

First National Day for Truth and Reconciliation this Thursday, September 30
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Graphic on the right represents the Covenant Chain representing the 1764 Treaty of Niagara

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Truth

Island Indigenous leaders speak their truth on what truth means today

by Michael Erskine
 MANITOULIN—Truth must be established for all parties before reconciliation can truly begin. The United Nations defines genocide by listing five acts that were intended to destroy a national, ethnic, racial or religious group. Those acts include killing or harming its members, deliberately subjecting the group to living conditions that will bring about its destruction, preventing births and forcibly transferring children out of the group. The plain unvarnished truth is that Canada is guilty of all of those acts.

Aundeck Omni Kaning Chief Patsy Corbiere describes herself as someone who can walk in both worlds, but when it comes to defining the truth in relation to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, only one side of the national equation truly accepts and believes the truth.

"We as Indigenous people have always known or suspected the truth of what happened in the residential school system," she said. "But even among our own people, there are those who had their doubts, or didn't want to believe the truth."

Chief Corbiere spoke with The Expositor just after addressing store owners in the Loblaws family of grocery stores about what Truth and Reconciliation Day means.

"The truth is what actually happened," she said. "People need to know and understand the truth of what happened."

When the discovery of hundreds of unmarked children's graves on the grounds of a former residential school first hit the national and international media, people were forced to confront a truth that, despite the best efforts of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, had remained large-

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Decorated yet for Harvest Glory Days? See Page 21



Memorializing Every Child Matters—Rev. Whitney Bruno and her daughter Selena Bruno with the memorial display representing the dozens of pairs of children's shoes that have sat on the Little Current United Church's front steps since the spring in recognition of the "Every Child Matters" movement. The memorial display was dedicated at the Sunday, September 26 church service. The shoes that have been on display will be gently dried and any that can be used will be made available for people needing shoe at no charge. See story on Page 18.

photo by Expositor staff

Billings supports objections expressed by Northeast Town to alter swing bridge schedule

by Tom Sasvari
 KAGAWONG—Billings council has unanimously voted to oppose a resolution supporting the swing bridge opening being extended to every two hours instead of the current hourly swing.

"Councillor (Bryan) Barker and I were at the recent Manitoulin Municipal Association (MMA) meeting in which this was discussed among all the municipalities," said Mayor Ian Anderson, at a council meeting last week. He pointed out the MMA had passed a motion for every council to consider the bridge opening being changed to every two hours. Councillor Barker said, "I'm thinking that even with the MMA recommendation, and a story that was in The Manitoulin Expositor last week that NEMI is not supportive of the move (to have the bridge open every two hours) after hearing overwhelmingly from boating and their business-people that we shouldn't support

this either."

As was reported in The Expositor "The Northeast Town council has weighed in on the debate of having the bridge swing at two-hour intervals instead of one-hour during the busy summer months. Council for the municipi-

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Reconciliation

Reconciliation means acknowledging the past, education and establishing healthy relationships

by Lori Thompson, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter
 MANITOULIN—September 30, 2021 marks the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. It is a day to acknowledge and consider the trauma and ongoing impacts of residential schools and their effects on families and communities as part of the reconciliation process, but what does reconciliation mean?

"September 30 is all about recognizing our past history and then asking, 'where do we go from here?'" said Jeannette Corbiere Lavell of Manitowaning. "Because no matter what, we are still occupying this land, this space as Indigenous and non-Indigenous people. I would think the first step is to look at the truth, because truth and reconciliation go together."

Born in Wiikwemkoong, Ms. Corbiere Lavell has been an educator and a lifelong advocate for the rights of Indigenous women. She has sat on many committees and boards, was a founding member of the Ontario Native Women's Association, has received many honorary degrees and in 2020, was an Inspire Lifetime Achievement Award recipient.

"What I want to stress is that we need to know the facts, need to know what happened in the early stages of our contact, to know what was behind legislation like the Indian Act and we need to know about residential schools," she said. She's glad the unmarked graves have been exposed, "because people wouldn't believe it if the physical evidence wasn't there."

It's a good place to start, with the culture of assimilation and genocide, Ms. Corbiere Lavell said. "If we recognize that then we can move forward. How do we do this? It will be up to us as Indigenous people and

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Manitoulin East Airport manager encouraging flying club and lessons

by Michael Erskine
 MANITOULIN—If you have ever gazed with envy at birds soaring high overhead and wished you could see the Island from their vantagepoint, or just would like to learn the basics of flying an airport, you might soon be in luck. Manitoulin East Municipal Airport manager Andy Atchison will be holding a meeting at the airport looking to gauge interest in starting up a flying club at this end of the Island. Mr. Atchison said that he'd been thinking about the idea for some time and the

success of the flying club at the Gore Bay airport has encouraged him to test the waters.

"I think there are enough interested people on Manitoulin for both clubs to be successful," he said. "Currently we don't have anything here, I think it would be advantageous to have one here. It would be good for everyone. It would bring a lot more activity here at the airport."

There has been a decline in young people taking up flying in recent years, an ongoing concern

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Citytv to air Weengushk film on Thursday, September 30

M'CHIGEENG—Weengushk Film Institute (WFI) is excited to announce the release of a new documentary entitled 'Runs Through Their Blood: A Life Impacted.'

The film explores the intergenerational effects of the residential school system. Following the discovery of the first 215 children's graves found in Kamloops, BC in June of this year, students from WFI were inspired to document the impact of the residential schools on Indigenous people and their communities. The film has been made to educate the world through these untold stories and the history from the perspective of the people it affected.

The film is a collaboration created entirely by WFI

students, and the first student film that is being shown on television. Writer and director Helen Pyette is an emerging media artist from M'Chigeeng with experience in make-up, photography, editing and music, and currently a graduate of WFI's Lab 1: Film Production Program. "Never give up, you will succeed, all you need is to believe in yourself," she says on following through with making a film from an idea.

Producer and writer Angela Kijadjiwan is an Anishinaabe emerging media artist with a passion for the written word and music. The film was also written and edited by high school student and WFI

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KENJGEWIN TEG



Kenjgewin Teg Honours National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

Every September 30th we are encouraged to wear an orange shirt. After failing in the Senate in 2019, the federal government received Royal Assent on Bill C-5 to mark September 30th as the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. A federally recognized day for the country to listen, reflect, and learn of residential schools that have affected Indigenous peoples for generations.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

An event took place in May of 2013 to gather survivors of the residential school in the Caribou Region (Orange Shirt Society, n.d.A). From this event, the spokesperson for the reunion, Phyllis (Jack) Webstad, spoke her truth and experience of the residential school.

Webstad described the pride she had wearing her new orange shirt to the first day of the Mission School to only have it stripped off her and never to have seen it or wear it again (Orange Shirt Society, n.d.A). Webstad describes the feelings of “worthlessness and insignificance,” with no one there to care or to help (Orange Shirt Society, n.d.B, para. 4). Webstad’s story and the organized event influenced the annual legacy of a day to reflect for all people (Orange Shirt Society, n.d.A).

It was decided moving forward that September 30th would represent Orange Shirt Day to honour the experiences, feelings, stories, and those who did not come home (Orange Shirt Society, n.d.A).

Source and more information can be found at <https://www.orangeshirtday.org/phyllis-story.html>



How Kenjgewin Teg Commits to the Calls to Action with Kenjgewin Teg’s Philosophy of Anishinabek Education

At Kenjgewin Teg, we believe that learning is a lifelong process. Our educational approach reflects our Anishinabek worldview (beliefs and values in learning, purpose of learning); it plays a tremendous role in igniting a path toward finding Bmaadziwin (living a good life with Creator) for our students, for community, and Anishinabek Nation. This means that our purpose in education is to continuously strive to nurture confident, conscious, curious, and committed learners who are culturally grounded in personal identity - and who will become active participants engaged in their own learning and life; learners and community members will live with high aspirations in becoming a good citizen, a good human being, while on Mother Earth.

At Kenjgewin Teg, we believe emotional, spiritual, intellectual, and physical learning is critical within the formal and informal educational and learning experience for each and every student and guest we interact with - as identity and culture cannot be separated from one’s learning experiences; however, this philosophy is often much more challenging to implement than just simply asserting. Within this environment of challenge and change, we continue to strive in providing a balanced learning experience that will nourish the “whole person” – and it is what we believe will ultimately help make our students and community members realize their limitless potential. We strongly believe that Anishinabek cultural inclusiveness in informal and formal learning will become preferred choices of the future within the right environments.

Lastly, at Kenjgewin Teg, learning must occur in an environment where respect is fostered amongst all within our lifelong learning community. Our goal is to ensure teachers, faculty members and our Traditional Knowledge Holders, Elders, Counsellors, Healers, and other facilitators are always student-centred; it is the consistency and genuine dedication of all members of the Kenjgewin Teg team, working together year after year to overcome challenges, with constant use of innovation of ideas and resources – that ensures Kenjgewin Teg evolves and grows.

Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action - Education for Reconciliation

In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission makes the following calls to action.

62. We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments, in consultation and collaboration with Survivors, Aboriginal peoples, and educators, to:

- Make age-appropriate curriculum on residential schools, Treaties, and Aboriginal peoples’ historical and contemporary contributions to Canada a mandatory education requirement for Kindergarten to Grade Twelve students.
- Provide the necessary funding to post-secondary institutions to educate teachers on how to integrate Indigenous knowledge and teaching methods into classrooms.
- Provide the necessary funding to Aboriginal schools to utilize Indigenous knowledge and teaching methods in classrooms.
- Establish senior-level positions in government at the assistant deputy minister level or higher dedicated to Aboriginal content in education.

63. We call upon the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to maintain an annual commitment to Aboriginal education issues, including:

- Developing and implementing Kindergarten to Grade Twelve curriculum and learning resources on Aboriginal peoples in Canadian history, and the history and legacy of residential schools.
- Sharing information and best practices on teaching curriculum related to residential schools and Aboriginal history.
- Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect.
- Identifying teacher-training needs relating to the above.

64. We call upon all levels of government that provide public funds to denominational schools to require such schools to provide an education on comparative religious studies, which must include a segment on Aboriginal spiritual beliefs and practices developed in collaboration with Aboriginal Elders.

65. We call upon the federal government, through the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, and in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, post-secondary institutions and educators, and the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation and its partner institutions, to establish a national research program with multi-year funding to advance understanding of reconciliation.

How Kenjgewin Teg Honours the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – September 30th

The Canadian Government recently passed legislation to designate September 30th as a federal statutory holiday and named it the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Kenjgewin Teg will recognize and adhere to this federal statutory holiday and all operations (programs, services, and classes) will be closed. In recognition of this day and to honour what this day signifies, Kenjgewin Teg will be hosting its own private professional development opportunity for students, faculty, and staff members only. Due to current pandemic protocols, we regret and apologize that this event is not open to the public and communities.



How are You going to Honour the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation?

Wear your favourite Orange Shirt on this day and share your photo with us:

· Facebook: @KenjgewinTegEducation · Twitter: @kenjgewinteg · Instagram: #kenjgewinteg

The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Shelba Deer spoke at the start of the Gaagigewang Ziibing Dibaaajimowinan Kagawong River Stories performance, joined by youth actors in the production.

photo by Tom Sasvari

West End businesses do their part to raise awareness, funds for Truth and Reconciliation

by Tom Sasvari

WESTERN MANITOULIN—Two Western Manitoulin businesses, My OI' Blues in Gore Bay and Bare Naked Beauty in Kagawong, are doing their part to help those who have lost loved ones and to keep awareness alive of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action.

Kathy Antonio, owner of My OI' Blues told The Expositor recently, "I keep in touch with Maggie Cywink (of Birch Island), whose sister was Sonya Nadine Cywink who was a schoolmate of mine. I went to grade school and high school with Nadine. I hadn't kept in touch with her for many years. I knew she had passed on, but didn't know what had happened to her."

Earlier this summer the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) reported that the family of Sonya Cywink, a homicide victim, is offering \$10,000 to an existing \$50,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible.

August 30 of this year marked 27 years since the discovery of Sonya Cywink's body at the

Southwold Earthworks National Historic Site of Canada, located near Iona, in Elgin County, Ontario. As was reported previously in The Expositor, she was last seen alive in London near the intersection of Dundas Street and Lyle Street at about 2 am on August 26, 1994.

Sonya Nadine Cywink was originally from the Whitefish River First Nation. At the time of her death she was living in the east end of London, Ontario, police say.

"It wasn't until I heard about the 20th anniversary of Sonya's death that I contacted Maggie and asked her if there was anything I could do," said Ms. Antonio. "I found out that Maggie initiated and helps to organize gatherings for families in the North that have gone through similar circumstances come to terms with the loss of loved ones and are dealing with grief; and help them come to terms and move forward. Maggie started these gatherings in Whitefish River, and they have been held in Quebec and other places like

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Elemental Festival an artistic treat for the senses

by Tom Sasvari

KAGAWONG—Great music, a fantastic outdoor theatre production, a chance to explore and participate in eco-arts and much more was all on the bill at the 4elements Living Arts Festival held this past weekend in Kagawong.

"What a wonderful way to start the weekend," stated Susan Snelling, of 4e, at the opening of the celebrations which featured the M'Chigeeng Lady Drums presenting two songs including 'Welcome to the Day.'

Carol Hughes, MP for Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing was on hand for the opening and said, "thank you for very much for your kind invitation to this event. I would first like to acknowledge the drum group making sure the day will go well and hopefully the rain will hold off."

"I'm very happy to be here today for this special occasion, as it is a great opportunity to showcase artists and culture in the area," said MP Hughes. "I heard artist Chantal Rousseau on CBC Radio the other day and I'm looking forward to seeing her artwork

(in the 4e mobile art studio)."

Veronica Johnny then presented a very interesting and interactive eco-art workshop with song, drum and teachings. "We're all artists," she stated to the participants gathered around her.

"I am so grateful to be here on this land on Manitoulin Island and to be a guest here," said Ms. Johnny. "We are so lucky to have nature, water and the land that we have on Manitoulin."

Ms. Johnny also sang as part of her workshop and had everyone take a photograph of something natural that they can take with them and can draw. "Each of you own the prescription for what you need," she said. "Each of us are in charge of our own healing. And when I draw or create it helps in my healing," she said in performing the song 'Healing Journey.'

Fellow musician Steafan Hanningan, who played the role of master of ceremonies, hit the nail right on the head when he said the band Medusa, "is a group of incredibly talented musicians."

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Oakville Energy requests lease extension for hydro generating station in Kagawong

by Tom Sasvari

KAGAWONG—The Oakville Energy Corporation (OEC) has requested a lease extension for its hydro generating station in Billings Township. This would allow OEC to recoup significant costs it is proposing to invest in the plant over the next 10 years and to earn a reasonable profit over a longer period of time. OEC Generation Vice-President Patrick Gillette and Bill Touzel, an independent advisor for OEC, presented their proposal at a Billings Township special council meeting held on September 15. A lease extension beyond the current 2030 expiry date would benefit Billings by saving the township money and risk and would result in a more efficient power plant, said OEC.

The original lease for the power plant was between Kagawong Power and Billings Township and began in 1987. OEC acquired the right to operate the Kagawong generating station from a third party in 2013. The current lease, unless extended, will expire December 31, 2029.

"This is a request from Oakville Energy to extend their current lease. No decision will be made by council tonight," Billings Mayor Ian Anderson told attendees. "There will be a discussion and a decision will be made at a later date."

"For us to rationalize the type of investment we are looking at to

make improvements to equipment at the power station that will provide efficiencies, for us to rationalize this investment we need more time," said Mr. Gillette.

He has worked in the electricity sector for the past 25 years and joined OEC a few years ago. At that time, he said, "The Kagawong power plant was in the second stage of a forced outage. We had a serious problem and were just lucky the breakdown occurred in the winter, not spring."

Mr. Touzel has been involved with renewable water sources for the past 32 years. He explained

that OEC has the right to operate the generating station owned by Billings in return for a royalty-type lease payment of 23.5 percent of revenue. "This is a slightly unusual arrangement," he said.

The current lease specifies that OEC bears all the risk associated with operating costs including responsibility for all maintenance and repairs necessary for the operation of the generating station during the term of the lease. "Billings has a good arrangement," said Mr. Touzel. "We're not negotiating a change of the agree-

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Chemotherapy services at Mindemoya Hospital to be disrupted due to renovation expansion project

by Tom Sasvari

MINDEMOYA—The renovations and expansion of the Mindemoya Hospital emergency department are in full swing, and with it comes some possible disruptions in service.

Those attending the Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) in Mindemoya will see significant changes already, said Paula Fields, co-chief executive officer (CEO) of the MHC, in a release September 22. "These include a great deal of construction vehicles in and around the site and perhaps some delay in traffic in the area. We ask



Work is continuing on the Mindemoya Hospital emergency department renovation expansion project.

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Wiikwemkoong entrepreneur makes finals of Pow Wow Pitch

by Tom Sasvari

TORONTO—An Indigenous entrepreneur from Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory who is the chief executive officer (CEO) of Staff Shop Incorporated has been selected as one of four individuals from Ontario who have qualified for the finals of the Pow Wow Pitch, North America's premier pitch competition for emerging Indigenous entrepreneurs.

On September 22, Jennifer Menard-Shand joined Steven Vanloffeld, CEO of eSupply Canada Ltd., Tiana Byrnes, owner of Twin Equipment and Tool Rentals, and Keri Gray, owner of Shades of Gray Indigenous Pet Treats (the latter was also named as the Ontario winner in the semi-final competition and received a prize of \$500), who have advanced to the finals for a chance to win \$25,000 to take their businesses to the next level.

