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Little Current fish and gamers build salmon, rainbow trout spawning pool at Bass Creek

by Warren Schlote
SHEGUIANDAH—Manitoulin Streams Improvement Association, in partnership with the Little Current Fish and Game Club (LCFGC) and government funders, has completed another project on Sheguiandah's Bass Lake Creek to enhance the spawning habitat for salmonids.

"It felt really good to get this done. There's always little challenges, like water coming down that you have to divert to do work on the stream bed, but the crews did a great job and it didn't take very long," said Seija Deschenes, project co-ordinator at Manitoulin Streams.

Workers created a spawning pool for salmonids (which include salmon and trout species) as they move up Bass Lake Creek from Sheguiandah Bay on Lake Huron, upstream of the fish ladder. These fishes move inland to spawn and these improvements will support future generations of the fishery.

LCFGC president Bill Strain told The Expositor that he first suggested the project three years ago. Since then, engineers have completed site designs, the non-profit has raised funds to complete the work and arranged for contractors to redevelop the site.

"It feels great to see this done. This is our fifth project on the riv-

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Part of the work in the Bass Lake Creek project involved digging a hole that was later covered by a thick layer of spawning gravel.



Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier and 2020 graduate Evanson Peltier-Pitawanakwat epitomize the atmosphere at the outdoor graduation event held at Thunderbird Park. Students, staff and families gathered to celebrate the moment after a months-long COVID-19 delay. See story and pictures on Page 5.

photo by Michael Erskine

Lakeview students back Sept. 21

M'CHIGEENG—Last Thursday night, M'Chigeeng chief and council approved Lakeview School's return to school plan and policies.

"We have shifted the start date of school for the children to September 21 and ending June 30, 2021," Ogimaa-kwe Linda Debassige told The Expositor. "In

the next two weeks, we are supporting our educators with training and setting up their respective classrooms to be safe and ready for when children return."

The ogimaa-kwe noted that the school is still awaiting enrollment numbers as to how many students will be attending school in person or virtually.

Sandhill cranes' impact on farming; farmers hope for a legal hunt

by Michael Erskine
WATERLOO—Farmers have been lobbying for a solution to the growing problem of Sandhill crane depredations on their grain crops. The large migratory birds currently enjoy protected status in Ontario after their numbers were severely depleted. Known as the 'ribeye of the sky,' the creatures were a very popular game bird before their precipitous decline in the mid-20th century.

Since Sandhill cranes became protected their numbers have rebounded significantly and Island farmers have joined the call for a renewed hunting season. A study seeking to establish the interactions between the cranes and agriculture is looking to obtain access to Island farm fields in order to gather data.

The Canadian Wildlife Service (part of Environment and Climate Change Canada) and the University of Waterloo will be conducting year two of its study on Sandhill cranes and how their movements relate to agricultural land uses. According to the study proponents, information from the study will be vital to understanding the nature of conflicts between Sandhill cranes and agricultural producers and how those conflicts can be mitigated.

This year, study crews will be working the fields between Sturgeon Falls and Sault Ste Marie, along the Highway 17 corridor, including a survey on Manitoulin Island. A rough schedule calls for the Azilda area to be studied between September 9-16; St. Joseph's Island, Echo Bay and Bruce Mines between September 17-24; Manitoulin Island between September 25-October 2; and West Nipissing between October 3-8.

Study researchers will be looking to access agricultural fields where cranes are actively feeding or at rest throughout the day. Crews will be capturing cranes using a rocket-propelled net, attaching transmitters to the birds, then releasing them.

Farmers interested in providing access to their fields for this important study can contact Manitoulin's acting agricultural development officer, Julie Poirier Mensinga, at julie.poiriermensinga@ontario.ca. Registrants are asked to provide their name, physical address of their home farm and an approximate number of cranes using their fields.

Tehkummah assumes cost on Bowerman Trails in SBM

by Warren Schlote
SOUTH BAYMOUTH—The Township of Tehkummah has agreed to take out a liability insurance policy for Dick Bowerman's trail system on the unopened road allowances of South Baymouth, though a long-term maintenance effort on the wooden structures is required to keep them viable into the future.

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Eunice and Dick Bowerman stand atop one of the structures Dick built by hand on the Bowerman Trails. He is seeking support with the upkeep of the system.

photo by Warren Schlote

TIFF featuring Autumn Peltier documentary

by Warren Schlote
TORONTO—Wiikwemkoong water walker Autumn Peltier is hitting the virtual silver screen on September 14 at the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) in 'The Water Walker,' a short documentary film about her advocacy work for safe, clean drinking water in Canada and across the world.

"It's almost a bit of an overwhelming feeling," Autumn told The Expositor, adding that she will be taking part in a virtual question-and-answer session after the free 6 pm screening at TIFF.net.

"I believe this TIFF launch is going to be huge for Autumn and her story, and for Indigenous people and our quest to let people

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Water advocate Autumn Peltier is the focus of the short documentary 'The Water Walker.'



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RDSB mandates non-medical masks for students during pandemic

by Tom Sasvari

SUDBURY—Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) has made it mandatory for all students in Grades 1-12 to wear non-medical or cloth masks at school, while Kindergarten students can wear non-medical masks or face shields when school begins next week.

At an RDSB meeting Tuesday, the board considered a motion that had been deferred at its August meeting, that all students (K-12) wear masks at school.

"This motion was deferred at our last board meeting, to allow us to seek additional information," said board trustee Margaret Stringer. "Health units and health officials in the province have determined that anyone aged two and up—customers, clients, visitors—have to wear masks in pub-

lic buildings and public spaces, with exceptions. And there have been a number of school boards that have passed motions requiring all students to wear masks in schools and many have been supported by their local health unit."

Ms. Stringer listed off numerous school boards, several being of the same general size



All students in Rainbow schools from Grades 1-12 will have to wear face coverings during COVID-19.

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as the RDSB in terms of schools and students, that have passed similar resolutions.

"I believe that for many parents the issue of mask wearing is the biggest consideration they have taken as to whether their children attend school in person or continue distance learning," said Ms. Stringer. She said children, along with adults, have

been required to wear masks in public. And she pointed out of all students, kindergarten students would have the most difficulty in physically distancing from other students because they might not have a full understanding of why they need to do so.

"There is no sense in having rules for everyone, having to wear masks in public buildings and places, and then having one group of students in schools not having to wear masks in classes that may have between 20-25 students," said Ms. Stringer.

"I would like to propose an amendment be made to the motion, that with reasonable exceptions (such as a doctor's recommendation that a student not wear a mask), students in Grades 1-12 wear masks and

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Hare says education is best way to mark 25th Ipperwash anniversary

ANISHINABEK NATION—Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief Glen Hare says the best way to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the shooting death of Anthony "Dudley" George at Ipperwash by an Ontario Provincial Police sniper is through continued public education.

"On September 6, 1995, we lost a warrior. His fight was to protect the land of his people of Ipperwash. This loss is another example of systemic racism that we continue to fight today; working with our people who are dealing with years of treaty rights infringement, inherent rights not acknowledged and unsettled land claims," states Grand Council Chief Hare.

Since the unarmed protestor's death on September 6, 1995, there has been a public inquiry and some 100 recommendations from the report of the Ipperwash Inquiry that was released by Justice Sidney Linden on May 31, 2007. The Anishinabek

News online featured a summer series comprised of 16 articles that examined themes such as history, policing, heritage and burials, public education and treaties. All of the articles are intended to reflect on what happened and what is happening today.



Glen Hare

"From the report of the Ipperwash Inquiry, it was found that there is a lack of recognition and respect of inherent, aboriginal and treaty rights and how these exhaustive issues together pose a barrier to maintaining healthy relationships between Anishinabek First Nations, government,

and police services," says Grand Council Chief Hare. "Frequently, Anishinabek people who exercise their treaty and aboriginal and inherent rights find themselves under the scrutiny of not only police services, but by a public ignorant to the history of First Nations people and colonialism who have not received or soughe-

education on First Nation treaty and aboriginal rights. A way to counter ignorance and to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the shooting death of Dudley George and the legacy of his brother Sam is through continued public education efforts."

Efforts put forth by the Anishinabek Nation for public

education include lobbying and participating in the inquiry, commemorative events, news releases, books, teacher's kits, Treaties Recognition Week events and participating in the bi-lateral table relationship with Ontario. Next spring will see a full launch of treaty education web-based resources.

Time to start decorating for Harvest Glory Days

MANITOULIN—Friday, October 2 is coming: do you know where your pumpkins, corn stalks, scarecrows and hay bales are?

You'll need to know where you can find them so you can decorate the outside of your home, business, church or community hall in time for the Friday, October 2 deadline to enter your proud handiwork in the 2020 edition of Harvest Glory Days.

Harvest Glory Days (this year is the eighth annual event) is both a call to decorate in the fall/harvest theme and, at the same time, it is a friendly competition among Man-



It's that time of year again. Get your harvest-themed decorations ready, like this Gore Bay entry from last year.

itoulin Island towns, hamlets and First Nations, to see which ones boast the most individual decorat-

ing efforts and so qualify them as 'Harvest Glory Days Award Winning Communities' that testify to the community spirit of the citizens of these champion towns, First Nations, hamlets or villages.

Communities that have won the right to be judged 'best decorated' in the Harvest Glory theme are rewarded by The Manitoulin Expositor, sponsor of Harvest Glory Days, with a large metal sign, suitable for roadside posting, that testifies to the community spirit of this particular place.

Last year, Gore Bay was a first-

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OCNA's This Old Newspaper recycled newsprint contest now taking submissions until October 31

Paper art submissions on display at Turners Art Gallery

LITTLE CURRENT—The deadline for the provincial 'This Old Newspaper' contest has been extended until Halloween and Manitoulin's two oldest businesses, The Expositor and Turners of Little Current, have teamed up to showcase the ingenious works of Manitoulin Islanders.

So far, The Expositor has received three submissions—a 1920s flapper-style dress and headband from Diana Parrill of Sheguiandah, a woven purse free from any materials other than newsprint from Jessey Mandoshkin of Aundeck Omni Kanning First Nation and an eight-foot long swing bridge replica atop a

globe, all made from recycled Expositors, by Gord Sople of Mindemoya.

At the Manitoulin West

Recorder in Gore Bay, Tom Sasvari has received a set of candy dishes from Mona Lewis, crafted

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Lorne Agawa has worked at the Wiiky dollar store since day one

When the shelves and merchandise were first being installed in Wiikwemkoong's Your Dollar Store With More Lorne Agawa was there. "I've been here right from the very beginning," he said, adding that there is a lot about his job that he loves.



Lorne Agawa

If he isn't helping folks find what they need at the store, Mr. Agawa is likely to be found out fishing or hanging with his family back home.

"I usually take my kids out onto the land," he said. Although he hesitates to label what he does "land-based teachings," much of what he describes would fit in that label quite comfortably.

"Goose hunting, fishing, learning to live off the land."

With the advent of the pandemic, Mr. Agawa admits it's a challenge, but there are also some silver linings to be mined from the experience as well. "I try to get my kids off the internet," he said. "With hunting season coming up, my son is looking forward to moose camp."

Mr. Agawa said that he does a lot of work in the outdoors. "I do a lot with Luke (Wassegiijig of Wasse-Giizhik Tours and Accommodations in Wiikwemkoong) and having a job that is flexible is great," he said. "If I don't have to come in until 1 pm, I can go fishing in the morning, take people out on the water."

In a normal year, Mr. Agawa takes members of the community shore fishing, although that has been curbed by the pandemic restrictions.

"I take people shoreline fishing, sometimes Ontario Works, and show them what they need to know to be able to go fishing," said Mr. Agawa. "It's about sustenance and promoting a healthy lifestyle. "There are a lot of people around who have issues with alcohol," he said. "This gives them something positive to do."

Mr. Agawa knows that path. "I will be 14 years this September 10," he said. "It's a much better way to live."

Your Dollar Store With More is chock full of inexpensive and handy items, the perfect place to source party favours, decorations and small toys and back to school items. The Expositor grabbed a new fast charge cord for a cellphone at a very reasonable price.

Remember that when you shop locally, you're supporting friends and neighbours like Lorne Agawa at Your Dollar Store With More.



Open for passengers

ABOVE: United Manitoulin Islands Transit (UMIT) board members, executives and guest musicians gathered for an open house at the AJ Bus Lines garage in Little Current on Friday, September 4 to introduce the public to the Island's transit service. From left are board member Rose Shawanda, Michel Bertrand and Guy Dumas of March of Dimes Canada, executive director Joahanna Berti and guest musicians Marsha Coffey, Sunny O and Brian Fox.

INSET LEFT: Guests enjoyed custom bus stop cookies at the event.

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editorial

Thorny questions arise in dealing with Canada's past

Canada, as a nation, was born at the apex of colonial expansion across the globe. Its gestation took place during a period when the "pink bits" covering any map of the globe denoted the breadth of a British Empire upon which, it was boasted, the sun never set. It was a time when most of English Canada staunchly subscribed to the concept of the supremacy of the English model being the very epitome of civilization (the francophone portion of the country would demure, but switch that to "French" or at least European civilization, c'est meme chose, n'est pas?).

It was inescapable that our national history along with many of those symbols that mark Canada's legacy would be infused with the ideas and zeitgeist of the times in which our nation was born. It was an environment where racism was all the rage amongst the cool kids; even those who sought to improve the lot of those deemed less fortunate were largely convinced of the "whiteman's burden," a responsibility to bring the benefits of a good Christian upbringing to the poor and benighted savages of this "wild and untamed land."

Times change.

Today, Canada is a multicultural nation whose disparate and urban concentrated citizenry are more likely to hail from the colonially oppressed portions of the pink bits than from any county in Jolly Olde Blighty, but our nation's cultural and economic elites, as well as most rural regions, are still largely dominated by those people former prime minister Stephen Harper referred to as "old stock" Canadians. It is the remnants of those founding populations, those whose ancestors' accomplishments stand most honoured in the bronzed landscape of our cultural identity, who are most likely to express outrage when those historical icons are pulled to the ground by protesting mobs like those of some deposed tin pot dictator.

It seems to many that such actions are most un-Canadian and run thoroughly counter to the concept of peace, order and good government upon which our nation was founded.

But we are not the nation or the people of 1867, 1767 or 1667—even 1967. We have changed and we are learning.

Yet mob rule and vigilantism are still not desirable cultural norms.

There have been many fine words flowing from politicians of every partisan flavour extolling the virtues of our inclusive national culture, but as any student of Indigenous relations can attest, talk is cheap. It is little wonder that patience among those runs thin, especially when so many populist politicians seek to harness Old Stock outrage to attest that there is no systemic racism in our national systems, our courts, our politics, our economy—nothing to see here,

folks, 'it's all in those radical provocateurs' heads.'

No, it is not. It is demonstrable that systemic racism exists in this country and denial will not make it go away, nor will fine words and noble sentiments.

The toppling or defacing statues of Sir John A. MacDonald, Canada's first prime minister and one of the two lead Fathers of Confederation that brought this most unlikely of countries into existence, is just a symptom of a deeper set of issues that we, as a nation, must address going forward.

The time is right for our nation to begin to address the underlying issues that have given rise to the toppling of the icons that celebrate our national past. Canada has long been a nation where the elevation of individuals and nationalist symbols has followed a less celebrity-based path than our neighbours to the south—reflecting another cultural norm common to England.

History is filled with individuals whose positive accomplishments have transcended the more odious aspects of their personalities and policies on the record.

Does making the trains run on time trump helping fill those trains with those bound for genocide? Most Canadians would emphatically disagree. How much leeway should we allow our historical figures and how should we deal with the disparate histories of our nation?

For those ascendant in society thanks largely to the historical advantage that they have enjoyed, through no fault of their own, they might add, it is extremely difficult to set aside the lens through which history is viewed and see things from the other side.

Sir John A. MacDonald oversaw some of the most racist policies of our nation. He wasn't alone, the vast majority of the nation heartily agreed with him. Our nation is littered with testaments extolling slave owners, promulgators of racist policies and oppressive actions—it is the very stuff of colonialism. We need to find a way to maintain the positive aspects of our history while at the same time refraining from applauding evils that have been wrought.

Tackling these issues requires adopting a larger vision, but there has never been a better or more appropriate time to have these discussions and, more importantly, to take concrete and real actions to build a more just and civil society that we can all view with pride.

