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Civic Holiday Weekend brought culture and fun to Manitoulin



TRADITIONAL KWEOK—Those competing in the women's traditional dance category at the Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival Saturday line up in front of the judges following their dance competition. The top four dancers are awarded a handsome cash prize for their efforts. **FOR MORE CULTURAL FESTIVAL PHOTOS SEE PAGE 23.**

photo by Michael Erskine



THREE TIME'S A CHARM—The Lil Black Pearl, captained by the Tessiers, won their heat in the 8-11 division of the cardboard boat race handily. This beautiful creation also won the award for best decorated and took the Business Division under the Wired Up Electrical banner. Having competed, and lost, in the previous two Haweater Weekend boat races, the family buckled down and created the ultimate sailing vessel for 2024. This year marked the cardboard boat race's 19th edition. **FOR MORE HAWEATER WEEKEND FUN PLEASE SEE PAGE 22.**

Gore Bay receives \$2.5 million for downtown revitalization

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—Town of Gore Bay officials are very pleased that the proposed downtown revitalization plans will now go ahead with a funding envelope of \$2.5 million having been provided to the town.

"This revitalization will improve the appearance of the downtown area and provide the connection between the main street and the waterfront, which is definitely needed," said Gore Bay Mayor Ron Lane. "We have had people at the marina at times asking where they can buy groceries in town. In the design for the revitalization project

there is good flow back and forth between the downtown area and the waterfront that will provide this connection."

"This is something we have talked about doing since about 2017-2018 when I was the mayor previously," said Mayor Lane. "At that time there was no funding for this type of project, but at the beginning of this council's term we again put the project forward for government funding and we have received funding. And the town will be providing supplementary funding for this project."

"Enhancing the downtown and making the connection between the downtown area

and the waterfront is a formula for success," stated Harry Schlange, town manager. "Our plan is to differentiate us from other communities on Manitoulin Island and Northern Ontario."

"As you know the town has invested significantly in the waterfront pavilion, washrooms and improvements at the marina," said Mr. Schlange. "What we are trying to do is connect the waterfront and downtown areas; to bring this all together and bring the beauty of the waterfront into the down-

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Innovative mobile wellness team hits the road

Helping all communities with mental health, addictions

by Margery Frisch
MINDEMOYA—The beautifully designed Mobile Wellness van, part of Noojmowin Teg Health Services many offerings, drew lots of attention in the

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The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Marc G. Serre, member of parliament for Nickel Belt and parliamentary secretary to the minister of energy and natural resources and to the minister of official languages announced a government of Canada investment of close to \$1 million to the LaCloche-Manitoulin Business Assistance Corporation (LAMBAC) to continue to deliver the Northern Ontario Women (NOW) program across Northern Ontario. The announcement was made at Split Rail Brewing in Gore Bay, which is owned and operated by Andrea Smith and Eleanor Charlton, who have benefitted from the funding program. In photo from left is Andrea Smith of Split Rail Brewing, Anna Armstrong a board member of LAMBAC, Annette Clarke Western Manitoulin economic development officer, Stefany Pepin bilingual administrative assistant of LAMBAC, Roseanne Luscombe finance and business development officer of LAMBAC, Cheryl Kennelly LAMBAC board member, MP Marc Serre, Susan Whynott NOW program coordinator, Carolyn Campbell, executive director of LAMBAC, Barret Campbell, head brewer at Split Rail.

Almost \$1 million awarded to LAMBAC for Northern Ontario Women program

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The federal government has announced an investment of close to \$1 million to the LaCloche Manitoulin Business Assistance Corporation (LAMBAC) to continue to deliver the successful Northern Ontario Women (NOW) program across Northern Ontario. The announcement was made at Split Rail Brewery in Gore Bay, which is owned and operated by Andrea Smith and Eleanor Charlton, who have benefitted from the funding program.

“One of the businesses we have received feedback on the program, pertains to where we find ourselves today, here at Split Rail Brewing, which is a 100 percent women-owned company launched by entrepreneurs Andrea Smith and Eleanor Charlton in 2015,” said Susan Whynott,

NOW program coordinator. She read feedback from the two entrepreneurs which states, “being approved for NOW funding allowed us to provide important training for all our staff on beer production, testing and service from a nationally-recognized trainer. This training has been very valuable for our staff, and we would not have been able to obtain this important training without the NOW program and FedNor believing in us.”

Ms. Whynott pointed out, “Split Rail Brewing has also been awarded an HRdownloads subscription, as have many other Northern Ontario women-led businesses. These subscriptions are paid for by the NOW Program and they

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Ben Dewar will soon represent Providence Bay Fair at Canadian National Exhibition

PROVIDENCE BAY—While he was the first male to be chosen as the Providence Bay Fair Ambassador in 2023, Ben Dewar won't be the only male contender vying for the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) Ambassador of the Fairs competition in a couple of weeks.

“I'm very excited to be competing at the CNE,” said Mr. Dewar. “I will have to write a speech for the event and then be interviewed by a panel of judges on this before I find out if I will be able to make the speech on



2023 Ambassador Ben Dewar

stage at the CNE Fair Ambassador event.”

Mr. Dewar explained his speech, which is required to be no more than one minute in length, will focus “on the importance of agriculture in the community, the fair ambassador competition and how important the Providence Bay Fair is in the community.”

Fair time “is the one time of the year everyone in the agriculture community gets to show off what have made or grown. The fair is a family tradition with the food, rides, and all the events taking place during the weekend.”

“I have thoroughly enjoyed being the (Providence Bay Fair ambassador) the past year,” continued Mr. Dewar. “It was something I didn't really ever expect to get into, but I did it. I guess someone had to be the first male winner.”

Mr. Dewar was among 55 fair ambassador winners from among the Ontario Agricultural Society member areas at the annual Ontario Agricultural Societies convention earlier this year. “There will probably be 30-35 (contestants) take part in the (CNE) ambassador com-

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Manitoulin rallies around Evansville girl diagnosed with acute leukemia

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—The Manitoulin Island community is coming together quickly to help support a young Evansville girl and her family as she battles acute leukemia.

Six-year-old Sadie Graham, who is the daughter of Rob and Jess Graham, is in SickKids Hospital in Toronto.

“Last weekend, Rob and Jess's six-year-old daughter Sadie was taken to the Mindemoya Hospital on Manitoulin Island as she was not feeling well,” Sarah Gagne, an aunt to Sadie explained in a Facebook post early last week. “She received some fluids and blood work which came back suspicious. Concerned, the hospital had Sadie airlifted to SickKids Hospital in Toronto.”

“At SickKids, Sadie has received a number of intrusive and scary tests, trying to uncover the problem,” explained Ms. Gagne. “That being said, Sadie was diagnosed with acute leukemia. Sadie's condition requires chemotherapy treatments and

there are still many tests required to rule out any other issues. There is a long road ahead for the family.”

Ms. Gagne told The Expositor, “Sadie wasn't feeling well, so my parents took her to the (Mindemoya) hospital where they did bloodwork, and the bloodwork came back abnormal. So, doctors at the Mindemoya Hospital had her taken by ambulance to the Manitoulin East Airport where she was airlifted to SickKids hospital with her mom Jess last Friday.”

Since then, “Sadie has undergone a bunch of tests and she was diagnosed with acute leukemia,” said Ms. Gagne. “It all came on very quickly. And there are other tests they will be doing to see if there is something else on top of the leukemia.”

Sadie was expected to start chemotherapy treatments last week, and doctors were to determine if she will be able to get

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Supreme Court hears appeal on alleged overpay of Robinson-Huron Treaty Fund lawyer fees

by Jacqueline M. St.Pierre,

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter TORONTO—In a hearing before Supreme Court Justice Steele last week, legal counsel for the appellants raised concerns regarding the Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund (RHTLF) trust's alleged overpayment of legal fees by \$466 million due to conflicts of interest among trustees and lawyers. The defense counsel for the RHTLF argued that the fees were fair and justified based on the outcomes achieved. Subsequently, appellant lawyers sought court intervention to assess the fees, while respondents questioned the need for court involvement. The discussion also delved into the authority of First Nations to

initiate legal proceedings and the reasonableness of legal fees in First Nations trust litigation and “megafunds.”

The conversation centered around the legal fees incurred by First Nations during settlement proceedings and their rights to the funds. Appellant counsel advocated for a direct assessment under the Solicitors Act, while respondent counsel asserted that trustees had the authority to approve fees without court interference. The dialogue extended to the ownership of settlement proceeds under the indenture and the relevance of certain details related to community outreach and Justice

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Home, Cottage and Culinary Show opens Friday, August 9

by Michael Erskine

NORTHEAST TOWN—Excitement is starting to build as the Home, Cottage and Culinary Show (HCC) approaches. This is the first of what is hoped will become an annual event that takes place at the NEMI Recreation Centre in Little Current. With the loss of both Manitoulin Country Fest and Rockin' the Rock music festivals and the now long-defunct biennial Manitoulin Trade Fair, the town's events coordinator Lisa Hallaert was looking for something that could help extend the summer season beyond Little Current Lions Club Haweater Weekend and hit upon the concept of the HCC.

“I'm really looking forward to the first annual Home, Cottage and Culinary show,” said Northeast Town Mayor Al MacNevin. “It will be an opportunity to sample some great food and learn from some of Manito-

ulin's great chefs. Don't forget to check out all the vendors and find some great butter tarts.”

One of the first people Ms. Hallaert recruited for the planning stages was former NEMI Councillor Barb Baker. “Lisa called me and asked, ‘would you like to help?’” recalled Ms. Baker, who has significant experience in running large events. She wasted no time in rolling up her sleeves and getting to work on the project.

The HCC will kick off on Friday, August 9 at 4 pm with the Manitoulin Island's Best Butter Tart Competition (sponsored by Manitoulin Transport). The event will have two categories, Best Home and Best Business baker. At 7 pm, there will be a special live cooking demo by Chef Louis Simard, with limited seating at 20 and a \$20 entry fee (tickets at the Manitoulin

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Jordan Chandler sets sights on '25 Olympic curling trials

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin curler Jordan Chandler has joined a team from southern Ontario that has its eyes on qualifying for the Olympic Games trial or pre-Olympic trials in 2025.

“I was asked to play for a rink in southern Ontario,” Mr. Chandler explained last week. “I will skip the rink based out of Collingwood.” The five-member rink includes vice Landon Rooney, who has previously won the Canadian Junior championship, Connor Lawes, Robert Currie and Evan Lilly, with all team members having had at least four years of experience playing on the same rink.

“We have 13 events we will be taking part in, starting with the first one in Switzerland in a week-and-a-half,” said Mr. Chandler. “We are looking to have a good start on the season.” He noted the team has its sights set on the Olympic trials. “The top 15 rinks in the country make these events, and the team I'm joining finished 16th this past season.”

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editorial

Dog whistling anti-woke social media warriors off mark

Much of the Canadian public have been glued to the tube watching the Paris Olympics unfold and the unfolding events have provided great fodder for the keyboard warriors who infest the nation's social media feeds. Canada has seen several national historic firsts transpire at these Olympics, including our first-ever hat trick gold thanks to 17-year-old Summer McIntosh—the first Canadian to ever win three Olympic gold medals at one Olympic Games with her triumphs in the 200m individual medley, 400m individual medley and the 200m butterfly swimming events.

Unfortunately, controversy has overshadowed much of the joy. At the forefront of the online angst has been Algerian woman boxer Inane Khelif—who has found herself the punching bag for anti-woke dog whistle-blowers and highlighted the increasingly difficult issue of who can be called a woman.

Human genetics is a messy business and does not always fall into the clear black and white worldview of the anti-woke crowd.

Ms. Khelif comes from one of the most conservative muslim countries in the world—a country where you can find yourself in prison for being in drag, outwardly LGBTQ+ or engaging in homosexual acts. Hardly the place one would anticipate “woke” policies of inclusion, diversity and personal gender freedoms muddying the waters. She is the “unfortunate” bearer of XY chromosomes. While this is not enough to make her “male,” and she was born recognized as female, raised her entire life as female, and has never been the recipient of gender changing therapies—that doesn't matter to the rabid right. That she has lost numerous bouts throughout her career to other women also doesn't matter. It is simply too great a opportunity to express rage to pass up.

Now to be fair, many reasonable people have a hard time with

the concept of a man changing gender and then going on to compete in women's sports as a female after bearing the advantages of growing up in a male body and its physical attributes. But that is not the case with Ms. Khelif, who now finds herself the target of a massive outpouring of hate through no fault of her own.

International sports bodies have been trying to deal with the challenges inherent in trying to maintain a bi-cameral sports world when medical advancement has meant that people can now largely choose their gender. The current controversy is based on one such attempt by the International Boxing Association (IBA) to do so which barred Ms. Khelif and others on the basis of testing the Olympic committee characterizes as “so flawed that it's impossible to engage with it.” The IBA itself is current banned from the Olympics.

These issues are something that are not going to go away in a hurry and the world needs to come to some kind of consensus on how to approach these challenges that work. As the case of Ms. Khelif, it will not be easy.

In the meantime, we should all can the outrage and back off the Algerian boxer. Her moment on the top of the pedestal after a lifetime of hard effort has been tarnished enough.

The evidence is clear, Ms. Khelif is female and she does not deserve the vicious approbation with which she has been targeted. Hopefully, some of the rabid extremists that exist in her own country will not prove a danger to her health and wellbeing.

In the meantime, let's all give thanks that we live in a country where Pride Week can take place in safety and inclusion—and let's keep it that way.

letters

Writer makes case for a “broken” Canada

A litany of anecdotal examples to “prove” the point

To the Expositor:

The editorial (July 31, 2024) claims Canada is not broken, yet in the same edition we are told that the Supreme Court that Canada breached treaty obligations. May I opine that this is at the least a malfunction?

The federal government imposes a carbon tax on Canadians when heating their homes and travelling ostensibly for the purpose of discouraging the use of carbon fuels, yet boasts that it redistributes ninety percent of that money. One would hope that such a tax would be spent on infrastructure toward electrification and lowering the cost of practical transportation alternatives. Is this not a form of broken?

705 area code residents might want to give thought to this especially in a region where the economy and well being of its people heavily rely on tourism dollars. If tourists can not travel, there will be no tourism. In the last three years two large gas stations have opened on highways 400 and 69, yet do not provide electric car charging facilities. Why wasn't the carbon tax spent on providing

infrastructure to not only encourage but to make electric vehicles practical? Is this not a form of broken?

Now a group of faculty lounge theoreticians has the ear of our Prime Minister, recommending that home equity be taxed as novel solution to government debt. How is taxing away the one safe investment Canadians can make, their retirement savings in an already highly taxed jurisdiction- not broken? To break even, now home owners will have to ask for a higher sale price to wind up whole after taxes. This only worsens the housing affordability crisis we have. How is this not broken?

A minority government propped up by a third party, completely out of touch with reality can still rule as if it had a large majority. How is this not broken?

Ronald Kay
Assinack Township

Island visitor concerned about lack of charging access

Wound up spending money in Espanola

To the Expositor:

My family and I are frequent visitors to the Island and also owners of a fully electric vehicle. We often find ourselves charging in Little Current as it is the only charger along Highway 6 past Espanola. While we appreciate the many events and festivals that are put on in downtown Little Current we are always inconvenienced when the road is closed and access to the charger in Little Current is cut off. This past weekend was one of those occasions.

Heading home to Sudbury we found ourselves needing to top up our charge but we were unable to. While we were fortunate this

time to have enough charge to make it to Espanola that is not always the case. We also, as a consequence, ending up having dinner and spending our money in Espanola and not Little Current. My husband did speak to several organizers but was told charging would not be possible in Little Current until 11:30 or 12 at night, which is just not manageable with two young children.

I hope that access to the charger is considered in future.

Rebekah Speedie
Sudbury

Geoengineering is a government/corporate conspiracy

It's all about power and money

To the Expositor:

What is geoengineering?

Geoengineering: noun. 1. the deliberate large-scale manipulation of an environmental process that affects the earth's climate, in an attempt to counteract the effects of global warming. (Oxford Dictionaries)

Oxford almost got it right. Change counteract to create and global warming to climate change and they will have nailed it.

Forest fires are nearly the perfect geoengineering tool. They are likely the third most effective process to guarantee climate crisis, following nuclear cataclysm and exploding volcanoes. Currently, forest fires are the easiest and cheapest method of geoengineering.

There is a saying: an evil man will burn down his nation in order to rule over the ashes. I believe that is the kind of crazy we are dealing with; however, nuclear winter might be taking it too far. Bill Gates and friends are working on revving up volcanic action, thinking that might be a safer and easier alternative to atomic Armageddon.

Persistent lasting contrails (chemtrails) leave an all too easily identifiable time stamp that gets people to talking and taking pictures.

I suppose one question that I would want answered regarding forest fires, is what causes our earth to be so combustible? I read

somewhere that aluminum is incendiary. Maybe that is why persistent lasting contrails are so important. (Note the temperature rise when all the planes were grounded.)

Officially, geoengineers suggest sulphur might be an effective aerosol to prevent the sun from doing its job. Has anyone seen the sulphur pyramids in the Alberta tar sands? They are the largest pyramids on earth. I wonder what that sulphur might be used for?

Placing reflective particles in the atmosphere will cause a miniscule number of life-giving rays of sunshine to bounce back from whence they came, however it can also create a greenhouse effect between the ash and where we dwell.

Does anyone remember acid rain? It was the threat du jour of the eighties. Everything had to change in order to prevent the end of the world. People had to change their behavior. Acid rain had to be stopped! It was so bad, it was going to eat right through and destroy important things like statues of historic people, denying BLM the future opportunity.

What is the so-called no turning back global tipping point other than an excuse by government and corporations to dig for EV ores?

Why geoengineering? Power and money, or possibly money and power.

Sincerely,
Zak Nicholls

Gore Bay International Lace Camp celebrates 30th anniversary with tatting

GORE BAY—This year's Gore Bay International Lace Camp celebrated its 30th anniversary of bringing lacemakers from around Ontario, Canada and beyond to Gore Bay. And while the lacemakers love coming back every year, the town also looks forward to their annual visit.

"This year marks our 30th year of the lace camp," said Josie Poupart. "I think everyone here looks forward to it every year. Most of us don't see lace makers where we live, so when we get here, we learn from each other and the different type of lace everyone is doing."

"Gore Bay is a great community," stated Ms. Poupart. "It is relaxed, and everyone is so friendly. Tini Pel, who previously lived in Gore Bay, had started the lace camp and I understand in those days lace camp was made up of mostly of local lacers. Now we have one lace maker, Kathy Hosszu who has a camp in Gordon/Barrie Island and the rest of the ladies are from off the Island."

"We hope the lace campers will come to Gore Bay for another 30 years," said Mayor Ron Lane. At the opening held on Monday of last week Mayor Lane welcomed two new lace



The Gore Bay International Lace Camp was held in the town of Gore Bay. A total of 28 lace makers took part in the lace camp, marking the 30th anniversary of this annual event.

lian Clarke.

Ms. Clarke lives in Toronto, although she is originally from Scotland. "Yes, this is my first time at the International Lace Camp here in Gore Bay," she told The Expositor. "We don't have any lace making clubs, or events like this in Toronto."

Explaining that she has been lacemaking for four years, and is still experimenting with different kinds of lace, including Torchon, said Ms. Clarke. "I guess you could say I was a COVID lacer because that is when I decided to take it up as a hobby."

"I love it here; it has been fun and I like Gore Bay. It should be a great week," said Ms. Clarke.

"With COVID our group members would connect by Zoom, but connecting in person like we are this week is the best," said Ms. Poupart.

Cindy Rusak, acting chair of the lace camp said, "big lace camp conferences usually cost a lot of money. It was Tini's idea to get together like this without it having to be so expensive."

Ms. Poupart is from Nova Scotia and was the lace maker the furthest from home this year. "Everyone is helping each other out, we collaborate and work together. And of course, a big



Lace maker Josie Poupart, in photo seated, provides lace making tips to a group of participants at the 30th annual Gore Bay International Lace Camp.



Gillian Clarke of Toronto was one of the new participants in the annual Gore Bay International Lace Camp.



Welcoming the Gore Bay International Lace Camp Gore Bay Mayor Ron Lane, right, welcomed two new lacemakers to the 30th annual lace camp, held recently. In photo from left are Cindy Rusak (acting chair of the lacemakers) new lace makers Heidi Mersich and Gillian Clarke and Mayor Lane.



Many of the participants in the lace camp discovered new skills and approaches to tatting.

part of the lace camp is the socialization."

Ms. Poupart said that when the lace camp is held annually, "we try to give back to the community." The lacemakers had a luncheon put on by the local Anglican church on Tuesday and a turkey dinner on Thursday at the United Church. And we try to make donations every year to the Angel Bus used by residents of the nursing home, the museum and the Legion.

"The people from the (Royal Canadian) Legion are so great to provide this space and accommodate us every year for the lace camp," said Ms. Poupart.

A total of 28 lacemakers were on hand for this year's lace camp, held July 15-19.

makers campers to this year's event, Heidi Mersich and Gil-

Friends and Neighbours

Providence Bay Alexia Hannigan

Alexia here with your Friendly “countdown to fair” fly. If anyone is following the countdown on <https://providencebayfair.ca> as of right now there are 15 days, 4 hours, 56 minutes and 43 seconds until fair. Dearest “gentle reader” by the time you are reading this on Wednesday we will be at the eight-day mark on your mark, get set and go! Time to begin the frenzied panic attack of everything we procrastinated about and can no longer be put asunder. We must tinker, toil, paint, polish, trim, groom, train, trim, tack, pick, prep, pickle, pack and prepare with the precision and purpose of a Coopers Hawk on a predatory stalk in the middle of a heatwave, no less.

So, we wince and whinny and wipe our brow. We will do our best to be the best that we can be, and we will shine our biggest and brightest, these are the final days of summer, make ‘em count.

Here’s what’s happening:

Prov Bay arena and fairgrounds: The hub and heart of all the latest activity around our little township. The “Eagleson” Soundstage has landed and is an impressive sight to behold. Katie G. and crew are making good headway for the horses, they can always use help with clearing stones from the pad, so if you’re ever around there please help clear stones and debris if you can!

