. Mom's most treasured days were filled with gardening, picking wild berries, knitting and playing several musical instruments. She enjoyed harmonizing and yodelling with her brother Bobby and was an avid horseback rider in her younger years where she was raised in the Green Bush. Mother will be soaring with the eagles, keeping an eye on all of us. A graveside service was held on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at Coldwater Cemetery at 1 pm. Memorial donations may be made to the Angel Bus or the Gore Bay Rotary Club (Gore Bay Medical Centre) as expressions of sympathy and may be made through www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca.

DAVID JOSEPH FRANCIS LAVALLEE

June 5, 1965 - August 20, 2022



In loving memory of David Joseph Francis Lavallee, 57 years, who passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family at Health Sciences North on Saturday, August 20, 2022. He was met by his sons Curtis (predeceased in 2011) and John Michaels (predeceased in 2006), his father Vincent (predeceased), his father Vincent, in-laws Gabriel and Agnes Simon Mishibinjima and grandparents David Lavallee and Julia Osawabine and Norman Neshawa and Julia Trudeau. Survived by his wife and best friend of 40 years, Valerie (nee Simon). Proud and devoted father of David Jr. (Ashley) and Kaithlyn (Kyle). Much loved and fun Papa of Clohee, Alaya, Bentley, Elizabeth, Michael and Jaxson. Cherished brother of Sandra, Jackie (Darren), Mingo, Monica (Wayne), Mary Elizabeth (Chris), Lynette (Aaron), Valentina, Eddie (Candy) and Sonja. Brother-in-law of Godfrey Shawanda (Virginia), Philip Roy (Sandy) (both predeceased), Rozina Lavallee (Joseph predeceased), Eugene Simon (predeceased), Howard Simon, Francis Simon (predeceased)(Laurie-Anne), Malcom Simon, Mary (Edward (predeceased), Diane (Robert Holmes) and Terry Bennett. He will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends. Godson of Clara Trudeau and Raymond Peltier (predeceased). Godfather of Sonny Wemigwans, Christopher Jackson, Jolene Pitawanikwat (predeceased), Vanessa Lavallee and Gabriel Trudeau. David was born on June 5, 1965 in Little Current and was raised by his grandmother Julia Osawabine (Lavallee) Wemigwans. He worked for 36 years as a butcher. He began at Mastin's, his boss was Renee Mastin. He then moved onto Freshmart, his boss was Wayne Skippen and at Andy's Grocery Store, his boss was Andrew Manitowabi. These three men taught David the best customer service qualities. To all of the customers in his career, he did not believe in "That's not my department." He retired from butchering in April 2020. He then started his career as a bus driver for the Wikwemikong Board of Education. He rode every bus route in the community, his final one being South Bay. He took great pride in greeting all the children each morning, wishing them a good day at school and after school he would wish them a goodnight and see you again tomorrow. He was known for his kindness, handing out treats to the children on holidays and at the end of the school year. He also worked at the Wikwemikong Junior School for the past two years to teach the children Anishnaabemowin, where he earned the name Mr. Dehbit. He enjoyed playing many sports and activities from being a defense player for the South Bay Rockies, a fielder for Kickadonkey's, short stop fast ball player for Giants, and also broom ball, sponge puck, golf, pool and fishing. He bestowed good sportsmanship to all the kids he was coaching over the years with the Wikwemikong Hawks, from novice to peewee. Also, for the softball team he put together with his children and their friends to form the team Thunders. His grandmother Julia and his father Vincent instilled in him the importance of volunteering. He was an avid fundraiser for Our Lady of Grace Church, Holy Cross Mission from bizarres to bingos, as well as with the South Bay Community Centre and finally with the Manitoulin Country Fest. He loved a good card game and games involving children, especially with his children and grandchildren. His grandchildren held a very special place in his heart. He knew his role as Papa involved only love and fun and he took this gift very seriously. The community will miss David's daily morning and evening side-by-side routine visits and his "soup of the day" with the Kitchikeg Girls. Also, his visits with his Uncle Willie and Aunt Evelyn, where he would drop off his catch of the day. Family and friends gathered at 30 Lavallee Street on Monday, August 22, 2022 after 2 pm and on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at Our Lady of Grace Church after 11 am. Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, August 24, 2022 at 11 am at the Holy Cross Mission Church in Wikwemikong. Cremation followed at the Park Lawn Crematorium with burial at a later date alongside his son Curtis.

Celebration of Life

JOYCE HILL

A Celebration of Life in memory of Joyce Hill, deceased July 27, 2022, will be held at the Northbury Hotel, 50 Brady Street in Sudbury on Saturday, September 24, 2022 from 2 pm to 5 pm.

WILLIAM DOFF

There will be a Celebration of Life for William Doff on Sunday, September 18, 2022 from 2 pm to 6 pm at 8930 Highway 542 West (old Missionary Church), Spring Bay. Donations to Pet Save will be accepted.