Let us, as a nation, seek common ground upon which we can all stand proud of the nation we are today, remain mindful from where we have come and willing to take action to renovate the foundations from which we grow forward.

letters

Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha pens open letter

Lack of drive test centre access in the North unsatisfactory

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

Dear Minister Mulroney:

I am once again writing to you on the matter of the lack of access that Northern Ontarians have to DriveTest Centres within our region. Complaints on this matter were first brought to the ministry's attention by the North East Superior Mayors Group (NESMG) in February of 2018. When no satisfactory response was received by the NESMG, I wrote a letter of support to the minister on this matter.

Even now after more than two years, in addition to the NESMG's complaints, my office continues to receive many emails, letters and telephone calls from constituents and business operators who are increasingly frustrated.

Citizens and business operators in Northern Ontario continue to experience significant disadvantage compared to Ontarians from other regions because of the lack of access to DriveTest centres when they need it most.

In your response to me dated September 20, 2019 you stated, "All requests for road tests can be met if applicants schedule an appointment." Mr. Larry Lacroix, owner and operator of Lacroix Bus Lines, would beg to differ with you on this claim. His company is responsible for providing school busses and drivers for the Chapleau area. With the COVID-19 pandemic situation, he finds himself in urgent need of school bus drivers. His employees had a test appointment arranged but after travelling for hours, when they got to the centre it was closed without having issued any notification. He was counting on that driver to start driving busses the next morning. This left his company in a terrible position, this putting school children's safety at risk. What's worse is that this is far from the first time that this has happened to Mr. Lacroix.

This experience is not unique. DriveTest Centre clinics are rarely scheduled in winter months. In one of your responses to my letters you stated, "Due to the nature of winter conditions, DriveTest does not offer services in this geographical region from December to April." You explained that the ministry was not about to put DriveTest employees' safety at risk (this despite the fact that Northern Ontarians drive the same wintery roads that MTO is supposed to keep safe and clear, year after year). Clearly in your opinion this level of service—or should I say lack of service—is completely acceptable. I challenge you to provide the same reduced level of service to the entire province and see what the response is from the general public. I tend to believe the public outcry would hit newspaper headlines above the fold across the province. If it is not acceptable to all Ontarians, how can you possibly justify providing substandard service to Northern Ontarians?

In a previous letter you also stated that, "The ministry and DriveTest are committed to service delivery improvements and responding to the public's needs." I can assure you that Northerners see no evidence of such a claim—even after repeated appeals spread over several years,

there has been no improvement or change.

As you know, in addition to driver licence testing, DriveTest is also responsible for providing testing for security guards. I received a letter from Kelly Lamontagne, the industry liaison for Keepers of the Circle, a group that supports Aboriginal Women in Mining (AWIM). The AWIM facilitates pre-employment training for Indigenous women and supports them in finding meaningful employment in the mining industry. They have trained 478 Indigenous women, 301 of whom have been successful in obtaining gainful employment.

Ms. Lamontagne explains that they are continually frustrated by the lack of access Indigenous women have to the security guard licence testing. Once again, the sole service provider for this is DriveTest. The service they provide could at best be described as sporadic. After completing their training, applicants are forced to wait weeks and even months before testing can be scheduled. In one situation they had nearly 30 Indigenous women who had full-time jobs waiting for them subject to getting their license. But DriveTest would not accommodate any requests for special consideration for scheduling a group test. They refused to consider suggestions of online testing nor would they consider the suggestion to have the local companies pay for any travel expenses, meals and accommodations to send DriveTest personnel to a central community in the North.

The ministry hires service providers to provide the services that Ontarians need. However, the evidence is abundantly clear that DriveTest and the ministry are failing to meet the needs of the people. As a result, MTO is having a direct, major negative impact on unemployment, job security and poverty. As well, by not providing timely testing all year round, they put the general public's safety at risk as there are not enough workers with qualifications for emergency vehicle operation, snowploughs, school busses and so on. This fact means that workers who do have the qualifications are forced to put in extra hours behind the wheel, thus endangering the public.

You will be interested to know that this is in fact the fourth letter that I have written on this subject, three of which have been addressed to you directly. You have refused to take any direct action and keep MTO's commitment to deliver improved service that actually does meet the needs of ALL Ontarians.

MTO has permitted this entirely unsatisfactory situation to drag out without any consideration to actually address the issues. The ministry determines what service standards are needed and work out agreements with the providers. However clearly this is a situation in which the tail is wagging the dog. It is time for the province to stand up for the people of Ontario and make the necessary adjustments.

Thank you for your attention to this most important concern. I look forward to your prompt reply.

Sincerely,

Michael Mantha
 Algoma-Manitoulin Member of Provincial Parliament

"With the participation of the Government of Canada."



Wikwemikong High School holds open air 2020 grad ceremony

by Michael Erskine

WIKWEMKOONG—The Wikwemikong High School graduation ceremony for 2020, Nimkii Bineshii Kaaning, was held at Thunderbird Park on the afternoon of Wednesday, September 2. Long postponed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the graduation ceremonies were well-attended by graduates and their families. The powwow arena of Thunderbird Park provided an ideal space for families to maintain physical distancing, while graduates and staff all wore face masks through most of the presentation ceremonies.

The ceremonies began with a prayer, delivered by teacher/men-



The Wikwemikong High School 2020 graduating class are: Ashley Assinewai, Jayce-Lynn Assinewai-Trudeau, Patrick Beaudry, Ian Dokum, Elijah Fox, Monica Jacko-Polson, Jasmyn Manitowabi-Pangowish, Maya Mishibinijima (missing from photo), Ashtin Ominika-Pheasant, Anina Pangowish, Sterling Pangowish, Evanson Peltier-Pitawanakwat, Deborah Pitawanakwat, Jasmine Pitawanakwat, Owen Pitawanakwat (missing from photo), Samuel Pitawanakwat, Shaylene Pitawanakwat, Stephen Recollet, Brayden Recollet-Manitowabi, Gabriel Trudeau and Aaryn Zoccole (missing from photo).

photos by Michael Erskine



Wikwemikong High School's award for outstanding attendance is presented to Sterling Pangowish by Director of Education Fay Zoccole.



Graduate Deborah Pitawanakwat accepts her diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Monica Jacko-Polson accepts her diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.

tor Chris Mara, followed by opening remarks from high school principal Maureen Peltier who began by acknowledging the distinguished guests, including Wikwemikong Board of Education (WBE) executive director Fay Zoccole, WBE systems principal Mick Staruck and WBE board members.

"You should be very proud of yourselves," said Ms. Peltier, referencing the challenges presented during the final months of the school year by the pandemic. "You came out on top."

Ms. Peltier noted that the students not only managed to keep their grades up and graduate, but also managed to take part in other activities. "You got involved," she said.

"Patrick and Elijah took part in golf and the strength club; Anina, Gabriel, Monica, Jasmyn, Ashtin, Evanson all excelled in basketball or volleyball; Ian and Jasmyn took home some top honours in track and also showed great leadership skills within their sports teams and the youth council; Aaryn and Maya both helped with the robotics team and were instrumental in the Chairman's Prize; Sterling not only was the drive team technician for the robotics team, but he was also our steady scorekeeper for volleyball. Jasmine and Owen were relatively



Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier presents valedictorian and athlete of the year Ian Dokum with his diploma.



Graduate Ashton Ominika-Pheasant accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Elijah Fox accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.

new to our school, but they fit right in right away and Owen always made it to school before I did. Ashley, our Ms. Wiikwemkoong showed not only pride in her community but also her school and Shaylene has grown and matured in so many ways that she is a shining example of the hard work of our Life Skills team."

Fay Zoccole also congratulated the Class of 2020 for their ability to excel despite being born into the challenging times following events such as the age of post-9-11 and the current pandemic. "We wish you well in your future endeavours," she said on behalf of the WBE and staff.

Wikwemkoong Unceded Territories Ogimaa Duke Peltier addressed the gathering, offering his own congratulations as well as those on behalf of the band council and the entire community of Wikwemkoong.



Female Athlete of the Year Jasmyn Manitowabi receives her award from coach Cameryn Beaudry.



Graduate Patrick Beaudry accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Shaylene Pitawanakwat accepts her diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Samuel Pitawanakwat accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.

Ogimaa Peltier encouraged the graduates to give a round of applause thanking the principal, teachers and guidance counsellors. He cited those student accomplishments in sports and robotics that helped "put Wikwemkoong on the global map" and expressed the pride of the community in the graduates.

"Don't be shy to reach out for the help you need to attain your goals," he said. "Don't be afraid to



Graduate Anina Pangowish accepts her diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Brayden Recollet-Manitowabi accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Jasmine Pitawanakwat accepts her diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.

dream big."

"It was around this time of the day that I found out that I had been voted valedictorian," said Ian Dokum, the 2020 WHS valedictorian. "It felt so good hearing my name being announced for this title—until I realized that I had to make a speech and graduation was in two days."

"I don't know what I expected, balloons maybe, or a new car," he said. Instead Mr. Dokum said he found himself facing the daunting task of creating inspiring words for his classmates to remember when they looked back on this special day.

Mr. Dokum went on to share that the days of the pandemic marked the lowest point in his life, having left his home and going to live with his grandmother. "I left the person that I love, had no money, dry as a scorching desert," he recalled. "I wasn't lik-

ing the way I looked."

"That didn't stop me," he said, refusing to allow the situation to determine his fate. "I realized that working hard is good."

Mr. Dokum became emotional as he spoke about his grandmother and his gratitude for the role she has played in his life.

Following the valedictorian address, the awards ceremony took place.

The WHS bursary for Outstanding Attendance went to Sterling Pangowish, given by Ms. Peltier.

The Ontario Scholar Award was presented to Aaryn Zoccole by Ms. Peltier, accepted on her behalf by Mr. Mara.

The Governor General Award



Graduate Ashley Assinewai accepts her diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Gabriel Trudeau accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.



Graduate Stephen Recollet accepts his diploma from Wikwemikong High School principal Maureen Peltier.

was also presented to Aaryn Zoccole, requiring a quick return to the stage by Mr. Mara.

The Athletics Awards were presented by teacher/coach Cameryn Beaudry. Most Improved Player for Golf went to Jasmyn Manitowabi. Most Valuable Player for Girls' Basketball went to Anina Pangowish. Athlete of the Year (female) went to Jasmyn Manitowabi and (male) to Ian Dokum.

This year's Wikwemikong High School graduation class included: Ashley Assinewai, Jayce-Lynn Assinewai-Trudeau, Patrick Beaudry, Ian Dokum, Elijah Fox, Monica Jacko-Polson, Jasmyn Manitowabi-Pangowish, Maya Mishibinijima, Ashtin Ominika-Pheasant, Anina Pangowish, Sterling Pangowish, Evanson Peltier-Pitawanakwat, Deborah Pitawanakwat, Jasmine Pitawanakwat, Owen Pitawanakwat, Samuel Pitawanakwat, Shaylene Pitawanakwat, Stephen Recollet, Brayden Recollet-Manitowabi, Gabriel Trudeau and Aaryn Zoccole.

Following the awards ceremony and the traditional tossing of mortarboards skyward, the graduates gathered with family and friends to capture the event for posterity.

Part II of a series

Defunded from day one

Indigenous-focused policing has 50-year history in Canada

EDITOR'S NOTE: Amidst growing discussions of systemic racism in governance models and policing more specifically, *The Manitoulin Expositor* will be speaking with First Nation police leadership who have connections to the Island's two First Nation police services, as well as experts who can help explore the ongoing gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous police forces.

by Warren Schlote

ONTARIO—Police services in Indigenous communities in Canada have a long and challenging past. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) traditionally policed First Nations but by the end of the Indian Agent model in 1971, RCMP had gradually withdrawn from policing First Nations in Ontario and Quebec.

Around the same time, the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development began to roll out a 'band constable' program. This allowed First Nations to have more say in what work their local constable carried out, though they still required approval from police forces.

Ontario launched its Ontario Indian Special Constable Program, similar to the Indian Affairs program, spurred by a report from a 1972 task force on policing. Officers in this program were part of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) but got appointed to work in various communities at the request of band councils.

Several reviews of Indigenous policing followed in later years, including an RCMP review of its band constable program in the 1970s and a federal review of Indigenous policing that ran from 1983 to 1990.

Major changes began in 1989 when the Ontario First Nations Policing Agreement (FNPA) fully authorized First Nation officers within Indigenous communities, with OPP providing additional resources.

Many observers had begun to note the challenges facing Indigenous police services and these concerns became more prominent after another series of reports and inquiries across Canada in the early '90s.

"The reports were unanimous in decrying the effectiveness of the policing of (Indigenous) people in terms of sensitivity to cultural considerations, lack of community input, biased investigations, minimal crime prevention programming and fostering alienation from the justice system by Native people," read a report on the history of Indigenous policing in Canada by Don Clairmont in September of 2006.

That report was part of the Ipperwash Inquiry, a review of the standoff between police forces and Indigenous land defenders from Kettle and Stoney Point First Nation at Ipperwash Provincial Park, near Grand Bend.

September 6 marks 25 years since the fatal shooting of land defender Dudley George at Ipperwash in 1995.

The FNPA in Ontario evolved in 1991 when it enabled more options for Indigenous police services, including the ability to self-administrate services. The number of officers in the OPP-run Ontario Indian Special Constable Program doubled and there were 74 First Nations participating in the program.

The year 1992 marked the start of the First Nations Policing Program (FNPP), a national program designed to address some of the previously reported shortcomings. This is the model that still exists to the present day and involves a blend of provincial and federal funding.

This would theoretically provide the autonomy for which many Indigenous leaders have called, but the reality has not met the claim. An indicator is in its name—these initiatives are 'programs,' rather than essential policing services.

As such, they do not receive the same level of funding as conventional police forces. This emerges in staffing levels, the state of physical infrastructure such as detachments and the levels of service these forces are able to provide to their communities.

"For decades, self-administered First Nations policing in the province of Ontario has been chronically underfunded. First Nations officers have been forced to work in conditions which other officers throughout the province would never be subjected to," said Terry McCaffrey, police chief of Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service (WTPS) and the president of Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario (IPCO).

He shared this view at a July meeting of the federal standing committee on systemic racism in policing.

When Wes Luloff, then chief of Nishnawbe-Aski Police Service, became the president of First Nations Chiefs of Police Association in 2002, he said First Nation police programs were far behind national and provincial police forces.

The lack of adequate funding left the forces "set up to fail," he said in a Windspeaker story about his appointment to the president role.

FNPP forces receive a pot of money from which to cover

all expenses. That amount typically funds a small team of generalized officers, meaning these police services still rely on larger forces, such as OPP, for specialized assistance.

However, Indigenous communities often rank higher on crime severity indexes and each community has unique challenges that might be best addressed with a small, dedicated unit of officers focusing on that issue. These concerns cannot be adequately addressed under the current model.

A 2017 analysis by University of Regina scholars noted that each FNPP agreement is negotiated individually, meaning quality of service can vary widely between communities.

The analysis cited a study that suggested early entrants to the FNPP fared best; none of the 16 communities that had applied for FNPP agreements between 2006 and 2014 was approved, owing to a lack of resources.

One-third of FNPP services have disbanded since their inception, with an average lifespan of 9.2 years.

The University of Regina study aimed to assess whether or not FNPP forces were indeed 'set up to fail.' The authors disagreed with that statement, stating that they could not prove that the program's creators would have foreseen all of the challenges.

Instead, they describe the landscape of Indigenous policing in Canada as one of "benign neglect," that governments have chronically failed to address the barriers to effective services.

"This status of benign neglect is in keeping with a long history of promising much but delivering little to Indigenous peoples," the authors wrote.

Conditions have improved within FNPP forces somewhat in recent years. Officers have arrived at pay parity with non-Indigenous police forces, as one example, but much progress remains. Some of the key points for which Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario is advocating include the declaration of these forces as essential services, proper staffing, recognition as the experts in policing Indigenous communities and full autonomy to determine their paths forward.

"I'm always optimistic that when like-minded and good-hearted people come together, that we will do good things. It's just a matter of ensuring that the conviction in our actions carries forward," said Mr. McCaffrey.

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Back to school sports/phys-ed!

I have heard from some parents that their children, or those that they know, have spent the COVID-19 pandemic leading more of a couch potato lifestyle! With school having started up yesterday, their phys-ed class might look and feel different. Whenever possible, students are to be outside to lessen the change of exposure to a possible virus.