Summer Fun: preregistered programs daily Monday to Friday from 8 am to 4 pm. Remember to save your spot via centralmanitoulin.ca.

Friday Family Rec Nite: continues 7 to 9 pm. Drop in and play pickleball, badminton, basketball, cornhole, ping-pong and air hockey with friends, family and neighbours. All ages welcome.

Lions Club bottle drive: Drop off your empties next to the arena for a good cause, this helps keep our Township clean and helps us give back to the community.

PB/SP Pancake Breakfast, Saturday, August 17 from 8 am to 11 am.

Providence Bay Hall: Central Manitoulin Beachside Market

featuring local bakers, foodies and fun continues Thursdays through August from 11 am to 3 pm. Contact Central Manitoulin for vendor information and details.

Providence Bay Beach Boardwalk and Discovery Centre: Sunset Music Series continues this weekend from Friday and Saturday 6:30 pm to 9 pm.

Check the Huron Island Time Facebook page or Sunset Music Series online for the full musical lineup. Be sure to bring a chair or blanket and enjoy the shows!

The Discovery centre is filled with wonders and teachings of our elders and locally trained experts. Drop by to learn about the incredible biodiversity of our Island’s ecosystem. Huron Island Time is busier than ever! Be sure to ask Lance and crew about their awesome ice cream flavours and sweet and savory food! Stroll along the beach and boardwalk. Take a dip or a wade in the warm waters of Lake Huron or the Mindemoya River. Make memories, snap selfies and enjoy the beautiful scenery, music and views! Be sure to visit the local eateries for great food, great inspiration and good company. You will meet a lot of locals here and there and perhaps meet some local artists as well.

Dear beachcombers, visitors, friends and neighbours, please keep our beaches clean and safe by using the blue bins all along the Boardwalk.

Providence Bay Curling club Prov Bay fair parade participant meetup and prejudging. August 16 to 18.

Mindemoya: Manitoulin Zumba continues Tuesday evenings behind the Lions Pavilion from 7 to 9 pm.

Taekwon-do continues through August on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 pm at the Mindemoya Community Hall Drop-in classes available for vacationers and summer residents.

Spring Bay: Yoga continues at the Spring Bay Hall on Tuesdays at 2 pm and Wednesdays at 6:15 pm.

Providence Bay Community of Christ Peace Church (McNevin Street), Wednesday Youth Group is at 6 pm; Sunday town meeting at 10:30 am; Sunday Communion at 11 am.

Quilting demo on Saturday, August 17.

The Horses: August 18 from 9 am to 1 pm at the Providence Bay Fair Horse Show. Please reach out to Katie SG on Facebook or manitoulinhorseclub71@gmail.com for more information.

The Heavens: Morning of Wednesday, August 7, double shadows of Galiean moons will travel across Jupiter’s disk. On Thursday, August 8 the stars of Sagittarius, the Archer teapot tilts west in evening with a flat bottom formed by the stars Ascella to the east and Kaus Australis to the west, a pointed spout on the right west marked by Almasi and a pointed lid marked by the star Kaus Borealis. On Friday, August 9, look for the waxing crescent moon and shining to the lower right of Virgo’s brightest star Spica (evening). On Sunday, August 11, Perseid Meteor shower peak (overnight between Sunday 11 pm and dawn on Monday) this is the most popular shower of the year delivering as many as 100 meteors per hour. On Monday, August 12, first quarter moon. On Tuesday, August 13, the waxing gibbons

moon will rise midafternoon. As the sky darkens after sunset, Antares, the bright reddish supergiant star in the heart of Scorpius will appear just to the moons upper left. On August 14 Mars meets Jupiter (pre-dawn) the planets will be visible around 2 am. Next Full Moon is August 19 aka Sturgeon Moon/Red Moon/Manoominike-giizis or wild Rice/blueberry moon.

Mentions: Shout out to our amazing Postie Pam, you are a champion, and an amazing part of our wonderful community. Thank you for all you do. Joan and Jan we thank you, Nadia and crew at the Providence Bay Tent and Trailer Park; Ingrid and Trevor for your continuous grounds and community garden upkeep. Matt and Kat for your warm fires and friendly chats, Huron Sands and crew for the food and snacks, Dawn for the wonderful work you do for local businesses, the Church and the fair, Carol and Lyle Dewar for the wagon, Maxim for your beautiful art and all the local artists, authors, musicians who make Manitoulin magical.

Powwows: <https://northernontario.travel/indigenous>

<https://mchigeeng.ca>. Next one close to home is in M’Chigeeng at month end.

“Life is not measured by the breathes you take, but by the moments that take your breath away.”

George Carlin

Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

It’s official: we’re now into the dog days of summer. One might think that on these lazy, hot days, there is little to do in a village of only a few hundred people. But to prove otherwise, Team Fergmeijer has called on some of our local community correspondents to update our loyal readers with all the Kagawong goings-on. First up, Sadie has been keeping an eye on local businesses and reports a steady stream of visitors lately. She’s always happy to welcome new faces to the village! Herbert shares that the local night life has been a-bustle with various wildlife and wants to remind everyone that Kagawong offers tremendous views of any potential northern lights once darkness falls. Just don’t be too late sneaking in back home. Long-time downtown resident Noodin reports that the construction on the bridge over the Kagawong River is progressing nicely. She’s looking forward to the road eventually being open to pedestrians again. Up the hill, Hannah shares that gardens are peaking in colour this week, thanks to hot days interspersed with good dousings of rain. And all the doggie residents of the village (Kaga-dogians?) would like to remind our loyal readers that the off-leash dog park is an excellent place to let off some steam.

Tomorrow is the annual History Day in Kagawong! Thursday, August 8, come by the Park Centre in Kagawong for either the matinée (3:30 pm) or evening (7:30 pm) session. At both sessions, author and journalist Mike Strobel will speak about the North Channel “Rhu” tragedy, as well, author and journalist Richard Thomas will celebrate the Chi-Cheemaun with 50th anniversary sailing stories. Don’t miss out! Check out the Old Mill Heritage Centre on Facebook (facebook.com/KagawongMuseum) for more information.

Pride Manitoulin is back! Beginning tomorrow and lasting all weekend (August 8-11) there are activities for all ages happening all over the Island, including concerts, creativity workshops, drag shows, worship services and more. And yes, there’s a parade! Check out pridemanitoulin.ca for more information, times and locations.

Happy 29th birthday to Meg M! Don’t forget to fasten your seatbelt, because once you’re over the hill, that’s when you begin to really pick up speed.

Struck by inspiration? The township is still accepting name suggestions for the Kagawong covered rink. Proposed names are being accepted at the town office until the end of August. Check the township’s Facebook page for more information.

Along with naming the covered rink (and perhaps the township’s new tractor and maybe even the market/picnic pavilion), it has come to our attention that the new bridge on the Kagawong River Trail is also without a name. In an effort to celebrate all new structures in Kagawong, we begin yet another completely informal, not-affiliated-with-the-township and unlikely to get approval, naming competition for the new bridge. So far, submissions include Bridget, Ferrous Bueller, the Kagawong Kauseway and Team Fergmeijer’s personal favourite, the Punderpass. Also submitted was the completely unexpected suggestion of the Span-ish Inquisition. Email fergmeijer@gmail.com and let us know your pick!

Don’t let the nameless dome deter you... Come down into the village and make your way to the rink area Wednesday from 10 am until 3 pm to check out the over 70 regular vendors at the Kagawong Market! There is something there for everyone.

Did you hear about the dog that wouldn’t bring the ball back? He thought it was too far-fetched. Have a great week!

Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

My husband and my brother have been enjoying fishing in the straits and each time have come home with some fish. Combined with the fresh potatoes from the garden it is such a treat to eat fresh caught fish.

Tonight, the lake was like glass. It was really quite magical.

Everyone is getting busy preparing for the beef barbecue with corn on the cob. This year they have added a yard sale component so that should be fun. We are looking forward to a fun day and a delightful meal.

It’s been hot and sunny and many are coming out of the local store with huge ice cream cones and big smiles on their faces.

Barrie Island Lillian Greenman

Bill Runnalls drove from his home in Winnipeg to Barrie Island to visit with the Runnalls and Miller families for most of July. He enjoyed walking the Island, visiting the farm and relaxing at the lake. Bill also went with Sandy and Jim Miller to Ottawa for a few days.

The family and friends of Edna Robbins (née Runnalls) gathered at the Barrie Island Community Hall to wish her all the best in advance of her 90th birthday in October. Included in the group were her siblings, her children, many grandchildren and three great-grandsons!

Margueritte and Travis Strong from Copper Cliff visited George and Carolyn Calback on the weekend.

Silver Water Karen Noble

On Friday, July 26, Albert Meijer and I went to Gore Bay to the market and the café. It was our local UCW’s turn to sell the coffee and treats. They did very well with their sales.

On Saturday the graveside service was held at the Silver Water Cemetery at 11 am for Bonnie Henry. There was lunch afterward at the Silver Water Community Hall.

On Saturday afternoon, the recycle bins were open. Shawn Noble helped Albert look after them.

I went to Ice Lake on Saturday morning to work at Norm Morrell’s auction. There was a large crowd and lots of stuff for everyone to buy. I left Ice Lake at 4 pm, went home to pick up Albert, then we went back to Gore Bay for the fish dinner for Harbour Days. We had a visit with Jim and Joanne Smith and Wayne and Anna Aelick while we ate.

On Sunday afternoon, Myra Duncanson and I went to the euchre tournament in Tehkummah. We did not bring home any prizes, but we had a good time. The next one is Sunday, September 8.

On Monday, Colleen Julseth joined Gladys Duncanson and me for the swim. Before we got in the lake, Lori Mastelko showed up and the four of us visited for quite a while. The lake was perfect.

On Tuesday morning, I went to my bookkeeping job in Mindemoya for the day. I left in time to shop at Foodland and then attend a meeting at the Manitoulin Planning Board. Reminder to the residents of Robinson and Dawson Townships to contact the planning board if you are considering any new building on your property. There is a new by-law on their website that can help, but Theresa and Jake are the best resource.

On Wednesday, Albert took our car into McQuarrie’s to have the new modules installed to correct the issues with the sensors.

On Thursday night there were five tables of euchre players at the Silver Water Hall.

When I got home after euchre, Albert had left a note that the fire team had been called to a car accident. When the team arrived, they were not needed, so they went home.

Doug and Brenda Carter are back home after returning their friend to St. Catharines.

Paul Sorbara’s family is arriving this week and spending a week with him and Beth Wagner.

Kathy and Fausto Lion arrived on Thursday and will be at their cottage on the weekend.

There will be a market in our yard on August 10. The next two weekends I will be working at auctions, so the market is cancelled. The next one will be Saturday, August 31.

On August 11 there is a luncheon at the Silver Water Community Hall. There will be a euchre tournament in the afternoon starting at 1:30 pm.

Condolences to the family of Valinda Fogal.

...Almost \$1 million for Northern Ontario Women

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give business owners the tools they need to complete a myriad of human resource tasks, thereby letting entrepreneurs get back to doing what they love.”

Carolyn Campbell, executive director of LAMBAC introduced Marc G. Serre, member of parliament for Nickel Belt and parliamentary secretary to the minister of energy and natural resources and to the minister of official languages. “It is my honour and privilege to introduce to you a dedicated public servant, a passionate advocate for our community and a leader committed to making a difference, MP Marc Serre.”

“It is a great honour and opportunity for me to be here, to see and hear about the work being done here, and all the work LAMBAC has done over the past 35-36 years and the work Susan Whynott has been doing in helping more women realize their dreams of being a business entrepreneur,” said MP Serre, noting that Arik Theijsmeijer, manager of North Central Program Delivery with FedNor for the past 18 years, helped to see this initiative come together.

MP Serre said statistics show that businesses that have more women board of governors are more profitable, more attractive and that they see more growth. “That’s what is happening on Manitoulin Island and area. That is also why the federal government needs to play a role in all of this. The government needs to play a role in supporting women and be there. This is the reason I am here today to announce funding of \$999,620 to LAMBAC to continue the NOW program across Northern Ontario.”

The NOW program provides a maximum of \$5,000 to women-owned and women-led small businesses to help cover the cost of professional and training services so they can start-up or take their businesses to the next level. The goal of this pan-Northern project is to address challenges facing women entrepreneurs, particularly filling a gap in rural areas where services and training are not offered or affordable on an individual basis. Led by LAMBAC, NOW is supported by all 24 of Northern Ontario’s Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDC’s) who help promote the program and deliver local training events in their service area. This priority project is expected to support over 110 businesses and help create 145 full-time jobs in Northern Ontario.

Since 2019, NOW has supported close to 400 women-owned and led businesses, which led to the expansion and modernization of more than 260 and helped create over 300 full-time jobs in Northern Ontario.

“Congratulations as well to FedNor, which



Carolyn Campbell, executive director of Lacombe-Manitoulin Business Assistance Corporation addresses everyone in attendance at the federal government announcement of an investment of close to \$1 million to continue the delivery of the Northern Ontario Women program across Northern Ontario.



Marc G. Serre, member of parliament for Nickel Belt and parliamentary secretary to the minister of energy and natural resources and to the minister of official languages chats with Gore Bay town manager Harry Schlange and Carolyn Campbell, LAMBAC executive director.

last fall, provided \$1.6 million in funding to LAMBAC to continue their great work. Thank you all for being here today,” said MP Serre. “Thank you so much for the work you are doing in the community and continue working with our most vulnerable portion of the population.”

“Thank you for your dedication in supporting Women in Business in Northern Ontario,” said Ms. Campbell. “This funding will allow LAMBAC to provide grants of up to \$5,000 to women entrepreneurs, with a target of 150 businesses being supported, for the eligible costs of professional fees or external business management training. Common examples of projects supported include improving financial tracking and monitoring with the help of an accountant; utilizing marketing agencies to develop strategies of branding and accessing new markets; using information technology consultants to adopt digital applications and increase e-commerce investigating corporate governance improvements with the help of a lawyer; or translating marketing materials into the other official language to reach new markets; prioritizing businesses who export outside of Northern Ontario, those working with the federal economic strategy table sectors.”

“I would like to also thank FedNor and the staff that have worked hard in ensuring the success of this program from the beginning, Arik Thei-

jsmeijer, manager North Central Program Delivery was instrumental in seeing this project come to life and we are excited to have both Arik and our new Initiatives Officer Jonathon Nadeau with us today,” said Ms. Campbell.

Ms. Campbell explained, “The Community Futures organization has 25 offices serving northern Ontario and are partners in delivering this program. Our next speaker has worked on the NOW program since the funding started in 2019 and has been a key player in the success of the delivery. I am proud to introduce Susan Whynott our NOW Program Coordinator who will share some success stories that we have received from our women entrepreneurs.”

“It is my great pleasure to have been asked to share some highlights and feedback from a few of our many grateful Northern Ontario women grant recipients who are operating businesses all throughout this amazing 800,000 square kilometre region known as Northern Ontario,” said Ms. Whynott. “The NOW program was Carolyn’s brainchild—she initiated the program,” she added, noting that since 2019 over 400 women have benefited from the program.

Leslie-Ann in Schumacher said, “The NOW program helped us begin exploring the development of a new service for our community which stands to benefit not only our business, but create jobs for others and boost

our local economy. The NOW program created an opportunity for our business to grow, and the consultant we hired also gained valuable hands-on experience through the process that will help her continue to grow her business and better serve her clients. As a new business, the timing of the grant gave us a terrific head start into generating cash flow sooner than we would have been able to without the grant. The process itself was simple and easy to understand. We applaud the government of Canada and FedNor for recognizing the value and potential of Northern Ontario women.”

Jenny in Thunder Bay said, “It was a true blessing to receive support for NOW to incorporate my business. As a new business owner, I was unsure of how to pay for something so important. NOW has allowed me to change the way I operate. I am more comfortable in my day-to-day operations and am also more protected. I wouldn’t have been able to do this as quickly if it wasn’t for the support from NOW,” Ms. Whynott read.

“With the continued support of FedNor the NOW program will continue to support women owned and women-led businesses throughout Northern Ontario,” said Ms. Whynott.

“Thank you, Susan, for sharing your success stories and for your dedication to helping women entrepreneurs across Northern Ontario,” said Ms. Campbell.

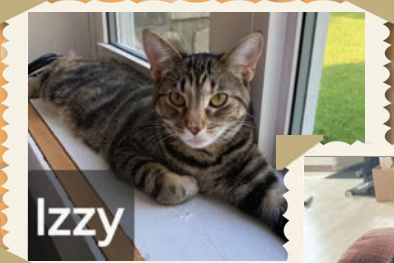
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...Manitoulin rallies around girl diagnosed with acute leukemia

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treatments in Sudbury or has to remain at SickKids hospital in Toronto. If the treatments are carried out in Toronto, the family will be staying at Ronald McDonald house in Toronto.

Sadie's father Rob works at JK Automotive in Kagawong and is a member of the Burpee and Mills volunteer fire department and will be travelling back and forth from the Island to Toronto or Sudbury. Her mother Jess works at the Manitoulin Lodge in Gore Bay. "As of now my mom and dad (Rick and Kim Graham) along with my nephew (Sadie's brother Ray) will be staying in Toronto," said Ms. Gagne.

Ms. Gagne explained in her Facebook post, "Due to the nature of the situation, Jess will be with Sadie throughout this journey, and Rob and Ray will be supporting them whenever possible. This does mean financial strain on the family. We are unsure as of yet if Sadie will be receiving all treatments in Toronto at SickKids or if they'll be able to do some treatments at Health Sciences North in Sudbury. Regardless, there is a large financial burden of gas, food, and other incurred expenses due to travelling back and forth. Not to mention the many other expenses a family of our household maintains."

"Rob and Jess are proud, hardworking people who would never expect a handout. They live their lives day to day and help anyone they can while building and maintaining their own family. Though they have family support emotionally, the expenses do add up," wrote Ms. Gagne. "I am asking, on their behalf if you have the ability to donate to their expenses so they can focus on their family and getting Sadie healthy again, it would mean the world to me. Their children, in a way, have felt like my own and I love them dearly. I can't imagine the stress and heartache they are going through right now. Your contribution is incredibly appreciated. If you can, please e-transfer your donation to grahamfam-

ilyfund@gmail.com. She explained that since sites like Go Fund Me take a percentage of the donated cut for themselves the funds you donate will go directly into an account at the Bank of Montreal where the family can access it.

"As of last night (July 29) \$2,200 had been donated from friends and family on the Island," continued Ms. Gagne.

Ms. Gagne explained that Deanna Hardy who owns Betty's Convenience Store in Gore Bay, "has been working with the Royal Canadian Legion in Gore Bay to host a fundraising spaghetti dinner and silent auction for Sadie and the Graham family. The dinner will take place Sunday, August 11, from 5-8 pm at the legion. Tickets are adults \$15 per plate and children 12 and under \$10 per plate. Dinner tickets can be purchased through Deanna by calling, texting or emailing her at 705-210-0325, deannalewis184@gmail.com or at her store in Gore Bay.

"Nicole Middleton of the Burpee and Mills Fire Department is putting on a picnic basket/auction on August 8 in Gore Bay," said Ms. Gagne, who pointed out her father Rick is the Burpee and Mills fire chief.

Ms. Middleton explained, "our fire department will be hosting a picnic basket auction at 6:00 pm at the Gore Bay waterfront on August 8. We have people who are donating picnic baskets and preparing homemade food that feed two people. These picnic baskets will be auctioned off and there will be a list of what is in each basket. I started call-



Six-year-old Sadie Graham of Evansville is in SickKids Hospital in Toronto battling acute leukemia. Sadie is the daughter of Rob and Jess Graham. Two fundraisers are being held in Gore Bay this week, while a bank account has been set up at the Bank of Montreal for those who would like to support the family as they deal with expenses while Sadie is in the hospital.

ing people asking if they would help and multiple baskets have already been donated. Everyone is encouraged to bring a blanket that evening and join in the picnic for Sadie."

Ms. Gagne provided an update late last Friday af-

ternoon. "Just wanted to let you know that at this time I haven't received any definitive information aside from Sadie needing to stay at Sick Kids for her treatment. Could be a month, could be longer I don't know

yet. The family is working together to ensure that Ray is being taken care of and is able to go see Sadie whenever possible. The family is still together at Sick Kids and Jess parents are going back and forth from Barrie to see

her as well. I wish I had more information for you but unfortunately due to Sadie's infection right now she has been unable to get all the tests she needs completed yet."

...Supreme Court hears appeal on alleged overpay of lawyer fees

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Harry Laforme's resignation. Appellants stressed the importance of public trust in the justice system and urged the court to consider justice's interests in fee assessment.

The appellants' legal counsel argued that the RHTLF lacked justification for the alleged \$466 million overpayment in legal fees. They contended that trustees failed to seek

independent legal opinions on the fairness of the \$510 million fees paid, despite conflicts of interest. The argument emphasized the need for a fair assessment of fees and the importance of involving all relevant parties in the process to ensure justice.

In response, the respondents highlighted that individual annuitants lacked standing to challenge the legal fees assessment, as settlement funds were held by the trust on

behalf of the 21 First Nations, not individual beneficiaries. They argued that the chiefs of Garden River and Thessalon, as appellants, were not representing individual annuitants but their respective First Nations. Additionally, the respondents disputed the necessity of official seals for First Nations in legal documents, emphasizing

modern contract law's focus on intent and validity over formalities.

The ongoing case before Justice Steele necessitated a careful consideration of complex legal issues surrounding trust law, legal fee assessments, and the distribution of settlement proceeds. The proceedings highlighted the challenges faced by First Nations in

legal matters and underscored the importance of proper representation and adherence to legal principles. As the case continues, Aundeck Omni Kanning Chief Patsy Corbiere expressed optimism about the resolution and unity among the 21 Robinson Huron First Nations while awaiting a final decision from Justice Steele.



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Visit the Net Shed Museum in Meldrum Bay!

We are pleased to announce on Saturday, June 29th the Net Shed Museum located in Meldrum Bay at the west end of Manitoulin Island has re-opened. The Net Shed Museum has artifacts of early and more recent settlers who engaged in the lumbering, fishing and quarry industries starting in the late 1800s to the more recent past.