"Yes, we are going on to the finals," Ms. Menard-Shand told The Expositor late last week. "We have been chosen as one of the



Jennifer Menard-Shand

four finalists from Ontario who have advanced to the finals."

This summer, 1,642 Indigenous entrepreneurs from across Turtle Island (Canada, the United States and Mexico) submitted one-minute video pitches of their businesses to win funds and support.

In August, Pow Wow Pitch announced the semi-finalists and paired them with mentors to refine their business pitches in preparation for their presentation to the judges.

On September 22, 24 Indigenous entrepreneurs from Ontario pitched to a panel of judges, including RBC senior manager Tamer Gabbour; Shopify managing director, Canada, Ian Black; CIRA senior brand and communications manager Spencer Callaghan; Invest Ottawa Starter Plus Company mentor Hazel Harrison, and Canada Post director of parcels and eCommerce Luke Misczyk.

Jennifer Menard-Shand is the Wiikwemkoong CEO of Staff Shop Inc. Staff Shop supports Canadian, USA and Caribbean clients with hospitality, light industrial, retail, clerical, IT, finance, events, security, and executive search staffing solutions; payroll services; management and event planning services; business resources; a supply shop and affiliate services.

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editorial

Reconciliation takes the engagement of both parties to work

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission began its work in 2008 and took in thousands of submissions before finally being dissolved in 2015, but six years on, work on the 94 recommendations that were issued by the TRC has barely even begun.

While numerous workshops, conferences, healing circles and conventions have been spawned by government (and even corporate) response to the concept of truth and reconciliation, the vast bulk of those attending Island events have been of decidedly darker complexion—with one or two white faces of the usual suspects spotted in the room, quite often one of those faces belonging to an Expositor reporter.

Admittedly, the thrust of most of those truth and reconciliation events has been on healing and the relaying of the truth of Indigenous experiences by survivors within their own communities, but until those truths are shared within the wider non-Indigenous community, and that wider community across our nation engages with those truths, reconciliation will remain an elusive goal.

There have been great strides made toward making those inroads into the national consciousness, the upcoming inaugural National Day of Truth and Reconciliation holiday comes as an example of a step forward. But one day a year does not a reconciliation make and, as referenced within this paper by Craig Abotossaway, could too easily slip into tokenism without concrete and concerted efforts being

made to prevent that from happening.

It behooves our citizenry to make those efforts, especially here in the North, where our two solitudes are closer entwined than in most of the rest of the nation. Unlike most urban centres in the south, we are friends and neighbours whose lives and livelihoods depend on each other to a great degree. Research that underpinned the Northern Ontario Action Plan noted that 25 percent of the labour force in Northern Ontario will come from Indigenous communities and highlighted the disparities of the provincial and federal education systems.

It is easy to forget how far we have come as a society while we gaze toward how far we still need to go, and that progress has been substantial, but we cannot sit on any perceived laurels. There remains too large a chasm to successfully bridge between the understandings of truth between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities in order to reach the road to true reconciliation.

It is long past time for the non-Indigenous community to roll up its sleeves, open its eyes (and ears) to a difficult truth and discover the truth for themselves. Then we can all come together in a true spirit of reconciliation that transcends the collective amnesia of the news cycle and any danger of slipping into tokenism. That day will be a signal signpost on the road to a more just and civil society for all of us.

letters

When will the COVID-19 pandemic end?

It could take several years, so reader will continue to mask up and follow protocols

To the Expositor:

So here we are, many months into the COVID-19 pandemic with varying degrees of spikes across the country, including tremendous case increases in Alberta and Saskatchewan, which are bringing those province's hospitals to the brink of collapse with Alberta calling for federal assistance in the form of the Canadian military and Red Cross.

Across our country various provinces are trying to bring in, or bring back, in some cases, different policies and mandates to continue to combat COVID-19, including mandatory masking in public, vaccination incentives, vaccination passports etc., etc. At the same time, as we continually see COVID-19 outbreaks reoccur and reoccur, you continue to hear Canadians talk about and discuss things that will happen "after COVID," but many others, myself included, wonder "will COVID end?" or maybe more understandably put, "how can COVID end?"

"How can COVID end?" or "why will COVID not end?" Across our country the reasons for these questions are very obvious. To be very blunt but very factual, they can be summed up in one sentence: COVID deniers, anti-vaxxers and anti-maskers. And where and why this group can be the most dangerous is when they are ignored by government and let to run rampant. We have seen so many examples of this just recently with this group of individuals protesting en masse in front of hospitals and even inside schools. Huge numbers of them—not vaccinated, not masked and not social distanced. These are COVID super-spreader events and all these individuals are going back to their families and friends after their participation! It is pure insanity yet they faced no consequences for their actions and so far only the Quebec government has made these protests illegal in hospital and school zones.

In the recent federal election, many times we saw alt-right figures like Max Bernier and Derek Sloan at mass PPC rallies. Again, huge

numbers not vaccinated, not masked and not social distanced and again, no consequences and this is a sanctioned Canadian political party being allowed to run in a federal election with absolutely no public health protocols in place and once again, all returning to family and friends after the rallies. Many of these rallies took place in Alberta, so you can come to your own conclusion, but this certainly seemed pretty inappropriate in a province where hospitals' ICUs are maxed out with COVID patients and the military and Red Cross are being brought in to assist.

So here we are, in the cycle of COVID. So how long will the cycle last? Good question! As long as we have a relatively high percentage of COVID deniers, anti-vaxxers and anti-maskers spreading COVID among themselves and to other vulnerable citizens, the COVID cycle will continue and the harsh reality is COVID will continue to be evident in one way or another until either the majority of deniers, anti-vaxxers and anti-maskers are either dead or became so sick, it scared them enough to take precautions or the government finally gets so fed up that vaccinations are mandated by law for every citizen, with only certain valid medical exceptions allowed. It could take many years for this scenario to play out so personally, I intend to continue to mask-up, take booster vaccinations when recommended by Health Canada and my family doc and will definitely stay away from crowds! More time out in the bush for me, on the land, with the critters where things make sense and where a human being is safe from ignorant, arrogant, people who don't give a damn about their fellow human beings!

Thank you,

Greg Young
Wiikwemkoong

Regular Island visitor sees little issue with bridge opening times

"If it ain't broke why fix it?"

To the Expositor:

So, the Little Current swing bridge debate has started up again. The debate being whether or not to change from an hourly opening to every two hours. Of course the actual total volumes of both boat traffic and vehicular traffic will remain just about the same. A two hour opening for boat traffic may cause an extended bottling up of vehicular traffic as the volume of boats being roughly twice as many boats that would have waited for the one hour opening now could take about twice as long to pass.

Having visited the beautiful Island of Manitoulin and community for over 50 years I cannot really see an issue of the current practice. Of course there can be times of exceptional traffic volumes that can cause the odd extended hold up but I have never experienced that happening.

Of course there is the cost/benefit arguments for a larger bridge or even a tunnel. Both would be extremely costly beyond all reason and are fraught with some technical challenges, too.

When it comes to travel, logic rarely enters the discussion. We hear of Islanders making a Costco trip to Sudbury of all places. I often wonder why. My observation is that you can buy anything on the Island that you can buy at Costco and often at a better price and without a 100 mile drive.

And you don't have to drive to Espanola anymore for a Tim Horton's fix—I guess it's a matter of taste over necessity. Of course most people understand the bridge schedule—except the odd poor soul who fails to factor in the Little Current bridge when they have a booking for the last run of the Chi-Cheemaun.

There is great merit in the iconic Little Current bridge. It can be a source of delight for the children to watch the boats pass followed by their mad dash back to the car before the bridge starts its swing for the roadway to open. It is also an opportunity to perhaps reset one's thoughts and reflections about an impending vacation and the visit to an enchanting piece of the world or the wonderful experiences and memories of a great the recent vacation, and the new and olds friends encountered.

So remember, "if it ain't broke why fix it?" No matter how much time is spent on interminable meetings, the Little Current bridge is what it is—an enduring emblem of many of the nice things that do exist in our troubled world.

Lionel Rudd
Sudbury

Reader commends the courage of new Island arrivals

A recommendation to read 'From Homestead to Community'

To the Expositor:

As I read Heather Marshall's beautiful piece on young couple Arthur Ross and Candice Irwin coming from the city lights to make or go of it here in the Island, I find it so interesting and take my hat off to them for their courage ('Newish to Manitoulin').

I just finished a must-read book by Paula Mallea about pioneer women settling here with husbands on the Island especially on the West End in the 1800s and beyond. These are true stories.

I always knew women were tougher than men and this book proves it, hands down. To see this cute couple was off the "grid" for a time, these pioneer women bless their hearts, never knew of such a word back in

the bush.

This new couple needs to read this book to really appreciate where they are now and how we are so far removed from the way it was for those unbelievably strong women.

I will buy this book to you if the desire to learn is there.

It's called 'From Homestead to Community' and is sold at The Expositor Office bookstore.

From,

Lyle Dewar
Providence Bay

Patricia Ann 'Ciann' Strickland

Ciann has always been a pathfinder, a navigator of new ideas, inspiring both lifelong learning and the sharing of her unique experiences with others. As a small child, she frequently moved, changing schools to accommodate her father's working life. Her subsequent training as a lab technician brought on new frontiers as did her marriage to John Strickland. John's geological work and high school teaching added more vistas, ranging from our Canadian north to Africa where Mt. Kilimanjaro's peak stimulated Ciann to add mountain climbing to her resume. Africa gave the whole family a unique experience that would add dimension, keen insight and a new humility gleaned while living among other peoples and sharing their lives.

Ciann's dad, Robert Johnathan Lawson, hailed from Northern Ireland. He was one of 10 children, nine boys and one girl. They lived in a thatched-roof hut with two rooms, one for sleeping and the other for living. His mother cooked their meals in the fireplace. "I never met my Irish grandparents, just some uncles in 1967 when we visited Ireland. We lived with one of dad's brothers in Toronto for six months. They had six children of their own."

"I was told my father's first job in Canada was railway pump-car driver for the construction division of the Foundation Company of Canada. After years of performing various roles that highlighted his skill with numbers, dad's Grade 6 education and his proficient self-taught math skills got him promoted to treasurer of the company."

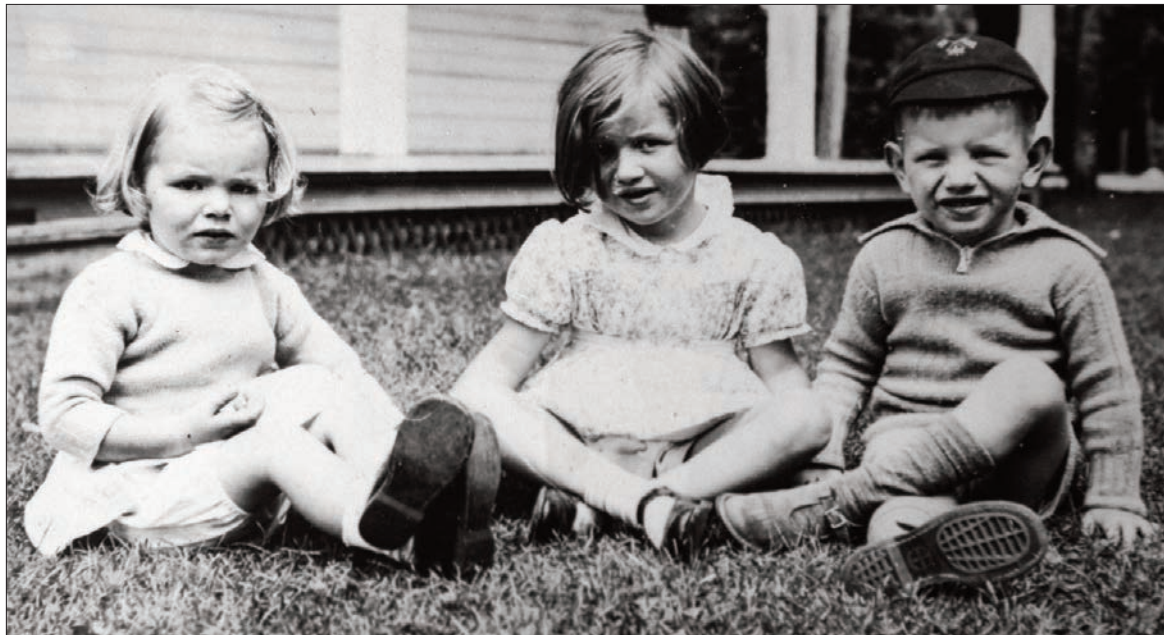
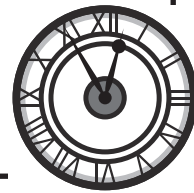
"My great-grandparents came to Canada. Grandmother Selma was a young girl when she and her parents arrived in an open boat. She later married Eric Bauman who was a lumberjack and an experienced log roller. He and his fellow log rollers remained upright while dancing on twisting logs heading down the Ottawa River. Grandfather Eric would ride his bike down Buckingham Hill (now part of the Town of Gatineau in Quebec, north of Ottawa) to the pulp and paper mill. At the end of the day, he would walk his bike back up the hill. Their daughter Esther, my mother, played hockey in Buckingham as a young girl, and she had an unusual habit. At eight, she would climb a big nearby tree, lie on a branch and spit at people passing by. Years later, she streamlined her inclinations and married our dad, Robert."

Patricia Ann, 'Ciann,' was a depression baby, born to Esther and Robert Lawson on July 17, 1933. Brother Robert arrived two years later. Today Robert Jr. is a mechanical engineer in Barrie. "We spent our first years with mother's parents in Buckingham. It was a big house that sheltered 12, three of us and nine uncles, aunts and grandparents. They had a huge garden, cows and chickens. I watched Grandmother cook donuts in the kitchen and milk cows in the barn while sitting on an upside-down basket. She also fed the chickens. We picked berries and helped with the chores."

"Grandmother had old fashioned ideas of what was proper. I remembered one time she covered my eyes with both of her hands when we were walking down the street. We crossed the road. It seems a pregnant lady had been approaching and she felt I shouldn't be looking at her. Our grandparents' big house had two living rooms, but one was only used when the minister visited. When we moved to Cornwall, we lived in a rooming house for six months. Dad was the now the paymaster for all Foundation Company of Canada jobs. Brother Bob was born during a two-year posting in St. John's, New Brunswick. By the time Ciann was old enough to go to



Now and Then
A Celebration of Life on Manitoulin
Mnaachtoong Maadsewin
By Petra Wall



A young Ciann, centre, with her cousin Brenda and brother Bob.

school, the family lived in a walk-up on Lincoln Ave in Montreal.

"I was pokey. I had to be helped to dress and eat breakfast before being pushed out the door. To show my independence, I would occasionally remove all my clothes on the porch and then dress myself. Later, when we moved across the street, our bigger apartment was all on one floor. Brother Bob and I slept on a Murphy bed that came down from the wall. A bat protocol was established. If one flew into the house, we were to hide under the bed and cover our hair with a net so the bat couldn't get caught in it. This protocol remained in place until the frightened creature was caught."

"We found a real family house on Radden Road, in the bauxite mining town of Arvida by the Saguenay River, north of Montreal. The company was building a dam there for the Aluminum Company of Canada. I remember lots of family visits, including one maternal uncle who was a top administrator at the Aluminum Company. When we moved to the Montreal head office for the Foundation Company, we lived on a fourth-floor apartment on Sherbrooke St. After a year, dad moved to Toronto at the company's request, and we would meet him at a cottage in Brighton from time to time."

The family moved to Leaside in Toronto in 1948. Ciann attended high school there, followed by two years at McDonald College, part of McGill University. "I came home in the summer and worked at Ronville Lodge in Huntsville. In 1952, I met John Strickland there. He was a student from Haileybury when he and two friends came into the tuck shop at the lodge. I had heard John was a party boy, so I surprised him with, 'You must be John Strickland.' We were an unlikely couple, like the stars of the movie 'Grease'."

"In September, John headed for geological research in Newfoundland, and I was going back to school to finish my on-the-job training for medical lab technician at Toronto East General Hospital. We corresponded by mail and when he came to Toronto, he took me to a dance at Casa Loma. I can still see myself in my lilac dress at this magnificent, iconic Toronto landmark. John's father was a lawyer and John's upbringing had been much different than mine."

After graduation, Ciann worked at the East General Hospital in Toronto and then at the Civic Hospital in North Bay. "Six of us lived in residence in North Bay." Local military establishments meant



Ciann and her brother Bob.



Ciann, then 16, as a bridesmaid for her cousin's wedding.

many young men were looking for dates on weekends. Ciann had a few fun dates, but her heart belonged to John. They exchanged letters for the next five years. "We saw each other occasionally." When Ciann knitted some Argyle socks for John and sent them to him in Newfoundland, his buddies declared, 'You better marry this woman.'

Ciann met John's sister and brother and their partners at the Granite Club in Toronto for Christmas 1956. "It was clear that they were used to a different world." Later, brother Jim and his wife accompanied us on a one-week canoe trip. Jim was a forester, his wife a biologist and John a future geologist. "Since I was not an outdoorsy person, my mother gave me a kaleidoscope to keep me occupied. The trip went well enough, but John's sister was the only person I really got close to going forward."

"I never felt I would be a permanent part of his life, but it all evolved." The couple married on September 7, 1957 at the Leaside United Church. "My father, who had been gassed during the First World War had died earlier in the spring. Grandfather gave me away." A week before the wedding, Ed, a young man Ciann had met at university, had called her and asked her not to marry. "When I saw him sitting at the back of the church, I was worried that he might get up and say something, but thankfully, he didn't, and the ceremony went well. Later Ed took photos at the reception. I heard he became a professor at McDonald College."