If students are in the gym, there are limited options for what activities they can participate. Most gym classes will require students to spread out and work on something on the spot like personal strengthening exercises (sit-ups, push ups etc.) or stretching and balance tasks like yoga.

Hopefully, if we all remain vigilant the precautions and strictness of the province's directive can be relaxed and sports can start looking something closer to normal.

The Attempt conquers the biggun!

What has a circumference of 87.7km and an area of 104 km squared? The intrepid paddlers of The Attempt (**Kristin Bickell** and **Natalie Hastings**) are attempting to see if they can paddle around the perimeter of all the Island's interior lakes. This pair know every bay and bluff around their lake: Gitchi Manitou (Great Spirit, Lake Manitou). With another 87.7 km of water under their hull they tally their total distance paddled at 201.5 km.

Despite some challenging winds The Attempt group always find the beauty and kindness of strangers along the way. They experienced true Manitoulin hospitality and gained a wealth of knowledge from lake veterans. One trivia question answered: How many red Muskoka chairs can you see along Manitou's shores? 572! Kristin was wondering if you all got a group discount! Counting 572 red Muskoka chairs (seriously, did you all get a group discount?). Even with the rock and rolling conditions for the pair and new paddler, **Kim** they could not help but be in awe of the breathtaking exposure of the Niagara Escarpment in Sandfield bay.

They knew Manitou was a big lake but after 22 hours on the water in a 48-hour span, they came to appreciate her magnitude and unpredictable ways. They did notice the fall chill is officially in the air and they have had to transition to socks and sandals, but they claim they are not done yet!

Pickleball update!

You may have seen over the weekend a pickleball tournament in North Bay. Our local club members decided to play it on the safe side and stayed on their home courts to prevent bringing the virus being carried over here.

With that being said, pickleball is still in full swing with both indoor and outdoor play at the NEMI Recreation Centre. Play times: Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10 am; Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 pm.

Contact: **Bud Hebner**, bphhebner@gmail.com, 705-368-1953 and on Facebook, Manitoulin Pickleball.

Consecutive running days!

Congratulations to Manitowaning's **Yana Bauer** and Kagawong's **Heather Theijsemeijer** who are in the middle of an inspiring consecutive days running streak. The pair are part of the Twitter motivational hashtag: #educatorsontherun. Yana has hit 164 days and counting while Heather started slightly earlier and is on 178! Keep racking up the days! I'm sure it will be tough once school starts but you have a great habit started!

Third OALE trip finished!

The third and final Outdoor Adventure Leadership Experience trip finished up last week. COVID shortened their usual trip to the French River but they still paddled from Point Grondine to Wiikwemkoong!

Hats off to the youth: **River Lavell**, **Niiben Pitawanakwat**, **Victoria Trudeau**, **Maria Shawanda**, **Montana Manitowabi**, **Noah Trudeau**, **Sofia Zappier** and **Jeremy Negaginijig**. Of course, thanks to the OALE staff: **Natalie Negaginijig**, **Kayla Manitowabi**, **Jesse Peltier** and **Nimkii Lavell**.

Winners of the Pike and Bass Classic!

This past weekend the growing Bass and Pike Classic hosted by Wiikwemkoong Tourism and thanks to many critical sponsors.

In the bass division: first place, **Bob Madahbee**, 39.5" with two bass; second place, **Cassandra Bisson**, 38.5" with two bass; third place, **Bud Spry**, 38.25" with two bass.

The pike division was ruled by first place **Jamie Tyson**, 81.5" with two pike; second place, **Heather Pennie**, 75" with two pike; third place, **Ben Beuparlant**, 61" with two pike.

The mystery fish weight category was won by **Dave Patterson** with a 19.57-pound salmon. The length competition is still under review.

In the youth pike division, in first place is not really a surprise. Already a seasoned veteran and a real knack for fishing, **Dane Gibeault**, 50.75" with two pike; second, **Leo McGregor**, 21.25" with one pike; and third, **Aanimikwam Trudeau**, 12.5" with one pike.

In the youth bass clash, winning was **Brian Bisson Jr.**, 34" with two bass; second, **Leo McGregor**, 15" with one bass; and third, **Brayden Wabano**, 14.5" with one bass.

Next up is the Manitoulin Ice Showdown this winter!

Kudos to a sports' aficionado. From the desk of Dad!

As a long-time coach one meets a lot of likeable people. One of those in my experience is **Big George Shawana** of Wiikwemkoong. Big George was a big teddy bear off the ice and fierce when on ice. The son of **Ivan** ba, George never missed a practice or a shift. He was the consummate defensive defenceman, quiet but effective. He would rattle the opposition in front of our net.

At 6' 2" I obviously had to look up to him at practice, naturally. I also looked up to him as a person. He could've been a bully but he was anything but. He was/is a gentleman. He never purposely took advantage of the smaller opponents. But he would move them out of the blue ice! Fast. He was a member of the Panthers' first NDHL championship team. He has carved out a great career in the construction business matching his all-out efforts on the ice, a most likeable human being.

Missing from the Bowerman family tribute a couple of weeks ago was **Connie Bowerman**. Sorry Connie.

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Paramedics take to the road

Last month, some Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board paramedics participated in the Paramedic Memorial Ride, raising money for a memorial to be built in Ottawa to recognize paramedics who have lost their lives in support of communities. From left, paramedics **Alie Thompson**, **Jennifer Hamilton**, **Peter Findley**, **Sherri Chopra** and **Valerie Breen** pose for a photo at the ride's start at Ten Mile Point. The paramedics pedalled their way to the EMS station in Espanola where they took part in a bell ringing ceremony and a barbecue.



Who needs Florida, anyhow?

Xavier Mara has been taking on the waves of Dominion Bay on Manitoulin Island's south shore recently. At this time last year he was surfing waters off the Florida coast and said the recent conditions in Lake Huron have been perfect (despite the temperature difference). In a return trip to the water a few days after this photo, he encountered surfers from Peru and Brazil, as well as a Toronto surgeon, perhaps indicating the next big trend in Island tourism.

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Recreational boaters will likely adapt to climate change while marinas could suffer

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second installment in a series on climate change and its effect on recreational boating, and vice versa.

by **Lori Thompson,**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

MANITOULIN—Recreational boaters have a long history of adapting to change and are likely to weather climate change with relative ease, said Stan Ferguson, long-time marina operator and current chair of the North Channel Marine Tourism Council. Marinas, on the other hand, are already experiencing difficulties and that is likely to increase.

Marinas and recreational boating are both affected by extremes of high and low water levels. Higher water levels over time means that swampy areas begin to get covered, and formerly visible rocks and sandbars will be submerged. While the Great Lakes have been experiencing extreme high water levels for several years, it is expected that water levels will generally fall and remain low. Increased evaporation due to higher summer temps and less snow as winters become warmer are major factors.

For boaters with newer and more accurate electronic navigation systems, low water levels won't affect them much, said Mr. Ferguson. Previously, navigation meant paper charts and users had to factor in how much the water was above or below chart datum. "If you're not familiar with the area and come up here during high water you may pass over a rock that's seven feet under the water," he said. "The next time you come up the water's lower by three or four feet. All of a sudden that rock is a shoal and that can cause a lot of damage."

On-shore facilities have more cause for concern. Even now there are places on or around the North Channel that can't open their marinas because of high water levels, Mr. Ferguson said. Some marinas are flooded. Others have damaged or missing docks. The French River area was hard hit last year and again this year. "It's a mess," he said. "There are marinas that can't open yet because either they don't have the funds or the wherewithal to open them because of high water levels or they don't have the funds to repair them."

One problem is spending funds without earning additional revenue to make up for those dollars. "Consider if you had a marina with 150 slips and you lose one-third of them to high water," he said. "If you lose one-third to high water and make adjustments to the marina, you're not gaining any revenue. All you're doing is getting back to your original number of operating slips."

Mr. Ferguson dealt with cyclical water levels for over 30 years at Harbor Vue Marina. "We were either putting up breakwalls and building up areas or dredging. It's all money that's spent on an existing facility that gains you nothing. When you dredge a harbour you haven't increased a source of revenue, you are only maintaining what you have. It's a huge expense to the industry," he said.

"You build all this up to accommodate today's high water and the next year the water drops. Now you have this huge infrastructure six feet out of the water," he said.

This year the breakwall protecting the small craft basin in Kagawong was threatened by unexpected high water levels and had to be built up to protect the newly redeveloped harbour. Mr. Ferguson has personal experience with

this. "When I had the marina, Harbor Vue, we built a breakwall under normal water levels. That entire breakwall is now maybe two feet out of the water," he said. "I would never have dreamt when we built it that we'd see water this high."

Another year when the water was historically low, they dredged the harbour. "In the main area they left a hump in the centre because they couldn't reach it from either side with their equipment, saying that will never be a problem. It ended up right in the middle of the harbour because the water was going down so low. We figured it would be years before the levels came back up. We were so wrong!"

The timing of water level peaks is a new consideration, he said. "Water would normally peak in the summer and then go down. That's not happening this year. It also peaked very early this year, largely due to runoff and precipitation."

Climate change in general has led to a shift in the seasons, Mr. Ferguson believes. After several decades as a marina operator, as a marine tourism council member, and as a recreational boater, he has definitely seen changes. "We don't see the springs up here that we used to. When we ran the marina there were lots of summers where June was wet, miserable and cold but it would warm up in July. August and September would be absolutely gorgeous."

He remembers the middle of September having hotter days than the rest of the summer. "That's another shift," he said. "July weather this year was crazy hot, maybe historically hot. It was so hot we didn't realize August was as well."

He also pointed to changing precipitation patterns on the Island and increased precipitation when it does rain. There are no gentle downpours anymore, he noted. "Just a huge rain dump and then it's gone."

Another example he shared was the total calm on the lakes he saw this summer. "I'm on the water a lot. I've never seen that, where the lake is so flat but then there are these huge rolls that come up. There doesn't seem to be much in between anymore."

"It's all changing. Currents, fishing, plant life," he said. Recently his family spent time on the water at High Lake. "The water temperature was 85°F and I've never seen it that high in my life."

He attributed that event to long, flat lays on the water. "Once the wind blows it stirs the water up and brings surface water temperature back to the 70s (°F). But when you talk about temperatures like that on the North Channel, what's that doing to life in the water?"

Higher water temperatures can lead to toxic algal blooms. Overall hotter temperatures will lead to stronger and more frequent thunderstorms on the lakes. Both of these events are high risk factors for recreational boating and for marinas in particular.

The impacts of climate change are all around us whether people like it or not, said Mr. Ferguson. "Boating is just the tip of the iceberg but there a lot more boats on the water than there used to be compared to the 1960s and '70s. We've put additional pressure on the waterways just because of the number of people that boat."

Boaters will adjust, he believes, but some marinas will not.

COVID compliance complaint levelled against Northeast Town unfounded, says health unit

by **Alicia McCutcheon**

NORTHEAST TOWN—On Friday, July 24, the Northeast Town's municipal office was paid a visit by inspectors with Public Health and Sudbury Districts (PHSD). An anonymous tipster had reported that the municipality was not doing its part to combat the threat of COVID-19 and was rather more interested in its economic development.

CAO Dave Williamson shared this with council at the July 28 weekly meeting.

During the Friday visit, Mr. Williamson said he explained to the PHSD inspector, who was on Manitoulin on an unrelated



The Northeast Town has supplied hand-washing stations at locations in downtown Little Current.

matter, that the municipality is following every protocol laid out by both the

PHSD and the province, even going above and beyond by placing hand-washing stations throughout the downtown core.

"They had absolutely no problem with our approach and what we are doing," Mr. Williamson said. "I also explained that we still have businesses that need to attract customers and we are doing whatever we can to help them do that," Mr. Williamson said.

Burgess Hawkins, PHSD manager of environmental health, told The Expositor that the complaint received was anonymous and had stated that there were large numbers of people not using masks and not prac-

ticing physical distancing in the Northeast Town.

The PHSD stopped into numerous businesses and found them all to be practicing the recommended guidelines. Mr. Hawkins said the complaint was "unfounded," as was the complaint levelled against the municipality. "There was no indication that the town wasn't keeping up its end of things."

Mr. Hawkins said he also spoke with his two Island-based inspectors who said that mask use on Manitoulin has been good and that stores are doing a good job at promoting physical distancing guidelines.

Central defers tax installments and utility payments to Oct. 31

by **Michael Erskine**

CENTRAL MANITOULIN—A motion to further defer tax levy installments for February and April, as well as the final tax installments for August and October being deferred to October 30, and to defer utility bill payments for March, June and September to October 31 as well as penalties on tax registrations, passed at Central Manitoulin council.

"I am concerned that all this will be coming due at once," said Mayor Richard Stephens, noting that it is often easier for residents to tackle bills in smaller bites.

"There are still a lot of people not working due to

COVID-19," countered Councillor Derek Stephens. "Businesses are down at the same time." He suggested the move would help support the community "until the economy starts to open up."

The motion "That the 2020 interim tax levy installments for February 28 and April 30 and the final tax levy installments for August 31, and October 30 for properties within the municipality be deferred to October 30, 2020. 2. That the utility bill payments for March 31, June 30 and September 30 be deferred until October 31, 2020. 3. That all progression and penalties on tax registrations be deferred until October 31, 2020" passed without further debate.

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Maddy Skippen is a Mustang who has certainly accomplished a lot when it comes to both sports and athletics. Maddy is a Grade 11 student, who certainly keeps herself busy. When Maddy isn't busy with practices and school, she can be found enjoying herself; painting, outside or even reading a good book or two.

During Maddy's years at Central Manitoulin Public School, she participated in almost every sport she could. She took part in sports such as baseball, volleyball, soccer, flag football, as well as the field part of track and field. Maddy helped to represent her school in field events such as shot put and in her earlier years ball throw. At the early age of three Maddy began to learn how to figure skate, from age three to seven Maddy learned different techniques and how to skate. Maddy also took part in organized sports events outside of school, such as Island soccer and baseball tournaments. In Grade 9, Maddy continued to play her favourite sport, competing in various volleyball tournaments and games as the outside hitter (left side). For Maddy both Grade 9 and 10 were exceptional years for victory, winning NSSA two years in a row and getting third in NOSSA. This year, she played the outside hitter again. Maddy is certainly excited for the volleyball season to start, and is very much hoping that COVID-19 does not intervene.

Throughout Maddy's volleyball season, she is respectful and inclusive towards her teammates. Maddy's leadership and determination never fails to keep her and her team motivated. Maddy loves to play volleyball because it's fun for her to be part of a team and work towards/accomplish goals like: winning NSSA, hitting better or perfecting a play. Maddy likes how she is physically active, and how there is no excuse not to take part in something like push ups during practice. Maddy's favourite sport is volleyball, because she likes how she gains an entire team of friends, the rush she gets when playing and it makes her really happy. Maddy certainly shows that she loves the game, as she is always eager to play new teams at the chance of victory.

When it comes to motivation Maddy finds that others help to inspire her. Maddy specifically finds her inspiration when she watches women's volleyball. Maddy thinks about how awesome the athletes are at their sport, and it inspires and motivates her to try to be a better player and not give up. When volleyball practices get hard, and her muscles get tired, she remembers how those athletes had to work to get to where they are today. Those female athletes motivate Maddy every day, because she sees how hard they have worked and how good they are at their sport, that she hopes to be just as good one day.

In school, Maddy's favourite subjects consist of mainly history and science. Maddy enjoys history because she finds it fascinating how different life is now in the present then how it was in the past, Maddy likes history because it helps her grasp how different life is for her compared to her ancestors. She also likes science because she finds it interesting and very straight forward. She is fond of gym, when it comes to playing volleyball and gym gives her a chance to practice her volleyball skills out of practices and games. When Maddy finishes high school she hopes to attend either university or college close to her friends or family.

Maddy is one of many brilliant Mustangs, and with her leadership, determination and innovative thinking, she is sure to represent MSS well. Have a great year, and keep up the great work Maddy!!

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... RDSB mandates non-medical masks for students during pandemic

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Kindergarten students wear masks or face shields," continued Ms. Stringer. She was seconded on this amendment by trustee Judy Kosmerly.

"I am pleased with the amendment proposed," said trustee Dena Morrison. "I'm sure all trustees like myself have been back and forth on this issue. The bottom line is if the chief medical officer of health feels

that even an ineffective mask or face shield is better than not wearing one at all (in potentially spreading COVID-19)."