The museum is open 10-5, Tuesday to Sunday until August 16th. The museum is closed on Mondays, and will be closed for half an hour from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

Admission is free, though donations would be appreciated.

For further information, contact Linda Lapointe of the Meldrum Bay Historical Society at 416-522-3885 or l.lapointe@on.aibn.com





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...Innovative mobile wellness team hits the road

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parking lot of Manitoulin Family Resources on July 30. Katrina Wilhelm, mobile wellness client care navigator and Kaitlyn Sorbara, mobile wellness counsellor/navigator were on hand to answer questions and there were many who stopped by with questions.

“We’re a mobile mental health and addictions team that provides services to Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities across the Manitoulin Island district,” said Ms. Wilhelm. “We have a team of diverse individuals. Kait, who is our mobile wellness counsellor/navigator, provides short-term counselling and system navigation support. I’m the client care navigator and I’ve been doing some clinic co-ordination.” Ms. Wilhelm went on to explain that she does the intake on a client, making sure they are a good fit and eligible to receive services and then pointing them in the right direction within the team. “My work is more internal within the team, whereas Kait’s is more external (to other organizations),” she said.

“We’ve been doing a soft launch this summer,” Ms. Wilhelm shared. “We’ve just been placing communities into the calendar on a first come first serve basis, but as of September, we’ll be promoting the same calendar pretty much every month, with eight communities on the calendar, each with their specific day of the month.”

Other team members include Christen Hanson, wellness promotion facilitator, who leads programs across the Island that promote activities as preventative measures, to support emotional wellbeing. There’s a psychiatry component to the mobile clinic. “We have a psychiatrist we partner with in Sudbury, and he does video conferencing with our clients at our health centre in Aundeck Omni Kaning, considerably reducing the wait times one would ordinarily face,” Ms. Wilhelm said.

Michelle Williams is the nurse practitioner on the team, though only part-time. She provides some support with psychiatry and medication management. In addition, there’s a registered nurse as part of the team.

When asked what kind of response they’ve been getting during their soft launch Ms. Wilhelm said invariably, after each stop they’ve made in various locations, she has gotten phone calls or emails from those seeking help.

The van is set up much like a doctor’s examining room, with cushioned cot, cabinets and shelves. There’s a wheelchair ramp, to make it accessible to everyone. On Friday, August 2, the mobile wellness unit acquired a second van which looks more like a counselling office inside, and better suited to those social workers and counsellors

who have no need of the medical setup. “We look forward to each member of the team having adequate space to deliver their services,” Ms. Wilhelm wrote in a follow-up email. The mission statement of the mobile wellness clinic of Noojmowin Teg Health Services is “To provide person-centered, respectful, timely, and optimal mental health and/or addictions care to all communities of the Manitoulin District to address gaps in services.” A valuable, necessary and greatly anticipated addition to the health services of Manitoulin Island. Let us wish them great success.

To register for a visit from the mobile wellness van email MobileWellness@noojmowin-teg.ca



Kaitlyn Sorbara, mobile wellness counsellor/navigator and Katrina Wilhelm, mobile wellness client care navigator, provide information during the wellness van’s soft launch in Mindemoya last week.



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Manitoulin Pride Week runs Thursday, August 8 through Sunday, August 11

by Michael Erskine
 MANITOULIN—Time to embrace the Rainbow! Manitoulin Pride Week hosted by Pride Manitoulin and Mnaamodzawin Health Services kicks off on Thursday, August 8 with the raising of the Pride Flag at the flagpoles on the Little Current town docks (down past Market Garden Pavilion) and a Queer Trivia Night at the Anchor Inn starting at 8 pm (this is a 19+ licenced event)—but there is plenty going on throughout the week for all ages.

“There will be all kinds of events,” confirmed organizer Rebecca Milne, Mnaamodzawin Health Services allied health manager. “The whole purpose of Pride Week is to celebrate inclusiveness, no matter who you are or who you love. This is a family-friendly event.”

The week’s events also span the Island and its inherent diversity.

Friday will see a number of informative educational opportunities, including Two-Spirit Teaching with Bobby Hudon at the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation in

M’Chigeeng from 11 am to 12 pm, followed by a Two Spirit Drum Circle with Veronica Johnny from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

You can pick yourself a rainbow bouquet at U-Pick the Rainbow by Island Roots Flower Farm (6975 Highway 551 in Mindemoya) from 4 to 5 pm.

A Pride Sunset Music Series will feature Nettish and her Band at Huron Island Time on the Providence Bay boardwalk from 6:30 to 9 pm.

What promises to be a real weekend highlight is the FOAM Party Concert



at Low Island in Little Current on Friday, August 9 featuring a Taylor Swift, Lady Gaga, Madonna, Shania Twain, Tina Turner and Cher tribute band from 7 to 10 pm.

Saturday, the fun keeps coming with creativity workshops at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre in Little Current from 10 am to 12:30 pm, while on the other side of the Island Split Rail Brew-

ery will be hosting live music with Nettish, Clua Arcan and Kelly Brewer from 1 to 3 pm in Gore Bay.

In Aundeck Omni Kaning’s 4 Directions Complex there will be Intro to Archery with Rainbow Hood while back in Little Current at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre an Express Yourself makeup tutorial will run from 3 to 5 pm. Over in Providence Bay, a PRIDE Sunset Music Series will take place from 6:30 to 9 pm on the boardwalk.

In Little Current, it’s Queer Music Bingo at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre from 7 to 8:30 pm followed by the Drag Show and Dance,

with music by DJ Tom A Haw from 9 pm to 1 am.

Sunday, a Pride Christian Worship Service will take place at Little Current United Church starting at 10 am, followed by the annual Pride Parade, which will start at the Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre at 11:30 am, winding up at the United Church for a barbecue featuring music by DJ Tom A Haw at 12 pm.

Pride Weekend on Manitoulin promises to be a great deal of fun for all the family as the Island celebrates its diverse peoples with an inclusive and informative event.

...Home, Cottage and Culinary Show

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Culinary Tourism booth (as a bonus, participants can sample the resulting foods). This will be reprised at 11 am on Saturday. At 2 pm it is Chef Mark Hobson giving the demonstration and at 4 pm it is Chef Simon DeSousa. On Sunday, M’Chigeeng’s own Pam Roy takes to the stage at 12 pm.

On Saturday the fun starts with a Kids’ Zone in the curling rink at the NEMI Recreation Centre. On Sunday, the arena will be filled with the Home and Cottage Market where local artisans will ply their wares. Throughout the weekend, there will be live cooking demonstrations, guest speakers, pop-up food vendors and a host of food and service suppliers who will be happy to talk about what they have to offer here on Manitoulin Island.

A nice bit of throwback is the High Tea pre-event, which is unfortunately now sold out.

The HCC promises to be a stellar event that the organizers hope to see become an annual event showcasing much of what Manitoulin has to offer in the home, culinary and cottage realms. Whether building or renovating your Island property there will be something of interest to take in.

Among the culinary vendors will be Heartwood Mushrooms, Split Rail Brewery, Pampered Chef, Kendra’s Confections, Jake’s Culinary items, Manitoulin Teas, Ruth’s Carmel Corn and Rainbow Farms North, Loco Beanz, Prepped Manitoulin, Xoctli Latin Street Food and Manitoulin Farmstead, just to name a few.

Admission is \$5 a day per person,

...Ben Dewar will soon represent at CNE

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petition,” he said. As well, since winning the Providence Bay Fair Ambassador competition in 2023, “I have been volunteering in the community working every weekend helping to work on the new stage (40’x 50’ in size) for the music venue.”

As has been reported previously, with the cancellation of Manitoulin Country Fest, the Providence Bay Agricultural Society, with the championing and design work of committee member Wayne Legge, a new music venue stage with the potential to host thousands is being raised and will be operational at the fair, which will see Saturday night headliners Jade Eagleson and Nate Haller, bolstered by the immense talent available on Manitoulin Island

Mr. Dewar was selected as the Providence Bay Fair Ambassador in 2023, which also celebrated its 140th anniversary. He said after being selected, “I’m pretty excited. It’s different but it doesn’t matter that a guy is the ambassador. The

times are changing. The main thing is I like to volunteer in the community and to help represent the fair. I have volunteered at the fair for a lot of years.”

In his speech at the Providence Bay Fair Mr. Dewar had provided a look from his perspective on the importance of agriculture and agricultural societies. “The Providence Bay Fair is a big part of our community; it strengthens us and thrives in collaboration from everyone.”

The CNE marks an end of summer tradition for more than 1.6 million people annually. Launched in 1972, Ambassador of the Fairs was created as a way to educate and celebrate Canada’s rich agriculture history and the CNE’s roots as an agricultural fair. Since its inception the program has seen more than 3,000 participants from over 100 communities across the province of Ontario to highlight their knowledge, poise and passion for agriculture.

Mr. Dewar will be vying for the year-long title of CNE Ambassador of the Fairs, and the winner will be announced on August 18.



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Kagawong author pens new children’s book ‘Mr. B. Meets 9 Bold Beavers’

by Tom Sasvari
 KAGAWONG—The second children’s book written by a Kagawong author tells the story of humans trying to get along with nature and is based on a personal story of his having to deal with pesky beavers that wanted to eat all the trees on his property. The book, ‘Mr. B Meets 9 Bold Beavers’ is also designed to encourage youngsters to take time away off the internet and their cellphones and read a book.

“I give this book a 10/10,” wrote Drew, age 9, of M’Chigeeng First Nation. “I especially loved the part when the beavers flew in with a helicopter. That was amazing.”

Catherine, a mom from Kitchener wrote, “What a fun and entertaining story with beautiful illustrations! I loved how I learned so much about trees and the behaviour of beavers.”

“Nadia of Kitchener who is eight wrote, “I like the facts about trees and how they help all living things and the environment. Did the beavers continue to visit with the Brights? And I loved the names of the beavers and the illustrations.”

“The story is about Mr. and Mrs. Bright who are trying to deal with a group of beavers whose goal is to build the longest beaver dam in the world, from Kagawong to Blind River,” said Mr. Denomme. And they are determined they are going to use all the trees on the Brights property to build this dam as well as to eat, including one Mr. Bright called ‘Matilda’ which held a treehouse.

The nine bold beavers include Mulcher, Sawyer, Chiseler, Chomper, Carver, Nibbler, Chipper, Chopper, and Shredder. Through Mr. Bright, the beavers learn the importance of healthy trees on the environment and climate.

“The theme is basically about humans trying to get along with nature,” stated Mr. Denomme. “That in itself can be a challenge for both humans and nature.”

Mr. Denomme explained the book is in part written as a personal perspective. “Because I was losing trees to beavers, I lost 12 trees to them last year. I tried different methods to save the trees without harming the beavers.”

“Beavers are very determined,” said Mr. Denomme.

“I had so much fun with the names of the beavers, and the map especially,” said Mr. Denomme. “Readers will see Purvis Limb Co. hauling limbs of trees for the beaver, the Owen Sound Bough Co. delivering boughs, Tobermory Twig Company, M.T. hauling lots of branches on the Trans-Canada Highway.

“This book was based on a personal story, as was my first book ‘Priscilla Searches for a Friend and Saves the Village of Kagawong.’ “I was putting a Great Blue Heron weathervane on my

cottage roof and the story came to me,” said Mr. Denomme.

“I have always enjoyed writing,” said Mr. Denomme, who was an elementary school teacher in the Kitchener-Cambridge area for 31 years. “I taught Grade 3 for 10 years. This age group of students was my favourite group because at that age they like homework and learn very easy at that age, they soak up everything they are being taught,” he said.

Mr. Denomme along with his wife Mary-Teresa are seasonal residents of Kagawong, spending the rest of the year at their home in Kitchener.

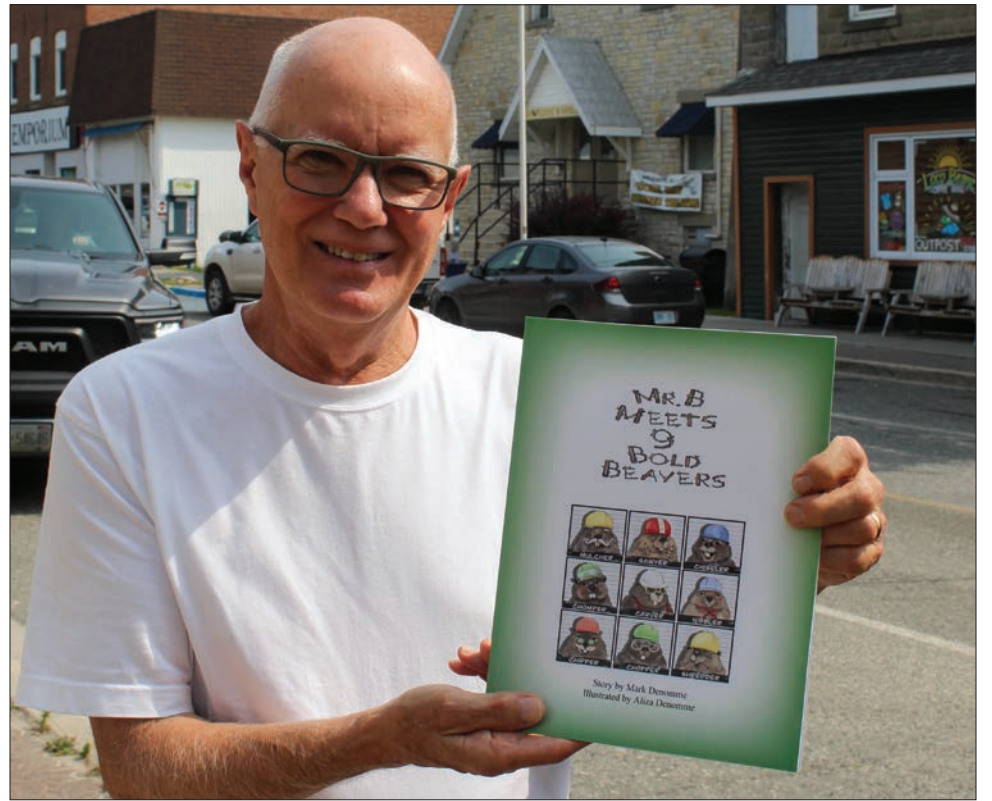
Mr. Denomme said one of the objectives of his writing children’s books “is to encourage reading the love for books for kids, so they aren’t spend-

ing all their time looking at computer screens or their cellphones all day.”

By the way, what did work for Mr. Denomme to keep beavers off his trees was chicken wire mesh securely around the base of the trees.

‘Mr. B. Meets 9 Bold Beavers’ is available at Robertson’s IDA Store in Gore Bay, the Mutchmor in Providence Bay, Edwards Studios in Kagawong, as well as The Manitoulin Expositor in Little Current and Gore Bay for \$15.

RIGHT: Kagawong author Mark Denomme has released his second children’s book, ‘Mr. B. Meets 9 Bold Beavers,’ which tells the story of humans trying to get along with nature, in this case beavers whose goal is to build the longest beaver dam in the world.



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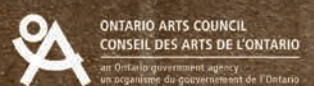
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Community Picnic!



Axe-throwing was a popular event at the NEMI community picnic.



Dale gets an up-close and personal tour of a NEMI fire truck during the community picnic. photos by Michael Erskine



NEMI councillors Al Boyd, Patty Aelick and George Williamson serve up barbecue goodies at the NEMI community picnic, an annual event held at Low Island.



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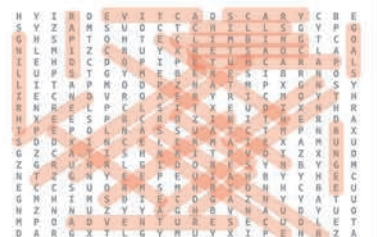
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Wiikwemkoong Arts and Music Festival was a literal feast for all senses

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMKOONG—The annual Wiikwemkoong Arts and Music Festival hosted by Wiikwemkoong Tourism opened the Friday night of Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival, bringing together a cultural exchange with Six Nations Tourism (that included Smoke Dance demonstrations by both Haudenosaunee men and women) and an Indigenous Tourism Ontario (ITO) sponsored Indigenous culinary cook-off.

“Indigenous Tourism Ontario is extremely pleased to collaborate with Wikwemikong Tourism, Six Nations Tourism and the Indigenous Culinary of Associated Nations to host the inaugural Odawa M’Nis Master Chef Showdown,” said ITO CEO Kevin Eshkawkogan. “The amateur and pro chefs inspired both young and old. We look forward to sharing



Pianist Mason Aminikwan brought his own Nocturn in B to the house.



Jordan Cooper is a homegrown rap artist.



Rapper Zigz Gaud gave an energetic performance.

Indigenous stories with the world through Indigenous food at future events.”

Judges in the Master Chef Showdown included Anishinaabek Nation Grand Council Chief Linda Debassige, Fuel the Fire host Neil Debassige and Noojmowin Teg Child Nutrition Program Coordina-



Headliners Snotty Nose Rez Kids packed the front of the stage for Cody Leeson.

In the professional division, the winners were Chef Joseph Shawana in first place, Chef Hiawatha Osawamick in second place and Chef Aicha Smith-Belghaba in third place.

In the amateur division, first place went to the team of Joanna Simon and Cryst-

Friday.

The cook-off took place as the events on the main-stage unfolded, with local piano virtuoso Mason Aminikwan tinkling the ivories through a number of classical pieces, including a number he had composed himself. Mr. Aminikwan, who recently graduated



Chef Joseph Shawana, right, came in first place in the Master Chef Cookoff, while Chef Hiawatha Osawamick, centre, finished in second place and Chef Aicha Smith-Belghaba, left was third.

tal Flamand, second place went to Pam Roy and David George, third place went to Natalie Neganigijig and Lauren Abel, while fourth place went to the team of Brianna Friday and Jaime

from high school, noted that he has also completed scoring a symphony, which he hopes to one day have performed in his home community of Wiikwemkoong.



Crystal Shawanda and her daughter Zsa Zsa pulled heartstrings with a mother-daughter rendition of her hit ‘You Can Let Go.’

Taking to the stage were Zigz Gaud, a Metis fiddle duo that brought out several step dancers, the music sensation Nadjiwan, hometown girl and JUNO award winner Crystal Shawanda, a Smoke Dance demonstration from Six Nations Tourism and finally, Snotty Nose Rez Kids, who packed the area in front of the stage to close out the evening.

Ms. Shawanda, always a hometown favourite, was accompanied onstage by her band, which included her husband Dewayne Strobel and daughter Zsa Zsa, who joined her mother in singing Ms. Shawanda’s hit single ‘You Can Let Go’ in a performance that pulled the heartstrings like a harp—one of the highlights of the evening.



In the amateur Cook-Off Joanna Simon and Crystal Flamand, second place went to Pam Roy and David George, third place went to Natalie Neganigijig and Lauren Abel, while fourth place went to the team of Brianna Friday and Jaime Friday.



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 7:30 pm — Ask a Realtor with Century 21 Integrity
MAIN HALL UPSTAIRS Culinary Vendors
 5:00 pm — Butter Tart Challenge
 7:00 pm — Cooking with Chef Louis Simard

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 2024: 9 am - 6 pm

ARENA FLOOR Home and Cottage Vendors
 Guest Speakers in Room 1
 10:30 am — Ask a Realtor with Century 21 Integrity
 12:00 pm — guest speaker: NEMI Building Inspector
 1:00 pm — Mitsubishi Rep
 2:30 pm — Mortgage Specialist

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 2024: 9 am - 6 pm

4:00 pm — Mitsubishi Rep
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 Cooking Demos: 11:00 am Chef Louis Simard, 2:00 pm Chef Mark Hobson, 4:00 pm Chef Simon DeSousa

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11TH, 2024: 10 am - 3 pm

ARENA FLOOR Home and Cottage Vendors
 Guest Speakers in Room 1
 10:30 am — Ask a Realtor from Century 21 Integrity
 1:00 pm — Mitsubishi Rep
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...Gore Bay receives \$2.5 million for downtown revitalization

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town area. To me this becomes a real economic development strategy and will make Gore Bay more of a destination of choice year-round, and bring in more people to live, work and play here.”

“From a personal perspective, I was previously involved in a revitalization of the downtown in Ridgway (in Fort Erie) about 10-12 years ago,” said Mr. Schlange. “It has taken off and prospered with new businesses, residents and attracting new tourists to the community.”

“A big thank you to the members of the public, and local businesses for their input at the two information sessions that took place,” said Mr. Schlange. “Everyone was supportive of doing something special.”

“The council unanimously supported the

plan to move forward,” said Mr. Schlange. “This is honestly the most progressive council with which I have ever worked. They really want to build a bright future for the community.”

“The revitalization project will not be quite as big as had been originally planned, but it does include new sidewalks, curbsless streets downtown and a lot of new trees and other initiatives that will enhance the downtown area.”

Mr. Schlange explained, “what is in the project is for more trees, tree cells, (tree canopy) new street poles and light standards, curbsless streets, new sidewalks and lockstone in medians.” He said in order to meet the funding envelope what has been taken off the proposal includes bumpouts (landscape) and lockstone at intersections downtown.

“We want to make improvements to Dawson



Downtown Gore Bay will be getting a whole new look thanks to a \$2.5 million revitalization grant.

photo courtesy Google Street View

and Meredith streets as soon as we can, so we don't have to rip those streets up once the watermain project is completed.”

In the towns 2025 budget, the town will be al-

locating a little more in funding for more trees, benches, and street banners, said Mr. Schlange.

“We are certainly very happy we have received funding, and the project

can go ahead. It will be something that will enhance the town for at least 25-40 years,” said Mayor Lane.

Mayor Lane pointed out council had approved the

project and is expecting to tender out the project in the fall with work to hopefully be carried out in early spring 2025.

Manitoulin Health Centre collaborates with over 60 hospitals on ‘Split the Pot’ lottery

MANITOULIN—Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) has collaborated with over 60 hospital partners in the province on the “Split the Pot” lottery game, which in its latest game campaign has a guaranteed winning prize of \$500,000 to the grand prize winner and a total payout of \$1.2 million.