"The reception was held at mother's house. The meal was catered and ended with strawberry and walnut shaped ice cream. Nevertheless, all the men wound up in one room, watching football. The next day, a borrowed Volkswagen Beetle took us to New Brunswick. John's sister and her husband joined us in their own car. We lost them in Montreal, where the new Seaway was being built, but found them again later."

After four years, John had earned his geology degree from the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton. Daughter Kate had arrived. "John moved us to Northern Ontario where he continued his work in exploration with the Pickle Crow Uranium Mine. From my window, I could see local Native folk going by in canoes packed high with supplies. I was expecting our second baby, so I returned to Toronto to stay with mother, before the snow came. Shauna was born at a Toronto hospital."

John wanted to add a Bachelor of Education degree, to teach school, so it was back to the University of Fredericton. By 1962, John was teaching at Lennoxville High School in Quebec, near Sherbrooke. A year later, he settled the family in Port Cartier and taught there for two years. Third daughter Maureen was born.

The next stop, Morogoro, Tanzania, Africa would be life-changing for the family. John was hired to teach geography at a boy's boarding school. "Maureen was just 14 months old, and I felt a bit uncertain about uprooting her and her sisters to move to another continent and another culture. One morning after we settled into our abode, we heard, 'hodi, hodi.' John thought someone was calling a cat, but he found out 'hodi' means hello. 'Hodi' came from William, a 'house person' who facilitated all things and kept snakes away. He was promptly hired."

"We enjoyed seeing local animals in their own settings, but I also remember being chased by Masai warriors when I tried to take pictures of them. We quickly ran away but they rushed to cut us off. Thankfully, we escaped before they could throw those long spears."

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...businesses do their part to raise awareness, funds for Truth and Reconciliation

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Edmonton.”

“And with the release of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, which made this more of a national issue; and with the discovery of the 215 residential school victims in Kamloops, British Columbia, which everyone had basically known had taken place for years, I wanted to raise awareness concerning the residential school victims and the Calls to Action, particularly number 41 (which calls upon the federal government, in consultation with Indigenous organizations, to appoint a public inquiry into the causes of and remedies for, the disproportionate victimization of Indigenous women and girls). The inquiry’s mandate would include investigation into missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls; and links to the intergenerational legacy of residential school,” said Ms. Antonio.

“First and most importantly, I wanted to create awareness, and I have a written message on a table at the front of the store entrance explaining why we have created small orange t-shirts that are on hand that



To help create awareness of residential school victims, and the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, My Ol' Blues in Gore Bay has been creating small orange shirts that visitors to the store can pick up or make a donation toward.

people can make a donation towards, if they want to, and these funds go to help Maggie and the gatherings she holds for families,” said Ms. Antonio. “This will continue on an ongoing basis to create awareness and open up conversation on the issues.”

Ms. Antonio also provides products like fabrics for quilting to be done at the family



Louis Couillard, of Bare Naked Beauty in Kagawong, helped teach customers at its booth at the recent Young Street Festival how to make unique bath bombs with the orange colour to symbolize that Every Child Matters.

gatherings if this is one of the activities to take place, or bags that participants can use, or other products that she will create specifically for the gatherings.

“And with the funds we raise I know exactly where the funds are going, and I can help out in a grassroots way,” said Ms. Antonio. “I’ve worked directly with Maggie for about five years now.”

Bare Naked Beauty, owned by Suzie Harrison and Louis Couillard, had a booth set up at the recent Young Street Festival celebrations in Kagawong. “Upon the discovery of the 215 residential school victims in Kamloops, British Columbia our hearts were deeply saddened and we felt the need to help in some small way. We tried to figure out, in our small capacity, what we could do,” the couple explained.

“We created a unique bath bomb, with the orange colour to symbolize that every child matters,” the couple explained. “Inside are 215 salt crystals, dyed red to represent the 215 children that never made it home. We hope for healing, through recognition, justice and education. All proceeds of the bath bombs will go to three non-profit organizations, supporting the Indigenous community through awareness and support.”

Mr. Couillard pointed out that \$4,000 has been raised through the sale of bath bombs thus far and that this is an ongoing campaign.

The bath bombs can be purchased at the store itself for \$10, or on the Bare Naked Beauty webpage.

...Wiikwemkoong entrepreneur makes it to the finals of Pow Wow Pitch

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“We applied for Pow Wow Pitch to raise funds to support our mobile app project to help us to scale across Turtle Island,” said Ms. Menard-Shand. “Winning would provide further validation for those who join us and hire us. We want to shine bright for Indigenous entrepreneurs and communities and be an example of the C.S. Lewis quote, ‘You can’t go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the end.’”

Ms. Menard-Shand told The Expositor, “I’m originally from Sudbury, but my Indigenous Ojibwe family roots are from Wiikwemkoong. Manitoulin Island is where my mom, and grandmother are from, and I spend time on beautiful Manitoulin Island in the summer. I have property in South Bay.”

Staff Shop Inc. is based in Toronto and serves clients in all parts of Canada, US, and the Caribbean.

“I grew up learning in the hospitality services business,” said Ms. Menard-Shand. “When my former boss moved on in 2018 he offered me this full service resource firm.”

“We started in the GTA (Greater Toronto Area), and now have clients in all 10 (Canadian) provinces, the US and the

Caribbean,” said Ms. Menard-Shand.

“Congratulations to Keri, Tiana, Jennifer and Steven on advancing to the 2021 Pow Wow Pitch finals,” said Sunshine Tenasco, founder of Pow Wow Pitch. “Your resilience, creativity and commitment to celebrating and sharing our diverse Indigenous culture while making an impact is a testament to how our unique style of business can and will create a better future for us all.”

“Pow Wow Pitch is a tremendous showcase of Indigenous innovation and entrepreneurship,” said Dale Sturges, national director for Indigenous financial services at RBC. “Indigenous entrepreneurs play a critical role in creating innovative solutions, sustainable communities, economic prosperity. It’s an honour for RBC to be part of the Pow Wow Pitch this year as we play our part to put a spotlight on Indigenous innovations and share their inspiring entrepreneurial stories with Canadians at large. We’re so proud of all of our participants, finalists and winners, and we will continue to support their growth and success in the future.”

Ms. Tenasco started Pow Wow Pitch seven years ago to build a supportive community of Indigenous entrepre-

neurs as part of the Ottawa Summer Solstice Pow Wow.

“I started Pow Wow Pitch because I believe entrepreneurship is the path to self-sufficiency,” said Ms. Tenasco. “Being on Dragon’s Den changed my life. When Dragons Brett Wilson and Arlene Dickinson invested and believed in me, it gave me the courage to continue my entrepreneurship journey. I hope Pow Wow Pitch helps to give that gift to someone else.”

Ms. Tenasco announced the judges’ selection of the entrepreneurs advancing to the finals and the regional winner. The Pow Wow Pitch finals will take place on October 20. The entrepreneurs are pitching to win one of the following prizes: \$3,000 for the alumni choice prize, \$10,000 for second place, \$5,000 for third and \$25,000 for first place.

Ms. Menard-Shand told The Expositor, “\$25,000 would help us scale across North America via our mobile app project, which will make it easier for the world to work with us while increasing the value of Staff Shop by 50 percent or more. More importantly, a win for Staff Shop would be a win for other Indigenous entrepreneurs and their communities who are inspired to join us or hire us.”

Friends and Neighbours

Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

After some serious introspection, your intrepid reporters have come to realize that we don’t make enough time for ourselves because we are always helping others. We are working on this. For example, just as we were settling in to meditate, our friend Jef called, freaked out because he thought he was a deck of cards. Instead of jumping up and talking to him right that moment, we continued what was necessary for us. We decided we could deal with him later.

There is still time to support local legend Mary Buie as she participates in the 2021 “CIBC Run for the Cure” on Sunday. She will be walking for the event, starting on Rainbow Heights and welcomes everyone to join. Reach out to Mary to find out more! Donations can be made by searching “CIBC Run for the Cure” online, and then clicking on the ‘donate’ button to search for Mary’s name.

If you need proof of vaccination, visit <http://covid19.ontariohealth.ca> to print out your vaccination receipts. If you need help, stop in at the township office or library during their regular hours and someone will be happy to help you. Team Fergmeijer is fully vaxxed, despite our recent realization that we rarely finish anything we start. You might say, we have a black belt in partial arts! In an effort at self-improvement, we’ve been working to improve on this flaw and made a point of finishing what we start. So far, we’ve finished a bag of chips, a pint of ice cream and a box of donuts.

The 4elements Living Arts Elemental Festival was an amazing event last weekend! It was wonderful to see all the people out to enjoy the live music and workshops. Thanks to 4elements for another fantastic event. You outdo yourselves each and every year!

We were sad to hear that Christmas in Kagawong will not be running this year. We will be keeping our ears open for news of other holiday markets on the Island.

The Manitoulin Tennis Club members continue to meet at the Manitoulin Secondary School courts, Sundays at 9:30 am and Wednesdays at 6 pm. Whether you are a tennis ace, or just absolutely love the sport (see what we did there?), all are welcome to come out and play.

The newly minted edition of “How It All Began” had an initial printing of 100 copies. Those have sold out, but if you missed getting your hands on a copy, good news! A second printing is in the works and will be available in the next few weeks.

Many people used the extra time during the pandemic lockdowns to hone a talent or learn a new skill. We were no different. Yours truly looked to go old school with learning how to make several common condiments from scratch. It’s tougher than it looks - when churning butter, there isn’t a lot of margarine for error. Have a great week!

Silver Water Karen Noble

This is three weeks’ worth of news as I forgot the previous two Sunday nights.

Lloyd and Jean Steeves celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary on September 6. Their granddaughter Ashley Steeves married Andy Crawford on September 4 at Lloyd and Jean’s home.

Welcome to Tom Moroz and his son David, who recently moved here.

The LSB held its meeting on September 12. Thank you to outgoing board members Willie Hunter, Colin Frame and Paul Sorbara for their many years of service. Welcome aboard to new members John Jagt, Dave Watts and Doug Wismer.

There were lots of people out to the recycle bins on September 13 and September 25. The next date is Monday, October 11.

My last swim for the season was on September 13 and it was short and very refreshing. We have resumed walking daily if anyone wants to join.

Sara-Lyn Arnot drove her sister, Janice, back home two weeks ago.

Bill Sundercock was here for a visit a few weeks ago.

Colleen Julseth and her cousin Jim Wagg were at the cottage for a week.

Jim Edwards arrived last week to his cottage.

Congratulations to Ulrika and Mark Wismer on the birth of their baby girl Reine Marie on September 15.

Cheryl Van Every married Steve Petty on September 19.

The Federal election brought a large number of the community out to vote. Thank you to the workers at the Silver Water hall who did a great job. It was a very long day of working and then I stayed up until 1 am watching the results start.

Anne Boyd got a new cat this past weekend, Everest, who so far is spending her time hiding under the furniture. Murray and Gladys Duncanson travelled to St. Catharines last weekend to visit with Clarke, Heather, Ethan and Aiden.

Margaret Simard’s sister Rosemary and her husband Dave Kaczmarczyk arrived for a visit last week.

Diane Jones travelled to Sudbury last weekend to attend the memorial service for her uncle, Romeo Lamothe.

I had a nice visit with Gloria McDonald last week.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the food bank fundraising we did in September. October events will have the proceeds go to the chemo room at the Mindemoya Hospital since October is breast cancer awareness month.

There are already a number of homes and yards decorated for the upcoming contest on Thanksgiving weekend and they all look great.

Stop 540 told me they will be selling turkey dinners on Saturday, October 9 including dessert.

We were outside on Sunday evening and heard a number of animals yipping in the distance. Later in the evening, Albert saw two skunks close to the house.

The mini market at 20563 Hwy 540 will be held on Saturday, October 2 and then Monday, October 11, weather permitting.

The annual meeting of the Silver Water Recreation Centre is set for Wednesday, October 13 at 7 pm at the Silver Water Community Hall. The agenda includes the election of two officers and one director for the board, as well as other items. All are welcome. Please wear a mask and follow all protocols required.

A number of people have inquired about the euchre games resuming. After the meeting there may be an answer to that question.

Manitoulin Sporting Life

Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc



Sportsmen?

I have loved fishing for as long as I can remember. Due to my mediocre skills and stubborn patience I can even enjoy long stretches of not catching fish. I just like being outside, with even the slightest chance that I might get a fish to bite. Last week, however, I saw something that turned my stomach and made me sad to be lumped under the monikers: fisherman or sportsman.

I was fishing on the Manitou River, near the mouth at Michael's Bay when I came across the remains of 10 salmon. It is not uncommon to see fish skeletons where people have cleaned their catch and just left the guts behind. Unsightly, smelly but I suppose the animal scavengers are pleased for an easy meal. The distressing sight was of three whole Chinook salmon, or so it appeared. Looking closer at the two large females (about 15 pounds each) you could see that they had been sliced open for the sole purpose of stripping out her eggs. The large male (around 30 pounds) was just left to rot. All of the fish were fresh from the lake and in very good condition. Of course, with the life cycle of these fish, they do die after they spawn but these ones were healthy and bright and should not have been wasted.

Just as I was taking pictures (to follow, next week) a Conservation Officer arrived on the scene who was following up a complaint reported to the Sudbury Enforcement Unit of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. We are still waiting for permission for a media request from the ministry before we can post any more particulars. The officer encouraged anyone with information on poaching to report it. It makes for a safer and more productive experience for those following the rules.

The experience was just so disappointing because it was the first time I had gone salmon fishing in the river for some 30 years. The reason for such a salmon hiatus was for exactly the same gut wrenching discovery I made on the Mindemoya River back in the day. It left such a bad taste in my mouth that I didn't do something I love because of the idiots among us for that length of time!

When I relayed what I had discovered to my students on Monday morning one of them took the initiative to do some research. It turns out that one female Chinook salmon will produce between 4,000 and 13,000 eggs. Even with the relatively low success rate of eggs hatching, even a percentage is a huge number of hatchlings. Those eggs that don't hatch out still provide valuable food for a myriad of other creatures. My class has participated in the micro-hatchery program over a number of years so my students have been heavily invested in salmon success. If see something wrong out there, speak up!

Express news!

The NOJHL Jr. A Espanola Express, featuring Mindemoya's **Liam Bridgeman**, had a busy weekend. The Express got off to a good start on Friday night against the Soo Michigan Eagles, skating to a 4-0 victory. It was the Soo's first game of the season. On Saturday, as the US border is still closed to Canadians, Espanola stood as host for the Soo's home opener, where the Eagles avenged Friday night's loss with a 4-2 win of their own. Then on Sunday afternoon it was off to Blind River for the Express, to take on the Beavers in their home opener. The Express were battling at 1-1 in the 2nd when the Beavers quickly took advantage of a couple turnovers, and the Express saw themselves fall behind 3-1 in the space of 40 seconds. The lead and a series of penalties proved too much for the Express to overcome, and they lost 4-1, falling to 1-2 in the 3 game weekend set.

Varsity lacrosse

Mackenzie Shigwadja (daughter of Wiikwemkoong's **Melissa and Shawn Shigwadja** and granddaughter of **Dominic and Brenda Beaudry**) is in her first year at Brock University. Even as a freshman she is already playing Brock University lacrosse this fall. Mackenzie, of course, is a former National Lacrosse Champion with Team Ontario so I guess it isn't a big surprise! Good luck, Mackenzie!

Year-ender ball tourney

Gerard Baibomcowai is the ubiquitous sports organizer in Wiikwemkoong. If he wasn't involved, many leagues, games and even sports pools would just not happen! This past summer he organized a fun, co-ed slow-pitch league. To end the season, he also organized a tournament for all the bragging rights.

He had five teams entered for a full day of fun at the ballfield in Manitowaning. Without lights on the field Gerard had to limit games to five innings or an hour whatever came first. The championship game to the Twisters scoring 10 to the six runs put up by Doze Guys to win the title.

The Twisters took home \$1,000 and featured: **Daphne Corbiere, Danielle Shawana, Justine Keeshig, Courtney Pheasant, Deana Debassige, Chase Assiniwe, Jason Peltier, Blair Morrison, Zach Pitawanakwat, Launie Pheasant** and **Nelson Morningstar**.

Doze Guys were still \$500 richer and included: **Jenna Stoneypoint, Warren Simon, Kyla Toulouse, Teejay Wabegijig, Kyle Baibomcowai, Ruby Simon, Robin Abitong, Brooke Eshkawkogan** and **Aj Elliott**.

Interestingly, Gerard had \$70 in "change" to be used for the kids in attendance to return foul balls and home-run balls. With all the heavy and 'crooked' hitters and a dollar per/ball it didn't take him to whittle down his money!

A good sport is good for sports.
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Young dancer dazzles at her first competition

by Tom Sasvari

WHITEFISH RIVER FIRST NATION—In her first ever dance competition, young Whitefish River First Nation resident **Aaliya Corbiere** did extremely well.

"This was Aaliya's first ever competition, because of the pandemic," said Susan Stevens, of her daughter who is almost nine years old. "She received a platinum medal (meaning that she posted a score of about 100)."

The recent competition was held at the Sudbury Theatre competition.

"Aaliya has been dancing for seven years," stated Ms. Stevens. "She really enjoys dancing, and is a member of Dance Evolution, in Sudbury." Among the dancing styles she takes part in with those in her class includes ballet, acro, tap, jazz and lyrical.

"We travel to Sudbury two or three times per week for her classes," said Ms. Stevens. "Aaliya's teachers are amazing as are the other students. It's a great dance school."

Her community also supports Ms. Corbiere in her dancing, said Ms. Stevens, who acknowledged that the Whitefish River First Nation is partially sponsoring her.