"We need to be part of the culture of change, so I will be supporting the motion and amendment," stated Ms. Morrison.

Trustee Kosmerly said that she as well had gone back and forth on the issues. "I understand why it's important for everyone

to wear a mask, and I am prepared to support the motion. But I do have a couple of concerns, one to ensure that children will not be disciplined if they are not complying. Especially younger children would not have as good an understanding of this. As well, I think they should be given the opportunity at some time during the day to take their masks off for a break.

"I know everyone has concerns about making young children wear masks," said trustee Bob Clement. "But, this past week I have had a four-year-old and a six-year-old in my house. I had the chance to see what their parents did to get these children used to wearing masks. They went to public places like Science North and others and there were no problems, there was never a problem with wearing masks or social distancing. I'm in favour of the motion."

RDSB director of education Norm Blaseg said there is nothing in the provincial education act that requires students to wear masks, not does it indicate any enforcement if

they are not in compliance. With the motion the board was considering, "we are trying to get everyone to comply to wearing masks. Obviously at a very young age, we need to acknowledge that it is going to be easier for some students to distance and wear masks, and for others it will be more difficult."

Board Chair Doreen Dewar said she could make a case for both sides to the issue. However, she told the meeting, "I will be supporting the amended motion." She explained, "I have made several calls, one being to the president of the ETFO (Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario) and asked her what teachers would like boards to do."

She said her children will be wearing masks in school and she recommends this. And she said that other teachers would like to see their students wear masks. The teachers are the ones willing to put in the time and teaching kids on using masks. We all want the same thing—for everyone to stay safe, and we need to support our staff members."

"I have also received several emails and about four or five calls from parents asking that students wear masks," continued Chair Dewar.

The RDSB passed the amended motion unanimously to make non-medical masks or cloth masks mandatory.

...Harvest Glory Days starts now

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time co-winner, with Manitowaning, in the 'large town' category and now sports a bright sign proudly mounted on the way into town.

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...Toronto International Film Festival featuring Autumn Peltier documentary

...continued from page 1 know what's going on with the water. We want the world to understand this," said Stevie Salas, one of the film's writers, producers and executive producers, whose southern Ontario-based production company, Seeing Red Six Nations, took on the documentary.

The company intended to launch the film next year when they received the surprise announcement that it would appear virtually at TIFF.

"It's probably among the three most important film festivals in the world so this is just a dream come true for us, especially with our new, young Indigenous film company," Mr. Salas said.

"The Water Walker" features 15-year-old Autumn as she travels to New York City to speak at the United Nations about the importance of safe water supplies for all peoples of the world, especially in many Indigenous communities in Canada that are under long-term drinking water advisories.

Water issues impact Autumn closely. Her great aunt Josephine Mandamin started the water walker movement and there are water advisories in communities near where she grew up.

"Even the fact that there's a First Nation community on (Manitoulin) Island that can't drink their water is shocking for me. I hope with this documentary, more people become aware, something's done about the issues and the

numbers go down," said Autumn, referring to two water systems in Zhiibaahaasing First Nation that have been under a boil water advisory since June 11 of this year.

The 13-minute film, directed by James Burns, has been in production for less than a year and the finishing touches were still underway at the beginning of September.

"I'm hoping for it to be an eye-opener for people that don't really realize the issues that First Nations people are going through in Canada. I know a lot of people that weren't aware at all that there are Northern First Nation communities that have no access to clean water," Autumn said.

It is an almost entirely Indigenous-led project, said Mr. Salas, except for a few industry experts to fine-tune the production. He said collaborations between Indigenous people and film professionals would benefit both sides.

Mr. Salas' background is in music; he has performed with a number of major acts throughout his career as a guitarist but has shifted toward film and television production recently, including work for Aboriginal Peoples Television Network.

He and creative partner Tehah'tiyaks created Seeing Red Six Nations to allow more Indigenous people to tell their stories. "The Water Walker" is the company's first film.

In 2017, Mr. Salas pro-



Wiikwemkoong water warrior Autumn Peltier is following in the footsteps of her great aunt Josephine Mandamin, the renowned water walker who began the water walker movement.

duced the critically acclaimed 'Rumble,' a feature-length documentary about how Indigenous peoples have influenced major rock musicians.

Autumn and her mother Stephanie Peltier were fans of 'Rumble' and they formed a bond with Mr. Salas when he aided them during a trip to Toronto.

"(Making the film) was a nice experience because I always get asked to do stuff like this, but something really stood out about this team. The story behind why they were doing this stood out as well and it was a big honour to work with people like Stevie Salas," said Autumn.

He had done water work in disadvantaged international communities but was not aware of the clean water challenges within

North America. He learned about Autumn and vowed to make a film about her to both inform people of her work and to tell an inspiring story about rising to one's potential.

In addition to Autumn, 'The Water Walker' features poetry and animated artwork from Métis artist Christi Belcourt (of Espanola) and narration by Oneida actor Graham Greene.

Film festivals have shown transformative potential to Mr. Salas in his past projects.

"It's the people that don't care about these issues or

who would care but they've only ever seen stereotypes—those are the ones you want to win over and to do that, we want to do it in a different way," said Mr. Salas, explaining that by focusing on the impacts of Indigenous people, it is much easier to get the public to buy into the cause rather than through a victim narrative.

Mr. Salas said he was expecting take a loss on the project but he was prepared for that outcome.

"This film is so important that it's money well spent to bring awareness. There's things we want to do with our film company that's not about money. We want to give people careers, spread awareness and tell stories in a way that's not filled with anger and hate. Autumn's is not an angry story, it's a magical story,"

he said.

Autumn encouraged people to protect the planet because its health impacts all people.

"Keep supporting the water, the environment and empowering youth from the Island to speak up," she said.

Mr. Salas also encouraged Canadians to rally behind Autumn's message, especially young people.

"It's not like she's living a glamorous life ... she's doing hard, hard work and it isn't easy. She doesn't get to just be a little girl enjoying her life; she's got a huge weight on her shoulders," said Mr. Salas.

To read about the film and get a free ticket to the virtual screening, visit tiff.net/events/the-water-walker.

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...Little Current fish and gamers build salmon, rainbow trout spawning pool at Bass creek

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er there; we've been working very closely with Manitoulin Streams and everybody is on the same page to get things done," said Mr. Strain.

H and R Noble Construction Ltd. performed the work according to Holla Engineering and Environmental's designs. Over three days, crews installed a trio of four-foot boulders, dug a pool using a hydraulic hammer and removed 750 cubic feet of bedrock, and added a foot-thick layer of spawning gravel between 1/4 to four inches in size. The team grass seeded

Northeast Town.

"It's been a great partnership working with LCFGC and (Northeast Town) to complete this and we're grateful for the support," said Ms. Deschenes.

A man staying at Whitehaven Resort near the worksite saw the work underway and offered a \$500 donation.

Manitoulin Streams has done considerable work to Bass Lake Creek, including creating two other spawning pools, adding spawning gravel to a rock shoal that crews lowered, walleye habitat improvements in the lower creek and the fish ladder to allow salmonids to

window runs from mid-June to the end of August.

An improved habitat also enhances both LCFGC's and Manitoulin Streams' educational efforts. They run outdoor day trips for Grade 4 students in eight Island schools every spring, COVID-19 notwithstanding, to teach children about conservation and the natural world.

"It gives us the opportunity to explain why we're doing this work for future generations to still enjoy the various species. Our education program is very popular," said Mr. Strain.

"This will add another

said that may change based on the stream's conditions and future needs.

"The stream is almost complete, which is great. We've done a lot; maybe we'll add some additional spawning gravel in some locations but for the most part it seems to be functioning quite well," said Ms. Deschenes.

"Thank you to all of the businesses and individuals that helped us and contributed toward the project. We're not a big club, only about 105 members, and we couldn't do this without their support," added Mr. Strain.



Mama and the kids signal their approval by ducking into the cool waters of the pool both during and after construction.



A large contingent of workers, many of whom were Manitoulin Island-based, took part in the rehabilitation work on Bass Lake Creek.



The finished pool adds depth to the creek and is lined with gravel that the fish can use when they swim upstream to spawn.

the area where equipment had passed into the stream to restore the greenery.

The total project cost about \$21,800. LCFGC donated more than half of that amount—\$13,500—and other funds came from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) and Forestry (MNR) Canada-Ontario Agreement Fund and the

move upstream.

Upper creek improvements have included structures, boulder clusters for hiding, sweepers and gravel pools.

The non-profit has to work within MNR-designated work periods, when water levels are lower and fish species are not spawning in the rivers. The work

component where students will be able to see the pool and we can explain why we have installed it and talk about the different fish species that are able to utilize it in the spawning process," said Ms. Deschenes.

There is no further work scheduled for Bass Lake Creek but Ms. Deschenes

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...Tehkummah assumes cost on Bowerman Trails in South Baymouth

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“We’re going to get our township maintenance person to do a walk with Dick this fall to identify the work that needs to be done,” said Tehkummah clerk-administrator Silvio Berti at the September 1 meeting of township council.

At that meeting, council voted to pay for liability insurance on the trails—\$139 until the end of the term on January 30, 2021—

said.

Ms. Bowerman was about as supportive of the passion project as a wife could be, but she kept him on a tight leash.

“I was allowed one case of nails a year, which is about 40 pounds, and I had to quit once that was used up. That’d last about a quarter of a mile (on a boardwalk),” Mr. Bowerman said.

advertisement. It doesn’t bother me that people take them because they must like them; I have a lot of fun building them,” he said.

Future of the trails

Ideally, Mr. Bowerman said a small group of volunteers would form to maintain the trails. However, recent discussions at council meetings have revealed a dearth of interest in community members taking on

resolved in July to take down all of the signs at the trail entrances until it could identify a future plan. At the September meeting when Tehkummah agreed to take out a liability insurance policy and re-install the signage with ‘use at your own risk’ messaging, not all were satisfied with the solution.

“I think until we get the maintenance done, we should not change anything. The trails should remain closed until we can get it repaired,” said Councillor Michael McKenzie.

Although the township has never formally closed the trails (or opened them for that matter), the councillor felt that the trails should be fixed before the town raises the signs. However, he admitted that he had not witnessed the condition of the trails.

In some of the wooden structures, soft spots exist where the supportive boards have come loose from their frames. The construction is solid in most parts but will deteriorate as time passes.

The trails are home to unique wildlife—an extensive patch of the rare dwarf lake iris flower grows there.

He added that there is unique geology along the route, including an ice-age-deposited boulder along Lake Huron and whale-back rock formations that go into the water.

Mr. Bowerman said he does not know how many

people use the trails but said he plans to still walk the trails in the early mornings and share them with his grandchildren when they are allowed to visit from the United States.

“It doesn’t bother me what happens,” he said. “I’ll keep walking them and I’ll keep trimming them up for as long as I can. Some group might come forward to work on them, but I don’t know.”

LEFT: One of the cedar stakes that originally marked the town plot stands at an entrance to the trail. Mr. Bowerman built the staircase to improve the path.



The Bowerman Trails are situated on the surveyed but unopened road allowances in the town of South Baymouth, so Mr. Bowerman marked the paths using their would-be street names.

to protect Tehkummah taxpayers from any potential legal costs that could arise from a mishap.

Mr. Bowerman built his popular trails on municipal road allowances, meaning the township could be liable if an incident should occur on the trails.

A passion project

Over the past 15 years, Mr. Bowerman has built the two-kilometre trail network by hand in his spare time.

“There’s probably a thousand feet of walkways built out of trees I’ve cut down into two-foot lengths and made into walkways through the wet areas,” he told The Expositor. “They’re very unique trails.”

He has worked in the bush and as a farmer throughout his life in the Tehkummah area. His grandfather helped to survey the town plot in 1901 and when Mr. Bowerman was a child, his grandfather took him for walks to see the original corner stakes of the town plot.

He and his wife Eunice moved into their South Baymouth home 20 years ago.

“Once I got the house fixed up there was nothing more to do, so I went out trying to find those stakes. I found about a quarter of them; cedar will last well over 100 years if it’s dry,” Mr. Bowerman said.

He started his work quietly, only using an axe to cut down some trees to improve a walkway between two of the first stakes he found. As he continued, passers-by would occasionally stumble upon his worksite and commend his craftsmanship.

“I realized people weren’t getting too mad at me for doing this, so I started doing my work with a chainsaw. I’ve not had one negative comment ever,” he

Future work required

Despite his hard work and encouragement from onlookers, Tehkummah has never officially sanctioned the trails. Mr. Bowerman never approached council for consent and has performed all construction and maintenance himself.

However, as he ages, the upkeep has become more daunting and he has contacted the township to determine what should happen next.

“I can keep ahead of it for a little while yet, anyway. I built this without any government money, nobody sponsored it, so I didn’t have to account to anybody for everything I had done. I just couldn’t stand imagining some young whippersnapper from Toronto coming up and telling me what to do. That bothers me; I worked in the bush all my life,” the 82-year-old said.

He estimated that the structures would last for a decade with no maintenance but acknowledged that they are not built to any standards and they should probably be rebuilt to code if they should continue to exist.

Structures on the trail include lengthy boardwalks, handrails, spiral staircases and benches, all carved from cedar trees in the area. A 300-foot boardwalk across Lake Huron to ‘Make Believe Island’ has washed away with the high water levels in the past two years and it would be prohibitive to recreate, in the trailblazer’s opinion.

He has also hand-carved walking sticks with his trail’s name; they reside in pails at the five entrances and about 10 go missing each year.

“I have my name on the sticks and it’s a kind of

the project, despite the township’s proud history of volunteerism.

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Hiawatha's runs food truck full-time during pandemic

by Warren Schlote
WIKWEMKOONG—Hiawatha Osawamick was weeks away from opening her flagship Hiawatha's restaurant in Sudbury when COVID-19 halted those plans, but the entrepreneur and restaurateur took the challenge in stride by opening a full-time food truck in Wiikwemkoong to stay open during the tough times, all while helping her community.

"It was an innovative move to open a food truck full-time. I have three employees through the food truck and we're just trying to work around the pandemic here. So far, it's been going well," said Ms. Osawamick.

At the start of the outbreak, she moved home to Wiikwemkoong to get away from the city and its higher risk factors. She also worried about her family and friends there.

When Wiikwemkoong locked down, the food services available in the community were sparse and food costs were high. Ms. Osawamick opted to open her food trailer at a few locations in the community to provide good meals.

"It was only supposed to be temporary, during the lockdown, but then the community requested that I open up full-time because they enjoyed it that much. I've been doing it full time since the beginning of July and people are travel-

ling from all over the Island to eat here," she said.

The trailer sits at Monument Hill next to Zipp Thru Gas Bar, just south of the village of Wiikwemkoong. There are picnic tables set up for those who prefer to eat on-site, as well as take-away.

Business has boomed.

focused on plenty of her traditional menu items like fish, wild rice and game meat in addition to typical food truck fare like fries and poutine. And yes, there is scone.

"You have to live a healthy lifestyle, especially with COVID. That's why we have the options of good things like berries

installed industrial carpeting and painted the walls. It took me six months to get my restaurant to where I wanted it to be and we were just about there," she said.

"My current restaurant has 50 seats so I think I'd need a bigger layout so people can social distance. I'd also like booths

kept her commercial kitchen in Sudbury.

Ms. Osawamick said she was convinced that she would take whatever happens next in stride, despite

the uncertainty.

Hiawatha's food trailer is open from 4 to 8 pm from Wednesday to Sunday at 1900 Wikwemikong Way.



Hiawatha Osawamick of Hiawatha's Catering poses outside of her popular food truck located atop Monument Hill in Wiikwemkoong.

Ms. Osawamick said there is a lineup as soon as the trailer opens at 4 pm and she estimated that hundreds eat there every day. Despite the demands, she prides herself on her team's speedy service and their ability to keep the lines moving (faster than McDonalds, according to one diner).

Ms. Osawamick has

and vegetables," she said.

Abandoning the restaurant, whether for a short time or long-term, was a tough decision. Ms. Osawamick said she is still debating whether to keep the lease or walk away at renewal time.

"I invested all my money, had booths in the restaurant and new tables and chairs, I redid the interior,

throughout versus tables of two, because they act as barriers and are more intimate—Plexiglas looks a little ridiculous," she added with a laugh.