“MHC is very excited to collaborate with our partner community hospitals as part of the Split the Pot lottery,” said Paula Fields, president and chief executive officer of MHC last week. “We are a two-site rural hospital that provides a spectrum of health care services to the residents of the Manitoulin region and a large tourist population. Split the Pot Lottery allows us to share, while also ensuring that MHC has state of the art and

life saving equipment so that our community can stay healthy and safe and continue to receive quality care. It will further enable us to continue to expand the services that we provide, keeping care close to home.”

Eric Theriault, MHC vice-president of corporate support services and chief financial officer spearheaded this initiative for MHC to be a partner in this endeavour.

“There here are over 60 hospitals and partners uniting in this lottery,” said Mr. Theriault. “It’s a way some hospitals get into the big prizes. With the Split the Pot lottery the guaranteed prize (in the next draw) is \$500,000 and the estimated pay out for the next campaign (draw) is \$1.2 million.” He explained, “this is

not a 50/50 draw, the structure is 50 percent is won by multiple winners. One winner of the grand total will receive 60 percent of the pot, two ticket purchasers will split 20 percent of the pot and 10 people split 20 percent of the jackpot. So, there are actually 13 winners in the grand prize payout. And there is a whole slew of other winners like early bird ticket draws.”

“With the Split the Pot lottery there are four campaigns held each year,” said Mr. Theriault. “Two draws have already taken place this year, and the next campaign will run from August 8-September 19, over a six-week period. The final campaign for 2024 will run from

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On behalf of Council we wish to express our gratitude to our significant partners in this endeavour the Gore Bay Rotary Club and the Western Manitoulin Lions Club. In addition, our sincere thanks to the many donors who supported this event financially and thus allowing us to make this a truly family-friendly weekend for everyone. Further, many thanks to town staff, our theatre group, Gore Bay Fire Department, Fish & Game Club, and the numerous volunteers who worked diligently to make this event happen. It was truly a team effort. Last but not least a special thank you to the huge number of people from near and far who attended on the weekend and made all of our efforts worthwhile.

- Mayor Ron Lane

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South Baymouth invites Manitoulin to a Chi-Cheemaun 50th celebration

by Michael Erskine
TEHKUMMAH—The excitement is heating up across Manitoulin as South Baymouth gears up for 'Manitoulin Salutes Chi-Cheemaun's 50th,' a celebration of the five decades of service provided by the ferry and the Owen Sound Transportation Company (OSTC).

The Expositor caught up with key organizer John Greenway to talk a bit about the South Baymouth Community Economic Development Association (SBCDA) plans for the Saturday, August 10 event.

The Chi-Cheemaun ferry, and its predecessors,

have been important to not only South Baymouth businesses, but all of Manitoulin Islands communities, Indigenous and non-Indigenous and extending well beyond the Island's shores.

Although touted by one and all as the celebration's champion, Mr. Greenway offered hearty thanks to his fellow committee members. He is a past president of the host SBCDA.

"We need to thank the OSTC for all their assistance," said Mr. Greenway. Walk-on admission to the ferry will be at half-price for the day.

The main official re-



This year marks the Chi-Cheemaun's 50th birthday.

marks will take place at 2:30 pm on Saturday, August 10 and both Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes and Algoma-Manitoulin MP

Mike Mantha have been invited to speak along with Tehkummah Mayor John Deforge. "We have invited the leadership of M'Chigeeng and Wiik-

wemkoong," added Mr. Greenway.

The day will start out with a breakfast barbecue from 9 am to 11 am on Saturday morning, comple-

mented with a craft and vendors' market from 10 am to 3 pm. Throughout the day there will be displays and booths set up, some highlighting the history of the ferry service.

At 11 am to 2 pm there will be a barbecue lunch, with a parade at 11:30 am moving through the downtown streets. An antique car show takes place at 1 pm to 5 pm and a street dance gets underway from 8:30 pm to 10 pm and culminates with fireworks at 10 pm.

"This will be an opportunity to show our appreciation Island-wide," said Mr. Greenway. "Let's get out and show the Chi-Cheemaun a special Manitoulin Island welcome."

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Funnel cloud spotted over North Channel July 30

by Jacqueline St. Pierre
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter
NORTH CHANNEL—A Facebook user on Manitoulin Island posted an image of a funnel cloud on Tuesday, July 30, saying they spotted the phenomenon just before 4 pm.

Maggie McMurray posted the image to the Ontario Storm Reports Facebook group, saying she was west of Little Current when she spotted the cloud and the cloud was east of her, possibly in the area of Birch Island or Whitefish Falls.

According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), waterspouts "fall



A funnel cloud over the North Channel July 30.

photo by Maggie McMurray

into two categories: fair weather waterspouts and tornadic waterspouts."

"Tornadic waterspouts are tornadoes that form

over water, or move from land to water," the NOAA states. "They have the same characteristics as a land tornado. They are

associated with severe thunderstorms and are often accompanied by high winds and seas, large hail, and frequent dangerous lightning," an explanation posted to the NOAA's website states.

Fair weather waterspouts usually form along the dark flat base of a line of developing cumulus clouds. They tend to originate in warm air, over warm water, with light winds and high relative humidity. This type of waterspout is generally not associated with thunderstorms. While tornadic waterspouts develop downward in a thunderstorm, a fair weather waterspout develops on the surface of the water and works its way upward.

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October 17-November 28."

Mr. Theriault explained when someone buys a ticket, they have the opportunity to select the participating hospital of their choice to benefit from revenues or can select all participating hospitals when they enter the lottery.

"With Split the Pot, when a person purchases a ticket and fills in a form there is a drop down area on the form for them to indicate which hospital they want to support, with all the revenues going to that hospital. So, if someone wants to support the MHC they can indicate this on the form, and revenues will come to MHC," he said. He noted as well there are several ticket purchase options available.

Mr. Theriault said the amount of the prizes in this lottery are 'life changing' amounts. They are not going to be \$20,000 amounts but guaranteed prizes of \$500,000 as is the case in this next campaign.

"Absolutely we feel being a partner in this, it is going to help the MHC. Anything that can help support capital project costs (which are not funded by the province) is going to be beneficial," said Mr. Theriault. He said that along with many small hospitals, there are some larger sites also collaborating. For instance, Health Sciences North, North Bay Regional Hospital, Espanola Hospital and many regional health partners are participating.

For more information and details go to splitthepot.ca

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Queer Trivia Night at the Anchor (19+): 8:00pm
Location: 1 Water St, Little Current, ON

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

Two Spirit Teaching w/ Bobby Hudon : 11am - 12:30pm
Location: Ojibway Cultural Foundation
15 Old Highway 551 Rd, M'Chigeeng, ON

Two Spirit Drum Circle with Veronica Johnny: 1:30pm - 3:30pm
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

Creativity Workshops: 10am - 12:30pm
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

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Queer Music Bingo (19+): 7pm - 8:30pm
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Drag Show & Dance (19+): 9pm - 1am
Music By: DJ Tom A Haw
Location: Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

Pride Christian Worship Service: 10am - 11am
Location: Little Current United Church
5 Robinson St, Little Current, ON

Annual Pride Parade & March
11:30am - 12pm
Start: Manitoulin Hotel and Conference Centre
End: Little Current United Church



Community BBQ: 12pm - 2pm
Music By: DJ Tom A Haw
Location: Little Current United Church
5 Robinson St, Little Current, ON



55th annual Haweater Weekend was Hawt, Hawt, Hawt



There were lots of elimination runs, with almost 50 registrants for the soapbox derby races. **photos by Margery Frisch**



And they're off! There were many participants in the Breakaway Sports and Cycle Haw 5K Run.



His spidey senses were tingling! This little fan got up close and personal with Spider Man and Elsa at Expositor Square on Saturday.



The Crash Sunday Band kept things lively at Soldier Park with their pop and rock classic hits.



Winners of the Huron Bass Derby Haw stop were Galen Trudeau and Santanna Eshkawkogan with their 27.30 lb haul.



Gibson Gilchrist poses with his winning boat.



These youngsters provided hydration and moral support for the Haw Run participants racing under a blazing hot sun.



The Macaluso float combined Christmas and the Alo-Haw theme.



Oaklynn and Dawsyn have their faces painted.



The Wilkin family Haweater parade float never disappoints.



Slime Time at NEMI Public Library—who's having more fun, the parents or the kids?



Youths from Batman's Cottages and Campground had a float to recognize their fundraising efforts for a young girl dealing with serious health concerns.



There was even rock climbing at Low Island!



Unwind with Haweater yoga on the docks.



The A division champions in the Haweater Slo-Pitch tournament are Runnin' and Gunnin'.

Wiiky Powwow hosted record numbers of singers and dancers

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMKOONG — The grand entry into the Thunder Bird Park dance arena during the Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival (aka Wiiky Powwow) took place under a blistering sun on Saturday, August 3, with the longest procession of dancers (more than 420) to ever follow the Eagle staffs and flags. The grass-turfed dance arena floor went a long way toward beating the heat.

Earlier in the day, the new Miss Wiikwemkoong was crowned by her predecessor following the competition before a pan-



Former Wiikwemkoong Ogimaa Duke Peltier, foreground, was kept busy throughout the powwow, keeping up a steady banter and encouraging the crowd participation.



Master of Ceremonies Lisa Osawamick introduces the panel of artists during the exhibition in the Cultural Pavilion.

Ritchie, arena director Cheyanne Kitchikake, head drum judge Joseph Syrette of Batchewana FN, head male dancer was Jordan White Eye of Bkwejanong, head female dancer was Ann Marie Proulx-White of Neyaashiingmiing, Smoke Dance singer was Regis Cook of Onondada and head elders were Gerry Kaboni and Linda Kaboni.

Prizes for the event were stellar, including \$12,000 for the drum competition and \$1,200 in each of the adult dance competitions, \$500 for teens and \$300 for boys and girls from seven to 12.



OPP officer John Hill, right, is seconded to the Wiikwemkoong Tribal Police as the Indigenous force is experiencing an unprecedented increase in the number of new recruits.



The powwow grounds were in tip top shape thanks to the hard work of folks like Stitch Manitowabi, who was busy delivering chairs to the elders' tent.



Champion hoop dancers Gordie Odjig and niece Lisa Odjig met up at the powwow. Ms. Odjig was dancing while Mr. Odjig was more focused on teaching and demonstrations.



Woman's Traditional Dance is a stately and dignified affair, very unlike the much more energetic dances of the Shawl or Jingle Dress dancers.



Nickel Belt MP Marc Serre, seated right, took in the details of proper powwow etiquette from speaker Tracy Cleland in the Cultural Pavilion.



Powwows are the perfect opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones that can last a lifetime on the powwow trail.

el of judges made up of previous royalty.

In a switch-up from previous years, founder (along with her sister Angel-baa) Tracy Cleland had the previous year's Miss Wiikwemkoong present the results and speak before presenting the crown to her successor, Florence Osawamick.

"I am working on training a new group of kwe to help put on the pageant," noted Ms. Cleland. Previous winners have gone on to not only compete at higher pageant levels but have gone on to accomplished careers—such as Kara Kennedy, who has just recently been called



A group of Men's Traditional dancers strut their stuff before the judges, vying for the \$1,200 first prize up for grabs at the powwow.



Men's Traditional Dancers are the storytellers and their dance regals the audience with their exploits.



This young dancer's regalia may have been limited to T-shirt and jeans, but he had all the moves down pat.



The jingle dress dance is a healing dance, created in response to a critical illness of a family member, the dance has gone on to become a ubiquitous presence at powwows.

"I am passing on the crown to the next Miss Wiiky," said 2023 Miss Wiikwemkoong Alanna Pashe. "I am so excited I get to do this this year. I just want to say to all the four contestants, you are all talented and amazing women. You should all be proud of yourselves."

The contestants for Miss Wiikwemkoong included Miss Osawamick, Denaya Pitawanakwat, Marie Anne Maiangowi-Manatch and Bee Dokis. Ms. Dokis is first runner up and will take up the crown should Ms. Osawa-

mick be unable to fulfill her duties explained Ms. Osawamick.

On Sunday, Jr. Miss Wiikwemkoong Aanimikwan Trudeau and Little Miss Ayah were crowned as well.

This year's cultural festival was emceed by Allan Manitowabi, Jason Whitehouse of Mount Pleasant and Wiikwemkoong's own Duke Peltier. Mr. Whitehouse, who is originally from Oklahoma, joked in the 30-degree-plus weather that he needed to put on a couple of extra shirts and a jacket.

Head veteran was Jan

Cultural Pavilion events included a smoked fish and wild game demonstration by Wiikwemkoong Tourism, Powwow Etiquette with Tracy Cleland and MC Lisa Osawamick, Beam Paints by Lyndsay Taibossigai, Anishinaabe History of the Great Lakes with historian Joshua Manitowabi, an Unceded Beads show and the official launch of the new Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival logo, Metis fiddle music, a Smoke Dance presentation from Six Nations Tourism, the Evolution of Indigenous Food, Scott Wabuna Youth Engagement meet and greet, a fashion show featuring designs from Turtle Island's designers and an art show featuring the works of Leland Bell, Mishiikenh Kwe, Emily Kewageshig and a host of other Indigenous artists from Odawa Mnis (Manitoulin Island).

The Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival was another outstanding cultural event and was attended by a huge crowd coming from all across Turtle Island and beyond with a host of food and craft vendors ready to meet every need.

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Grey Wolf warriors visit Wiikwemkoong powwow

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMKOONG—A large troupe of youth in military garb marched into the dance arena during the Saturday grand entry at the Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival (aka the Wiiky powwow). The nascent soldiers are participants in the Canadian Armed Forces Grey Wolf program.

This unique military training program combines Indigenous culture and teachings with military training that will help participants “develop valuable skills such as self-confidence, self-discipline, teamwork, time management, respect and fitness.”

Navy also has one out of Western Canada called Raven. At Royal Military College in Kingston there is Indigenous Leadership Opportunity for those interested in becoming officers—there is a bunch of different options.” The major noted that there are a number of other programs aimed at encouraging recruitment of Indigenous peoples. “Of course, they can always join the Canadian Armed Forces through the regular stream as well,” he said.

There are four Wiikwemkoong band members who are part of the Grey Wolf team.

The eight-week program is conducted from

program, may help participants be eligible for career experience credits through the provincial education system. But it is the participant’s responsibility to arrange it through their school’s guidance counsellor before starting the program.

To be eligible for the program an applicant must be a self-declared First Nation, Métis or Inuit individual; be 16 years of age or older; have completed Grade 10; and be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident. Those under 18 must obtain consent from a parent or legal guardian, be at least 16 and enrolled in school full-time. If not a full-time

ed by Indigenous elders or teachers (this is where Mr. Jackson comes in). This first part helps candidates understand the need for self-discipline and teamwork and instills pride and the sense of con-

tinuing the Indigenous tradition of military service. At the end of the first week, participants continue their military training with military instructors. The course itself is the

standard five-week Army Reserve Basic Military Qualification (BMQ). During the BMQ course participants learn several skills, including weapons

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Wiikwemkoong Elder Raymond Jackson, centre, poses with the officers and recruits participating in the Canadian Armed Forces Grey Wolf Program as they lined up for Saturday’s Grand Entry. The recruits were visiting the Wiikwemkoong community during the annual Wiikwemkoong Cultural Festival.

photo by Michael Erskine



Grandmother Tecla Neganegijig and great grandfather Peter Mishibinjima with his great grandson Jeremy Neganegijig, part of the Grey Wolf program.

Participants train in Meaford, where Wiikwemkoong Elder Raymond Jackson helps impart language and traditional knowledge that lays the foundation of the program.

Troupe commander Major Simon Hassendhof explained that the Grey Wolf program focuses on Ontario Indigenous people. “It is designed so that each region of Canada has a program customized to their region, Mohawk, Anishnaabe, Inuit, it doesn’t matter what you identify as, Metis whatever, you are welcome in the program,” said the major. “In the Maritimes you have Black Bear, in Western Canada you have Bold Eagle and then Canadian

early July to late August each year. During this time, participants are enrolled as a member of the Canadian Armed Forces. Upon completion of the training program, participants continue to serve at an army reserve unit on a part-time or full-time basis. They may also transfer into the regular force.

During the periods of training, the Grey Wolf Program provides trainees with meals and accommodation; military clothing and equipment to use during the training; transportation from home to the training location and back home; and approximately \$6,000 in salary.

Grey Wolf, as an established military training

student, an applicant must be at least 17.

The admission process includes a medical examination, a reliability check and an in-person meeting.

Once enrolled in the program, the first week of Grey Wolf involves a Culture Camp, where participants learn traditional Indigenous values and teachings as demonstrat-

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Ontario beefing up support for cattle farmers through loans, export marketing

CARLETON PLACE—The Ontario government is strengthening the province's beef sector by increasing financial support available through the Feeder Cattle Loan Guarantee (FCLGP) Program to \$500 million. The province is also investing in an industry-led market development program to increase domestic and international sales.

"Our province's Grow Ontario Strategy commits to strengthening the province's agriculture and food supply chain and increasing agri-food trade by eight per cent per year," said Rob Flack, minister of agriculture, food and agribusiness. "The actions we're announcing (July 29) support both of these goals and will help Ontario's beef sector capture new opportunities now and in the future."

"We're appreciative of the government of Ontario's commitment to these valuable programs, both of which play a significant role in our sector's ability to maintain and grow a consistent supply of Ontario beef for our communities here at home and around the world," said Craig McLaughlin, president of Beef Farmers of Ontario (BFO). "Increasing the government guarantee and the individual loan limits under the Ontario Feed-

er Cattle Loan Guarantee program (OFCLGP) will allow the program to better respond to the escalation in cattle prices and growing interest from young and beginning farmers, as well as existing farmers who value the program for its reliable access to affordable credit."

The expansion of the FCLG program will see available funding for beef farmers increase by \$240 million to \$500 million. The program provides low-interest financing to support the short-term needs and long-term growth of feeder cattle co-operatives and their members. Financing is provided by private sector lenders and the Ontario government guarantees the value of 25 percent of the loans.

The government is also doubling the maximum loan a farmer can access and making other changes to better support the industry. These include administrative changes that will allow the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness to move funding allocations more easily between feeder co-ops to better meet producer demand.

At the same time, the government is investing \$2 million over four years in the Ontario Beef Market Development Program. Funding will be used to support

activities that enhance the competitiveness of Ontario products at home and beyond our borders, support the expansion of existing Ontario beef brands, and aid in the development of new Ontario beef brands. Eligible activities include participating in trade shows and trade missions and welcoming potential out-of-market buyers to tour Ontario beef farms and processing facilities.

"Over the last five years, Ontario's beef farmers have been heavily investing in an industry-led initiative to grow domestic and export markets for Ontario-branded beef, maximize the value of Ontario beef products, and share the important sustainability story of Ontario beef with the public and our customers," said John Baker, director Ontario Beef Market Development Program. "We have an outstanding product and are well positioned to increase market share of Ontario beef in many key global markets, and this investment will help augment our market development efforts both domestically and internationally."



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Gore Bay veteran gifted Quilt of Valour for armed forces service

GORE BAY—With friends and family on hand, Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) veteran Jack Bould was presented with a Canada Quilt of Valour for his service and sacrifice to protect the residents of Canada and the world.

“I’m here to present a everyone who knows of a service man/woman anywhere in Canada who they feel is deserving of a Quilt of Valour quilt to go onto their website and put their name forward by filling out a nomination form. “But first tell the person whose name you are submitting

“Speaking as one of the thousands of people who make these quilts, what we need is nominations of people that should be presented with one of these quilts. We want these quilts to go out to as many deserving people as possible.”

presented throughout the country,” said Ms. Millard, noting over 23,000 have been made and presented.

“The quilt being presented here today (to Mr. Bould) was made by the Happy Quilters of Gore Bay about a year ago,” explained Ms. Millard.

stated Mr. Bould who noted, “mine will definitely get used.”

Mr. Bould told The Expositor, “I was very happy to receive this quilt, especially since it was one that was made in Gore Bay. It means a lot.”

“I did a NATO peace-keeping tour in Bosnia in

1998. It was fairly peaceful then. I also did a tour of the Golan Heights where we would see the odd rocket being launched (between Lebanon and Israel),” said Mr. Bould. “But fortunately, I didn’t see anything terrible when I was stationed there.”



Veteran Jack Bould, right in photo, is presented with a Canada Quilt of Valour by Judy Millard, who lives in Elliot Lake and is a member of the Quilts of Valour Canada. An inscription on the quilt reads in part, “Handmade with love, respect and gratitude for your sacrifice to Canada.”

Quilt of Valour to Jack Bould,” said Judy Millard, who lives in Elliot Lake and is a member of the Quilts of Valour Canada. “The program was initiated in 2007, and these quilts are presented to Canadian service personnel as a thank you for their service.”

“Jack Bould served 24 years in the Canada military (Royal Canadian Electrical Mechanical Engineers) and was overseas in the Golan Heights and Bosnia,” said Ms. Millard. “A majority of his service overseas was in peacekeeping or trying to keep peace in these areas.”

“These quilts of valour are made by quilters all over Canada as a way to say thank you to service men and women injured in some fashion, visibly or not, who put themselves in danger for the protection of Canada and the world,” said Ms. Millard.

She explained Quilts of Valour is a registered charity. Quilts are made nationally, and she encouraged



Veteran Jack Bould, left, was wrapped in this beautiful Canada Quilt of Valour by Judy Millard.

and ask if they would like one, because there is the chance that doing this could trigger bad memories for service personnel.”

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

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The Little Shoppe Around the Corner at Knox United Church in Manitowaning is open on Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.

12-19p

\$ for sale

Beef hay for sale, around forty 4' x 5' round bales in the Spring Bay area. Call 519-804-0441 ext. 113, leave a message.

10-13c

4' x 4' round bales, \$20 per bale. Phone 705-377-4645.

11-12c

Electric, battery operated wheelchair used for three months indoors only. Has big wheels for using outdoors. \$2,500 firm. Call 705-282-7722 or 705-377-5664.

12-13c

Full size electric La-Z-Boy chair for sale. Used for three months. Asking \$2,000. Call 705-282-7722 or 705-377-5664.

12-13c

coming events

Boardwalk and coffee walk, Saturdays from 11 am to 2 pm. Start at Cenotaph Park, Little Current, then walk the boardwalk, then to Tim Hortons. Register at lahaye425@gmail.com.