Aaliya Corbiere with her platinum medal from a dance competition in Sudbury.

MSS golf team wins North Shore championship

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—The Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Mustangs golf team has won the North Shore Secondary School Athletic Association (NSSSAA) championship!

"We won NSSSAA and have now qualified for the Northern Ontario (Secondary School Athletic) championship (NOSSA)," said Jordan Smith, coach of the MSS team, last Thursday, a day after the Mustangs captured the championship at the tournament held at Stone Ridge Golf Course in Elliot Lake.

"We took a team of 12 golfers, eight boys and four girls," said Mr. Smith. "Noah Thorpe was second overall in the boys' divi-

sion, shooting 86. This is a pretty amazing accomplishment for a Grade 9 student, especially when he was up against golfers from other schools that included all grades from 9 to second year Grade 12 students."

Mr. Smith said that "our next four players finished well so that our team could finish first overall. They included Hudson Hare, Ben Dewar, T.J. Green and Eli Lock, and with Noah they will make up our five-man team at NOSSA."

"Our girls' team was made up of four players. This was the first time in a long time that we had girls come out for the team this season," said Mr. Smith. "There was a total of 11 girls in for the

event, our girls and from other teams, which is about double what is normally on hand to compete. It was good to see such good interest this year."

"Our top two girls scores were shot by Saraya Eshkawkogan and Morgan Green, who both did fantastic," said Mr. Smith.

Mr. Smith said MSS caught a break playing at Stone Ridge in Elliot Lake last week. "We were lucky in a way because we got a bit of a preview by playing the course, because NOSSA is being held at Stone Ridge as well."

The NOSSA championships are taking place today (Wednesday). The MSS team will take on teams from Elliot Lake, Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury and North Bay.

Town of Gore Bay to hire new bylaw enforcement officer

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The Town of Gore Bay will be advertising to hire a new bylaw enforcement officer after the recent resignation of Arthur Moran from this position.

Mr. Moran told The Expositor last week, "I submitted my resignation to the town on Thursday of last week." Although not wanting

to get into details, he explained his resignation was, "due to some internal differences. It came down to differences primarily with council."

Gore Bay Mayor Dan Osborne confirmed last Thursday, "Arthur has resigned as town bylaw enforcement officer. We discussed his resignation in camera at our

general government committee meeting (held the previous night), and this will now go to council."

Mayor Osborne said the town will be advertising for applications for a new bylaw enforcement officer. These recommendations will be raised and discussed at the next regular Gore Bay council meeting.

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...Reconciliation: *acknowledging the past, education and healthy relationships*

...continued from page 1 the rest of Canada to start working together to bring about reconciliation, to share and treat each other with respect. We should be able to do this in this day and age, if we put our hearts and minds to it and our energy into it."

Dr. Deborah McGregor, from Whitefish River First Nation, is associate professor and Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Environmental Justice at York University's Osgoode Hall. She respects the view of reconciliation put forward in 2015 by Justice Sinclair in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) report because it was the view shared with the commissioner from actual residential school survivors. Justice Sinclair viewed reconciliation as "establishing and maintaining a mutually respectful relationship between aboriginal and non-aboriginal peoples in this country."

One part within the TRC interests Dr. McGregor quite a bit in the work she does. An advisory committee made up of elders and traditional knowledge keepers put forward the view that, "not only do we have to reconcile our relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, but we also have to reconcile our relationship with the natural world," she explained. "They said if that doesn't happen, you're not going to achieve reconciliation between peoples."

"Almost every conflict between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people is over land," she said. "I guess you could say nature. That's something I focus on a lot in the work that I do, on what that means in terms of how people are supposed to do that."

Climate justice for everybody is really relevant right now with the climate emergency, particularly in First Nations, added Dr. McGregor. "When you think about the fires in Northwestern Ontario, First Nations are the ones evacuated from their communities." They were evacuated far away in southeastern Ontario, to wherever they could be accommodated. "That's really important for people to be able to do and they can take their guidance from some of the 10 principles that were laid out in TRC's principles document. That can help us get there, by paying attention to Indigenous peoples' knowledge, to their legal systems, to their protocols, respecting treaties, honouring those kind of agreements and respecting people's knowledge. Those are things that were undermined in residential schools and paying attention might help us achieve reconciliation among peoples but also with the natural world."

Dr. McGregor teaches a course in which students learn about residential schools, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the history of colonization. "They have

to learn that this is ongoing. None of this is history. It's still here. It hasn't gone away. There is historical and ongoing colonialism. To me, part of reconciliation means to decolonize that."

Decolonization to her means there is actually justice achieved for Indigenous peoples. That means people should support land claims or litigation against the state for wrongs that were done. "Those are legitimate claims and Indigenous people shouldn't always have to be proving that wrong was done when very clearly, there was."

There's a lot of different resources being written that are intended to support public education as well, she said. "There really needs to be a big public education push so people can learn and then act in positive and constructive ways. There are whole generations of people who don't know anything about this. It's going to take a long time to achieve a balance."

She hopes National Truth and Reconciliation Day offers a counternarrative to Canada Day, when there was a lot of reaction because it was right after children's remains were found on the site of a former residential school. "It's important to go just a little bit broader than the TRC for the day because there are other horrible things happening to children in the child welfare system, with human trafficking and

other things. Reconciliation is a pretty broad concept."

"The other thing that I would say is that people still have to be prepared to hear the truth. People came forward and shared their stories, which was incredibly brave of them," Dr. McGregor said. "No doubt it was traumatizing for a number of them to talk about some of the things that happened or to speak for people who are not here with us anymore. There's still a lot more truth to come out. People still have to be open to the fact that there's a lot that we don't know and over time it's going to come out. The story's not done yet."

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM)'s Director of Indian Affairs, Yolanda Wankamik, a member of Whitesand First Nation, said the TRC report is one of several dating back to the Royal Commission that "lead and guide community-based solutions to what reconciliation in healthcare looks like." NOSM is one of 17 medical schools in Canada and has the responsibility of training future doctors that are going to live, work and play in Northern Ontario, so meaningful reconciliation actions will have a far-reaching impact.

"It's been Indigenous folks who have been part of these reports and committees for the past 25 years and they are saying these

are some of the things that need to be dealt with," Ms. Wankamik said. At NOSM that amounts to system change, community partnerships, Indigenous leadership, staff, students and healthcare providers, being anti-racist, providing culturally safe education and training, and improvements in Indigenous peoples' health outcomes. NOSM's goal is training physicians, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, to understand the context of improving Indigenous health outcomes in Northern Ontario, she said.

System change means doing things differently. "Indigenous leaders need to be the leaders in that change, so taking some of the reports that have been written by Indigenous communities and groups and moving that language and that action into your own places and spaces of strategic plans and curriculum planning is very important," she said. At NOSM, that means board endorsement of a commitment to equity, diversion and inclusion by approving three guiding principles that the school will live by. They also appointed an associate dean of equity and inclusion in 2020, the first ever for NOSM.


For community partnerships, conversations begin with the communities NOSM works with and in, and sees those communities leading the project. Fif-


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Manitoulin Secondary School

PLAYER PROFILE


by Aspen Debassige





LIAM BRIDGEMAN

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As Liam Bridgeman jumps back into in-person learning for Grade 12 at Manitoulin Secondary School he is also ready to hop back onto the ice to play his favourite game. Last year's hockey season was a disappointment as pandemic shut downs forced Liam to take a break. However, this year looks much more promising as Liam is currently vying for a spot on the Northern Ontario Junior Hockey League's Espanola Express. He has already tasted success by scoring the opening goal of the team's first preseason game. Congratulations on your first 'gino'!

During COVID when sports teams were shut down across the province, Liam had to create his own physical activity schedule to stay active. He would workout six days a week, mainly exercises that strengthened his lower body and those that involved stability training. Liam also enjoyed taking his dog, Mia, out for walks and runs or simply playing with her around the house. He also enjoys playing video games with his friends such as Chel and Fortnite in his spare time. His favourite activity to do with his family is playing a modified version of volleyball on their trampoline with his two sisters and younger brother (Delaney, Sadie and Jack). Liam also has been working at Foodland as a cashier for the past two summers.

Liam attended Central Manitoulin Public School (CMPS) in Mindemoya from JK to grade 8. Here he joined the boys' volleyball and basketball teams where he fit right in. One year the boys' volleyball team won the Manitoulin championship which Liam describes as a highlight of his athletic memories in elementary school. In Grade 8 he also won the Athletic Award for being an all around great player. It certainly seemed he was destined for greatness at an early age.

In life and sports Liam looks up to his Dad (Mike Bridgeman) as a role model. Liam explains that his dad has taught him everything he knows about sports and how to translate that into living a great life. The success of both of his parents as teachers has also inspired Liam to want to attend university to become a teacher himself. His favourite subject in school is math and you never know, one day we just might see a new math teacher at MSS. After all, teaching is a noble profession if there ever was one!

When it comes to professional athletes it comes as no surprise that Liam's favourite player is also a skater and a goal scoring machine. Auston Matthews, who plays for Liam's favourite team, the Toronto Maple Leafs, is known for his creativity and commitment to performing at the top of his game. Both are great characteristics to try and emulate as a young hockey player and will definitely help his game.

In Liam's past high school years he has played volleyball and basketball and is looking forward to trying out for both senior boys' teams in the coming seasons. In Grades 9 and 10 Liam has played as a power hitter in volleyball for his coach, Mr. Wesno. In basketball he played the important position of point guard with Mr. Gurney as his coach. Both volleyball and basketball are great conditioning activities and improve hand-eye coordination. The extra training will hopefully pay off this year as Liam tries to snipe more goals!

Liam admits that he has loved the rush and speed of the game for a long time. He started by playing for the Mindemoya Thunder up until he moved into the Atom division. He then tried out for and made the Manitoulin Panthers and played with them for four years. From Minor Bantam to Minor Midget he played with the Nickel City Sons team. He then earned a spot on the Sudbury Wolves squad for which he only played one year. He is currently playing with the Espanola Express of the NOJHL.

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...Truth: Island Indigenous leaders speak their truth on what truth means today

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ly buried in the national consciousness. With those discoveries, “people around the country, around the world were forced to ask themselves, ‘did that really happen?’” she said. The evidence appears on the face of it to be undeniable. Yet the subsequent discovery of even thousands more graves seemed to sink like a stone with barely a ripple in the national consciousness. “You don’t hardly hear anything about it anymore,” said Chief Corbiere. “Everyone was involved, the churches, the government, the RCMP and Indigenous people knew it, but it was out of sight, out of mind for most of the country, it still is. And nobody has been held accountable for what happened.”

Chief Corbiere said that accepting and coming to understand that truth is a prerequisite to moving forward in any meaningful way, both as a nation and individually for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

“Everyone thought it was a lie,” she said. “But you can see the truth if you just open your eyes (and ears) to let the truth in. The truth is coming out, it is the truth, it really happened. When you can learn the truth, really understand it, then maybe you will come to view things in a different way. You might understand how the forced poverty, the abuse, the loss of our languages and our culture might lead someone to despair, to bury themselves in alcohol and/or drugs. When you understand and accept that truth, you can finally begin to look forward.”

“The thing is, it is still going on to

this very day,” Chief Corbiere continued. “They did that originally with women, where if a First Nations woman married a white man, they lost their status, but if a white woman married a Native man, they got status. Today, if you take section 6162 of the Indian Act you are seeing the same kind of thing. If my own grandchildren were to marry a non-Native, they would lose their status.”

Although financial settlements are certainly welcomed by the recipients, the truth of the matter is that money is soon gone and the problems that money was supposed to address remain or have even become worse.

“Money doesn’t buy the truth,” she said. “At the end of the day, paying people isn’t going to help by itself. It might make people happy for a short period of time, but it does nothing to deal with the generational trauma that has been inflicted on our communities.”

Until the truth is taught, in its entirety in schools across the education systems in Canada, until people come to learn and understand the truth, reconciliation will remain a dream that lies just out of reach.

Craig Abotossaway is the executive director of Mnaamodzawin Health Services, which services five member First Nations communities on Mnidoo Mnising (Manitoulin Island). Mr. Abotossaway has spent the past 25-plus years of his career supporting Indigenous approaches to health practices, and ensuring those practices are highly promoted and expected by his staff, thereby ensuring health services meet the unique needs of

First Nations people.

“Truth at its core is getting the true story, the facts, out about the residential school system,” he said. “The finding of babies neither shocked or surprised us, we had always heard the stories.” He referenced the ongoing tragedy of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls as another truth that, despite a national inquiry, still remains largely hidden away from the public eye.

“The finding of the babies tells the truth of their experience,” he said. Even during the Truth and Reconciliation Commission hearings, that level of truth has never really come through. “It just continues to be swept under the rug. There were fine words, the Harper apology, but it was never followed up.”

Finding the bodies of children in unmarked graves may help propel the truth toward social justice, but without the internalizing of the truth by the non-Indigenous community. “Some of that happened when they found those bodies,” he said. But then the coverage dropped out of the news cycle. “Now it is not being talked about.”

Mr. Abotossaway said that it is important that the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation not descend into a day of tokenism. “We see that with veteran’s day.” He said that the day does offer an opportunity to spread the truth of the history and current state of the relationship between Indigenous peoples and government, as well as Canadian society in general to more Canadians.

...Reconciliation: acknowledging the past, education and healthy relationships

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teen years ago, NOSM created an integrated community placement that now has 42 community partners. First year students are placed in an Indigenous community (or with a Metis organization or an Indigenous healthcare organization in Northern Ontario) for four weeks. “It’s quite unique,” said Ms. Wankamik. “It’s the only placement of its kind in Canada. Learners are immersed in a community experience where they live, work and play alongside elders, knowledge carriers and the health support offices in each of the communities to have a better understanding of the community they are seeking to potentially live and work in upon graduation.”

“When you’re hospitalized as an Indigenous person you’re catapulted into an institution where everything is

very foreign. Many of our community members don’t want to come from the north into hospital type situations,” Ms. Wankamik said. She pointed to Meno Ya Win Health Centre in Sioux Lookout as an example of reconciliation in healthcare. The hospital has a traditional foods program supported by legislation that enables them to offer traditional foods, as well as cultural and spiritual programs. “True reconciliation is systematically embedded in the system to support improving health outcomes,” she said.

Moving ahead, reconciliation is about those actionable items and what can Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders do. “I would argue the non-Indigenous folks would have a bigger job than Indigenous folks because we already know what we want to see happen. We’ve written about it for years,” said Ms. Wankamik.

...Billings supports Northeast Town on swing bridge schedule objections

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pality in which the bridge is housed will not support this move after hearing overwhelmingly from North Channel boaters and Little Current businesspeople.”

“I’m inclined to support NEMI council and defer to them and the research they’ve done,” said Councillor Barker.

“The bridge itself and its opening is what provides the Manitoulin Island experience for many visitors,” stated Councillor Sharon Alkenbrack. “And

most Island residents know to be at the bridge before each hour when it opens. NEMI feels that having the bridge opening changed to every two hours will mean at that time that it will take even more time, about 25-30 minutes to accommodate boaters when they arrive at the bridge. I agree with Bryan, I won’t be voting to support this.”

“I agree with both councillors,” said Councillor Michael Hunt. “With more boating traffic and Little Current businesses depending on this, I’m not

in support of the change to the bridge being opened every two hours.”

“I am inclined to agree with all three councillors,” stated Councillor Sharon Jackson. “I agree to support NEMI and keep this to one hour.”

Mayor Anderson told council, “I as well was ready to support (the MMA suggestion) with some of the fairly lengthy waits I’ve had in my vehicle waiting to be able to get over the bridge. The sheer volume of traffic has made things difficult this year. I’ve seen traffic backed up

about a half mile north of the bridge and well past the hospitals on the way to the bridge going off the Island.” He said that with the stance taken by NEMI council and the reasons for it, “I’ve changed my mind (and oppose the MMA recommendation).”

Council was unanimous in voting against the change to the bridge being opened every two hours.

Municipal building to undergo renovations, expansion

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—The Burpee and Mills Township municipal complex is going to be going through some renovations and expansion soon, after funding was provided by the provincial government for COVID-19 measures, as well as federal funding to improve accessibility at the municipal complex.

“We had applied for and received \$100,000 dollars in COVID-19 assistance funding from the provincial government for the municipal complex,” said Ken Noland, reeve of Burpee and Mills Township. “These funds will be used to enhance the municipal building to meet COVID-19 protocols.

The enhancements will include providing for a bigger entranceway and lobby area and increasing the council chambers area to allow for additional social distancing.”

Reeve Noland also told

The Expositor, “We also received funding of \$42,635 from the federal government for accessibility enhancements and will be putting in automatic doors at the front entrance of the building.”



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Over 80 percent of District Service Board paramedics double vaccinated

by Michael Erskine
 ESPANOLA—The vast majority of paramedics with the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) have received two doses of COVID-19 vaccine, although the exact number is not firmed up due to the voluntary reporting policy at the DSB. COVID-19 vaccinations are voluntary with the DSB, unlike other required vaccinations that are enshrined in legislation. Chief of Paramedic Services Paul Myre confirmed to the board that 84 percent of paramedics with the DSB have received at least one shot, while 81 percent of paramedics have reported receiving one shot, leaving 16 percent either unvaccinated or with a status

that is currently unknown. Any new placement students coming on board with the DSB will be required to have full vaccination, reported Mr. Myre. Concerns over vaccinations, or rather the lack of vaccinations in a sizable portion of the EMS front-line workers were expressed by a number of members of the board, but Mr. Myre reiterated that the 16 percent number reported as unvaccinated includes those who have not yet reported their status (which is voluntary at this time) or submitted their proof of medical exemption. DSB CAO Fern Dominelli noted that there are several vaccinations that paramedics are required to

have, including hepatitis B, but that those requirements are written into the governing legislation for the field and that he anticipates that COVID-19 would be included in that list at some time in the future. As it stands, the DSB has received legal advice that throws doubt on the organization being able to require existing employees to be vaccinated as a condition of employment. All new hires, however, will be required to have received full vaccination against the pandemic virus. EMS manager Myre reiterated that the first concern of the DSB is the health and safety of their employees and the people they serve.