The food trailer is only a seasonal offering and cannot continue into the winter. Ms. Osawamick's catering business has also halted with the absence of big gatherings but she has

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COVID-19 pandemic back-to-school checklist:

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- Hand sanitizer
- Reusable water bottle
- Bring your own school supplies
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- Outerwear/footwear younger children can put on/take off themselves
- Disinfecting wipes
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- Frequently clean reusable lunch bags or use disposable

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Results shared from second annual Island-wide monarch butterfly count

MANITOULIN—The results have been tallied from the second annual Manitoulin Monarch Butterfly count hosted by Wiikwemkoong's Species at Risk (SAR) program last month. Searchers reported monarchs from Wiikwemkoong Marina, South Bay, Providence Bay, Misery Bay, Evansville, Elizabeth Bay, Kagawong, Maple Point, Sheguiandah, Bidwell, Tehkummah and Little Current. The distinctive orange and black adult butterfly as well as larvae (caterpillars), chrysalises and eggs were all counted.

A total of 19 searchers counted at 27 locations for 15.9 person hours, about half an hour less than last year. In that time, 123 adults, 110 larvae (caterpillars), 80 eggs and 93 chrysalises were seen. Over 6,000 milkweed plants (the food of the larvae) were checked.

At Providence Bay on August 8 an organized search was coordinated by Dr. Joe Shorthouse. He reported that five masked searchers spent an hour and a half counting on the dunes in the large milkweed patch east of the river along the boardwalk. The group counted 44 adults (the second and third generations), 62 larvae and 86 chrysalises, which were especially prevalent under the boardwalk. The boardwalk may be a key factor in the very healthy population at this site. Searchers were so busy counting these life stages that they did not have time to look for eggs.

At the Wiikwemkoong Marina, SAR project biologist Judith Jones reported that there were many fewer milkweeds because the lake is so high and there is much less beach. Many of the remaining milkweeds were in wet ground and did not look healthy. Still, some adults and larvae were present on the few good plants.

This year's count took place two weeks later than last year's. Ms. Jones said this was due to the COVID-19 work slowdown during May and June, which delayed getting the event planned and publicized for July. As a result of the later date, many fewer adults were seen because the second generation was finishing up while the third generation was still in the early life stages (egg, larvae, chrysalises).

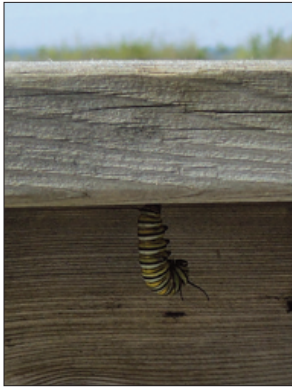
This event does not come close to counting very much of the total Manitoulin Island population of monarchs. However, these same locations and routes can be counted again in future years for the same length of field time, which will give stats that can be compared from year to year.

For example, last year, with roughly the same number of person hours and roughly the same number of milkweed plants, searchers counted 389 adults, 280 larvae, 66 eggs and 12 chrysalises.



Joe Shorthouse, top left, leads a group of monarch enthusiasts at the Providence Bay beach during last month's monarch count.

photos by Marilyn Shorthouse



A pre-pupa monarch gets ready to build its chrysalis under the railing of the Providence Bay beach boardwalk.

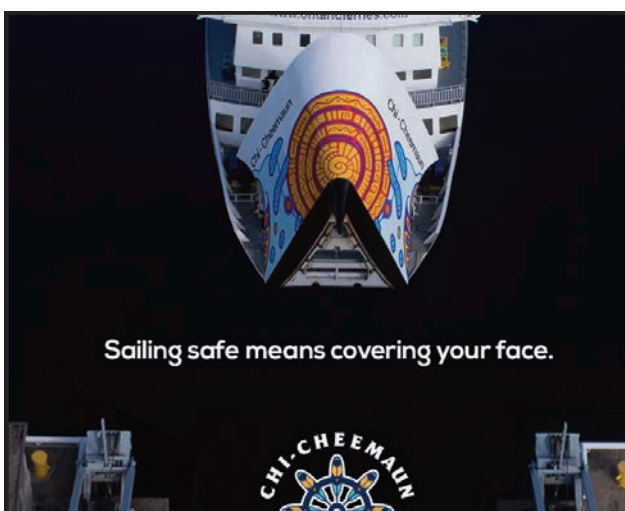
patches of milkweed at any location. No count is required. The information can be sent to manitoulin-monarchs@yahoo.com

Most of the threats to the monarch, a migrating species, occur in the very limited area of their wintering grounds in Mexico. The best way to help the monarchs here at home is to make sure their food source, common milkweed, does not get trampled or mowed down. If monarchs are present, it is best to make sure no one steps on the plants or drives over them.

In addition to differences from the later date, the abundant population in Kaboni was not counted this year. It is a known site so searching was focused elsewhere. Some of the differences may also be due to a more systematic count at Providence Bay.

Even though dates and methods do not line up perfectly, the count shows that monarchs are widespread and reproducing at most locations on Manitoulin Island. Wiikwemkoong is still interested in hearing reports of large populations of monarchs or large

Monarchs are now into their final generation of the season. The adults that are hatching now will be the ones to migrate to Mexico. Starting next week and through early September, flocks of monarchs will be staging along the Lake Huron shore before attempting to cross the big water. It will be possible to see dozens of adults hanging onto bushes and plants along the shore—a truly beautiful sight. We wish the monarch bon voyage, and hope to see you next summer!



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Keith Hopkin creates S.S. Caribou model to cure COVID blues

by Keith Hopkin

SCARBOROUGH—COVID-19 began spreading across Canada around March 2020 or earlier. Hundreds of thousands of people lost their jobs as businesses closed down. The Canadian government asked its citizens to stay at home, stay six feet apart and wear masks to prevent the spread of the virus. So, day after day, Ann and I stayed at home with not much to do except watch TV and do odd jobs around the house. Boredom was setting in and the wife and I were getting on each other's nerves.

So on June 29, I got this idea of constructing a model steamship to pass the time away and do something worthwhile as I sat at home. In the past I built a few model ships so building models was not entirely new to me.

Due to my fondness for the Manitoulin Island and the early steamships that came to the many ports around the Island, I decided to build the steamship named the Caribou. The Caribou was launched from her home port of Owen Sound in July 1904. The S.S. Caribou was a wooden hull ferry, 185 ft. long, 33 feet wide, 5,997 tons and carried a crew of 24. The Caribou serviced the "turkey trail" once a week from Owen Sound to Michipicoten and Pukaskwa. The ship's meandering route carried Algoma Pioneers and all their worldly belongings to the many ports scattered along Georgian Bay, Manitoulin Island, the North Channel, Sault Ste. Marie, and up to Gargantua Harbour, Michipicoten, Michipicoten Island and as far as Pukaskwa Depot.

As one of the only means of transporting freight and goods to the majority of these tiny settlements along the shoreline, the S.S. Caribou and her sister ship, the S.S. Manitou, also conveyed tourists, food, poultry, cattle, horses, vehicles and barrels of fish for the Dominion and Booth fishing companies. Built to accommodate 40 passengers, the Caribou frequently carried up to 100 from Sault Ste. Marie to the booming mining camps of Michipicoten and Wawa.

The advent of affordable cars and the spread of paved highways further into northern Algoma meant the end of the more dramatic, but less efficient, water route. In 1947 the S.S. Caribou was purchased by M.J. Dacey and beached near Bell's Point, east of Sault Ste. Marie, with dreams of becoming a possible dining and tourist operation. But instead the hull rotted and the ship was dismantled.

The S.S. Caribou had faithfully served the people of the Manitoulin Island and along the North Shore for over 42 years.

Steamship models like the Caribou cannot be bought commercially. If I wanted to have model ships on my layout, I would have to build them myself. I chose HO (railroad model) scale (1/87th size) for my models since I have an HO scale CPR-themed model railway and my model would have to be to the same scale as my layout to look right.

Since the model of the Caribou must have a flat bottom to be able to sit on my flat harbour, I had to build what they call a "water line" model. In other words, the model would have to have a flat bottom.

Since there are no drawings available (that I know of) for reference to build my model, I provided my son Jeremy with a straight on horizontal photo of the Caribou (courtesy of Buck Longhurst) and he took this photo and with his computer skills he made it to HO scale and with the result the model is 20 inches long. I printed off this photo and used it as my template to construct my model. The photocopies of this HO-adjusted photo are my blueprints to construct almost every detail of the ship.

The main bottom portion of the hull is made from a pine board that is sawed, sanded and shaped to the desired size. The top portion of the hull, the walls of the cabins, the floor and the roof are all made of various thicknesses of cardboard that have scale 1" x 6" stripwood glued to the cardboard sides. Each window opening is cut to size with an Exacto blade and sanded to the correct shape. The lifeboats are sawed, cut and sanded from blocks of pine to the desired shape. The brass portholes, the anchor and the brass railings on the main deck, upper deck and the wheelhouse roof are bought commercially from Cast Your Anchor. The smokestack, stack wires, whistle, steam pipe, lifeboat davits, flagpoles and other brass piping and wires are bought from hobby stores and made into various objects. The two tall masts are made from 3mm dowels. I used various acrylic paint colours to paint my model with. My son Jeremy produced the Caribou lettering that you see on my model including the Canadian flags on the bow and stern.

I have about 14 photos in my possession of the Caribou taken over the 42-year period that she sailed on the Great Lakes. I chose to paint my model in the colours after the merger of the Owen Sound Transportation Company and the Dominion Transportation Company with a black hull up to the freight rail, upper works white with fancy name boards and the stack buff, then a narrow band of blue and a black smoke band on top. My model closely represents that period with a bit of modeler's licence thrown in.

Keith Hopkin, originally from Spring Bay, has had a decades-long passion for all things railway and North Channel steamship and has created several model ships based on those vessels that would have plied Island waters over the years.



This Marine Rail Museum photo shows the Caribou's starboard side.



Keith Hopkin recently built an HO-scale model of the S.S. Caribou, a ship that served many ports on Manitoulin Island on its route between Georgian Bay and Pukaskwa Depot. In inset photo, top right, is a side view detail shot of the model.

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Royal Canadian Legion Br. 177 Wing Night, Thursday, September 10 from 4 to 8 pm. Cheese balls, two for \$1; wings, \$1 each; jalapeno poppers, \$1; cheese sticks, \$1. Take-out only, pick up at the Legion, delivery within town limits of Little Current. To pre-order call 705-348-0123.

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Sea Cadet Events

Manitoulin Sea Cadets Corps weekly parade is temporarily suspended due to COVID-19. For enquiries, please contact 705-805-0350.

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coming events

The Rummage Sale at Knox United Church in Manitowaning will be held Monday to Saturday from 10 am to 3 pm until further notice.

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64 Meredith Street E,
Little Current, ON
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TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK

**The Township of Assiginack
is seeking to hire two students
for casual part-time work after school
at the Manitowaning arena.**

Work will entail supervising children and cleaning due to Covid-19. Incumbent must be able to skate and be prepared to go on the ice in a supervisory role.

Please send resume to Township of Assiginack, Box 238, Manitowaning ON P0P 1N0 or email info@assiginack.ca.

Deadline is September 18th at 4 pm.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS WORKER

Classification Level: Community Services (CS-3)
Employment Status: Regular Full-Time (including Pension & Benefits)
Department: Health Services, Mental Health

M'Chigeeng First Nation is seeking a caring, energetic and enthusiastic individual. Someone who has a keen understanding of mental health & addictions field along with knowledge of prevention and intervention activities, facilitation and implementation of culturally appropriate programs. If you are a team player and have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, then you may be a great fit for this position.

Position Summary: The focus of the Mental Health & Addictions Worker will be to support individuals, families and groups in addressing mental health and/or substance use issues. A thorough understanding of the community's OAT program and rehabilitation treatment options. Develop, coordinate and facilitate related workshops, programs and groups designed to assist in the awareness, prevention, intervention and recovery of mental health and/or substance use that reflects and promotes a healthy community.

Qualifications & Requirements

Minimum

College Diploma in Social Services or related field of study (i.e. Addictions & Mental Health Diploma, Social Services Worker Diploma) and/or lived experience and knowledge

Three to five (3 - 5) years work-related experience in the field of mental health and/or addictions

Knowledge and skills in mental health, alcohol and/or drugs addictions awareness and prevention

Preferred

University Degree in Social Services/Addictions field of study and two (2) years relevant work experience

Extensive work/volunteer experience in the coordination of workshops and seminars within a Native organization/ community is a strong asset and in Good Standing with Regulated Professional Body

Other

Have working knowledge of Harm Reduction Philosophy including Needle Exchange Programming; Excellent time management and organizational skills with ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously; Certification in Mental Health First Aid; ASIST & training in Naloxone Administering. Be a role model both during and after regular work hours; Working knowledge of Outlook, Microsoft Office and general office procedures; Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (written and verbal); Must have own transportation and valid Ontario Class "G" driver's license; Must be willing to work flexible hours and weekends

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

Interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES (2 Work-Related references from a direct supervisor/manager and 1-character reference) and education certifications addressed to:

Mental Health & Addictions Worker
c/o Chief Linda Debassige
M'Chigeeng FN, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020 AT 4:00 PM

LATE OR INCOMPLETE applications will not be considered. Preference will be given to Anishinabek people. Only Applicants selected for an interview, will be contacted.

For Job description, please contact Marlene Debassige at 705-377-5362 ext. 203 or visit our website www.mchigeeng.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CONCURRENT WELLNESS WORKER

Classification Level: Community Services (CS-3)
Employment Status: Regular Full-Time (including Pension & Benefits)
Department: Health Services, Mental Health

M'Chigeeng First Nation is seeking an enthusiastic, flexible individual with excellent interpersonal and communication skills. Someone who understands mental health & substance use issues along with knowledge of prevention and intervention activities. A great role model within the community, who is organized, can work in a fast-paced environment and is a team player. If you are confident and have these qualities along with great facilitation and assessment skills, then you may be a great fit for this position.

Position Summary: The focus of the Concurrent Wellness Worker will be to support individuals, families and groups in addressing mental health and/or substance use issues. A thorough understanding of the community's OAT program and rehabilitation treatment options. Develop, coordinate and facilitate related workshops, programs and groups designed to assist in the awareness, prevention, intervention and recovery of mental health and/or substance use that reflects and promotes a healthy community.

Qualifications & Requirements

Minimum

College Diploma in Social Services or related field of study (i.e. Addictions & Mental Health Diploma, Social Services Worker Diploma) and/or lived experience and knowledge

Three to five (3 - 5) years work-related experience in the field of mental health and/or addictions

Knowledge and skills in mental health, alcohol and/or drugs addictions awareness and prevention

Excellent Public Speaking and Facilitation Skills

Preferred

University Degree in Social Work/Addictions field of study and two (2) years relevant work experience

Extensive work/volunteer experience in the coordination of workshops and seminars within a Native organization/ community is a strong asset and In Good Standing with Regulated Professional Body

Other

Excellent time management and organizational skills with ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously, a role model both during and after regular work hours, have a thorough understanding of the Harm Reduction Philosophy; Working knowledge of Microsoft Office and general office procedures

Must obtain and keep current First Aid and CPR Certifications.

Recent Certification in Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST), Mental Health First Aid Canada and Naloxone Training, Must have knowledge and/or experience with the culture, history and customs of the Anishinaabe

A strong advocate of M'Chigeeng First Nation's mission statement and vision

Must have own transportation and valid Ontario Class "G" driver's license

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

Interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES (2 Work-Related references from a direct supervisor/manager and 1-character reference) and education certifications addressed to:

Concurrent Wellness Worker
c/o Chief Linda Debassige
M'Chigeeng FN, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020 AT 4:00 PM

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Department: Education
Classification Level: Education Director
Position Status: Regular Full-Time (Including Group Benefits & Pension Plan)

The Director of Education will be responsible for the total organization, management, and administration of the M'Chigeeng educational system. He/she shall report directly to the Enaagdenjged (Band Manager).

POSITION SUMMARY

This position requires a person who has worked with First Nations and is aware of First Nations issues. He/she holds complex and diversified responsibilities to carry out initiatives, develop, organize, plan, and direct operations and activities of the M'Chigeeng First Nation educational system. The Director will be a visionary who is a well-respected educational leader with a proven record. He/she is results-oriented, and can strategically foster growth, development, and opportunities for band membership and members of the M'Chigeeng educational system. He/she will build strong relationships to develop a 'system'; and will work in collaboration with Chief & Council, the M'Chigeeng community, external affiliates, and government officials.