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FOMOS annual birthday bash and barbecue is Saturday, August 10 at the Mindemoya Arena from 10 am to 2 pm, rain or shine. Vendors, entertainment, games, food and raffles. Last chance to bid in the online art auction. The 50/50 winner will be announced. For more information go to www.mindemoyaoldschool.ca.

10-12c

FOODLAND ONTARIO

NEMI FARMERS' MARKET

Every Saturday 9 AM to NOON (plus extended hours) Downtown, Little Current on the Waterfront at the Market Garden Pavilion

See you Saturday!

Gore Bay Street Market

Fridays in July and August

9am - 1pm

Visit us downtown (Meredith St.)

wanted

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

17tn

marine

25' 1984 Aura Columbia sailboat for sale that is spacious, sturdy and stable, cruise equipped, chart plotter, galley. Professionally maintained Yanmar diesel. 2023 Marine Survey. Includes seasonal 2024 Gore Bay slip, selling due to health. Asking \$10,000. Call 850-737-0889.

12-14c

Two-part boat cradle for sale. Top part is roughly 20' with bunkie on a 25' bottom. Bottom can be cut for transportation and rewelded. Boat weight is two tons. Asking \$4,000. Call 705-929-0003 or 705-929-5435.

12-13c

rental

Room for rent in Gore Bay with shared common areas. \$650 per month, all inclusive. Call 905-462-5374.

11-12p

October 1 to May 1, waterfront studio and two bedroom executive units in Little Current. All inclusive with Starlink Internet, satellite TV and fully furnished. Call 705-368-6240 or email manitoulinrental@gmail.com for details and viewing appointment.

11tn

church services

King James Bible Church, Providence Bay worships every Saturday Sabbath, 10 am to 12 noon. For more information call 705-348-2229.

30tn

KJV Bible Study, every Monday night, 7 to 9 pm in Providence Bay. For more information, call 705-348-2229 or email kjc.manitoulin@gmail.com. All welcome.

4tn

A worship service will be held at Hilly Grove United Church, Manitowaning, on Sunday, August 11 at 11 am. A potluck/picnic lunch will follow. Everyone is welcome, come and enjoy fellowship and share memories! Please bring a lawn chair. Hosted by Knox and St. Andrew's United Churches.

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Rock the Rinks

Saturday, August 10th

at the Gore Bay Curling Club's fundraising Dinner and Dance,


with Charlie Gammon and the Good Time Jammers


For more info, contact Dan Forest at 705-210-0647

History Day in Kagawong Tragedy & Triumph on Lake Huron

Kagawong Park Centre
Thursday, August 8, 2024
Matinee at 3:30 PM or Evening at 7:30 PM with refreshments

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the MS Chi-Cheemaun plus stories of the ships who served the Turkey Trail of Manitoulin Island.


Richard Thomas
Chi-Cheemaun


Mike Strobel
The Rhu

The 1965 fateful story of the Rhu, the cabin cruiser that sank in the North Channel near Kagawong resulting in a tragic loss of life.

Free admission but donations are appreciated to support ongoing Old Mill Heritage Centre projects

Sponsored in part by Manitoulin Transport, Township of Billings and North Channel Press.

Knox United Church Rummage Sale in Manitowaning will reopen on Wednesday, August 14. Open Wednesdays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Clothing, household and miscellaneous items.

12p

SCOTT WOODS, Champion fiddler, is coming back to Manitoulin by popular demand together with his "Yee Haw" show that features Canadian champion stepdancer Leo Stock, guitar virtuoso Steve Pitocco champion fiddler Kendra Norris and more. The show is Saturday, September 14 at 7 pm at the NEMI Recreation Centre, 9001 Highway 6 in Little Current. Tickets are \$45 and are available locally (cash only) at The Expositor Office in Little Current or by calling Gail at 705-368-2589. They can be purchased online, using a credit card at www.scottwoods.ca or by calling direct to 1-855-726-8896 (toll free).

12-17p

Legion events

Little Current Legion, Branch 177, Wing Night from 5:30 to 10 pm on: Thursday, August 15 and 29; Thursday, September 12 and 26; Thursday, October 10 and 24. Call 705-368-2661 after 4 pm to place your order. Take-out is available. Serving wings and mozza sticks, six for \$9 or 12 for \$18; cheeseballs, 12 for \$9 or 24 for \$18. Choices of sauces are honey garlic, 1st, 2nd, 3rd degree, sweet chill heat, sweet and sour, parm and pepper, salt and pepper, barbecue and Frank's dry rub. Ranch or blue cheese sides.

9tn

AUCTION SALE

Stella Campbell
Tuesday, August 13, 5:00 PM
16550 Hwy. 540, Evansville

HOUSEHOLD, ANTIQUES:
Chesterfield/chair, 3 wingback chairs, rocking recliner, coffee table, TV and stand, maple table with 6 chairs and china cabinet, bar fridge, small freezer, antique dresser/iron bedroom suite, antique trunks, large freezer, oak corner cabinet, mirrored hutch, exercise bike, loveseat, antique cream cans, upright freezer, 100 goodie boxes.

AUCTIONEER: Norm Morrell
TERMS: Cash/pre-approved cheque
MORRELL AUCTIONS:
705 282 2430 | morrellnorm@gmail.com | sales@theauctionadvertiser.com
Facebook: morrellauctioneering
Owner and/or auctioneer not responsible for accidents or losses day of sale.

AUCTION SALE

Estate of Tom & Margaret Stringer
Saturday, August 17 at 11 am (held inside if rain)
4638 Bidwell Road, Green Bay (by church)

INCLUDING:
Farm machinery, loads of tools, complete household, Ford Ferguson 9N good tires, Farmall Super C (nice), Farmall Cub (nice), Farmall Super (nice), Allis Chalmers (nice), Farmall Cub (parts), Farmall 100, Farmall M, loads of Model A parts, engine wheels, trim, etc., Z24 1994 Cavalier Convertible, 10 collector tractors, Case International C50/loader 2200/diesel 2,638 hours/brush hog, International 300 utility gas, 2012 GMC Sierra Nevada Edition, 4 X 4, truck, box cover/liner, 72,000 kms, nice household!!!

HOUSEHOLD ADDITION:
Power hospital bed, cabinet sewing machine, exercise machine, beds/mattresses, antique radio, drop-leaf table, model cars in display case, nice oak china cabinet, modern chesterfield/rocker, wicker chair, pressback chairs, beautiful steamer trunk, power lift chair, antique clock collection, lots more!!!

AUCTIONEERS: Norm Morrell, Aaron Streicher
TERMS: Cash/pre-approved cheque
MORRELL AUCTIONS:
705 282 2430 | morrellnorm@gmail.com | sales@theauctionadvertiser.com
Facebook: morrellauctioneering
Manitoulin Buy and Sell
Estate and/or auctioneers not responsible for accidents or losses day of sale.



notice



Thank you for the Celebration of Life for Evans. His family, wife Jo-Ann; children Connie (Jay), Gus (Stacy), Trevor, Stan (Angela) and Jeff (Ryan); grandchildren Jerian (Lucas), Davan, Harmony and Jayce (Cheyanne); great-grandchildren Ian and Wesley. Our sincere gratitude for family, friends in attending the celebration for Evans. It was a pleasure to hear all of the memories and experiences while he was with us. Thank you for the flowers, food, gifts and donations in making this an extra special day. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have helped us through this sad time.

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SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NORTHEASTERN MANITOULIN AND THE ISLANDS

Take notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3 pm local time on August 21, 2024 at the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands Municipal Office, 14 Water St. E., Little Current, Ontario.

Description of Lands:

- 1. Roll No. 51 19 040 002 07000 0000; 121 GAIDA'S SIDEROAD, LITTLE CURRENT; PIN 47120-0459 (LT); File No. 23-02.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,891.36.
- 2. Roll No. 51 19 030 001 12400 0000; LITTLE CURRENT; PIN 47121-0199 (LT); File No. 23-12.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$8,903.42.
- 3. Roll No. 51 19 040 002 12000 0000; LITTLE CURRENT; PIN 47120-0189 (LT); File No. 23-13.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$4,770.91.
- 4. Roll No. 51 19 030 001 40300 0000; 330 WHITE'S POINT RD., LITTLE CURRENT; PIN 47123-0161 (LT); File No. 23-14.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$7,327.90.
- 5. Roll No. 51 19 040 001 09600 0000; LITTLE CURRENT; PIN 47124-0086 (LT); File No. 23-17.
Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,094.04.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. A full copy of the tax sale advertisement and further information about this matter is available online at www.townofnemi.on.ca or you may contact:

Melanie Aelick, Taxes and Utilities
 The Corporation of the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and The Islands
 14 Water St. E., P.O. Box 608, Little Current, ON P0P 1K0
 Phone: (705) 368-3500 Ext. 225
 Email: maelick@townofnemi.on.ca



Herbicide Spraying

Emcon Services Inc. will be conducting our annual herbicide spraying program. We are targeting invasive Phragmites, as well as invasive Hog Weed.

These actions are controlled and governed by the Weed Control and Pesticide Act of Ontario.

Our technician is licenced and registered with the Ministry of the Environment.

We do NOT spray in high wind or standing water areas. Notices will be placed at all locations via small ground mounted signs. The signs will be removed 2-7 days after spraying.

Emcon does NOT spray any private property, all spraying is done on the MTO right of way.

Spraying has commenced and will continue until the end of August or early September.

All locations will be clearly marked via ground mounted signs as per provincial legislative requirements.

Having a YARD SALE?
 Advertise in the classifieds for as low as **\$8 +HST**
 Call 705-368-2744 or email services@manitoulin.com to place your ad!



McLean's Mountain Wind LP

Public Request to tender quote for a 3-year Snow Removal Contract

McLean's Mountain Wind LP, a 50:50 partnership between Northland Power Inc. and United Chiefs and Councils of Mniidoo Mnisig (UCCMM) First Nations, is seeking a Snow Removal Contractor for a 24-turbine operation in Little Current, Ontario. The contract is for a 3-year term, with the possibility to extend to a 5-year term.

The necessary equipment needed to qualify as a Snow Removal Contractor for McLean's Mountain Wind Farm are outlined in the table below. All equipment must be well-maintained and available for continuous service during each winter season, from October 15th-April 30th. The following criteria must also be met: a working cell phone to exchange prompt information; a Liability Insurance policy of \$5,000,000 CDN; WSIB coverage in good standing; and confirmation of qualification and training of all operators: current driver's licence, First AID and CPR.

The 3-year contract ends on April 30th, 2027.

EQUIPMENT	BRAND/YEAR	CAPACITY
PLOW TRUCK		
TRUCK WITH SANDER		
BACKHOE		
LOADER		
TRACTOR		
GRADER		
LOADER and BLOWER		
MANUAL BLOWER		



A detailed scope of contract will be provided to those meeting the above criteria. Please send your request for the full scope of work by end-of-day August 12th, 2024, along with the above criteria to: McLeansMountainWindLP_Info@NorthlandPower.com



thank you



As Lyndon's wife, I want like to express my heartfelt gratitude to our Peltier, Manitowabi and Madahbee families who have shown immense love and support during my Lover's courageous battle with Acute Myeloma Leukemia. Lyndon was a fighter of this battle for five months (156 days) and a true warrior for our family. Over the course of his last days at home in AOK, miigwech to all family and friends who stood by us with love and support and continue to do so.

We're also grateful for all those who coordinated, assisted and donated to the fundraising events that were organized to help us since his diagnosis in late January. We are so thankful for the financial support that allowed us to focus on his battle without worrying about finances. Miigwech for all the touching cards, flowers, food deliveries, hugs, phone calls. Your kindness and generosity has touched our hearts deeply.

Miigwech to Health Sciences North, ICU staff, 4 North staff for the care and compassion you provided to my lover, Lyndon, during his time at your hospital. Miigwech for making a difference in the lives of your patient Lyndon and our families; to Wikemikong Naandwechige-gamig Health Centre, Liz and staff, for the work you did to ensure our family's stay in Sudbury; to my community of Aundeck Omni Kaning for supporting me and my family throughout these past five months. Mnaamodzawin Health Services; Lauren Dewar and Home Care Team.

Miigwech to all the organizers, helpers in both our communities, Wikemikong and Aundeck Omni Kaning - the two places he called home. We knew it

would be a lot of work, but you all made Lyndon's wishes come true in how he wanted to be assisted in his next journey. It was heartwarming to see our two beautiful communities work together to help make his funeral arrangements come true.

Chi Miigwech to the cooks/kitchen staff big sister and crew, Niitawisuk Launie, Nadine, Cleave, Angie, Niitaawis Candy Corbiere, Auntie Diane Abotossaway, Auntie Judy, Auntie Shirley (Birdie), Auntie Carlene. To the Firekeepers - Mark (Chazz), Anna Kaboni, Jody and Jaycob Corbiere, John Esquimaux, Derek Barnaby, Mike Abotossaway, Andrew (Snooze) Corbiere and David Assinewai. To all those who prepared both hall areas, to the Wiky Drummers for coming to our home and singing to Lyndon before his passing and continuing to be there after his passing for songs. Miigwech to the Water drummers and Marie Eshkibok and Midewiwin family for providing ceremony and songs. To all those who donated food and beverages. Miigwech to everyone in honouring Lyndon's Celebration of Life over the course of the days. Miigwech to Chazz for all the love and support you've given your cousin Ricky Bobby, Ricky Bobby Kwe and kids. Miigwech to the paulbearers: Jason (JP) Peltier, Brent Assinewai, Grant Peltier, Mark Roy, Andy Recollet, Jonas Bondi, Luke Wassegijig, Joe and Aaron for transporting Lyndon back to AOK for his final resting day.

Chi-Miigwech to Dad, Duke (Buppa) and Mom Ingrid (Momma) Madahabee for all your love and support always. Sister Monica and brother Jarrid Noble for assisting wherever needed. Sister Bobbie Madahbee for staying with

me and kids for numerous days and always being there, also bro Derek for the distant support. Sister Billie-Bob and Brojangles Mike Abotosaway for assisting with Lakeshore Wellness duties and contractor duties too. Sister KC Madahbee and bro Colin Debassige for assisting with Biscuit duties and wherever needed.

Gashi Sandra for your love and support, brother Duke for your support and guidance, sister-in-law Nicole for stepping in wherever help was needed.

To all our aunts, uncles, cousins, family and friends who helped by cleaning, cooking, donating food and drinks. It was all very much appreciated.

Special mentions to Auntie Dr.Erin for always being by your neph's side, Joe and Ashley, Michelle and family, Niitawis Shannon Manitowabi, Andy Manitowabi Group, Zhiizhen Wally Manitowabi, Kevin (Spud) Manitowabi, Zhiizhen Marvin Assinewai, Suanne and Elvis, Holly, Jason and Natasha Abotossaway with Enndaa-Aang Cottages.

We truly appreciate everyone and everything that was done and words can never express our deep gratitude. Although my lover's passing will forever leave a void in our lives, I find solace in knowing that he knew he was deeply loved by many and that he truly loved our family and all the precious memories we created together.

Chi Miigwechs from his luv Kendra Madahbee-Peltier, Kwezhens Lynndra Madahbee-Peltier and Gwissy Kennlyn Madahbee-Peltier and Niimosh Biscuit Madahbee Peltier

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Death Notices

RICHARD "RICK" CAMPBELL 1956 -2024



In loving memory of Richard "Rick" Campbell, 68 years, who passed away, peacefully on July 28, 2024. Much loved husband of Jill. Survived by his brother David, sister Cori, sister-in-law Juli and mother-in-law Fern. Also survived by his nieces Kayleigh (Jim), Jade and Kristy (Andy); great-nieces and nephews, aunts

and cousins. Predeceased by his parents Fred and Shirley Campbell, sister Anne, brother-in-law Bert and father-in-law Doug. Rick worked in a variety of jobs in his younger life before settling back in Pickering on Mulberry Lane. He was most proud of his years as a Crane Operator and a member of the Operating Engineers Local L0793B, and stayed in contact with his brothers. His years on Mulberry were a great source of enjoyment for him. The rural environment so close to the city allowed him to entertain friends and family for meals, campfires, skating parties and general merriment. He travelled North for his great loves of hunting and fishing - to the Stephens' camp on the Spanish for moose hunting and Manitoulin for deer hunting and fishing. After meeting Jill in 2004, he decided to move to Manitoulin Island permanently. For the last 20 years he enjoyed these pastimes, as well as volunteering in his new community, and entertaining in town and at the lake. He was embraced by a whole new group of friends and family and was always so appreciative of how they welcomed him here. He loved his neighbourhood, his hunting property, his time at the camp and the life he built in Gore Bay. Rick was a proud member of the Legion Branch 514 Gore Bay. There will be a Celebration of his Life at the Branch on September 14, 2024 at 1 pm. Donations can be made to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 514 or the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca.

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LILLIAN PELTIER (NOELLA MARY)

April 3, 1938 - July 8, 2024



In loving memory of Lillian Peltier who passed away July 8, 2024. Lillian is predeceased by her parents Lawrence and Betty Peltier (Lyza Jane McGregor); son Ted Peltier; brother Herman (Marg); sister Loretta Peltier (Leo); and nieces Rosemary and Caryn. She is survived by

her nieces Sharlene MacDonald, Cindy Peltier, Janice Peltier, nephew Brendan Peltier, great-nieces and nephews and reclaimed daughter Cindy Peltier (Kevin Printup). She will be missed by her grandsons James, Lawrence and William, as well as her grand-doggies Bear and Moose. Lillian grew up here on Manitoulin Island in Wikemikong Unceded Indian Reserve at Cedar Swamp and Buzwah. She attended residential school in Spanish, St. Joe's School and attended teacher's college in North Bay. Lillian craved adventure, so in 1963 she travelled to Chicago where she gained experience working at various places, including the Union Linen Supply Company and the Salvation Army where she worked as a secretary. Although she never married, Chicago was where she met Dean Rhodes, the love of her life. She, along with Dean, returned home every summer during powwow season to visit family and friends and reconnect with her homeland. During their visits they stayed at Cedar Swamp, in Manitowaning at Herman's, at Silver Birches in Honora Bay and at her house in Wikemikong, just down the hill from grandma's. While Lillian was a cat person, when she was home she adopted the neighbourhood dogs, giving them food to eat, a roof over their heads and care and comfort when they were lonely. She took special care of one specific dog named "Spot." When asked why he was named Spot she said, "Because he had a black spot over his eye." We wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the doctors and nurses at the Little Current Hospital. Also chi-meegwetch to Linda Trudeau and Kim Genereaux for taking care of Lillian during these last few years. Lillian's Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, August 16, 2024 from 1 to 3 pm at the Debajehmujig Creation Centre, 43 Queen St., Manitowaning, Ontario. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Debajehmujig. Please share your thoughts, memories and photos at www.islandfuneralhome.com.

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LORI CASE

August 5, 1956 - July 29, 2024



On Monday, July 29, 2024, with her family at her side, Lori peacefully passed away and is now with her beloved husband, Jim (predeceased 1999). Mom, as she was known to Matthew (Leanne), Christy (Mike), Mandy (Brock), Becky (Ryan) and Misty (predeceased), spent her life taking care of her children

and always putting their needs before her own. Being a grandma to Connor, Ella, Noah (Leah), Lane, Owen, Gabe, Gavin and Lily was the true light of her life. Her love of special occasions like Christmas, had grandma preparing their favourite foods, doing scavenger hunts, and adding plenty of decorations to make the holidays extra special. Lori was born on August 5, 1956 in Little Current, Ontario to Pearl Hall and Fredrick Rutledge, both predeceased. Her early years were mainly spent in Manitowaning, where she enjoyed activities such as skating, swimming and listening to music in the company of great friends like Shirley Harasym, all the while, excelling in school and fostering a life-long love of reading. An exceptional employee of the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services for over 35 years, Lori was the ultimate working mom, juggling both a career and her family, with devotion and boundless energy. She could often be found completing household tasks or taking on home improvement projects with her friend, Brenda Gibbons, well after midnight. It was also over the course of her career where her colleagues such as Patricia Giroux became special friends for life. Not one to sit still, Lori filled her days in retirement volunteering for various organizations and committees in Manitowaning such as the Agricultural Society, the Library Board, the Museum Board, and the Southeast Manitoulin Lions Club. There was still time for a coffee break with good friends like Karen Vanzant; Lori thoroughly enjoyed a strong cup of coffee! Lori is survived by her sister Patricia Linkert and in-laws Denise Rutledge, Pat Toms, Dale Duxbury, Cathy Hall, Roberta (Larry) Cress and Robert (Sharon) Case. Predeceased by siblings Jean, Wayne, Dawn, William, Robert, Cheryl, Janet and Jim. A special aunt to many, with a particularly close bond to nieces Susan Mackenzie and April Bechamp. Lori will be missed by her loyal and protective furry friend Rosie. The family would like to thank all of the staff on the 4th floor, South Tower at Health Sciences North and Manitoulin Health Centre, Little Current Site for the exceptional care Lori received. Visitation took place on Thursday, August 1, 2024 from 9:30 am to 11 am at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Manitowaning. Service took place immediately following the visitation at 11 am. Interment followed at Hilly Grove Cemetery. Family and friends were invited to a luncheon at St. Paul's Anglican Church following the burial. If so desired, donations can be made to the Manitoulin Health Centre. Arrangements by Bourcier Funeral Home Ltd, Espanola.

Death Notices

MURIELLE DUPUIS

(nee Lanteigne)

October 23, 1960 - July 26, 2024



In loving memory of Murielle Dupuis. Our guiding light no longer shines bright, leaving us with cherished memories and deep sorrow. It is with great sadness, we announce that Murielle Dupuis (nee Lanteigne) passed away peacefully, at the age of 63 years, surrounded by her loving family, on Friday, July 26 2024.