...Citytv to air Weengushk film

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 summer student Izabelle Lagendoen. Izabelle is an Anishinaabe artist from Sheshegwaning First Nation. She's an aspiring editor who has created short films, and she beautifully edits each of her projects to fit the tone that is desired. Consultants on the film include WFI founder and artistic director Dr. Shirley Cheechoo C.M., Nano Debassige and Andre Plante. "I am so proud of the hard work and dedication that these talented students

have put into telling this important story," says Dr. Cheechoo. WFI is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, and still accepting students to many exciting 2022 programs. 'Runs Through Their Blood: A Life Impacted' will premiere on Truth and Reconciliation Day, Thursday September 30 at 7 pm, commercial free, on Citytv. Following the film, Citytv will be airing an intimate conversation with Tracy Moore and the filmmakers.

...Airport manager encouraging flying club

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 for the pilots of the Young Eagles organization and their dedicated pilots. The Young Eagles program has helped reignite interest in flying. "Once you get young people interested, they take off from there," he said. Mr. Atchison said that there are many barriers to learning to fly, especially the cost. A flying club helps to spread those costs across a lot of people making the activity much more accessible. Passion drives many of those who have taken the steps to gain their pilot's licence, and like many people who have a passion for an activity, most pilots would dearly love to share their passion and pass it on to others.

immense career opportunities currently available in Canada's North for pilots to fly into remote communities and mining camps. "The opportunities are endless," he said. The flying club can be advantageous for just about anyone interested in flying. "Even if you already have your pilot's licence, the cost of buying an airplane is out of reach for a lot of people's means," said Mr. Atchison. One of the things Mr. Atchison envisions is purchasing a plane, with a number of people buying shares to make it much more affordable. "With a company set up, each person with shares can be covered by the company insurance," he said,

thus spreading that cost out over a large number of people as well. Mr. Atchison has already done a good deal of the legwork in putting in place the infrastructure and human resources. "I spoke to a flying instructor and they said they would be willing to come out to provide instruction," he said. He has even cast an eye onto what planes might be available in the market that might suit the club. The first meeting to discuss setting up a flying club will take place at 7 pm on Wednesday, October 20 at the Manitoulin East Municipal Airport on Highway 6.

Expositor correction

The headline continuation of the September 22 front page story 'Investigation clears police in AOK death' on page 12 incorrectly identified the police officers cleared by the Special Investigations Unit as being from the UCCM Tribal Police when in fact the OPP Special Investigations Unit has no jurisdiction over Indigenous police services and it was OPP officers who were cleared. Also, the proper title of the police force incorrectly referenced is UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service. The Expositor regrets the errors.

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"I have three passions in my life," he said, "my family, Manitoulin Island and the third is flying." Mr. Atchison said that over his 30 years in police enforcement he had all of the usual things associated with raising a family, mortgages, car loans and college tuition. "But now that I am retired, I don't have all of those things and flying has come to the forefront." "I have to congratulate Wade Cook and Robbie Caldwell, the manager up there," said Mr. Atchison. "They set up a wonderful little flying club, I would like to mirror that here. I think there is room enough for both of us." Mr. Atchison said that he has been particularly struck at the number of First Nations youth who have come to the airport to partake in the opportunity to go up in the air with the Young Eagles pilots. "I would say at least 60 to 70 percent of the kids coming out are Indigenous." He pointed to the

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Application for CONSENT Under Section 53 of the Planning Act to be held on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm via Electronic Meeting Zoom

File No. : Con 2021-08
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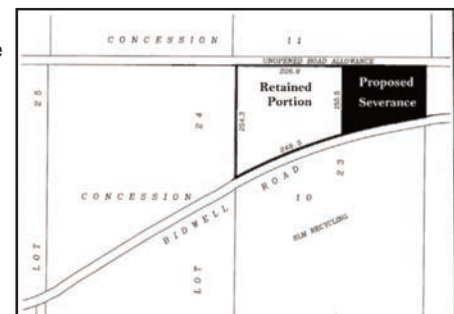
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...Oakville Energy requests lease extension

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ment.”

OEC would spend between \$500,000 and \$1 million on the plant in the next two years if the lease extension is agreed to. “Some of the pieces of the plant may not make it through the next 10 years,” Mr. Touzel pointed out. “It is apparent that the powerhouse equipment is aging and becoming less reliable as time passes. Over the past few years, the maintenance and repair costs absorbed by OEC have become significant.”

“Since 2013, Billings has received approximately \$464,000 in royalties, an average of roughly \$58,000 per year over the past eight years,” he said. “During the same time frame, OEC has received net operating revenues of approximately \$622,000 before deducting the costs of financing the purchase of the business. As of December 31, 2020, OEC’s net cash inflow before taxes was approximately \$45,000, an average of \$5,600 per year.”

OEC and external technical professionals have analyzed the condition of the generating station equipment and have concluded that several very significant components are nearing the end of their service lives. A substantial investment in refurbishment and/or replacement of parts is required and should include turbine bearings, electrical protection and control systems, transformer, hydraulic power unit, gearbox and generator. The station may require as much as \$750,000 of investment over the next decade, in addition to the expected costs of ongoing operation and maintenance.

OEC is reluctant to spend a large amount of money to make necessary refurbishments unless the lease is extended. “It is important to understand that by extending the lease and ensuring the station has a longer life, Billings benefits from higher lease costs,” said Mr. Touzel.

Members of the public were allowed to present questions to OEC and councillors. Kim Neale asked whether council had looked into identifying an independent consultant to engage to assist Billings with the OEC lease request.

“This is beyond my expertise,” said Mayor Anderson. “Staff could investigate this further. I am personally hap-

py with our working relationship with OEC. The municipality is in a really good position with minimal risk.” He noted he was personally comfortable with the report provided but council was not rushing the decision.

Ms. Neale also asked about other market options and if others might be interested in a lease. “We’re not done yet,” Mayor Anderson responded. “There won’t be a decision tonight. In the interim we can explore some questions between now and our next council meeting.”

Barbara Erskine asked if OEC had set aside reserve funds or if a reserve is part of the lease agreement.

“No,” answered Mr. Gillette. “We’ve had significant problems with this plant from the get go. All the money has gone back into plant repairs. Normally you have reserves when you are making revenues. This is a 100-year-old turbine. What we are doing now is fixing and replacing equipment for the plant. Eventually, when we are making money, we can set aside money. We make money, pay the lease and the balance of the funds go back into maintenance and repairs.”

Accessing public or private funding is not an easy solution, Mr. Gillette said. “There may be funding but it costs money to get these programs. The town will spend \$20,000 to get \$70,000 in funding. There’s not an easy solution to funding or we would be trying to leverage it.”

A question was raised about algae blooms as Lake Kagawong has seen several in recent years. Would water quality testing be considered in a long-term lease? “I have some familiarity with algae blooms,” said Mayor Anderson. “They happen on occasion, usually after a prolonged period of heat. I’ve never heard of one associated with a hydro generating plant.”

“The hydro generating plant is not causing blooms,” said Mr. Gillette. “Normally, organic material gets into a lake. Hydro power generating plants are not causing algae blooms.”

Mr. Touzel ran a company that did a lot of work with hydro generation. “I never saw any link to algae blooms,” he said. “I think I’d be reluctant to suggest OEC take on responsibility for monitoring that issue.” He noted Billings has a water management plan and OEC would be happy to help

if they could but said, “The algae blooms aren’t related to us.”

When asked if OEC understands that Lake Kagawong is not completely in Billings, Mr. Touzel said OEC is aware that Lake Kagawong falls under several jurisdictions, including Mindemoya and M’Chigeeng First Nation. He noted there is representation from all three communities on the water management plan advisory committee.

In response to a question from Sandy Cook about other ventures OEC is considering on Manitoulin, Mr. Gillette said the Green Community Incentive Program provides up to \$3 million to retrofit buildings for heat exchangers. OEC thinks retrofits are too expensive but is interested in solar retrofits such as the 250-kilowatt rooftop system installed on an Oakville recreation centre. They are generally looking at lumber mills or mining operations but would also consider community buildings such as arenas.

“We would also like to engage Billings if there are ideas from the community energy project that we could assist with,” said Mr. Touzel. “Municipally owned buildings could be more energy efficient or solar.”

Ms. Erskine asked if OEC would be clawing back any profits made by Billings over the past 60 years. “There’s not any way to draw back on the lease,” said Mr. Touzel. “It’s 23.5 percent of gross revenues. The funding will come from OEC.”

“In typical arrangements we’ve seen, if the hydro operator cannot make money the pain is shared,” Mr. Touzel continued. “Billings has a good deal; 23.5 percent off the top goes to Billings. Then the government gets its share. Then we pay operation and maintenance costs. We’re not making a lot of money here. That’s why we’re asking for the extension.”

“What is the next step on community consultation in the process?” asked Ms. Neale.

“We have a few things that need further explanation. Residents will be kept up to date,” said Mayor Anderson. “We’re under no obligation and will entertain questions and comments after tonight’s meeting. We earn a significant amount of money. I understand their desire to continue with extension and hope everyone understands they are genuine and very reasonable regarding infrastructure repairs required. We’re not doing this without public input.”

Mr. Touzel will be in Kagawong for the next two or three weeks. “I’d be pleased to meet anyone for coffee who wants to discuss this,” he said. “I’m more than happy to meet anyone that might have some ideas to bring forward.”

The last word went to Mr. Gillette. “We want certainty over a set period of time to make and recoup our investments. We’re asking that the lease be formalized to make this financial investment.”



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those visiting the facility to be mindful and watch for construction vehicles and workers on site.”

“It’s moving along,” said Tim Vine, co-CEO of MHC on a site visit The Expositor made to the hospital last week. “The weather hasn’t been cooperating very well for the construction project.” He explained the emergency department renovation expansion has seen the foundation poured. The decking must be in place before the contractors are able to do the framing.

Mr. Vine explained, “the new emer-


gency department area is big enough that it will be occupying the existing emergency department space with a lot more space being added on.”


The renovation includes a lower level-full basement on one side, and a mechanical room on the other side where the ventilation will be handled, and increased office space for the future, explained Mr. Vine.








Mr. Vine continued, “the contractors have started preparation to do the inside work for the chemotherapy suite. And this also means we will not

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Billings and Northeast Town recognize National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

by Tom Sasvari and Alicia McCutcheon
KAGAWONG—Billings Township and Northeast Town council is unanimously in favour of endorsing September 30 as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

“The resolution speaks for itself,” stated Billings Councillor Bryan Barker at a meeting last week. “It is quite well written and brings the issue to the forefront.”

Councillor Barker was referring to a recommendation that had been made to council on a sample resolution passed by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO). The AMO board of directors had encouraged members to recognize September 30 as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Council passed a motion in favour of the municipality recognizing this day and the draft AMO resolution. The AMO resolution reads, “The AMO board of directors encourages members to recognize September 30 as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day, with the adoption of the following resolution: “Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 calls to action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation; And whereas the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC’s Calls to

Action; and whereas all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation; and whereas recommendation No. 80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process; and whereas the federal government has announced September 30, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday; therefore, be it resolved that the council of Billings of place does hereby commit to recognizing September 30, 2021 as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.”

Northeast Town CAO Dave Williamson told his council he “certainly suggested promoting” the resolution, but shared his concerns with the portion of the resolution that encouraged “sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families and communities,” saying he believed the stories were for the people to tell, not the municipality.

Council supported the amended resolution, which reads: “Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) released its final report on June 2, 2015

which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation; and whereas the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC’s Calls to Action; and whereas all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation; and whereas recommendation No. 80 of the TRC called upon the federal government, in collaboration with aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process; and whereas the federal government has announced September 30, 2021 as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and a statutory holiday; therefore be it resolved that the council for the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands does hereby commit to recognizing September 30, 2021 as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.”

MPP CONSTITUENCY CLINICS

MPP Michael Mantha is pleased to announce that he is once again hosting constituency clinics October 12th -14th. Constituents who have questions or matters of concern are invited to meet with him privately. Social distancing protocols are in effect and mask wearing is required. **MEETINGS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.** Contact the Constituency Office listed below for further information or to book an appointment.

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- **Espanola:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. @ Public Library
- **Gore Bay:** 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. @ Town Office
- **Meldrum Bay:** 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. @ Meldrum Bay Inn

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- **Little Current:** 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. @ Arena in Lions Den

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- **Webbwood:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. @ Library in Harold Maze Room
- **Nairn Centre:** 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. @ Township Office
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Debajehmujig Storytellers collaborate on third edition of international trilogy

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—The Debajehmujig Creation Centre is bustling with activity as directors, actors and stage hands near the culmination of weeks of work on the Canadian portion of the 'TransPoetico Trilogy, Epic Borders,' which takes place in Mexico, Northern Ireland and Canada.

The mainstage event is an international collaboration between the actors and support staff of Debajehmujig and Manifesto Politico, an international arts organization with a foot in many waters.

The Expositor caught up with co-directors Canadian Paige Allerton and Carlos García Estévez while they were taking a break from the arduous rehearsal schedule.

Ms. Allerton is an international performing artist in her own right and an anthropologist who is in charge of the conception and direction of Manifesto Poetico's Open Laboratories and its pedagogic activity. She is a movement teacher and performs with masks internationally. Mr. Estévez is an actor, stage director, theatre researcher, pedagogue and specialist in Contemporary Commedia dell'Arte and mask performance. He is the Artistic director of Manifesto Poetico as well as an associate artist and teacher at L.E.M. (School of Jacques Lecoq) in Paris.

Commedia dell'Arte is defined "as an improvised kind of popular comedy in Italian theaters in the 16th-18th centuries, based on stock characters. Actors adapted their comic dialogue and action according to a few basic plots (commonly love intrigues) and to topical issues." The form remains relevant in theatre up onto the modern era, hence the "contemporary" appellation.

The co-directors explain how they came to be working with Debajehmujig and the fundamental theme of the trilogy they have been spearheading.

"We are making a show with the local Debajehmujig artists," said Ms. Paige. "It's totally from scratch. We didn't have a story



Co-directors Paige Allerton and Carlos García Estévez of the international theatre company Manifesto Politico pause for a photo while helping Debajehmujig Storytellers create the third edition of Manifesto Politico's 'TransPoetico Trilogy, Epic Borders.'

photo by Michael Erskine

when we arrived and it's been a six-week creation process. It's actually the end of a trilogy."

Ms. Allerton explains the piece is part of Epic Borders, a trilogy that began in Guadalajara, Mexico with part one in 2019 with local artists, the second part was created in Belfast, Northern Ireland. "This is the third part of the trilogy that was supposed to happen right after, but then COVID-19 happened," said Ms. Allerton.

There will also be a film version of the trilogy published online.

This is the duo's first work with Debaj, but they had visited Debaj two years ago, before COVID, as they were starting the project.

First part of the trilogy is entitled 'The Gate of Hope,' explained Mr. Estévez. "It has to do with borders, but from an immigration point of view, if you want, all the issues that pop up." The ongoing issues surrounding refugees, economic and otherwise, across from the southern United States. The second part utilizes the issues that have arisen from Brexit, the extrication of Great Britain from the European

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 Union, specifically those that arise between the Republic of Ireland, which remains part of the European Union and Northern Ireland, which is part of Great Britain.

The third segment of the trilogy takes a different tact, examining the borders between humanity and the environment. In this segment, the co-directors felt they were not sufficiently qualified to speak on the subject matter. Enter Debajehmujig.

Mr. Estévez explained that in 2016 they attended a world social forum in Montreal, as artists, not scientists, where they met an extraordinary gentleman, Riccardo Petrella, author of 'Audacity of the World,' who is very much the scientist. The duo were very taken with Dr. Petrella's work and took the opportunity to meet him.

"He asked us what we were doing there, being artists and not scientists," recalled Mr. Estévez, who went on to assert that they were probably the most important people attending the conference. "At first we thought he was being comedic," said Mr. Estévez. But the scientist explained that he communicates with other scientists, those who utilize the rarified lingua franca of academia, and that the artists could form a bridge between the hard scientific language and the public by interpreting what was being said into symbols and metaphors that the common person could more



Actors, elders, directors and stage crew collaborate on an international art piece 'TransPoetico Trilogy, Epic Borders.'

photo by Michael Erskine

easily grasp.

Dr. Petrella's book speaks on how the challenges facing humanity today, global in scope as they are, can only be tackled if the whole world strides forth with the audacity needed to meet those challenges.

"He said, 'why don't you do a story about this?'"

The co-directors did not feel they were the people who should be telling this part of the story, that of the borders between humanity and the land, but that it should be told by those with closer links to the land.

"Someone suggested to us, 'what about the Indigenous theatre company on Manitoulin?'" said Mr. Estévez. Manifesto Poetico reached out to Debaj and soon a collaboration framework was ironed out.

The production that has resulted utilizes issues that arise locally to tell a story that reaches out to global issues, expressed in the viewpoint of actors from a

land-based theatre company (and a group of associated elders who lend their talent, humour and well-grounded insight to help flesh out the bones of the story).