ERNEST LEO BOBO

Ernest Leo Bobo (43 year employee with Dominion Bridge), passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at Chartwell Aurora at age 92. Beloved husband of 24 years to Sheila (nee Keys). Loving father of Linda (Roger), Kelly (Jeff) and the late Dwayne. Grandpa will be lovingly remembered by Amee, Jennifer, Christopher, Matthew, Kirstin, Kaitlin and great-grandchildren Kayden, Amara and Christopher Jr. Predeceased by his sister Tina. A private family service was held. Inurnment will be held at a later date on Manitoulin Island. Online tributes may be left at <http://www.marshallfuneralhome.com>.

MAXWELL (MAX) BAXTER 1932 - 2022



With much sadness, we announce the passing of Max Baxter on Sunday, September 4, 2022. Son of the late Thomas and Joanna Baxter. Predeceased by Henry (late Maxine), Erling (late Margena), Helen Wilson (late Burton), Florence Blackburn (late Lloyd), Hugh (Grace), Melvin and Jimmy. Max is survived by many nieces and nephews. A graveside service was held in Hilly Grove Cemetery, Assiginack Township, Manitoulin Island, on Friday, September 9, 2022 at 11:30 am with Rev. June McDougall officiating. Memorial donations may be made in Max's honour to the Wikwemikong Nursing Home. Cheques may be mailed to P.O. Box 114, Wiikwemkoong, Ontario P0P 2J0 or visit <https://www.honouringoureldeers.ca/ways-to-give/>. A very special thank you to the residents of Manitowaning for welcoming Max into your community after the passing of his mother. You are all very special people. To the staff of the Wikwemikong Nursing Home, Max considered all of you his friends and family. He chose your residence because he admired your love, respect and compassion for your elders. You surpassed his expectations. Miigwetch! Also, a special thank you to Jim Holt (Max's roommate) and Brian Sprack for showing Max the value of true friendship. Rest in Peace Max. "You truly became your own boss." Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.ca.

NANCY LOUISE BOYNE

Sunrise April 29, 1942 - Sunset September 7, 2022



Nancy passed away at the Espanola Regional Hospital with loving family by her side. Devoted mother of Tracy Tooley (husband Clint). Cherished grandmother Nookomis to Fielding—the "apple of her eye." Born in Espanola to Vera Callaghan (nee Bateman) and John Gilmour, stepdaughter of James "Jim" Callaghan (all predeceased). Loving sister to Helen Aelick of Hanmer (Cliff predeceased), Graham Gilmour (Jane) of Font Hill, Bryan Gilmour (Joan) (both predeceased). Special sister-in-law to Jim Brown of Calgary. Godmother to Lena Jacko of Manitouwadge. Will be missed by many extended family and friends. Special thank you to Tania, Sara and Lori at VON for their support, as well as Sharon at the Espanola Regional Hospital. She spoke so highly of you all. She was a strong-willed woman who would think of others before her needs. She enjoyed sharing long distance calls of funny stories with her sister Helen. We were so blessed by her love. She was an outstanding Mom and role model in her compassionate and feisty (aka bull-headed) ways. Anything she put her mind to she excelled with ease. Health care, seamstress (in which she also taught students at Cambrian College), carpenter to knitting. She would take on upholstery projects, repair frozen pipes in the winter and the list goes on and on. (PS: if you are in need of wool please contact me; there is enough to go around). She held many positions in her career from health care aide, janitor, matron guard, to taxi driver. Proud member of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, descendant of Chief George Abotossaway. Bestowed with the Anishnawbe name of Waabshki N'biish Mishkikii Kwe (White Water Medicine woman) of the Sturgeon Clan. Cremation has taken place and a Celebration of Life will be held at the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Band Office Community Centre on Thursday, September 15, 2022 from 2-4 pm and 7-9 pm. Internment at the Mountainview Cemetery on Friday, September 16, 2022 at 11 am. If so desired, donations may be made in her memory directly to Manitoulin Pet Rescue. Arrangements have been entrusted with Ranger's Cremation and Burial Services Ltd. Online condolences can be posted at www.Rangerssudbury.com.

With one week under our belts, Mustangs old and new are already getting settled into the school year. Manitoulin Secondary School is preparing for a great semester ahead as class schedules and events return to normal.

MSS kicked off the new school year with its first annual "Rookie Week." Students participated in an assortment of events including face painting, where students had the opportunity to show their school spirit with gold body glitter on Tuesday, September 6. There was also a variety of minute-to-win-it games including plate towers, cup stacking and "Face The Cookie," a game where students attempted to get a cookie from their forehead to their mouth without using their hands. Finally, on Thursday, September 8, Wilson-Zegil! students were invited to participate in karaoke in the cafeteria and were able to perform in front of everyone over lunch break. These first week events were missed over the past few years and we are glad that they are back!

The athletes of MSS are already jumping right back into extracurricular sports! Some teams starting tryouts include: cross country, golf, girls' basketball and boys' volleyball. We are also pleased to announce that our school will be hosting NSSSA (North Shore Secondary

M.S.S. Kids in the Halls

Alexandra Wilson-Zegil

School Athletic) golf and cross country tournaments. Dates for these tournaments will be announced soon!