Murielle has left a hole in the hearts of many. She leaves in mourning her beloved husband of 43 years, Gilles Dupuis; son Gilles Jr. Dupuis (Melina); cherished grandchildren Jaden and Easton; sisters Paulette Richer (George), Denise Lachance (Mike); sisters-in-law Claudette Lanteigne (late Daniel – 2017) and Murielle Arbour (Richard); nieces and nephews Eric Richer (Melissa), Stefanie Rocheleau (Guy), Joanne Lachance (Tammy), Alain Arbour (Melanie), Daniel Arbour (Anna) and Lynn Dupuis (Larry); great-nieces and nephew, Alyne, Avery, Alexa, Gabrielle, Luc, Samuelle and Joanie. She was predeceased by her parents Alfred and Therese Lanteigne; brother Daniel Lanteigne and beautiful niece Katelane Frohlick. Her greatest joy in life was her family and spending as much time as possible with her grandsons. She lived for them and wanted nothing more than to see them grow and be happy. She spent her winters in Florida, she loved line dancing, playing cards, bingo and puzzles. To honour Murielle's wishes, there will be no funeral service. The family wishes to express infinite gratitude to the Mindemoya Hospital doctors and nurses for their outstanding care provided to Murielle in her last days. The family would greatly appreciate donations to the Manitoulin Health Centre – Mindemoya Hospital. There are some who bring a light so great to the world that the light remains even after they are gone.

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VALINDA ELIZABETH FOGAL

(Dearing/Sloss)

November 30, 1951 - July 24, 2024



In loving memory of Valinda Elizabeth Fogal who passed away peacefully at Health Sciences North with her beloved Mikey at her side. Nothing was more important to her than her family and she fought hard to be with them for as long as possible. Valinda is predeceased by her parents Herb and Georgina Dearing

and brothers Harvey and Sammy. Dearly missed by her husband Mike Fogal; sister Greta Lane (Ron); children Greta Dearing, Tyler Sloss (Samantha), Brittany Sloss and Bryce Fogal; grandchildren Rebecca, Hendrik, Ronnie and Holden; as well as many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Valinda had a huge heart and is well known for caring for and feeding anyone who visited the farm. If you happened to be there for a birthday, you were guaranteed a slice of money cake. She was instrumental in bringing cable television services to Gore Bay and in securing a dedicated hospice care suite at the Mindemoya Hospital. She managed Evergreen Cottages in Ice Lake and organized an extensive family trip to Florida before the internet existed. She was amazing. There was a graveside service at Gordon Cemetery on Thursday, August 1, 2024 at 1 pm. A reception followed at the Gordon Community Hall. In lieu of flowers, a trust account for Bryce Fogal has been set up. Please visit www.simpsonfuneralhome.ca for donation information.



WILLIAM (BILL) ROLSTON

March 20, 1935 - July 28, 2024



It is with great sadness we announce the passing of William (Bill) Rolston, March 20, 1935 to July 28, 2024. Bill was born in the hamlet of Sheguiandah on Manitoulin Island in the "Big House" to Albert and Dorothy (Trotter) Rolston. He is survived by his two siblings Linda Lee and

Al Rolston. Bill's education commenced in a one-room schoolhouse, SS #2 Howland in Sheguiandah after which he was sent to the big city and attended Upper Canada College. He attended the University of Toronto and later the University of Western Ontario when his fraternity Chi Delta Sigma became Sigma Chi. Bill attended Osgoode Hall and became a member of Phi Delta Phi fraternity. Bill was called to the Bar in 1962 and commenced the practice of law in Sudbury. He found Sudbury provided a perfect balance between Manitoulin and Toronto life. He was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1975 and continued to practice law for over 50 years, most recently with the firm of Weaver Simmons. Bill was a member of the Canadian Bar Association, the Advocates Society, the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association and the American Trial Lawyers Association. In 2012 he was made a life member of the Law Society of Upper Canada. Bill enjoyed being an active member in community affairs. He became the President of the Sudbury Law Association, Chairman of the Sudbury and District Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the former Sudbury Algoma Hospital. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Sudbury YMCA, the Regional School of Nursing, the Sudbury Theatre Centre and the Older Adult Centre Sudbury (Parkside). Bill is predeceased by his wife Shaen Patterson Rolston. They leave behind their children: Shannon Rolston, Chris (Sarah) Rolston, Bruce (Sherri) Rolston and Brooke (Mike) Gougeon, as well as 13 awesome grandchildren. Many amazing friends will miss Bill as he maintained and nurtured his friendships throughout his life. Bill loved to hunt and fish enjoying the comradery of friends while on many adventures, which included travels to the far north. He enjoyed skiing locally at Nordic ski hill as well as many other hills further away. He loved x-country skiing, attending theatre, reading all types of books and loved to travel as evidenced by his extensive travel albums. Bill always enjoyed spending extended periods of time at his camp on Lake Manitou, in the company of family and lifelong friends. It was where he was happiest. Bill was resilient, tough, stubborn and a role-model on how to face adversity, despite multiple cancer diagnoses and consequentially mobility decline. Bill was able to remain at home due to the amazing support and caring provided by Zorica, Dr. LaJeunesse, Erica, Ola, Sam, Sheila, Priyanka, Amandeep and Arshpre. Elmview Cemetery, which overlooks Bill's family farm in Sheguiandah, will be his final resting place. He will accompany his wife Shaen, his parents, grandparents and other Manitoulin relatives and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a charity of your choosing. A Celebration of Life was on Friday, August 2, 2024 at Natura (Verdicchio's), 1351 Kelly Lake Rd., Sudbury where friends gathered from 11 am to 2 pm. Arrangements entrusted to the Loughheed Funeral Homes.

Celebration of Life

STEVE DAVIES

Family and friends are invited to a Celebration of Life for Steve Davies on Sunday, August 11, 2024 from 1 to 3 pm at the Sheguiandah Seniors' Hall, 14 Townline Road, corner of Townline Road and Highway 6, Sheguiandah. A light lunch will be served.

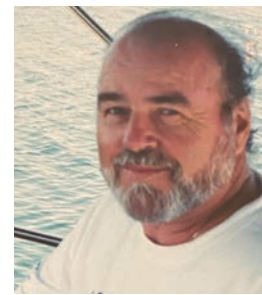
DALE AND STEPHEN

McCAULEY

Family and friends are invited to a Celebration of Life for Dale and Stephen McCauley on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at the Tehkummah Seniors' Hall from 1 to 4 pm. Please join us in sharing stories, laughter and light refreshments as we honour their lasting legacy.

GRANT MOFFATT

October 27, 1944 - July 23, 2024



It is with heavy hearts that we announce that Grant Moffatt of Whitefish Falls passed away on July 23, 2024. Grant was raised on a farm in Massey by his parents Tim and Amy Moffatt (both predeceased) alongside his brothers Gary and Greg (predeceased). Grant adored Nicki, his wife of 57

years. Christmas was always about her and he would shower her with heaps of gifts that she would be opening long after everyone else. He loved and was incredibly proud of his daughters Larissa Moffatt and Dana McGuire, and granddaughters Tessa Jewell-McGuire, Paige Eadie and Abby McGuire. Grant was a staple at the Red Dog Grill and was always thrilled to watch his girls compete in sports and participate in plays, band, and any other activities they were involved in. Over the last few years, Grant was rarely seen without his furry little sidekick Dakota, bringing her on daily adventures to the Espanola Mall. They will all miss him tremendously. Grant was a machinist by trade. He worked his entire 37-year career at the pulp and paper mill in Espanola, where he developed lifelong friendships and memories. Over the years Grant played on too many baseball, hockey and curling teams to mention. He was an avid skier and could also cut a rug. Grant was one of the first to purchase a beautiful waterfront property on the shores of Georgian Bay in Red Deer Village. He spent years building his dream home where he and Nicki threw epic parties (on Bacardi Lane), the legendary Thursday night fishing crew was founded, their daughters' weddings were held and where he enjoyed residing until his passing. Grant had a strong sense of community and helping others which was shown through his passion for volunteering. He was a long-serving volunteer firefighter, driver for the cancer society, member of search and rescue, frequent blood donor, and a Freemason. Grant worked until he was 55 which allowed him a long retirement that he enjoyed to the fullest. He and Nicki took many trips overseas and also explored our country from coast to coast. Above all else, Grant was an avid boater who loved being on the water. The majority of his summers with Nicki consisted of hosting friends and family on their various boats. His greatest joy was Summer's Dream, his 36-foot trawler. They once took an impressive 2.5 month trip from their home to Ottawa through the Trent Severn waterway system. Family and friends are invited to attend a Masonic Memorial Service taking place on August 10, 2024 at 1 pm at the Whitefish Falls Community Hall. If desired, donations can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society in Grant's name. Arrangements by Bourcier Funeral Home Ltd, Espanola.

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, POP 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Fundraising or Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, POP 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario POP 1K0 or Pet Save Manitoulin, Box 393, Gore Bay, Ontario POP 1H0.

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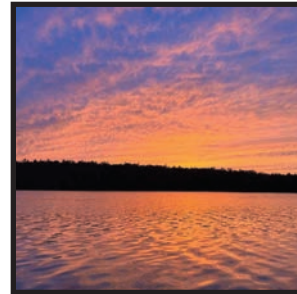
At long last Park Street boasts a sidewalk which runs from the base of the hill through to Robinson Street meaning safe passage for pedestrians going to and from Low Island Park and Spider Bay. In photo, members of the public works crew happily make it happen.
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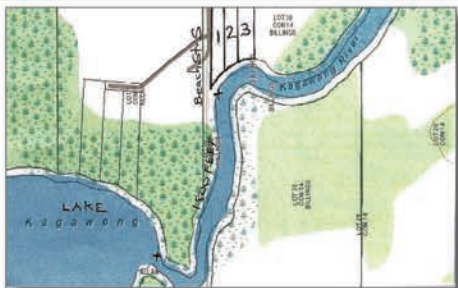
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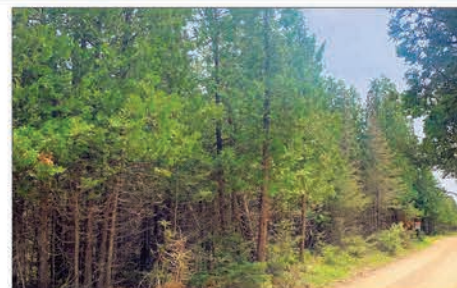
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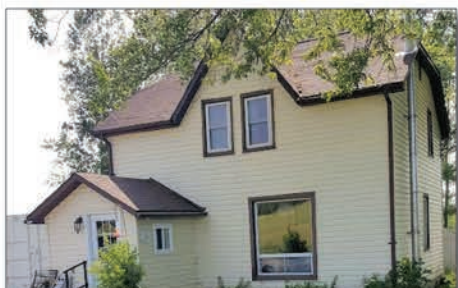
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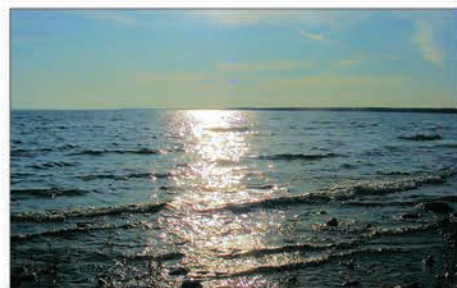
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Up to 50% of Ontario's public schools have surpassed lead content tests

by **Jacqueline St. Pierre**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

ONTARIO—The University of Toronto School of Public Health and Investigative Journalism Bureau (IJB) published a damning report which shows that since 2019, up to 50 percent of Ontario's public schools have had at least one test surpass the federal safety guideline for toxic lead content. There is a possibility that more than 800,000 students in the thereabouts of 2,300 elementary and high schools may have been impacted.

In ascending order, the following schools had the highest lead content in their drinking water: Leaside High School, Toronto District School Board. Tested 74 times between 2019-2023. Just over 40 percent of tests exceeded the federal guideline of 5 parts per billion (ppb); Trenton High School, Hastings and Prince Edward County. Tested 154 times between 2019-2023. Nearly half of the tests exceeded 5 ppb. Highest reading was 71.9 ppb in September 2020; Cambridge Street Public School, Ottawa-Carleton District School Board. Tested 44 times between 2019-2023. Forty-one out of 44 tests exceeded the federal guideline of 5 ppb. Four tests ranged between 105 ppb and 136 ppb; First Avenue Public School, Ottawa-Carleton District School Board. Tested 61 times between 2019-2023.

More than 80 percent of tests exceeded 5 ppb. Two tests reached 1,500 ppb and 1,730 ppb.

Overall, the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board had the highest ratio of tests exceeding federal safety guidelines, with about a third of approximately 5,300 tests surpassing the limit between 2019 and 2023. Schools in Peel, Dufferin, Hastings, and Prince Edward County also reported high numbers of tests above federal guidelines.

While the Rainbow District School Board is not mentioned in the reporting, it does not preclude them.

Nicole Charette, senior advisor for the corporate communications department of the Rainbow District School Board, says that the school board prioritizes projects based on expected life cycles on the condition of the facilities and that extensive work has been done in the district, including but not limited to replacing roofs and windows, upgrading mechanical systems and renovating learning spaces.

"We have also built new schools and consolidated older facilities," Ms. Charette said. "Our goal is to maximize the funds received to the benefit of our students. We also prioritize sustainability though green technology and energy efficiencies."

Mike Mantha, MPP for Algoma-Manitoulin, said

he feels that the provincial government isn't doing enough to meet the changing needs of its constituents. "I don't have the answer as to how big of a threat it is to us locally," he said regretfully. "It is difficult to get ahold of the backlogs as to what is falling into disrepair. We have to look at what role the Ministry of Environment and if assents and repairs are being done routinely—it doesn't seem to be a priority to them."

Ontario is among the few provinces in the country that have not implemented the federal safety guideline for lead, which was created in 2013 and restricts the lead content in brass fittings used in plumbing. In an emailed statement, Ontario's Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks did not address questions about why the province chose not to adopt the federal safety guidelines for lead. Instead they doubled down saying, "Ontario has one of the most stringent testing regimes for lead in drinking water in the entire country ... Ontario will continue to work with our partners through our comprehensive framework to protect Ontario's drinking water from source to tap."

However, five years after Health Canada reduced the maximum acceptable lead levels in drinking water from 10 parts per billion to 5 ppb, Ontario, New Brunswick and Saskatch-

ewan still measure safety at the previous limit of 10 ppb.

Because of the higher threshold (10 ppb instead of 5 ppb) that means that the incidents of exceedances are actually double what the province reported. The skewed federal and provincial safety guidelines for lead are misleading to Ontarians', according to IJB.

"The (provincial) government isn't responding to the priorities of the people within the province," Mr. Mantha went on to say. "We know that there is a lack of student support and the boards are trying to ameliorate that situation with limited funding. It is the provinces duty to provide safe and clean infrastructure. We need a bureaucratic change that prioritizes health care and education. This is a huge ongoing issue."

Out of around 100,000 tests done on drinking water in Ontario public schools from 2019 to 2023, 13 percent showed lead levels higher than Health Canada's safe limit of 5 ppb. Almost half of the 4,875 public schools tested had at least one result above the federal guideline.

In the province's child-care centres, lead tests from the same period revealed that almost four percent, or over 1,000 tests, had lead levels above the federal guideline. In private schools, six percent of the tests showed lead lev-

els exceeding the federal limit.

A comprehensive 2023 World Bank study revealed that in 2019, children under five globally lost 765 million IQ points due to lead exposure from various sources, including drinking water. The study also estimates Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) and the Ontario Municipal Water Association are urging the province to lower the guideline to match the national standard and to map and remove all lead service lines by 2030. They

stated that the existing regulations are outdated and inadequate for protecting public health, putting Ontarians' health at unnecessary risk.

"The legislation and Ontario's regulatory framework for lead in drinking water are incomplete, outdated, and insufficient to protect public health," stated the two organizations on May 7. "Failing to review and update the current laws and regulations is putting the health of Ontario residents at unnecessary risk."

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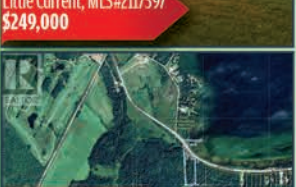
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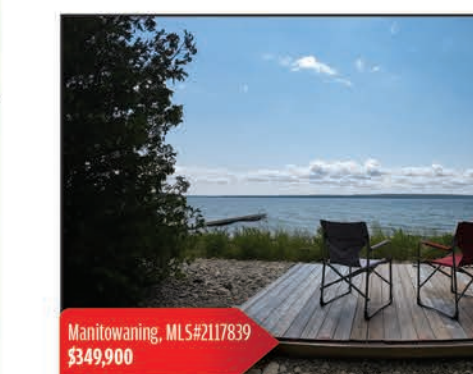
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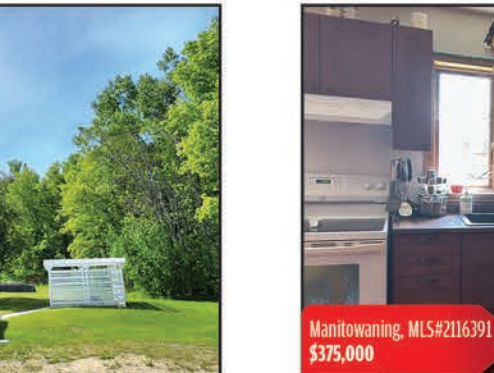
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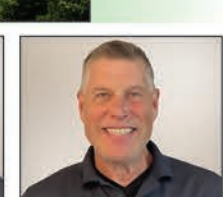
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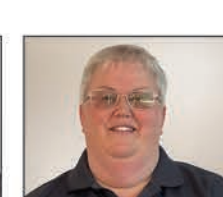
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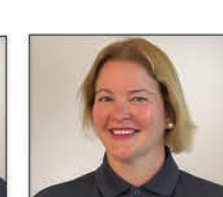
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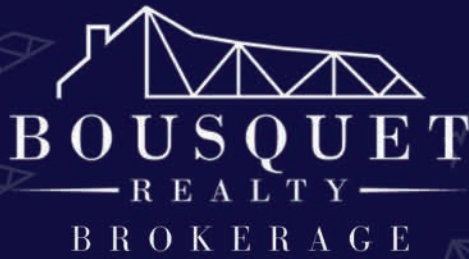


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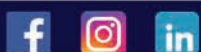
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Olivia Cicciarella: A rising martial arts star with strong Manitoulin roots

by Ed Prudhomme

In the heart of Toronto, a young martial artist in Grade 5 is making waves, driven by her passion and guided by one of Canada's most respected martial arts masters. Olivia Cicciarella, alongside her mother Stephanie Cicciarella, and grandchild to Ed and Connie Ferguson of Green Bay Manitoulin represents the DeSantos Martial Arts school, led by the esteemed 'Kwan Jan Nim' (a Korean honourific term which means Master Instructor or Master of one's house) Veronica DeSantos.

Olivia said of her teacher "We're incredibly lucky to have Kwan Jan Nim DeSantos. She's such an inspiration to everyone there. She's also really good for young girls because of everything that she's accomplished and the experience she brings to her students." With a legacy of teaching that spans over three decades, Grandmaster DeSantos is a trailblazer in the martial arts community, having achieved numerous accolades, including being the first woman inducted into the North American Martial Arts Hall of Fame in 1999. Olivia added "I hope I can do as much to represent women in sport someday through my own achievements."

Olivia, who was featured by the Expositor during last year's Haweater Festival weekend, has continued to impress with her dedication and achievements. Despite being scheduled to test for her red belt, Olivia's exceptional progress has led to an early opportunity to test for



Olivia Cicciarella, a grandchild of Ed and Connie Ferguson of Green Bay, Manitoulin represents the DeSantos Martial Arts school and competes internationally.



Olivia is getting an opportunity to test for her black belt even though she is still in Grade 5 and despite only being scheduled for her red belt. The young athlete demonstrated some of her amazing skills following her interview.

her black belt, a significant milestone that opens doors to competitions she wouldn't otherwise have been eligible to participate in.

Reflecting on her journey, Olivia

shared, "It has taken a lot of hard work and dedication to get here. There are some nights I have even had to sleep at the dojo for special camps and events. I have been doing a lot of community ser-
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Manitoulin Sporting Life

Ice Chips to Canoe Quips

by Larry and André Leblanc



Haw-some runners!

The annual Haw Run(s) took place over this past weekend's Haweater Weekend in Little Current and despite the heat and humidity a record of 122 runners braved the conditions. The Haw was the fourth event on the Breakaway Sports schedule.

In the 5K distance, **T.J. Green** was first overall (18:19), being pushed by **John Kosar** (18:40) and **Alan Wilkin** (18:41)! **Heather Ferguson** (22:34) was the fastest female in front of **Laurel Leconte** and **Liz Van Every**. The U-16 females were led by **Alice May** with a great 27:34 clocking, ahead of **Madeline Keller** and youngster, **Sarah Joyce**. The U-16 male division was won by **Lucas Trotter** in a competitive race (22:05), staving off **Aiden Steedman**, 17 seconds behind and Aiden was 36 seconds in front of third place, **Oliver Hall!** The Masters Female category saw **Sari Harris** in first, **Joey-Lynn France** second and **Nancy Charbonneau**, third. In the Masters Males', **Tim Verlaan**, **Dave Lee** and **Greg Bond** were the medalists, respectively.

Those choosing twice as much heat and pavement were fewer but enjoyed twice the 'fun' in the 10K! First overall was **Adam Ferguson** (39:18), taking the Open Male division. **Christian Kaiser-Fox** was second and **Aaron Doxtator**, third. The first woman was **Shannon Miller** (41:54) and the second fastest over the distance, **Lindsay Moreau-Verlaan**

all over competing in races and building stamina and racing experience. **Nathan Quackenbush** and **Dane Gibeault** were just down to race in the Ontario Cup race at the Mansfield Outdoor Centre in Mulmur, ON.

Nathan Quackenbush had a strong race and finished 13th in the U15 division. **Dane Gibeault** was racing in the U17 Expert division but had a crash in his first lap and couldn't finish. He was a little sore and his bike needed some minor adjustments, but he is ready to race again. No worries on the crash, Dane. Wags in the scene will say, "if you are not crashing, you are not trying hard enough!" A couple of racers looking forward to the Provincial Championships in August at the Kelso Conservation Area will be held over three days from August 9th-11th. Best of luck to **Nathan** and **Bradley Slight** this weekend.

Crater Conquered!