The Expositor had the opportunity to sit in on a full run of the story, so far, and sat spellbound through the performance. We might humbly suggest our readers take the opportunity to catch this important piece of international work being created locally, here on Mnídoo Mnising—Manitoulin Island. The production will take the stage as part of Debaj's annual Six-Foot Festival with shows at 7 pm on October 7 and 8, and 5 pm on October 9. Performances of part Three of the 'Epic Borders Trilogy, In the Name of Humanity' will take place at the Larry E. Lewis Studio at the Debajehmujig Creation Centre. Admission is \$20. Call 705-859-1820 to reserve tickets.



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Little Current United Church calls for action towards reconciliation

by Expositor Staff
LITTLE CURRENT—Parishioners attending Sunday service on September 26 at Little Current United Church were met with a variety of styles of “Every Child Matters” orange shirts festooning the front doors of the church and leading into the sanctuary.

This display, arranged by the minister, Rev. Whitney Bruno, set the scene for a portion of the Sunday worship service which involved taking the next step in making a permanent memorial, representative of the dozens of pairs of children’s shoes that had been placed on the church’s front steps last spring as the community responded to the original findings of unmarked children’s burial sites at a Kamloops, B.C. Indian Residential School.

This initial discovery, through the use of ground-penetrating radar technology, has been used at several other former residential school sites, all in Western Canada, and more graves have been located. Close to Manitoulin, First Nations leadership plans to use the same technology to search the grounds of the former boys’ and girls’ residential schools at Spanish on the North Shore.

The United Church of Canada was the first national church to publicly recognize the hurt and community damage the Indian residential school program has had on Canada’s Indigenous population. This was done at the General Conference of the national church, held in Sudbury in 1986. This was the first apology by any Canadian institution and a cairn high on the Laurentian University campus property acknowledges this apology.

This same theme imbued much of Sunday’s church service but the culminating feature was the formal dedication of a “shadow box” that will bear permanent testimony in the church to the children’s shoes that (as of Sunday service) still greet parishioners on their way into church and that have borne testimony to the Every Child Matters theme through spring, summer and early fall weather conditions.

“All summer,” Rev. Bruno began the dedication of the display (which will contain a token pair of children’s moccasins, an orange Every Child Matters T-shirt and representative photos from this year’s events), “we have kept shoes on our sidewalk and

church steps to remember the children who went to residential schools and never came home. We have learned of the generational harm residential school inflicted.”

“We have struggled with our pasts, wept in the present and sought after a future,” the minister continued, but stressed that, “the journey is not over.”

“We are moving the shoes before the snow falls and installing an indoor, permanent display,” she continued, saying that this was in the interests “of our commitment to educating ourselves, educating our community, educating those who use our fellowship space and educating our children and those who come after us.”

“This is not an end; not a wrap-it-up-and-pat-ourselves-on-the-back,” Rev. Bruno stressed. “This is turning the next page of the same chapter; the chapter of reconciliation and witnessing truth. This is the chapter of deeply listening to the stories the Indigenous people have been saying all along.”

“This is the sacred chapter of working on reconciliation,” she reiterated.

The congregation joined Rev. Bruno’s call to work towards reconciliation, to

work at confession and repentance on the church’s and the government’s roles (in residential schools,) to work at forgiveness and healing on the Indigenous people’s part and to work on amends on the church’s and the government’s roles. She called for a covenant, a promise, a full commitment “to never repeat the sin.”

“The chapter is nowhere close to over,” Rev. Bruno concluded in the dedication of the memorial. “We are in

the middle of it.”

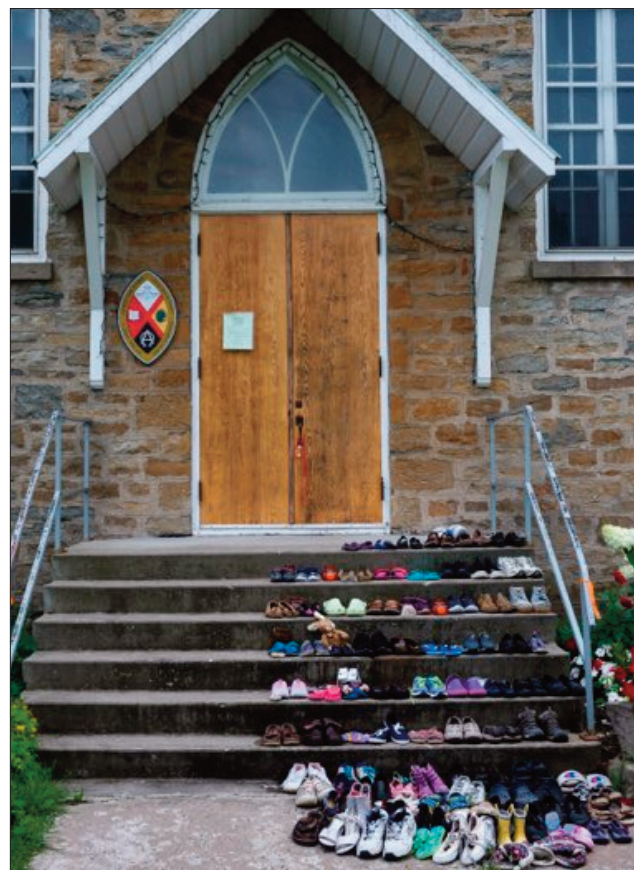
Following the service, everyone in the congregation present for this service willingly gathered on the front steps of the church for a photograph with the newly-dedicated memorial display, by way of expressing their support for Rev. Bruno’s call for action for a covenant “never to repeat the sin.”

Orange “Every Child Matters” shirts and masks had been purchased by the

church for anyone who wanted one to wear and were available for whatever people could afford, or simply to wear in solidarity. Funds from the contributions for this apparel are in turn being contributed to a fund that will help finance ground penetrating radar planned at the grounds of the former boys and girls Indian residential schools at Spanish which will be searched for unmarked children’s graves there.



The members of the Little Current United Church congregation gathered for a solidarity photo following Sunday’s service during which a permanent memorial had been formally dedicated, representative of the dozens of children’s shoes that have lined the church’s steps since last spring. These had been placed in solidarity with the “Every Child Matters” movement.



The pairs of children’s shoes that had been placed on the church’s front steps last spring in response to the findings of unmarked children’s burial sites at a Kamloops, B.C. Indian Residential School.

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...Now and Then: Patricia Ann 'Ciann' Strickland

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"In the Morogoro school, Kate was presented with a unique class seating plan that ensured the person on her left had better overall knowledge than the girl on her right. This may have encouraged students to work together. Academic subjects like arithmetic were taught in the morning and this was followed by more practical lessons like rope-making, using the sisal plant, in the afternoon."

Two of John's students, scheduled to graduate, needed French after their French teacher had quit. Ciann volunteered to tutor them, despite the school being only for boys. The boys appreciated her help. One Saturday, an unusual ceremony caught her attention. "On this day, all students marched in a field. Each one had to show the soles of their feet to prove that they had not stolen any thumb tacks, a difficult item to replace in Africa."

"When we moved to Moshi we took William, his wife and baby too, so he could be with us in the new location. Shauna went to a special American school where many of the students were North American. On field trips, which were fun and informative, Maureen and I would accompany the class. Kate went to a multicultural school where she met kids from all parts of the world."

"During the day, I would gaze up at Mt. Kilimanjaro

and wonder what it would be like to look down from up there. In 1967, I got up enough courage to climb her with Bella, a fellow traveller who agreed to accompany me. We had porters to carry all our belongings up and down the long walk. Although much of the trip had us marching through knee-high snow, it was an exciting excursion. We reached the 4,900 metre mark from the base and saw that impressive view of the world below."

"After the African stay, our family and an African pet cat headed back to the Port Cartier High School for a seven-year stay. Elliot Lake and underground mining was next, for one year. When the new high school opened at West Bay (Manitoulin Secondary School), John applied and got that job in 1969. We bought a house in Gore Bay. We also bought a lot here, where the cottage is today. We were the only place on this bay at the time. It was five acres with 700 ft of frontage."

"While we were in Gore Bay, we took a 15-day canoe trip from our town to Parry Sound. John, three kids, a dog and I got into a large freighter canoe. Maureen was about five years old. We went under the bridge and through the tunnel at Birch Island and portaged across Baie Fine to Killarney Park. I kept a diary of the trip. Our last night was at Killbear Park. It was an eventful trip for the whole family, including the dog."



Ciann and George on their way to an awards show for Ciann.

In 1983 they sold the house in Gore Bay and bought one on McLean's Mountain Road, just outside Little Current. This would be their home for 19 years. After the girls moved out, the cottage was renovated. Both John and Ciann also did volunteer work and gave classes to Toronto seniors visiting at Timberlane Rustic Lodges. "After I lost my licence due to glaucoma, we bought a small house on Robinson Street. I began to spend time there, closer to needed services. John preferred our

rural home, but he would visit, and we called each other, twice a day, morning and night."

Sadly, one morning at the McLean's Mountain home, John died of a blood clot at age 78. "Earlier in the day he had visited me. He had his new rescue dog, Parker, that he was so happy with. We found him next to the lawn tractor, his prepared lunch still on the table. Maureen was in Sudbury, Shauna in Vancouver and Kate in Quebec. All three girls arrived and began to make arrange-

ments. Our niece, Heather in Parry Sound, took Parker. An old friend of John's from mining school, John Smith, arrived to pay his respects. We hadn't known about him. We invited him to a celebration of life in September."

In 1994, Ciann was dealing with a bout of breast cancer so naturally she started a support group, 'Circle of Hope,' which is still ongoing. After she inherited some money from her mother, she started 'Seeds of Joy' for women. She hosted sharing retreats at the Anishnabe Spiritual Centre at Anderson Lake near Espanola. Ciann trained to be a life skills coach at Cambrian and joined the Association of Life Skills Coaches of Ontario (ALSCO). She used this skill to design a special program for women who wanted to return to work in M'Chigeeng. In 1999, the president of ALSCO gave her the President's Award for her work as an accredited life skills coach. "I thought another lady was getting the award so was flabbergasted when they called my name." It was a gallant thank you for her commitment and dedication.

Since 2015, Ciann has begun to spend a few winter months at Jarlette's Roberta Place Retirement Lodge in Barrie. She helps with lifeskills teaching and arranging activities like a drum circle or a 'Bring and Brag' get together for the residents. She has made

friends like George, her dinner partner. In 2019, Ciann got a 'MADA' award (Making a Difference Award) from Jarlette, at a 'white tablecloths and wine' ceremony.

"Associations I participated in? Brownies and Girl Guides, running some of their camps. On one trip, we followed railroad tracks for a long way before each of us set up camp in the wilderness. Unfortunately, a spike injured my leg and I had to give instructions with my leg in a bucket of cold water. When rain began, getting to the outhouse, by pulling oneself up a slippery hill with a rope, became more challenging. Nevertheless, it was an interesting learning experience for all of us, especially an indoor person like me."

"Most important event in my life? The birth of my three daughters, all wonderful young women. My favourite season? Fall, when the leaves turn. I really missed it in Africa. Summer is a close second. I love to swim, and this year is the first year I did not swim on my birthday! Collections? Cows and turtles. Favourite show? Jeopardy and police shows. Favourite school subject? History. In 1967, outside London, England, I was sharing my acquired history about Hampton Court with a friend, when people began to collect. They thought I was a tour guide."

"Pets? We had Frisky, a

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...4e Elemental Festival an artistic treat for the senses

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This unique chamber folk group brought traditional music from around the world intertwined with the sounds of middle eastern, Scandinavia, Eastern Europe and Celtic.

This band was created

cal theatre and creative writing workshops.

The theatregoers were guided down the Kagawong River Trail for each component of the storytelling nature walk, featuring Kyx Leblanc, Rain King Gold, Keiran Aguonia and Ash-

phy and performed by Candice Irwin; 'Water,' a poem written and performed by the talented Rain King Gold, who also performed the song 'Goodbye.' A water song was presented and sung by Shelba Deer, while the very entertaining and at

ing my time as an artist in residence in 4elements Living Arts mobile off-grid tiny house. It was done in collaboration with the Western Manitoulin Community Garden in Gore Bay," Ms. Rousseau explained. "A call was put out to their members and volunteers, asking anyone interested to tell me a story, from personal to informational, about farming, gardening, food, or the land. Eight people participated. I was honoured by the generosity of their stories and their sharing."

"One of the common threads that emerged was a deep respect for the land, and the joys that come from working with plants and the natural world. From these stories I created a watercolour painting inspired by what they told me, to give back to them to complete the circle of the exchange," continued Ms. Rousseau. "Thank you to the participants for trusting me with your words, and to 4elements Living Arts and the Western Manitoulin Community Garden in Gore Bay for facilitating

the project.' The fantastic entertainment continued Sunday with the music of Arthur Ross on fiddle accompanied by Duncan Cameron on acoustic guitar, playing Celtic music that had everyone tapping their toes. Duncan Cameron on acoustic guitar, and Steafan Hanningan who played several instruments, and the duo shared several humorous stories as well. Not to be outdone, great music was provided by Smith, Stam and Williams, followed by the closing ceremonies.



The M'Chigeeng Lady Drums performed at the opening of the 4e Elemental Festival 2021.

during the pandemic and had started by playing in Toronto parks in the summer. They performed for an hour and a half, and the crowd was so enthralled it was obvious they would have been happy to sit and listen to their music for the entire day.

While the entertainment on Saturday and indeed throughout the weekend was fantastic, the highlight of the day and the weekend was the Gaagigewang Ziibing Dibaajimowinan Kagawong River Stories outdoor theatre performance. The young performers in the show also developed the production with local resident Lisa Hamalainen, who was project creator and director, working with her assistant, Shelba Deer of Sheguiandah First Nation.

"We would like to acknowledge the Anishinabek land that we are on, Mniidoo Mnising and Robinson Huron Treaty. The spirit of Gaagigewang Ziibing, the river and surrounding land inspired the stories that you will hear tonight, written by the youth storytellers," Ms. Deer told those in attendance.

In August the young performers spent two weeks in a storytelling creation process along the Kagawong River Trail, learning about the ecosystem, Anishinaabe ceremonies and participating in physi-



Veronica Johnny sang a song as part of her eco-art workshop, during the 4elements Living Arts Festival, held in Kagawong this weekend.

ton Towegishig

The Ashokan Farewell had Arthur Ross on fiddle and Ann Cummings on djembe, followed by Shelba Deer who provided a land acknowledgement honouring the earth and water.

An untitled story was written and performed by Kyx Leblanc, followed by 'The Mustamo and the Payasak (the water snake and the little people)' written and performed by Keiran Aguonia; 'A meeting of Friends' with choreogra-

times funny 'The Crayfish River Story' was written and performed by Ashton Towegishig.

The fireside teaching of many Anishinabek cultures, traditions and words and meanings was presented by Shelba Deer, accompanied by waterkeeper Lauren Satok.

Throughout the weekend the works of Chantal Rousseau was displayed in the 4e mobile studio. "Stories for Paintings is one of the projects I created dur-

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Bright, modern commercial space available for lease in downtown little current. The 800 sq ft (approx.) space has for more than 30 years been occupied as the local credit union office and can be available for a new tenancy soon. The property is part of The Expositor office building, has large front windows with a waterfront view and has been recently renovated. There is ample on-street customer parking.

The property is appropriate for commercial offices or for a retail enterprise.

For more information or to make an appointment to view, please contact (705) 968-1879 or email editor@manitoulin.com.
Serious inquiries only, please.

Legion Events

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 Wing Night, Thursday, October 7, 4 to 8 pm. Wings, \$1 each (sauces for wings: salt and pepper, sweet chili, sweet and sour, honey garlic, first, second and third degree, parmesan cheese and pepper and Cajun); cheese balls, two for \$1; Jalapeno poppers, \$1 each; cheese sticks, \$1 each; mushroom caps, nine for \$3. Take-out only, pick up at the Legion. To pre-order call or text 705-348-0123. Delivery within town limits, Little Current.

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coming events

Attention - Manitoulin Northshore Federation of Agriculture Members

Annual Meeting on October 1, 2021 from 7 - 9 pm at Mindemoya Community Hall. COVID restrictions require masks and proof of vaccination (checked at the door). No refreshments but gift card for same given at the meeting.

Further information contact Alan (705-849-6879) or Bill (705-282-0908).

coming events

The Little Shoppe Around the Corner at Knox Church in Manitowaning has re-opened on Thursday, September 23rd with fall/winter clothing and miscellaneous treasures. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.

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The Rummage Sale at Knox Church in Manitowaning is open Mondays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Fall and winter clothing, houseware, miscellaneous.

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coming events

NEMI FARMERS' MARKET is now Open

9 am to noon (Water Street: beside Bank of Montreal and at Market Garden Pavilion)
Produce, crafts & more

See you Saturday!
Always room for more vendors: call/text 1-705-690-4175

Sow the Seeds of Reconciliation. The Manitoulin Circle of the Ontario Native Women's Association (ONWA) invites everyone to come mark Truth and Reconciliation Day together on September 30 at 3 pm beside the Manitowaning lighthouse. Join Dr. Jeannette Corbiere-Lavell, biologist Judith Jones and Circle members for a sowing of seeds. All are welcome.

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Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association
Notice of Annual General Meeting



Monday October 4th, 2021 6:00pm -8:00pm
TAKE PART IN STREAM DISCUSSIONS!

Assignack Community Centre & Arena
59 Vankoughnet St. Manitowaning, ON

Come out and join us for our AGM
Speakers: Seija Deschenes Manitoulin Streams Project Coordinator
Free refreshments, Board elections and great conversation!