AREAS OF THE DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

EDUCATION SYSTEM LEADERSHIP & PLANNING - STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT & WELL-BEING - FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY - COMMUNICATIONS - COMMUNITY RELATIONS - PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

Minimum: Bachelor Arts and/or Education, good standing with Ontario College of Teachers, seven (7) years administrative experience; Life-long learner, proven successful educational leadership experience & knowledge of current key issues facing FNs.

Ideal (Preferred) candidate: Bachelor of Education; Master's degree in education/Principal's qualifications and seven (7) years experience; a qualified Supervisory Officer; a visionary with several years of proven educational leadership experience and ability to inspire and engage community to achieve the Vision, Mission & strategic goals and directions of M'Chigeeng educational system.

Other: Excellent interpersonal and communication skills; be a visible, inclusive, and collaborative leader key education stakeholder.

Results-oriented with high level of integrity and energy to champion student success; strong advocate of education for First Nation children, youth, learners coupled with a sincere concern for their well-being. Knowledge of First Nation challenges; knowledge of culture and traditions of the Anishinabek and incorporates into practices. Fluency of the Ojibwe language is a strong asset or must be willing to learn Anishinabemowin.

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

Interested applicants please submit COVER LETTER, RESUME & THREE (3) CURRENT WORK-RELATED REFERENCES (from direct supervisor) by TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 3:00 P.M. CONFIDENTIAL TO:

Attention: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
c/o Chief and Council
M'Chigeeng FN, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980)

LATE OR INCOMPLETE applications will not be considered. Preference will be given to Anishinabek people. Only Applicants selected for an interview, will be contacted.

For full Job description, please contact Marlene Debassige at 705-377-5362 ext. 203, marlened@mchigeeng.ca or visit our website www.mchigeeng.ca.



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**Manitoulin Health Centre
HOUSEKEEPING AIDE**

The Manitoulin Health Centre requires a Housekeeping Aide to work on a Permanent Part-Time basis at its Little Current site.

QUALIFICATIONS (Education, Certifications, Experience, Licensure):

Required:

- Partial Secondary School (Grade 10)

Preferred:

- Previous cleaning experience in a hospital or healthcare setting

Please email a cover letter and resume to:

Human Resources Department
E-mail: recruitment@mhc.on.ca

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

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Interested candidates should apply by **3:30 pm Friday September 11, 2020** and submit a covering letter, resume and names of three (3) references.

Doreen Dewar
Board Chair

Norm Blaseg
Director of Education

rainbowschools.ca

**NOOJMWON TEG HEALTH CENTRE
Cultural Support Worker**

Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

Full-Time Contract ending March 2020

(Position may be extended pending further funding approval)

Noojmwon Teg Health Centre is seeking the full time services of a Cultural Support Worker for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Individuals. The Cultural Support Worker will provide both cultural and health support to families of missing and murdered indigenous women and girls for their healing and wellness. The Worker will also be responsible for working with other area programs and to provide awareness and prevention messages.

Noojmwon Teg Health Centre is comprised of a multi-team of health care professions providing community-based services through the use of a holistic approach integrating both traditional and western healing methods. Our unique team includes: Primary Health (Physicians, Nurse Practitioners), Mental Health (Psychologists and Mental Health & Addictions counsellors and providers), Health Promotion (Healthy Living Children & Youth programs, FASD, and Child Nutrition, Food Promotion projects), and Traditional Healing (Indian Residential School Cultural Support and Resolution Workers, Traditional Healers, Cultural Support- Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence, Cultural Support -Espanola, and other Traditional Helpers). Services are offered on-site and community based through the Manitoulin Island District Seven First Nations Health Centres and Espanola area). The Cultural Support Worker will report to the Anishinaabe Aadzawin Manager, and under the direction of the Executive Director.

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

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

Duties:

- Cultural and emotional support through the delivery of traditional/cultural and relevant health programming;
- Assist with the planning and coordination of conferences and gatherings and conduct community outreach to inform community members about available support services;
- Ensure that survivors, family members and those affected by the issue of Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls have access to an appropriate level of mental wellness support services, including human service sectors (health social services, justice, education, employment, etc.);
- Establish a supportive rapport with families of missing and murdered indigenous women and girls through a network environment of collaborative services with both their home communities, external providers and Noojmwon Teg programs and services.
- Act as a liaison with health support services for counselling (professional, grief, healing and wellness), both individual and group as required;
- Maintain case and e-charting files, as well as workshop and other data collection.

Qualifications:

- A relevant post-secondary designation in human, Anishinabemowin, or social services, with a focus on Anishinabek people preferred
- Minimum three (3) years of demonstrated and related work experience within an Indigenous organization or community working with adults and their families in a healing and nurturing cultural environment
- Experience facilitating cultural relevant workshops, presentations and activities
- Grief counselling background, an asset
- Demonstrated ability to work with Anishinabek people of all ages
- Demonstrated interpersonal, listening and communication (written and verbal) skills with the ability to engage people to build trust and rapport;
- Experience in successful report completion to funders and administration
- Ability to work within a technology based environment – computer, Microsoft office software, timesheet program, etc
- An ability to work flexible hours to be accessible to clients and community members
- Excellent written and spoken communication skills
- Excellent organizational and time management skills, and ability to be self-directed
- Understanding and sensitivity to the Anishinabek community's cultural diversity
- Ability to speak Anishinabemowin, an asset
- Current CPR Level C and First Aid;
- Ability to travel including clear driver's abstract and a reliable vehicle;
- Clear vulnerable sector criminal record check is required.

Submission Pre-requisites:

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

Deadline: Friday, September 11, 2020

Send to: Human Resources
Noojmwon Teg Health Centre
Hwy. 540, 48 Hillside Road
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
Postal Bag 2002
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

Email: info@noojmwon-teg.ca
Ph.: 705-368-2182 ext. 235
Fax: 705-368-2229

We thank all for their interest and application. Only those under consideration will be contacted.

**2ND POSTING****FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT**

**Salary \$44,772 - \$54,600 / year
(depending on education and experience)**

The Executive Assistant will support and assist the Band Manager in carrying out the organization's mandate by providing a wide variety of support functions. Support functions include: reporting on various data; preparation of reports and correspondence; communications with a wide variety of internal and external contracts; answering, screening and directing calls; and coordinating meetings, travel, conferences, and other activities.

KEY JOB FUNCTIONS

- Assist Band Manager with recording, tracking, reminder systems for regular leadership tasks, appointments, meetings, and deadlines on a daily, weekly, bi-weekly, and monthly basis and communicate relative information to other staff;
- Assist with monitoring Leadership's work plan based on the strategic planning session and coordinate with Band Manager's work plan;
- Compile and maintain a computerized and manual document management system for formal documents including WRFN Policies, Laws, By-Laws and established Codes;
- Assist the Band Manager in completing follow up work as assigned at Band Council meetings, including correspondence, memos, and drafting of Band Council Resolutions (BCR's);
- Maintain a harmonious, motivational working environment for all staff;
- When required, assist with preparing Chief and Council agendas, packages and record Council meeting minutes;
- Schedule and confirm appointments and special meetings for Band Manger and maintain Band Manager's schedule;
- Attend other meetings as requested by Band Manager and record meeting minutes;
- Prepare the agenda and packages for the Program Managers meetings and distribute packages to Program Managers; and responsible for the minute taking of Program Managers meetings;
- Assist in maintaining the Whitefish River First Nation website and social media sites;
- Setting up teleconference calls, including the use of Skype or Zoom;
- Setup and operation of webcasting of Chief and Council Meeting as well as any Community Events as assigned;
- Assist with travel arrangements for Band Manager and reconciliation of expense claims; and
- Coordinate and organize conferences and special events as assigned.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

- Demonstrated organizational and time management skill with the ability to multi-task and set priorities
- Attention to detail and demonstrated verbal and written proficiency and communication.
- Ability to network effectively and productively with the community members, community partners, and Government Agencies and Officials.
- Able to maintain a high level of confidentiality.

QUALIFICATIONS

1. A minimum of 1-3 years of experience supporting senior managers or directors providing administrative support.
2. Diploma in business administration or related field OR an equivalent combination of education and recent relevant work experience.
3. Experience working with First Nation and an understanding of First Nation, health, social, and information management issues will be considered an asset.
4. Must have advanced computer skills in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Access, Outlook, Internet, Dropbox, and Adobe Acrobat Pro.
5. Must have experience in developing and maintaining websites and other social media platforms.
6. Must have experience setting up conference calls, Skype, and Zoom.
7. Must be familiar with all office machines including photocopiers, fax machines, phone systems, etc.
8. Must have a valid Class G driver's license and access to a reliable vehicle.

The successful applicant will be required to provide an updated Police Check from their local police agency before commencing employment.

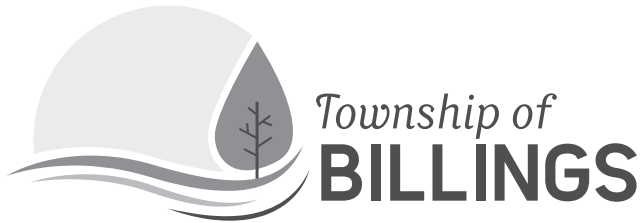
If you are interested in this opportunity, please apply by submitting your resume, cover letter, copies of diplomas and certificates and (2) two current work/professional reference letters and contact information to:

CONFIDENTIAL – EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Human Resources
Whitefish River First Nation
17-A Rainbow Ridge Road, P.O. Box 188
Birch Island, ON POP1A0

Or e-mail: applications@whitefishriver.ca with the subject line "Executive Assistant"

The deadline for application submissions is **September 18th, 2020, at 4:30 p.m.**
We would like to thank all applicants who apply; however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



Internship Opportunity with the Township of Billings in collaboration with the Billings Public Library and Billings Museum Committee

Title: Billings Heritage Research Intern (6 Month Internship)

Are you a currently enrolled or a recent graduate with a degree in the Arts, Media, English, or Journalism? Then we have a great opportunity for you! The Township of Billings (Kagawong) is looking to launch an ambitious republication of the book, "How It All Began: A History of the Kagawong Area Circa 1872-1910" in an effort to keep the history of the township alive.

The successful candidate of the position will research, reproduce, publish and promote the final work.

Contract: September 28, 2020 – March 26, 2021
35 hours/week

Applications (cover letter and resume) will be accepted at the township office until **Friday, September 11, 2020**, and may be submitted in person or by mail or email. Please direct enquiries and applications to: kmcdonald@billingsstp.ca

15 Old Mill Road
PO Box 34
Kagawong, ON POP 1J0

Please note that only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Applicants must meet funding partner eligibility criteria, including age/student status.



**Employment Opportunity
Loans Officer
Full-Time 1 Year Contract**

Reporting to: Enaadmaagehjik General Manager/Economic Development Officer

Major Responsibilities:

Will provide financial management and strategic planning support to the functional areas within the business and private market housing of Wkwemikong Unceded Territory. The Loans Officer establishes and maintains sound accounting practices and ensures that financial activity for mortgages and business loans are maintained according to the corporate objectives, policies and procedures of Enaadmaagehjik Development Commission.

Primary Functions:

- The Loans Officer will be accountable to consistently perform the following tasks;
- Meet with members to obtain information for loan applications and to answer questions about the process.
 - Analyze applicant's financial status, credit, and property evaluations to determine feasibility of granting mortgages and business loans.
 - Review and update mortgages, business loans and leased properties account receivable accounts and files.
 - Review loan agreements to ensure that they are complete and accurate according to policy.
 - Prepare mortgage applications for review by the EDC Board of Directors for recommendation and endorsement to Chief and Council for final approval.
 - Handle customer complaints and take appropriate action to resolve them.
 - Work with clients to identify their financial goals and to identify resources to assist in reaching those goals.
 - Assist applicants in resolving mortgage application challenges.
 - Mediate payment arrangements with members who are delinquent on mortgage or loan. Review account in arrears, review mortgage or loan agreement with applicant/client and arrange for and follow-up on arrears repayment agreement where required.
 - Analyze monthly financial reporting requirements, such as preparing monthly arrears reports, bank reconciliations, accounts receivable and accounts payable and report any variances/discrepancies to General Manager
 - In the event of loan default, will enforce loan agreement as per Loan Default Policy.
 - Carry out administrative activities such as maintaining files, updating member applications, answering telephone, emails and fax communications, preparing statistical information for EDC Board of Directors and/or Chief and Council, assist with the day-to-day operations as required.
 - Market and promote HIF and Business products and services to individuals that may meet their needs.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or college diploma in accounting, business administration, commerce or related field
- Equivalent experience amount at least two (2) years' experience in business and finance, with a proven record of success.
- Knowledge and understanding of SAGE/AACCPAC accounting software knowledge, and proficient in comprehensive spreadsheet, presentation, database, web-based software, Microsoft, and electronic mail software.
- Thorough knowledge and understanding of business and financial management.

Additional Requirements:

- Will be required to travel and must possess a valid Class G Driver's License and access to vehicle.
- Work flexible hours (evening and weekend included).
- Must have excellent written and oral communication & presentation skills.
- Knowledge and appreciation of Anishinabek language customs, traditions and practices.
- Must be capable of analyzing data and issues and be experienced in creative problem solving.
- Clear Criminal Reference Check is required and will be requested as condition on hiring.

Salary Range: \$40,000.00 to \$44,000.00

Please submit resume along with three recent work-related references to:

Mary Lynn Odjig, General Manager/Economic Development Officer
Wkwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve
2102 Wkwemikong Way
Wkwemikong, Ontario
POP 2J0

For More Information you may contact Mary Lynn Odjig at 705-859-3001
Deadline for applications is September 18, 2020



**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

Department: Health Services – Home Care Program (Wellness Centre)
Classification: Clerical & Administrative Support Services (CA-3)
Employment Status: Regular Full-time (Including Benefits & Pension Package)

M'Chigeeng First Nation is seeking an energetic individual who has High Proficiency in Microsoft Suite; Great time management and organizational skills; and is a quick learner, reliable and can work independently and as a team player. If you have these qualities along with good communication skills, then you may be a great fit for this position.

Position Summary

Provide clerical, administrative and financial support for the M'Chigeeng Home Care Program.

Qualifications & Requirements

Preferred

- College Diploma in Administrative/Secretarial/Executive Assistant or Business-related field of study and three (3) years related work experience

Minimum

- High School Diploma, Administration/Secretarial Certificate Program or Equivalent and related training and work experience

Other

- High proficiency in Microsoft Office and its related computer applications; Word, Excel, Power Point, Publisher and Access
- Have good time management and organizational skills; Is a conscientious worker, pays attention to detail
- Excellent written and oral communication skills and excellent interpersonal skills.
- Experience working with the public; demonstrated commitment to customer service excellence
- Working knowledge of office systems, procedures and practices; Maintains a high level of confidentiality at all times
- Ability to work on own initiative and able to meet timelines as required
- Must have knowledge and experience with the culture, history and customs of the Anishinabek
- A strong advocate to understand and be fluent in Anishinabek language or is willing to learn is a strong asset
- Performs other related duties assigned from time to time, Valid Driver's License. Self-motivated, ability to work flexible hours including weekends.

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

I interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT WRITTEN REFERENCES (2 Work-Related references from a direct supervisor/manager and 1-character reference) and education certifications by: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2020 @ 3:00PM to:

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, HOME CARE PROGRAM

c/o Chief Linda Debassige
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333 M'CHIGEENG, ON
POP 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980)

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For Job description, please contact Marlene Debassige at 705-377-5362 ext. 203, marlened@mchigeeng.ca or visit our website www.mchigeeng.ca



**Employment Opportunity
for an Administrative Assistant**

Under the direction of the General Manager of the Wkwemikong Development Commission, the Administrative Assistant will work in a professional manner and will operate within the standards required by Office Management systems.

Assist with all aspects of administrative management, directory maintenance, logistics, financial, equipment inventory and storage, quality assurance system and customer service.

1. Managing inventory of office assets and supplies, monitoring critical level of stocks, sourcing for suppliers and submitting invoices.
2. Will provide financial bookkeeping services by preparing WDC's account payables on a weekly basis and invoices when required to the WUIR Finance Unit.
3. Coordinating between departments and operating units in resolving day-to-day administrative and operational problems
4. Scheduling and coordinating meetings, interviews, events and other similar activities.
5. Sending out and receiving mail, faxes, e-mails and packages.
6. Preparing business correspondence (often using word processing, spreadsheet, and presentation computer software).
7. Manage the file management system.
8. Ensure quality assurance requirements for ISO certification.
9. Performing multifaceted general office support.
10. Preparing meeting minutes, meeting notes and internal support materials.
11. Other related duties as required and at peak work periods.