Little Current's **Andrew Jeffery** who now hails from Southampton down on the Bruce has been competing in a few triathlons lately. At the Conquer the Crater triathlon in Sudbury, he came first in his age category. He was in a race two weeks ago in Owen Sound and did one in Victoria on vacation where I understand that he had two flat tires! If it weren't for bad luck, Andrew?

Pickleball Points!

The Manitoulin Pickleball Club keeps



Manitoulin Pickleball Club members keep on improving their game and facilities. They are always ready to accept new members into the fold.

took the silver and **Romana Benoit** earned the bronze medal. Young teen, **David Joyce** was the lone U-16 male and **Mila Odjig** and **Brooke Simon** were also the only courageous, U-16 girls!

Congratulations of course to the other 97 participants! Next up on the Breakaway Events page is the 6-hour Relay and kids' race, mountain bike extravaganza at the fabulous trail complex at McLean's Park on Assiginack's New England Road on August 31!

MTB'ers gain valuable experience!

Local mountain biker teens have been

on improving their game and facilities. They just installed windscreens on the Little Current Pickleball/Tennis courts at the NEMI Recreational Center.

The conditions of the courts have admittedly deteriorated over time with cracks and rough spots. However, windscreens will reduce the effects of high winds for those playing tennis or pickleball on the NEMI courts.

The Manitoulin Pickleball Club plays five days a week at the NEMI Recreational Center, indoors on the curling rink surface or on the outdoor courts. For more information, check the Manitoulin Pickleball website or Facebook page.

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Island cyclists gearing up for the 5th annual Bay to Bay Ride

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The Gore Bay Rotary Club Bay to Bay Bicycle Ride will once again benefit the community this year.

“This year will mark our fifth year of the Bay-to-Bay Ride,” said Rotarian Peter Carter. “We have raised close to \$50,000 over the first four years of the

ride. This year we decided to lower the registration fee to \$35, and hopefully we will be able to make a generous donation to the Lyons Memorial United

Church food cupboard.”

The ride will take place this Saturday, August 10. “We have had so many people asking for a 50-kilometre route that we will have one this year to go with the 100- and 200-kilometre routes,” said Mr. Carter.

“We make the routes different every year so that riders truly have a feeling of the beauty of Western Manitoulin and the area around Gore Bay,” said Mr. Carter. “This year we will be highlighting Barrie Island, and all three routes will have a portion of the ride that includes it.” He noted the ride normally brings in many riders from Sudbury and area to take part and is hopeful this will be the case again this year. “We also have a couple of riders from Sarnia taking part this year,” said Mr. Carter. “In fact, one of the riders will be riding from Sarnia to Gore Bay before taking part in our ride.”

“We would not be able to do all of this without Breakaway Sports and the Quackenbush family who are a big promoter of our ride and cycling on Manitoulin Island,” said Mr. Carter.



Rotarian Peter Carter is getting ready for the popular Bay to Bay fundraising ride. The ride has raised close to \$50,000 through its previous four years.

All three ride loops will be supported with volunteers on hand to support the riders if their bikes break down, or they need water. And “a high-quality lunch will be provided, with the sandwiches being made by members of the Lyons Memorial Unit-

ed Church auxiliary,” continued Mr. Carter.

For this year’s ride, “we will be staggering the starting times for the three loops more effectively so each loop will finish around 3-4 pm in the afternoon,” said Mr. Carter. The 200-kilometre ride will begin at 7 am, followed by the 100-kilometre ride at 9 am and the 50-kilometre ride at 11 pm. All ride routes start and finish at the Harbour Pavilion on the Gore Bay waterfront.

Mr. Carter pointed out one of the riders, Jeff Smith, is representing Manitoulin Transport which is a major sponsor of the ride, along with Split Rail Brewing Company and Pat Noble Lumber.

“The Gore Bay Western Manitoulin Lions Club will be hosting a light dinner later after the ride at the Harbour Pavilion,” said Mr. Carter.

“The funds from this year’s ride is again going to a great cause,” said Mr. Carter. People can register online at GoreBayRotary.org and follow the links to United Church Bay to Bay Ride.



STUDENT SUCCESS AND ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Hours: Full-time 35 hours/week
Salary Range: \$57,208 - \$69,766 /year + Group Benefits and Pension (Subject to education and/or experience or a combination of both)

The Student Success and Engagement Coordinator will play a crucial role in promoting WRFN students' overall well-being by providing support, resources and programs that enhance their physical, emotional and mental health. This position involves direct interaction with students, coordination of wellness initiatives and collaboration with other departments to create a healthy and supportive learning environment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Wellness Support and Counselling:

- Provide one-on-one and group counselling sessions to support students' mental health and emotional well-being.
- Offer crisis intervention and management, ensuring students receive timely and appropriate care.
- Develop and implement individualized wellness plans in collaboration with students.
- Builds relationships, trust and credibility.

Health Promotion and Education:

- Design and deliver workshops, seminars and campaigns focused on various aspects of student wellness, including stress management, nutrition, physical activity and substance abuse prevention.
- Create educational materials and resources to raise awareness about wellness issues and promote healthy lifestyles.

Program Coordination:

- Plan, coordinate and evaluate wellness programs and activities that address the diverse needs of the WRFN students.

Resource Management and Referral:

- Maintain up-to-date knowledge of community resources and services related to health and wellness.

Data Collection and Reporting:

- Collect and analyze data on student wellness needs, program participation and outcomes to inform program development and improvement.

Advocacy and Support:

- Advocate for student wellness needs within the school, promoting policies and practices that support a healthy campus environment.
- Act as a liaison between students, their families, school staff and administration.

*For a complete Job Description, please email: hrmanager@whitefishriver.ca

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree in Social Work, Psychology, or a related field.
- Minimum two (2) to five (5) years of relevant experience providing direct support to students (including, e.g., work-integrated learning, co-op, community engagement, career services) environment.
- Thorough knowledge and understanding of best practices in advising and career coaching.
- Experience developing and maintaining school partnerships.
- Knowledge and appreciation of Anishinabek Culture, traditions, language and history.
- Writing skills to prepare plans, reports, presentations, correspondence and other documents.
- Excellent oral and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to develop and maintain confidential incident reports using a standardized format and to deliver workshops.
- Knowledge and skills in working with youth living with mental health challenges, along with current issues facing Indigenous Youth.
- A valid Ontario Class “G” Driver's Licence and access to a reliable personal vehicle.
- The candidate must have strong computer skills, including using Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Adobe Acrobat and email software and adapting to and learning new technologies.

SKILLS:

- Demonstrated excellent organizational and time management skills, attention to detail and accuracy; strong analytical and problem-solving skills, professional manner, tact, diplomacy and ability to work well with all levels of school staff and students.
- Strong and accurate data entry skills and intermediate skills with databases.
- Demonstrated ability to handle conflicting priorities and deadlines; to interpret and advise on policy.
- Excellent multi-tasking skills under high-stress situations.
- Patience and ability to develop collaborative relationships with internal and external constituents.
- Ability to create a welcoming student environment and provide excellent customer service.
- Sound knowledge of School and WRFN policies and procedures.

*Must provide an up-to-date Police Vulnerable Sector Screening Check upon hire.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 15TH 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Interested applicants must submit a current cover letter, resumé, two (2) work-related references and one (1) character reference (with contact information) to:

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Whitefish River First Nation
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JANITOR (2ND POSTING) EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Salary: \$32,691 - \$39,867/year (+ group benefits and pension)
Hours: 35 hours/week

The Janitor will also be responsible for cleaning the Maamwe Kendaasing Childcare Centre, WRFN Health Centre and Waubetek facilities. The Janitor will be responsible for cleaning throughout the facilities. The Janitor must be skilled in their cleaning techniques, with a keen eye for detail and a thorough approach to a wide variety of tasks. The Janitor will occasionally be called upon to assist with emergency response, minor repairs and event set-ups/set-downs.

Key Responsibilities (including but not limited to):

- Clean and upkeep floors, washrooms, tables, desks, chairs, offices and garbage disposal daily.
- Sweep, mop, vacuum and scrub floors; clean, dust and polish furniture; wash windows and walls.
- Clean and sanitize restrooms; dispose of garbage and recyclables.
- Wash dishes, clean refrigerator and ensure organization of kitchens/lunch rooms.
- Change lighting, etc.; make certain all areas of the building are kept in a clean, sanitary and orderly condition.
- Sanitize all equipment and furniture.
- Check and clear all walkways and entrances to the buildings for ice or slippery conditions.
- Keep all access areas clean and safe by sweeping, shovelling, salting and sanding.
- Maintain inventory and request cleaning supplies and materials to accomplish assigned tasks.
- Secure equipment and supplies and protect against pilferage, loss, theft or abuse.
- Periodically inspect or otherwise maintain awareness of buildings and equipment to detect and prevent injuries or damage.

For a complete job description, email: hrmanager@whitefishriver.ca

Qualifications:

- Grade 12 Diploma or equivalent.
- Must have CPR/First Aid and WHMIS or be willing to obtain.
- Must have Biohazard Cleanup Training or be willing to obtain.
- Previous Janitor experience or related work experience would be an asset.
- Strong commitment to accuracy and detail.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills; ability to follow oral and written instructions.
- Self-motivation and the ability to work independently as well as in a team environment.
- Able to prioritize multiple tasks and impeccable time management.
- Must have a valid driver's licence and access to a reliable vehicle.
- The physical ability to move, lift furniture and safely operate cleaning equipment.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 9TH 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Interested applicants must submit a current cover letter, resumé, two (2) work-related references and one (1) character reference (with contact information) to:

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c/o Human Resources
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MFR opens Treasures Thrift Store in Mindemoya

MINDEMOYA—Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR) will be opening the Treasures Thrift Store on Saturdays for the next few weeks.

“We are very busy in the Treasures Thrift Store, with lots of donations having been coming in,” said Vanessa Glasby, food security program officer with MFR. “As of (last) week and until the end of August, we will now be opening the store on Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm. We are doing this on a trial run, looking at next summer, and we feel it will appeal to people who work during the week but would like to use the services of the thrift store on the weekend.”

“We have been very busy and have re-

ceived lots of donations for the thrift store and are hoping to be able to move more of those items out of the store with the additional day,” said Ms. Glasby.

While the Food Bank will not be open as well on Saturday, Ms. Glasby explained, “the food bank is very busy, but right now donations are down.”

The Treasures Thrift Store and the Food Bank will now be open Tuesday from 10 am to 2 pm and Wednesday from 4 to 8 pm (closed Thursday and Monday). Both facilities are open Friday from 10 am to 2 pm, and the thrift store will be open Saturday through the end of August from 10 am to 2 pm.



POST-SECONDARY AND ADULT EDUCATION COORDINATOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Hours: Full-time 35 hours/week
Salary Range: \$49,036 - \$59,800 /year + Group Benefits and Pension
 (Subject to education and/or experience or a combination of both)

The Post Secondary & Adult Education Coordinator will provide guidance in the development, planning and execution of multiple complex programs in support of and in alignment with the department's strategic plan to reach the vision and mission of the department and WRFN. The Post Secondary and Adult Education Coordinator will establish and maintain strong internal and external partnerships and strong connections to students and adult learners to support the successful completion of school and facilitate entry into careers.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Post-Secondary Program:

- Administers the Whitefish River First Nation's (WRFN) Post-Secondary Education (PSE) program under WRFN's PSE program policy and guidelines.
- Accepting, screening, and, once approved, processing all WRFN Post-Secondary applications for funding.
- Assisting members with post-secondary program support in various areas, including assisting with requests for funding, bursaries or scholarship applications.
- Reviewing, verifying and preparing all WRFN Post-Secondary applications for funding, including forecasted student budgets and recommending funding limits for presentation to the Education Manager within required timeframes.
- Preparing letters notifying students of application results and tuition letters verifying student sponsorship for educational institutions within required timeframes and as needed.

Adult Education:

- Address any challenges adult learners face in overcoming barriers to learning and education to help them achieve their full potential.
- Promote positive attitudes from learners towards education to ensure students benefit fully from the opportunities available.
- Provide assistance with intervention strategies to students who experience barriers to learning or attending school.

Counselling and Collaboration:

- Interact regularly with all students through virtual or in-person meetings.
- Provide advocacy and liaison services to enable students and adult learners to reach their academic and career goals.
- Manage the day-to-day project activities, interacting with students, Colleges and Universities, and other funding agencies as needed.

Administration:

- Develop a list and process for emailing students and/or providing regular information via Constant Contact to Communications personnel for dissemination.
- Maintain an accurate, up-to-date filing system and database for WRFN-sponsored and supported students.

***For a complete Job Description, please email: hrmanager@whitefishriver.ca**

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Diploma in Business, Education, Social Work or Community Development.
- Experience managing or coordinating a First Nation departmental budget or program over 2-3 years.
- Class G Driver's licence, reliable vehicle and the ability to travel.
- Experience in delivering presentations and in meeting coordination.
- Advanced computer skills in Microsoft Office Suite (Outlook, Word, Excel) and proficiency in promotional computer software.
- Previous experience working within a First Nation education sector would be an asset.
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills.
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills and the ability to work with minimal supervision.
- Thorough knowledge and understanding of best practices in advising and career coaching.
- Experience developing and maintaining school partnerships.
- Knowledge and appreciation of Anishinabek Culture, traditions, language and history.
- Writing skills to prepare plans, reports, presentations, correspondence and other documents.

SKILLS:

- Knowledge of Indigenous culture, history and beliefs.
- Lived experience as an Indigenous student and person accessing post-secondary programs.
- Demonstrated excellent organizational and time management skills, attention to detail and accuracy.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills, professional manner, tact, diplomacy and ability to work well with all levels of school staff and students.
- Strong and accurate data entry skills and intermediate skills with databases.
- Demonstrated ability to handle conflicting priorities and deadlines; to interpret and advise on policy.
- Excellent multi-tasking skills under high-stress situations.
- Patience and ability to develop collaborative relationships with internal and external constituents.
- Ability to create a welcoming student environment and provide excellent customer service.
- Sound knowledge of School and WRFN policies and procedures.

***Must provide an up-to-date Police Vulnerable Sector Screening Check upon hire.**

APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 15TH, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

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BOARD VACANCY OFF-RESERVE REPRESENTATIVE

The Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Board of Directors seeks an application to fill a Board vacancy specific to First Nation members living off-reserve.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is comprised of a multi-disciplinary team of health professionals who provide community-based, integrated and on and off-site services that include: Traditional Healing and Cultural Support Services, Primary and Clinical Care Services, Mental Health and Addictions Services and Health and Wellness Programs and Services to the seven First Nations and off-reserve Anishinabek populations living within the Manitoulin Island District, Espanola and area.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is seeking one (1) board member that is interested in making a difference for Indigenous health; specifically, applicants must live off-reserve within the Manitoulin Island District and Espanola area. The off-reserve applicant will have familiarity with board governance, strategic organizational planning, funding and reporting requirements and experience in reviewing budgets is an asset.

The length of each term is four (4) years. The successful applicant must commit to attending monthly regularly scheduled board meetings, and other special meetings (annual general meeting, strategic planning, etc.) throughout the year, participating in up to 15 meetings per year.

For more information about the organization, please visit the website at: www.noojmowin-teg.ca.

Pre-requisites:
Please submit the following:

- Cover letter (outlining reasons for your interest and what strengths you bring to the board)
- Resume or description of experiences relevant to the position
- Three (3) relevant references with contact information
- Current and clear Criminal Reference Check
- Must be able to provide proof of Status

Send "Confidential" to:
Attn: Board Chair c/o Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd., Postal Bag 2002
Little Current, ON P0P 1K0
Ph.: 705-368-0083 ext. 235, Fax: 705-368-3922
Or email: debbie.francis@noojmowin-teg.ca

Deadline: Posting is open until filled

Miigwech/Thank you to those who express interest and submit an application.
Only those under consideration will be contacted.

Breeze Around the Bay Run attracts 78 runners to its inaugural event

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—The first annual Breeze Around the Bay Run held as part of the Gore Bay Harbour Days celebrations in July was a huge success!

“Yes, I was overwhelmed,” stated Kelly Chaytor, main organizer of the event. “Greg Bond had said if we had 40 participants it should be deemed a success. We had a total of 78 runners overall.”

“And everyone who took part seems game to

do it again next year,” said Ms. Chaytor. “I’m sure the event will grow as word gets around about it. It was a good way to help round out the Harbour Days weekend.”

Proceeds from the run will be going to the Gore Bay/Gordon Volunteer Fire Department. “We raised a little over \$2,100,” said Ms. Chaytor. She pointed out Manitoulin Transport had donated \$1,000, Bousquet Realty donated \$50 plus a prize, and B.J.’s and Addison’s

OK Tire and Auto Service donated \$50. The rest of the money was raised through the registration fees paid the runners.”

Mike Addison, Gore Bay/Gordon fire chief said, “We’re grateful for the donation. I don’t complain at how much funding support we get, but any time we receive more support it allows us to do additional things that benefit the members of the fire department and provides for additional safety for the public.”

“If the firefighters are willing to help out with the run next year as they did this year, I am thinking they can pick out a charity that the funds raised can go toward,” added Ms. Chaytor.

As for the run itself, a total of 38 runners took part in the one-kilometre run and 40 in the five-kilometre event.


In the five kilometre under 16 division, David Joyce led the way in a

time of 21:49:00, with Zen Wendt second in a time of 23:07:00 and Arlo Menzies third in a time of 23:20. In the female division, Madigan Eppink was first

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A total of 38 runners took part in the one kilometre fun run as part of the ‘Breeze Around the Bay Run,’ one of the many events held during the Gore Bay Harbour Days celebrations.



KINA Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services
Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services (KGCFs) is a designated Child Welfare Service delivering Child Protection Services within seven member First Nations in the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin. KGCFs honours and supports our families’ and community’s inherent authority to care for their children based on unity, traditions, values, beliefs and customs. **Preference will be given to Anishinaabe Candidates, please self-identify in your application.**

We are currently inviting applications for the following employment opportunities:

Manitoulin:
Team Assistant: Closes August 9, 2024
Jordan’s Principle Service Coordinator: Closes August 9, 2024
Post Majority Support Worker: Closes August 9, 2024

Sudbury:
After Hours - Contract: Closes August 9, 2024
Youth Cultural Outreach Worker: August 9, 2024

Sudbury or Manitoulin:
Property Officer — Contract: Closes August 9, 2024
(4) Youth Cultural Support Worker: Closes August 9, 2024
(4) Youth Connection Worker: Closes August 9, 2024
Volunteer Driver: Open Recruitment


All postings close at 4 pm EST

To apply, kindly send your application to our Human Resources department at hr@kgcfs.org, ensuring to specify the position title in the subject line. For comprehensive job descriptions and to access the postings, please visit our website at: www.kgcfs.org/employment-opportunities

At KGCFs, we are steadfast in our dedication to fostering a work environment that is accessible to all, in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code. Should you require any accommodations during the recruitment process, please do not hesitate to request them. We sincerely appreciate your interest in joining the team; however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

As a condition of employment, the successful candidate will be required to provide the following documents: a Satisfactory Criminal Reference Check and/or Vulnerable Sector Check (dated within 3 months of the application date), Driver’s Abstract and Proof of Liability Insurance.

Thank you for considering a career opportunity with us.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Aftercare Support Worker
(Multiple casual positions available)**

Position Description:
A part-time position; responsible for the implementation of participant treatment plans, monitoring participant wellness, monitoring the facility, cleaning the facility, program laundry and other duties as required.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Responsible for implementing direction in the Live-in Aftercare Program
- Responsible for monitoring the facility; facility upkeep and cleaning
- Responsible for maintaining IPAC Best Practices
- Responsible for inputting case notes to the EMR Database
- Responsible for reporting to the Aftercare Team Leader
- Responsible for monitoring participant wellness and whereabouts
- Continue to develop and implement model of care
- Assist program participants in continuing their recovery via life skills, education, therapeutic interventions
- Other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Entry level position (training provided) with preference given to a diploma in social service work, or related field with mental health and addictions training, or combination of education and relevant work experience.
- Preference given to an Individual of Anishinaabe ancestry with knowledge and understanding of Anishinabek history, clan systems, protocols, etiquette, culture, traditions and ceremonies
- Demonstrated superior interpersonal and communication skills (both written and verbal)
- Ability to prioritize multiple responsibilities and projects
- Able to participate in outdoor and athletic programming
- Mature individual who can work independently with preference given to individuals living a traditional lifestyle and being on a life-long journey in traditional knowledge

Requirements:

- Possesses a valid Ontario class ‘G’ driver’s licence in good standing with access to a reliable vehicle, able to obtain an ‘F’ class driver’s licence with a preference given to those who already hold a class ‘F’ driver’s licence
- Vulnerable Sector Check
- Ability to work outside normal business hours and weekends and on call as required
- Must have a relevant diploma and work experience

Compensation: Starting at \$20/hour
Closing Date: Open until filled

**To Apply: Please complete the application online at gwek.bamboohr.com/careers
Contact mmaracle@gwek.ca with any questions.**

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




**GWEKWAADZIWIN MIIKAN
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Withdrawal Management/Harm Reduction Support Worker
(Multiple positions available)**

Position Description:
A full-time contract position, responsible for the development and implementation of acute withdrawal, distribution of Harm Reduction supplies, safe/flex beds and Opioid Agonist Tapering services as part of the Gwekwaadziwin Miikan continuum of services.

Responsibilities and Duties:

- Reporting to the Withdrawal Management/Harm Reduction Team Leader
- Program development and implementation
- Responsible for supporting the intake of program participants
- Electronic file and paper file management
- Communicate with participants and their families about the program
- Supporting referrals to external organizations
- Responsible for liaising with community organizations
- Group and one-to-one interactions
- Assist in implementation of research and outcome measurement projects
- Various administrative duties as needed

Qualifications:

- Minimum requirement is a degree in social services, nursing, or other related human service diploma with mental health and addictions training
- Preference given to an Individual of Anishinaabe ancestry with knowledge and understanding of Anishinabek history, clan systems, protocols, etiquette, culture, traditions and ceremonies
- Proven experience with office administration and electronic medical records
- Experience working in Mental Health and Addictions field
- Experience working in the Withdrawal Management sector and knowledge of best practices
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Salary: Starting at \$54,000/annual
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...Breeze Around the Bay Run attracts 78 runners to its inaugural event

...continued from page 4A in a time of 25:22:00, with Heather Eppink second in 26:31:00. Brooke Simon was third with a time of 26:40:00. In the male category, Wyatt Wright, led this division and all runners in the event with a

time of 18:44:00. Christian Kaiser-Fox was second in a time of 20:20:00 with Will Alexander third in a time of 24:10:00
A total of 40 local businesses donated prizes for the runners.