Proof of vaccination as per government regulations upon entry to community centre
For further information call 705-859-1653

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Gore Bay Rotary Club Fall Produce Auction

Thanksgiving
Saturday,
October 9th
Registration: 9 AM
Start 10 AM - Noon



**Gore Bay
Community Hall**

Covid Rules will apply for entry

• Fruits and vegetables of the area • Pies & Baked goods
*A Burt Farm fresh turkey

Do you have extra vegetables in your garden?
Donations NEEDED! A Rotarian will pick it up for you.
Contact: rotaryclubgb@outlook.com

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY NOOJMOWIN TEG HEALTH CENTRE

Social Worker - Sexual and Domestic Violence Services

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is seeking full-time services of a Social Worker for Sexual and Domestic Violence Services. The successful candidate will provide clinical assessment, counselling, supportive safety planning and referral services to victims and survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence. The Social Worker will collaborate and consult with other service providers to support victims and survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence with wholistic health promotion services in the form of education and primary prevention activities. The Social Worker will report to the Mental Health & Addictions Manager.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is comprised of a multi-team of health care professions providing community-based services through a wholistic approach that integrates both traditional and western healing. The team includes: Primary Care and Allied Health Services, Mental Health & Addictions Services, Health Promotion and Traditional Healing and Cultural Services. Services are offered on-site and community-based (through the Manitoulin Island District First Nations Health Centre's).

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

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

Qualifications/Requirements:

- Minimum of Bachelor of Social Work degree, essential
- Registration with the Ontario College of Social Work and Social Service Workers or alternately with the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario
- Preferred Master of Social Work level education and registration with Ontario College of Social Work and Social Service Workers or alternately with the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario
- Three (3) years' experience providing clinical service, preferably with victims of violence
- Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)
- Mental Health First Aid
- Ability to speak, translate and/or demonstrated willingness to learn the Anishnaabemowin language
- Strong background or knowledge of Anishinabek traditional teachings and ceremonies, preferred
- Excellent interpersonal and written communication skills
- Experience with data collection and e-charting, preferred
- Ability to travel including clear driver's abstract and a reliable vehicle
- Clear vulnerable sector check

Submission

Submit a covering letter, resume, three (3) work-related letters of reference, with contact information, proof of registration/designation, a current vulnerable sector check, a copy of valid driver's licence and driver's abstract. Please mark correspondence as "Confidential." Submissions will be accepted by mail, facsimile or email.

Deadline: October 14, 2021

Send to: Human Resources
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
48 Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni Kaning F.N.
Hwy. 540, Postal Bag 2002
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0

T: (705) 368-2182 ext. 235
F: 705-368-3922
E: info@noojmowin-teg.ca
W: www.noojmowin-teg.ca

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



Employment Opportunity TREASURER

The Township of Billings is currently accepting resumes for the Treasurer position.

The Treasurer will report and is responsible to the Council through the office of the Clerk/CAO. The Treasurer will maintain Township financial records and prepare and maintain the annual budget.

The Treasurer primarily deals with the ongoing daily functions of Finance and Accounting issues while also complying with legislation, by-laws and decisions by Council.

Knowledge and Skills

- Post-Secondary Education in Business Administration and/or Accounting Program at the intermediate level or relevant work experience.
- Three to five years of experience in a municipal office setting is considered an asset.
- Computer knowledge on the municipal software used by the Township to administer its business. Thorough knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, Sage Accounting and XLGL.
- Formal education in Municipal Tax Administration, Municipal Administration Program, Municipal Accounting and Finance considered an asset.
- Good knowledge of senior government financial legislation considered an asset.
- Excellent organizational and analytical ability; good judgment and tact; good knowledge of Provincial legislation and policy that affects local government.
- Excellent communication and public relations skills; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with others; the ability to handle confidential information.

Responsibilities

- Budget/Audit
- Finance and Accounting Management
- Accounts Payable
- Payroll
- Taxes and Water Levy
- Financial Reporting

For a full job description please visit The Township of Billings' website at www.billingstwp.ca.

All interested applicants shall send their resumes to Kathy McDonald, CAO/Clerk/Deputy Treasurer by email at kmcDonald@billingstwp.ca by **Friday, October 8th, 2021 at noon.**



Mnaamodzawin Health Services

Employment Opportunity Meals on Wheels Assistant Full-time

Overview:

The Meals on Wheels Assistant is responsible for assisting in providing innovative meal preparations that contribute to the nutritional value of individuals who live at home. This will be accomplished by supporting the MOW Caterer in development and execution of nutritious meals, maintaining food preparation gardens, and supporting the operations of the Meals on Wheels program.

Required Competencies:

- Integrity and Respect of cultural diversity.
- Work effectively both independently and with a team.
- Implement meal services by planning, purchasing, cooking, and coordinating diverse menus.
- Work with the Home Care team of PSWs and RPNs to ensure timely delivery of meals to clients.
- Document meal preparations within client charting system.
- Develop innovative client interactions through virtual learning sessions.
- Conduct and maintain inventory necessary to perform meal preparations.
- Ensure the preparation station is cleaned and maintained according to Health Canada standards.
- Dependability and Adaptability.

Qualifications and Work Experience:

- A certificate or diploma from a recognized college in the health or culinary field or equivalent working experience.
- Experience in providing catering, culinary or Meals on Wheels services would be an asset.
- Ability to stand for extended periods of time and to perform proper lifting techniques when preparing meals and moving inventory.
- Function effectively in stressful situations.
- Work weekends when required.
- Knowledge of Anishinaabe culture, language, and traditions.
- Current Ontario Driver's Licence (and vehicle)

Deadline: Friday, October 1, 2021 @ 12:00pm

Submissions:

Send resume, cover letter, Vulnerable Sector Check, 3 references and copies of credentials marked 'Confidential' in person, by mail or email to:

Human Resources
Mnaamodzawin Health Services
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy 540
48 Hillside Road, Aundeck Omni Kaning
Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0
705-368-2182 ext.271

hr@mnaamodzawin.com

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be able to proceed with continued chemotherapy service temporarily.”

“In anticipation of the renovations and expansion, some of our services may be disrupted,” said Ms. Fields. “One of the areas that will be receiving extensive, much needed renovations is our chemotherapy site.” She noted the last day of treatment services being offered locally was September 24. The renovations were to begin on the chemotherapy suite September 27. “Those patients currently enrolled in our chemotherapy programs are being temporarily relocated to community outreach programs and the Northeast Cancer Centre. Once the renovations are complete, those patients will be transferred back locally.”

“The renovations include new storage area for medicines, anteroom and mixing room with larger hood to accommodate larger treatment volumes,” said Ms. Fields. “This is critical to allow the MHC to meet the Ontario College of Pharmacy accreditation standards, safer mixing conditions for staff, more space for staff and patients in the new chemotherapy administration suite and additional chair space for ancillary treatment.”

The team at the chemotherapy program will be reaching out to patients and their families to organize their transfer of care to other outreach sites or the Northeastern Cancer Centre in Sudbury during this time. “If you are one of the MHC chemotherapy patients, we will be provid-

ing a letter to help guide you through this process,” said Ms. Fields.

“We are working with the Northeastern Cancer Centre and with individual patients to ensure there is no disruption in their treatment,” said Mr. Vine.

Mr. Vine said, “we know how important it is to get cancer care as close to home as possible. MHC is very proud of our satellite chemo program, which is why we are investing in upgrades to the space to meet accreditation standards, improve staff safety and increase patient care and comfort. Once complete we will have a much more suitable space that can continue to deliver excellent care to our community. We appreciate everyone’s support and patience through this process.”

MHC anticipates the renovations on the chemotherapy suite will be completed in mid-December. “We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause. We are, however, excited to be able to welcome our chemotherapy patients back to our state-of-the-art chemotherapy suite in Mindemoya before year-end,” said Ms. Fields.

As for the overall renovation and expansion project, “we’re running a few weeks behind schedule,” said Mr. Vine. “But the completion date of 2022 hasn’t changed. We are still active in our fundraising campaign and those who would like to make a donation can do so through our website, and of course they can buy tickets on our 50/50 fundraising campaign (www.mhc5050.ca).”



Sheguiandah First Nation

PART-TIME JOB POSTING

Position: Bus Driver

JOB PURPOSE: We have an opening for a Part-Time School Bus Driver with a valid B licence to transport children/youth to and from school in the mornings and afternoons. The successful candidate will have experience driving a bus as well as working with children/youth. We’re looking forward to talking with anyone who has transported elementary and secondary students to school in the past. Our Bus Drivers are an essential part in our educational system, and we value their contributions.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- High school diploma or GED preferred
- B licence required
- Experience driving a school bus
- Clean driving record (drivers abstract must be provided)
- Successful candidate must provide clear Vulnerable Sector Check/CRC
- Ability to carry out assigned route on time
- Excellent communication skills
- 3+ years’ working with children preferred

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Verify students on route ensure pick up and appropriate drop off
- Maintain a clean and mechanically-sound bus at all times
- Obey all traffic laws
- Perform inspections of the bus before and after each route
- Ensure safety of all students
- Maintain a safe and healthy environment
- Attend safety meetings
- Participate in Orientation and Health and Safety sessions

We thank all applicants for their interest but advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please submit applications Marked “CONFIDENTIAL” via mail, fax or in person to:

Attn: Kevin Mishibinijima, O&M Manager
Sheguiandah First Nation
142 Ogema Miikan
Sheguiandah, Ontario
POP 1W0
Or by FAX to: 705-368-3697

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Keep open until filled. For inquiries, please contact Kevin at (705) 368-0366.



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WIKWEMIKONG TRIBAL POLICE SERVICE NEW RECRUIT - OFFICER Full-time - Permanent

Position: Recruit Police Constable
Location: Wikwemikong Unceded Territory
Responsible to: Chief of Police, Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service is accepting applications for a New Recruit Constable. Applicants will be required to successfully complete any additional training deemed necessary by the Ontario Police College as a condition of employment. The New Recruit must attend and successfully pass a 13-week Basic Recruit Training course at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, Ontario, starting January. All new hires are expected to have a valid and completed OACP certificate and medical forms as per attached OACP link www.oacpcertificate.ca.

Summary: The Police Constable will be responsible to the Chief of Police and will maintain law and order in a community-based setting within and around the Wikwemikong Territory.

Key Duties/Responsibilities:

- Preserve the peace;
- Prevent crimes, other offences and providing assistance and encouragement to other persons in their prevention;
- Assist victims of crime;
- Apprehend criminals, other offenders and others who may lawfully be taken into custody;
- Lay charges and participate in prosecutions;
- Execute warrants and perform related duties;
- Perform the lawful duties that the Chief of Police assigns;
- Respond to calls for service;
- Successfully complete prescribed training;
- Commitment to Community-Based Policing principles and practices;
- Display cultural competence when interacting with members of the community;
- Perform 12-hour shifts (days and nights) including weekends and holidays;
- Participate in community events and cultural gatherings;
- Assist in the development and implementation of projects, acting as a resource to team members and other Units;
- Undertake assignments, including traffic point duty and crowd control, as required.

Basic Requirements:

- Must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada of at least 18 years of age.
- Must possess an OSSD or equivalent.
- If convicted of a criminal offence under a federal statute, you must obtain a pardon. If you have ‘Findings of Guilt’, which have resulted in absolute or conditional discharges, the records must be ‘sealed’ by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- Must possess a valid class G Ontario Driver Licence
- Current Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) certificate or OACP certificate equivalency.
- Diploma in Police Foundations or Degree in Law and Criminal justice an asset.
- Possess current First Aid/CPR Certificates.
- Basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Outlook and Office.
- Must have awareness of First Nation culture and traditions.
- Be physically and mentally able to perform the duties of the position, and proof of current fitness test.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality a MUST.
- Be prepared to take an Oath/Affirmation of Office and Secrecy.
- Be of good moral character and habits.
- Pass a detailed background check that includes security clearance checks, credit, and reference checks.
- Employment application packages are available and can be picked up at WTPS office.

Interested applicants are to forward a completed electronic employment package, letter of interest/cover letter, detailed resume, copies of relevant diploma/certificates, and 3 work-related references to:

Attn: Acting Chief of Police, Gregory Mishibinijima
gregory.mishibinijima@wtps.ca

Posting Deadline: October 15, 2021 at 2:00 PM

Please note, applications will be screened. Interviews will be scheduled and at that time a decision will be made to consider an officer for hire. The candidate will also be required to successfully complete psychological, medical, vision and hearing examinations. The best qualified candidate(s) will be subject to a comprehensive background investigation.

Members of the Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service participate in the Ontario Pension Board pension plan. It is compulsory for members to contribute to the plan. Experienced officers who have contributed to another pension plan may contact their current plan administrator to determine if their plan is transferable.



Mnidoo Mnising Coalition Against Domestic Violence 5 Month Contract/Consultant Part-Time Coordinator

Background

The Mnidoo Mnising Coalition Against Domestic Violence has been in existence since 2004. In 2009 funding was made available to support the mission of VAWCCs across Ontario through the Ontario Women’s Directorate and the Ministry of Community and Social Services. The Coalition is currently seeking a part-time Coordinator to facilitate the activities of the committee.

Mnidoo Mnising Coalition Vision and Mission

The vision of the Mnidoo Mnising VAWCC is to eradicate gender-based violence in the district of Manitoulin/Espanola. The mission of the committee is to reduce gender-based violence through awareness, education and coordination.

Position Objective

The purpose of this position is to provide coordination and project management support to the Mnidoo Mnising Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

Tasks and Responsibilities

- Develop and coordinate project plans for identified deliverables.
- Organize committee meetings, prepare minutes, disseminate minutes through the use of virtual technology (i.e. Zoom, email).
- Track Coalition deliverables.
- Provide support to Coalition Chair(s) and committee.

Qualifications

- Bachelor degree in social work, psychology, or other relevant field and/or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Two years’ minimum experience in project management.
- Knowledge and experience within the violence against women sector and community resources.
- Superior communication, organizational, and inter-personal skills; ability to work independently and demonstrate initiative.
- Computer proficiency and knowledge of information technology (i.e. Zoom).
- Due to COVID-19, much of the work of this position will happen remotely, and thus access to reliable internet is a necessity.
- Current criminal record check and vulnerable sector screening required of selected candidate.

Remuneration

The position will be paid an hourly rate to be determined. Hours per month will depend on project needs, with a likely range of 10 to 20 hours per month.

Submission Details

Deadline for application: Friday, October 08, 2020, 4:00 p.m.

Please send resume and cover letter with references to:
Denise Leblanc, Executive Programs’ Assistant, Manitoulin Family Resources
Email: dleblanc@mfresources.net

Island charity one of six to benefit from local Smile Cookie campaign

ESPANOLA—One of the benefactors of the Tim Horton's Smile Cookie campaign will benefit Local Food Manitoulin.

The Smile Cookie Campaign is an annual event put on by Tim Hortons for a

week across Canada. Al Martin, owner of six franchises in the Manitoulin, Espanola and North Shore areas, announced that his six franchises raised just over \$43,000 (with each cookie being sold for \$1).

The various charities that will receive the funds include Local Food Manitoulin, the North Shore Health Network-Blind River, Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank and Access Transit in Iroquois Falls.



October is only a few days away! The leaves are changing more and more every day, sadly meaning that the cooler weather is settling in.

A leaf joke for you: I saw a leaf that was in the shape of a chicken. Apparently it is from a poultree.

Monday, September 20 was the MSS student mock federal election. Students were able to cast a ballot at MSS just as if they were of voting age for the federal election. ID was necessary in order to vote (ex. their student card), but if they did not have any ID with them, their teacher was able to vouch for who they are. This student vote was made possible at MSS and many other schools across Canada through a program called CIVIX which is a national charity dedicated to strengthening democracy through civic education. Ms. Keatley was the staff member in charge of running this event. Students in her first period week two civics and careers class ran the polling stations holding positions as polling clerks, district returning officer and scrutineers.

Results from the MSS student election were as follows: New Democratic Party, Carol Hughes, 117 votes; Liberal Party, Duke Peltier, 70 votes; Conservative Party, John Sagman, 40 votes; Green Party, Stephen Zimmerman, 12 votes; People's Party of Canada, Harry Jaaskelainen, nine votes; Christian Heritage Party, Clarence Baarda, five votes. There were a total of 256 valid ballots with 12 rejected ballots and five spoiled ballots.

Canada-wide voting student results were released by CIVIX on the evening of September 20. Provincially in Ontario, the Liberal Party won the popular vote with the New Democratic Party in a close second. Nationally, the New Democratic Party won the student popular vote, but the Liberal Party led in seat count with 118. Overall, the student vote results were very similar to voting results from the federal election. If you would like to read more about the results of the CIVIX student election across Canada, please visit studentvote.ca/results. Thank you to Ms. Keatley, her students, and all the students that voted!

A little taste of sweetness made its way into Ms. Beck's Grade 11/12 Earth and space science class on Tuesday, September 21 as the students helped extract honey from the Becks, Bauer and Wiwchar

family hives as well as the school's hives. Students were able to be hands-on during a large part of the process, including spinning the honey down and carrying the very heavy pails and hive boxes up and down the stairs.

On Wednesday, September 22 there was a university information presentation held in Mr. Wesno's SBI4U class during first period. Students not already in Mr. Wesno's biology class had to sign up in order to attend the session. Students were given valuable resources and advice to help start the decision and planning process for their university applications.

Freezie Friday was once again postponed, but there were enough fingers crossed that the sweet treats finally made their appearance on Friday, September 24.

Friday, September 24 was

also tacky tourist day! Students made sure that they didn't miss out on the chance to grab their favourite Hawaiian shirt and channel their inner tacky tourist for a day.