Qualifications:

- Relevant post secondary level accreditation or an equivalent combination of at least three years of work experience.
- Must have a Grade 12 diploma.
- Solid experience in financial clerical duties.
- Excellent organizational, administrative and time management skills.
- Strong writing skills, especially in correspondence writing, etc.
- Must have strong oral and interpersonal communication skills, must be a team player.
- Must be proficient in the use of computer and essential software.
- Must work flexible hours.
- Knowledge and appreciation of the Anishnabek culture, language and heritage are all considered an asset.
- Must have valid Drivers License and access to vehicle.
- C.P.I.C. will be required upon hiring.

Deadline: September 18, 2020

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Gwekwaadziwin – Land-Based Treatment Counsellor

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- Assist in implementation of research projects
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Qualifications:

- Minimum requirement is a diploma in a human service field or in outdoor leadership
- Mental health and addictions training
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- Proven experience with management, program development, research, and outcome measurement
- Experience working in Mental Health and Addictions field
- Experience working with at-risk youth and young adults in a wilderness setting
- WFR or Adv WFA with experience managing backcountry medical issues
- Demonstrated superior interpersonal and communication skills (both written and verbal)
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Closing Date: September 16, 2020

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C/O Sam Gilchrist
Executive Director

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

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Teacher Salary Grid

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RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To ensure all students are supervised in a safe, culturally supportive environment that meets the approved curriculum plans and mission of Shawanosowe School.
- Achieve academic excellence by working collaboratively with school staff and to communicate effectively with parents.
- Ability to prepare daily lesson planning and long range plans;
- Follow the policies and procedures of Shawanosowe School and the Whitefish River First Nation.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's Degree in Education or equivalent;
- Ontario Teaching Certification; with membership in good/active standing
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Interested and qualified candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to the attention of:

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Whitefish River First Nation; 17-A Rainbow Ridge Road; P.O. Box 188; Birch Island; ON POP1A0
Email: applications@whitefishriver.ca; Fax: (705)285-4532

Applications must be submitted by **September 14th, 2020 by 4:30 p.m.** and must include the following:
Copy of Ontario College of Teachers (OCT) certificate and 3 professional reference names

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Closing date: September 11, 2020 by noon

We thank all applicants for their submissions, only those selected for an interview will be acknowledged.

notice

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

Attention hunters! Wild game processing, cut and wrapped. We are here to serve you. Daniel and Rachel Sauder, Massey. 705-865-1164, no Sunday calls.
15-24p

Weekly Grief Share Support Group meets Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 pm at Spring Bay Pentecostal Church. The Support Group will begin on September 10, 2020 and run weekly until December 10, 2020.
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ADVICE OF THE WEEK—Attention all tap dancers. Be careful, you might fall in the sink! For more phone 368.
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Deadline for text ads, like this, as well as boxed ads is Friday at 4 pm.

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Northeast Town purchases historic Sheguiandah to home to improve line of sight

by Alicia McCutcheon

SHEGUIANDAH—At its August 25 meeting, Northeast Town council approved a motion to purchase an historic Sheguiandah home and property for the purpose of having it demolished to improve visibility on the hairpin corner upon which it sits on Robert Street in the older section of the village.

Council reviewed the offer for \$110,000 for the 3 Robert Street home in Sheguiandah, site of one of Howland's earliest telephone offices.

CAO Dave Williamson explained that the line of sight for drivers—especially snowplow drivers—is poor with the location of the home so close to the corner. The intent would be to demolish the home and improve the corner at Robert and Hill streets.

Councillor Bill Koehler thought this was a poor decision, stating that the home and the corner itself caused drivers to slow down.

"It's a good thing we purchased that speed radar sign as we're going to need to use it on that corner if we go ahead with this," said Councillor Koehler.

The house is No. 19 on the 'Tour Through Sheguiandah Village' walking tour. The site of Bradbury's General Store, a sign outside the home reads: "This general store, millinery and dress making shop as well as blacksmith shop was owned and operated by the Hastie family. It was sold to the Bradburys in 1902."

Councillor Laurie Cook asked for a recorded vote.

Councillors Koehler and Cook voted against the purchase while Councillors Michael Erskine, Barb Baker, Al Boyd, Bruce Wood, Jim Ferguson, Dawn Orr and Mayor MacNevin voted in favour. The motion was carried.

The closing date on the purchase is September 24.



The Northeast Town will demolish a Robert Street home in Sheguiandah this fall to improve line-of-sight on a hairpin turn in the village. INSET: An historical marker notes its place on the village walking tour.



M.S.S.
Kids in the Halls
by Rachael Orford

Welcome back to Kids in the Hall and a new and different school year. Whether you are learning from home or venturing back to the classroom, welcome to all new and returning students!

MSS will look a little different now than it did in March. The interior and exterior renovations have been completed, which has made the school a more open and inviting space. Students will now be able to discover and enjoy the newly-renovated areas.

It's been quite some time since my last column, so I think a joke is required to get everyone off on the right foot.

Why can't you work in an orange juice factory? Because you can't concentrate!

This year, there is a staggered start to school for students depending on their grade. This applies to all students, whether they are attending online or in person. Students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 3 and Grade 9, as well as all students in intensive support programs will start on Tuesday, September 8. Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 and Grades 9 and 10 will be attending school on Wednesday, September 9. Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 and Grades 9, 10 and 11 will be at school on Thursday, September 10. Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 and Grades 9-12 will all be attending school on Friday, September 11.

The timetable for high school students will look a little different this year compared to previous ones. Students will still be taking four classes in a semester, but will only be taking two classes each week. Week one will have two classes, and week two will have the remaining two classes. In week one, period one classes will take place each morning, for 150 minutes, and period two classes will take place each afternoon, also for 150 minutes. In week two, the remaining two classes (periods three and four) will follow the same schedule. Students learning from home will connect live to their scheduled classes and teachers. For students attending class, it is encouraged that they bring their own laptop or Chromebook if they are able to do so.

Students are having to adapt to many other changes this school year. Mandatory face masks, physical distancing, new protocol on buses, no lockers and directional signage are all now part of the new normal for students attending school.

At a Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) meeting held on September 1, trustees voted to make masks mandatory for students in primary grades in addition to Grades 4-12. All students in Rainbow Schools in Grades 1 to 12 are now required to wear non-medical or cloth masks indoors in school, including in hallways and during classes. Kindergarten students are required to wear masks and/or face shields in indoor spaces. Just a reminder that it is always a good idea to have a spare face mask along with hand sanitizer in your child's backpack, just in case!

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to your child's learning, feel free to contact the school at any time.

There are some staffing changes at MSS for the 2020-2021 school year. With the departure of Mr. Lafleur, our former vice-principal, we welcome Ms. McCann and Ms. Nicolas-Bayer as our new vice-principals. We would also like to welcome Ms. Martha Wilkins, who is our new administrative assistant. She is assuming the responsibilities of Ms. McDermid, who retired last school year. All the best in your retirement, Ms. McDermid!

Joke of the week: Why did the obtuse angle get upset? Because it knew it would never be right.

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

spirituality

HEBR 6:1+2 "Leaving the principles of the Doctrine of Christ, let us go unto perfection (Christian maturity) not laying again the foundation of repentance, faith toward God, the Doctrine of baptisms (plural), laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead and of eternal judgement." These six Doctrines are the foundation of the Christian faith. In over 90 percent of Christianity these basic doctrines are not laid as the foundation and just as it is foolish for any building contractor to build any building without laying a solid foundation first, it is as foolish to try to build a church without this foundation. ROM. 10:17 says, "faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God." In order to get faith, we must hear what the Bible says. Most denominations have some statement of faith that says our doctrines are founded on the Bible. But then they reject creation or a worldwide flood, or Israel leaving Egypt between walls of water or Jesus walking on the water, etc. The first thing that needs to be understood is that when you reject any doctrine in the Bible, it is like cutting a hole in the bottom of a rowboat and then trying to cross a lake or ocean with it. When you take any doctrine out of the Bible your faith won't get you anywhere. So, the first step is always to accept that all of the Bible is inspired by God and is reliable and the truth. Millions have experienced changed lives by accepting God's word. In the Bible God reveals himself to man. Speech, language, letters, numbers all were God's idea and it is the creator's way to communicate with his creation. God loves, God offers hope and blessings and all God's blessings become available by accepting God's word as the truth and obeying it. Archeological discoveries constantly confirm that the Bible is correct. Hundreds of predicted events (prophecy) have been fulfilled exactly as foretold.

Ivan Panin has shown that there are thousands of numeric phenomena in the original manuscripts that prove that it is absolutely impossible that the Bible is not inspired. God foretells that this world will be judged, and He will pour out His wrath. The dead will be raised and everyone now dead or still alive will be judged according to what they have done. Nobody is going to escape God's judgement and God decides whether you spend eternity in Heaven or the Lake of Fire. The only way to escape the Lake of Fire is through faith in Jesus Christ. The Bible explains that there is an enemy, Satan, the Devil, the Serpent of old. He is a deceiver and a liar, and he tries to prevent you from receiving God's blessings and from entering the Kingdom of God or Heaven. He is a spiritual force and can inject wrong thoughts straight into your mind or do it by people including pastors, teachers giving you wrong instruction.

In many cases Satan deceives by changing the biblical definition or a word. He will tell you that Sunday is the Sabbath or that infant sprinkling is baptism or that faith is mental consent instead of obedience. And churches that tell you those lies are actually churches of Satan.

A faith that does not obey God's instructions and commandments is unbelief it is counterfeit, not real faith. Repentance is the decision that you intend to live in obedience to God's commandments and instructions. Please notice the 's' behind baptisms in HEBR.6:1+2. There is man's part, i.e. water baptism, and God's part, Spirit baptism, and I can guarantee one thing: if you are not going to do your part by being correctly baptised by complete immersion in water in the name of Jesus, God will not do His part and will withhold the Spirit that guides into truth, ACTS 2:38.

In many cases the Holy Spirit was received after the disciples laid hands of those who had been correctly baptised. Please do not ignore these basic principles (doctrines).

Man's basic problem is sin. Sin is a) disobeying God's commandments and instruction; b) rejecting the Bible or any part of it; c) believing false doctrines (like not sanctifying God's sabbaths or infant sprinkling), GAL 5:19-21; and d) rejecting Jesus Christ as the only way for salvation from sin.

The punishment for sin is sickness, curses, death, eternal punishment, being cast into the Lake of Fire.

The only way to escape that punishment is by accepting God's offer of salvation from sin by: a) faith in Jesus Christ; b) confession of sin and repentance; and c) correct water baptism and in this order.

Although God accepts you just the way you are, He won't leave you in that miserable condition but expects you to grow through Christian disciplines like prayer, Bible study, meditation, obedience, praise, rejoicing, thanksgiving and yes, tribulations MAT.3:21, JOHN 16:33 and fellowship.

Hank Reckman, Prophet of Manitoulin, Search for Truth Biblical Ministries, Box 210, M'Chigeeng, Ontario, P0P 1G0.

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On behalf of myself and Terry's children, I would like to thank everyone for all the phone calls, Facebook messages, cards, floral arrangements, food brought to the house, donations to the Daffodil Terrace, hugs and support during our difficult loss. A special thank you to the Bayshore nurses for their kind and compassionate care. Dr. Jeffery, who went above and beyond the 'call of duty.' Our family appreciated all the time and energy you gave Terry and ourselves. We are truly blessed to be surrounded by so many loving, caring and thoughtful people. Each of you have made this difficult journey a little easier.
Sally (wife), Rick and Sue, Bonnie and Warren, Kim and Chuck

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Death Notice

LOTTIE EVALENA NIGHSWANDER
(nee Smith)
June 15, 1917 - August 29, 2020



In loving memory of Lottie Evalena Nighswander (nee Smith) who passed away peacefully at the Extendicare Faclonbridge in Sudbury on Saturday, August 29, 2020 at the age of 103. Beloved wife of the late Thomas Marshall Nighswander. Daughter of the late William and Mary Smith. Loving mother of Mary (Stewart) Spry and Brenda (Grenville) Green. Cherished grandma of Bradley (Lise) Spry, Kelly (Jamie) Proulx, Kimberley Green and Stephanie (Greg) Thureson. Special great-grandma of Kori (Eric), Kodi, Lyndsey (Tyler), Soren, Rowen and great-great-grandma to Aubrey. Doting step-great-grandma to Jodi (Dawson), Kelsey (Zac), Cody (Stephanie), Samantha and great-great-grandma of Logan, Liam, Sophie, Paisley and Easton. Predeceased by her 10 siblings and their spouses. Lottie was an independent lady who enjoyed tending to her flower beds until she was 92 and her vegetable garden until she was 94. She was blessed to be able to drive until the young age of 95 and stay in her own home until she was 97. When Lottie was young she was a private pastry chef for a doctor and his family which was something most people wouldn't have had the opportunity to do. She was a hardworking homemaker who spent her time farming, gardening, canning and caring for her family. She was a lifetime member of the Horticultural Society in Espanola as well as the Women's Institute. Lottie had the gift and talent for quilting and knitting. She was presented with a certificate for donating over 150 knitted preemie baby outfits for the hospital. A private family memorial service to celebrate Lottie's life will be held at a later date. Donations may be made in Lottie's honour to the Canadian Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.

Smart Green Communities launch regional energy and emissions plan for Manitoulin Island

by Lori Thompson, Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

LITTLE CURRENT—Smart Green Communities, a program of reThink Green Energy and Emissions Plans (REEP) for Manitoulin Island and the North Shore area in Little Current on Tuesday, August 11. The launch was followed by a display at Soldier Park.

The turnout and feedback was fantastic, said David St. Georges, communications and events director with reThink Green. About 35 people stopped to share their thoughts.

“Homeowners are concerned about the increase in taxes as a result of climate change because of infrastructure change,” said Mr. St. George. “Perhaps they live on the water and they’re worried about erosion of the beach and waterfront. Perhaps they’re concerned about classic waste. Everyone had something and they could tie it back to their lives.”

The primary goal of REEPs is to assist communities in meeting their energy and emission reduction goals by helping them understand current emissions. This work will pave the way for more collaboration between municipalities and communities to reduce energy costs, decrease carbon emissions and address identified climate change risks.

“We’ve been collaborating with Island municipalities and communities throughout the entire process, including First Nations,” said Mr. St. Georges. “It’s very important that they are involved because we want their feedback on what they think their communities can do. We’re obviously going to be working with them to help pick the best solutions. What we can do is take the projects that come from this, items that the Island citizens and stakeholders say are important to them and then we can set up those special projects and



Smart Green Communities program manager Simon Blakey, Chris Blackmore, certified energy manager, David St. George, communications director and Angela Jiang, Smart Green Communities program officer were in Little Current raising public awareness of the Regional Energy and Emissions Plans (REEP) for Manitoulin Island and the North Shore area.

find people to lead them. We’ve met so many experts on the Island. The depth of field is incredible so I have no doubt we’ll find passionate people to lead.”

As an example, Mr. St. Georges used the collaboration between Central Manitoulin and Billings Township for a shared sustainability officer who would lead them through the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program with the end goal of completing community climate action plans. reThink Green assisted with the funding application for the climate change coordinator position, currently held by Kim Neale. (Smart Green Communities, REEPs and the PCP program are all funded in part by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.)

“The PCP program is a fantastic program,” he said. “We’ve actually been working with Central Manitoulin and Billings from the beginning. They had a resolution passed in council to work with us so we have been consulting with them. They’ve also come to all of our meetings so we want to

support their efforts. They have a very strong leadership regarding their own environmental reductions.”

“The REEP is sort of the collective piece for the region,” he added. “There’s no reason why the two can’t play together. Our data for Central Manitoulin and Billings is publicly sourced data.” The two programs are complementary, he explained, with one taking a macro view and the other more of a micro approach. Other municipalities are in talks around similar shared concepts, he said, but collaboration around infrastructure changes is still a little far out.