There were three divisions in the Breeze Around the Bay run held as part of the Gore Bay Harbour Days celebrations. In photo from left, Wyatt Wright took top spot in the male five kilometre run division, with David Joyce first in the male under 16 category and Madigan Eppink first in the female division. A total of 78 runners took part in the five kilometre race and one kilometre fun run.



From left in photo Christian Kaiser-Fox placed second in the male five kilometre run division at the Breeze Around the Bay Run, with Zen Wendt second in the male under 16 division, and Heather Eppink second in the female division.



Wyatt Wright led the way overall among the 40 runners in the five kilometre run as part of the Breeze Around the Bay Fun Run, held as part of the Gore Bay Harbour Day celebrations.

Wanted: Cleaner

Washdown surfaces, floors, bathroom, microwave, fridge, change bedding, and more

1 to 3 hours per week

Wage negotiable

House in Tehkummah

Call Jennie at 647-284-6076

Part-time bar steward needed

Up-to-date Smart Serve certificate required

Send resume to rclbr.177@hotmail.com attention Leslie Burnett or leslieannburnett63@gmail.com or drop off at Little Current Legion after 4 pm Tuesday to Saturday

Start date as soon as possible

3 COWS & A CONE IS LOOKING FOR

Year-Round, Full-Time Cooks, Kitchen Help & Mature Counter Staff

Come join our team

For further information send resume to: staff3cows@hotmail.com or call the store at 705-368-3524 and ask to speak to a Manager.

MANAGER WANTED!

3 Cows & A Cone, located on Manitoulin Island is a fast-paced restaurant/dairy bar that has an opening for a full-time, year-round, 40-hr a week **Hands-On Manager**. We not only serve ice-cream, but burgers, fries, pizza and other fast foods. We are looking for a forward-thinking person with experience in the business or a recent graduate of a restaurant/hospitality program. You should be able to supervise staff of up to 30 young individuals, work independently and be able to make basic business decisions while following company policies. You will report to the General Manager. The salary shown is solely based on experience and is subject to review with the right candidate. If you are interested in working on Manitoulin Island, please send your resumé to pantry3cow@hotmail.com to be considered for an interview. If you wish to find out more, you can also call 705-282-7753.

Annual Salary:
\$45,000 - \$60,000 (based on experience).

JOB POSTING

Teacher for 2024-2025 school year

Full-Time: Monday-Friday (35 hours/week)

JOB DESCRIPTION: The ideal candidate will be passionate for the job with an ability to reach out to each student and create a positive relationship of mutual respect, trust and honesty. We are seeking a teacher to assist students with class assignments, review subject material, prepare for tests and advocate on their behalf. This individual must possess a degree in education or equivalency. Experience working with secondary students in a classroom environment. Knowledge and understanding of Google operating systems, iPads, Chrome Books, Smart Boards and educational applications is required for this position. Knowledge and understanding of the Ojibwe language and its peoples are assets for this job.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist students to learn and understand concepts, assist with completion of homework and ensuring their work has been handed into the teacher;
- Work directly with students from Grades 9-12 at Manitoulin Secondary School;
- Work in collaboration with students, parents and teachers at M.S.S., AOKFN Education Counsellor, Band Manager and Chief & Council;
- Provide knowledge and instruction to each student advocating for the implementation of IEPs (if applicable);
- Working knowledge of the Ministry of Education updated curriculum guidelines;
- Access and record students' progress and provide weekly updates, monthly reports and feedback to Education Counsellor;
- Collaborate with teachers and principal from M.S.S. regarding AOKFN students' needs, challenges and strengths;
- Participate in meetings as directed with teachers, parents, AOKFN Education, Band Manager, and Chief and Council;
- Observe and understand students' psyche and report suspicions of child abuse and neglect following AOKFN protocol;
- Understanding of First Nations' history, culture and Ojibwe language skills an asset;
- Must possess a valid 'G' licence, First-aid, and CPR training up-to-date.

Interested applicants, who meet the qualifications as listed above, must submit a SIGNED cover letter, current resume, photocopy of degree/diploma, credentials and three (3) references with phone numbers to:

Attention: AOKFN Teacher
13 Hill Street
LITTLE CURRENT, ON
POP 1K0

Only qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. The successful candidate will be asked to provide a current Vulnerable Sector Check.

DEADLINE DATE: August 16, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.

Gore Bay/Assiginack Child Care Centre

43 Hall Street, P.O. Box 256, Gore Bay, ON P0P 1H0 T 705-282-8669 F 705-282-8679
134 Michael's Bay Road, Manitowaning, ON P0P 1N0 T 705-859-2001 v 705-859-1234

Supervisor - Full Time

Wage: \$26/hour

This position will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of Assiginack Child Care Centre in Manitowaning.

The successful candidate must have:

- 2-year diploma in Early Childhood Education or equivalent.
- Be registered and in good standing with the College of ECEs (Registered Early Childhood Educator).
- Strong understanding of current theories (including How Does Learning Happen? ELECT and Think, Feel, Act), governing agencies requirements, Child Care and Early Years Act, Public Health and Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice in the Early Learning community.
- Experience in marketing and program promotion both face to face and virtual.
- Proficiency with Google Drive (sheets & docs) including MS Word and Excel.
- Strong relationship development skills with the ability to build and maintain both formal and informal networks.
- Sound judgment and decision-making skills with the ability to effectively administer/reinforce policies as appropriate.
- Strong problem-solving skills with the ability to analyze and diagnose the issue, reaching a suitable solution.
- Ability to work in stressful situations with the ability to respond to changes and fluctuating demands with shifting deadlines.
- Strong written/communication skills with the ability to clearly articulate directions, concepts and information.
- Experience and understanding of working efficiently in a diverse environment.
- Current Driver's licence and access to a reliable vehicle.

Note: The successful candidate must have valid First Aid and CPR certification, proof of immunizations and a clear vulnerable sector screening check. This position has physical requirements such as lifting and physical play with young children. We strive to foster an organization that reflects the diversity of the community we serve and welcome applications from all qualified candidates. We encourage applications from individuals from underserved and underrepresented cultural and racial communities.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: MONDAY AUGUST 19, 2024
Please forward Applications to:
Andrea Lewis
Executive Director, Gore Bay/Assiginack Child Care Centre
andrea@gorebaychildcare.com

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the volume of applications, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

..Olivia Cicciarella: A rising martial arts star with strong Manitoulin roots

...continued from page 1A vice and volunteer work on behalf of the dojo.”

Her mother, Mrs. Cicciarella, emphasized the importance of balancing academics with her daughter's intense training schedule. “Olivia has had to maintain good grades at school, and she's also done a lot to bring attention to the sport, encouraging other kids and girls to join and participate. The club and Kwan Jan Nim DeSantos make sure to run a holistic program that encourages excellence in all aspects of life.” Olivia added “I have been helping to teach classes to other kids, doing demonstrations, and even helping to teach self-defence classes.” Olivia added that she may have an opportunity in the near future to participate in martial arts demonstrations in Texas 2025.

Olivia's hard work has paid off in regional tournaments, including the 2024 Southern Ontario Spring Martial Arts International (SOSMAI) in Cobourg, where she won an impressive four medals: two bronze for traditional open hand and weapons, a silver for musical open hand, and a gold for her standout musical weapons performance, showcasing her skills with nunchakus, a rarity compared to the more commonly used bo staff. “When I step out there with nunchakus,



Olivia demonstrates one of her fighting stances during a visit to The Expositor.

everyone gets excited because it's exciting and it's unique. It's really fun and it's exciting because they move so fast.” When asked the difference between traditional and musical Olivia explained. “The traditional means that it's very serious and focused. Technique really matters. Musical is the same but it's set to music and it's more flashy and choreographed to the music. It can be a bit scary because you have to make sure to choose a unique song or music because you can't use the same music as someone else or you can't use it if they go before you.”

Looking ahead, Olivia is excited about participating in the upcoming 5KM Friendship Walk on Saturday, September 14, 2024, a fundraising event for the DeSantos Foundation. “The Friendship Walk is a fun 5 km event through Toronto. It's a lot of fun,” Olivia said. Community involvement has always been an integral part of the DeSantos philosophy from the Principles of Black Belt and Student Pledge. The club believes in contributing positive, empowering programs and vital resources to those living in our community both locally and globally.

The non-profit DeSantos Foundation is a way for DeSantos Martial Arts students and families to give back. This is a monetary fund that supports socially disadvantaged individuals and families by providing increased resources to help them reach their highest potential. Olivia told the Expositor “Last year, we helped

raise money for a school in Toronto that had never had a class trip. Not a single one! And we have also raised money for kids in Guiana and the Philippines too.” She went on to say how good it feels to be able to give back to the community or to give other children a chance to have resources they might not otherwise have if not for the efforts of the club.

“The 5 km walk will be a lot of fun, but the real challenge lies in the ‘Walk to the Falls.’” The event runs from September 19-22, 2024, and consists of a grueling 124 km journey from the CN Tower to Niagara Falls. “It's a really hard walk, but I will be doing all four days,” Olivia shared, revealing her rigorous preparation of walking 6 kms every other day on top of her regular training. Taking part in the walk represents one of the many milestones required for her to get her black belt.

The funds raised from these events will help support Olivia's participation in the 2024 World Association of Kickboxing Organizations (WAKO) World Juniors in Hungary. Mrs. Cicciarella said that they originally had a

goal of raising \$1000, but response and support has been overwhelming and they've already passed that initial goal. “The support has been really great and we've now increased our fundraising goal to \$5000.” When asked about her future aspirations, Olivia beamed, “I would really like to be a part of the 2026 WAKO World Juniors again, as well as the 2024 Ontario Winter Games in Thunder Bay.” With the 2024 Summer Olympics capturing global attention, Olivia also dreams of one day representing Canada on the world stage, adding, “It's tricky because the version of martial arts I do is a mixed martial arts style listed as Taekwondo, but is actually kickboxing. But you never know, that would be an amazing experience.”

Olivia's story is one of perseverance, community spirit, and the unyielding support of her family and mentors. Those wishing to support Olivia's journey, or wishing to participate in the fundraising events can visit www.desantos.ca, can donate by scanning the QR code provided.

WE ARE HIRING JUSTICE CASE MANAGER



The Justice Case Manager acts as a support person for individuals living with a mental health illness who are in conflict with the law by providing case management and rehabilitation & support to referred individuals. This includes diverting individuals out of the justice system by performing functions such as: attending court, developing support & diversion plans, supportive counselling, screening & education, and client & systems advocacy.

Qualifications:

- Completion of a Degree in a health or social services related discipline.
- Minimum 1 year of relevant work experience.
- Registration and/or Certification with regulating professional body is required.
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence & access to a reliable vehicle.

Salary Information:

Bachelor-Hourly, Step 1: \$27.57– Step 4: \$32.44
*Successful candidates for this position will start at Step 1 of the salary grid.

To apply, please submit your cover letter and resume to: recruitment@cmha-sm.on.ca

For the full job description, please visit our website: sm.cmha.ca



sm.cmha.ca



UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service
Oshki Makwa Niigaaniwizh Gabishiwin



Seeking applications for 2 Mature Camp Cook Assistants

For the week of August 11th – 16th, 2024

Job Description:

Assisting Camp Cook with all daily meals and snacks for each day for the youth and camp workers/instructors. This is a one-week program that ensures all camp participants receive wholesome nutritious meals while at camp.

Duties:

- Responsible and prompt for early work hours
- Receive verbal instructions from Lead Cook as to food preparation and cooking instructions
- Knowledge of sanitation and safety regulations to maintain all cooking, food prep surfaces and equipment areas as to health and safety standards
- Prep healthy snacks for youth and camp instructors and guests
- Verify that prepared foods meet requirements for quality and quantity
- Assist in preparation of food for cooking and distribution
- Operate large-volume cooking equipment – Outdoor grill, BBQ and deep fryer
- dishes after every meal
- Work around youth and adults as well as members of authority with respect

Qualifications:

- Food handler's certificate an asset
- Clear Vulnerable Sector Check
- Culinary experience in cooking for large groups would be an asset
- Help with occasional shopping of food supplies
- Experience in working with youth
- Willingness to work full days 7 am to 7 pm with breaks for the week

Please send in your letter of application and resume by **noon - August 7th, 2024** to:

UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service
Oshki Makwa Niigaaniwizh Gabishiwin
c/o Ann Ziegler, Office Administrator/Camp Coordinator
5926 Hwy 540, P.O. Box 332
M'Chigeeng, ON
POP 1G0

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

UCCM Building Material Supply in M'Chigeeng (Castle) is looking for a full-time store clerk.

Duties will include: greeting and assisting customers with their purchases, operating the cash register and balancing daily deposits, processing sales using computerized sales system, preparing quotes, answering phones, assisting with stocking shelves and pricing merchandise and other duties as required. Experience in customer service and knowledge in hardware and building materials would be ideal.

Please mail or email resume and cover letter to:
UCCM Building Material Supply
P.O. Box 295
M'Chigeeng, Ontario P0P 1G0
Info@uccmcastle.com

Sherron Clarke Memorial Carp Derp hauls in 49 participants

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—A total of 12 teams and 49 registered participants (including seven junior participants) took part in the 41st annual Sherron Clarke Memorial Carp Derby in Gore Bay and area waters the

second weekend in June. The derby is organized by Cody Hunter and Kaleigh Harrietha.

“We would like to say thanks to everyone who participated this weekend,” said Ms. Harrietha at the awards ceremony


held June 9 at the Royal Canadian Legion in Gore Bay. “Despite the crappy weather, everyone still came out to support the derby.”

Ms. Harrietha explained on Saturday that while there were no carp,



The 41st annual Sherron Clarke Memorial Carp Derby was held earlier this summer. Taking first place in the tournament was the team made up of, from left in photo, Cody Hunter, Jarvis Debassige, Andrew Wood and Stacy Rayner.


photo by Tom Sasvari



JOB OPPORTUNITY!

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

WAUBETEK BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION



The Waubetek Business Development Corporation (a Community Futures Development Corporation and an Aboriginal Financial Institution) is seeking an experienced Business Development Officer to work with applicants who are seeking access to Waubetek's financial services to start a new business or expand or acquire an existing business.

The individual for this position must have the following qualifications:

- a) Must have graduated from a post-secondary program in business administration, commerce, economics and/or accounting.
- b) Must have a minimum of two years direct experience in assisting individuals with financial services or through the business development process.
- c) It would be preferred if the applicant has experience in a variety of business sectors and/or industries.
- d) Must have the ability to prepare business analyses, as well as financial and cash flow projections.
- e) Must be proficient in use of various types of business and communications software (word processing, spreadsheets, email, net searching, etc.).
- f) Must have excellent written and oral communication skills.
- g) Must have experience in delivering workshops and public presentations related to business programs, entrepreneurship, marketing, etc.
- h) Must have strong organizational skills and work cooperatively with the Business Development Team.
- i) Must have a solid working knowledge of the First Nation communities in Northeast Ontario.
- j) Must have a valid Driver's licence and own a reliable vehicle as business outreach is required.

Please provide a letter of application addressing each of the requirements above, a detailed resume and three reference letters no later than **4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 16th, 2024**, to the attention of the General Manager, Waubetek Business Development Corporation via email to dmadahbee@waubetek.com with the subject **"BDO Position."** Miigwetch!

there were 25 dogfish harvested by participants. Again, on Sunday there were no carp harvested, but five dogfish were caught. “The grand totals for the weekend were 30 fish caught, all dogfish.”

Taking first place prize was the Cody Hunter team with 19 points. His team included Stacy Rayner, Jarvis Debassige and Andrew Wood.

Finishing in second was the Adam Brown team which had 14 points with seven dogfish har-

vested. Mr. Browns team also included Terry Kay and Jesse McMurray.


The John Seabrook team which included Landon Seifried, Dustin and Anders placed third. The Darren Nodecker Memorial award for the most dogfish (nine) harvested during the weekend was won by the Cody Hunter team.

The Scott McPhee team included Ron Hall, Jeff. B. and Billy M. won the prize for the most fish harvested Sunday (two dogfish).

The prize for the most unique garbage found by participants in the water during the weekend, the side of a boat, was won by the John Honse team.

The Don Chilton Mystery draw (for the prize of next year's entry fee being paid for) was won by the John Seabrook team.

“We would like to thank the two of you (Ms. Harrietha and Mr. Hunter) for all your hard work in organizing this derby,” added one of the participants in the derby.



Conseil des Services du District de

Manitoulin-Sudbury

District Services Board

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

Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (DSB) is looking for a self-motivated & energetic individual to join our industry-leading organization which works towards the delivery of high-quality services and programs to the residents of Manitoulin-Sudbury districts. Created by the provincial government, the DSB is responsible for overseeing and managing a range of services divested to the municipal order of government, including Ontario Works, Community Housing, Paramedic Services (Land Ambulance), Non-Urgent Patient Transportation, and Early Learning and Child Care Services.

At Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB, we welcome new and diverse talent! We are currently searching for our next **Patient Transportation Attendant**.


What You Offer

- Effective oral and written communication
- Physically able to perform two-person lifts and transfers
- Compassion, confidentiality, and dignity for patients
- Knowledge of technical systems, including computers, tablets, fax machines, internet and email.
- Understanding of basic word processing software (Microsoft Word)


What We Offer

- Competitive salary
- A wellness program that is available to spouses and children.
- Career growth
- Diverse and inclusive work culture
- Continuing education for staff

For more information on this position, and how to apply please use this QR code.



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At Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB, we welcome new and diverse talent! We are currently searching for our next **Personal Support Worker**.

What You Offer

- Effective oral and written communication
- Physically able to perform two-person lifts and transfers
- Maintain ongoing patient care during transportation to and from receiving/sending facilities
- Assess patients including vital signs and report abnormal findings to sending and/or receiving facility
- Compassion, confidentiality, and dignity for patients
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Level: Intermediate

Here's how it works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1-9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. Spiritual leaders
 - 7. A solution
 - 13. Fortified wine
 - 14. Edible mollusk
 - 16. Blood group
 - 17. A way to compare
 - 19. Gov't lawyer
 - 20. Actor Ciaran
 - 22. Calendar month
 - 23. Very willing
 - 25. ___ ex Machina
 - 26. Satisfies
 - 28. Type of berry
 - 29. Distinctive practice
 - 30. Popular pickup truck model
 - 31. Dekagram
 - 33. Naturally occurring solid material
 - 34. Company officer
 - 36. Villains
 - 38. Cricket frogs
 - 40. German founder of psychology
 - 41. Endured
 - 43. A female domestic
 - 44. A situation you can be in
 - 45. Cigarette (slang)
 - 47. Fiber optic network (abbr.)
 - 48. Belgian composer Walter
 - 51. Employee stock ownership plan
 - 53. Belonging to the bottom layer
 - 55. Musical or vocal sound
 - 56. Yankees' great Judge
 - 58. Dickens character
 - 59. Beloved late sportscaster Craig
 - 60. South Dakota
 - 61. Exposing human vice or folly to ridicule
 - 64. Atomic #79
 - 65. Former Braves pitcher Julio
 - 67. Humor
 - 69. Shawl
 - 70. Hospital unit
- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Animal disease
 - 2. Commercial
 - 3. Arts and crafts supplies
 - 4. Containers
 - 5. Investment vehicle
 - 6. A way to greet in a friendly way
 - 7. Bulged downward
 - 8. "A Day Without" singer
 - 9. Lay about
 - 10. Intestinal
 - 11. Negative
 - 12. Caused to be loved
 - 13. Prominent in Islamic eschatology
 - 15. Sincere
 - 18. Not in
 - 21. Number above the line in a fraction
 - 24. Bill Murray chased one
 - 26. Pouch
 - 27. Swedish krona
 - 30. Start over
 - 32. Wild white or yellow flower
 - 35. Fourteen
 - 37. Visual way of interacting with a computer (abbr.)
 - 38. Up-to-date
 - 39. Campaigns
 - 42. Touch lightly
 - 43. "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen
 - 46. Violent seizure of property
 - 47. One who supports the Pope
 - 49. Malaise
 - 50. Body fluid
 - 52. Inauthentic person
 - 54. Title of respect
 - 55. Chilean city
 - 57. Central Japanese city
 - 59. Garment
 - 62. Draw from
 - 63. Automobile
 - 66. The man
 - 68. Top government lawyer

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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HOROSCOPES

August 4-10

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you hold the key to success right now, so everyone wants to be in your corner. Take things in stride and maintain your focus while accepting all the support.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, it is important that you streamline your workflow this week; otherwise, you may not meet the deadlines imposed upon you. Start implementing a new strategy.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21
This is the week to take the road less traveled, Gemini. Blaze your own trail, get out into the wilderness and possibly expand your horizons. A spontaneous idea like this can pay dividends.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, someone in your social circle could be shielding the truth and it may frustrate you. But you can't come out and accuse this person without proof. Step back for the time being.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
An important relationship could be coming to an end for you, Leo. You could try to salvage things, but you have to look at the bigger picture and determine if it is good to move on.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, you have been coasting along without a firm direction for too long at this point. While it may have been working for you, you will soon fare better with a more

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Be mindful of other people's situations before you engage with them, Libra. What may be a good time for you will not necessarily be ideal for those around you.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, someone in your life has proven worthy of more attention. Give this person a little extra love in the days to come, and direct your focus to having a good time.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Social activities seemingly bloom around you this week, Sagittarius. There could be so much going on that you don't know where to get started. Perhaps let friends lead the festivities.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Remember, Capricorn, others are not just listening to what you say, they are reading into your actions. Make sure you are genuine in both your words and gestures this week.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
This week you may have to take the first step in rekindling an important relationship, Aquarius. Are you ready to be the catalyst?

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
There is not much you can do about financial issues, Pisces. Make an effort to start spending less, which may be the catalyst for a real examination of your budget.