Many sports are now running after school which is great to see considering everything has had to be put on hold over the last year and a half. Girls' basketball is having daily after school practices, cross country is up and running, and boys volleyball is also practicing!

Joke of the week: A man walks into a library and asks the librarian for books about paranoia. She whispers, "They're right behind you!"

Upcoming events include National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Orange Shirt Day.

Until next time, "Dream and Believe. Learn and Achieve!"



HELP WANTED

Manitoulin Lodge in Gore Bay at 3 Main Street is in need of staff for their Dietary Department as well as Laundry and Housekeeping. None of these positions are full time. Cooking experience is also an asset. Please call 705-282-2007 if interested.



Help Wanted

Purvis Fisheries is currently looking for people to work in the processing plant and part time on the trapnet boat to finish out the season. Then you can have the winter off and back in March or April depending on the weather in the spring. You can call 705-283-3131 or email contactus@purvisfisheries.com.

RONA

Little Current Building Centre

RONA is looking to fill various positions including:

- shipping and receiving
- sales clerk
- and someone with construction knowledge to work at the service desk

Please send resumes to aaron@ronalittlecurrent.com

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UNITED CHIEFS and COUNCILS OF MNIDOO MNISING

COMMUNITY JUSTICE WORKER

Location: United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing Tribal Council – M'Chigeeng First Nation
Duration: Full-time pending funding (3 month probation period)

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing Justice Program is an Anishinaabe Community Justice Program. Under the direct supervision of the Justice Manager, the Community Justice Worker is responsible for working directly with clients, panel members, victims, and police; organizing and facilitating Justice Circles; and assisting individuals with completing their Plan of Action from the Justice Circle.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Establish and maintain working relationships with Indigenous and mainstream community partners.
- Review docket to identify candidates for diversion, meet with Crown Attorney to discuss candidates.
- Meet with candidates to explain program, complete consent and client intake form.
- Contact panel members to participate in justice circle, copy and provide Crown Brief to panel members, prepare circle outline, arrange time, date, and location for justice circle.
- Discuss justice circle with victim(s), victim support person, offender(s), and offender support persons.
- Facilitate justice circles.
- Supervision and conduct follow-up based on disposition (plan of action) from circle.
- Facilitate presentations and guest speaking for large audiences, conduct workshops and seminars for justice personnel, UCCM Anishnaabe Police Services, and outside agencies on the operation of the program.
- Maintain accurate, complete, and confidential records on each case heard by the diversion program.
- Provide quarterly activity and statistical reports to Justice Manager for funding bodies.
- Participate in Justice Program staff meetings and Strategic Planning sessions to further develop the UCCMM Justice Program.
- Attend court, training, and information sessions at various locations.
- Conform to ethical standards of practice and to exercise client confidentiality.
- Regular to continuous computer usage for reports, correspondence to clients, and search for court related information.
- Work with people who could potentially become violent, hostile and work in stressful situations.
- Able to work evenings, weekends or extended hours and ability to travel.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Post-secondary degree or diploma in law or social services discipline or at least two years' experience working in Anishinaabe justice in Ontario.
- Knowledge of UCCMM Justice principles; knowledge of local Anishinaabe history, clan systems, teachings, protocols, etiquette, culture, traditions, and ceremonies.
- Knowledge of local Indigenous and non-Indigenous services and resources.
- Ability to speak the Ojibwe language is an asset.
- Knowledge of relevant criminal court procedures, Criminal Code and Youth Criminal Justice Act.
- Ability to manage a database; complete financial forms; produce clear and concise workplan activity, statistical reports, and correspondence.
- Must possess a valid Ontario Drivers' Licence, a reliable means of transportation, and able to travel.
- Must provide a clear current Criminal Records Check.
- Must provide a clear current Vulnerable Sector Screening if selected.
- Must possess excellent work habits and ethics and able to work independently.
- Must support Anishinaabe red road teachings, promotion of positive role models and healthy lifestyles.

Remuneration: Annual salary \$46,200 and benefits
Closing Date: October 15, 2021 at 12 noon

To Apply:
 Mail or deliver a complete package which must include the following:
 1) cover letter 2) resume 3) copy of valid Ontario driver's licence 4) three work-related letters of reference including at least one from a supervisor/manager 5) current criminal reference check

*Incomplete, emailed or late packages will not be considered.
 Thank you for applying but only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.*

Mark "Confidential-CJW" to:

Hazel Recollet, Chief Executive Officer
 United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnísing
 Box 275
 M'Chigeeng, ON P0P 1G0



Guardian

Help Wanted

Help in dispensary
 Mindemoya Guardian Pharmacy is looking for help in the Dispensary. Must be available weekends. No experience necessary, we are willing to provide all the training needed. Please email resume to ashminpharm@outlook.com or come in and see us in store.

Maintenance position
 Mindemoya Guardian Pharmacy is looking to fill a full time Maintenance position. Must be willing to travel to all three of our locations occasionally, general building maintenance and other physical tasks. Please email resume to ashminpharm@outlook.com or apply in store.



Food Cupboard--The Gore Bay United Church is continuing this service during the COVID-19 outbreak with some changes. They will be open noon to 3 pm on Thursdays. Come to the side door (facing McQuarrie Motors) and knock. Food will be packed and passed outside to you. If you have questions, call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily.

Tfn

Robinson Township Local Roads Board annual meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 2 pm at the Silver Water Community Hall. Any Robinson Township ratepayer is welcome to attend. Current COVID protocols will be followed. Attendees must remain six feet apart, unless living in the same household. Face masks must be worn. Attendees must provide contact information for PHSD records. Paper copies of the meeting material will be distributed at the meeting. Should you wish to receive an electronic copy, please send a request to Lori at mastelko@hotmail.com.

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Summer flew by with most of my time spent outside, hanging out in my gardens. I call it my happy place! Fall has arrived with a bit of sadness because I am slowly preparing the gardens for winter and won't have the abundance of fresh lettuce and herbs. Oh but wait, I still have one zucchini that was hiding that I need to do something with. Maybe feed it to the chickens—oops, best not. I have company coming and can now experiment on them with a gluten free, sugar free recipe, that I will make with this last lonely zucchini.

Chocolate Zucchini Muffins

I made this recipe three times to fine tune it and used up the zucchini. I didn't use white sugar but



instead maple syrup. If you don't want to use maple syrup substitute with 1/2 cup mashed banana. The chocolate chips I used is a brand called "Lily's" Stevia Sweetened and I buy them from the health food store in Mindemoya.

- 2 cups almond flour
- 1/4 cup cacao powder
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 cup coconut oil, melted (or oil of choice)
- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 2 Tbsp unsweetened applesauce

- 3 large eggs
- 1 cup shredded zucchini
- 1/2 cup chocolate chips
- Preheat oven to 350°F.
- Line a cupcake pan with 12 paper liners or spray with an oil.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk almond flour, cacao, salt and baking soda.

In a separate bowl whisk coconut oil, maple syrup, applesauce, zucchini, and eggs.

Add the wet ingredients to the dry ingredients and mix until well

combined.

Stir in the chocolate chips.

Spoon the batter into your paper liners. The mixture will seem runny but don't worry.

Bake for 15 to 20 minutes until they are firm to the touch. Remove from the oven and let cool before removing the muffins from the pan. Handle gently!!!

✚ in memoriam

McLEAN—In loving memory of James (Jim) McLean, December 1944 to October 2020.

You meant so much to me, You were special and that's no lie. You brightened up the darkest day and the cloudiest sky. Your smile alone warmed hearts, Your laugh was like music to hear, I would give absolutely anything To have you well and standing near. Not a second passes When you're not on my mind, Your love I will never forget, The hurt will ease in time. Many tears I have seen and cried, They have all poured out like rain. I know that you are happy now And no longer in any pain. I love and miss you. Love always, Lorraine 20p

BROWN—In memory of Joyce Brown, January 21, 1936 to September 30, 2018.

Without farewell, you fell asleep with memories for all of us to keep. Though time moves forward, Silent thoughts of our time together remain And will keep us close to you. Peacefully sleeping, resting at last, Your trials and troubles past. God called you home, To suffer no more And give you freedom. We bless our time we had with you. Still loved, still missed by all of us. Till we meet again. Love Garfield, Nancy, Peggy, Rob and families 20p

Death Notices

VERNA ALMA HEISE (nee Moore)

August 29, 1926 - September 17, 2021



Our feisty, independent mom left us on Friday, September 17, 2021. Verna Moore was born on Manitoulin Island, on August 29, 1926 to parents Wallace Moore and Laura Baxter-Coulum (both predeceased). Predeceased by her brother Melvin Moore and sisters Leona Marshall and Stella Still. Verna married Boyne Heise on December 28, 1945. They were married for 55 years until Boyne's death on July 19, 2000. Loving mother of Karen Heise, Lyn (Mike) Valiquette, Myron Heise (Deborah McConnell), Nolan Heise (predeceased December 6, 2009) (Valerie Gibson) and Rodger Heise (Molly Wilson). Beloved grandmother of Corry Lynn Bazley, Jennifer, Erin, Christopher, Jodie, Trevor, Emily, Elizabeth, Ellen and Evan. There are 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Mom worked on aircraft for DeHavilland during WWII for many years. Verna also worked as a nurse's aide at Manitoulin Health Centre for many years. She has held the positions of secretary and president for the Royal Canadian Legion Women's Auxiliary. Verna was a creative cook, sewer and knitter. She learned to drive at age 50 and had prodigious energy. We will miss Mom very much. A private funeral will be held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Little Current on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 11am. The funeral is limited to immediate family. (Pandemic precautions unfortunately). Burial to follow the funeral at Cold Springs Cemetery (next door to the Moore farm, Mom's family home). People are welcome to attend at the cemetery but please follow masking and social distancing rules. Donations can be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Perpetual Care Fund, P.O. Box 65, Little Current, ON P0P 1K0; the Centennial Manor, 70 Robinson St., Little Current, ON P0P 1K0 or Holy Trinity Anglican Church, P.O. Box 186, Little Current, ON P0P 1K0. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at IslandFuneral-Home.ca.

STEVEN PAUL CLARK

April 27, 1949 - September 21, 2021



Steve passed away peacefully at home with his family by his side on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at the age of 72. Beloved husband of 51 years to Brenda Joan Clark (nee Smith). Loving father of Jennifer Robyn Smith (Allen), to be reunited with son Christopher Steven (predeceased). Doting grandpa to Kathryn (Ben), Amanda and Christopher. Predeceased by parents Paul and Fern Clark. Will be missed by brother-in-law Blaine Smith (Laura), niece Kimberly and nephew Robin (Jean), as well as many other extended family and friends. Steve was a teacher, who spent the later part of his career in many of the schools throughout the Island until his retirement in 2009. He especially enjoyed his time with the special education program where he had the special gift of patience, which allowed him to assist the children to learn and grow. He was a gifted musician, and taught music in Fredericton prior to the family moving to Ontario in 1989. He taught piano lessons in his own home to many children over the years, on his most precious baby grand piano. He shared his love of music when he played the organ and piano at the Mindemoya Missionary Church, often accompanying Jennifer for special music. A Celebration of Life will be held at Mindemoya Missionary Church on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 2 pm. All COVID-19 precautions must be followed including masks, social distancing and handwashing. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Steven can be made to the Mindemoya Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya, Ontario P0P 1S0 or online at <https://mindemoyamissionarychurch.ca/give>, or the Rainbow District School's special education program. Please make cheques payable to the Rainbow District School Board and mail to Island Funeral Home, P.O. Box 787, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0 and we will forward them to the School Board or the Mindemoya Emerge Together at the Mindemoya Hospital. Cheques can be made payable to the Mindemoya Hospital and can be mailed to the Mindemoya Hospital, 2120B Hwy. 551, Mindemoya, ON P0P 1S0. Please indicate "Let's Emerge Together" project in the memo line. Alternatively, donations may be made for the Emerge program online at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/9790>. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at IslandFuneral-Home.ca.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All claims against the Estate of John Bowerman, late of Sheguiandah who died August 28, 2021, must be filed with the undersigned by October 15, 2021 after which date the estate will be distributed having regard only to claim of which notice has been received.

First issue date September 29, 2021

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Celebration of Life

DOUGLAS GREENMAN



Douglas Greenman, a longtime resident of Barrie Island, passed away in Sudbury on Sunday, October 4, 2020 in his 80th year. A Celebration will be held at the Barrie Island Community Hall on Friday, October 8, 2021 from 2 to 5 pm. We were hoping COVID-19 would have been over. However, it's been one year since his passing and we still have restrictions in place. Please join us as we say goodbye to our brother, uncle and friend. Most of the event will be outside due to COVID-19 restrictions and gathering sizes. Please wear casual clothing as well as your favourite plaid shirt / jacket as this was Doug's favourite attire. Masks are mandatory. Please be prepared to show proof of COVID-19 vaccine. All guidelines will be followed. Bring your own lawn chairs if you wish.

...Now and Then: 'Ciann' Strickland

...continued from page 19 border collie mix, who survived a lightning strike in the Benjamins. His foot was on a rock beside us when a nearby tree was hit. He became epileptic but with medication he survived to an old age. My strengths? Organizing activities and events, like retreats. They keep my mind active."

"What would I still like to do? Visit a certain cathedral in France, see a circle-dance event in Ireland, go down the Mississippi in the Delta Queen River Boat, and see the Saguenay River in Quebec. Recipe for happiness? Don't carry resentment and only accept responsibility for what you are responsible for. Use your intuition."

A life changing event? After a weekend session, 'Changing Course,' in 1994, Ciann decided to change her name. "Everybody knew me as Patsy, so I took

the last three letters of Patricia and part of Ann to create Ciann. With this name, I felt different, stronger and capable of achieving my real potential to help others."

These days, at 88, Ciann spends her summers at the cottage, and in Little Current. "I am the oldest member of the Bauman family now. I have lived on Manitoulin for over half my life, 50 years, longer than any other place. I love to partici-

pate in multicultural circle dances here. I have no grandchildren, but a few of my class participants are passing on to their offspring what I have taught, so a legacy lives. Many of my friends are Haweaters and some came from other places, like me. Manitoulin is my 'haven' now, my place to get away to, every summer. I can reconnect with all my friends and all those special memories."



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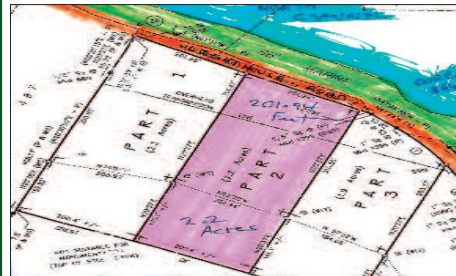
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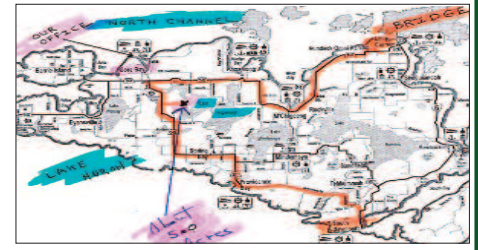
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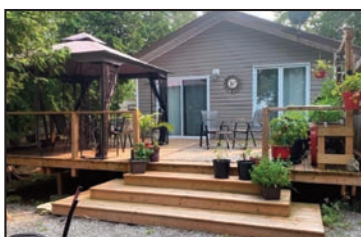
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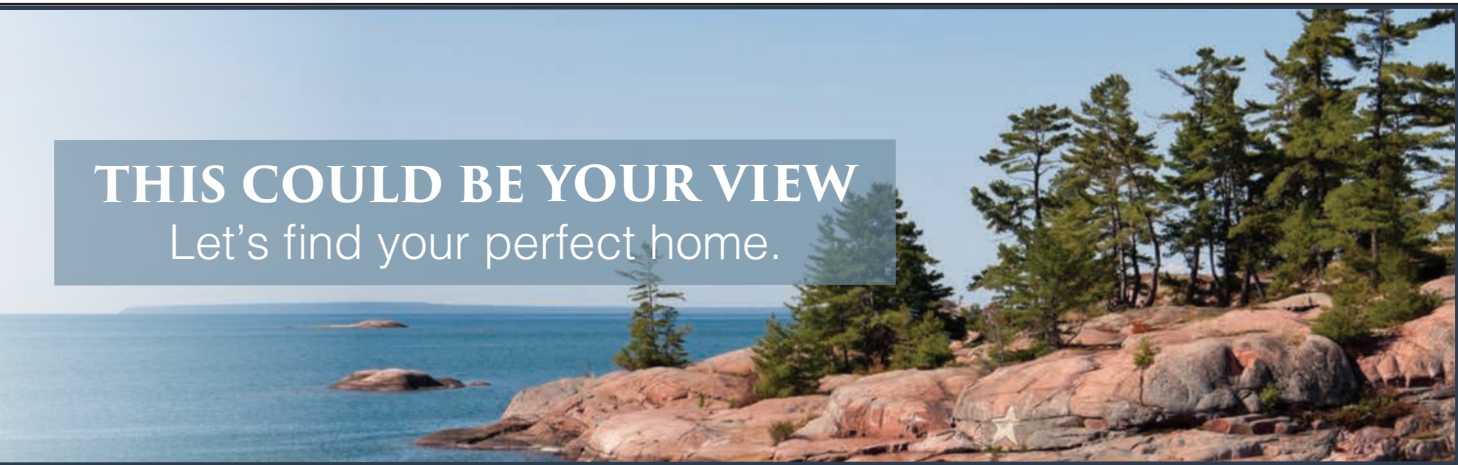


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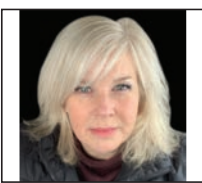
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