Speaking of extracurricular activities, many clubs

have already started having meetings! The SHARE/Go Green club had their first meeting at lunch on Wednesday, September 7 where they brainstormed some ideas for the upcoming school year. SHARE/Go Green meets every Wednesday and they are always happy to welcome new members. Along with this, the Robotics Team, also known as Manitoulin Metal, returned to their weekly meetings on Thursday, September 8 at lunch. Students are welcome to check out the robots and join in on the meetings to see what Manitoulin Metal is all about.

Say cheese! Monday, September 12 was picture day. All day stu-

dents plastered on their best smiles for the camera. Getting pictures taken came at no expense to the student and families can order prints after picture proofs are sent out.

The cafeteria was closed for three days in the past two weeks. As an alternative, many clubs hosted fundraiser meals. On Friday, September 9 the MSS Musical group hosted a hot dog barbecue, there were also free freezies being handed out to students. The following Monday, Sep-

tember 12 the Athletics Association served burgers and on Wednesday, Septem-

ber 13 Manitoulin Metal had soup and chili up for sale.

That's all for now, see you next week!

Go, Mustangs, go!



Introducing our new Kid in the Hall, Alexandra Wilson-Zegil!

thank you

Thank you to everyone who supported us from August 14th and thank you for your continued support. We really appreciate it. David Lavallee family

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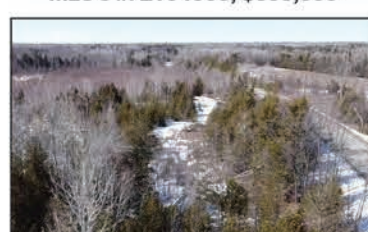
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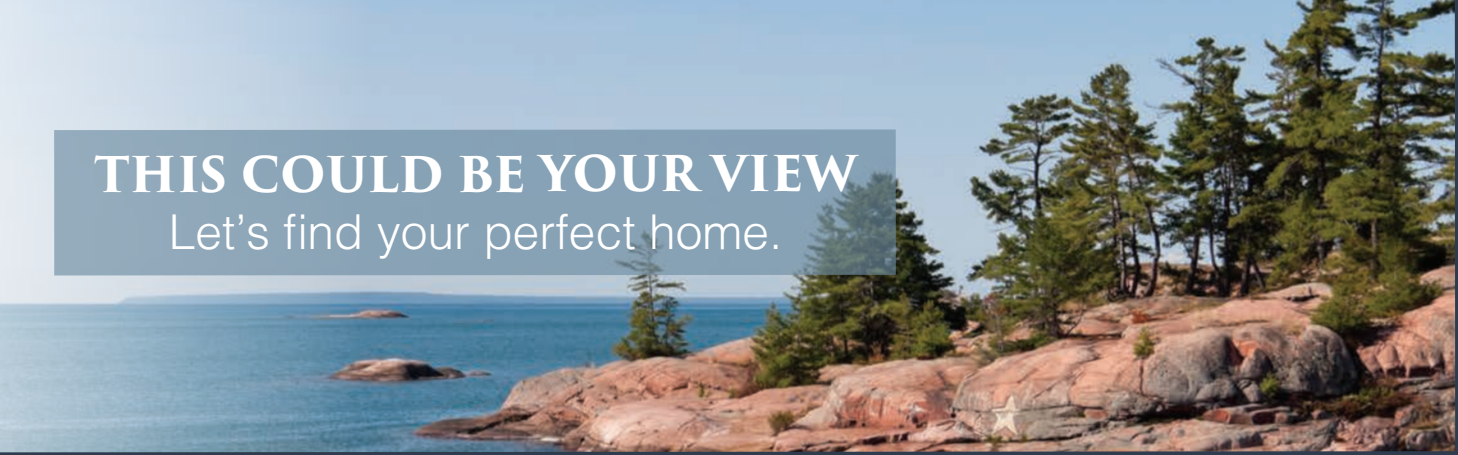


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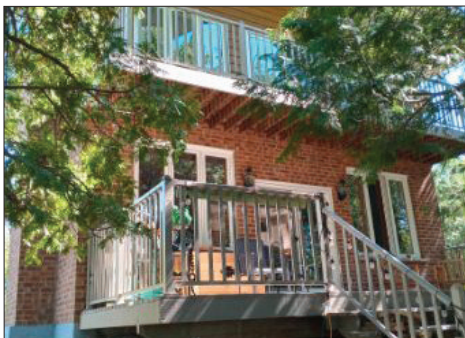


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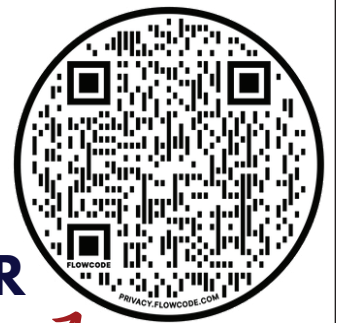
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