Simon Blakeley, director of Green Economy North and Smart Green Communities, noted, “with a predicted shift in average precipitation levels we could see a combination of extreme rainfall events, leading to more frequent flash flooding and also harsher droughts due to prolonged periods of drier weather,” adding, “Northern Ontario must prepare for the increase in damage and associated costs predicted from climate

change.” The region could also see a substantial average summer temperature increase that would result in a greater strain on power grids and create a more hospitable environment for mosquitoes and ticks that carry West Nile virus or the bacteria that causes Lyme disease. While the increase only translates to an average rise of 2.3°C it will mean longer summers and shorter winters.

Advance preparation means better planning for road repairs, construction projects and other expenses listed in municipal asset management plans, Mr. Blakeley said. “With each climate challenge comes an opportunity to develop more sustainably at the same time as addressing identified energy and infrastructure needs.”

“In Northern Ontario we’re surrounded with green space,” Mr. St. Georges concluded. “We don’t think that we’re losing this beautiful nature but it’s a gradual change. In

reality, it’s slowly losing its capacity to fix itself. It’s like ‘out of sight, out of mind’ because we don’t see the devastation when it’s not in front of us. This needs to be owned by citizens of the North Shore and the Island. We’ll be there every step of the way to help them carry it through.”

To read the full report or complete the survey, visit SmartGreenCommunities.ca.



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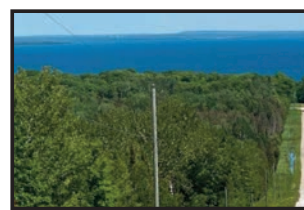
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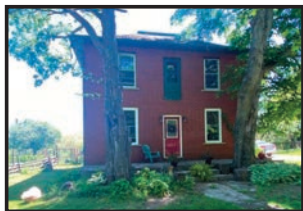
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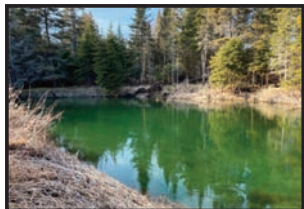
GORE BAY RECREATIONAL 16 ACRE PROPERTY
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8 ACRES OF PRIME HUNTING AREA IN HOWLAND
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TURN KEY PROVIDENCE BAY HOME
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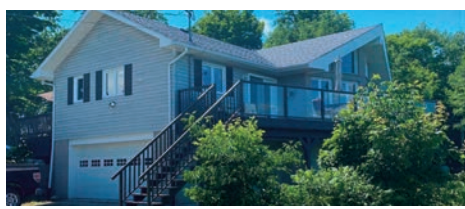


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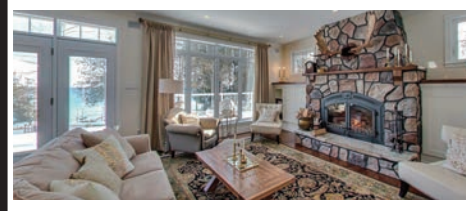
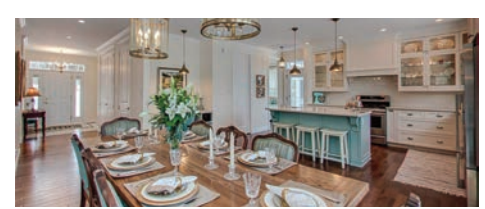
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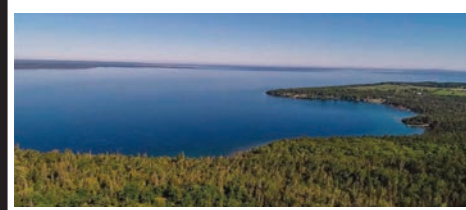
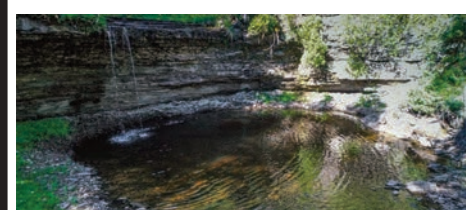
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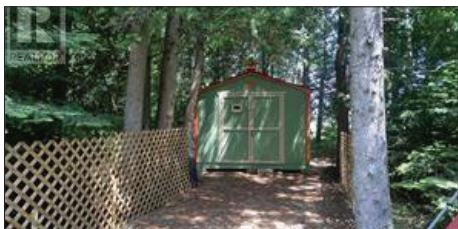
AFFORDABLE TURNKEY 4 SEASON COTTAGE !!!! - This affordable turnkey 3 bdrm cottage on leased land is located at the north end of beautiful Lake Mindemoya. The cottage is fully insulated and less than 10 years old can be used year-round. A very nice open concept kitchen and living room with unique vaulted ceilings. Two nicely finished bdrms are upstairs that share a balcony & the master bedroom on the main floor shares en-suite privileges. The very large corner lot comes with large decks, many storage sheds & 2 driveways. Access to the sand bottom lake is a very short walk. Golfing, shopping, & hospital are just 10 mins away with the rest of the amenities in the town of Mindemoya. Almost all contents including pullout couch, quality furnishings, dishes, etc. are included at a price of only \$139,000!!!! MLS#2087348



VISTA WITH A WOW!! - Reminiscent of a fjord in Norway or the rugged British Columbia coast line, this property sits 450 ft above the town of Gore Bay, overlooking the town & harbour from the top of the East Bluff at the mouth of the bay & facing directly west for beautiful Caribbean style sunsets & the famous La Cloche Mountains in the distance across Lake Huron's North Channel. This one acre property is located on a site that has one of Ontario's prettiest cliff views. This nicely manicured acre of property comes with a magnificent 4 bdrm executive-style manufactured log home accented with a centerpiece stone fireplace, granite counter tops with matching table, in-floor heating, highest of quality built-in appliances, great flooring & a 5 piece ensuite with a Jacuzzi and a large steam-bath/shower. The double garage which is fed with 200 amps of hydro & comes with an attached ATV garage & an exercise room with a bathroom & sauna & the floors in this building are also heated. This property has a layout which would be very conducive to a high-end bed & breakfast. A steal of a deal at \$799,000! MLS#2077446

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Settled in the Majestic Mountain Range of white quartz of Willisville where they filmed the series Rainbow Country, these spectacular mountains and waterways were made famous in paintings by the group of seven. This resort known as Bearskin Lodge and Outfitters comes turnkey with 9 rustic two and three bedroom log cabins as well as an owners' residence and another cabin they allow friends and workers to stay. The housekeeping cottages each have their own hydro panels and each have their own bathrooms and appliances that are relatively new with upgraded wiring. Charlton Lake is really one of many lakes accessible in the area and is renowned for its great walleye and bass fishing. Asking \$975,000. MLS#2077603



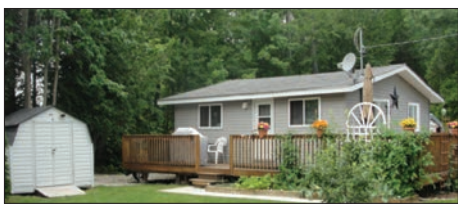
VACANT LOT FOR SALE IN PROVIDENCE BAY - Walking distance to Providence Bay Beach this lot already comes with a driveway and a new 10 X 10 shed. This lot has many trees allowing for privacy. Providence bay is a family oriented community known for its superb dining, gorgeous sand beach and boardwalk. Build your get-away on this beautiful property. Asking \$30,000. MLS#2084458



VACANT LOT FOR SALE IN PROVIDENCE BAY - Walking distance to Providence Bay Beach this lot already comes with a dug well, driveway and trailer. The trailer on the lot is in good condition, all inspected and used in the summer of 2019 and the roof was triple painted with a rubber sealant. The lot is cleared ready to build on and has plenty of soil for a traditional septic system. Hydro is at the lot line. Come and join a small but beautiful and friendly community!!!! Reduced to \$32,000!!!! MLS#2084460



3+1 BDRM QUALITY BUILT HOME IN GORE BAY!! - This beautiful home with its large 100 X 150 ft manicured lot is located in a quiet area with other high-end homes. This property features a double detached garage with a breezeway, a nice storage shed, a 2 level patio deck and a double wide driveway. Inside this immaculate home you will find 2 full baths, a spectacular kitchen with custom built cabinetry and granite counter tops. Pride of ownership is abundant both inside and outside of this magnificent property. Reduced to \$350,000. MLS#2087662



8 YEAR OLD 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!!!! - Located at the North end of Lake Mindemoya, this modern looking camp with a new roof comes adorned with a vaulted ceiling in the open concept kitchen/living room, indoor flush toilet, water drawn from the lake, a huge L-shaped deck, several outbuildings, a large portable garage and a very large beautifully landscaped lot. The waterfront (a short walk from the cottage) consists of a kid friendly, sand bottom great for swimming. The lake features great fishing for walleye, perch, bass, pike and whitefish. The amenities of the town of Mindemoya only 10 minutes away. Asking \$85,000. MLS#2087341



EXTREMELY HIGH QUALITY 3 BEDROOM HOME WITH NICE VIEW OVER LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - This beautiful home with its hardwood floors and vaulted ceilings comes a magnificent kitchen with cherry stained maple cabinets, 3 bathrooms including the ensuite in the huge 600 square foot master bedroom found at the top of a spectacular oak staircase. The manicured lot comes adorned with a variety of mature trees which nicely outline the property, amazing concrete driveway and huge sidewalks leading to 2 large decks of which one is a covered verandah. Also, on the lot is a 10 X 12 storage shed and an insulated double size garage. MLS#2085240



950 SQ. FT. 2 BDRM COTTAGE ON LEASED LAND!! - This Lake Mindemoya cottage is fully insulated with water drawn from the lake and a septic system located in a park setting at the north end of the lake. The cottage is on the first street just a short walk to the nice sand bottom waterfront access which is very kid friendly. This cottage features a large deck, a forced-air electric furnace as well as a propane free standing metal stove for heating. The amenities of the Town of Mindemoya & M'Chigeeng are close by this great walleye fishing lake. Asking \$115,000. MLS#2085649



1080 SQ. FT. 2 BDRM COTTAGE WITH MANY UP-GRADABLES OVERLOOKING LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - Located at the north end of this very good walleye fishing lake, this beautiful cottage with its spectacular kitchen comes fully furnished and also includes a large storage shed, riding lawnmower, dockage, waterfront deck and small aluminum boat. The 20 year lease is assumable and has another 15 years left before a new one needs to be negotiated. Asking \$199,000. MLS#2085673



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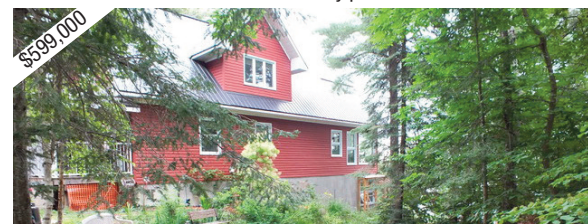
WATERFRONT LAKE MANITOU 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, partially furnished. Garage, private. MLS# X4845185



LAKE MANITOU COTTAGE 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, furnished, dock. MLS# X4781886



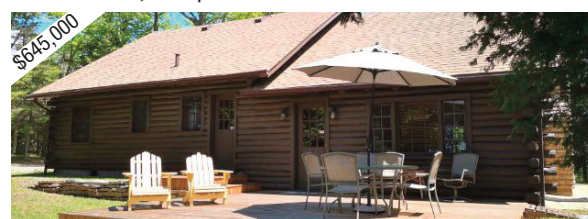
WATERFRONT 2 + one bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, waterfalls, plus double garage with one bedroom apartment above. Spectacular views.



MANITOWANING BAY 4 bedrooms + 3 bath, guest house, dock, boat lift, 2 fire places and sun room. MLS# X4533276



SANDFIELD log home, 3 bedroom, 3 bathroom, circular drive, wood cook stove. Best of everything, a must see! MLS# X4841616



LAKE MANITOU Private point, log cottage, 3 bedrooms with loft, furnished and includes fishing boat & boat house. MLS# X4783516



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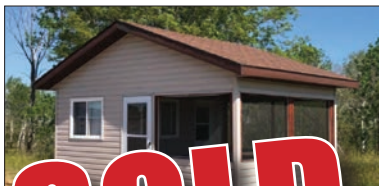
TEHKUMMAH TWP - 195 acres currently used as cattle pasture. Gravel pit for personal use. Road on two sides of property with telephone & hydro available. There is also a spring fed creek that runs through the property. 10 mins drive to Ferry Dock. Asking \$249,000. MLS#2087275



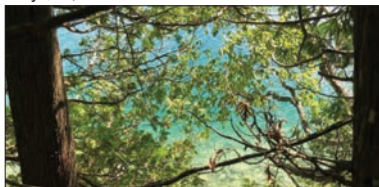
LAKE MANITOU - Comfortable waterfront home minutes from Mindemoya. Very private end of lane property with 213 ft frontage on Lake Manitou. Beautiful view of the Cup & Saucer, beach is ideal for smaller kids. Reduced to \$365,000. MLS#2087375



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NORTH CHANNEL LAKEFRONT ON BAY OF ISLANDS DR. - Building lot in desirable prime residential waterfront community within minutes of Whitefish Falls, ON. Features a driveway, telephone & hydro services available. Year-round road. Enjoy world class boating & sailing. Build your dream home or cottage! MLS#2087533

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NORTH CHANNEL LAKEFRONT - Very attractive lakefront site with 164.99 ft shoreline, exceptional views to the north & east over the North Channel & La Cloche Mountains & offering excellent year round road. MLS#2088194



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BREATHTAKING VIEW!! - offering gorgeous views of Lake Huron, Gore Bay and the Marina. Stunning log home w/stone fireplace, Jacuzzi double car garage, sauna & exercise room. Asking \$799,000. MLS#2077446



EXTREMELY HIGH QUALITY 3 BDRM HOME WITH NICE VIEW OVER LAKE MINDEMOYA!! - This beautiful home with a magnificent kitchen, 3 baths. A manicured lot, amazing concrete driveway & huge sidewalks leading to 2 large decks. Also, on the lot is a storage shed & an insulated double size garage. MLS#2085240



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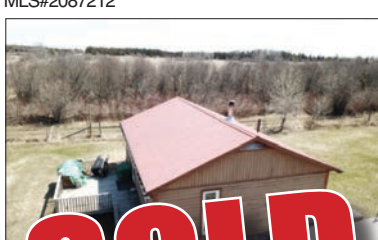
MULTI USE RESIDENTIAL & INDUSTRIAL BUILDING - Over 5,000 sq ft of main level industrial space plus 3 rental units and commercial office space. Great site with plenty of room to expand. MLS#2087212



EXCEPTIONAL WATERFRONT ACREAGE - 62 acres with 1,931 ft frontage. Features mature hardwood forest, great beach area, hydro, access road to site & a tremendous setting for waterfront development. Only \$390,000. MLS#2084827



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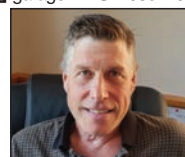
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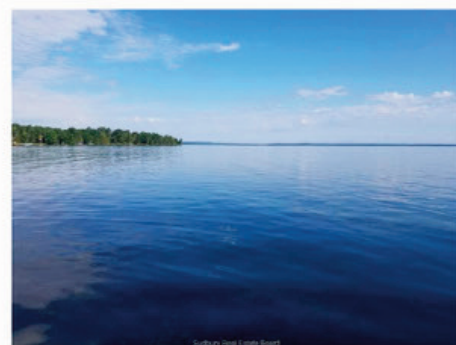
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TURNKEY TWO BEDROOM COTTAGE IN MINDEMOYA
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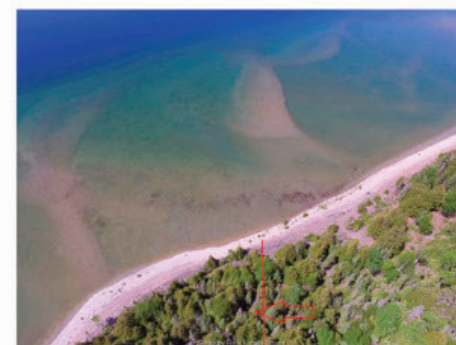
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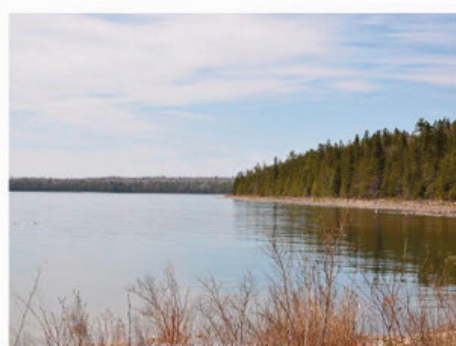
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